

WEST DEREHAM PARISH COUNCIL

REGISTER OF MEMBERS' DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

Members are required to register the following disclosable pecuniary interests. Members have a disclosable pecuniary interest if it is of a description specified in No's 1 – 7 below and it is the Member's interest or it is an interest of the following 'relevant person'—

- (i) The Member's spouse or civil partner,
 - (ii) A person with whom the Member is living as husband and wife, or
 - (iii) A person with whom the Member is living as if they were civil partners,
- and the Member is aware that the other person has the interest.

Members must give a description of the nature of the disclosable pecuniary interest and state whether it is their interest or an interest of a 'relevant person' described above, providing the name of the other person and the nature of their relationship to the Member. Guidance notes are attached to assist Members in completing this form.

Name (Block Capitals):

<p>1 <u>Employment</u></p> <p>Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.</p>	
<p>2 <u>Sponsorship</u></p> <p>Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from Parish/Town Council) made or provided within the last 12 months in respect of any expenses incurred in carrying out duties as a Member, or towards the Member's election</p>	

<p>expenses including any payment of financial benefit from a trade union.</p>	
<p>3 <u>Contracts</u></p> <p>Any contracts with the Parish/Town Council including any contracts made between a body in which the Member or a relevant person have a beneficial interest.</p>	
<p>4 <u>Land</u></p> <p>Any beneficial interest in land within the Parish/Town Council's area.</p>	
<p>5 <u>Licences</u></p> <p>Any licence (alone or jointly with others) for a month or longer to occupy land in the Parish/Town Council's area.</p>	
<p>6 <u>Corporate tenancies</u></p> <p>Any tenancy where to the Member's knowledge the Parish/Town Council is the landlord and the tenant is a body in which the Member or a relevant person has a beneficial interest.</p>	
<p>7 <u>Securities</u></p> <p>Any beneficial interest in the securities of a body where that body to the Member's knowledge has a place of business or land in the Parish/Town Council's area and either;</p>	

<p>i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total share capital of that body; or</p> <p>ii) if the share capital of that body is more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the Member or the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.</p>	
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Any changes to the information stated above must be notified in writing to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days.

Declaration

I recognise that it is a breach of the Localism Act 2011 and a criminal offence to:

- a) Omit information that ought to be given in this notice;
- b) Provide information that is materially false or misleading;
- c) Fail to give further notice, within 28 days of becoming aware of any change to the interests specified, or of acquiring any new interest, in order to bring up to date the information given in this notice.

Councillor

Parish Clerk

Signed:

Signed.....

Date.....

Date.....

Received by Monitoring Officer

Signed:

Date.....

GUIDANCE NOTES ON THE REGISTRATION OF INTERESTS

1. Employment or business

A short description of any job or business carried on by you including any trade, profession or vocation including the name of your employer. You are required to declare any employment or business even if it is not within the Council's area. You are not required to declare what income you receive.

2. Sponsorship

The name of any person or body (except a local authority) who has helped you with expenses associated with your election or your duties as a Member. Sponsorship includes another person paying expenses which you would otherwise have to pay. Any payments and statutory allowances received from a local authority do not need to be declared.

3. Contracts with the Council

Brief descriptions of the nature and length of any contracts for goods, services or works which you have with the Council, either directly or as a partner in a firm that has such a contract or as a paid director of a company which has such a contract or other body, under which the authority is the provider or the recipient of goods, works or services, or if the contract is with a body which you have declared under the heading "Interests in companies and shares". This includes contracts with the Council even if the works, goods or services are for third parties, e.g. a voluntary organisation. Only contracts which have not been fully discharged need to be notified.

4. Land

Any land, or buildings in the area of the Council in which you have a beneficial interest (freehold or leasehold or a short tenancy), either of your own, or jointly with one or more other people. You have a beneficial interest in land if, for example, you own, you rent, you are entitled to the proceeds of, or you may, under a trust, become entitled to the proceeds of that land. This includes your home address if you own, lease or rent it. Excluded is land where you are a trustee for other people or where you are an executor or administrator of the estate of someone who has died and have no interest in the estate.

