

Standards Committee
09/09/2024

DISPENSATION REQUEST BY COUNCILLOR ANGELA CAROL HUGHES

Purpose:
To consider the request

Recommendations / key decisions required:
Determine whether to grant the request and, if granted, the duration of the dispensation

Reasons:
In accordance with the Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001

Cabinet Decision Required NO

Council Decision Required NO

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- Not applicable

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Dispensation Request by Councillor Angela Carol Hughes

A dispensation request has been received from Llangathen Community Councillor Angela Carol Hughes.

The application relates to Council business regarding the Bute Energy/Green Gen – Tywi Usk Pylon Project. Councillor Hughes has a personal and prejudicial interest in this business as she lives and farms on land under the proposed route of the pylons.

Councillor Hughes seeks dispensation to speak and vote and to make written representations on the following grounds in the Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001.

1. Regulation 2(d) the nature of the members interest in such that their participating in the business to which the interest relates would not damage public confidence.
2. Regulation 2(f) the participation of the member in the business to which the interest relates is justified by the member's particular role or expertise

The committee is reminded that it has previously granted dispensations to 3 other Llangathen councillors to speak and make written representations but NOT vote in relation to the same/similar interest.

If the committee is minded to grant the dispensation request, its duration will also need to be determined.

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: **Stephen P Murphy**

Head of Law Governance and Civil Services

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets	Bio-diversity & Climate Change
NONE	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 request for pre-determination	NA
Scrutiny Committee	
Date the report was considered:-	
Scrutiny Committee Outcome/Recommendations:-	

2. Local Member(s)

NA

3. Community / Town Council

NA

4. Relevant Partners

NA

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

NA

**CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO
HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED**

NO

NA

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

THERE ARE NONE