## **Complaints: guidance for staff**

If you wish to make a complaint, or have been the subject of a complaint, here is some guidance about procedures and support:

## Making a complaint

1. Please speak to your line-manager first to raise the matter and ask for support.

If for any reason that is not possible, or your line manager is unable to offer the needed support:

2. All staff members may contact the Associate Dean for People, Culture and Inclusion (Jim Endersby <u>j.j.endersby@sussex.ac.uk</u>). PS staff are encouraged to speak to the Head of Professional Service (Jacqueline Guillemard <u>J.A.Guillemard@sussex.ac.uk</u>

If for any reason that is not possible, or if Jacqui or Jim are unable to help:

- 3. Contact the Dean (please email MAH-eadean@sussex.ac.uk)
- 4. If appropriate, you are welcome to speak to one of the <u>School's EDI leads</u> and or/to your Union Rep
- 5. If you feel none of these options are appropriate for any reason, you may also wish to consider using the Report and Support Tool.
- 6. Finally, if you are unable to resolve the issue at School level, you can make a formal complaint using the <u>Staff grievance procedure</u>.

## If you are the subject of a complaint

We have established procedures for dealing with complaints about staff members, whether made by students or colleagues. If you are the subject of a complaint, you may feel distressed and/or need additional support, so here is a summary of the steps you can take.

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- 3. Contact the Dean (please email <a href="MAH-eadean@sussex.ac.uk">MAH-eadean@sussex.ac.uk</a>)
- 4. You may also wish to speak to your union rep.
- 5. The university has a range of Wellbeing support options. Find more information here.