

## Sharon Bodeker

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**From:** Sharon Bodeker  
**Sent:** Friday, 23 August 2019 04:08 p.m.  
**To:** Chris Morris  
**Subject:** FW: LGOIMA - councillor complaints

Dear Chris

I refer to your request for information below about complaints filed against all Dunedin City Councillors since the start of this triennium. Please accept my apology for the delay in responding to you.

I understand that in terms of your questions, you are primarily wanting to know the details of who the complaint was made on behalf of (ie the person who the complainant raised as being bullied or harassed).

In most cases complaints have been made by witnesses rather than the person subject to behaviours. Complaints are recorded in Vault (our IT system) as 'sensitive' with names of the complainant (who is often not the person who was felt to be subject to bullying or harassment) not recorded. As such, we are unable to provide you with information on who has made the complaints.

**1. Since the start of the current council term in 2016, how many complaints have been filed against all Dunedin city councillors?**

Since October 2016, 12 complaints have been filed.

**2. How many of those complaints are ABOUT (note, not from) council staff, and how many of those are female staff?**

An analysis of the complaints lodged are as follows:

	Gender of person at receiving end of behaviours:
1	2 female staff members
2	1 female staff member
3	1 male staff member
4	1 female staff member 2 females – external
5	1 female staff member
6	Group of staff
7	Group of staff
8	Group of staff
9	3 male staff members
10	2 female staff members
11	1 female staff member
12	1 male staff member

**3. How many complaints are ABOUT individuals outside council, and how many of those are female?**

Please see the table above.

**4. What do those complaints allege (verbal abuse, bullying, etc)?**

The complaint allegations include inappropriate behaviour, angry and shouting, insulting, threatening, unsubstantiated allegations of corruption, and intimidating behaviour.

I trust this answers your query.

Kind regards

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**Subject:** LGOIMA - councillor complaints

Hi,

I have the following request for information to make under the terms of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

1. Since the start of the current council term in 2016, how many complaints have been filed against all Dunedin city councillors?
2. How many of those complaints are from council staff, and how many of those are female staff?
3. How many complaints are from individuals outside council, and how many of those are female?
4. What do those complaints allege (verbal abuse, bullying, etc)?

Many thanks,

Chris Morris.

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