

Complaints Against Councillors

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4. Complaints.

There have been eight unsubstantiated complaints against three councillors related to the Neighbourhood Plan process. These have come from Mr Martin Brown and Mr Lance Austin. An Independent Investigator, an Independent Person, and the Monitoring Officer have found no evidence of any breach of councillor code of conduct. The monitoring officer has confirmed that the governance arrangements for the Neighbourhood Plan process are sound, and the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations are being followed. He has also reported that the Department for Communities and Local Government are impressed with the approach being taken by Worth Parish Council.

I attach the monitoring officer's full report to the Standards Committee.