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Dear Sir / Madam

I write to inform you that a Meeting of the Ethics and Standards Committee will be held HYBRID - NEUADD CYNGOR CEREDIGION, PENMORFA, ABERAERON / REMOTELY VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE on Monday, 3 April 2023 at 2.00 pm for the transaction of the following business:

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Personal Matters**
- 3. Disclosure of personal / prejudicial interests**
- 4. To confirm as a true record the minutes of the meeting of the Ethics & Standards Committee held on 25 January 2023 (Pages 5 - 12)**
- 5. Matters Arising**
- 6. Action Log (Pages 13 - 18)**
- 7. To consider applications for dispensation from the following Councillors:**
  - (i) Councillor Gareth Lloyd, Ceredigion County Council-TB application (Pages 19 - 26)
  - (ii) Councillor Euros Davies, Ceredigion County Council - TB application (Pages 27 - 36)
  - (iii) Councillor Gwyn James, Ceredigion County Council, - TB application (Pages 37 - 48)
  - (iv) Councillor Geraint Hughes, Ceredigion County Council - TB application (Pages 49 - 56)
  - (v) Councillor Wyn Evans, Ceredigion County Council -TB application (Pages 57 - 64)
  - (vi) Councillor Gwyn Wigley Evans, Ceredigion County Council - TB application (Pages 65 - 72)
  - (vii) Councillor Meirion Davies, Ceredigion County Council - TB

application (Pages 73 - 78)

- (viii) Councillor Ifan Davies, Ceredigion County Council - TB application (Pages 79 - 88)
- (ix) Councillor Bryan Davies, Ceredigion County Council - TB application (Pages 89 - 100)
- (x) Councillor Eryl Evans, Ceredigion County Council - TB application (Pages 101 - 110)
- (xi) Councillor Rhodri Evans, Ceredigion County Council - TB application (Pages 111 - 120)
- (xii) Councillor Catrin M S Davies, Ceredigion County Council - TB application (Pages 121 - 128)
- (xiii) Councillor Ceris Jones, Ceredigion County Council - TB application (Pages 129 - 136)
- (xiv) Councillor Elizabeth Evans, Ceredigion County Council (Pages 137 - 146)
- (xv) Councillor Euros Davies, Ceredigion County Council (Pages 147 - 154)
- (xvi) Councillor Elizabeth Evans, Aberaeron Town Council (Pages 155 - 164)
- (xvii) Councillor Matthew Vaux, Ceredigion County Council (Pages 165 - 172)
- (xviii) Councillor Matthew Vaux, New Quay Town Council (Pages 173 - 180)
- (xix) Councillor Brett Stones, New Quay Town Council (Pages 181 - 188)
- (xx) Councillor Jennifer Davies, New Quay Town Council (Pages 189 - 196)
- (xxi) Councillor Julian Evans, New Quay Town Council (Pages 197 - 204)
- (xxii) Councillor Sioned Davies, New Quay Town Council (Pages 205 - 212)
- (xxiii) Councillor Tomas Davies, New Quay Town Council (Pages 213 - 220)

(xxiv Councillor Ywain Davies, New Quay Town Council (Pages 221 - 228)

8. **Report on amendment to dispensation form (Pages 229 - 238)**
9. **Recruitment of independent member update (Pages 239 - 240)**
10. **Appointment of Chair/Vice Chair**
11. **Review of Vision Statement (Pages 241 - 242)**
12. **Update on Adjudication Panel for Wales matters**
13. **Update on the Public Services Ombudsman matters (Pages 243 - 250)**
14. **Training**
15. **To consider any other applications for dispensation received since the agenda was published**
16. **Forward Work Programme (Pages 251 - 254)**
17. **Any other matter which the Chairman decides is for the urgent attention of the Committee**

Members are reminded to sign the Attendance Register

A Translation Services will be provided at this meeting and those present are welcome to speak in Welsh or English at the meeting.

Yours faithfully



**Miss Lowri Edwards**  
**Corporate Lead Officer: Democratic Services**

**To: Chairman and Members of Ethics and Standards Committee**  
The remaining Members of the Council for information only.

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**Minutes of the Meeting of ETHICS AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE  
held Hybrid at Neuadd Cyngor Ceredigion, Penmorfa, Aberaeron / remotely  
via video conference on Wednesday, 25 January 2023**

PRESENT: Mrs Caroline White (Chair) Mr Alan Davies, Miss Caryl Davies and Ms Carol Edwards (Independent Members)

Councillor Caryl Roberts (Elected Members)

Councillor Delyth James and Jan Culley (Town and Community Councillors)

Other Elected Members in attendance: Councillor Bryan Davies, Elizabeth Evans and Gareth Lloyd (Group Leaders) together with Councillor Sian Maehrlein

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Ms Elin Prysor (Monitoring Officer)

Mrs Lisa Evans (Scrutiny and Standards Officer)

Mrs Dana Jones (Democratic and Standards Officer)

(10.00am-12:45pm)

**1 Apologies**

Councillor Gwyn Evans and John Weston apologised for their inability to attend the meeting.

**2 Disclosure of Personal / Prejudicial Interests**

Miss Caryl Davies declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 11 on the agenda.

Mrs Dana Jones, Democratic Services and Standards Officer declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 5(i) to 5 (vi) on the agenda and left the meeting during consideration of these applications. Mrs Lisa Evans, Scrutiny and Standards Officer took the minutes during consideration of those applications.

**3 Procedure**

It was AGREED that the late dispensation application by Councillor Sian Maehrlein, the item in relation to party leaders the methods of promoting and maintaining high standards by conduct by Members of Ceredigion County Council to include the duties required under S 62-63 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 and Political Group Leaders Compliance Template be consider be considered first on the agenda.

**4 Councillor Sian Maehrlein, Ceredigion County Council**

An application dated 19 January 2023 was received from Councillor Sian Maehrlein, Ceredigion County Council requesting a dispensation regarding the tarmac in Maesglas Estate Cardigan. She had three relatives living on the estate. The estate had more than 200 houses and bungalows, it's was

a bus route and has been requested many times to ask the Council regarding tarmac.

It was RESOLVED to grant Councillor Maerlein a dispensation to speak and vote limited to **the issue of road tarmac** on the grounds that:  
the nature of the members' interest was 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 (Regulation 2 (d)) and,  
(e) the interest is common to the member and a significant proportion of the general public. (Regulation 2(e)).  
The dispensation was granted for a period of 12 months.

**5 To discuss with party leaders the methods of promoting and maintaining high standards by conduct by Members of Ceredigion County Council to include the duties required under S 62-63 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021**

The Chair welcomed Councillor Bryan Davies (Leader of the Council and Leader of the Plaid Cymru Group), Councillor Gareth Lloyd (Leader of the Independent Group) and Councillor Elizabeth Evans (Leader of the Liberal Democrats) for attending the meeting to exchange views on promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct in Ceredigion.

It was reported that the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 placed new duties on leaders of political groups and standards committees and contains the relevant sections, namely s62 and s63.

With regard to the duties of leaders of political groups in relation to standards of conduct, (S.52A Local Government Act 2000) states that a leader of a political group consisting of members of a county council in Wales must take reasonable steps to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by the members of the group; and must co-operate with the council's standards committee.

In section 54 Local Government Act 2000 (functions of standards committees), a standards committee of a county council or county borough council in Wales also has the specific functions of—

- (a) monitoring compliance by leaders of political groups on the council with their duties under section 52A(1), and
- (b) advising, training or arranging to train leaders of political groups on the council about matters relating to those duties

It was reported that the political leaders of Ceredigion County Council were invited annually to the Ethics and Standards Committee to discuss the methods of promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct by Members of Ceredigion County Council. It was reported that it was now necessary for Group Leaders to consider the additional duties upon them to take reasonable steps to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by the members of the group; and how to co-operate with the council's standards committee, and how this can be evidenced.

The political leaders stated that they welcomed this guidance, as it was a reference for them to confirm that the standards were being adhered to.

All the Leaders of the Council emphasised the importance of the Committee's work in promoting high standards of conduct and reported on their group meetings in which issues of standards were discussed; and the need to respect Council officers and vice versa.

It was also agreed that arrangements be given to providing refresher training on the Code soon, as the amount of training provided on all aspects of the Council following the election was vast.

It was also noted that advice was always available to Members from the Monitoring Officer and Standards Officers on email and in person.

The Chair thanked the Leaders for attending the meeting.

## **6 Political Group Leaders Compliance Template**

It was reported that Political group leaders were subject to two new statutory duties under the Local Government & Elections Wales Act 2021:

- To take reasonable steps to promote and maintain good standards of behaviour amongst their group members
- To co-operate with the Standards Committee in the exercise of the standards committee's functions.

The Ethics & Standards Committee was under a duty to:

- monitor compliance by leaders of political groups on the council with their duties, and
- to advise, train or arrange to train leaders of political groups on the council about matters relating to those duties.

The Ethics & Standards Committee was also under a duty to prepare an annual report which:

- a) must include the committee's assessment of the extent to which leaders of political groups on the council have complied with their duties, and
- b) may include recommendations or comment on levels of compliance with these new duties.

It was reported that Appendix presented provided detail of the legislation and statutory guidance and the proposed template which was based on examples in the WG Guidance to prompt group leaders on the matters to be covered in their reports. The Chair, Vice Chair and Political Group Leaders had contributed to the drafting of the protocol and template.

It was AGREED to APPROVE the draft Political Group Leaders Compliance Template as presented.

## **7 To confirm as a true record the minutes of the meeting of the Ethics & Standards Committee held on 13 October 2022**

It was RESOLVED to confirm as a true record of the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 13 October 2022.

### **Matters Arising**

Minute 12 - Ombudsman Annual Letter 2021/22- the request for an additional column in the table within the Ombudsman Annual Letter where a case had been referred but not been investigated had been sent to the Ombudsman office. They had reported that they would consider this in their next Annual letter.

Minute 13- Update on Ethics and Standards Committee recruitment and appointments to the Mid Wales Corporate Joint Committee Standards Sub Committee- a report would be presented to the Council meeting the following day, confirming the approval the appointment of Gail Storr as independent / lay person of the Ethics and Standards Committee with effect from 30 July 2023 up to 27th July 2029.

Minute 16- This had been adapted and considered accordingly under item 7 on the agenda, the Vision Statement and Training for Town and Community Councils were on the Forward Work Programme for consideration.

Minute 17- The All Wales Chair Standards Forum had been postponed prior to the Christmas period, and was now to be held on 27/1/23. Ceredigion CC and Powys CC Monitoring Officers were providing alternative support to the Committee.

### **8 Action Log**

It was AGREED to note the Action Log as presented subject to considering an additional column with the RAG status of all items.

