

Belbroughton & Fairfield PARISH COUNCIL
REGISTER OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

(Pursuant to Belbroughton and Fairfield Parish Council Code of Conduct, Part 1 Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011 and associated Statutory Instruments).

Please refer to the Code of Conduct and the accompanying Notes of Guidance before completing this form.

I, Ben Standing

an **Elected** / **Co-opted** / **Appointed** (*mark as appropriate*) member of _____ Belbroughton and Fairfield _____ Parish Council give notice that I have set out below my interests and in so far as I am aware of the existence of the interests of my spouse or civil partner or any person with whom I am living as husband and wife or as if we were civil partners (relevant persons).

I have put 'None' where I/we have no such interest under any heading.

PART A
DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

1. Any employment, office, trade, profession, or vocation carried on for profit or gain (Including employment outside of the parish area. Please give details of (i) every employment, job, trade, business or vocation you and/or your partner have, for which you and/or your partner receive any benefit or gain (i.e. profit, salary or benefit in kind) including a short description of the activity e.g. accountant or plumber and (ii) the name of any employer or body, firm or company which you and/or your partner own or in whose securities you and/or your partner have any beneficial interest. This must include remuneration as a director.

Ben Standing - Partner at Browne Jacobson LLP (solicitors)
Laura Standing - Nurse at Heartlands Hospital, Birmingham. Associate professor at Warwick University in advanced clinical practice (stroke)

2. **Sponsorships** - any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the Council) made or provided within the last 12 months in respect of any expenses incurred in carrying out 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.

None

3. **Contracts** - any contract which is made between you and/or your partner (or a body in which you and/or your partner have a beneficial interest) 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.

None

4. **Land** - any beneficial interest in land which is within the parish area. Please give the address or other description (sufficient to identify the location) of any land or property in the parish area in which you and/or your partner have a beneficial interest, including your home, indicating whether you and/or your partner are the owner or lessee or a tenant.

An interest exists but is withheld under Section 32A of the Localism Act 2011

5. **Licences** - Any land in the parish area area for which you or the persons referred to above have a licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy for a month or longer.

None.

6. **Corporate tenancies** - Any tenancy where to your knowledge the landlord is the Council and the tenant is a body in which you or a person referred to above has a beneficial interest.

None

7. **Securities** - any beneficial interest in securities of a body where:
- (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the parish area ; 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 relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class. **Note** it is not necessary to declare the nature or size of the holding, simply the name of the company or other body.

None.

PART B
OTHER REGISTERABLE INTERESTS

8. Any unpaid directorships

None.

9. Any body of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management and to which you are not nominated or appointed by your authority and which

- (a) exercises functions of a public nature;
- (b) is directed to charitable purposes; or
- (c) is a body which includes as one of its principal purposes influencing public opinion or policy (this includes lobbying groups, any political parties or trade unions).

I am part of the Scarecrow Committee, which organises the annual Scarecrow Festival. This collects money for charitable purposes.

I am Vice Chair of the Nottingham Open Spaces Forum - charity number 1176727.

Confirmation

I understand that:-

- (a) I may be committing a criminal offence if I:-
- (i) fail to register or declare disclosable pecuniary interests as required, without reasonable excuse;
 - (ii) participate or vote or take steps in Council business at meetings or when acting alone when prevented from doing so;
 - (iii) knowingly or recklessly provide information that is false or misleading;
- (b) I will be in breach of the Code of Conduct for Members if I:-
- (i) fail to meet the requirements in relation to disclosable pecuniary interests;
 - (ii) fail to register or declare other interests as required;
 - (iii) take part in Council business at meetings or when acting alone when prevented from doing so;
 - (iv) provide information that is materially false or misleading;

I understand that I must, within 28 days of becoming aware of any new or change in the above interests provide written notification to the Monitoring Officer.

Signed:

Ben Standing

Dated:

18 September 2023

Please sign and return this Notice to the Elections Team, Town Hall, Walter Stranz Square, Redditch B98 8AH.

Date received and checked by or on behalf the Monitoring Officer:

27 September 2023 Darren Whitney

Notes of Guidance to Register of Interests

You should complete the register with sufficient detail to identify clearly what the interest is. Do not use abbreviations, initials or acronyms. You are personally responsible for the accuracy of the contents of the register.

Information on your register of interests will be published. Should you have any concerns regarding the information on your register of interests been publicly available please discuss these with the Monitoring Officer who will consider whether the information should be redacted and moved to the sensitive register.

PART A **DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

Disclosable Pecuniary interests are prescribed by Regulation. Please refer to Section 9 of the Code of Conduct when completing questions 1 - 7.

PART B **OTHER REGISTERABLE INTERESTS**

8. Include any public bodies of which you are a member (e.g. school governor, health authority, government agency, other non-profit organisation in the public sector, local committee). Include any charity of which you are a trustee or member and any non-profit making body such as a cultural, sporting, environmental or social association, club or organisation. Include the name of any political party of which you are a member, any national or local body operating as a pressure group and any trade union or trade association.

PLEASE NOTE

In the context of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests you are required to set out your own interests AND in so far as you are aware of their existence the interests of your spouse or civil partner or any person with whom you are living as husband and wife or as if you were civil partners.

In circumstances where the interest is not your own, you are not required to identify the interest as being your spouse or civil partner or any person with

whom you are living as husband and wife or as if you were civil partners. However, you may wish to do so should you wish to provide further clarity where appropriate.

In this Code a 'member of your family' includes the following relationships of the member, the member's spouse or the member's civil partner or any person with whom you are living as husband and wife or as if you were civil partners: a son/daughter (including a biological son/daughter, stepson/daughter, adopted son/daughter or male/female child for which the person has custodial responsibilities), mother, father, brother or sister, a niece, nephew, aunt, uncle, grandchild, grandparent.

In this Code 'a person with whom you have a close association' means someone that you are in either regular contact with over a period of time or a significant contact who is more than an acquaintance or can be considered to be a friend, a colleague, a business associate or someone whom you know through general social contacts.

In the context of Other Registerable Interests you are required to set out your own interests.