

# Register of Members' interests

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# Completing this form

- Complete the form electronically, save to your device and email to mark.turner@luton.gov.uk.
- Select 'None' where appropriate.
- Do not leave any boxes blank.

## About you

Your name: Steven Charles Stephens

Member/Co-opted Member: Member

I, as a Member or Co-opted Member of Luton Borough Council ('the council') set out below under the appropriate headings my interests, which I am required to declare under the <u>Localism Act 2011</u> (Ss 29-34) and <u>The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012</u> and I have put 'none' where I have no such interest under any heading.

#### Your spouse or partner

In the notice below your spouse or partner means anyone who meets the definition in the <u>Localism Act</u>, including:

- · your spouse or civil partner
- a person with whom you are living as a spouse
- a person with whom you are living as if you are civil partners, and your are aware that that person has the interest having carried out a reasonable level of investigation

Where your spouse or partner has recently been involved in any activity which would, had it been continuing, have been disclosable, this should be mentioned, with the date the activity ended.

#### Notification of registration requirements

A Member or Co-opted member of the council must, before the end of 28 days beginning with the day on which the person becomes a Member or Co-opted Member of the council, notify the council's Monitoring Officer of any disclosable pecuniary interests which the person has at the time when the notification is given.

Where a person becomes a Member or Co-opted member of the council as a result of re-election or re-appointment, registration of interests applies only as regards disclosable pecuniary interests not already entered in the council's register when the notification is given.

A Member or Co-opted Member must, within 28 clear working days of becoming aware of any change to the interests specified below, provide written notification to the Monitoring Officer, of that change.

## Registered interests

Section 1: Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain

#### 1.1 Name of:

- your employer(s)
- any business carried on by you
- any other role in which you receive remuneration
- any pension you receive (other than state pension)

#### You

☐ None

☑ Interests: Teachers' Pension Scheme, Bright Education Overseas Co Ltd – eligible for Director's Dividends, Royal London – pension draw down facility, Prudential Teacher's AVC – pension pot untouched, Sunlife Financial of Canada – pension pot untouched

Your spouse or partner  ☐ None  ☐ Interests: NHS FEP/EIP Care Coordinator (Social Worker /OT/Nurse)
1.2 Description of employment or business activity
You  ☐ None  ☑ Interests: Co-Director Bright Education Overseas, International Advisor / Consultant, Merit Apez  Ltd (all consultancy so far free of charge)
Your spouse or partner  □ None  □ Interests: NHS FEP/EIP Care Coodinator (Social Worker / OT/Nurse)
1.3 The name of any firm in which you are a partner
You  ☐ None  ☐ Interests: Co-Director Bright Education Overseas Ltd
Your spouse or partner  ☑ None  ☐ Interests: add details here
1.4 The name of any company for which you are a remunerated director
You  ☐ None  ☑ Interests: Bright Education Overseas – eligible for dividends
Your spouse or partner  ☑ None  ☐ Interests: add details here
Section 2: Sponsorship  2.1 Any financial benefit obtained (other than from the Borough Council) made or provided within the last 12 months in respect of expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a member or towards your 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 (a).
You  ☑ None  ☐ Interests: add details here
Your spouse or partner  ☑ None  ☐ Interests: add details here
Section 3: Contracts  3.1 Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or any organisation listed at 1.1 in

a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed

which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the council:

b) which has not been fully discharged
You  ☑ None ☐ Interests: add details here
Your spouse or partner  ☑ None ☐ Interests: add details here
Section 4: Land or property  4.1 Any interest you or any organisation listed at 1.1 may have in land or property which is likely to be affected by a decision made by the council.
This would include, within the borough:
<ul> <li>any interest in any land, including your place(s) of residency</li> <li>any tenancy where (to the Member's knowledge) the landlord is the council and the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has an interest</li> <li>any licence (alone or jointly with others) for a month or longer to occupy land owned by the council</li> </ul>
You  ☐ None  ☑ Interests: Withheld by the Monitoring Officer
Your spouse or partner  ☐ None  ☑ Interests: Withheld by the Monitoring Officer
Section 5: Securities  5.1 Any interest in securities of an organisation under 1.1 where:
a. that body (to my knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the council
and either:
b1. the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body
b2. 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 has an interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class
You  ☑ None ☐ Interests: add details here
Your spouse or partner  ☑ None ☐ Interests: add details here
Section 6: Gifts and hospitality <b>6.1</b> Any gifts and/or hospitality received as a result of membership of the council (above the value of £50).

You
⊠ None
☐ Interests: add details here
Your spouse or partner
⊠ None
☐ Interests: add details here

## Other registrable interests

### Membership of organisations

- 1. I am an unpaid director of (this includes any companies wholly-owned by the council): Foxhall Homes Limited
- 2. I am a member of, or I am in a position of general control, a trustee of, or participate in the management of:
  - a) any body to which I have been appointed or nominated by the council:
     None
  - any body exercising functions of a public nature (such as a school or hospital governing body):
    - None
  - c) any body directed to charitable purposes: None
  - d) any body, one of the principal purposes of which includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union): Liberal Democrat Party

## Member's declaration and signature

#### **Declaration**

I confirm that, having carried out reasonable investigation, the information given above is a true and accurate record of my relevant interests, given in good faith and to the best of my knowledge.

Date: 15/05/2023

Your name: Steven Charles Stephens

Your signature:

Receipt by the monitoring officer

Date received by the Monitoring Officer: 15/05/2023

Signature of Monitoring Officer\*: Mark Turner

S.C. Stephen

<sup>\*</sup> See above for guidance on inserting an image of your handwritten signature.