### **9 To consider applications for dispensation from the following Councillors:**

The Monitoring Officer advised the Committee in relation to the applications for dispensations received from New Quay Town Council in relation to further information the Committee may seek before considering the applications.

In relation to dispensation ground a), advice was given as follows:

PSOW Guidance para 3.51:

“3.51 Only the Standards Committee can grant the dispensation and will do so at its discretion.

The Standards Committee will need to balance the public interest in preventing members with prejudicial interests from taking part in decisions, against the public interest in decisions being taken by a reasonably representative group of members of the Council.

If failure to grant a dispensation will result in a council or committee not achieving a quorum, this may well constitute grounds for granting a dispensation.”



Following discussion the Committee agreed to **defer** determination of these applications and request the following information from the Clerk:

- How many Councillors are there on New Quay Town Council?
- How many Councillors are required to be present for the Council to be quorate?
- What is the history and context of these applications?
- Has there been a problem with quorum?
- Were all remaining councillors who were not applying for dispensation able to vote?
- If dispensation sought for good of community to state why
- Are there guidelines for Town and Community Councils responding to planning applications as statutory consultees?
- To consider separating planning and Council tax/business rates matters within dispensation applications
- Does the Town Council need to address any matters urgently?
- What is the democratic deficit if dispensation not granted?

The Committee requests that a response be provided by the clerk through email and also welcomes the clerk or the Town Councillors to attend the next meeting

**9(i) Councillor Brett Stones, New Quay Town Council**

**9(ii) Councillor Jennifer Davies, New Quay Town Council**

**9(iii) Councillor Julian Evans, New Quay Town Council**

**9(iv) Councillor Sioned Davies, New Quay Town Council**

**9(v) Councillor Tomas Davies, New Quay Town Council**

**9(vi) Councillor Ywain Davies, New Quay Town Council**

**10 The Ombudsman Code of Conduct Complaints Guidance and Process**  
It was AGREED to note the content of the letter.

**11 Harmonisation of gifts/hospitality thresholds across all Welsh Authorities**

It was reported that consideration was being given amongst Monitoring Officers in Wales whether it was appropriate to seek the views of Standards Committees upon agreeing a common threshold figure amongst all Welsh authorities for consistency. Many authorities had shown an interest in a unified approach. The views of Standards Committee was being sought as to whether there was any support for such a move, and

what the common value should be. As the Ceredigion County Council level (£21) was currently less than the common denominator (£25), the views of the Committee were sought as to the merits in agreeing an in-principle view on increasing the Ceredigion County Council threshold from £21 to £25.

The committee voted:

- 1 Against
- 2 Against
- 3 Against
- 4 Against

Following discussion, it was also AGREED that:

Whilst consistency agreed in principle, local variation was acceptable.

The Committee discussed whether any gifts should be accepted by Members as well as the cumulative impact of gifts which individually fall below the threshold. The threshold for acceptance of gifts by Council Members and Officers should be in-line with each other.

Further consideration would be given to this proposal by the Committee and would also be placed on the Forward Work Programme for consideration. Also potentially by the Democratic Services Committee as necessary. Changes to the Code could only be made by Council.

**12 Monitoring Officer Code of Conduct Update-Q3 (September - December 2022)**

An update was provided to the Committee on the complaints activity and recent trends. It was AGREED to note the content of the report.

**13 The Public Services Ombudsman Code of Conduct Findings**

It was AGREED to note the content of the report.

Where there is a breach of the Code, it would be useful if a letter went to the Councillor even if no further action required.

**14 Self Evaluation of the Ethics and Standards Committee**

It was agreed at the Ethics and Standards Committee on 13th October that a paper on the self evaluation of the Ethics and Standards Committee would be considered at the next meeting.

The Chair, Vice Chair and Officers have met and drafted a questionnaire in order to self-evaluate the Ethics and Standards Committee annually. The proposed questionnaire was presented and it was proposed that a self-evaluation was undertaken annually at the end of the municipal year by the members of the Ethics and Standards Committee.

It was AGREED that further consideration be given to the self evaluation in relation to the removal of the middle option on the self evaluation and that a question be added in relation to the effectiveness of the Committee in considering the workload of the committees' agenda. Feedback on the self

evaluation was requested to be sent by Members of the Committee prior to the next meeting.

**15 Town and Community Council training plans**

It was AGREED to note the content of the report.

**16 Forward Work Programme**

It was AGREED to note the content of the Forward Work Programme

**17 Any Other Business**

None.

**Confirmed at the Meeting of the Ethics and Standards Committee held on**

**Chair:\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date:\_\_\_\_\_**

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## Ceredigion County Council Ethics and Standards Committee Meeting Actions Log 2022-2023\*

The purpose of this Actions Log is to monitor Actions agreed by the Ethics and Standards Committee at their Meetings e.g. where the Ethics and Standards have requested a future Report to be presented to them, or information sought at a future Meeting.

For further information regarding the Actions Log please contact the Standards Officer.

Last updated: 18 January 2023

\*Municipal Year

Actions marked green and Completed ('Y') shall be removed from the subsequent Actions Log

### Acronyms:

AW – Audit Wales	CM – Corporate Manager
CE: Chief Executive	ESC – Ethics and Standards Committee
CLO – Corporate Lead Officer	OVW – One Voice Wales
FWP – Forward Work Programme	L&G – Legal & Governance
SO – Standards Officer	N/A – Not Applicable
MO – Monitoring Officer	TBC – To Be Confirmed

No.	ESC Meeting Date	Item	Noted/ Comments	Action	Officer(s) responsible for Action	Progress Update	To next be Reported	Completed ? Y/N
	25/1/23	To discuss with party leaders the methods of promoting and maintaining high standards by conduct by Members of Ceredigion County Council to include the duties required under S 62-63 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021		Arrangements be given to providing refresher training on the Code soon	MO / LE	Date arranged 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2023		
	25/1/23	<b>New Quay Town Council applications</b>	defer determination of these applications	request further information from the Clerk	LE	Email sent 30/1/23 Information received from clerk	3/4/23	

No.	ESC Meeting Date	Item	Noted/ Comments	Action	Officer(s) responsible for Action	Progress Update	To next be Reported	Completed ? Y/N
		<b>for dispensation</b>						
	25/1/23	<b>Harmonisation of gifts/hospitality thresholds across all Welsh Authorities</b>	<p>AGREED that:</p> <p>Whilst consistency agreed in principle, local variation was acceptable.</p>	<p>The threshold for acceptance of gifts by Council Members and Officers should be in-line with each other.</p> <p>Further consideration would be given to this proposal by the Committee and would also be placed on the Forward Work Programme for consideration. Also potentially by the Democratic Services Committee as</p>	MO / NJ	Emal sent to MO /NJ 17/2/23		

No.	ESC Meeting Date	Item	Noted/ Comments	Action	Officer(s) responsible for Action	Progress Update	To next be Reported	Completed ? Y/N
				necessary. Changes to the Code could only be made by Council.				
	25/1/23	<b>Self Evaluation of the Ethics and Standards Committee</b>	It was AGREED that further consideration be given to the self evaluation in relation to the removal of the middle option on the self evaluation and that a question be added in relation to the effectiveness of the Committee in considering the workload of the committees' agenda.	Amended version sent to Members 16/2/23 for further comment	LE	Responses received. Self evaluation will be sent to Members in May 2023		



<b>No.</b>	<b>ESC Meeting Date</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Noted/ Comments</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Officer(s) responsible for Action</b>	<b>Progress Update</b>	<b>To next be Reported</b>	<b>Completed ? Y/N</b>
		<b>Review the Vision Statement</b>		Members provided views over email	LE	Reported to ESC 3/4	3/4/23	

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## **APPLICATION TO THE ETHICS & STANDARDS COMMITTEE FOR DISPENSATION**

### **Information**

Please refer to the flowchart which will provide further guidance regarding the need for dispensation.

Members should also be aware of the Code of Conduct and its contents. If you are in any doubt, please contact the Monitoring Officer.

Please ensure that **ONLY ONE** matter is used per form, if there are multiple matters (different cases) please use separate forms.

If you require dispensation for both Town/Community Council **AND** County Council you must use **separate** forms for each application.

### **Please send this completed form to:**

[ethicsandstandards@ceredigion.gov.uk](mailto:ethicsandstandards@ceredigion.gov.uk) / [moesegasafonau@ceredigion.llyw.cymru](mailto:moesegasafonau@ceredigion.llyw.cymru)

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### **For any further guidance or advice, please contact:**

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## **APPLICATION TO THE ETHICS & STANDARDS COMMITTEE FOR DISPENSATION**

Please note that each section **MUST** be completed. Please refer to the attached Guidance Notes when completing the form.

### **1. YOUR DETAILS**

Your full name: Gareth Ifan Lloyd

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion

Your address: Hafancletwr, Talgarreg, Llandysul, Ceredigion.

Postcode: SA44 4XD

Contact telephone number(s): 07855 342 293

Email address: [gareth.lloyd@ceredigion.gov.uk](mailto:gareth.lloyd@ceredigion.gov.uk)

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Notice of Motion to Full Council in relation to the way TB is dealt with by Welsh Government

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:  
I live on the family farm, Clettwr, where I farm sheep and cattle.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**



**County- Cabinet**



**County- Committee**



**Town /Community**



**Other  
(Please specify)**

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Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

**Paragraph 10 (2) (a)** it relates to, or is likely to affect —

(i) any employment or business carried on by you; ☒

(ii) any person who employs or has appointed you, any firm in which you are a partner or any company for which you are a remunerated director; ☐

(iii) any person, other than your authority, who has made a payment to you in respect of your election or any expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a member; ☐

(iv) any corporate body which has a place of business or land in your authority's area, and in which you have a beneficial interest in a class of securities of that body that exceeds the nominal value of £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; ☐

(v) any contract for goods, services or works made between your authority and you or a firm in which you are a partner, a company of which you are a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified in sub-paragraph (iv) above; ☐

(vi) any land in which you have a beneficial interest and which is in the area of your authority; ☒

(vii) any land where the landlord is your authority and the tenant is a firm in which you are a partner, a company of which you are a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified in sub-paragraph (iv) above; ☐

(viii) any body to which you have been elected, appointed or nominated by your authority; ☐

(ix) any — ☐

(aa) public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature;

(bb) company, industrial and provident society, charity, or body directed to charitable purposes;

(cc) body whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy;

(dd) trade union or professional association; or

(ee) private club, society or association operating within your authority's area, in which you have membership or hold a position of general control or management;

(x) any land in your authority's area in which you have a licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy for 28 days or longer; ☐

**Paragraph 10 (2) (b)** a decision upon it might reasonably be regarded as affecting —

(i) your well-being or financial position, or that of a person with whom you live, or any person with whom you have a close personal association; ☒

(ii) any employment or business carried on by persons as described in 10(2)(b)(i); ☒

(iii) any person who employs or has appointed such persons described in 10(2)(b)(i), any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors; ☒

(iv) any corporate body in which persons as described in 10(2)(b)(i) have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £5,000; or ☐

(v) anybody listed in paragraphs 10(2)(a)(ix)(aa) to (ee) in which persons described in 10(2)(b)(i) hold a position of general control or management, ☐  
to a greater extent than the majority of—

(aa) in the case of an authority with electoral divisions or wards, other council tax payers, rate payers or inhabitants of the electoral division or ward, as the case may be, affected by the decision; or

(bb) in all other cases, other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the authority's area.