If you own land outside the area of the Council you do not have to declare it but if you receive an income from the land then in the 'Employment section' the property letting business should be declared, but it is not necessary to state where the property is.

"Land" for this purpose includes houses, buildings, and the interest of a mortgagee. It excludes drainage rights, rights of way, and other rights which do not entitle you (whether alone or jointly with others) to occupy the land or to draw income from it.

The requirement to register the interest of a mortgagee does not mean that if you have a mortgage on your house you have to declare it. 'Mortgagee' is the person who lends money to another on the security of a mortgage. If you are a mortgagee, you need to give the address or description of the relevant property, not the fact of the mortgage, or the name of the borrower.

The information required is the address of the land or (where, for example, it is land without any buildings on it) a brief description good enough to identify the location. If necessary please attach a map showing the location of the land or list the Ordnance Survey field numbers which apply.

5. Licences

Any licences that you have either on your own or jointly with others, or any permission that you have to occupy land (for example, as an allotment or for fishing or shooting) where the licence, or permission, will last for a month or longer.

The information required is the address of the land or (where, for example, it is land without any buildings on it) a brief description good enough to identify the location. If necessary please attach a map showing the location of the land or list the Ordnance Survey field numbers which apply.

6. Corporate Tenancies

The address of any land or buildings rented from the Council by you or a body in which you have a beneficial interest.

The information required is the address of the land or where, for example, it is land without any buildings on it, a brief description good enough to identify the location. If necessary please attach a map showing the location of the land or list the Ordnance Survey field numbers which apply.

7. Securities

Securities means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description other than money deposited with a building society. The name of any person or other body who has a place of business or land in the Borough Council's area and in whom you have a beneficial interest in a class of securities of that person or body that exceeds the nominal value of £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital (whichever is the lower), eg if the company has 100 £1 shares and you have one share you need to declare the interest. The value of shares is the face value (the value recorded on the share certificate) not the current market value. For example, you bought 10,000 £1.50 shares (face value) in 1999. The market value at that time was £3.00 each, so the total paid was £30,000, but the shares are now worth £45,000. The nominal value of the shares would be £15,000 (10,000 x £1.50). Therefore, you would not be obliged to enter the shares in the register of interests, even though the current market value of the shares is £45,000. It is not necessary to declare the size or nature of the holding, simply

the name of the company or other body. You have a beneficial interest in a type of share if, for example, you own, you are entitled to the proceeds of, or you may, through a trust or will, become entitled to the proceeds of, that type of share. You do not need to register any such interest that you have as trustee.

If you know the companies in which your PEP, ISA or pension fund has invested and:

- those companies have a place of business or land in the Borough Council's area; and
- your beneficial interest in the investment is greater than the levels indicated above,

then you need to register that interest. You are only required to register interests which are known to you. The Code does not require you to investigate the investment portfolio of any PEP, ISA or pension scheme to which you may belong.

SENSITIVE INFORMATION

If you consider that the availability for inspection by the public of information relating to any of your interests creates, or is likely to create, a serious risk that you or a person who lives with you may be subjected to violence or intimidation, you may apply to the Monitoring Officer for permission not to include that sensitive information on the Register of Members' Interests. This would apply if you are employed in an area of sensitive employment, such as certain types of scientific research. If the Monitoring Officer agrees that the information is sensitive information there is no need to include the sensitive information on the register of interests, although the existence of a interest, but not the details of the sensitive information, must still be declared at meetings if business relating to or affecting the interest is being considered at the meeting. If you think that some of your information is sensitive please write to the Monitoring Officer

Gifts or hospitality over £25 in value

You need to register any gifts or hospitality worth over £25 you receive *because of your position as a Member*. You do not need to register gifts and hospitality which are not related to your role as a Member, such as gifts from your friends and family. However, you should always consider whether any gifts or hospitality could be seen as being connected to your role as a Member. If you are in doubt speak to the Monitoring Officer. For example, if as Chairman of the Council you are invited to and attend a football match the value of which is over £25, you need to register this. You may have to estimate how much a gift or some hospitality is worth. You do not need to register gifts and hospitality offered but not accepted. The information required is the name of the person or organisation who gave you the gift/hospitality, the nature of the gift/hospitality and an estimate of the value.