



**THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

**Application for a Dispensation to the Standards Committee under
Section 2 of the Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales)
Regulations 2001**

Name of Councillor	Cllr Christopher John Williams
Address	40 LONGMEADOW DRIVE, DINAS POWYS, CF64 4TB
Name of Member's relevant Authority and Ward	DINAS POWYS
Nature of Dispensation sought	MATTERS REGARDING EDUCATION AND FINANCING OF EDUCATION IN THE VALE
Date of meeting / issue to be discussed (if known)	ONGOING ISSUE
Do you seek a dispensation just for the one meeting or for a longer period? If longer, please state a period. <i>(N.B. All dispensations granted expire at the next Council elections.)</i>	FOR THE PERIOD WHEN MY WIFE IS WORKING IN ADULT EDUCATION OR FOR THE LIFE OF THE COUNCIL
Level of dispensation sought <i>(i.e. to speak only or to speak and vote)</i>	TO SPEAK AND VOTE
Relevant paragraph(s) under which dispensation can be granted <i>(See (a) to (i) overleaf)</i>	d,e,f

<p>Details of the Prejudicial Interest</p>	<p>MY WIFE WORKS PART TIME IN ADULT EDUCATION FOR THE VALE</p>
<p>Details of any Position of responsibility / control held on your Council (e.g. <i>Chairman / Vice-Chairman / Cabinet Member</i>)</p>	<p>CHAIRMAN SCRUTINY HOUSING AND PUBLIC PROTECTION</p>
<p>Reason(s) to support the application and why you consider the Standards Committee should grant a dispensation</p> <p><i>(Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary)</i></p>	<p>THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL HAS DEVELOPED A “RESHAPING SERVICES STRATEGY” AS A PROACTIVE RESPONSE TO CENTRAL GOVERNMENT’ AUSTERITY DRIVE WHICH HAS CREATED A PERIOD OF UNPRECEDENTED FINANCIAL PRESSURE ON THE COUNCIL.</p> <p>MY WIFE IS EMPLOYED BY THE COUNCIL AND MAY BE AFFECTED AS A RESULT OF REVIEWS OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS A RESULT OF THE RESHAPING SERVICES STRATEGY.</p>

SIGNED:

DATED:

Each section of the form MUST be fully completed.

(N.B. If you are submitting your application form electronically, without a signature, please give written permission for the receiving officer to sign the application form on your behalf. **Failure to do this will result in the application being deemed incomplete and returned to the applicant.)**

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER (IF APPROPRIATE):

*Please return completed form to:
Democratic and Scrutiny Services, Directorate of Resources, Room 9, 1st Floor, Civic Offices, Holton Road, Barry, CF63 4RU*

Circumstances When A Standards Committee May Grant Dispensations

The Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001 specifies that the Council's Standards Committee may grant dispensations under Section 81(4) of the Local Government Act 2000 where:

- (a) no fewer than half of the Members of the Council or of a committee of the Council (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 the Executive of the Council (i.e. Leader and Cabinet) 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) Members' inability to participate would upset the political balance of the Council, or any of its committees 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 Council'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 registerable interest relates to business, which is to be considered by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee of the Council, and the Member's interest is not a pecuniary/financial interest;
- (h) the business 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 Council 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 Standards Committee to be in the interests of the inhabitants of the area of the Council 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 7 days. Such a notification should specify the Member to whom the dispensation would apply and the Standards Committee's reasons why the disability should be removed.