

## Governance Committee

### Appendix 1: Publication of Information benchmarking to other Local Authorities

2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025

	Does the Council publishing code of conduct complaint information online?	Is the Standards Committee (or eviq.) livestreamed?
Teignbridge	Do not publish - verbal update on complaints captured in the Governance Committee meeting minutes.	No
Exeter	Do not publish	Yes – Audit and Governance Committee
East Devon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes – publishes hearing decisions and decision other than by way of hearing, including no finding of a breach.</li> <li>• Publishes a summary of information as part of the <a href="#">Standards Committee Annual Report</a></li> <li>• Publishes an <a href="#">update</a> as part of each Standards Committee agenda</li> </ul>	Yes
Mid Devon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Publishes an <a href="#">update</a> as part of each Standards Committee agenda – either a report or a verbal update captured in the meeting minutes</li> <li>• Publishes figures as part of a <a href="#">Annual Report</a> to the Standards Committee</li> </ul>	Yes
North Devon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Publish the list of <a href="#">formal remedies</a> imposed with a summary of the complaint and which member (although there is only 2 published, one from 2013 and one from 2019).</li> </ul>	Yes – as Governance Committee includes the Audit role
Torridge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Verbal update to the Standards Committee – information is captured in the meeting minutes</li> <li>• Do not publish decisions</li> </ul>	Yes
West Devon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Publish complaint decisions where there has been a breach – or where the member requested a no further action decision to be published. These date back to 2020.</li> </ul>	Yes – Audit and Governance Committee

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publish a <a href="#">Annual Report on the Code of Conduct</a> to the Audit and Governance Committee, which includes a <a href="#">summary of the complaints received</a> (Both reports combine West Devon and South Hams information)</li> <li></li> </ul>	
South Hams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publish complaint decisions where there has been a breach – or where the member requested a no further action decision to be published. These date back to 2023.</li> <li>Publish a <a href="#">Annual Report on the Code of Conduct</a> to the Audit and Governance Committee, which includes a <a href="#">summary of the complaints received</a> (Both reports combine West Devon and South Hams information)</li> </ul>	Yes – Audit and Governance Committee
Devon County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publish an <a href="#">Annual Report of the Standards Committee</a></li> <li>An <a href="#">update with summaries of current complaints</a> are published with each Standards Committee meeting agenda</li> <li>Contents of initial assessment an investigation remain confidential.</li> </ul>	Yes
Torbay	Publish the complaint and outcomes from <a href="#">Standards sub-committee hearings</a> .	No
Plymouth	The outcome of the complaint is published on council's website only where a breach is found.	No
Cornwall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publishes all complaints including invalid/rejected complaints and separates them from the ones considered by committee within the current tax year (April/March)</li> <li>Publishes summaries in the <a href="#">Standards Committee Annual Report</a></li> <li>Publishes a <a href="#">quarterly update</a> at Standards Committee Meetings</li> </ul>	No
Somerset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publish a <a href="#">Code of Conduct Complaints Annual Report</a> to the Standards Committee</li> <li>Publish <a href="#">quarterly updates with summaries of complaints</a> to Standards Committee meetings</li> </ul>	Yes

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Dorset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investigations are published as part of the agenda reports pack for <a href="#">Standards Sub-Committee meetings</a>.</li> <li>Updates on Code of Conduct complaints are not routinely published</li> </ul>	Yes – Audit and Governance Committee
BCP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual <a href="#">Report of Code of Conduct Complaints</a> published to the Standards Committee</li> <li>Regular <a href="#">update report</a> at each Committee meeting</li> </ul>	Yes