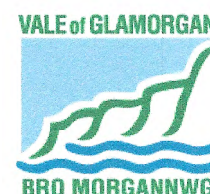


**THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL  
STANDARDS COMMITTEE**



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

Name of Councillor	<b>Roger Eustace</b>
Address	<b>Court House, Flemingston, CF62 4QJ</b>
Name of Member's relevant Authority and Ward	<b>St Athan Community Council</b>
Nature of Dispensation sought	<b>As the council elected trustee of St Athan Community Hub and Library, I seek dispensation to be able to discuss and vote of issues relating to this interest.</b>
Date of meeting / issue to be discussed (if known)	<b>Tuesday 2 February 2021 The Library is seeking the underwriting of operational shortfalls by the Community Council to allow it to continue.</b>
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>	<b>Dispensation is sought until 4 May 2021</b>
Level of dispensation sought <i>(i.e. to speak only or to speak and vote)</i>	<b>To speak and vote</b>
Relevant paragraph(s) under which dispensation can be granted <i>(See (a) to (j) overleaf)</i>	<b>d), e),</b>



## **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. [If this circumstance is relied upon it will be required to be reviewed on a 12 month basis – Local Government (Standards Committees, Investigations, Dispensations and Referral) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (3(1A)]