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## New standards regime

The [Localism Act 2011](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2011/20/contents/enacted) (<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2011/20/contents/enacted>) introduced significant changes to the standards regime. 'Standards for England' ceased its regulatory function on 31 January 2012 and was abolished on 31 March 2012. The remaining elements of the regime were abolished on 1 July 2012.

## Making a complaint about a councillor

To make a complaint about a councillor you must use the complaints form attached.

To process a complaint, a complaint form must be completed and returned to Fiona McMillan the Monitoring Officer by email or post using the contact details below.



[Guidance for complaining about a councillor \(https://pcc-live.storage.googleapis.com/upload/www.peterborough.gov.uk/council/council/councillors/CouncillorComplaintForm.pdf\)](https://pcc-live.storage.googleapis.com/upload/www.peterborough.gov.uk/council/council/councillors/CouncillorComplaintForm.pdf)

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[Councillor complaint form \(https://pcc-live.storage.googleapis.com/upload/www.peterborough.gov.uk/council/councillors/CouncillorComplaintForm.pdf\)](https://pcc-live.storage.googleapis.com/upload/www.peterborough.gov.uk/council/councillors/CouncillorComplaintForm.pdf)

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## Members' code of conduct

All standards matters, including consideration and determination of outstanding complaints, are the responsibility of local authorities and are handled under new arrangements. These new arrangements were agreed by the council at its meeting held on 11 July 2012 and at the same meeting the council adopted a new code of conduct for Members.



[Code of conduct \(https://pcc-live.storage.googleapis.com/upload/www.peterborough.gov.uk/council/councillors/CodeOfConduct.pdf\)](https://pcc-live.storage.googleapis.com/upload/www.peterborough.gov.uk/council/councillors/CodeOfConduct.pdf)

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Further information on the role of a councillor, the code of conduct and political groups can be found on our [councillor information](#) webpage.

The new arrangements detail the procedures for dealing with complaints, the new standards regime is dealt with by the [Constitution and Ethics Committee](http://democracy.peterborough.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=705) (<http://democracy.peterborough.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=705>).

## Contact details

The Monitoring Officer can be contacted using the following details:

Monitoring Officer  
Chief Executive's Department  
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Bridge Street  
PE1 1HG

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