

## REGISTER OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS

The Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000  
(Register of Interests) Regulations 2003

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I, **Alexander McLellan**, a member of Aberdeen City Council give notice that I have set out in the attached form, my interests as required to be declared under the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Register of Interests) Regulations 2003. I have also ensured that where I have no applicable interest I have stated "none" in the relevant section(s).

I further understand that it is my responsibility to notify the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, in writing, of any applicable change(s) in circumstances within one month of that/those changes occurring.

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*Please complete this form in conjunction with reading the relevant paragraphs as detailed at each section (extracted from the Councillors' Code of Conduct) together with the list of definitions included within the register. Please note the paragraph numbering relates to the sequence within the Code.*

*If you have any doubts as to whether or not you should declare a particular interest, it is wiser to supply the information rather than omit something which you should have declared.*

*The register should cover the period commencing from 12 months prior to and including your current term of office.*

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### 1 REMUNERATION

4.4 I will register any work for which I receive, or expect to receive, payment or reward. I have a registrable interest where I receive remuneration by virtue of being:

- a) employed;
- b) self-employed;
- c) the holder of an office;

- d) a director of an undertaking;
  - e) a partner in a firm;
  - f) appointed or nominated by my council to another body; or
  - g) engaged in a trade, profession or vocation, or any other work.
- 4.5 I do not have to register any sums I receive in expenses, allowances or remuneration from my council for work I undertake in my capacity as a councillor.
- 4.6 I understand that if a position is not remunerated it does not need to be registered under this category. However, unremunerated directorships may need to be registered under Category Two "Other Roles".
- 4.7 I must register any allowances I receive in relation to membership of any organisation under Category One.
- 4.8 When registering employment as an employee, I must give the full name of my employer, the nature of its business and the nature of the post I hold in the organisation.
- 4.9 When registering remuneration from the categories listed in paragraph 4.4 (b) to (g) above, I must provide the full name and give details of the nature of the business, organisation, undertaking, partnership or other body, as appropriate.
- 4.10 Where I otherwise undertake a trade, profession or vocation, or any other work, I must include information about the nature of the work and how often it is undertaken.
- 4.11 When registering a directorship, I must provide the registered name and registered number of the undertaking in which the directorship is held and provide information about the nature of its business.
- 4.12 I understand that registration of a pension is not required as this falls outside the scope of the category.

**(a) Give particulars of all paid employment specifying name(s) of employer(s), nature of business and title(s) of position(s) held. If self-employed give name and nature of business.**

**Employed at The Scottish Parliament, Office of Jackie Dunbar MSP**

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**(b) If you are a partner in a business give name of partnership and nature of its business.**

**None**

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- (c) Give details of any office/membership held by you (outwith Aberdeen City Council) for which you receive payment – eg Trade Union or professional body. (Do not include any office/membership for which you do not receive remuneration, this is dealt with at Section 8).

None

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- (d) Give details of any directorship(s) held by you (as specified at 4.11 above).

None

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- (e) Give details of other paid work (as specified at 4.10 above).

None

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## **2 OTHER ROLES**

4.13 I will register any unremunerated directorships where the body in question is a subsidiary or parent company of an undertaking in which I hold a remunerated directorship.

4.14 I will register the registered name and registered number of the subsidiary or parent company or other undertaking and the nature of its business, and its relationship to the company or other undertaking in which I am a director and for which I receive remuneration.

**Give details of any directorships held by you, as specified above.**

None

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## **3 CONTRACTS**

4.15 I have a registrable interest where I (or a firm in which I am a partner, or an undertaking in which I am a director or in which I have shares of a value as described in paragraph 4.20 below) have made a contract with my 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.

4.16 I will register a description of the contract, including its duration, but excluding the value.

**Give details, as specified above, in relation to contracts with Aberdeen City Council which have not been fully discharged, including description of that/those contract(s) and duration.**

**None**

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#### **4 ELECTION EXPENSES**

4.17 I will register any single donation of more than £50, or any donations from the same source that together amount to more than £50, towards election expenses received by me, or on my behalf within the period commencing from 12 months prior to, and including, my current term of office.

**Give details of any assistance received as specified above.**

**£766.50 donated by Aberdeen SNP Constituency Association**

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#### **5 HOUSES, LAND AND BUILDINGS**

4.18 I have a registrable interest where I own or have any other right or interest in houses, land and buildings in Scotland, such as being an owner or a tenant, including a council tenant.

