# WRITTEN QUESTIONS -FULL COUNCIL

## 14 DECEMBER 2016

## 1. INDEPENDENT PERSON - AGENDA ITEM 8

# Questions submitted by Councillor Mrs J Roach and the response of the Director of Corporate Affairs and Business Transformation (Monitoring Officer)

1. For the record, can the monitoring officer confirm that it is a legal requirement that the council has an independent person to support the complaints process?

## Response:

Yes I can confirm that it is a legal requirement that the council has an independent person to support the complaints process.

2. Can the monitoring officer also confirm that the MDDC was in breach of the law during the period it had no independent person?

#### Response:

I can confirm that MDDC did not comply with the legal requirement during the period when it had no independent person.

3. How many people were investigated during the period that the council was without an Independent Person?

### Response:

Two people were investigated during the period that the Council was without an Independent Person.