

**BEFORE THE FITNESS TO PRACTISE COMMITTEE
OF THE GENERAL OPTICAL COUNCIL**

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F(26)13

AND

NADIA IMTIAZ (01-33533)

**NOTICE OF INQUIRY
SUBSTANTIVE HEARING**

Take notice that an inquiry will be conducted in the above matter by the Fitness to Practise Committee of the General Optical Council.

A substantive hearing will be proceeding:

Remotely

The substantive hearing will commence at 9:30am on **Tuesday 22 September – Thursday 24 September 2026** by way of video conference or telephone conference facilities.

The Inquiry will be based upon the allegation submitted by the Council (see below) and will determine whether the fitness to practise of **Nadia Imtiaz** is impaired by virtue of the provisions contained in section 13D(2) of the Opticians Act 1989.

Euan Napier
Hearings Manager, General Optical Council
27 August 2026

ALLEGATION

The Council alleges that you, Miss Nadia Imtiaz (01-33533), a registered Optometrist:

1. On 18 May 2023, you were convicted at Luton Magistrates Court for an offence in that on 7 June 2022, you:
 - a. drove a mechanically propelled vehicle on a road / in a public place without due care and attention contrary to section 3 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 and Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988;
 - b. failed to stop after a road accident contrary to section 170(4) of the Road Traffic Act 1988 and Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988;
 - c. failed to report an accident contrary to section 170(4) of the Road Traffic Act 1988 and Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988;
2. Failed to declare on your online retention application to the Council dated 14 March 2023 that you were under a police investigation;
3. Failed to declare on your online retention application to the Council dated 15 March 2024 that you were convicted of the offences set out at 1 above;
4. Your conduct at 2 above was dishonest in that you knew that you were under police investigation;
5. Your conduct at 3 above was dishonest in that you knew that you had been convicted of the offences set out at 1 above.

And by virtue of the facts set out above, your fitness to practise is impaired by reason of:

1. (i) conviction as set out at 1 above;
2. (ii) your misconduct as set out at 2 to 5 above.

Committee Members:

Adrian Smith (Chair)
Nigel Pilkington (Lay)
Diane Roskilly (Lay)
Iftab Akram (Optometrist)
Annabelle Magee (Optometrist)

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If you require further information relating to this hearing, please contact the Council's Hearings Manager at hearings@optical.org.