4.19 I understand I am only required to provide details of the council ward in which the property is located for the publicly available Register of Interests. I will, however, provide the full address of the property to my council's Monitoring Officer (or their nominee), but understand this will be kept confidential.

**Give details of houses, land and buildings as specified above.**

**Owner of a property in the George Street/Harbour Ward  
Joint owner of a property within the Bridge of Don Ward – since October  
2022**

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## 6 INTEREST IN SHARES AND SECURITIES

4.20 I have a registrable interest where:

- a) I own or have an interest in more than 1% of the issued share capital of the company or body; or
- b) Where, at the relevant date, the market value of any shares and securities (in any one specific company or body) that I own or have an interest in is greater than £25,000.

**Give details of any shares and securities held by you as specified above.**

**None**

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## 7 GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY

4.21 I understand the requirements of paragraphs 3.13 to 3.20 regarding gifts and hospitality. As I will not accept any gifts or hospitality, other than under the limited circumstances allowed, I understand there is no longer the need to register any.

**Existing registered gifts and hospitality will remain on the Register, but there is no need to register any further.**

### GIFTS/HOSPITALITY RECEIVED

Received From	Date	Short Description of gift/hospitality	Approximate Value
AGCC	27/09/22	Invitation as a guest of the Policy Director at AGCC to a free ticket to the AGCC Business Breakfast <i>UK Economic Outlook</i> at the Chester Hotel on 27/09/22	Accepted / ticket free - cost of ticket £36
Denis Law Legacy Trust	20/10/22	Invitation to the Denis Law Legacy Trust Annual Fundraising Dinner and pre-dinner drinks at the Marcliffe at Pitfodels on 18/11/22	Accepted / cost unknown
Port of Aberdeen via Cllr Alex Nicoll	04/05/23	Invitation to the Maiden Cruise Visit to Aberdeen South Harbour with refreshments on 02/05/23	Attended on behalf of Cllr Alex Nicoll / cost unknown

University of Aberdeen	26/05/23	Invitation to a Founders' Day - A Celebration of Research with Impact, sandwich lunch and reception at Elphinstone Hall on 25/05/23	Accepted / only attended the Networking Lunch and Research Showcase session / cost unknown
AGCC	26/05/23	Invitation as a VIP Guest to A working lunch with Sir Howard Bernstein event at The Terrace Bar and Café, His Majesty's Theatre on 06/06/23	Accepted / cost unknown
CBRE	26/05/23	Invitation to CBRE's Launch of their new Aberdeen office and refreshments on 08/06/23	Accepted / cost unknown
Chair of Tall Ships Aberdeen 2025 Organising Committee, ACC; Chief Executive, Port of Aberdeen; Chief Executive, Aberdeen Inspired	17/07/23	Invitation to step aboard the Tall Ship, Statsraad Lehmkuhl, hospitality and refreshments at Victoria Dock, Port of Aberdeen on 22/07/23	Accepted / cost unknown
SPE Offshore Europe Partnership	19/07/23	Invitation to attend the SPE Offshore Europe 2023 Welcome Reception, drinks and canapes at the Aberdeen Art Gallery on 04/09/23	Accepted / cost unknown
Denis Law Legacy Trust	26/09/23	Invitation to attend as their guest the Denis Law Trust Annual Fundraising Dinner and pre-dinner drinks at the Marcliffe at Pitfodels on 17/11/23	Accepted / cost unknown
Aberdeen City & Shire Hotel Association	02/08/24	Invitation to attend as a guest of the ACSHA the Aberdeen City & Shire Tourism Awards and drinks at the Copthorne Hotel on 20/09/24	Accepted / cost unknown
Sport Aberdeen	13/09/24	Invitation to attend Sport Aberdeen's 2023/2024 Annual Review and Look	Accepted / cost unknown

