



**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	Gerwyn D Thomas
Address	71 Illtyd Avenue, Llantwit Major, CF61 1TH
Name of Member's relevant Authority and Ward	Llantwit Major Town Council. South East Ward
Nature of Dispensation sought	Dispensation to be involved in any debate concerning Llantwit Major RFC
Date of meeting / issue to be discussed (if known)	Not known
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>	Dispensation until date of next Local Government Elections
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>	Paragraphs d, e and f.



## **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;
- (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; or
- (j) it appears to the Standards Committee to be otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation.