Interests Flowchart

The flowchart below gives a simple guide to declaring an interest under the code.

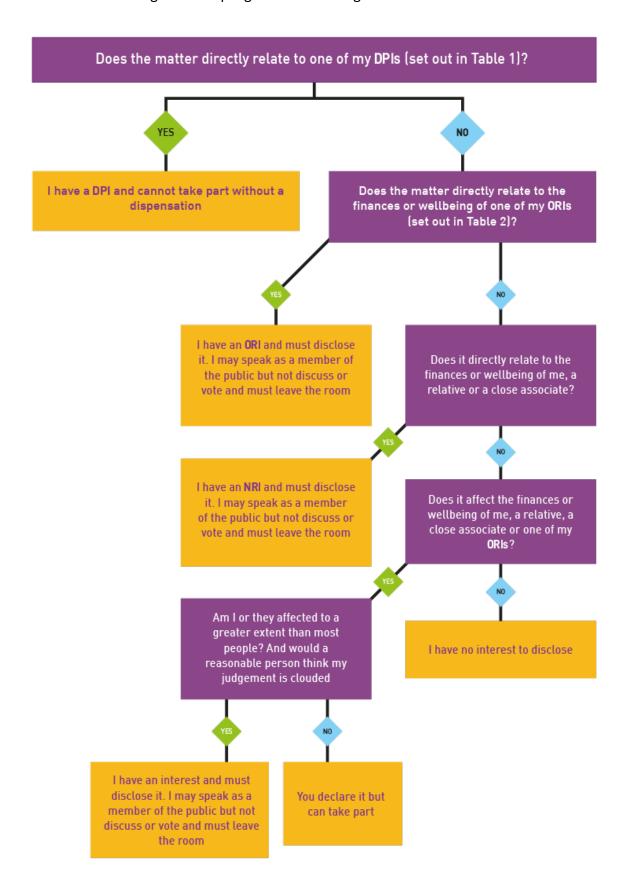


Table 1: Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

This table sets out the explanation of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests as set out in the

Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.

Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Subject	Description
	Any employment, office, trade,
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the council) made to the councillor during the previous 12-month period for expenses incurred by him/her in carrying out his/her duties as a councillor, or towards his/her election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.
Contracts	Any contract made between the councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners (or a firm in which such person is a partner, or an incorporated body of which such person is a director* or a body that such person has a beneficial interest in the securities of*) and the council
	(a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and (b) which has not been fully discharged
Land and Property	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the council. 'Land' excludes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not give the councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/ civil partners (alone or jointly with another) a right to occupy or to receive income.
Licenses	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the council for a month or longer

Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to the councillor's knowledge)— (a) the landlord is the council; and (b) the tenant is a body that the councillor, or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/ civil partners is a partner of or a director* of or has a beneficial interest in the securities* of.
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities* of a body where— (a) that body (to the councillor's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the council; and (b) either— (i)) the total nominal value of the securities* exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or (ii) If the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the councillor, or his/ her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners have a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

^{* &#}x27;director' includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society.

Table 2: Other Registrable Interests

You must register as an Other Registerable Interest :

- a) any unpaid directorships
- b) any body of which you are a member or are in a position of general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority
- c) any body
 - (i) exercising functions of a public nature
 - (ii) directed to charitable purposes or
 - (iii) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management

^{* &#}x27;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.



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Minutes of the meeting of the Staffing Committee held on Wednesday 2nd April 2025 at 7pm in The Council Chamber, Diamond Jubilee Lodge, Hellesdon

Present: Cllr L Douglass – Chair of the Committee

Cllr D Britcher Cllr S Gurney Cllr B Johnson Cllr A Lock Cllr D Maidstone

Also in Attendance: Mr H Clark- Deputy Clerk

The Chairman welcomed Councillors and opened the meeting at 7pm.

1. Apologies and acceptance for absence.

Cllr G Britton tendered his apologies for the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations.

There were no dispensations raised by any member of the Cllr Committee.

Mr H Clark declared an interest in Agenda item 9 and stated that he intended to leave the room for the duration of this item.

3. Approval of minutes of the Committee meeting held on 17th March 2025.

Draft minutes of the meeting of 17th March 2025 had been circulated previously. The minutes were **AGREED** as a true and accurate record of the meeting and were duly signed by the Chairman.

4. Public Participation

No members of the public present

5. To Receive update on Administration Vacancy.

The Chairman of the Staffing Committee gave a verbal update on the current situation. A suitable locum Administrator had been sought from the recruitment agency and would take up the temporary position commencing on Monday 31st March 2025.

6. To Receive update on Locum Clerk Position.

Cllr Johnson gave an update regarding a potential locum. Following the last meeting on the 17th March Cllr Johnson had as requested acquired additional support paperwork from the interested party which had been received. However, the commencement of a temporary Office Administrator, the return of staff from annual leave and an input from Councillors into the office function had assisted the situation. Therefore, given the imminent interviews for the Clerk position Councillors were of the view that the situation should be reviewed again after interviews had been conducted, and not to appoint a Locum at this moment. This was proposed by Cllr Douglass and seconded by Cllr Britcher.

This was CARRIED.

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7. To Receive update on Clerk Vacancy and Blind sifting of Applications received.

The Deputy Clerk reported that a number of applications had been received before the deadline of the 28th April. Redacted applications forms were presented to the meeting and a sifting process was undertaken in line with the roles of Essential and Desirable criteria. A short list was agreed. However, Cllrs were made aware that some candidates were not available on the proposed interview date of the 14th April and an additional date, 11th April, am, was approved to cover this matter.

The interview panel had already been agreed at the Full Council Meeting and would cover both interview dates.

It was agreed that an additional Staffing and Full Council meeting would be called to ratify any appointment that was recommended. The date for theses meeting was provisionally set for Thursday 24th April at 7pm.

8. To consider resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to exclude the press and public for the duration of items 7 to 10 in view of the confidential and personal nature of the business to be transacted.

This was AGREED

The Meeting was Closed to the Press and Public

Deputy Clerk left room at 19.50hrs and returned at 20.20hrs

9. To review probationary period for Deputy Clerk.

After Councillor discussion it was agreed to postpone the review for another 3 months given the circumstances of the office set up. A future review would be scheduled for the beginning of June 2025. Deputy Clerk to be advised of this by the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Staffing Committee. Cllr Gurney to take the minute in the absence of the Deputy Clerk. All agreed.

10. Legal Advice in relation to a staffing issue.

This had been previously circulated to the members of the committee. The Chairman and Vice Chairman had referred back to the Solicitor on one matter for further clarification. This had been received and circulated to all members of the committee.

11. To consider concerns raised for Interview panel.

A number of concerns were raised over the format of the interview process. Various options were discussed and it was agreed that a criteria-based interview and scoring sheet would be implemented. The decision on who chaired the interview panel would be made at the start of the interview procedure. Deputy Clerk to circulated the previous Clerk interviews questions for information.

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12. Items for next agenda.

Feedback on Recruitment process and any recommendations. Holiday Management Policy for staff. Possible review? Update on Legal Advice.

13. To Confirm Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Next meetings to be held on 24th April 2025 at 18:00

Meeting closed at 20.40 hrs.