**Paragraph 13** You also have a prejudicial interest in any business before an overview and scrutiny committee of your authority (or of a sub-committee of such a committee) where —

(a) that business relates to a decision made (whether implemented or not) or action taken by your authority's executive, board or another of your authority's committees, sub-committees, joint committees or joint sub-committees; and ☐

(b) at the time the decision was made or action was taken, you were a member of the executive, board, committee, sub-committee, joint-committee or joint sub-committee mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) and you were present when that decision was made or action was taken. ☐

### 3. INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF YOUR APPLICATION

Please provide additional (background/ factual) information in order to clarify/explain your interest further, and assist the committee considering this dispensation application.

**(Please note that failure to complete this section will result in the application form being returned to you)**

I am, and have always been, a farmer that lives and works on the family farm, Clettwr, where we farm sheep and cattle. Due to the Notice relating to the way TB is dealt with by the Welsh Government and there being a clear link between this matter and the agricultural industry I am applying for this dispensation to be clear and transparent.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

### 4. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

The **Standards Committee (Grant of Dispensations)(Wales) Regulations 2001** prescribe the circumstances in which the Ethics & Standards Committee may grant a dispensation. The grounds for granting a dispensation are set out below.

On which of the following grounds do you believe that a dispensation should be granted in this case? Please tick the appropriate box(es).

(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) the interest is common to the member and a significant proportion of the general public;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(f) the participation of the member in the business to which the interest relates is justified by the member's particular role or expertise;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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	<input type="checkbox"/>

(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	<input type="checkbox"/>
(j) it appears to the committee to be otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## 5. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION- FURTHER INFORMATION

Please set out below the reasons why you consider that the Ethics & Standards Committee should grant a dispensation in this case (i.e. Please explain how and why you consider that one of the grounds for dispensation is/are satisfied)

**(Please note that failure to complete this section will result in the application form being returned to you)**

Due to Welsh Government currently looking to revamp their strategy on dealing with TB we believe this is an ideal time to ask Council to bring certain aspects of the current strategy and possible ways of improvement to the attention of WG.

This has been a long standing issue in rural areas for decades and due to a large number of constituents raising the matter with me during my time as Councillor I feel there is a transparent way that I can bring first hand experience into the discussion.

This Notice refers to a strategy that effects more than one industry across the whole country and any changes would be on this national level rather than being a decision that directly effects my farm alone therefore I would kindly ask the committee to grant dispensation to speak and vote as I feel that it is essential to have relevant information presented in any discussion/decision taken.

I would be more than happy to answer any questions during the meeting.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)



## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

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Signed: G. I. Lloyd

Date: 23 / 03 /23

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### **1. YOUR DETAILS**

Your full name: Euros Davies

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion

Your address: Lllyswawr, Cwmsychpant, Llanybydder, Ceredigion.

Postcode: SA40 9XH

Contact telephone number(s): 07977922532

Email address: euros.davies@ceredigion.gov.uk

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

There is a Notice of Motion going to be presented to Full Council in relation to the way TB is dealt with by Welsh Government

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

I am a self-employed builder that carry out building maintenance work on agricultural farms that keep Cattle.

I also rent some land and keep a flock of sheep & horses.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**

☒

**County- Cabinet**

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**Town /Community**

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**Other  
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Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

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(b) at the time the decision was made or action was taken, you were a member of the executive, board, committee, sub-committee, joint-committee or joint sub-committee mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) and you were present when that decision was made or action was taken. ☐

### 3. INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF YOUR APPLICATION

Please provide additional (background/ factual) information in order to clarify/explain your interest further, and assist the committee considering this dispensation application.

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I am a self-employed builder that has done building work on different farms for the last 40 years. I also keep a small flock of sheep.

Due to the Notice relating to the way TB is dealt with by the Welsh Government and there being a clear link between this matter and the agricultural industry I am applying for this dispensation to be clear and transparent.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

### 4. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

The **Standards Committee (Grant of Dispensations)(Wales) Regulations 2001** prescribe the circumstances in which the Ethics & Standards Committee may grant a dispensation. The grounds for granting a dispensation are set out below.

On which of the following grounds do you believe that a dispensation should be granted in this case? Please tick the appropriate box(es).

(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Due to Welsh Government currently looking to revamp their strategy on dealing with TB we believe this is an ideal time to ask Council to bring certain aspects of the current strategy and possible ways of improvement to the attention of WG.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

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## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

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Specific Meeting(s): ☒

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Signed:

Euros Davies

Date:

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### 1. YOUR DETAILS

Your full name: **EMYR GWYN JAMES**

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: **CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL**

Your address: **BRON Y GLYN, GLYNARTHEN, LLANDYSUL, CEREDIGION.**

Postcode: **SA 44 6PS**

Contact telephone number(s): **01239 858 808**  
**07800 897 269**

Email address: **gwyn.james@ceredigion.gov.uk**

### 2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

**NOTICE OF MOTION TO FULL COUNCIL IN RELATION TO THE WAY TB IS DEALT WITH BY WELSH GOVERNMENT.**

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**I AM A DAIRY FARMER IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MY SON AT BRON Y GLYN GLYNARTHEN.**



Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

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AS A DAIRY FARMER I COME ~~ACROSS~~ IN CONTACT WITH TB ISSUES AND TESTING REGULARLY. I FEEL THAT I NEED TO ASK FOR DISPENSATION TO SPEAK AND VOTE ON THIS MATTER SO THAT I CAN REPRESENT OTHER FARMERS IN MY WARD AND ~~BEYOND~~ FURTHER AFIELD.

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WELSH GOVERNMENT IS CURRENTLY LOOKING AT WAYS TO IMPROVE THE WAY THEY DEAL WITH TB (BOVINE). THIS IS A GOOD TIME FOR ALL COUNCILS IN WALES TO PRESENT THEIR VIEWS TO W G AND AS A DAIRY FARMER I HAVE A LIFELONG EXPERIENCE ON THIS ISSUE. IT IS IMPORTANT FARMERS, VETS AND SCIENTISTS WORK TOGETHER IF WE ARE EVER TO SEE AN END TO THIS TERRIBLE DISEASE, THIS CAN ONLY BE DONE IF WE ARE ALLOWED TO PASS ON WHAT KNOWLEDGE WE HAVE. SOME YEARS AGO WELSH GOVERNMENT HAD MEETINGS WITH ALL CATTLE BREED SOCIETIES TO DISCUSS TB ISSUES, I WAS THE SOUTH DEVON CATTLE SOCIETY'S REPRESENTATIVE AT THESE MEETINGS, THEY LASTED FOR A FEW YEARS UNTIL FUNDING TO HOLD THEM RAN OUT.

I KINDLY ASK THE ETHICS AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE TO GRANT ME DISPENSATION TO SPEAK AND VOTE AS THIS IS A NATIONAL PROBLEM, NOT ONLY TO MY FARM.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

FROM THE LIFELONG EXPERIENCE I HAVE RELATING TO TB ISSUES I FEEL I HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE TO OFFER INFORMATION TO COUNCIL. THE PROBLEM IS HUGE AND IT AFFECTS OUR COUNTRY AS A WHOLE, IT IS NOT A SINGLE FARM PROBLEM. THEREFOR, I ASK PERMISSION TO SPEAK AND VOTE ON THIS MATTER.



## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

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Specific Meeting(s): ☐

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E. G. JAMES.

Date:

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### **1. YOUR DETAILS**

Your full name:  
Geraint Wyn Hughes

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion County Council

Your address:

Y Berllan  
Llanfarian  
Aberystwyth  
Ceredigion

Postcode: SY23 4BX

Contact telephone number(s):  
07980532836

Email address: Geraint.Hughes@ceredigion.llyw.cymru

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Motion regarding TB - Tuberculosis

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

Farming Connections which are affected by TB and the way in which is it being managed in the agricultural sector in Wales

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

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Operate a business which is heavily involved within the Agricultural sector. Also receive an income from the Agricultural Sector and undertake professional work within this sector.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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I feel that my knowledge on this subject would be beneficial whilst discussing this subject and whilst I do receive an income from agriculture, the topic being discussed - regardless of outcome would not put me or the Council in a compromising position, nor lead to any personal financial gain.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

As mentioned, my knowledge on this subject would be beneficial to the meeting.

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

**Specific:**

Specific Meeting(s): ☒

Please specify meeting date(s): 20/04/2023

**General:**

6 months: ☐

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## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

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Signed:

*GW Hughes*

Date:

24 / 03 / 2023

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### 1. YOUR DETAILS

Your full name: William Wyn Evans

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council:

Your address: Nant Byr Uchaf, Tynygraig, Ystrad Meurig , Ceredigion.

Postcode: SY256AG

Contact telephone number(s): 07817592411

Email address:

### 2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Notice of motion to full council in relation to the way TB is dealt with by Welsh Government.

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

I live on the family farm , Nant Byr Uchaf, where I farm sheep and cattle.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**



**County- Cabinet**



**County- Committee**



**Town /Community**



**Other  
(Please specify)**

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Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

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(ix) any — ☐

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(ee) private club, society or association operating within your authority's area, in which you have membership or hold a position of general control or management;

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I am, and have always been a farmer who lives and works on the family farm, Nant Byr Uchaf, where we farm sheep and cattle. Due to the notice relating to the way TB is dealt with by Welsh Government and there being a clear link between this matter and the agricultural industry, I am applying for this dispensation to be clear and transparent.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

### 4. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

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## 6. REQUEST

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Please provide a reason for this:

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## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### General:

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12 months: ☐

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.**

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Signed:

W Wyn Evans

Date:

24 / 3 /23

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### **1. YOUR DETAILS**

Your full name: Gwyn Wigley Evans

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion

Your address: Benglog, Llanddeiniol, Llanrhystud, Ceredigion.

