



# STATEMENT

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## STATEMENT FROM THE OFFICE FOR JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS

**Magistrate Mr Andrew Vale**

**A spokesperson for the Office for Judicial Complaints said:**

**“Mr Vale, a magistrate on the North Durham Bench, was cautioned by the police and failed to notify his advisory committee. Given these circumstances, the Lord Chancellor and the Lord Chief Justice have agreed that he should be removed from the magistracy”**

### **Notes for Editors**

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