

MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

FORM FOR APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION

Note

Under Section 81 of the Local Government Act 2000, a member who has a personal and prejudicial interest in a matter which is under consideration may not participate in the consideration of that matter by the Council, Cabinet, Committee, Sub-Committee or other meeting unless he/she has first obtained a dispensation from the Standards Committee. The Committee may grant dispensation to vote and/or speak as appropriate.

You may apply for a dispensation by completing this form and sending it to the Monitoring Officer not less than two weeks before the date when the matter is to be considered.

1.	Member's name:	SUSAN OLIVER
2.	What is the matter which is shortly to be considered and in respect of which you seek a dispensation?	I NEED THE ABILITY TO VOTE IN A MEETING TO ELECT A NEW COUNCILLOR, WHERE I WOULD NORMALLY NOT BE ALLOWED TO.
3.	What body (Council, Cabinet, Committee Sub-Committee, working group etc) is due to consider this matter?	RCC / MCC ROGIET COMMUNITY COUNCIL.
4.	What is the nature of your personal interest?	I AM THE WIFE OF A COMMUNITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE I

5.	What is the date of the meeting at which this matter is to be considered?	25/9/17
6.	Under which of the following grounds do you seek the dispensation :	
(a)	Where 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;	
(b)	Where 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;	
(c)	Where 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 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;	
(d)	Where 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;	✓
(e)	Where the interest is common to the member and a significant proportion of the general public;	

(f)	Where the participation of the member in the business to which the interest relates is justified by the member's particular role or expertise;	
(g)	The business to which the interest relates is to be considered by an overview and scrutiny committee of the relevant authority and a member's interest is not a pecuniary interest;	
(h)	Where 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 Authority and the member has no other interest in that business (NOTE – any dispensation on this ground may not extend to being able to vote)	
(i)	Where the member asks the Standards Committee to determine that it appears to the committee to be in the interests of the inhabitants of the area of the Authority that the disability should be removed.	
(j)	Where it appears to the Standards Committee to be otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation. A dispensation granted under paragraph (j) must be reviewed by the Standards Committee once in every 12 months from the date on which the dispensation was first granted to determine whether the dispensation should continue to have effect.	
7.	Do you seek a dispensation just for the one meeting or for a longer period? If longer, please state a period not exceeding one calendar year.	ONE MEETING

8.	Please set out below the reasons why you consider that the Standards Committee should grant you this dispensation: BECAUSE WITHOUT MY ABILITY TO VOTE, WE CANNOT VOTE MY HUSBAND ONTO THE COUNCIL AS WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH COUNCILLORS	

Signed:

Date.

6/9/17.