

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

28 June 2017

Present: Mr R Barrett-Evans (Chair)
Ms C Gwyther (substitute for Mr A Archer), Councillor R Owens, Mrs
V Tomlinson and Mrs J Wainwright

(NPA Offices, Llanion Park, Pembroke Dock: 2.00pm – 2.20pm)

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr A Archer and Councillor P Morgan.

2. Disclosures

There were no disclosures of interest.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 November 2016 were presented for confirmation and signature.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held 9 November 2016 be confirmed and signed.

4. Grant of Dispensations

The Monitoring Officer explained that the Standards Committee had previously resolved to grant dispensations for Members appointed by Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) to enable them to take a full part in the determination of issues relating to PCC. Prior to the granting of such dispensations difficulties had occurred both in relation to quorum on the Authority and also from a loss of local knowledge as Members had to withdraw from the meeting. The Local Government elections earlier in the year had meant that a fresh appointment of Members had been made by PCC and thus the granting of dispensations was again being sought.

The report explained the circumstances under which dispensations could be granted and recommended that it would be in the interests of the Authority to grant dispensations to Members appointed by PCC until the next local authority elections in May 2022. It was noted that the granting of such dispensations did not preclude the operation of any other part of the Code of Conduct such that a Member would still have to declare an interest for example if they owned land adjacent to application land owned by PCC.

The Committee agreed that granting dispensations to PCC Members was logical and this was moved and seconded.



It was **RESOLVED** that Members appointed by Pembrokeshire County Council be granted a dispensation to enable them to take a full part in the determination of issues relating to Pembrokeshire County Council for a period up to 30 June 2022.