Postcode: SY23 5AW

Contact telephone number(s): 07886399410

Email address: gwyn.wigley.evans@ceredigion.llyw.cymru

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Notice of Motion to Full Council in relation to the way TB is dealt with by Welsh Government

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I live on the family farm, Benglog where sheep and cattle are farmed

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

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## 1. YOUR DETAILS

Your full name: <b>JOHN EDWIN MEIRION DAULES</b>	
Council:	County: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Town/Community: <input type="checkbox"/>
Name of your Council: <b>CEREDIGION</b>	
Your address: <b>GORSWGAN LLANILAR ABERYSTWYTH CEREDIGION</b> Postcode: <b>SY23 4PL</b>	
Contact telephone number(s): <b>07773574916</b>	
Email address: <b>Meirion.DAULES@Ceredigion.gov.uk</b>	

## 2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

What is the matter being discussed by the Council? <b>Motion regarding T.B - Tuberculosis</b>	
Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it: <b>Farming which is affected by TB and the way in which it is being managed in the agri sector</b>	
Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)	
County- Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	County- Cabinet <input type="checkbox"/>
County- Committee <input type="checkbox"/>	Town /Community <input type="checkbox"/>
Other (Please specify) _____	

Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

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I feel that my knowledge on this subject would be of great while discussing this motion. I do receive an income from agricultural, the topic being discussed regardless of the outcome would not put me or the Council in a compromising position, nor lead to any personal financial gain

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

As I'm a farmer my knowledge would be of great help to the meeting

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

**Specific:**

Specific Meeting(s): ☒

Please specify meeting date(s): 20-04-2023

**General:**

6 months: ☐

12 months: ☐

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.

I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Ethics and Standards Committee.

Signed:



Date:

24 / 03 / 2023

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Your full name: Ifan Lloyd Davies

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion

Your address: Dolyrychain, pontrhydfendigaid, ystrad meurig , ceredigion

Postcode: sy256el

Contact telephone number(s): 07483371178

Email address: ifandavies@ceredigion.gov.uk

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council  
TB is dealt with by Welsh government

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

I am a beef and sheep farmer in Pontrhydfendigaid.



Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

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I am and always have been a farmer that lives and works on the family farm where we farm beef and sheep. Due to the notice relating to the way TB is dealt by Welsh Government and there being a clear link between this matter and the agriculture industry. I am applying for dispensation to be clear and transparent

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Due to Welsh government looking to revamp their strategy we believe this is an ideal time to ask Council to bring certain aspects of the current strategy and possible ways of improvement to the attention of WG.

This has been a long standing issue in rural areas for decades and due to a large number of constituents raising the matter with me during my time as Councillor I feel there is a transparent way that I can bring first hand experience into the discussion.

This Notice refers to a strategy that effects more than one industry across the whole country and any changes would be on this national level rather than being a decision that directly effects my farm alone therefore I would kindly ask the committee to grant dispensation to speak and vote as I feel that it is essential to have relevant information presented in any discussion/decision taken.

I would be more than happy to answer any questions during the meeting.

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Speak Only: ☐

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### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### General:

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**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.**

**I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Ethics and Standards Committee.**

Signed: I.L.Davies

Date: 24 / 03 /23

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Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion

Your address:

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Llandysul  
Ceredigion

Postcode: SA44 6JD

Contact telephone number(s):

07976 298015 01545580422

Email address:

Bryan.davies@ceredigion.llyw.cymru

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

A Notice of Motion in relation to the way TB is dealt with by the Welsh Government

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

I am a beef cattle farmer.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

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I have been running the family farm at Synod Uchaf for almost 20 years. In the past it was a mixed farm but I only farm beef cattle now. TB has not been a problem for me, although the farm is tested occasionally due to neighbours having had positive TB tests. If we were to have a positive test, it wouldn't change much in the way I farm, nor affect my income because I fatten the cattle and sell them on the hook rather than in the livestock market where a clear TB test is required before going to the mart.

Nevertheless, since the Notice of Motion deals directly with TB, I must be transparent and go through the correct processes and ask for dispensation on this matter.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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Since Ceredigion is a rural county, agriculture is its main industry. Farmers have suffered terribly over the years because of TB in cattle and wild animals. It is a bad disease whereby hundreds of thousands of basically healthy cattle are culled, regardless of the age of the animal, and in the case of a rearing cow, the unborn calf dies in the womb.

As a councillor and by now leader of Ceredigion County Council, I have electors in my ward and county who have suffered, or are suffering, from the effects of TB on their income and even worse, on their mental health. The endless testing puts a serious strain on the cattle and there are numerous cases of farmers/staff who have been injured or even killed by an animal that has become enraged whilst getting tested under these conditions.

As i stated in an answer above, TB does not excessively affect my income nor the way I farm, but as a councillor and leader I must speak up for those people I represent. The accidents and cases of suicide in the agriculture industry because of the endless testing for TB is a cause of great concern for me. By putting this notice of motion before the council I hope we can persuade the Welsh Government to review their approach to preventing or reducing the cases of TB in rural Wales.

I kindly ask you as a Committee to consider my application so that I may speak and vote on this important matter.

If I am fortunate enough to come before you as a Committee, I am more than happy to try and answer any questions or comments that you may have.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

We as a Council cannot change TB policy because agriculture is an area that has been devolved to the Welsh Government. Nevertheless, it is important that as many of us as possible on the council can speak and vote on this issue in the hope that WG will listen to us. As a farmer, it is important too that my experience in this field can add to the discussion on the chamber floor.

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☒ Council meeting when this Motion will be discussed. No date has been set yet.

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### General:

6 months: ☐

12 months: ☐

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.**

**I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Ethics and Standards Committee.**

Signed: B G Davies

Date: 26 / 03 /23

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### 1. YOUR DETAILS

Your full name: Eryl Evans

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council:

Your address: Tanygraig Silian Lampeter Ceredigion

Postcode: Sa48 8ar

Contact telephone number(s): 01570 422442

Email address:

### 2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Motion to full council regarding the way WG currently deal with TB and possible changes.

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

Beef and sheep farmer at the above address.  
Main source of livelihood for family.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**



**County- Cabinet**



**County- Committee**



**Town /Community**



**Other  
(Please specify)**

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Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

**Paragraph 10 (2) (a)** it relates to, or is likely to affect —

(i) any employment or business carried on by you; ☒

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(iii) any person, other than your authority, who has made a payment to you in respect of your election or any expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a member; ☐

(iv) any corporate body which has a place of business or land in your authority's area, and in which you have a beneficial interest in a class of securities of that body that exceeds the nominal value of £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; ☐

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(vii) any land where the landlord is your authority and the tenant is a firm in which you are a partner, a company of which you are a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified in sub-paragraph (iv) above; ☐

(viii) any body to which you have been elected, appointed or nominated by your authority; ☐

(ix) any — ☐

(aa) public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature;

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(dd) trade union or professional association; or

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(iii) any person who employs or has appointed such persons described in 10(2)(b)(i), any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors; ☒

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(b) at the time the decision was made or action was taken, you were a member of the executive, board, committee, sub-committee, joint-committee or joint sub-committee mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) and you were present when that decision was made or action was taken. ☐

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**I am a beef and sheep farmer at Tanygraig Silian. We undergo Tb tests on our family farm as necessary.**

**I am concerned with the stress and financial worry that the current system puts farmers under and have concerns with the way WG is dealing with this.**

**I wish to apply for dispensation as I would like to be clear and transparent on this matter.**

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

### 4. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

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TB has been a long standing concern in rural/agriculture for many years. It has huge financial, organisational and mental consequences on many family farms. This is a concern that is raised by many farmers within my ward and it is within my role to represent concerns.

I understand that WG is considering the way they currently deal with TB and feel this is an ideal opportunity for the Council to respond and feed into the strategy.

Clear knowledge and information from those who experience it first hand is extremely valuable and can only suffice in reaching a fair, balanced and informed decision for the potential protection of the agricultural industry, environment and wildlife as a whole.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

I would certainly like the option to vote.

I would like the option to contribute verbally if I feel it necessary. My concerns are that this is an issue that affects the whole agricultural industry from food production, animal welfare and mental health.

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### General:

6 months: ☒

12 months: ☐

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

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Signed: Eryl Evans

Date: 26/03/2023

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### **1. YOUR DETAILS**

Your full name: Rhodri Evans

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion

Your address: Llanio Fawr, Llanio, Tregaron, Ceredigion

Postcode: sy256pt

Contact telephone number(s): 07870604199

Email address: ifandavies@ceredigion.gov.uk

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council  
TB is dealt with by Welsh government

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

I am a beef and sheep farmer in Tregaron

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**

☒

**County- Cabinet**

☐

**County- Committee**

☐

**Town /Community**

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**Other  
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Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

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I am and always have been a farmer that lives and works on the family farm where we farm beef and sheep. Due to the notice relating to the way TB is dealt by Welsh Government and there being a clear link between this matter and the agriculture industry. I am applying for dispensation to be clear and transparent

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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Due to Welsh government looking to revamp their strategy we believe this is an ideal time to ask Council to bring certain aspects of the current strategy and possible ways of improvement to the attention of WG.

This has been a long standing issue in rural areas for decades and due to a large number of constituents raising the matter with me during my time as Councillor I feel there is a transparent way that I can bring first hand experience into the discussion.

This Notice refers to a strategy that effects more than one industry across the whole country and any changes would be on this national level rather than being a decision that directly effects my farm alone therefore I would kindly ask the committee to grant dispensation to speak and vote as I feel that it is essential to have relevant information presented in any discussion/decision taken.

I would be more than happy to answer any questions during the meeting.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

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Specific Meeting(s): ☐

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**I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Ethics and Standards Committee.**

Signed:

Rhodri Evans

Date:

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### 1. YOUR DETAILS

Your full name: CATRIN M S DAVIES

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion County Council

Your address:

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Contact telephone number(s): 07866 452287

Email address: catrin.m.s.davies@ceredigion.llyw.cymru

### 2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

**An effective strategy to eliminate bovine TB and how Welsh Government is dealing with the disease.**

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

- (1) I own a farm that is farmed by my sister.
- (2) My partner is a farmer.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**



**County- Cabinet**



**County- Committee**



**Town /Community**



**Other  
(Please specify)**

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Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

**Paragraph 10 (2) (a)** it relates to, or is likely to affect —

(i) any employment or business carried on by you; ☐

(ii) any person who employs or has appointed you, any firm in which you are a partner or any company for which you are a remunerated director; ☐

(iii) any person, other than your authority, who has made a payment to you in respect of your election or any expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a member; ☐

(iv) any corporate body which has a place of business or land in your authority's area, and in which you have a beneficial interest in a class of securities of that body that exceeds the nominal value of £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; ☐

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(vi) any land in which you have a beneficial interest and which is in the area of your authority; ☒

(vii) any land where the landlord is your authority and the tenant is a firm in which you are a partner, a company of which you are a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified in sub-paragraph (iv) above; ☐

(viii) any body to which you have been elected, appointed or nominated by your authority; ☐

(ix) any — ☐

(aa) public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature;

(bb) company, industrial and provident society, charity, or body directed to charitable purposes;

(cc) body whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy;

(dd) trade union or professional association; or

(ee) private club, society or association operating within your authority's area, in which you have membership or hold a position of general control or management;

(x) any land in your authority's area in which you have a licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy for 28 days or longer; ☐

**Paragraph 10 (2) (b)** a decision upon it might reasonably be regarded as affecting —

(i) your well-being or financial position, or that of a person with whom you live, or any person with whom you have a close personal association; ☒

(ii) any employment or business carried on by persons as described in 10(2)(b)(i); ☒

(iii) any person who employs or has appointed such persons described in 10(2)(b)(i), any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors; ☐

(iv) any corporate body in which persons as described in 10(2)(b)(i) have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £5,000; or ☐

(v) anybody listed in paragraphs 10(2)(a)(ix)(aa) to (ee) in which persons described in 10(2)(b)(i) hold a position of general control or management, ☐  
to a greater extent than the majority of—

(aa) in the case of an authority with electoral divisions or wards, other council tax payers, rate payers or inhabitants of the electoral division or ward, as the case may be, affected by the decision; or

(bb) in all other cases, other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the authority's area.

