

Hello Paul,

Thank you both for your replies to my questions yesterday.

It is clear that Cllr. Erskine's health issues had a significant role in his behaviour at the meeting. This was recognised by a number of witnesses, but although it might be considered as mitigation, it does not in itself explain the incident. In reporting to the Head of Democracy and Transparency he appeared aware that his behaviour was likely to provoke a complaint, but he made no effort to apologise to those concerned.

I agree with the conclusion of the report, that Cllr. Erskine breached para 24.2.1 of the Code of Conduct in failing to show respect to the chair and members of the Little Clacton Parish Council.

I also agree that there was no breach of para 24.2.4 of the Code of Conduct.

Please let me know if I can assist further.

Best wishes,

Jonathan