

REPORT of MONITORING OFFICER

to COVID - 19 INTERIM MEASURES GROUP 30 MARCH 2020

STANDARDS COMPLAINT - COUNCILLOR CHRISY MORRIS

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To advise the Committee about an investigation following a complaint against Councillor Chrisy Morris.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- (i) For the Committee to consider my report;
- (ii) For the Committee to decide if Councillor Morris has failed to comply with the Code of Conduct;
- (iii) If it is decided that Councillor Morris has breached the Code of Conduct, the Committee to consider what sanctions (if any) are to be made in light of the report.

3. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

3.1 Please see two investigation reports attached at **APPENDIX 1** and **2** to this report.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 The Committee must decide based on the evidence before them:
 - (a) That Councillor Morris has not failed to comply with the Member Code of Conduct and no further action needs to be taken in respect of the matters considered at the hearing; or
 - (b) That Councillor Morris has failed to comply with the Member Code of Conduct but that no further action needs to be taken in respect of the matters considered at the hearing; or
 - (c) That Councillor Morris has failed to comply with the Member Code of Conduct and that a sanction and/or an informal resolution should be imposed in respect of the matters considered at the hearing.

5. IMPACT ON STRATEGIC THEMES

5.1 None.

6. IMPLICATIONS

- (i) <u>Impact on Customers</u> None.
- (ii) <u>Impact on Equalities</u> None.
- (iii) <u>Impact on Risk</u> None.
- (iv) <u>Impact on Resources (financial)</u> None.
- (v) <u>Impact on Resources (human)</u> None.
- (vi) <u>Impact on the Environment</u> None.
- (vii) <u>Impact on Strengthening Communities</u> None.

Background Papers: None.

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