**Paragraph 13** You also have a prejudicial interest in any business before an overview and scrutiny committee of your authority (or of a sub-committee of such a committee) where —

(a) that business relates to a decision made (whether implemented or not) or action taken by your authority's executive, board or another of your authority's committees, sub-committees, joint committees or joint sub-committees; and ☐

(b) at the time the decision was made or action was taken, you were a member of the executive, board, committee, sub-committee, joint-committee or joint sub-committee mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) and you were present when that decision was made or action was taken. ☐



### 3. INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF YOUR APPLICATION

Please provide additional (background/ factual) information in order to clarify/explain your interest further, and assist the committee considering this dispensation application.

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I don't farm myself but own farmland which is farmed by my sister. She owns cattle but they are not kept on my land. Having said that, my sister must take part in the TB testing regime. My partner farms (in Meirionnydd) and keeps cattle which are part of the current TB testing regime

Because of the Notice of Motion about the way that the Welsh Government is dealing with TB, and there being a clear link between this matter and the agriculture industry, I seek dispensation in order to be clear and transparent.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

### 4. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

The **Standards Committee (Grant of Dispensations)(Wales) Regulations 2001** prescribe the circumstances in which the Ethics & Standards Committee may grant a dispensation. The grounds for granting a dispensation are set out below.

On which of the following grounds do you believe that a dispensation should be granted in this case? Please tick the appropriate box(es).

(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) the interest is common to the member and a significant proportion of the general public;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(f) the participation of the member in the business to which the interest relates is justified by the member's particular role or expertise;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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	<input type="checkbox"/>

(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	<input type="checkbox"/>
(j) it appears to the committee to be otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## 5. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION- FURTHER INFORMATION

Please set out below the reasons why you consider that the Ethics & Standards Committee should grant a dispensation in this case (i.e. Please explain how and why you consider that one of the grounds for dispensation is/are satisfied)

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The situation of TB and testing for it is a hot topic in the Ceredigion countryside and certainly here in Ceulanamaesmawr. The testing and culling process affects a great number of my electors who are beef and dairy farmers. It is a vital issue to many of the people of Ceredigion and to a great many of the councillors.

I seek dispensation to be able to discuss this matter and represent my electors fully. Most of the electors of Ceulanamaesmawr will be grateful that I am part of this discussion and they raise the issue with me from time to time. It is important that I'm able to represent my constituency. The issue of wellbeing and mental health as a result of the testing process has also been raised by many electors and I wish to contribute to the discussion on that particular point.

I believe that my 'interest' in this area is not central to my work (i.e. I don't farm directly myself) nor does it affect my work or income directly.

This Notice of Motion refers to a strategy that affects more than one industry across the whole country and any changes would be on this national level rather than being a decision that affects individual businesses only.

I would like to kindly ask the committee to grant dispensation to speak and vote.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

This Notice of Motion refers to a strategy that affects more than one industry across the whole country and any changes would be on this national level rather than being a decision that affects individual businesses only.

I would kindly ask the committee to grant dispensation to speak and vote as I feel that I need to represent my electors fully and being able to speak and vote is essential for that.

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s):

### General:

6 months: ☒

12 months: ☐

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.  
I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Ethics and Standards Committee.**

Signed: Catrin MS Davies

Date: 26 / 03 / 23

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**1. YOUR DETAILS**

Your full name: Ceris Mair Jones

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion County Council

Your address:

Dolwerdd, Felinfach, Lampeter, Ceredigion

Postcode: SA48 8AF

Contact telephone number(s): 07964257986

Email address: ceris.jones@ceredigion.llyw.cymru

**2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

An effective strategy to eliminate bovine TB.

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

My grandfather and brother are beef farmers.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

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My Grandfather and Brother are beef farmers on two separate farms. Although I don't work on the farms nor have any financial interest in them, members of the public would be able to see that I have a prejudicial interest since I'm related to them.

I seek dispensation to have a clear and transparent discussion on the matter. I believe it is important in this discussion to have a cross-section of individuals with experience and knowledge in this area, so that we may have a full discussion.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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I think the committee should grant dispensation to speak and vote on this motion as it is a hot topic in the rural area we live in, and has a negative impact on farm businesses, the wellbeing and mental health of farmers, and also the stress and worrying about TB affects them financially. When discussing a topic like this I think it's important to have a cross-section in the discussion, and it's extremely important to get the views / knowledge of individuals who have connections in the agriculture industry, to get the full picture about the seriousness of the situation. We must also be able to support farmers within our wards as best we can by representing them effectively at a full council meeting.

TB has long been a problem in rural areas and for farmers. It has a huge impact on their financial and mental situation and how they go about their daily life. It is a subject that troubles many farmers within my elected area and it is my duty to represent them.

I understand that the Welsh Government want to consider the way they are dealing with the situation currently and I think it's a perfect opportunity for us as a Council, with a cross-section of knowledge and experiences, to inform this strategy.

Making use of the knowledge of individuals who have experienced this – in my case family members who struggle every year with all the guidance and testing – is very beneficial for the full council so it has a cross-section of information to make productive recommendations to the Government, for the better.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

To have a full discussion on this matter and to represent the farmers in my ward the best I can, with a view to making their lives a bit less stressful if we can get Welsh Government to make changes.

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

**Specific:**

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): Full Council meeting

**General:**

6 months: ☒

12 months: ☐

**8. DECLARATION**

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.  
I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Ethics and Standards Committee.**

Signed:

cmjones

Date:

27 / 03 /23

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Your full name:  
Elizabeth Evans

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council:  
Ceredigion County Council

Your address:  
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Postcode: SA46 0AT

Contact telephone number(s):  
07775638625

Email address: [Elizabeth.evans@ceredigion.gov.uk](mailto:Elizabeth.evans@ceredigion.gov.uk)

### 2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

The Harbour Defence Works to Aberaeron main harbour and Pwll Cam. I would like to liaise with officers on behalf of my residents on various aspects of the harbour works, and ask any relevant questions.

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:  
My mother lives directly overlooking Pwll Cam.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**

☒

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**Other**

**(Please specify)**

**Planning has been granted so no further voting.**

Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

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Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

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Speak and Vote: ☐

Please provide a reason for this:

Representing the interests of my council ward.

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): As they arise.

### General:

6 months: ☐

12 months: ☒

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.**

**I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Ethics and Standards Committee.**

Signed:

G E Evans



Date:

25 / 03 /2023

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### 1. YOUR DETAILS

Your full name: Euros Davies

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion County Council

Your address: Lllyswawr, Cwmsychpant, Llanybydder, Ceredigion

Postcode: SA409XH

Contact telephone number(s): 07977922532

Email address: euros.davies@ceredigion.gov.uk

### 2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Planning application in my ward .App no A210757

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

Done an emergency work for the applicant during the frosty weather over Christmas.



Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**

☐

**County- Cabinet**

☐

**County- Committee**

☒

**Town /Community**

☐

**Other  
(Please specify)**

**Development Management Committee**

Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

**Paragraph 10 (2) (a)** it relates to, or is likely to affect —

(i) any employment or business carried on by you; ☒

(ii) any person who employs or has appointed you, any firm in which you are a partner or any company for which you are a remunerated director; ☐

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(iv) any corporate body which has a place of business or land in your authority's area, and in which you have a beneficial interest in a class of securities of that body that exceeds the nominal value of £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; ☐

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(vii) any land where the landlord is your authority and the tenant is a firm in which you are a partner, a company of which you are a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified in sub-paragraph (iv) above; ☐

(viii) any body to which you have been elected, appointed or nominated by your authority; ☐

(ix) any — ☐

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Would like to speak at the planning committee on this application. Speak only as the local councillor.

As I was asked by the applicant to carry out emergency work at his home during the frosty weather and as I am a local builder him and had a mini digger to do the emergency work. I see it better to ask for dispensation to speak.

At the previous meeting I declared an interest as I had no time to apply as its only a week from the date of release of documents to the planning meeting.

I am not a steel fabricator of industrial buildings which is required on this application therefore I see no financial gain for my company.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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As a voted in Local Councillor by the residents of my ward I would hope that I'm in a position to represent everyone in the ward if called on to do so.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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Speak Only: ☒

Speak and Vote: ☐

Please provide a reason for this:

Speak only as I am not on the Development committee therefore I do not have a vote.

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☒

Please specify meeting date(s): Hopefully \_\_\_\_ 12 April 2023

### General:

6 months: ☒

12 months: ☐

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.  
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Signed:

Euros Davies

Date:

21 / 03 /2023

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Your full name:  
Elizabeth Evans

Council:

County: ☐

Town/Community: ☒

Name of your Council:  
Aberaeron Town Council

Your address:  
Swyddfa'r Sir  
Penmorfa  
Aberaeron

Postcode: SA46 0AT

Contact telephone number(s):  
07775638625

Email address: [Elizabeth.evans@ceredigion.gov.uk](mailto:Elizabeth.evans@ceredigion.gov.uk)

### 2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

The Harbour Defence Works to Aberaeron main harbour and Pwll Cam. I would like to liaise with officers on behalf of my residents on various aspects of the harbour works, and ask any relevant questions.



Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:  
My mother lives directly overlooking Pwll Cam.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**

☐

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☐

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**Town /Community**

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**Other**

**(Please specify)**

**Planning has been granted so no further voting.**

Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

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Speak Only: ☒

Speak and Vote: ☐

Please provide a reason for this:

Representing the interests of my council ward.

