



**DECISION NOTICE**  
**Refer for Hearing & Take no Further**  
**Action**

**Reference LSF. 13. 2011**

**Complaint**

On 1 February 2012, a meeting was held of the Consideration Sub-Committee of Warwick District Council's Standards Committee consisting of Mr C Purser, Councillor V Owen and Councillor Mrs Syson, to consider the following matter.

The complaint was regarding the conduct of Councillors Andrew Day [REDACTED] and Graham Leeke of Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council alleging the failure to declare interest under the Code of Conduct; [REDACTED]

An investigation had been held by Mr P Oliver, on behalf of the Monitoring Officer, with regard to:

- (1) the declaration of interests declared by Councillor Day, [REDACTED] and Leeke when considering the provision of £50,000 to the PCC as a contribution to the new hall at St Chad's Parish Church; and [REDACTED]

**Decision**

In accordance with Section 57A(2) of the Local Government Act 2000, as amended, the Consideration Sub-Committee of the Standards Committee decided that

- (1) Councillor Day failed to declare a prejudicial interest in St Chad's Centre at a meeting of Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council on 21 January 2010 and failed to declare a personal and prejudicial interest at the Parish Council meeting on 20 May 2011 and therefore this matter be referred to a Hearing; [REDACTED]

- (4) Councillor Leeke had a personal interest, but not prejudicial, which he declared at the Parish Council meeting 21 January 2010 but not the 20 May 2010 meeting. Therefore he failed to comply with the code of conduct on 20 May 2010 meeting and this aspect should be referred for a Hearing.

A copy of this decision notice will be sent to Councillors, Day, [REDACTED] and Leeke, the Clerk to the Parish Council, the complainant Mr Norris and the Investigating Officer Mr Oliver.

### **Reasons for decision**

The Committee were in agreement of the recommendations of the Investigating officers report

### **Right of review**

There is no right of review of the decision.

### **Terms of reference**

The Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 amends the Local Government Act 2000, which now provides for the local assessment of new complaints that members of relevant authorities may have breached the Code of Conduct. The Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008 make provision for the investigation and determination of such complaints by setting out the framework for the operation of a locally based system for the assessment, referral and investigation of complaints of misconduct by members of authorities.

### **Additional Help**

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**Signed**

**Date** 1 February 2012

**Chairman of the Consideration Sub-Committee**