

# STANDARDS DISPENSATION SUB-COMMITTEE

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE STANDARDS DISPENSATION SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 24 JANUARY 2013 AT COMMITTEE ROOM A - COUNCIL OFFICES, MONKTON PARK, CHIPPENHAM SN15 1ER.

# **Present:**

Cllr Allison Bucknell, Cllr Trevor Carbin and Cllr Peter Doyle

## Also Present:

Cllr Christopher Newbury and Cllr Judy Rooke

## 1 Election of Chairman

#### Resolved:

To elect Councillor Trevor Carbin as Chairman.

#### 2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

# 3 Consideration of a dispensation request for Councillor Judy Rooke of Wiltshire Council

lan Gibbons, Service Director Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer introduced the report and highlighted that Councillor Rooke's dispensation request was to allow her to speak at any planning committee which considers any planning matter concerning the Rowden Lane Development, but not to vote.

Councillor Rooke clarified that the Rowden Lane Development had been controversial for a number of years and she felt strongly that she should be able to speak on behalf of the residents she represents.

The Sub-Committee questioned whether a dispensation would be needed for any exercise of the right to call-in of a planning application under the agreed arrangements, and it was explained that this was not needed.

## Resolved:

The Sub-Committee granted a dispensation to Councillor Rooke for the remaining period of this council to speak but not vote at any meeting of the council which considers any planning matter relating to the Rowden Lane Development on the ground that granting the dispensation is in the interests of people living in the authority's area.

(Duration of meeting: 1.56 - 2.06 pm)

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