



**REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION –  
DISPENSATIONS FOR MEMBERS TO SPEAK AND VOTE WHERE THEY  
HAVE CERTAIN DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

The new Standards regime does not replicate the former statutory exemptions which allowed Members to vote on a number of matters in which they would otherwise have had a prejudicial interest. However, the City of London Corporation may, following a written request, grant a dispensation for a Member or a Co-opted Member to take part in any discussion and vote on a matter in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest, in some circumstances.

It is anticipated that the principal matters likely to require dispensations are those relating to the following, where a Member has a beneficial interest in land within the City:-

- Housing (where the Member holds a lease or tenancy from the City, as long as the matter does not relate to their particular lease or tenancy).

However, dispensation may be granted in relation to any matter so long as a relevant criterion is met. The criteria that are relevant to the City of London Corporation are as follows:

- Without the dispensation the proportion of Members and Co-opted Members prohibited from participating in any particular business would be so great as to impede the transaction of the business; or
- Granting the dispensation is in the interests of persons living in the City; or
- It is otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation.

Please provide the following information if you wish to request a dispensation to allow you to speak and/or vote on a specific matter or matters, either on a specific occasion or at any point until the next Ward elections in 2021.

The following information will be considered by the Standards Committee or its Dispensations Sub Committee.

Name: Susan Pearson

Date: 6 March 2018

Signed:



**I request a dispensation to enable me to speak and/or vote on the following matter(s):**

Planning Application 17/00770/FULL

Demolition of the former Richard Cloudesley School, City of London Community Education Centre; garages and substation; erection of a 3 storey building with rooftop play area (Class D1) (2300.5 SQM GEA) and a single storey school sports hall (Class D1) (431 sqm GEA) to provide a two form entry primary school; erection of a 14 storey building (plus basement) building to provide 66 social rented units (Class C3) (6135 sqm GEA), and affordable workspace (Class B1a) (244sqm GEA), landscaping and associated works. (zthe **"Planning Application"**)

*(\* Please delete as applicable)*

**Please describe the nature of the disclosable pecuniary interest(s) that would otherwise prohibit you from speaking and/or voting on the above matter(s):**

I own the leasehold of Flat 21 Hatfield House, Golden Lane Estate, which is adjacent to the site that is the subject of the Planning Application.

**Please explain which of the criteria for granting a dispensation you consider to be met, and why:**

*Granting the dispensation is in the interest of persons living in the City of London.*

I am the only member of the Planning and Transportation Committee who lives on the Golden Lane Estate, which adjoins the site of the Planning Application. The debate among the members on the Planning Application will therefore be informed by my first hand knowledge of the area affected.

The debate among the members on the Planning Application will also be informed by the knowledge of Christopher Hayward CC as a Trustee and Director of the City of London Academies Trust, which co-sponsors this development.

My being able to speak at the meeting will therefore ensure an appropriate balance in the debate.

The same logic does not extend to my voting on the matter, so I am applying only for a dispensation to speak.

**I require the dispensation for:**

(i) a time limited period from/to: ..... ☐

(ii) for a specific meeting of: The Planning and Transportation Committee

On: 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018 or subsequent meeting when the Planning Application is discussed

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(ii) Until the Ward elections in 2021

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**If your request is urgent, please specify why:**

The dispensation requested is required by the earliest date on which the Planning Application will be considered by the Planning and Transportation Committee, which is March 26<sup>th</sup> 2018

***Request considered by the Standards Committee / Dispensations Sub Committee:***

Date:----- Decision taken: .....