		Ahead event with lunch and hospitality at Get Active @ Westburn on 04/10/24	
Scottish Fire and Rescue Service	01/10/24	Invitation to attend the Fire Skills - St Machar Academy - Passing Out Parade with refreshments at North Anderson Drive Fire Station on 11/10/24	Declined / cost unknown
The Seven Incorporated Trades of Aberdeen	01/10/24	Invitation to attend a Remembrance Sunday luncheon at Trinity Hall, Aberdeen on 10/11/24	Accepted / cost unknown
Denis Law Legacy Trust	01/10/24	Invitation to attend the Denis Law Legacy Trust Annual Fundraising Dinner and pre-reception drinks at The Marcliffe Hotel on 22/11/24	Accepted / cost unknown
OEUK and Shell UK Ltd	01/10/24	Invitation to attend as a guest of OEUK the OEUK Awards 2024 at the P&J Live on 28/11/24	Accepted / cost unknown
Local Government Information Unit (LGIU)	01/11/24	Invitation to attend the LGiU & CCLA Councillor Awards, drinks and canapés at the City Chambers, Edinburgh on 14/11/24	Accepted / cost unknown
Prosper Peer	31/01/25	Invitation to attend Prosper Peer's Works Event and networking breakfast at the Aberdeen Altens Hotel on 31/01/25	Declined / cost unknown
Peterson UK Ltd	31/01/25	Invitation to attend Peterson's New Office Launch with food and drinks in Aberdeen on 06/02/25	Declined / cost unknown
Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Scotland	31/01/25	Invitation to attend the Edinburgh Peace Symposium with refreshments in Edinburgh on 09/02/25	Declined / cost unknown
AGCC	31/01/25	Invitation to attend as a top table guest and speaker the AGCC	Accepted / cost unknown

		Business Breakfast at the Copthorne Hotel on 13/02/25.	
Aberdeen Performing Arts	28/02/25	Invitation to attend the Granite Noir 2025 Reception and drinks at the Music Hall on 21/02/25	Declined / cost unknown
University of Aberdeen	28/02/25	Invitation to attend the University of Aberdeen's Holyrood Spring Reception, drinks and canapes in Edinburgh on 26/03/25	Declined / cost unknown

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## 8 NON FINANCIAL INTERESTS

4.22 I may also have other interests and I understand it is equally important that relevant interests such as membership or holding office in public bodies, companies, clubs, societies and organisations such as trades unions and voluntary organisations, are registered and described. In this context, I understand non-financial interests are those which members of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts might reasonably think could influence my actions, speeches, votes or decision-making in my council (this includes its Committees and memberships of other organisations to which I have been appointed or nominated by my council).

**Give details of any office/membership held by you (outwith Aberdeen City Council), for which you do not receive remuneration, as specified above.**

**Member - Scottish National Party**  
**Member - Scotland Excel Joint Committee**  
**Member - Scottish Joint Council for Local Government Employees**  
**Member - Aberdeen Lads Club**  
**Trustee - Governors of Oakbank School (commenced 29/06/22)**  
**Director on Aberdeen Heat & Power (ceased 29/06/22)**  
**Member - Fairer Aberdeen Fund Board (ceased 29/06/22)**  
**Chair – Fairer Aberdeen Board (commenced March 2023)**  
**Our Union Street – Board Observer**

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## 9 CLOSE FAMILY MEMBERS



- 4.23 I will register the interests of any close family member who has transactions with my Council or is likely to have transactions or do business with it.

**Give details of any close family member who has transactions with the Council or is likely to have transactions or do business with it**

**None**

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**I understand that it could be construed as a breach of the Councillors' Code of Conduct in terms of Part 2 of the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000, if I**

**omit information which ought to be given in this Register; or**

**provide information which is materially false or misleading; or**

**fail to give further notice in order to update the information given by me in this declaration; or**

**declare an interest which I acquire after the date of this declaration but which I must declare under the under the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Register of Interests) Regulations 2003.**

**Signed: Alexander McLellan**

**Date: 19/07/22**

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**Received by**

**Signed: Jenni Lawson, Legal Services Manager**

**Date: 23/06/22**

## **DEFINITIONS (extracted from the Code of Conduct)**

### **Remuneration**

includes any salary, wage, share of profits, fee, expenses, other monetary benefit or benefit in kind. This would include, for example, the provision of a company car or travelling expenses by an employer.

### **Undertaking**

means: (a) a body corporate or partnership; or (b) an unincorporated association carrying on a trade or business, with or without a view to a profit.

### **Election Expenses**

means expenses incurred, whether before, during or after the election, on account of, or in respect of, the conduct or management of the election.

### **A Person**

means a single individual or legal person and includes a group of companies.

### **Any person**

includes individuals, incorporated and unincorporated bodies, trade unions, charities and voluntary organisations.

### **Spouse**

does not include a former spouse or a spouse who is living separately and apart from you.

### **Cohabitee**

includes a person, whether of the opposite sex or not, who is living with you in a relationship similar to that of a partner, civil partner or spouse.

### **Chair**

includes Committee Convener or any person discharging similar functions under alternative decision making structures.