

# Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Item 12

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### **Police and Crime Panel**

## The Old Restaurant, Wakefield Town Hall

# **Complaints Received by the Panel**

### 1. Summary

- 1.1 Through the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, the West Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel has a duty to record and consider non-criminal complaints made against the Mayor of West Yorkshire when acting in relation to their policing and crime functions, and the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime (DMPC).
- 1.2 The Monitoring Officer has authority for filtering complaints and must refer the following to the IOPC:
  - 1.2.1 All Recorded Conduct Matters;
  - 1.2.2 All Serious Complaints (i.e. a complaint that constitutes or involves or appears to constitute or involve, the commission of a criminal offence)

#### 2. Complaints received by the Panel

- 2.3 It was reported to the June meeting that the Panel had one ongoing complaint against the Deputy Mayor. Panel were at the time waiting for further information from the Deputy Mayor before considering the complaint further. Following receipt of the information, the Complaints Chair, Monitoring Officer and Panel Officer considered the complaint further on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022.
- As the matter is concerned entirely with the DMPC's conduct relating to staff deployed by the WYCA when the conduct was supposed to have taken place, it was agreed to disapply the regulation in accordance with Regulation 15(3)(a), as referenced in 17.2(i) of the Panel's Complaints and Misconduct Procedure and that **no further action be taken**.
- 2.5 A further conduct matter relating to the DMPC has been brought to the Monitoring Officer's attention which has been recorded by the Panel, and as required by the regulations, this was referred to the Independent Office for Police Conduct (IOPC). The IOPC have notified the Panel that this matter will be subject to an independent investigation. There is no further role for the Panel at this stage.

### 3. Recommendation

3.1 That members note the contents of this report.