

FORMAL NOTICE OF CONTACT RESTRICTION

Polly Walsh - East Sussex County Council Children's Services

Date	9 September 2026
To	Polly Walsh, Customer Relations and Information Governance Manager
Council reference	28685045
Complaint reference	CMPT22026/38934
Policy URL	https://martinnewbold.co.uk/Unreasonable_Behaviour_Policy.php

Dear Ms Walsh,

I am writing to give you formal notice that, following my previous warning concerning unreasonable conduct, I am now applying a restriction to your contact with and use of my privately owned electronic services.

My warning of 27 August 2026 expressly stated that continued conduct including misrouting complaints, failing to answer focused procedural questions, or making unsupported demands concerning my independently owned electronic services could result in contact with those services being formally restricted.

Your letter dated 9 September 2026, reference 28685045, states that East Sussex County Council has itself imposed a twelve-month restriction on my communications with Children's Services. This notice is separate from, and does not accept the validity or proportionality of, the Council's restriction. It records the restriction I am applying under my own published policy.

The restriction is now activated in respect of you with immediate effect.

- 1. Use of private services:** You are not authorised to use my privately owned websites, electronic services, computerised case-management systems or work-management systems as a means of directing, controlling or imposing requirements upon me.
- 2. Necessary official communication:** Any necessary official communication from you must be confined to legitimate Council business and must clearly identify the statutory, regulatory, policy or procedural basis upon which you are acting.
- 3. Existing complaint and evidence:** You must not treat this restriction as preventing East Sussex County Council from dealing with, preserving, investigating or responding to my existing complaint, safeguarding information, evidence or information requests.
- 4. No withdrawal of complaint:** This restriction does not withdraw CMPT22026/38934, nor does it remove any outstanding request for a complaint decision, safeguarding response, information, records or procedural clarification.
- 5. Statutory functions:** The restriction applies to your interaction with my privately owned services. It does not purport to interfere with any lawful statutory function of East Sussex County Council.
- 6. Circumvention:** Any attempt to circumvent this restriction through another employee, department or electronic route should be recorded and referred to the appropriate senior officer for review.

Please ensure that the existence of this restriction, together with the reasons for it, is placed on the relevant correspondence and complaint record.

I also require preservation of all correspondence, emails, telephone records, complaint records, safeguarding records, submitted evidence and internal communications relating to these matters.

For the avoidance of doubt: this notice does not give East Sussex County Council permission to close, refuse, suppress or otherwise avoid determining my outstanding complaint or safeguarding concerns.

Please acknowledge receipt and confirm the official route through which any genuinely necessary future communication from you will be made.

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https://martinnewbold.co.uk/Unreasonable_Behaviour_Policy.php

Yours sincerely,

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