

# Application to the Standards Committee for a Dispensation

**YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED UNLESS EVERY PART OF THIS FORM IS COMPLETED**

## 1. PERSONAL DETAILS

1.1 Your name DILWYN MORGAN

1.2 Your council GWYNEDD

1.3 Your address and contact telephone no.

## 2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

2.1 What is the item in question?

Re-organisation of education in the catchment area for Ysgol y Berwyn.

2.2 How does your interest in the item arise?

1. My wife carries out occasional supply work in the catchment area's schools.
2. My wife provides music lessons in schools on behalf of Williams Mathias Music Centre
3. I am a governor at Ysgol y Berwyn

## 3. DETAILS OF YOUR APPLICATION

3.1 Are you applying for a dispensation to (a) speak and vote or, (b) to speak only?

3.2 Are you requesting:

(a) a dispensation for a particular meeting? If so please provide details below:

All meetings relating to re-organisation

or

(b) a general dispensation so that you can take part whenever the matters arises?

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**4. Regulations prescribe the circumstances in which the Standards Committee may grant a dispensation. These grounds for granting a dispensation are summarised below and are set out in full in the attached guidance notes. On which of the following grounds do you believe that a dispensation should be granted in this case? Please tick the appropriate box(es).**

• at least half of the members considering the business has an interest	<input type="checkbox"/>
• my inability to participate would upset the political balance of the meeting to such an extent that the outcome would be likely to be affected	<input type="checkbox"/>
• my participation would not damage public confidence	<input type="checkbox"/>
• the interest is common to me and a significant proportion of the general public;	<input type="checkbox"/>
• my participation in the business is justified by my particular role or expertise;	<input type="checkbox"/>
• the business is to be considered by a scrutiny committee and my interest is not pecuniary	<input type="checkbox"/>
• the business relates to the finances or property of a voluntary organisation of whose management committee or board I am a member and I have no other interest	<input type="checkbox"/>

**5. Please explain below why you believe the Standards Committee should grant your application.**

**My contribution as Bala Town member is essential for voicing the community’s views on the matter and also to represent and convey the views of electors during the consultation.**

*(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)*

Signed                     D. Morgan                     Dated   15.1.15                    

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## Guidance Notes

1. This is the form for submitting an application for a dispensation, i.e. permission to take part in a discussion even though you have a 'prejudicial interest' under the Code of Conduct. Further information regarding interests can be found in the Code of Conduct itself, the Ombudsman's Guidance and the Gwynedd Council 'Interests' leaflet.

## 2. Circumstances in which dispensations may be granted

The Standards Committee may grant a dispensation if the application comes within one or more of the circumstances listed in *The Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001*:

“(a) no fewer than half of the members of the relevant authority or of a committee of the authority (as the case may be) by which the business is to be considered has an interest which relates to that business;

(b) no fewer than half of the members of a leader and cabinet executive of the relevant authority by which the business is to be considered has an interest which relates to that business and either paragraph (d) or (e) also applies;

(c) in the case of a county or county borough council, the inability of the member to participate would upset the political balance of the relevant authority or of the committee of the authority by which the business is to be considered to such an extent that the outcome would be likely to be affected;

(d) the nature of the member's interest is such that the member's participation in the business to which the interest relates would not damage public confidence in the conduct of the relevant authority's business;

(e) the interest is common to the member and a significant proportion of the general public;

(f) the participation of the member in the business to which the interest relates is justified by the member's particular role or expertise;

(g) the business to which the interest relates is to be considered by an overview and scrutiny committee of the relevant authority and the member's interest is not a pecuniary interest;

(h) the business which is to be considered relates to the finances or property of a voluntary organisation of whose management committee or board the member is a member otherwise than as a representative of the relevant authority and the member has no other interest in that business provided that any dispensation shall not extend to participation in any vote with respect to that business; or

(i) it appears to the committee to be in the interests of the inhabitants of the area of the relevant authority that the disability should be removed provided that written notification of the grant of the dispensation is given to the National Assembly for Wales within seven days in such manner as it may specify.”

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