

## STANDARDS COMMITTEE 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2016

### APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION BY COUNCILLOR B REES

#### 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
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Council Decision Required	NO
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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY STANDARDS COMMITTEE 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2016

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An application for dispensation to speak only in relation to matters regarding the transfer of bowls facilities from the County Council to the Community Council has been received from Community Councillor B Rees of Llandybie Community Council.

Councillor Rees has a personal interest in such matters by virtue of paragraph 10(2)(a)(ix)(ee) of the Code of Conduct as he is the President of Llandybie Bowls Club.

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 3 grounds specified in the Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensation)(Wales) Regulations 2001 namely;

- (d) no damage to public confidence
- (f) participation justified due to the member's special expertise
- (h) interest relates to a voluntary organisation (limited to speaking only)

Cllr Rees has previously been granted dispensation in respect of this interest in December 2015 and March 2016. The latter dispensation expires on the 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

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 & Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>

## 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-145	Legal Services, County Hall