

Report to COUNCIL

Outcome of the Standards Hearing Sub-Committee regarding complaints against Councillor Bates

Report of the Director of Legal Services

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1. Background

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to request that Council note the outcome of the hearing undertaken by the Standards Hearing Sub-Committee in respect of a complaint against Councillor Bates made by Councillors Garry and Dawson.
- 1.2 The Standards Hearing Sub-Committee resolved to report its findings to Council.
- 1.3 The Standards Hearing Sub-Committee also recommended to Council that Councillor Bates be censured.
- 1.4 The notice of decision is attached at Appendix 1. A redacted report of the Investigating Officer is attached at Appendix 2.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 Members are requested to note the findings of the Standards Hearing Sub-Committee
- 2.2 Members are requested to consider whether to censure Councillor Bates

The background papers to this report contain exempt information under schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

File: Standards Complaint