

## Conduct Allegation - Decision Notice

**Subject Member: Cllr Mark Shaw (Uppingham Town Council)**

**Date complaint received: 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

**Date of Decision: 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

**Independent Person consulted: 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021**

Summary of Complaint	That the Subject Member had: i) Harassed the complainant and/or his builders ii) Disclosed the complaint to a third party. iii) Sent a cease and desist letter to the complainant
Findings of Fact	There was no evidence to support the allegation of harassment. Members were also not satisfied that the subject member could be said to be responsible for the cease and desist letter as it was sent by a third party. The subject member accepted that he had disclosed details of the complaint to a third party.
Decision	The subject member breached (5) of the Member Obligations in Uppingham Town Council's Code of Conduct which prescribes that Members shall not, 'disclose information which is confidential or where disclosure is prohibited by law.
Reason for Decision	There was clear evidence, including his own, that Cllr Shaw had disclosed information, which he knew was confidential, to a third party.
Sanction	i) Cllr Shaw will be issued with a formal letter ii) Cllr Shaw is required to attend appropriate training to be arranged by the Monitoring Officer.