

## TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL MONITORING OFFICER UPDATE JULY 2025

Council	Complainant	Current status	Final outcome	Comments
<b>Existing Cases from last update:</b>				
Council	Complainant	Current status	Final outcome	Comments
TOWN	PUBLIC – received 05 Dec 2024	ONGOING	Investigation – internally appointed Investigator	Matter relates to use of social media.
TOWN	PUBLIC – received 05 Dec 2024	ONGOING	Pending	Matter relates to public statements on the Town Council's website. Relates to Town Council rather than individual Councillors.
PARISH	PARISH COUNCILLOR – received 05 Mar 2025	ONGOING	Investigation – internally appointed Investigator	Matter relates to behaviour between Parish Councillors whilst acting in an official capacity.
DISTRICT	PUBLIC – received 11 Mar 2025	ONGOING	Investigation – internally appointed Investigator	Matter relates to communications between parties.
TOWN	PUBLIC – received 02 April 2025	CLOSED	No further action	Matter relates to behaviour whilst acting in an official capacity. Also relates to a long running dispute between parties in which resolution should be sought between parties.
TOWN	PUBLIC – received 02 April 2025	CLOSED	No further action	Matter relates to behaviour whilst acting in an official capacity. Also relates to a long running dispute between parties in which resolution should be sought between parties.
<b>New Cases since last update - two</b>				
<b><u>General Notes – 2025/26 Summary:</u></b>  Overall three cases have been received so far in 2025/26.				

Since the last update, one case remains being investigated by one internally appointed investigator, with a further two assigned to this investigator. One case remains ongoing and two cases have been closed with no further action.

#### **Requests for dispensations:**

One dispensation was granted by the Monitoring Officer for the purpose of the meeting of the Planning Committee on 13 May 2025. Advice was given by the Monitoring Officer in respect of a potential request for a dispensation and upon discussion the Councillor decided not to formally request a dispensation.

**Members' Code of Conduct training** - training was conducted by the Monitoring Officer at the All Members' Development Session on 18 June 2025.

**Members' Declaration of Interests** – Reminders were given to all Members present at the above meeting, and through electronic communication to all Members, that Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Registerable Interests and Non-Registerable Interests must be updated annually and within 28 days of any change. The Council's External Auditors have previously made reference to outstanding updates. At the time of writing, two Councillors remain outstanding in providing any update.