



LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000

THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES (MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT) ORDER 2007

REGISTER OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

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Guidance is given below on the specific paragraphs and information required in the statutory Register of Members' Interests form.

PERSONAL INTERESTS

In accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 I hereby provide written notification to the Monitoring Officer of any personal interests in any business of the authority where either it relates to or is likely to affect:

- (a) **Any body of which I am a member or in a position of general control or management and to which I have been appointed or nominated by the authority:**

(You should declare membership of, a position of general control or management in, any bodies to which you have been appointed by the Shropshire Council. This will not include Committees which are part of the Shropshire Council. You must however include any company directorship or other representation if you have been appointed or nominated by the Shropshire Council as its representative on such company or outside body).

n/a

- (b) **Any body exercising functions of a public nature of which I am a member or in a position of general control or management:**

(It will be necessary for you to include your membership or position of general control of such organisations as health authorities, police or

fire authority for the area, housing associations, statutory undertakers, magistrates, Parish Council(s); and the Local Government Association).

A member of Oswestry Town Council

(c) Any body directed to charitable purposes of which I am a member or in a position of general control:

(Membership of or position of general control or management of any charity or body directed to charitable purposes need to be inserted here. These bodies are those on which you serve in your own capacity as opposed to being appointed or nominated by the Shropshire Council as its representative. The latter needs to be included within paragraph(a) as indicated earlier. Equally, charitable purposes includes educational establishments and, as such, school governorships need to be declared).

n/a

(d) Any body one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which I am a member or in a position of general control or management:

(You should mention here membership of any relevant political parties and other relevant public opinion or lobbying/campaigning groups whether national or local).

A member of the Conservative Party

(e) Employment and/or business details carried on by me:

(You should include under this heading details of your job, or any business that you carry on.

Give a short description of the activity concerned, e.g. "Computer Operator", "Farmer" or "Accountant". For these purposes being a Councillor need not be declared as an occupation).

n/a

(f) Any person or body who employs or has appointed me:

(You should include under this heading the name of any individual, company, partnership, public body etc. who employs you or who has appointed you. If employed by a company, give the name of the company paying your wages or salary, not that of any ultimate holding company).

N/a

- (g) Any person or body (other than the relevant authority) who has made a payment to me in respect of my election or any expenses incurred by me in carrying out my duties:**

(You should include under this heading any names of any person, political parties or other group(s) who have made a payment to you in respect of your election or any expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties, e.g. a member is expected to register the name of any person, political party or other group(s), who helped to fund his/her election campaign. There is however no need to register any allowance or expense received by you by the Council).

Conservative Party

- (h) Any person or body which has a place of business or land in the authority's area, and in which I 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 of that body (whichever is the lower):**

(Give the names of any person(s), companies, industrial and provident societies, co-operative societies or other corporate bodies which have any business or land in the Shropshire Council area and in which your beneficial interest exceeds £25,000 or 1/100th of the total issued share capital. If less than this there is no need to complete this section. The key point is that the nominal value of the shares is taken into account, not the market value of such shares).

n/a

- (i) Any contract for goods, services or works made between the authority and myself or a firm in which I am a partner, a company of which I am a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified in paragraph (h) above:**

(You should include under this heading particulars of all relevant contracts entered into with Shropshire Council for the supply of goods, services or works to the Council).

n/a

- (j) The receipt of any gift or hospitality, material benefits or advantage with an estimated value of at least £25 relating to or arising from your position as a member:**

(You should include the name and address of the person or organisation offering/providing the gift, hospitality or material benefits or advantage, the date of offer/receipt, the estimated value and details of the gift or hospitality).

Received invitation from Wrekin Housing Trust to attend Shrewsbury Flower Show - on holiday and no action was taken and no reply sent.

(k) Any land in which I have a beneficial interest and which is in the area of the authority:

(If you live within the area of Shropshire Council, your home property address should be included under this heading. Beneficial interest includes a mortgage interest in a property, including a tenanted interest, whether as a landlord or tenant. All relevant interests in the Council's area must also be declared in addition to your home address).

Joint owner with my wife of property at 155 College Road, Oswestry

(l) Any land where the landlord is the authority and the tenant is a firm in which I am a partner, a company of which I am a remunerated director or a body of the description specified in subparagraph (h) above:

(You will need to include details of any tenanted land that you hold from the Council. You may hold such land in your personal capacity or as a partner of a firm, a company of which you are a remunerated director or of any other legal body. Please give the address of the premises or description of any relevant land, sufficient to identify it).

n/a

(m) Any land in the authority's area in which I have a licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy for 28 days or longer:

(You will need to give details of any premises or land occupied by you (either alone or with others) in respect of which you have a licence (rather than, for example, a lease or other tenancy agreement) to occupy for 28 days or more. Such land should be situated in the Council's area).

n/a

NOTES ON SENSITIVE INFORMATION

1. Where you consider that the information relating to any of your personal interests is sensitive information, and the Monitoring Officer agrees, you need not include that information when registering that interest, or as the case may be, a change to that interest.
2. You must, within 28 days of becoming aware of any change of circumstances which means that information excluded under Paragraph 1 above is no longer sensitive information, notify the Monitoring Officer asking that the information be included in the authority's Register of Members' Interests.

3. In this Code, “sensitive information” means information whose availability for inspection by the public 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.

I hereby undertake in accordance with The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007 to notify in writing the Monitoring Officer at Shropshire Council of any change to the interests specified above within 28 days.

Signed: Original signed by W Benyon
(Original Form Held by Legal and Democratic Services,
Shropshire Council)

Dated: 09/06/09

***This form should be returned to Claire Porter, Monitoring Officer,
Shropshire Council, The Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2
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