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Signed:

G E Evans



Date:

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Your full name: Matthew Vaux

Council:

County: ☒

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council: Ceredigion County Council

Your address:

1 Allen View  
Cross Inn  
Llandysul

Postcode: SA44 6NG

Contact telephone number(s): 07931294547

Email address: matthew.vaux@ceredigion.llyw.cymru

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What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Waste collections and public bin placement and supply in New Quay

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

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Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

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Your full name: Brett Stones

Council:

County: ☐

Town/Community: ☒

Name of your Council: New Quay Town Council

Your address: 16 Park Street, New Quay

Postcode:

Contact telephone number(s):

Email address: stonesbrett@hotmail.com

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

-Planning applications for holiday accommodation (self-catering accommodation, huts, caravans and Second homes)

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

I own a Dolphin Watching Boat Trip business, a Pasty Shop and holiday accommodation in New Quay

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### 3. INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF YOUR APPLICATION

Please provide additional (background/ factual) information in order to clarify/explain your interest further, and assist the committee considering this dispensation application.

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As I own holiday accommodation, planning applications for any other type of holiday accommodation could be seen potentially as impacting my business; as it will be in competition with my property.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

### 4. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

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Due to the number of holiday accommodation in New Quay and its surrounding area, I feel that I can remain impartial and clear of any bias towards any other planning applications for holiday accommodation. I will consider every application on its own merit in accordance with Planning Policy and the Local Development Plan.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

I require a dispensation so that I can 'speak and vote' as a Town Councillor. Over 50 % of the Town Council will seek dispensation

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

**Specific:**

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**General:**

6 months: ☐

12 months: ☒

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.  
I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Ethics and Standards Committee.**

Signed: Brett Stones

Date: 21/03/2023

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Your full name: Jennifer Joy Davies

Council:

County: ☐

Town/Community: ☒

Name of your Council: New Quay Town Council

Your address: Alamo, Maenygroes, New Quay

Postcode: SA45 9TJ

Contact telephone number(s): 01545560037

Email address: sailingjenny@hotmail.com

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Planning applications for holiday accommodation to include self- catering accommodation, second homes, glamping pods and caravans.

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

My daughter in law owns a self catering property.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**

☐

**County- Cabinet**

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**County- Committee**

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**Other  
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Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

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Provision of holiday accommodation especially in a rural setting is of benefit to the area and to the providers as they are able to earn the extra income which enables them to live in New Quay.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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My family are local to New Quay and wishe to remain here and bring up their family and I can have family close as I grow older. The extra income from the self catering cottage enables this which brings tourists 12 months of the year. I wish to provide a balanced view on planning applications for holiday accommodation and housing need in New Quay.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

Over 50% of Members will need to declare a personal and prejudicial interest in second/holiday homes, therefore a dispensation to speak and vote is required

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

**Specific:**

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**General:**

6 months: ☐

12 months: ☒

**8. DECLARATION**

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.**

Signed: Jennifer Davies

Date: 21/03/2023

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### **1. YOUR DETAILS**

Your full name: Dr Julian Evans

Council:

County: ☐

Town/Community: ☒

Name of your Council: New Quay Town Council

Your address: Raymond, New Road, New Quay

Postcode: SA45 9SE

Contact telephone number(s): 01545 560066

Email address: jevans1135@aol.com

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council  
Planning applications for holiday accommodation to include self- catering accommodation, second homes, glamping pods and caravans.

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:  
I own self-catering accommodation in New Quay

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**

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I understand as a Town Councillor there needs to be a balance of supporting the local economy by providing holiday accommodation and providing affordable housing to try and encourage the community to thrive during all seasons.

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(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

Due to the number of Members that will be declaring an interest in this matter, Speak and vote is required

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### General:

6 months: ☐

12 months: ☒

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.**

Signed:

Dr Julian Evans

Date:

21/03/2023

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Your full name: Sioned Amelia Davies

Council:

County: ☐

Town/Community: ☒

Name of your Council: New Quay Town Council

Your address: Fronhaul, 13 Bro Gido, Gilfachreda, New Quay

Postcode: SA45 9SR

Contact telephone number(s): 015455 581258

Email address: sioned.a.evans@hotmail.co.uk

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Planning applications for holiday accommodation to include self- catering accommodation, second homes, glamping pods and caravans.

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

My father is an owner of self-catering accommodation in New Quay

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**

☐

**County- Cabinet**

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**County- Committee**

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**Town /Community**

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**Other  
(Please specify)**

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Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

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### 3. INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF YOUR APPLICATION

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My father owns self-catering accommodation in New Quay and Town Council potentially will consider planning applications for all types of holiday accommodation.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

### 4. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

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(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
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## 5. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION- FURTHER INFORMATION

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Due to the number of Members with an prejudicial interest in holiday accommodation, I wish to provide a balanced view on the need for all types of holiday accommodation to promote and support tourism in New Quay and surrounding area, and the need for affordable housing.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

Over 50% of Members will need to declare a personal and prejudicial interest in second/holiday homes, therefore a dispensation to speak and vote is required

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

**Specific:**

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**General:**

6 months: ☐

12 months: ☒

**8. DECLARATION**

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.**

Signed:

Sioned Davies

Date:

21/03/23

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## **APPLICATION TO THE ETHICS & STANDARDS COMMITTEE FOR DISPENSATION**

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## **APPLICATION TO THE ETHICS & STANDARDS COMMITTEE FOR DISPENSATION**

Please note that each section **MUST** be completed. Please refer to the attached Guidance Notes when completing the form.

### **1. YOUR DETAILS**

Your full name: Tomas Davies

Council:

County: ☐

Town/Community: ☒

Name of your Council: New Quay Town Council

Your address: 2 Parc yr Efail, Cross Inn, New Quay

Postcode: SA44 6LJ

Contact telephone number(s):

Email address: tomos@pencwnc.co.uk

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Planning applications for holiday accommodation to include self- catering accommodation, second homes, glamping pods and caravans.

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:  
I'm a Director of Pencwnc Holiday Park near New Quay, Caerfelin in Aberporth and New Minerton in Tenby. I also two properties that are rented out in the New Quay area.

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**

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Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

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As I'm the Director of two large caravan parks in the area which provides accommodation to hundreds of visitors annually to NQ and surrounding area, considering planning applications for other holiday accommodation in the area could be seen as potentially impacting my business.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

### 4. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

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As a Town Councillor I wish to take part in any discussion in relation to holiday accommodation to include self- catering accommodation, second homes, glamping pods and caravans. There is also a need to strike a balance in NQ and the surrounding area between the number of self-catering accommodation/second homes and the housing need. I have a concern that due to the increase in the price of housing in the area it has made it difficult for local young people to buy their first property.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

I will require a dispensation to speak and vote as over 50% of Members of Town Council will need to declare a personal and prejudicial interest

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### General:

6 months: ☐

12 months: ☒

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.**

Signed: Tomos Davies

Date: 20/03/2023

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### **1. YOUR DETAILS**

Your full name: Ywain ap Dylan Davies

Council:

County: ☐

Town/Community: ☒

Name of your Council:

Your address: Bressay, Gilfachrheda, New Quay, Ceredigion

Postcode: SA459SP

Contact telephone number(s): 07960089254

Email address: info@wernmillcaravanpark.co.uk

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

-Planning applications in regards to holiday accommodation (self-catering accommodation, huts, caravans and Second homes)

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

- I am the owner/Director of Wern Mill Caravan Park, Gilfachrheda, New Quay
- I have holiday accommodation – Touring caravans, static caravans, holiday homes, holiday huts
- My family also have holiday accommodation locally
- Planning applications may have a direct or indirect impact on my business (positive or negative)
- My opinion/verdict may be deemed as biased or impartial by the public or the persons submitting the application

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

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Please provide additional (background/ factual) information in order to clarify/explain your interest further, and assist the committee considering this dispensation application.

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Considering and scrutinising planning applications could be seen as impacting my business (potentially)

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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## 5. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION- FURTHER INFORMATION

Please set out below the reasons why you consider that the Ethics & Standards Committee should grant a dispensation in this case (i.e. Please explain how and why you consider that one of the grounds for dispensation is/are satisfied)

**(Please note that failure to complete this section will result in the application form being returned to you)**

The Ethics & Standards Committee should grant a dispensation in this case as the scrutiny and verdict of such application should remain impartial and clear of any bias

I became a town Councillor to have the opportunity to improve New Quay as whole, whether this is for the local residents or Visitors. I would like to have the opportunity to discuss matters (as above) that directly influence New Quay

I am very confident that any scrutiny or analysis of such applications on my behalf would be remain within the guidelines and policies set out within the code of conduct – however, it may be viewed by persons outside of the town council that prejudice or unfair bias may be placed upon my verdict and this is why I am applying for dispensation

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☒

Please provide a reason for this:

I require a dispensation so that I can 'speak and vote' as a Town Councillor. Over 50 % of the Town Council will seek dispensation

To remain impartial and fair

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### General:

6 months: ☐

12 months: ☒

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.**

**I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Ethics and Standards Committee.**

Signed:

Ywain Davies

Date:

21/03/2023

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## Cyngor Sir CEREDIGION County Council

**REPORT TO:** Ethics and Standards Committee

**DATE:** 3 March 2023

**LOCATION:** Hybrid

**TITLE:** Updated application for dispensation form

### Background

The Local Government (Standards Committees, Investigations, Dispensations and Referral) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 made amendments to the Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001.

4.(3)(c) requires after paragraph (i) to insert —

“(j)”it appears to the committee to be otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation.”

The regulations are contained in Appendix A.

The amended application for dispensation form is Appendix B.

The updated application form for dispensation was placed on the Council website on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

### RECOMMENDATION (S):

To note the updated application for dispensation form.

### REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION (S):

- To comply with the Local Government (Standards Committees, Investigations, Dispensations and Referral) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2016

**Contact Name:** Lisa Evans

**Designation:** Scrutiny and Standards Officer

**Date of Report:** 21 March 2023

**Acronyms:**





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## **APPLICATION TO THE ETHICS & STANDARDS COMMITTEE FOR DISPENSATION**

### **Information**

Please refer to the flowchart which will provide further guidance regarding the need for dispensation.

Members should also be aware of the Code of Conduct and its contents. If you are in any doubt, please contact the Monitoring Officer.

Please ensure that **ONLY ONE** matter is used per form, if there are multiple matters (different cases) please use separate forms.

If you require dispensation for both Town/Community Council **AND** County Council you must use **separate** forms for each application.

### **Please send this completed form to:**

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## **APPLICATION TO THE ETHICS & STANDARDS COMMITTEE FOR DISPENSATION**

Please note that each section **MUST** be completed. Please refer to the attached Guidance Notes when completing the form.

