

<b>Committee :</b>	<b>STANDARDS COMMITTEE</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>7 April 2014</b>
<b>Title</b>	<b>Allegations against members</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Monitoring Officer</b>
<b>Action:</b>	<b>For Information</b>

## **1. Background**

The purpose of this report is to present information to the Committee regarding formal complaints made against members. The report is based on information received from the Ombudsman and the case references are his.

## **2. Complaints**

### **2.1 Case No.201300346**

**Date received:** 23/04/13

#### **Complaint**

That a county councillor had secretly filmed and recorded a conversation and then put it on his Facebook page.

#### **Decision**

Investigation continuing.

### **2.2 Case No.201301307**

**Date received:** 06/06/13

#### **Complaint**

That a county councillor had behaved in a threatening manner towards the complainant.

#### **Decision**

Investigation continuing.

### **2.3 Case No. 4414/201301916**

**Date received:** (arose from investigation into 2.1 above)

#### **Complaint**

The Ombudsman has decided to investigate matters that came to his attention as part of the investigation into another complaint against the councillor (para 2.1 above):

- Bringing his office as councillor or the authority into disrepute
- Conflict between the councillor's business interests and his role as councillor and misuse of his position as councillor
- Attending a meeting where a conflict of interests could arise ,contrary to the Monitoring Officer's advice
- Behaviour towards member of the public contrary to Code of Conduct

#### **Decision**

Investigation continuing.

### **2.4 Case No. 201301629**

**Date received:** 17/06/13

#### **Complaint**

That a town councillor had failed to declare an interest at a meeting of the council.

#### **Decision**

Investigation continuing.

### **3. Cases heard by the Standards Committee.**

The Adjudication Panel for Wales has now published its full decision on Cllr. Jones' appeal (see **Appendix**). Following its meeting on 27/01/14 a letter was sent to Cllr. Jones informing him of the committee's decision. A copy of the Committee's report was placed on the Council's website and at Siop Gwynedd, Caernarfon and a notice was placed in the newspapers as required by the regulations.

### **4. Recommendation**

The Committee is asked to note the information.