

Reference	Name of Complainant	Name of Respondent	Description of Minor Breach	How the Breach is to be dealt with	Synergy Reference
20240462	Mr Carl Askew	Cr Adrian McRae	At its meeting on 11 November 2024, the Panel found that Councillor Adrian McRae, a councillor for the Town of Port Hedland (“the Town”), committed a breach under the Local Government Act 1995 (WA) (“the Act”) and regulation 18 the Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021 (“the Regulations”) when he referred to the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer of the Town as incompetent during a ABC radio interview (“the Minor Breach”).	The Panel orders pursuant to section 5.110(6)(b)(ii), section 5.110(6)(b)(iii) and section 5.110(6)(c) of the Act that, in relation to the Minor Breach of regulation 18 of the Regulations, Cr McRae: a. make a public apology in accordance with the attached Orders; and b. undertake the training specified in the attached Orders.	NCR81706
20240517	Mr Carl Askew	Cr Camilo Blanco	At its meeting on 19 December 2024, the Panel found that Councillor Camilo Blanco, a councillor for the Town of Port Hedland (“the Town”), committed a breach under the Local Government Act 1995 (WA) (“the Act”) and regulation 19 of the Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021 (“the Regulations”) when he when he sent out correspondence to various local governments and councillors without the authority of the Town (“the Minor Breach”).	The Panel orders pursuant to section 5.110(6)(b)(i), section 5.110(6)(b)(ii) and section 5.110(6)(c) of the Act that, in relation to the Minor Breach of regulation 19 of the Regulations, Cr Blanco: a) be publicly censured in terms of the attached Orders; and b. publicly apologise as specified in the	NCR81708
20240515	Mayor Peter Carter	Cr Lorraine Butson	At its meeting on 19 December 2024, the Panel found that Councillor Lorraine Butson, a councillor of the Town of Port Hedland (“the Town”), committed a minor breach under the Local Government Act 1995 (WA) (“the Act”) and regulation 17 of Division 4 of the Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021 (“the Regulations”) when she used the Town’s logo, being a resource of the Town, when arranging an event relating to the opening of the Spoil Bank Marina (“the Minor Breach”).	The Panel orders pursuant to section 5.110(6)(b)(ii) of the Act that, in relation to the one breach of regulation 17 of the Regulations, Cr Butson make a public apology in terms of the attached Order.	NCR81696

SP 01 of 2024	Mr Carl Askew	Cr Camilo Blanco	<p>On 14 March 2024, the Panel found that Councillor Camilo Blanco, a councillor of the Town of Port Hedland (“the Town”):</p> <p>a. did commit a minor breach pursuant to the Local Government Act 1995 (WA) (“the Act”) and regulation 20 of Division 4 of the Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021 (“the Regulations”); and</p> <p>b. did commit a minor breach pursuant to the Act and Regulation 34D of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 (“the Administration Regulations”),</p> <p>when at the Ordinary Council Meeting of 29 November 2023 he made various comments referring to an alleged “Cover-up” by the Town’s administration as further set out in paragraph 17.</p>	<p>Panel’s decision</p> <p>20. The Panel orders pursuant to section 5.110(6)(b)(i), section 5.110(6)(b)(ii) and section 5.110(6)(c) of the Act that, in relation to the Minor Breach of regulation 20 of the Regulations and section 34D of the Administration Regulations, Cr Blanco: a. be publicly censured in terms of the attached Orders; and</p> <p>b. publicly apologise as specified in the attached Orders.</p> <p>Cr Blanco failed to make a public apology at the 28 August 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting. The CEO published the public censure and apology on 4/9 as a required by the Local Government Standards Panel Order.</p>	ICR163642
SP 31 of 2018	Camilo Blanco	George Daccache	<p>On 12 October 2018, the Local Government Standards Panel found that George Daccache, a Councillor of the Town of Port Hedland, committed:</p> <p>a. one minor breach of Regulation 4(1) of the Local Government (Rules of Conduct) Regulations 2007 (WA) ('the Regulations'), and</p> <p>b. one minor breach of Regulation 7(1)(b) of the Regulations, when he made adverse comments in relation to Mayor Camilo Blanco's past Conduct at the Town's Ordinary Council Meeting of 23 May 2018.</p>	<p>In accordance with section 5.110(6)(b)(ii) of the Local Government Act 1995, George Daccache is ordered to publicly apologise to Camilo Blanco, the public and his fellow Town Councillors, in terms of his breach. At the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 March 2019, Councillor Daccache publicly apologised to Camilo Blanco, the public and his fellow Town Councillors, in terms of his breach.</p>	ICR93440
SP 30 of 2018	Camilo Blanco	George Daccache	<p>On 12 October 2018, the Local Government Standards Panel found that George Daccache, a Councillor of the Town of Port Hedland, committed:</p> <p>a. one minor breach of Regulation 4(1) of the Local Government (Rules of Conduct) Regulations 2007 (WA) ('the Regulations'), and</p> <p>b. one minor breach of Regulation 7(1)(b) of the Regulations, when he made comments at the Town’s Ordinary Council Meeting of 23 May 2018 in relation to an interview given by him and the subsequent newspaper article published in the North West Telegraph.</p>	<p>In accordance with section 5.110(6)(b)(ii) of the Local Government Act 1995, George Daccache is ordered to publicly apologise to Camilo Blanco, the public and his fellow Town Councillors, in terms of his breach. At the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 March 2019, Councillor Daccache publicly apologised to Camilo Blanco, the public and his fellow Town Councillors, in terms of his breach.</p>	ICR93439