

Councillor Conduct Register

1 July 2024 – 30 June 2025

Updated: 21 April 2026

Reference	Date of Complaint	Name of Councillor ¹	Summary of Complaint	Decision Maker	Date of Decision	Summary of Decision	Reason for Decision	Action Taken (if applicable)
C/24/00988	10 Dec 2024	Not included	It was alleged that on 9 December 2024, a Councillor made statements in a video posted to their Facebook account in relation to a site visit to the Southern Moreton Bay Islands in July 2024. It was alleged that the Councillor stated in the video they were not invited to the visit and made further written commentary within the post indicating they were not informed about the visit. It was alleged that this commentary was knowingly incorrect and purposefully misleading.	Council	22 Jan 2025	Council resolved to not start an investigation pursuant to section 150AEA (1)(a)(i) of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> , about the Councillor's conduct after receiving a referral notice from the Office of Independent Assessor, where the complaint has been withdrawn.	At the General Meeting held on 22 January 2025, Council resolved to not start an investigation as the complainant withdrew the complaint, and under section 150AEA Council can choose whether or not to start, or to discontinue, an investigation on the basis the complaint has been withdrawn.	Not applicable.
C/25/00003 & C/25/00009	3 Jan 2025	Not included	<p>It was alleged that on 9 December 2024, the Councillor posted a video to their Facebook page containing oral comments which misrepresented the facts surrounding a site visit to the Southern Moreton Bay Islands on 30 July 2024.</p> <p>It was alleged that on 9 December 2024, the Councillor made two written comments in the comments section of the Facebook post containing the aforementioned video, which misrepresented the facts surrounding the site visit to the Southern Moreton Bay Islands on 30 July 2024.</p>	Council	16 Apr 2025	Council accepted that the allegations were unsubstantiated.	At the General Meeting held on 16 April 2025, Council considered the Summary Investigation Report and Investigation Report and resolved to accept the findings contained within the report that both allegations were unsubstantiated.	Based on this decision no disciplinary action under section 150AH of the Act was recommended.

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C/25/00058	29 Jan 2025	Mayor Jos Mitchell	It was alleged that on 28 January 2025, the Councillor reposted a Facebook post made by the Mayor of Ipswich City Council to their Facebook page and made written comments in relation to Redland City Council's proposed Media Relations and Speeches Guideline which were false and misleading, disrespectful to fellow Councillors, and may tend to diminish the reputation of Council.	Council	21 May 2025	Council resolved that, in accordance with Section 150AG of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> , Mayor Mitchell had engaged in a conduct breach.	At the General Meeting held on 21 May 2025, Council determined that the mayor committed a conduct breach because, at the time the comments were made publicly, the mayor was aware (or ought reasonably to have been aware) that the relevant guideline had been amended and was in effect. The guideline change was discussed at a Councillor workshop, formally amended on 9 December 2024, published on the Council intranet, directly discussed with the mayor, and clearly communicated to all Councillors through multiple emails. Despite this, the mayor publicly suggested that the amendment process lacked transparency and should have been brought to a Council meeting and made comments inconsistent with the amended guideline. Council found this did not justify disregarding the guideline, noting it is not a policy and was amended through the usual process, and that Councillors are responsible for informing themselves of workshop content and operational updates.	Council decided the mayor be reprimanded for her conduct in accordance with section 150AH(b)(ii) of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> . The reprimand carried with it no other Penalty.
C/25/00060	29 Jan 2025	Not included	<p>It was alleged that the Councillor failed to moderate comments made by third parties to the Facebook post that could be reasonably considered to be unfair or damaging to Council's reputation and other Councillors.</p> <p>It was alleged that this failure to moderate is said to breach a Council resolution of 18 December 2024 in relation to online bullying and Councillors' responsibility for the proactive management of such social media commentary.</p>	Council	21 May 2025	Council accepted that the allegation was unsubstantiated.	At the General Meeting held on 21 May 2025, Council considered the Summary Investigation Report and Investigation Report and resolved to accept the findings contained within the report and that the allegation was unsubstantiated.	Based on this decision no disciplinary action under section 150AH of the Act was recommended.

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