

Appendix

	<b>File Ref</b>	<b>District or Parish Councillor</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Progress/Outcome</b>
1	SB 2020-1	Parish	Alleged harassment and vexatious behaviour	No jurisdiction – complaint related to the individual’s behaviour in a private capacity
2	SB 2020-4	Parish	Allegations about Parish Councillor’s conduct on social media	No jurisdiction – complaint related to the individual’s behaviour in a private capacity
3	SB 2020-5	Parish	Allegations about Parish Council decision around the award of a grass cutting contract	Independent person and Monitoring Officer agreed not to refer for investigation as there was an absence of any evidence of a relationship requiring declaration as an interest; it was not a reasonable nor proportionate use of Harrogate Council resources to investigate this; a more proportionate response would be the observance of the recommendation from the recent Panel hearing for all Parish Councillors to attend training on standards.
4	SB 2020-6	Parish	Allegations about Parish Councillor’s conduct on social media	No jurisdiction – complaint related to the individual’s behaviour in a private capacity
5	SB 2020-7	District	Allegations of threatening behaviour	No jurisdiction – complaint related to the individual’s behaviour in a private capacity
6	SB 2020-8	District	Communications about planning application progress	Independent Person and Monitoring Officer agreed not to refer for investigation as there was no evidence of misconduct. Councillor was providing an update on a planning application in his ward. Councillor was inviting those emailed to respond to the consultation as entitled to do. The councillor was also offering to put forward resident’s concerns to planning officers - again something ward members do.
7	SB 2020-11	District	Complaint about accuracy of information supplied in response to a public question	Councillor was communicating information he received from officers and therefore difficult to see how the statements made by the Councillor could constitute a breach of the code of conduct for members. Independent

				person and Monitoring Officer agreed not to refer for investigation
8	SB 2020-13	District	Complaint of disrespectful terminology used to describe another councillor's comments during debate	Independent person and Monitoring Officer agreed not to refer for investigation based on the principles in Livingstone v The Adjudication Panel for England and Heesom v Public Service Ombudsman for Wales concerning freedom of expression
9.	SB 2020-15	District	Alleged disrespectful email	Independent person and Monitoring Officer agreed not to refer for investigation on the basis that when taken as a whole and objectively viewed the communication could not be regarded as disrespectful.