### **1. YOUR DETAILS**

Your full name:

Council:

County: ☐

Town/Community: ☐

Name of your Council:

Your address:

Postcode:

Contact telephone number(s):

Email address:

### **2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST**

What is the matter being discussed by the Council?

Describe your prejudicial interest in the above matter, including your connection with it:

Where will the above matter be considered? (e.g. Cabinet, County Council, Town/Community Council)

**County- Council**

☐

**County- Cabinet**

☐

**County- Committee**

☐

**Town /Community**

☐

**Other  
(Please specify)**

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Under which paragraph of the Members Code of Conduct (20th May 2016 edition) does your interest fall?

**Paragraph 10 (2) (a)** it relates to, or is likely to affect —

(i) any employment or business carried on by you; ☐

(ii) any person who employs or has appointed you, any firm in which you are a partner or any company for which you are a remunerated director; ☐

(iii) any person, other than your authority, who has made a payment to you in respect of your election or any expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a member; ☐

(iv) any corporate body which has a place of business or land in your authority's area, and in which you have a beneficial interest in a class of securities of that body that exceeds the nominal value of £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; ☐

(v) any contract for goods, services or works made between your authority and you or a firm in which you are a partner, a company of which you are a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified in sub-paragraph (iv) above; ☐

(vi) any land in which you have a beneficial interest and which is in the area of your authority; ☐

(vii) any land where the landlord is your authority and the tenant is a firm in which you are a partner, a company of which you are a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified in sub-paragraph (iv) above; ☐

(viii) any body to which you have been elected, appointed or nominated by your authority; ☐

(ix) any — ☐

(aa) public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature;

(bb) company, industrial and provident society, charity, or body directed to charitable purposes;

(cc) body whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy;

(dd) trade union or professional association; or

(ee) private club, society or association operating within your authority's area, in which you have membership or hold a position of general control or management;

(x) any land in your authority's area in which you have a licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy for 28 days or longer; ☐

**Paragraph 10 (2) (b)** a decision upon it might reasonably be regarded as affecting —

(i) your well-being or financial position, or that of a person with whom you live, or any person with whom you have a close personal association; ☐

(ii) any employment or business carried on by persons as described in 10(2)(b)(i); ☐

(iii) any person who employs or has appointed such persons described in 10(2)(b)(i), any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors; ☐

(iv) any corporate body in which persons as described in 10(2)(b)(i) have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £5,000; or ☐

(v) anybody listed in paragraphs 10(2)(a)(ix)(aa) to (ee) in which persons described in 10(2)(b)(i) hold a position of general control or management, ☐  
to a greater extent than the majority of—

(aa) in the case of an authority with electoral divisions or wards, other council tax payers, rate payers or inhabitants of the electoral division or ward, as the case may be, affected by the decision; or

(bb) in all other cases, other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the authority's area.

**Paragraph 13** You also have a prejudicial interest in any business before an overview and scrutiny committee of your authority (or of a sub-committee of such a committee) where —

(a) that business relates to a decision made (whether implemented or not) or action taken by your authority's executive, board or another of your authority's committees, sub-committees, joint committees or joint sub-committees; and ☐

(b) at the time the decision was made or action was taken, you were a member of the executive, board, committee, sub-committee, joint-committee or joint sub-committee mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) and you were present when that decision was made or action was taken. ☐



### 3. INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF YOUR APPLICATION

Please provide additional (background/ factual) information in order to clarify/explain your interest further, and assist the committee considering this dispensation application.

**(Please note that failure to complete this section will result in the application form being returned to you)**

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

### 4. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

The **Standards Committee (Grant of Dispensations)(Wales) Regulations 2001** prescribe the circumstances in which the Ethics & Standards Committee may grant a dispensation. The grounds for granting a dispensation are set out below.

On which of the following grounds do you believe that a dispensation should be granted in this case? Please tick the appropriate box(es).

(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) the interest is common to the member and a significant proportion of the general public;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(f) the participation of the member in the business to which the interest relates is justified by the member's particular role or expertise;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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;	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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	<input type="checkbox"/>
(j) it appears to the committee to be otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation.	<input type="checkbox"/>

## 5. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION- FURTHER INFORMATION

Please set out below the reasons why you consider that the Ethics & Standards Committee should grant a dispensation in this case (i.e. Please explain how and why you consider that one of the grounds for dispensation is/are satisfied)

**(Please note that failure to complete this section will result in the application form being returned to you)**

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

## 6. REQUEST

Are you applying for dispensation to speak only or to speak and vote?

Speak Only: ☐

Speak and Vote: ☐

Please provide a reason for this:

## 7. DURATION

What is the requested duration for this dispensation?

### Specific:

Specific Meeting(s): ☐

Please specify meeting date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### General:

6 months: ☐

12 months: ☐

## 8. DECLARATION

I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

**I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.**

**I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Ethics and Standards Committee.**

Signed:

Date:

### Please return this form to:

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## CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL

**Report to:** Ethics and Standards Committee

**Date of meeting:** 3 March 2023

**Location:** Hybrid

**Title:** Update on recruitment of Independent Member to the Ethics and Standards Committee

**Purpose of the report:** For information

The current Chair, Mrs Caroline White was appointed initially on 30/7/2013 and reappointed on 30/7/2019. The term of office will expire on 29/7/2023. Mrs Caroline White is not now eligible for reappointment.

Consequently it was necessary to recruit a new independent member to the Ethics and Standards Committee to maintain the Committee's composition, as set out in the Constitution, and as required by legislation.

Following the recruitment process Gail Storr was selected as an Independent / Lay Member to the Ethics and Standards Committee. The new lay member would be appointed for one term of 6 years, with an option to reappoint for a second term of 4 years, up to no more than two consecutive administrative terms inclusive of the current term (up to 10 years, up to 29 July 2032).

Council at its meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> January resolved to approve the appointment of Gail Storr as Independent / Lay Member to the Ethics and Standards Committee with effect from 30 July 2023 up to 29 July 2029.

**Recommendation(s):** To note the current position

**Reasons for decision:** For information

**Reporting Officer:** Lisa Evans Scrutiny and Standards Officer

**Date:** 22 March 2023

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## Cyngor Sir CEREDIGION County Council

**REPORT TO:** Ethics and Standards Committee

**DATE:** 3 March 2023

**LOCATION:** Hybrid

**TITLE:** Review of the Ethics and Standards Committee Vision Statement.

### Background

The current Ethics and Standards Committee vision statement was shared with Members of the Committee on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023.

The Vision Statement of the Ethics and Standards Committee is as follows:

### VISION STATEMENT

“Our Vision is that the people of Ceredigion will have trust and confidence that all those elected to office in Local Government in our county will work to the highest ethical and moral standards in serving their community”

The Standards Officer asked members to share any comments/proposed amendments that they'd like seen.

The following responses were received:

- Three committee members agreed that the vision statement is still fit for purpose.
- One member proposed a slight amendment to add "and businesses" after "people"

### RECOMMENDATION (S):

To review the vision statement.

### REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION (S):

- To ensure the vision statement is fit for purpose

**Contact Name:** Lisa Evans  
**Designation:** Scrutiny and Standards Officer  
**Date of Report:** 21 March 2023  
**Acronyms:**





## Cyngor Sir CEREDIGION County Council

**REPORT TO:** Ethics and Standards Committee

**DATE:** 3 April 2023

**LOCATION:** Hybrid

**TITLE:** The Public Services Ombudsman Code of Conduct Findings

**PURPOSE OF REPORT:** For information

The Public Services Ombudsman for Wales considers complaints relating to the Members Code of Conduct, under the provisions of Part III of the Local Government Act 2000 and the relevant Orders made by the National Assembly for Wales under that Act. The following is a decision published since the last meeting.

### **Promotion of equality & respect : Saundersfoot Community Council**

Report date 03/03/2023

Subject Promotion of equality & respect

Outcome CODE

Case ref number 202202280

Report type CODE - Discontinued

Relevant body Saundersfoot Community Council

The Ombudsman received a complaint from a member of the public ("the complainant") that a Member of Saundersfoot Community Council ("the Council") had failed to observe the Code of Conduct for Members.

It was alleged that the Member approached the complainant and behaved aggressively towards him over a parking matter. The complainant alleged the Member had behaved in a bullying and intimidating manner and used his position to belittle and humiliate him.

The complainant said that the Member behaved in a way that was bullying and intimidating. The Member acknowledged there was an encounter but said that he did not behave poorly in the interaction. There is no other witness or CCTV evidence available. Having considered the evidence submitted from both of the parties involved, none of the information or evidence available suggested that one account should be preferred over the other. Therefore, in the absence of any independent evidence of the incident, the Ombudsman was unable to say whether the behaviour of the Member was suggestive of a breach of the Code of Conduct.

Further investigation of this matter was unlikely to yield any information which would alter the balance of evidence available and therefore it was not proportionate or in the public interest to continue the investigation.

**Objectivity and propriety : Powys County Council**

Report date 22/02/2023

Subject CODE - Objectivity and propriety

Outcome CODE

Case ref number 202101250

Report type CODE - Referred to Adjudication Panel for Wales

Relevant body Powys County Council

The Ombudsman's office received complaints that a Member of Powys County Council had breached the Code of Conduct. The report on the investigation was referred to the President of the Adjudication Panel for Wales for adjudication by a tribunal.

**Promotion of equality and respect : Haverfordwest Town Council**

Report date 20/02/2023

Subject CODE - Promotion of equality and respect

Outcome CODE

Case ref number 202200117

Report type CODE - Referred to Standards Committee

Relevant body Haverfordwest Town Council

The Ombudsman received a complaint that a Member ("the Member") of Haverfordwest Town Council ("the Council") had breached the Code of Conduct for Members of the Council. The report on the investigation was referred to the Monitoring Officer of Pembrokeshire County Council for consideration by its Standards Committee.

**Disclosure & register of interest : St Harmon Community Council**

Report date 29/11/2022

Subject CODE - Disclosure & register of interest

Outcome CODE

Case ref number 202106162

Report type CODE - Referred to the Adjudication Panel for Wales

Relevant body St Harmon Community Council

The Ombudsman's office received a complaint that a former member ("the Former Member") of St Harmon Community Council ("the Council") had breached the Code of Conduct. It was alleged that the Former Member had failed to declare interests at 2 Council meetings when a report by Audit Wales was discussed.

The investigation considered whether the Former Member failed to comply with the following provisions of the Code of Conduct:

6(1)(a) – Members must not conduct themselves in a manner which could reasonably be regarded as bringing their office or authority into disrepute.

7(a) – Members must not in their official capacity or otherwise, use or attempt to use their position improperly to confer on or secure for themselves, or any other person, an advantage or create or avoid for themselves, or any other person, a disadvantage.

