



STANDARDS COMMITTEE - 3RD OCTOBER 2013

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION – INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT BY: INTERIM MONITORING OFFICER

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise Members of the decision by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Standards Committee in relation to the application for dispensation made by Councillor Michael Adams.

2. LINKS TO STRATEGY

- 2.1 The Authority acting through this Committee has an obligation to maintain high standard and probity and conduct throughout the Council and the Community Councils within the County Borough area.

3. THE REPORT

- 3.1 Councillor Michael Adams applied to the Standards Committee for a dispensation to enable him to participate fully in the debate and vote on a Report to be brought before Council on 23rd July entitled "Phase 1: Secondary Rationalisation".
- 3.2 Councillor Adams is also a Governor of Pontllanfraith Comprehensive School and therefore sought a specific dispensation from the Standards Committee to enable him to participate in the debate and vote.
- 3.3 The application was made under grounds (d) and (e) of the Standards Committee (Grant of Dispensation) (Wales) Regulation 2001.
- 3.4 In accordance with the provisions of the Council's Constitution an urgent meeting was convened on the 22nd July 2013 with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Standards Committee to discuss the application for dispensation. The Council's Interim Monitoring Officer was in attendance.
- 3.5 The application for dispensation by Councillor Adams was duly considered by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and following detailed consideration, the application for dispensation was declined.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None.

5. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None.

6. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

6.1 None.

7. CONSULTATIONS

7.1 None this report has been prepared for information only.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 None this is an information item only.

9. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 None this is an information item only.

10. STATUTORY POWERS

10.1 Local Government Act 2000 and Standards Committee (Grants of Dispensation) (Wales) Regulations 2001. This is a Council function delegated to this Committee.

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