

**STANDARDS COMMITTEE**  
**13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2017**

**APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION BY  
COUNCILLOR SHAHID HUSSAIN**

**Recommendations / key decisions required:**

To consider and determine the application

**Reasons:**

The subject matter of this report falls within the remit of the Committee

Scrutiny Committee recommendations / comments:

Not applicable

Exec Board Decision Required                      NO

Council Decision Required                         NO

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- Cllr E Dole (Leader)

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
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An application for dispensation to speak, vote and make written representations has been received from Councillor Shahid Hussain of Cwmamman Town Council in relation to the re-location of the village post office in Cwmamman to premises in which Councillor Hussain has a business interest.

Councillor Hussain has a personal interest in this matter by virtue of the following paragraphs of the Code of Conduct;

1. 10(2)(a)(i) as the matter relates to or is likely to affect a business carried on by him.
2. 10(2)(a)(ix)(bb) as the matter relates to or is likely to affect a company in which he holds a position of general control or management
3. 10(2)(b)(i) as the matter might reasonably be regarded as affecting his well-being

This interest is also a prejudicial interest as a member of the public, with full knowledge of the facts, would reasonably regard that interest as so significant as to prejudice the Councillor's judgement of the public interest.

The application is submitted on 1 grounds specified in the Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensation)(Wales) Regulations 2001 namely;

(f) participation justified due to the member's particular role or expertise

Cllr Hussain has previously been granted dispensation to speak only in respect of this interest on the 11<sup>th</sup> September 2015. This dispensation expired on the 4<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

If the committee is minded to grant the application, it has an absolute discretion as to duration, it may grant it until the end of the Councillor's term of office, or some other date, such as the date of a future meeting of this committee.

**DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?**

**NO**

## IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: : L. Rees Jones Head of Administration and Law

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

## CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: : L. Rees Jones Head of Administration and Law

*(Please specify the outcomes of consultations undertaken where they arise against the following headings)*

- 1. Scrutiny Committee**  
Not applicable
- 2. Local Member(s)**  
Not applicable
- 3. Community / Town Council**  
Not applicable
- 4. Relevant Partners**  
Not applicable
- 5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations**  
*Not applicable*

### Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

**THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW**

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Legal file	DPSC-149	Legal Services, County Hall