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**Glasgow City Council**

**Report by: The Council's Monitoring Officer**

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**WRITTEN DECISION OF THE HEARING PANEL OF THE STANDARDS  
COMMISSION FOR SCOTLAND**

**Purpose of Report:**

To submit for consideration the findings of the Hearing Panel of the Standards Commission for Scotland regarding a complaint against Councillor Audrey Dempsey.

**Recommendations:**

The Council is asked to note the findings set out in the written decision of the Hearing Panel of the Standards Commission for Scotland.

Ward No(s):

Citywide: ✓

Local member(s) advised: Yes  No  consulted: Yes  No

## 1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Council has received a written decision of the Hearing Panel of the Standards Commission for Scotland following a Hearing held at Glasgow City Chambers on 2 December 2025 in relation to a complaint against Councillor Audrey Dempsey.
- 1.2 The findings of the Hearing Panel were that:-
  - The Councillors' Code of Conduct applied to the Respondent, Councillor Dempsey.
  - Councillor Dempsey had not breached paragraph 3.1 of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.
- 1.3 Section 18 of the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 requires a Council receiving a copy of the Standards Commission's written decision of a Hearing Panel to consider those findings within 3 months. Section 18 states that the duty must be discharged only by the Council and not by a committee or sub-committee or an officer.
- 1.4 A copy of the written decision of the Hearing Panel is attached in full at the Appendix to this report.

## 2 Policy and resource implications

### Resource Implications:

*Financial:* There are no financial implications arising from this report.

*Legal:* This report is required under section 18 of the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000.

*Personnel:* None

*Procurement:* None

### Equality and Socio-Economic Impacts:

*Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2025-29? Please specify.*

*What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report?*

*Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio-economic disadvantage.*

**Climate Impacts:**

*Does the proposal support any Climate Plan actions? Please specify:*

*What are the potential climate impacts as a result of this proposal?*

*Will the proposal contribute to Glasgow's net zero carbon target,*

**Privacy and Data Protection Impacts:**

Are there any potential data protection impacts as a result of this report

No.

If Yes, please confirm that a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) has been carried out

**3 Recommendations:**

- 3.1 The Council is asked to note the findings set out in the written decision of the Hearing Panel of the Standards Commission for Scotland.