

Report to	-	Audit and Standards Committee
Date	-	11 December 2017
Report of the	-	Monitoring Officer
Subject	-	Code of Conduct Complaints Monitoring

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**Recommendation:** It be **RESOLVED:** That the report be noted.

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**Service Manager: John Collins**

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### **Introduction**

1. This routine report sets out brief details of the complaints received since the last meeting; as agreed by the Committee, this report will present cases on a 6 monthly rolling basis.

### **Complaints Received**

2. No complaints have been received in this period.
3. One previous 2016 complaint (C16-04) was challenged at the Local Government Ombudsman (also reported separately at this meeting). This complaint centred around Sedlescombe Parish and Planning. The Ombudsman “found no fault in the way that the Council investigated Mr B’s code of conduct complaint”. It is not usual for the Ombudsman to take up Standards complaints, or indeed parish matters.
4. There are no outstanding complaints.
5. Relatively few informal issues have been raised during this period.

John Collins  
Monitoring Officer

### **Risk Assessment Statement**

There are no risks associated with this report.