

REGISTER OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS



Hartlepool
Borough Council

I, (full name)

Ben Clayton

a Member of Hartlepool Borough Council

Give notice that I have the following interests (including those of any 'relevant person' where appropriate): (Please state "None" where appropriate)

1. I am a member, or hold a position of general control or management of, the following body/ bodies to which I have been appointed or nominated by the Council as its representative.

You should list any body to which you have been appointed or nominated by the Council. Reference should also be made to the position you hold on the body. For example, appointment to an outside body i.e. Tees Valley Combined Authority, Local Government Association.

Member

Licensing Committee

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

2(a). I am member or hold a position of general control or management of the following body/
bodies exercising functions of a public nature.

You should list your membership of any public authority (other than the Borough Council) or body exercising functions of a public nature of which you are a member. You should include details of anybody exercising such function even if the main function of the body is for some other purpose.

Member

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

2(b). I am a member or hold a position of general control or management of the following
body/bodies directed to charitable purpose.

You should list your membership of any company, industrial and provident society(s), charity or body directed to charitable purposes of which you are a member. This includes Freemasons, Round Table, Rotary etc. and any similar body which carries out a charitable function.

Member

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

2(c). I am member or hold a position of general control or management of the following body/bodies whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union).

You should list your membership of anybody whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy of which you are a member, which would include a trade union, political party or professional association of which you are a member.

Member

Labour Party
Unison

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

3. Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation.

Details of employment, office, trade, profession or vocation, carried on for profit or gain (including the name of employer, business or trading name).

You should show every type of employment, office, trade, profession or vocation that you carry out or would declare for income tax purposes. Include the name of the employer, business or trading name.

You should include here the name of your employer, the name of any firm of which you are a partner, and the name of any company of which you are a remunerated director.

Also anybody which has appointed you, with or without remuneration.

You should include the same information for your spouse, civil partner or cohabitee.

Member

Joieaux Limited – Managing Director

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

4. Sponsorship

The names of any persons(s) or body/bodies who have made payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the Council) 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.

You should show here the name of any person or body, except the Council, who has made a payment to you in respect of your election expenses or any other expenses incurred by you in the carrying out of your duties E.g. political party, including any payment or financial benefit from a trade union.

Member

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

5. Contracts

Description of any contract which is made between you or your spouse/civil partner/cohabitee, or a body in which you or your spouse/civil partner/cohabitee has a beneficial interest and the Council, under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and which has not been fully discharged.

You should describe all contracts, of which you are aware, which are not fully discharged, and which are:

(a) contracts for the supply of goods, services or works to the Council or on the Council's behalf, and

(b) Between the Council and either yourself, a firm in which you are a partner, or a company of which you are a director, or in which you have a beneficial interest (as disclosed in 3 above).

You need not say what the financial arrangements are, but should say for how long the contract is.

You should include the same information for your spouse, civil partner or cohabitee.

Member

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

6. Land

Any beneficial interest in land, which is in the area of the authority, giving the address or other description (*sufficient to identify the location*) of land.

You should include any land in the Borough of Hartlepool in which you have a beneficial interest (that is, in which you have some proprietary interest for your own benefit). You should give the address or a brief description sufficient to identify it. If you live in the Borough you should include your home under this heading as owner, lessee, or tenant.

You should also include any property from which you receive rent, or of which you are the mortgagee.

“Land” includes any buildings or parts of buildings.

You should include the same information for your spouse, civil partner or cohabitee.

Member

Owner of a residential property within the Borough.

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

7. Licences

Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land for a month or longer, in the area of your authority, giving the address or other description (*sufficient to identify the location*) of land.

You should include land in the Borough which you have a right either alone or jointly with another to occupy for 28 days or longer, but neither own nor have a tenancy of.

You should give the address or a brief description to identify it.

“Land” includes any buildings or parts of buildings.

You should include the same information for your spouse, civil partner or cohabitee.

Member

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

8. Corporate Tenancies

Any tenancy where (to my knowledge) the landlord is the Council and the tenant is a body in which you or your spouse/civil partner/cohabitee has a beneficial interest.

You should list any tenancies of property of which you are aware where the landlord is the Council, and the tenant is either a firm in which you are a partner or a company of which you are a director or in which you have a beneficial interest (as disclosed in 3 above). You should include the same information for your spouse, civil partner or cohabitee.

Member

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

9. Securities

Details of any beneficial interest in securities of a body where that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the Council, and either the total nominal value of securities (see note below) exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or if the share capital of that body is 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.

You should list the names of any companies, industrial and provident societies, co-operative societies (but not building societies) or corporate bodies that (to your knowledge) are active in Hartlepool and in which you have a beneficial interest that exceeds the nominal value of £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body.

You should include the same information for your spouse, civil partner or cohabitee.

Member

Joieaux Limited

Spouse, civil partner
or cohabitee

10. Other Interests

Member	
Spouse, civil partner or cohabitee	

I undertake to observe the Code of Conduct that has been adopted by Hartlepool Borough Council and I will within 28 days of becoming aware of any new interest or change to any interest registered, submit an updated declaration of interest form to the Monitoring Officer

Signature	
Date	22.10.26

IMPORTANT FURTHER GUIDANCE

Members and co-opted Members must provide an update to the information declared within 28 days of the change.

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 the previous paragraph is no longer sensitive information, notify the Monitoring Officer asking that the information be included in the authority's Register of Members' Interests.
3. "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.

Further guidance is available from:

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HR/Monitoring Officer
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