

CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

APPLICATION for a dispensation under Section 2 of the Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001

The Carmarthenshire County Council Standards Committee are requested to grant the Member/s listed below a Dispensation to cover the interest/s declared in Section 2 below. My reasons for requesting same are set out in Section 4

SECTION 1	Name(s) of Member(s)	Name of member's authority
	Please see attached schedule	Cyngor Cymuned Gorslas Community Council

SECTION 2	Matter to be discussed on which member seeks dispensation	
	Matters relating to schools of which Community Councillors serve on the Governing Bodies.	
Date of meeting at which the matter is to be discussed:	As and when matters arise.	

Dispensation being sought to speak and vote	Yes
Dispensation being sought to speak only	

SECTION 3	The interest which the member must disclose, and the nature of that interest in relation to the matter to be discussed
	That they are members of Governing Bodies of schools in the area and should there be an issue discussed, or support offered by the Council in relation to those schools the Community Councillors would wish, in the interests of transparency for that link to be known.

SECTION 4	Criteria for seeking dispensation
~ 50% of members affected	
~ Political balance would be affected (county borough only)	
~ No damage to public confidence	
~ Common interest with general public	
~ Justified because of special expertise	
~ Scrutiny committee business <u>and</u> not financial interest	
~ Voluntary organisation <u>and</u> not financial interest	✓
~ In the interests of inhabitants	
<i>(See appendix for more details)</i>	

SECTION 5	Reason/s in support of my/our application (use a separate sheet of paper if necessary)
<p>Community Councillors who are also members of school Governing Bodies provide a valuable service in linking the community with those schools.</p> <p>The Community Council is not involved directly in the running of schools. The public do however refer practical issues as well as any proposed strategic changes to the schools' network in an area to the Community Council.</p> <p>The Community Council is of the view that the current model benefits both the Community as well as the school and provides a valuable channel of communication and dialogue.</p> <p>In the interests of transparency members would wish for the involvement to be noted and for a dispensation to be granted to allow them to speak, participate and vote in any discussion related the Community Council related to the schools on which they serve as Governors.</p>	

SIGNED  Clerk to the Community Council

DATED: 15/02/16.

Appendix A School Governors Gorslas Community Council

Maes Y Gwendraeth

Terence Davies

Cefneithin

Simon David Martin,

Drefach

Darren Price,
Clive Green,

Gorslas

Terrence Davies,
Janice Ann Price,
Ellis Davies,
Gavin Griffiths,