10(1) – Members must in all matters consider whether they have a personal interest, and whether the Code of Conduct requires them to disclose that interest.

10(2)(c) – Members must regard themselves as having a personal interest in any business of their authority if a decision upon it might reasonably be regarded as affecting their wellbeing or financial position, or that of a person with whom they live, or any person with whom they have a close personal association.

11(1) – Where a member has a personal interest in any business of their authority and they attend a meeting at which that business is considered, they must disclose orally to that meeting the existence and nature of that interest before or at the commencement of that consideration, or when the interest becomes apparent.

11(2) – Where a Member has a personal interest in any business of their authority and they make oral representations to a member or officer of their authority they should disclose the interest at the commencement of such representations, or when it becomes apparent to them that they have such an interest, and confirm the representation and interest in writing within 14 days of the representation.

12(1) – Where a Member has a personal interest in any business of their authority, they also have a prejudicial interest in that business if the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice their judgement of the public interest.

14(1)(a) – Subject to sub-paragraphs (2), (2A), (3) and (4), where a member has a prejudicial interest in any business of their authority they must, unless they have obtained a dispensation from their authority's standards committee withdraw from the room, chamber or place where a meeting considering the business is being held —

i. where sub-paragraph (2) applies, immediately after the period for making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the business has ended and, in any event, before further consideration of the business begins, whether or not the public are allowed to remain in attendance for such consideration; or

ii. in any other case, whenever it becomes apparent that that business is being considered at that meeting.

14(1)(c) – Subject to sub-paragraphs (2), (2A), (3) and (4), where a member has a prejudicial interest in any business of their authority they must, unless they have obtained a dispensation from their authority’s standards committee, not seek to influence a decision about business.

14(1)(e) – Subject to sub-paragraphs (2), (2A), (3) and (4), where a member has a prejudicial interest in any business of their authority they must, unless they have obtained a dispensation from their authority’s standards committee, not make any oral representations (whether in person or some form of electronic communication) in respect of that business or immediately cease to make such oral representations when the prejudicial interest becomes apparent.

The Former Member admitted that she was aware that she had personal and prejudicial interests, but she did not declare them as she did not want to be made to leave the meetings. She agreed that she had addressed Council and took part in votes at both Council meetings. The Former Member said that she had no regrets about her actions.

The investigation found that the Former Member’s conduct was suggestive of a breach of paragraphs 6(1)(a), 7(a), 11(1), 14(1)(a), 14 (1)(c) and 14(1)(e) of the Code of Conduct.

The Tribunal concluded that the Member had breached paragraphs 11(1), 14(1)(a) and 14(1)(e) of the Code of conduct by failing to disclose the existence and nature of personal and prejudicial interests in relevant business, in failing to withdraw from meetings dated 1 April and 3 November 2021 and in making oral representations in respect of that business in the meetings. The Tribunal also concluded that the Member had breached paragraph 6(1)(a) of the Code of Conduct by conducting herself at such meetings in a manner which could reasonably be regarded as bringing her office or authority into disrepute. The Tribunal further concluded that the Member had breached paragraphs 7(a) and 14(1)(c) of the Code of Conduct by using or attempting to use her position improperly to avoid a disadvantage for another person and seeking to influence a decision about relevant business. Accordingly, the Tribunal decided that the Member should be disqualified for 12 months from being or becoming a member of the authority or of any other relevant authority.

### **Integrity : Gwynedd Council**

Report date 31/10/2022

Subject CODE - Integrity

Outcome CODE

Case ref number 202107843

Report type CODE - Referred to Standards Committee

Relevant body Gwynedd Council

The Ombudsman’s office received a complaint that a member of Gwynedd Council (“the Council”) had breached the Code of Conduct.

The report on the investigation was referred to the Monitoring Officer of Gwynedd Council for consideration by the Council's Standards Committee. This summary will be updated following the Standards Committee's decision.

**Promotion of equality & respect : Radyr and Morganstown Community Council**

Report date 05/12/2022

Subject CODE - Promotion of equality & respect

Outcome CODE

Case ref number 202105923

Report type CODE - No Evidence of Breach

Relevant body Radyr and Morganstown Community Council

The Ombudsman received a complaint that a Member ("the Member") of Radyr and Morganstown Community Council ("the Council") had breached the Code of Conduct.

It was alleged that the Member made racist comments to another member of the Council by making a seemingly out of context and negative reference to a political and religious figure to the Complainant who was of the same religion as that figure. The Ombudsman determined that an investigation into the comments was appropriate and considered whether the Member's conduct may have breached paragraphs 4(a), 4(b), 4(c) and 6(1)(a) of the Code of Conduct.

Information was obtained from the Council, including relevant meeting minutes and emails. Witnesses, including the complainant, and the Member were also interviewed.

The investigation found that the Member's comments could reasonably be said to fall within the realms of freedom of expression. The investigation found that the Member's explanation for his comments, the fact that he had posted previously on social media about similar issues and that he said that he did not intend to be disrespectful to the Complainant and her faith suggested that he was entitled to express his views. His comments did not go beyond what was lawful comment and did not amount to gratuitous or personal comment or hate speech. The Ombudsman was not persuaded that the comments amounted to a breach of paragraph 4(a), 4(b), 4(c) or 6(1)(a) of the Code of Conduct.

The Ombudsman found that under Section 69(4)(a) there was no evidence of any failure to comply with the Code of Conduct.

**Disclosure & register of interest - Porthcawl Town Council**

Report date 30/11/2022

Subject CODE - Disclosure & register of interest

Outcome CODE

Case ref number 202105146

Report type CODE - No Action Necessary

Relevant body Porthcawl Town Council

The Ombudsman received a complaint that a member ("the Member") of Porthcawl Town Council ("the Town Council") had breached the Code of Conduct for Members.

It was alleged that the Member had failed to declare a personal and prejudicial interest regarding an association with an employee ("the Employee") of a company which the Town Council had contracted for work. It was also alleged that the Member had allowed an inaccurate Internal Audit report to be published on the Town Council's website. The Ombudsman determined that investigation of the allegations concerning interests was appropriate, and the investigation considered whether the Member's conduct may have breached paragraphs 6(1)(a), 7(a), 11(1), 14(1)(a) and 14(1)(b) of the Code of Conduct.

Information was obtained from the Town Council, including relevant minutes and emails. Witnesses, including the complainant, and the Member were also interviewed.

The investigation found that the Member and Employee had had a short relationship in 2020, during which it was likely that the Member had a personal and prejudicial interest which they would have needed to declare and withdraw from relevant meetings where associated matters were discussed, or in approving invoices. The evidence obtained suggested that the Member had not approved invoices whilst the relationship was ongoing, and whilst they had attended several Town Council meetings, which included associated items, only one of these meetings fell within the period of the relationship. The Ombudsman determined that the Member may therefore have breached paragraphs 11(1), 14(1)(a) and 14(1)(b) of the Code of Conduct with regard to the meeting within the relevant period.

It was found that as the Member and Employee's association was neither close or acrimonious after the relationship ended, the interest was no longer personal and prejudicial. The Ombudsman's investigation also found there was insufficient evidence to suggest the Member had used their position improperly or brought their office as a member or the Town Council into disrepute in breach of paragraphs 6(1)(a) or 7(a) of the Code of Conduct.

The Ombudsman considered that in the light of the limited involvement in the Town Council's business during the relationship and the fact that the Member had reflected on their position and that they should have considered their obligations under the Code and sought advice, it was unlikely a sanction would be imposed and it was not in the public interest to take further action in respect of the matter. However, it was recommended that the Member should attend refresher training on the Code of Conduct in respect of the matters investigated.

The Ombudsman found that under Section 69(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 2000 no action needed to be taken in respect of the matters investigated.

**RECOMMENDATION (S):**

To note the contents of the report.

<b>Contact Name:</b>	Lisa Evans
<b>Designation:</b>	Scrutiny and Standards Officer
<b>Date of Report:</b>	27 March 2023





## **CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL**

**Report to:** Ethics and Standards Committee

**Date of meeting:** 3 April 2023

**Title:** The Ethics and Standards Forward Work Programme 2023/24

**Purpose of the report:** To review the current work programme of the Committee

### **What does the Ethics & Standards Committee do?**

The Local Government Act 2000 sets out the functions of the Ethics & Standards Committee as follows:-

- promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct by Councillors
- assisting Councillors to observe the Code of Conduct
- advising the Council on the adoption or revision of the Code of Conduct
- monitoring the operation of the Code of Conduct, and
- advising, training or arranging to train Councillors on matters relating to the Code of Conduct

The Ethics & Standards Committee can also grant dispensations, which permit Councillors who have an interest in a particular item of Council business to continue to take part in that business.

Investigation reports produced by the Ombudsman or the Council's Monitoring Officer on alleged breaches of the Code of Conduct may be referred to the Ethics & Standards Committee for determination.

The Ethics & Standards Committee also exercises the above responsibilities in relation to Town and Community Councils in Ceredigion.

Examples of the type of work carried out by Ceredigion's Ethics & Standards Committee include:

- involvement in developing training materials on the Code, including a flowchart summarising the main provisions of the Code
- attendance at and participation in training sessions on the Code for both the County Council and Community Councils
- attendance at Council and Committee meetings to observe proceedings
- the introduction of procedures which allow Councillors to attend Committee meetings to present an application for dispensation in person
- providing advice to Councillors regarding dispensation applications

### **The Forward Work Programme**

The Forward Work Programme is a standing item on each agenda of the Committee. This will provide an opportunity for the Committee to review and update the programme of work of the Committee.

A draft Forward Work Programme is attached for consideration (Appendix 1)

**Recommendation(s):**

1) to consider, review and update the current draft Forward Work Programme (**Appendix 1**)

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Ethics and Standards Forward Work Programme 2023/24

Date	Item
19 April 2023	<p>To consider applications for dispensation</p> <p>Update on Adjudication Panel for Wales matters</p> <p>Update on the Public Services Ombudsman matters</p> <p>Training</p> <p>Recruitment of independent member update</p> <p>Appointment of Chair/Vice Chair</p> <p>Action Log</p> <p>Review the vision statement</p> <p>Report on amendment to dispensation form</p>
28 June 2023	<p>To consider applications for dispensation</p> <p>Update on Adjudication Panel for Wales matters</p> <p>Update on the Public Services Ombudsman matters</p> <p>Training</p> <p>Quarterly report on trends of complaints</p> <p>Action Log</p> <p>Political group leaders – standing item (not necessarily invited to each meeting)</p> <p>WG consultation on Penn report</p> <p>ESC Annual Report</p>
15 November 2023	

10 January 2024	
6 March 2024	