

STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Register of Member's Interests required under the Localism Act 2011

The Localism Act and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 requires all members of local authorities to complete and submit a form detailing their Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI's) This form is provided so that you can comply with this statutory requirement. It is your responsibility to ensure that the information provided makes the nature of your interest clear.

Failing to complete this form, omitting information that ought to be given, or providing information that is false or misleading will usually be a criminal offence. As will taking part in any business of your council in which you have a DPI.

You must, within 28 days of your election or appointment as a member register your DPI's. Registration shall be by providing the District Council's Monitoring Officer with this form fully completed.

Members of Town and Parish Councils should submit their forms, or details of any changes in their interests) to their Council's Clerk who will then send it to the District Council's Monitoring Officer.

You must also, within 28 days of becoming aware of any new DPI or any change to an interest you have already registered, register details of that new interest or change. You should do this by providing written notification with sufficient details of the new interest or the change for the District Council's Monitoring Officer to properly update the Register.

Where you have declared a DPI at a meeting which is not already in the Register of Member's Interests, and in respect of which no notice has already been given to the District Council's Monitoring Officer, you must, within 28 days of making the declaration, provide sufficient details of the interest for the Monitoring Officer to properly update the Register.

If you are a member of the Council's Executive with delegated authority to make a decision on a matter in which you have a DPI which is not on the Register of Member's Interests, and in respect of which no notice has already been given to the Monitoring Officer, you must provide sufficient details of the interest for the Monitoring Officer to properly update the Register within 28 days from the date on which you became aware you have an interest in the matter.

Your form will be part of the Register of Member's Interests which is a public document and will be available for public inspection at the District Council's offices. It will also be on your council's web site (if it has one).

Sensitive Interests: where a member or co-opted member has an interest, which they think is sensitive because disclosure of the details of the interest could lead to that member or co-opted member, or a person connected with that member or co-opted member, being subject to violence or intimidation, they should consult the District Council's Monitoring Officer. If the Monitoring Officer agrees it is a Sensitive Interest copies of the Register of Members' Interests that are made available for inspection, and any published version of the Register, will not include details of the interest but will state that the member has an interest the details of which are withheld under the Localism Act 2011.

The descriptions of the DPI's given below are a plain English interpretation of the definitions in the regulations. If you have any doubts please refer to the regulations: The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012. These regulations are on the government's web site for legislation, and if you Google the title of the Regulations you should find that site at the top, or near the top, of the first page. You may want to take advice from your Clerk (if you are a member of a parish or town council) or the Monitoring Officer if you are still

unclear having looked at the Regulations.

Entries relating to land (in section 4 below) must include a clear description sufficient to identify the land. Land includes property and buildings on land - for example your house - and you should include the postal address. A beneficial interest includes freehold and leasehold (tenancy) interests and any legal rights you may have over property, for example a right of way, or an option to purchase, or a right to the income from the land. It also includes licences for longer than one month. You only need to provide details of land/property within the area of the council upon which you serve.

In most cases the postal address will suffice in identifying a residential or business property. However in the case of agricultural or other land, such land must be described in a manner which is good enough to identify its location and extent. For example, a description such as "Blackberry Farm, Slimbridge", would be insufficient. The description should read something like "approximately 62 hectares forming Blackberry Farm, and shown edged red on the enclosed plan". It would be helpful if OS. Field Nos. were also quoted.

The Monitoring Officer will be pleased to supply, on request, O.S. plans to assist in the ready identification of any land in which you have an interest. If you do identify land by reference to a plan please sign the plan.

The descriptions below refer to "partners". A partner is your spouse, or civil partner, or person who you live with as if they were your spouse or civil partner. In most instances, as mentioned below, your partner's interest is your interest and they are to go on the form as DPI's.

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PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS OF THE DPI'S DESCRIBED BELOW: (You must state "None" in the relevant box where you or your partner have no interest in a particular category).

NAME: HEATHER PRIESTLEY
(Block Capitals)
COUNCIL: HAMFALLOW PC

Your Interests

Partner's Interests

1. Employment: any employment or office held, or trade, profession or vocation carried on, by you or your partner for profit or gain.

None

None

2. Sponsorship: any payment or financial benefit towards your election expenses or expenses as a member received within the last 12 months, excluding any from your council.

None

None

3. Contracts: any current contract between your council and you, or your partner, or any body in which you or your partner are a partner, director, or shareholder.

None

None

4. Land: any land which is in your Council's area which you or your partner own, have a right to occupy, or receive the income from (excluding a licence to occupy land for less than a month).

None

None

5. Corporate tenancies: any tenancy between your council and a body in which you or your partner are a partner, director, or shareholder.

None

None

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Your Interests

Partner's Interests

6. Securities: any beneficial interest in any shares or other securities of any description in a body held by you or your partner if the body has a place of business or land in your council's area, and:

None

None

- the total value of the securities held is over £25,000, or
- you or your partner hold more than one hundredth of the total issued share capital of the body, or
- if the body has more than one class of shares you or your partner hold more one hundredth of the issued share capital of that class

DECLARATION

I have not omitted information that ought to be given in this notice and have not provided information that is false or misleading.

Dated

29 July 2015