

Member Conduct Update (Verbal Update)

Verbal and Written Apology from Councillor Bond

On Saturday 21 July 2018 I sent an email to Councillor Boyce and Adrian Thorpe, following the meeting of Place Shaping Working Group held on Wednesday 18 July 2018.

Within this email I made an inappropriate suggestion that certain Liberal Councillors had a vested interest in providing private flats for the elderly in Ellis Park on the former Oadby Swimming Pool Site.

I apologise unreservedly for my poorly chosen language, and for any offence caused to all Councillors and Adrian Thorpe regarding my use of the word 'vested'. I accept the finding of the Determination Sub-Committee that whilst not maliciously intended, my words could be perceived to imply malpractice, which could have a detrimental effect on the reputation of Councillors and the Authority as a whole.

It was not my intention to disrespect fellow Members of the Council as I was just trying to confirm what was stated at the Place Shaping Meeting. I agree that my choice of wording could and should have been better, and I intend in future to exercise a greater level of awareness.