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Date: 9 February 2018 at 12:36:37 GMT
To: [REDACTED] (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah Jarman')
Cc: kevin.hollinrake@parliament.uk, All 50 Scarborough Borough Councillors
Subject: Various allegations

Dear [REDACTED - 'Beulah Jarman']

Reference is made to the emails you have sent to all Borough Councillors, and in which you make very serious allegations as well as disparaging and defamatory comments.

Allegations

If you have evidence to support your allegations of criminal behaviour then you should contact the police using the non-emergency telephone number 101.

If you believe the Councillors against whom you make your allegations are in breach of the Council's Code of Conduct and can provide evidence to support this then you should make a formal standards complaint via the Council's website at:

<https://democracy.scarborough.gov.uk/mgFormDisplay.aspx?formname=standardscomplaint>

Please refrain from sending further emails of a similar nature and direct any future communications through the correct channels as set out above.

Defamatory Comments

Your allegations are being made without the support of evidence, and the content of your emails contains defamatory statements. This is causing considerable anxiety, nuisance and distress. This is heightened because you are sending your communications to multiple recipients.

Please note that your emails have been passed to the North Yorkshire Police, who are currently reviewing the evidence in relation to harassment.

Unreasonably Persistent and Unreasonable Complaint Behaviour

Needless to say the Council does not expect its staff or members to tolerate unacceptable behaviour by complainants or any customer.

The Council has in place a policy for dealing with unreasonably persistent and unreasonable complaint behaviour. This policy is derived from the Local Government Ombudsman and has been adopted by the Council. A copy of the policy can be accessed via the following link:

<https://democracy.scarborough.gov.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=12595>

Should you continue to send emails or other correspondence containing unsubstantiated allegations and defamatory statements, the Council will consider applying the above policy. This will mean that your access to Officers and Elected Members will be restricted. The Council will also pass the correspondence to the police.

It is repeated that should you have evidence to support your allegations, then you should pursue this through the appropriate channels as set out above.

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