

To: Helen Edwards
Monitoring Officer
Peterborough City Council
Town Hall, Bridge Street
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APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION

<p>Full name of Member seeking dispensation <i>NOTE: the application must be submitted by the individual Member seeking the dispensation</i></p>	<p>Cllr Judy Fox</p>
<p>What is the interest for which dispensation is sought? Please state subject and prescribed description with reference to para 8.1 of the Members' Code of Conduct.</p>	<p>Peterborough Council of Voluntary Services (PCVS)</p>
<p>Nature of dispensation sought <i>(please note a dispensation to speak and vote will require Audit Committee approval and needs to be submitted to the Monitoring Officer AT LEAST 10 clear days before the relevant meeting to allow time for a meeting of the sub-committee to be convened</i> <i>A request for dispensation to speak can be dealt with more urgently in cases of genuine emergency</i></p>	<p>(i) dispensation to speak and vote</p>
<p>Duration of dispensation sought <i>either for a specific meeting or a specified period of time (up to a maximum of 4 years)</i></p>	<p>For the remainder of time in office</p>
<p>Reasons why you think the Monitoring Officer or Audit Committee should grant the request for a dispensation (see below for grounds under which a dispensation can be sought). <i>NOTE: the Monitoring Officer and Audit Committee have a discretion whether or not to grant the request for a dispensation</i></p>	<p>It is considered appropriate to grant a dispensation in this instance, as Cllr Fox's knowledge of the voluntary sector is likely to add value to any debate on this subject. However the dispensation will not apply in any circumstances in which the common law rules of bias or predetermination may apply,</p>

Signed: JAFex

Dated: 24/10/2012

NOTE:

Dispensations may be granted at the discretion of the Monitoring Officer or Audit Committee (as appropriate) in the following circumstances:

- a) without a dispensation the number of members prohibited from participating would be so great a proportion of the Council or Committee concerned as to impede the transaction of the business; or
- b) without a dispensation the representation of different political groups on the Council or Committee would be so upset as to alter the likely outcome of any vote; or
- c) granting the dispensation is in the interests of persons living in the Council area; or
- d) where the business to be transacted is a matter for the Executive, without the dispensation each member of the Executive would be prohibited from participating; or
- e) it is otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation.

This does not mean that requests for dispensations will automatically be granted. In particular, issues relating to the common law rules on bias and predetermination may arise and will need to be taken into account.

Dispensations are not available to individual Portfolio Holders who have a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) on a matter on which they would otherwise be required to make an Executive decision, unless the entire Cabinet has a DPI in the matter ((d) above).