



APPLICATION TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE FOR DISPENSATION

Please note that each section MUST be completed. Please refer to the attached Guidance Notes when completing the form.

1. YOUR DETAILS

Your full name: Elizabeth Jane Davies (Clerk)

Name of your Council: Manordeilo and Salem Community Council

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2. DETAILS OF YOUR INTEREST

What is the matter under consideration?

Bute Energy Towy UsK Grid Connection Scheme

What is your interest in the above matter?

This is a group application. Please see attached schedule with names of five Councillors with details of their interests.

When will the above matter be considered?

No date has been set

Are you applying for dispensation to:

Speak only:

Speak and vote:

Make written Representations

Exercise Executive Powers

3. GROUNDS FOR DISPENSATION

Regulations issued by the National Assembly for Wales prescribe the circumstances in which the Standards Committee may grant a dispensation. These grounds for granting a dispensation are summarised below and are set out in full in the attached guidance notes. On which of the following grounds do you believe that a dispensation should be granted in this case? Please tick the appropriate box(es).

• at least half of the members considering the business has an interest	<input type="checkbox"/>
• my inability to participate would upset the political balance of the meeting to such an extent that the outcome would be likely to be affected;	<input type="checkbox"/>
• my participation would not damage public confidence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• the interest is common to me and a significant proportion of the general public;	<input type="checkbox"/>
• my participation in the business is justified by my particular role or expertise;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• the business is to be considered by an overview and scrutiny committee and my interest is not a pecuniary interest;	<input type="checkbox"/>
• the business relates to the finances or property of a voluntary organisation of whose management committee or board I am a member and I have no other interest	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF YOUR APPLICATION

Please set out below the reasons why you consider that the Standards Committee should grant a dispensation in this case:

(Please note that failure to complete this section will result in the application form being returned to you)

The Bute Energy Towy Usk Grid Connection Scheme is a major proposal that is of relevance to, and would impact on, every single resident within the Manordeifi and Salem Community Council area. Nearly half (five) of the 12 Community Councillors are declaring an interest in this proposal. As such, should dispensations not be granted, a significant proportion of the Community Council would not be able to speak on behalf of the constituents they represent nor contribute to key discussions.

(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

I confirm that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I agree that this application and all the information contained within it may form part of a public report to the Standards Committee. I request a dispensation in respect of the above matter.

Signed: 

Date: 05 / 12 / 2023

Please return this form to the Monitoring Officer, Chief Executive's Department, Carmarthenshire County Council, County Hall, Carmarthen, SA31 1JP. / Monitoringofficer@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

Declarations of Interest - Bute Energy Towy Usk Grid Connection Scheme
Manordeilo and Salem Community Council

Name of Councillor	Type of Interest	Dispensation Request
Aled Davies	1. Possible route 1 of the pylons go through my parents' smallholding in Manordeilo. 2. Possible route 2 goes through the field behind my house in Cwm Ifor. 3. I am secretary of Llandeilo Angling Association and we do not want the pylons going along the Tywi, carbon fibre fishing rods conduct electricity and this would be dangerous. 4. Finally I work for Natural Resources Wales and as of yet we have not come out with a policy to oppose or support the Pylons.	To participate and vote at meetings of the Community Council or public meetings I attend in my capacity as Councillor and where I need to make written representations. I also request dispensation for any meetings or representation with/from the Angling Association in my role as Secretary and with Natural Resources Wales in my role as employee
Alun Davies	Pylons possibly passing over our land near our house.	To participate and vote at meetings of the Community Council or public meetings I attend in my capacity as Councillor and where I need to make written representations
Anwel Davies	The preferred route is within half a mile of my property and will have a visual impact on my current view. As the pylons can be seen it will have a significant impact on the valuation of my property.	To participate and vote at meetings of the Community Council or public meetings I attend in my capacity as Councillor and where I need to make written representations
Mark Harries	Pylons possibly crossing our land.	To participate and vote at meetings of the Community Council or public meetings I attend in my capacity as Councillor and where I need to make written representations
Andrew Thomas	Pylons possibly crossing my land.	To participate and vote at meetings of the Community Council or public meetings I attend in my capacity as Councillor and where I need to make written representations