

## **Joint Standards Committee**

**24 January 2022**

Report of the Monitoring Officer

### **Dispensation granted to Councillors Mason and Lomas on 15 July 2021 to enable them to participate in a debate of a Motion presented to Full Council**

#### **Summary**

To confirm a dispensation was granted to Councillors Mason and Lomas on 15 July 2021, to enable them to participate in a debate of a Motion presented to Full Council.

#### **Background**

A dispensation was granted to Councillors Mason and Lomas, who are both in receipt of Blue Badges, so that they could fully participate in a Motion presented to Full Council on 15 July 2021, which had implications for Blue badge holders. The dispensation was granted by the Chair of the Joint Standards Committee who, after consultation with the Lord Mayor, the Chief Operating Officer and the Monitoring Officer, was satisfied that sufficient information had been provided to him verbally during the meeting to merit the granting of the same.

#### **Implications**

##### **Financial**

Not applicable to this report.

##### **Human Resources (HR)**

Not applicable to this report.

##### **Equalities**

A dispensation may be granted to enable a member to participate in a discussion and vote on a matter at a meeting even if they have a disclosable pecuniary interest or a prejudicial interest.

## Legal

The constitution enables a dispensation to be granted in prescribed circumstances and that the dispensation is granted in consultation with the Chair of the joint Standards Committee.

## Crime and Disorder, Information Technology and Property

Not applicable to this report.

## Recommendations

To note that a dispensation was granted to Councillors Mason and Lomas on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021, to enable them to participate in a debate of a Motion presented to Full Council.

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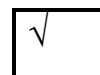
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2022

Wards Affected:

All



For further information please contact the author of the report

## Background Papers:

- Constitution
- Local Government Act 1972