FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE BY MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL

Name of Councillor	Clive Stanley Carver
Address	8 Overlea Drive Hawarden Deeside Flintshire CH5 3HS
Electoral Division	Hawarden
Nature of Dispensation sought	As one of the three Hawarden Community Councillors for Hawarden Ward and the sole County Councillor for Hawarden, I wish to be able to communicate with Planning Officers and speak at the FCC Planning Committee.
Level of Dispensation sought (i.e. to Speak only or to speak and vote)	To be able to communicate by email, in writing and verbally with Planning Officers and to speak at the FCC Planning Committee.
Relevant Paragraph under which Dispensation is requested (See Overleaf)	(a) and/or (d) and/or (f) and/or (i)
Details of the Prejudicial Interest	Hawarden Rangers Football Club have applied to FCC for Planning Permission (Ref 060060) to erect a 100 seat stand on the Herbert Gladstone Recreation Ground which is managed by Hawarden Community Council.
	By virtue of being a Hawarden Community Councillor, I am a Trustee of the Herbert Gladstone Recreation Ground. I am advised that the exemption provided normally by Paragraph 12(b) of the Code of Conduct does not apply in respect of Planning Applications.
Details of any Position of responsibility/control held on Council (e.g. Chairman/Vice Chairman/Cabinet Member	None (Hawarden Community Council and Flintshire Council)

Circumstances When A Standards Committee May Grant Dispensations

The Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001 specifies that the Council's Standards Committee may grant dispensations under Section 81(4) of the Local Government Act 2000 where:

- (a) no fewer than half of the Members of the Council or of a committee of the Council (as the case may be) by which the business is to be considered has an interest which relates to that business;
- (b) no fewer than half of the Members of the Executive of the Council (i.e. Leader and Cabinet) 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) Members' inability to participate would upset the political balance of the Council, or any of its committees by which the business is to be considered, to such an extent that the outcome would be likely to be affected;
- (d) 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 Council's business;
- (e) the interest is common to the Member and a significant proportion of the general public;
- (f) 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 registerable interest relates to business, which is to be considered by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee of the Council, and the Member's interest is not a pecuniary/financial interest;
- (h) the business 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 Council and the Member has no other interest in that business, provided that any dispensation shall not extend to participation in any vote with respect to that business; or
- (i) it appears to the Standards Committee to be in the interests of the inhabitants of the area of the Council that the disability should be removed, provided that written notification of the grant of the dispensation is given to the National Assembly for Wales within 7 days. Such a notification should specify the Member to whom the dispensation would apply and the Standards Committee's reasons why the disability should be removed.