

RECORD OF INFORMATION ABOUT CONDUCT

As of 1 January 2026, s5.96C of the *Local Government Act 1995* requires the CEO to maintain and publish on the Shire's website an up-to-date Record of Information in relation to the following matters (references to 'council member' include former council members):

1. Behavioural breaches by a council member that are found under the local government's code of conduct to have occurred;
2. Recurrent breaches that are found under s.8A.14(4) to have been committed by a council member;
3. Conduct breaches by a council member that are found under s.8A.18 to have occurred;
4. Specified breaches that are found under s.8A.25 to have been committed by a council member;
5. Orders made under s.8A.14(5), 8A.18(4), 8A.21(2)(b), 8A.25 or 8A.27(2)(b) in respect of a council member; and
6. Any other prescribed information about the conduct of a person who is, or of a person when they were, a council member, the CEO or another employee.

Information must be retained in the Record and published on the website for a period of 12 years from the date that the information is first included in the Record.

Behavioural Breaches

Date Complaint Lodged:	Complainant:	Respondent:	Breach:	Date and Findings:
18 August 2025	Cr Ken Clements	Cr Brett Bell	Breach of the Shire of Plantagenet Code of Conduct, Division 3, Behaviour, Part 8. Personal Integrity, Parts 1(a) a council member must ensure that their use of social media and other forms of communication complies with this code; 1(e) must comply with all policies, procedures and resolutions of the local government and Part 9, Relationship with Others; Parts 1(b) must deal with the media in a positive and appropriate manner and in accordance with any relevant policy of the local government; and 1(d) must not disparage the character of another council member, committee member or candidate or a local government employee in connection with the performance of their official duties	At the Ordinary Council Meeting held 28 April 2026, Cr Bell was found to have breached the Code of Conduct, Division 3, Behaviour, Part 8. Personal Integrity, Parts 1(a), 1(e) and Part 9, Relationship with Others, Parts 1(b) and 1(d) in a Facebook post on 15 August 2025 referring to the GRV and UV rates set by Council. Cr Bell is required to undertake further training to address the behaviour.

Conduct Breaches

A Conduct Breach occurs when a council member is found to have breached a requirement of Division 4 of the Code of Conduct for Council Members, Committee Members or Candidates, or a local law made under the *Local Government Act 1995* which regulations specify to be a conduct breach.

Nil

Recurrent Breaches

A Recurrent Breach occurs when a council member commits a conduct breach after having committed two or more previous conduct breaches.

Nil

Specified Breaches

Specified Breaches relate to an offence against a provision specified in Schedule 8A.1 of the *Local Government Act 1995* or an offence under a written law, other than a local law made under the *Local Government Act 1995*, that is prescribed by regulations to be a specified offence.

Nil

Orders Made Under S.8A14(5), 8A.18(4), 8A.21(2)(B), 8A.25 OR 8A.27(2)(B)

Orders made by the State Administrative Tribunal or an Adjudicator in relation to Recurrent or Specified Breaches.

Nil

Any Other Prescribed Information

Nil