

**APPLICATION TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE
FOR DISPENSATION**

Please note that each section **MUST** be completed. Please refer to the attached
Guidance Notes when completing the form.

1. YOUR DETAILS

Your full name: Maria Gabriela Poore

Name of your Council: Whitland Town Council

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2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

What is the matter under consideration?

Request for financial assistance from the group organising events part of the First World War Centenary Commemoration

What is your interest in the above matter?

I am the Secretary and Treasurer of the Whitland Memorial Hall, one of the organisations involved in the organising group

When will the above matter be considered?

The matter is to be considered at the monthly Whitland Town Council meeting on Monday 4 June 2018

Are you applying for dispensation to:

Speak only:

Speak and vote:

Make written
Representations

Exercise Executive
Powers

3. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

Regulations issued by the National Assembly for Wales prescribe the circumstances in which the Standards Committee may grant a dispensation. These grounds for granting a dispensation are summarised below and are set out in full in the attached guidance notes. On which of the following grounds do you believe that a dispensation should be granted in this case? Please tick the appropriate box(es).

• at least half of the members considering the business has an interest	<input type="checkbox"/>
• my inability to participate would upset the political balance of the meeting to such an extent that the outcome would be likely to be affected;	<input type="checkbox"/>
• my participation would not damage public confidence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• the interest is common to me and a significant proportion of the general public;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• my participation in the business is justified by my particular role or expertise;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• the business is to be considered by an overview and scrutiny committee and my interest is not a pecuniary interest;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• the business relates to the finances or property of a voluntary organisation of whose management committee or board I am a member and I have no other interest	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

4. INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF YOUR APPLICATION

Please set out below the reasons why you consider that the Standards Committee should grant a dispensation in this case:

(Please note that failure to complete this section will result in the application form being returned to you)

The business which is to be considered relates to a request of financial assistance to a voluntary organisation which includes the Whitland Memorial Hall, the Whitland and Llanboidy Branch of the Royal British Legion, the Whitland Royal Air Force Air Cadets and the Whitland Town Council itself.

I, Gabriela Poore, am the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the Whitland Memorial Hall, which is the main driving force within the group and as such was asked to write to the Whitland Town Council on behalf of the group asking for some financial help towards the organisation of the 2018 commemoration events (an exhibition and an “indoor street party”). In 2014 the group organised a WWI exhibition which was so much appreciated that we were asked to do another one. I would like the opportunity to present the case to my fellows councillors (not everyone lived in the area at the time) to emphasise how well received the 2014 exhibition was and what it is being planned for this November.

The nature of my interest would not damage public confidence in the conduct of the relevant authority's business and judging from the public's response to the previous exhibition I think that my interest is common to a significant proportion of the general public;

I do not wish to participate in the vote.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Standards Committee. I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

Signed: Date:

Please return this form to the Monitoring Officer, Chief Executive's Department, Carmarthenshire County Council, County Hall, Carmarthen, SA31 1JP.