



THE STANDARDS COMMISSION FOR SCOTLAND

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At a Hearing of the Standards Commission for Scotland held on Tuesday 2 December 2014, the Hearing Panel censured Councillor Barbara Grant of East Renfrewshire Council for a breach of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

The Hearing Panel heard that at a meeting of the Council's Planning Committee on 9 October 2013 Councillor Grant had made inappropriate comments about a planning application. This behaviour breached Section 3.2 of the Code, which deals with the conduct of Councillors.

The Panel noted that Councillor Grant had apologised at an early stage and accepted her statement that her behaviour was out of character.

The Panel emphasised the importance of observing high standards of conduct in public life.

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