



Delivering local determinations and setting sanctions

Exercise 1 (part 2)

Before the start of the meeting you receive a copy of the following letter from the complainant.

Dear members of the standards committee,

I have seen the report done by the investigating officer into my complaint about Cllr Matey. What a joke! Talk about taking the money and running. He has not spoken to any of the people who could have given him chapter and verse on the friendship that exists between Mr Bunn and Cllr Matey.

They both go to the same gym, their wives are both members of the WI, their kids go to the same school, they drink in the same pub and they are both members of the same political party. All this seems to have been ignored by the investigating officer who barely spoke to me for 10 minutes when he came to see me. Did he speak to the staff at the gym or the pub? Did he interview the officers of the WI or the political party? There is no evidence of it from the report I read.

Mr Bunn and Cllr Matey are as thick as thieves and you need to make sure they don't get away with it.

Yours, etc

What are you going to do?