

Form for Application for Dispensation: London Borough of Croydon

Member's Application for Dispensation in respect of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

Note

Under Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011 ("the Act"), a Member or co-opted Member who has a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) in a matter to be considered or being considered at a meeting of the authority at which that Member or co-opted Member is present and the DPI is one which the Member or co-opted Member is aware of, the Member or co-opted Member may not participate or participate further in any discussion or vote on the matter at the meeting unless he/she has first obtained a dispensation in accordance with the Council's dispensation procedure.

You may apply for a dispensation by completing this form and sending it to the Monitoring Officer. If your application for dispensation is on grounds 1.1 or 1.4 on the attached procedure, your dispensation application will be considered by the Monitoring Officer, who may, but is not required to consult with the Ethics Committee before determining the matter. However, if the dispensation application pertains to grounds 1.2, 1.3 or 1.5 the matter will be considered by the Ethics Committee. Accordingly, you should allow sufficient time for a meeting of the Ethics Committee to be called and proper notice given. In those circumstances the application should be sent to the Monitoring Officer not less than 14 days before the date when the matter is to be considered.

1.	Member's name:	
2.	What is the matter which is shortly to be considered and in respect of which you seek a dispensation?	
3.	What body (Full Council, a Committee or Sub-Committee or the Executive or a Committee of the Executive) is this matter to be considered by?	
4.	What is the nature of your disclosable pecuniary interest?	
5.	What is the date of the meeting at which this matter is to be considered?	
6.	Under which of the following grounds do you seek this dispensation:	

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	(i)	That so many members of the decision-making body have disclosable pecuniary interests in a matter that it would “impede the transaction of the business”;	
	(ii)	That, without the dispensation, the representation of different political groups on the body transacting the business would be so upset as to alter the outcome of any vote on the matter;	
	(iii)	That the authority considers that the dispensation is in the interests of persons living in the authority’s area;	
	(iv)	That, without a dispensation, no member of the Cabinet would be able to participate on this matter; or	
	(v)	That the authority considers that it is otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation.	
7.	Do you seek a dispensation just for the one meeting or for a longer period? If longer, please state a period not exceeding four calendar years. <i>(Note: It is suggested that the period applied for should not be for a longer period than the remaining term of office of the relevant Councillor(s).</i>		
8.	Please set out below the reasons why you consider that this dispensation ought to be granted:		

Signed:Date:

*Note: This application should be signed by the Member concerned. If there are a number of Members seeking a dispensation in respect of the same matter, each should complete and sign their own form.

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