

## **OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL - DECLARATION**

## Councillor declaration of interest register

The guiding principle for Councillors' declarations in the interest register is set out in the Otago Regional Council's Code of Conduct<sup>9</sup>, which states:

"Ethical behaviour - Members should not place themselves in situations where their honesty and integrity may be questioned, should not behave improperly and should on all occasions avoid the appearance of such behaviour"

In addition, the Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968 is concerned with members' financial and non-financial interests. The Office of the Auditor General notes a conflict of interest can arise when: "A member's or official's duties or responsibilities to a public entity could be affected by some other interest or duty that the member or official may have." 10

Keeping a Councillors' declaration of interest register (both financial and non-financial) allows the member and Council to identify and manage a conflict of interest when it arises. The register should also include any such interest(s) held by a Councillor's partner or spouse.

The register must be reviewed annually<sup>11</sup>. If a Councillor is in any doubt as to whether or not a particular course of action (including a decision to take no action) raises a conflict of interest, then the Member should seek guidance from the Chief Executive immediately.

Where a Councillor's circumstances change, the Councillor must ensure the Register of Interests is updated as soon as possible.

The information in the completed declarations will be publicly available on Council's website.

	Type of Interest	Description
1.	Details of employment, trade or profession carried	Farmer, Otago Regional
	on by the Councillor or the Councillor's spouse / partner for profit or gain.	Farmer, Otago Regional Councillor, RMA Commissioner, District Licensing Committee Dep Chair.
2.	Any company, trust, partnership etc of which the	AB+ MMC HOONE Family Trust
	Councillor or their spouse / partner is a director, partner or trustee.	Morfazan Ltd-Director J Mount Watkin + Howkebury Joint Venture Forestry-Partner
3	Other companies and business entities or interests.	Shareholder-CP Wool, Silver Fern Farm+ Revensdown
4	Beneficial interests in trusts.	AB+ MMC NOONE FAMILY TRUST
5.	The address of any land in which the Councillor has a	382 Ramrock Rd Waikovaiti 155 Quarry Rd Waikovaiti

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Adopted by the Otago Regional Council on 22 February 2017

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Office of the Auditor General Good Practice Guide – Managing Conflicts of Interest: Guidance for public entities

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Refer clause 9, Otago Regional Council Code of Conduct

	beneficial interest within the jurisdiction of the	41 Highgate Dunedin 51 Mt Nicholas Av Wanaka
	Otago region.	51 Mt Nicholas Av Wanaka
6.	The address of any land owned by the Otago	
	Regional Council (in which the Councillor or his or	
	her spouse / partner is):	
	A tenant; or	1
	<ul> <li>Which is tenanted by a firm in which the member or spouse is a partner, a company of which the member or spouse / partner is a director or shareholder, or a trust of which the member or spouse / partner is a trustee or beneficiary.</li> </ul>	N/A
7.	Organisations and Trusts that obtain, or are seeking	
	funding/other assistance from the ORC.	N/A N/A N/A
8.	Gifts.	N/A
9.	Payments for activities or services.	NIA
10.	Creditors (if greater than \$50K, but not the amount).	ANZ Bank - Mortgage
11.	Debtors (if greater than \$50K, but not the amount).	AB+MMC NOONE FAMILY TRUST
12.	Details of any ORC consents, permits or rights held	
	by the Councillor, spouse / partner, family or trust/company.	N/A
13.	Any other matters which the public might	Chairman Dunedin Otary
	reasonably regard as likely to influence the	Chairman Dunedin Otary Sister City Society Chairman Historic Iona
	Councillor's actions during the course of their duties as a member.	Chairman Historic Iona Church Restoration Trust

The information contained in this statement is to the best of my knowledge complete and accurate as at the below date. I confirm that I have included in this statement details of any interests held by me or my spouse / partner through trusts or companies.

Signed ......

NB: Gifts register: Where a gift to the value of \$50 or more is accepted by a Councillor in their capacity as a Councillor, the Councillor must immediately disclose this to the Chief Executive for inclusion in the publicly available register of interests<sup>12</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Refer clause 10, Otago Regional Council Code of Conduct