



## **SOUTH WALES FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY**

### **REGISTER OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

#### **GENERAL NOTICE OF REGISTERABLE INTERESTS**

I, Alfie Best, an Elected Member of the South Wales Fire & Rescue Authority, give notice that I have set out below under the appropriate headings, my interests which I am required to declare under Section 81 of the Local Government Act 2000 and paragraph 15 of the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) Order 2008, and I have put "none" where I have no such interests under any headings.

**WHEN COMPLETING THIS DOCUMENT, PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE AREA OF THE SOUTH WALES FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY COVERS THE 10 UNITARY AUTHORITY AREAS OF BLAENAU GWENT, BRIDGEND, CAERPHILLY, CARDIFF, MERTHYR TYDFIL, MONMOUTHSHIRE, NEWPORT, RHONDDA CYNON TAF, TORFAEN AND THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN.**

**SHOULD THERE BE ANY CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS REGISTER THEN SUCH INFORMATION MUST BE UPDATED BY YOU IN WRITING TO THE MONITORING OFFICER WITHIN TWENTY EIGHT DAYS.**

**NB: FOOTNOTES ARE INCLUDED WITHIN THE DOCUMENT TO ASSIST YOUR COMPLETION. ANY QUERIES SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE MONITORING OFFICER OR DEPUTY MONITORING OFFICER.**

<b>1. EMPLOYMENT, BUSINESS, TRADE, PROFESSION, OFFICE OR VOCATION</b>	
<i>(Para 10 (2) (a) (i &amp; ii) of the Code of Conduct:</i> You must regard yourself as having a personal interest in any business of your authority if it relates to, or is likely to affect -	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• any employment or business carried on by you;</li> <li>• any person who employs or has appointed you, any firm in which you are a partner or any company for which you are a remunerated director)</li> </ul>	
<b>1.1</b>	<b>Please list every employment, business, office, trade, profession or vocation in which you have a personal interest, including the name of your employer.<sup>1</sup></b>
County Councillor – Torfaen County Borough Council	
<b>1.2</b>	<b>Give a short description of the activity concerned (for example “Computer Operator” or “Accountant”) if not self-evident.</b>
<b>1.3</b>	<b>Where you hold an Office, give the name of the person or body which appointed you.</b>
Torfaen County Borough Council	

<sup>1</sup>You must regard yourself as having a personal interest in any business of the Authority if it relates to, or is likely to affect:

- (i) any employment or business carried on by you; or
- (ii) any person who employs or has appointed you; or
- (iii) any firm in which you are a Partner; or
- (iv) any company for which you are a remunerated Director.

If employed by a company, give the name of the company paying your wages or salary, not that of the ultimate holding company.

## 2. SPONSORSHIP/ELECTION AND OTHER EXPENSES

*(Para 10 (2) (iii) of the Code of Conduct:*

*You must regard yourself as having a personal interest in any business of your authority if - it relates to, or is likely to affect -*

- any person, other than your authority, who has made a payment to you in respect of your election or any expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a member)*

**2.1 Please declare the name of any person or body who has made any payments to you in the last year towards your expenses as a Councillor or towards your election expenses.<sup>2</sup>**

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## 3. INTERESTS IN COMPANIES AND SECURITIES

*(Para 10 (2) (iv) of the Code of Conduct:*

*You must regard yourself as having a personal interest in any business of your authority if it relates to, or is likely to affect -*

- any corporate body which has a place of business or land in your authority's area, and in which you have a beneficial interest in a class of securities of that body that exceeds the nominal value of £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body)*

**3.1 Please list the names of any companies, industrial and provident societies, co-operative societies or other bodies corporate that (to your knowledge) are active in the Fire & Rescue Authority's area and in which you have an interest in excess of £25,000 or 1% of the total issued share capital of that body.<sup>3</sup>**

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<sup>2</sup> You do not need to declare the amounts of any payments, only the name of the person or body making them.

<sup>3</sup> You do not need to show the extent of your interest. A company or body corporate is active in the Fire & Rescue Authority's area if it has land or a place of business in that area. The requirement also covers shares and securities held in the name of other people in which you have a beneficial interest.

#### 4. CONTRACTS WITH THE FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY

*(Para 10 (2) (v) of the Code of Conduct:*

*You must regard yourself as having a personal interest in any business of your authority if it relates to, or is likely to affect -*

- any contract for goods, services or works made between your authority and you or a firm in which you are a partner, a company of which you are a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified in sub-paragraph (iv) above)*

**4.1 Please list all contracts, of which you are aware, and which are<sup>4</sup>:**

- (a) contracts for the supply of goods, services or works to the Fire & Rescue Authority or on the Fire & Rescue Authority's behalf, and**
- (b) between the Fire & Rescue Authority and either:**
  - (i) yourself.**
  - (ii) a company in which you have a beneficial interest in excess of £25,000 or 1% of the total issued share capital.**
  - (iii) a company of which you are a remunerated Director or Partner.**

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#### 5. LAND IN THE AREA OF THE FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY

*(Para 10 (2) (vi, vii & x) of the Code of Conduct:*

*You must regard yourself as having a personal interest in any business of your authority if it relates to, or is likely to affect -*

- any land in which you have a beneficial interest and which is in the area of your authority;*
- any land where the landlord is your authority and the tenant is a firm in which you are a partner, a company of which you are a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified in sub-paragraph (iv) above;*
- any land in your authority's area in which you have a licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy for 28 days or longer)*

<sup>4</sup> You need not say what the financial arrangements are but should say for how long the contract is.

