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I wish to make a formal submission regarding the Councillor complaint laws and the way they are dealt with in regard to Redland City Council. I lodged a complaint against Redland City [REDACTED] on July 10th, 2017. This complaint, and 2 others have not been finalized. The background to these complaint/s are as follows.

On July 10th 2017, I read a online comments made by [REDACTED] where he stated " has been my week...its a pity they have to go to the incubators dwelling tomorrow though" then another post by [REDACTED]. "this was a terrible day. First my ex got hit by a bus. Then I lost my job as a bus driver".

I made an online comment to [REDACTED] whether he deemed those comments about his ex wife appropriate.

Later that morning I received 4 missed calls from an unknown number. At the time my good friend Redland City Councillor [REDACTED] was at my home paying a social visit. At the time I said to [REDACTED] that its probably a customer wanting a piano tuned. (i am a Piano tuner and repairer for 42 years). The call went to message bank. When i retrieved the call it was [REDACTED]. He stated " Dan, just to let you know that we are coming around to your home". At that stage i had little idea why he would come around. He is not a friend of mine, nor was he ever invited to my home. At 917am there was a knock on my front door. It was [REDACTED]. He told me to "get out here" get out here..when i said "why" he said youve crossed the line , i said why? he said "im going to punch your head in [REDACTED]"

[REDACTED] stood in my dining area unknown to [REDACTED] and heard everything. I also audio recorded [REDACTED] thug behaviour at my home. When he realized he was being recorded he changed his tone, and after I asked him to leave he left.

Later that day I attended Cleveland Police station and made a complaint against [REDACTED]. A signed statement was taken from me.

I also made a full written complaint to Redland City Council on the same day. The complaint was made to [REDACTED] on 12th July I received a response that said in part, "[REDACTED] will review and respond to your complaint within 14 days of receipt" That was written by [REDACTED]

on July 18th I received another email response letter from [REDACTED]. Basically that correspondence wanted me to confirm the facts of my complaint, witnesses, etc. I also

sent Council another email on 27th July and 2nd of August asking the progress of my complaint. It said in part "the investigation is currently underway, therefore i am unable to provide you with an update in this point in time." Yet another email on 18th August saying much the same, "complaints being addressed seperately. More emails on 21,22,24th and 25th August.

I asked my friend and Divisional Councillor [REDACTED] about the progress of the complaints. He informs me that he was "[REDACTED]

It is glaringly obvious that [REDACTED] is stalling on dealing with [REDACTED]. Why would that be? Because they are both of the same political faction in Council. She needs his vote. The fact that [REDACTED] invaded my privacy at my home and made threats of violence towards me, the fact that [REDACTED] made totally sexist oafish comments about women, and [REDACTED] sais nothing is all about political expediency..

I would like the Complaint process taken out of local government hands entirely. Complaints like mine which is of a serious nature against [REDACTED], should absolutely not be dealt with "in house" as it were. This complaint I lodged against [REDACTED] is over 3 months old. Council [REDACTED] appear to me be waging some sort of war of attrition. They want me to go away. Well "justice delayed is justice denied"

Complaints should be lodged to independent panel. They should be kept confidential until there is an official outcome. Sanctions should be set by an independent panel, then go back to Council with a legally binding order. The complaint process where possible should take no longer than 28 days, NOT the 3 months and counting that I have had to endure.

I am a 61 year old Piano tuner, The amount of stress and the effect on my health because of the delay in dealing with my complaint is measurable.

To the Committee, I am more than willing to give oral evidence if you feel the need arises. I would ask that you consider my formal submission thoughtfully. I also include the audio file of [REDACTED] unwanted visit to my home.. I have copies of all email correspondence from Redland City Council and a Qld Police statement regarding [REDACTED]. Hoping this will suffice my formal submission.

Respectfully,

Daniel Ling.