#### STANDARDS COMMITTEE

### 12TH DECEMBER 2022

### **DISPENSATION APPLICATION BY COUNCILLOR RUSSELL SPARKS**

Recommendations / key decisions required:

To consider the application and decide whether to grant Councillor Sparks a dispensation.

Reasons:

Consideration of such applications fall within the remit of the committee

Cabinet Decision Required NO

Council Decision Required NO

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

# STANDARDS COMMITTEE 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022

# DISPENSATION APPLICATION BY COUNCILLOR RUSSELL SPARKS

A dispensation application has been received from Councillor Russell Sparks of Carmarthenshire County Council.

Councillor Sparks seeks dispensation to speak and make written representations only in relation to council business regarding the provision of leisure services in the County, particularly the provision of swimming pools and swimming lessons by the Council.

Councillor Sparks has a personal and prejudicial interest in council business relating to such matters as it would be likely affect his swimming pool business.

A reasonable member of the public with knowledge of these facts would be likely to conclude that this would influence Councillor Spark's view of the wider public interest when it came to the Council deciding to what it extent should provide such services.

The attached application from Councillor Sparks sets out the grounds upon which the application is made.

If the committee is minded to grant Councillor Sparks a dispensation it will need to determine its duration.

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 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: L. Rees Jones Head of Administration and Law

- 1. Scrutiny Committee n/a
- 2.Local Member(s) n/a
- 3. Community / Town Council n/a
- 4.Relevant Partners n/a
- 5.Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations n/a

<b>CABINET BOARD PORTFOLIO HOLDEF</b>	₹
AWARE/CONSULTED	

No

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Legal File	DPSC-201	County Hall Carmarthen

