

STANDARDS DISPENSATION SUB-COMMITTEE

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE STANDARDS DISPENSATION SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 20 DECEMBER 2011 AT COMMITTEE ROOM III - COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE.

Present:

Mrs Jane Bayley, Cllr Ernie Clark and Mr Robert Oglesby JP

Also Present:

Frank Cain – Deputy Monitoring Officer

14. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

15. Consideration of a dispensation request - Councillor Richard Colthorpe of Langley Burrell Parish Council

The Deputy Monitoring Officer introduced the report and explained that Langley Burrell Parish Council, from time to time, makes financial grants to Langley Burrell Village Hall, which is a Registered Charitable Trust. Councillor Colthorpe is one of three members of the parish council who also hold positions on the Langley Burrell Village Hall Management Committee and he is therefore a Trustee of the Charity.

The Deputy Monitoring Officer explained the law and guidance relevant to this request and advised that Councillor Colthorpe had a personal and prejudicial interest in grants relating to the Village Hall arising from his position as a trustee.

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

Resolved:

To grant a dispensation to allow Councillor Colthorpe to participate in the meeting and vote. The dispensation to run until the next election in May

2013, subject to their being no material change in the circumstances under which this dispensation is granted.

16. Consideration of a dispensation request - Councillor Allen Franklin of Langley Burrell Parish Council

The Deputy Monitoring Officer introduced the report and explained that Langley Burrell Parish Council, from time to time, makes financial grants to Langley Burrell Village Hall, which is a Registered Charitable Trust. Councillor Franklin is one of three members of the parish council who also hold positions on the Langley Burrell Village Hall Management Committee and he is therefore a Trustee of the Charity.

The Deputy Monitoring Officer explained the law and guidance relevant to this request and advised that Councillor Franklin had a personal and prejudicial interest in grants relating to the Village Hall arising from his position as a trustee.

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

Resolved:

To grant a dispensation to allow Councillor Franklin to participate in the meeting and vote. The dispensation to run until the next election in May 2013, subject to their being no material change in the circumstances under which this dispensation is granted.

17. Dispensation request - Councillor Brian Mifflin of Langley Burrell Parish Council

The Deputy Monitoring Officer introduced the report and explained that Langley Burrell Parish Council, from time to time, makes financial grants to Langley Burrell Village Hall, which is a Registered Charitable Trust. Councillor Mifflin is one of three members of the parish council who also hold positions on the Langley Burrell Village Hall Management Committee and he is therefore a Trustee of the Charity.

The Deputy Monitoring Officer explained the law and guidance relevant to this request and advised that Councillor Mifflin had a personal and prejudicial interest in grants relating to the Village Hall arising from his position as a trustee.

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

Resolved:

To grant a dispensation to allow Councillor Miflin to participate in the meeting and vote. The dispensation to run until the next election in May 2013, subject to their being no material change in the circumstances under which this dispensation is granted.

(Duration of meeting: 14.30 – 14.45)

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