

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

12th June 2013

Complaints and Conduct Matters for the period 22 November 2012 to 31 March 2013

Purpose of Report

1. The Elected Local Policing Bodies (Specified Information) Order 2011 requires Police and Crime Panels (PCP) to publish the number of complaints or conduct matters that have been brought to the attention of a relevant office holder (i.e. the Police and Crime Commissioner or his Deputy) by the Police and Crime Panel.
2. This report provides information in respect of the number of complaints and conduct matters that have been received by the Monitoring Officer of Wiltshire Council for the period 22 November 2012 to 31 March 2013.

Background

3. PCPs have statutory responsibilities under the Elected Policing Bodies (Complaints and misconduct) Regulations 2012 relating to the handling and recording of complaints about the Police and Crime Commissioner or his Deputy.
4. The Wiltshire PCP has delegated the implementation of its complaints process to the Monitoring Officer of Wiltshire Council.
5. This report provides the PCP with details of those complaints and conduct matters that have been received by the Monitoring Officer and either subjected to informal resolution or referred to the Independent Police Complaints Commission, as appropriate.
6. The PCP is required by the Regulations to publish this information in respect of each financial year, as soon as practicable after the end of the financial year to which it relates.
7. Those complaints and conduct matters that have been received by the Monitoring Officer for the period 22 November 2012 to 31 March 2013 are detailed below.

Main issues for consideration by the Committee

8. During the period 22 November 2012 to 31 March 2013 the Monitoring Officer received two potential complaints.
9. However, upon consideration by the Monitoring Officer, neither of these potential complaints arose from the personal conduct of the PCC and therefore did not fall within the framework of the Elected Policing Bodies (Complaints and misconduct) Regulations 2012.

10. The first complaint was received in February 2013 and related to operational matters and to police personnel. A copy of the complainant's letter was forwarded to the Chief Constable to consider how to respond to the issues that were raised.
11. The second complaint was also received in February 2013. The complaint related to operational matters and an alleged crime which had already been dealt with by the Police and the case closed. The complainant was advised that the matter could not be taken further by the Monitoring Officer.

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The following unpublished documents have been relied on in the preparation of this Report:

None