CYNGOR GWYNEDD STANDARDS COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE

(Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020)

10 January 2024

Virtual Meeting

Present:

Elected Members: Councillors Anne Lloyd Jones and Beth Lawton.

Independent Members: Mr Aled Jones, Mr Hywel Eifion Jones (Chair), Mr Mark Jones and Mr Dave Wareing.

Officers in attendance:

Iwan Evans (Monitoring Officer) and Eirian Roberts (Democracy Services Officer).

Also in attendance: Councillor Dawn Jones (for item 4) and Councillor Gwynfor Owen (for item 5).

Apology: Councillor Dewi Owen and Mr Richard Parry Hughes.

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Date of STANDARDS COMMITTEE Meeting 10 January 2024

SUBJECT

Item 4: APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION - COUNCILLOR DAWN JONES

DECISION

Allow dispensation for Councillor Dawn Jones to represent the Education and Economy Scrutiny Committee on the Task and Finish Group established by the Care Scrutiny Committee to discuss the implementation of the Gwynedd Autism Plan, on the condition that she is not appointed as Chair of the Task Group.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

Unanimously accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

Councillor Dawn Jones had a personal interest in her own application but the Standards Committee had granted a general dispensation which allowed those applying for dispensations to attend meetings of the Standards Committee for the purpose of answering any questions regarding their application only. She left the meeting after the questions had been dealt with.

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SUBJECT

Item 5: APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION - COUNCILLOR GWYNFOR OWEN

DECISION

- (1) Allow dispensation for Councillor Gwynfor Owen to represent the Education and Economy Scrutiny Committee on the Task and Finish Group established by the Care Scrutiny Committee to discuss the implementation of the Gwynedd Autism Plan, on the condition that he is not appointed as Chair of the Task Group.
- (2) Refuse dispensation for Councillor Gwynfor Owen to speak and vote on any occasion when this issue arises as there was not enough information regarding the application to reach an appropriate conclusion.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

Unanimously accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

Mr Aled Jones noted that he knew Councillor Gwynfor Owen personally and professionally through his work.

The member was of the opinion that it was a prejudicial interest, and withdrew from the meeting during the discussion on the item.

Councillor Gwynfor Owen had a personal interest in his own application but the Standards Committee had granted a general dispensation which allowed those applying for dispensations to attend meetings of the Standards Committee for the purpose of answering any questions regarding their application only. He left the meeting after the questions had been dealt with.