

# BRECON BEACONS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

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A meeting of the **STANDARDS COMMITTEE** will be held in **CONFERENCE ROOM 1, PLAS Y FFYNNON, CAMBRIAN WAY, BRECON ON 13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2005 AT 2.00PM** when your attendance is requested.

Yours sincerely

CHRISTOPHER GLEDHILL  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Cllr Mrs M Tunnicliffe  
Cllr E T Morgan  
Mrs J Charlton  
Mr R Kemm  
Mr C Shearman (Chairman)

## Fire Evacuation Advice

**In the event of a fire, please exit the building via the main staircase, and assemble in the car park at Assembly Point 3**

## AGENDA

### 1.0 CORRESPONDENCE

To receive and consider the attached schedule of correspondence and make any recommendations thereon. (Below).

### 2.0 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest from members regarding items to be considered on the agenda.

### 3.0 PUBLIC SPEAKING

To give opportunity for members of the public to address the Committee in accordance with the Authority's Public Speaking Scheme.

#### **4.0 MINUTES**

To receive and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2004 and to authorise the Chairman to sign them as a correct record (**Enclosure 1**).

#### **5.0 MEMBERSHIP OF STANDARDS COMMITTEE *Andy Raynor***

Members are advised that a letter has been received from Mr Paul Tomlinson, independent member of the Standards Committee, informing him that as he had recently accepted a post with Powys County Council, he was no longer eligible to serve on the Authority's Standards Committee, and formally submitted his resignation, to take effect immediately.

The vacancy will therefore be advertised as soon as possible.

#### **6.0 APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT *Lynne Coughlan***

Under the Authority's Code of Conduct for Members, members are required to consider whether they have a personal interest in a matter, to disclose certain interests and, in certain cases, to withdraw from the meeting at which the matter is being considered.

Where the matter relates to another relevant authority, of which the person is a member, the Code of Conduct provides that the interest must be disclosed although the member can speak but not vote on the matter without a dispensation from the Standards Committee.

Where the interest arises as a result of the member having a close personal association with a person who might reasonably be regarded as likely to benefit or be disadvantaged by a decision on a matter, then that member must disclose the interest and, unless granted a dispensation, withdraw from its consideration if the interest is such that the public might reasonably conclude that the interest would significantly affect the member's ability to act purely on the merits of the case and in the public interest.

The Regulations specify the circumstances under which dispensations may be granted and these are set out in paragraphs 6(i) to 6(vi) of the Form of Application for Dispensation (see attached forms).

On the 7 December 2004 the Authority's Development Control Committee considered an application for planning permission submitted by Powys

County Council. The application was deferred for a site visit and the following members of Powys County Council have made applications for dispensation to allow them to vote on the application. It should be noted that whilst six of the applications result solely from the member being a member of Powys County Council, Councillor Paul Ashton's interest arises both as a member of that Council and also because some of the objectors to the planning application proposed him in the local elections.

Councillor Paul Ashton  
Councillor John Morris  
Councillor Krishn Pathak  
Councillor Melanie Tunnicliffe

Councillor Evan Morgan  
Councillor Margaret Morris  
Councillor Katherine Silk

The applications are attached to this report at **Enclosure 2**.

***Recommendation: That the Standards Committee considers the applications for dispensation attached to this report.***

## **7.0 OTHER BUSINESS**

Such other business as is, in the opinion of the Chairman, of such urgency as to warrant consideration.

## **SCHEDULE OF CORRESPONDENCE**

1. To receive apologies for absence
2. Such other correspondence as is, in the opinion of the Chairman, of such urgency as to warrant consideration.