# STANDARDS COMMITTEE 11<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2016

# APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION BY COUNCILLORS FROM GORSLAS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### **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

Council Decision Required

NO NO

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

Directorate		
Chief Executives		
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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY STANDARDS COMMITTEE 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2016

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An application has been received on behalf of elected members of Gorslas Community Council for the grant of a dispensation to speak and vote on matters relating to 4 schools in the area.

The Councillors have a personal interest in these matters pursuant to paragraph 10(2)(ix)(ee) of the code in that they are school governors of those schools.

The Councillors were not appointed to their positions by the Community Council.

The Councillor's interests are prejudicial as a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard that interest as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Councillors judgement of the public interest.

In view of the continuing nature of these interests, the applicants ask that dispensation be granted for the remainder of their term of office.

If the committee is minded to grant these applications it is suggested that this be on ground 2(a) in the Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations)(Wales) Regulations 2001, namely that the interest affects no fewer than half the members of the authority.

In granting a dispensation the Committee has absolute discretion as to how long it lasts for. If the committee is minded to limit the dispensation for a specific period, it may wish to consider doing so until the 10<sup>th</sup> June (3 months) or 9<sup>th</sup> September (6mths)

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

NO



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# 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	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk	Staffing	Physical
& Disorder and Equalities				Management Issues	Implications	Assets
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

### CONSULTATIONS

Signed: L. Rees-Jones	Head of Administration and Law
(Please specify the outcomes of consultations u	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 an	d other Organisations
Not applicable	
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# 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-141 Legal Services, County Hall



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