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**STATEMENT FROM THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT
INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE**

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Mr. Neil Douglas JP

A spokesperson for the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office said:

"Mr Neil Douglas, a Magistrate assigned to the Scarborough Bench, vacated a property owing rent arrears to the landlords and failed to report his financial situation to the Bench. Following an investigation by the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office, the Lord Chancellor and the Lord Chief Justice concluded that this behaviour amounted to misconduct and have removed him from the magistracy."

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