

**GENERAL DENTAL COUNCIL**

**AND**

**WOODFINE, Abbie**

**[Registration number: 253563]**

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**NOTICE OF INQUIRY**

**SUBSTANTIVE HEARING**

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Notice that an inquiry will be conducted by a Practice Committee of the General Dental Council commencing at **09.30am** on **25 February 2025**.

**Please note that this hearing will be conducted remotely by video conference.**

The heads of charge contained within this sheet are current at the date of publication. They are subject to amendments at any time before or during the hearing. For the final charge, findings of fact and determination against the registrant, please visit the Recent Decisions page at <https://www.dentalhearings.org/hearings-and-decisions/decisions> after this hearing has finished.

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<b>Committee members:</b>	Michael Speakman	Dentist	Chair
	Valerie Atkinson	Lay	
	Lynne Frewin	DCP	

<b>Legal Adviser:</b>	Jenny Appleton
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## CHARGE

WOODFINE, Abbie, a dental nurse, Diploma in Dental Nursing Level 3 QCF City & Guilds 2014 is summoned to appear before the Professional Conduct Committee on 25 February 2025 for an inquiry into the following charge:

### The Charge

The hearing will be held to consider the following charge against you:

“That being registered as a dental care professional:

1. On 16 February 2023, you were convicted at Newton Aycliffe Magistrates Court, for driving a motor vehicle on 21 January 2023 after consuming so much alcohol that the proportion of it in your breath, namely 99 microgrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of breath, exceeded the prescribed limit, Contrary to section 5(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Act 1988 and Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988.
2. On 16 February 2023, you were convicted at Newton Aycliffe Magistrates Court, for failing to stop after an accident on 21 January 2023, Contrary to section 170(4) of the Road Traffic Act 1988 and Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988.
3. You failed to immediately inform the General Dental Council that you were charged with failing to stop after an accident on 21 January 2023, Contrary to section 170(4) of the Road Traffic Act 1988 and Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988.
4. You failed to cooperate with an investigation conducted by the GDC by not providing the GDC with any or insufficient evidence of indemnity and/or employment information.
5. Your actions in relation to 3 and/or 4 above were:
  - a. Misleading, and/or
  - b. Dishonest.
6. You have an adverse mental or physical health condition as set out in Schedule A<sup>1\*</sup>.

And that, by reasons of the facts alleged your fitness to practice is impaired by reasons of conviction and/or misconduct and/or adverse physical or mental health.”

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<sup>1</sup> Schedule A is a private document that cannot be disclosed.