

STANDARDS DISPENSATION SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE STANDARDS DISPENSATION SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21 OCTOBER 2010 AT COMMITTEE ROOM VIII, COUNTY HALL, BYTHESEA ROAD, TROWBRIDGE.

Present:

Mrs Jane Bayley, Cllr Ernie Clark and His Hon David MacLaren Webster QC

Also Present:

Mrs Nina Wilton - Deputy Monitoring Officer

Mrs Jane Bayley in the Chair.

1. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

2. <u>Consideration of a dispensation request - Councillor Alan Hill of Wiltshire</u> Council

The Deputy Monitoring Officer introduced the report and explained that as a member of Wiltshire Council Councillor Alan Hill sits on the Calne Area Board. His request for dispensation relates to any grant applications made by Calne Town Council and community asset transfers from Wiltshire Council to Calne Town Council which are both considered by Calne Area Board.

The Deputy Monitoring Officer explained the law and guidance relevant to this request and advised that, in her view, a personal and prejudicial interest would arise as those matters affect the financial position of Calne Town Council, of which Councillor Alan Hill is a member.

She reminded the Sub-Committee that, in reaching a decision, they must have regard to guidance from Standards for England.

Resolved

That it is in the public interest to grant a dispensation to run until the next election in May 2013, subject to there being no material change in the circumstances under which this dispensation is granted.

The dispensation is to enable Councillor Alan Hill to speak and vote at meetings of Calne Area Board on matters pertaining to grant applications by Calne Town Council and community asset transfers from Wiltshire Council to Calne Town Council.

3. <u>Consideration of a dispensation request - Councillor Anthony Trotman of Wiltshire Council</u>

The Deputy Monitoring Officer introduced the report and explained that as a member of Wiltshire Council Councillor Anthony Trotman sits on the Calne Area Board. His request for dispensation relates to any grant applications made by Calne Town Council and community asset transfers from Wiltshire Council to Calne Town Council which are both considered by Calne Area Board.

The Deputy Monitoring Officer explained the law and guidance relevant to this request and advised that, in her view, a personal and prejudicial interest would arise as those matters affect the financial position of Calne Town Council, of which Councillor Anthony Trotman is a member.

She reminded the Sub-Committee that, in reaching a decision, they must have regard to guidance from Standards for England.

Resolved

That it is in the public interest to grant a dispensation to run until the next election in May 2013, subject to there being no material change in the circumstances under which this dispensation is granted.

The dispensation is to enable Councillor Anthony Trotman to speak and vote at meetings of Calne Area Board on matters pertaining to grant applications by Calne Town Council and community asset transfers from Wiltshire Council to Calne Town Council.

4. <u>Consideration of a dispensation request - Councillor Howard Marshall of Wiltshire Council</u>

The Deputy Monitoring Officer introduced the report and explained that as a member of Wiltshire Council Councillor Howard Marshall sits on the Calne Area Board. His request for dispensation relates to any grant applications made by Calne Town Council and community asset transfers from Wiltshire Council to Calne Town Council which are both considered by Calne Area Board.

The Deputy Monitoring Officer explained the law and guidance relevant to this request and advised that, in her view, a personal and prejudicial interest would arise as those matters affect the financial position of Calne Town Council, of which Councillor Howard Marshall is a member.

She reminded the Sub-Committee that, in reaching a decision, they must have regard to guidance from Standards for England.

Resolved

That it is in the public interest to grant a dispensation to run until the next election in May 2013, subject to there being no material change in the circumstances under which this dispensation is granted.

The dispensation is to enable Councillor Howard Marshall to speak and vote at meetings of Calne Area Board on matters pertaining to grant applications by Calne Town Council and community asset transfers from Wiltshire Council to Calne Town Council.

(Duration of meeting: 9.35 - 9.50 am)

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