

<b>Committee(s):</b> Dispensations Sub Panel	<b>Dated:</b> 24 November 2022
<b>Subject:</b> Request for a Dispensation under the Corporation's approved Dispensations Policy	<b>Public</b>
<b>Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?</b>	4, 9,
<b>Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?</b>	<b>Y/N</b> N/A
<b>If so, how much?</b>	N/A
<b>What is the source of Funding?</b>	
<b>Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?</b>	N/A
<b>Report of:</b> John Barradell, Town Clerk	<b>For Decision</b>
<b>Report author:</b> Gemma Stokley, Principal Governance and Member Services Manager	

### Summary

This report set out details of a Member who has requested a dispensation as detailed below and in the dispensation application form appended.

### Recommendation(s)

The Sub-Panel is asked to consider the application for a dispensation submitted as summarised below and appended and make recommendations thereon to the Town Clerk.

### Main Report

#### Background

1. A Member has submitted an application for a dispensation. This application is submitted in accordance with the current dispensations policy (Appendix 1). The statutory grounds for granting a dispensation under the Localism Act 2011, and the factors that your Sub-Panel should take into account when considering these applications are set out and explained in this policy.

#### Current Position

2. The full application for dispensation is also appended to this report as Appendix 2 and this covering report provides a summary of the dispensation sought.

#### Proposals

3. **Helen Fentimen** is a Common Councillor representing the Ward of Aldersgate. She has requested a dispensation until the Ward elections in 2025 to speak on all Barbican estate matters, developments in the surrounding area which will impact on residents and workers.
4. Ms Fentimen makes this request as a leaseholder on the Barbican Estate.
5. Ms Fentimen is currently Deputy Chairman of the Community and Children's Services Committee as well as a member of the City of London Police Authority Board, the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee and Health and Wellbeing Board amongst others. Her application is attached in full at Appendix 2.
6. Whilst the Town Clerk is able to determine dispensations in respect of requests to:
  - speak and vote on the setting of Council Tax
  - speak as a member of the public on planning applications
  - speak as a member of the public on licensing applications
  - speak on general housing matters

and has now granted these permissions for Ms Fentimen until the Ward elections in March 2025, this aspect of the application falls outside of these parameters and must therefore be considered by this Sub Panel in accordance with the existing policy on the granting of dispensations, with recommendations thereon made to the Town Clerk.

## **Appendices**

Appendix One – Dispensations Policy and Guidance

Appendix Two – Application – Helen Fentimen

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