NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

16 September 2022

Complaints Update

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To update the Committee regarding ethical framework complaint activity.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 A standing report regarding complaint activity under the ethical framework is brought to each meeting of the Standards Committee.

3.0 COMPLAINTS

New Complaints

3.1 There have been four new, connected, complaints received since the last Complaints Update report to the Committee:

NYCC/SC/80 - 83

A member of the public has made connected complaints against various councillors, arising out of the same set of circumstances, relating to allegations of making, or failing to take action in relation to hearing, racist comments made. The case is currently under consideration by the Monitoring Officer and a further update will be given to the Committee when the Monitoring Officer is in a position to do so.

4.0 STATISTICS

- 4.1 For the year 1 April 2022 to date, the Council has received the four formal standards complaints (NYCC/SC/80-83) referred to above.
- 4.2 Members will be kept updated.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no significant financial implications arising from this report.

6.0 **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 There are no significant legal implications arising from this report.

7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no significant environmental/climate change implications arising from this report.

8.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 That the Committee notes the current position on complaints received.

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Background Documents: None

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6 September 2022