

## **Councillor J. Vincent Waters accused of bullying**

Posted by Newsline - 08 Jan 2015 10:55

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## **Re: Councillor J. Vincent Waters accused of bullying**

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Vincent Waters has been accused by a very experienced and dedicated community councillor with over 20 years public service, of bullying and discriminating against Thornliebank Community Council for several months.

In addition Vincent's partner Lisa Paton has been accused of interfering with Thornliebank Community Council and attempting to have them breach the community council's constitution.

This all came to a head on Tuesday evening (6/1/15) at Thorntree Hall, Thornliebank.

### **Vincent Waters and Lisa Paton**

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## **Re: Councillor J. Vincent Waters accused of bullying**

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Vincent Waters is one of three elected members who represent Thornliebank and Giffnock. He can therefore attend community council meetings as an Ex Officio member, (GCC and TCC).

There would appear to be a number of questions surrounding Vincent's interaction with TCC where it is alleged that he has attempted to bully the community councillors and influence their decisions, which are wholly out with his remit as an ex officio member.

**(An ex officio member is exactly the same as a member of the public, a visitor with no right to speak unless invited by the chair to do so, and has no voting rights)**

**A community council meeting is a meeting of community councillors, for the benefit of community councillors, elected members are expected to attend, hear and listen to the views of the public as narrated by the Cllrs .**

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Vincent had a member of Council staff prepare and type this letter which was emailed out at 5pm on Tuesday to all TCC Cllrs, when Vincent would have been well aware that the meeting was being held at 7.15pm that evening.

**How many Cllrs would have read their e mail at that late stage.**

However one Cllr (Not the secretary) was strangely in a position to be in attendance with 10 copies of the letter for all present at 7.15pm.

One minute at the meeting for the Cllrs to digest the content of this rather aggressive and threatening letter, with many details and accusations, and then to discuss same?

However Vincent was strangely absent, he was observed standing outside the venue at 7.10pm and observed leaving arm in arm with his partner at 9.30pm at the conclusion of the meeting, but he failed to attend the CC meeting.

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Despite Vincent being previously advised that this particular Community Council wished the constitution to be complied with in respect of correspondence being sent only to the secretary, Vincent yet again disobeyed their instructions and sent this to every member and not through the secretary.

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## **Re: Councillor J. Vincent Waters accused of bullying**

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At the meeting a long standing and very respected member of the community council said &quot;I think the problem is clear that Vincent Waters has been bullying this community council for a number of months and this is part of his bullying campaign.

What was it that Vincent wanted to allegedly Suppress in these minutes, and why, and what about Lisa's involvement ...More follows.....

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