

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

6TH DECEMBER 2019

APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION BY COUNCILLOR CAROL DYER

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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COUNCILLOR CAROL DYER**

An application has been received from Community Councillor Carol Dyer of Myddfai Community Council for a further dispensation to speak and vote in respect of Menter Bro Dinefwr (MBD) and Y Llofwr newspaper.

Cllr Dyer was previously granted a dispensation to speak only in respect of these interests on the 7th December 2018. Cllr Dyer has made use of this dispensation to participate in council business relating to MBD and the newspaper on one occasion in the last 12 months.

Councillor Dyer would have a personal interest in any council business relating to or likely to affect MBD or the newspaper by virtue of paragraph 10(2)(a)(ix)(ee) of the members code of conduct as she is a voluntary director of the organisation.

This personal interest would also be prejudicial as a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard the interest as so significant that it would be likely to prejudice the Councillor's judgement of the public interest.

Councillor Dyer has submitted his application on the basis of two grounds set out in the Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations)(Wales) regulations 2011 (as amended) namely;

1. That the nature of the member's interest is such that the member's participation in the business to which the interest relates would not damage public confidence in the conduct of the relevant authority's business.
2. That the business in question relates to the finances of a voluntary organisation of whose management committee the councillor is a member AND that he has no other interest.(A dispensation granted under this ground cannot extend to allowing the member to vote)

If the committee is minded to grant Councillor Dyer a dispensation in respect of this interest it has absolute discretion as to the duration of that dispensation.

ATTACHMENTS?

COUNCILLOR CAROL DYERS APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION

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: Linda 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: Linda Rees-Jones

Head of Administration and Law

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-173	Legal Services, County Hall