## **Standards Committee 16 September 2015**

## Code of Conduct Complaints - Status Report Complaints received and progressed under new arrangements

	Cases received	Cases open (cumulative)	Assessed investigation	Assessed no further action	Assessed alternative resolution/complaint withdrawn	Pending assessment	Cases closed
2012							
May - December	25	11	1	24	0	0	14
2013							
January - December	24	11	0	16	7	1	24
2014							
January - December	79	17	1	62	16	0	73
2015							
January	1	10	1	0	0	0	8
February	9	15	0	7	2 *	0	4
March	3	16	0	1	1**	1	2
April	2	16	0	2	0	0	2
May	5	21	0	4	1***	0	0
June	8	22	0	6	2***	0	7
July	4	16	0	2	1***	1	10
August	2	15	0	0	0	2	3
Totals for 2015 to date	34	N/A	1	22	7	4	36

Appeals received					
4 (not upheld)					
5 (not upheld)					
16 (14 not upheld & 2 upheld)					
2 (not upheld)					
3 (not upheld)					
0					
0					
0					
0					
3 (not upheld)					
1 (not upheld)					
9					

<sup>\*</sup>possible referral to Police

<sup>\*\*</sup> not Code of Conduct

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> full information not provided

## Complaints referred for investigation since 1 January 2014

Case reference	Date of Assessment	Progress		
WC 13/14	29/04/2014	Finding of no breach - MO's endorsement of finding sent to all parties. No review - case closed 23/06/2015		
WC 24/14	30/05/2014	Finding of no breach - MO's endorsement of finding sent to all parties. No review - case closed 03/06/2015		
WC-ENQ00081	19/02/2015	Finding of no breach - MO's endorsement of finding sent to all parties. No review - case closed 11/08/2015		

The types of complaints received 2015 to date are categorised as follows:

Type of complaint	Number
Inappropriate use of social media	9
Non-disclosure of interests/participating and voting at meetings	8
Inappropriate behaviour i.e. disrespect	4
Failing to respond to letter/emails or to provide information	4
Pre-determination of planning applications	2
Showing bias towards/against parishioners	2
Used position to restrict candidates for vacancy on parish council	1
Subject member not calling in planning application	1
Subject member influenced by neighbours of planning applicant	1
Subject member acting undemocratically towards complainant	1
Deliberate misrepresentation of facts	1