5.1 Please give details (including address) of any land<sup>5</sup> in the area of the Fire & Rescue Authority in which:

- (a) you have a beneficial interest<sup>6</sup>; or
- (b) a company referred to in paragraph 3 above has an interest

If you live in the Fire & Rescue Authority's area you should include your home under this heading as owner, lessee or tenant.

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## 6. PUBLIC AND OTHER BODIES

*(Para 10 (2) (viii & ix) of the Code of Conduct:*

*You must regard yourself as having a personal interest in any business of your authority if it relates to, or is likely to affect -*

- *any body to which you have been elected, appointed or nominated by your authority;*
- *any -*
  - *public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature;*
  - *company, industrial and provident society, charity, or body directed to charitable purposes;*
  - *body whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy;*
  - *trade union or professional association; or*
  - *private club, society or association operating within your authority's area, in which you have membership or hold a position of general control or management)*

<sup>5</sup> Land includes buildings or parts of buildings. You should also include any property:

- (i) from which you receive rent;
- (ii) of which you are the mortgagee;
- (iii) any land over which you have a licence;
- (iv) any land which you have the right to occupy, but neither own nor have a tenancy of (this would include for example informal allotments, use of a field etc).

<sup>6</sup> That is, in which you have some proprietary interest for your own benefit.

6.1 You must state the names of any of the following of which you are a member or of which you have a position of general control or management:

(a) A body to which you have been elected, appointed or nominated by an Authority as its representative.<sup>7</sup>

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(b) A public Authority or body exercising functions of a public nature.<sup>8</sup>

(c) A company, industrial and provident society, charity or body directed to charitable purposes.

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(d) A body whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion of policy.

<sup>7</sup> this includes nomination by your home authorities and the fire authority

<sup>8</sup> examples include health bodies, council owned companies exercising public functions and school governing bodies

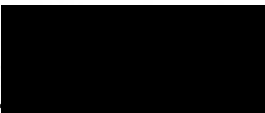
<p>(e) <b>A trade union or professional association.</b></p> <p>Member of Unison</p>
<p>(f) <b>Private club, society or association operating within the Fire &amp; Rescue Authority's area.</b></p> <p>Cardiff Cobras American Football Team – Committee Member</p>
<p><b>7. OTHER INTERESTS DISCLOSABLE UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT</b></p>
<p><b>To declare other interests that the Member is aware of now or becomes aware of during the term of office that require to be disclosed under the Members' Code of Conduct and includes interests under paragraphs 10 (2) (b).</b></p>
<p>(b) <i>a decision upon it might reasonably be regarded as affecting —</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) <i>your well-being or financial position, or that of a person with whom you live, or any person with whom you have a close personal association;</i></li> <li>(ii) <i>any employment or business carried on by persons as described in 10(2)(c)(i);</i></li> <li>(iii) <i>any person who employs or has appointed such persons described in 10(2)(c)(i), any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors;</i></li> <li>(iv) <i>any corporate body in which persons as described in 10(2)(c)(i) have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £5,000; or</i></li> <li>(v) <i>any body listed in paragraphs 10(2)(a)(ix)(aa) to (ee) in which persons described in 10(2)(c)(i) hold a position of general control or management,</i></li> </ul> <p><i>to a greater extent than the majority of—</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(aa) <i>in the case of an authority with electoral divisions or wards, other council tax payers, rate payers or inhabitants of the electoral division or ward, as the case may be, affected by the decision; or</i></li> <li>(bb) <i>in all other cases, other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the authority's area.</i></li> </ul>

**DECLARATION**

- I recognise that it can be a **Criminal Offence** to:
  - (a) omit information that ought to be given in this notice.
  - (b) provide information that is materially false or misleading.
  - (c) fail to give further notices in order to:
    - (i) bring up-to-date information given in this notice.
    - (ii) declare an interest that I acquire after the date of this notice and I have to declare.
- I have not omitted information that ought to be given in this notice and have not provided information that is materially false or misleading.
- I agree to give further notice in writing to the Fire & Rescue Authority's Monitoring Officer of any change to the interests specified above within twenty eight days of my becoming aware of it.

Name: Alfie Best

Signed:



Date: 06/06/2023

Received: ..



Date: ..... 6/6/23 .....

**Geraint Thomas**  
**Proper Officer & Monitoring Officer**  
**South Wales Fire & Rescue Service**