

**LOCALISM ACT 2011 - SECTIONS 29 - 31
AND
THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES
(DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS) REGULATIONS 2012**

**NOTIFICATION BY MEMBER OR CO-OPTED MEMBER OF
PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY
INTERESTS**

I, Councillor Ben Dowling Being a Member of Portsmouth City Council hereby give notice that I, my spouse or civil partner, or someone I am living with as if we were husband and wife or civil partner ('partner') have the following disclosable pecuniary interests within the description set out in the Schedule to the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, made by the Secretary of State in accordance with Section 30 of the Localism Act 2011 ('the Localism Act').

1 Employment, Office, Trade, Profession or Vocation

This means any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain, of yourself, or your partner.

You should include any self-employment as well as where someone else employs you, or your partner.

My interests
Unloc Learning Limited – Director & Co-Owner
And of my spouse / civil partner (or person with whom I am living as such) of which I am aware.
Business Bloom Limited – Managing Director & Owner Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust – Research and Development Business Manager

2 Sponsorship

This means any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from Portsmouth City Council) made or provided to yourself, or your partner, within the period of 12 months ending on the date of this notification, in respect of any expenses incurred by yourself in carrying out your duties as a Member, or towards your election expenses.

This also includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992, Section 52.

My interests
N/A
And of my spouse / civil partner (or person with whom I am living as such) of which I am aware.
N/A

3 Contracts

This means any contract made between yourself, or your partner, (or a body in which you, or your partner, have a beneficial interest), and Portsmouth City 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;

My interests
<p>Unloc Learning Limited holds the following contracts with Portsmouth City Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsorship towards the cost of youth engagement and youth development programmes for Portsmouth's young people. The sponsorship is made up of contributions towards four projects/programmes: the Council of Portsmouth Students, the Primary Council of Portsmouth Students, the Portsmouth Public Speaking & Debating programme and the Portsmouth Student Leadership Network. • To facilitate a two year training package for Young People's Mental Health Ambassadors across Portsmouth Secondary Schools. • To facilitate a series of workshops with young people as part of the community cohesion Orpheus project.
And of my spouse / civil partner (or person with whom I am living as such) of which I am aware.
N/A

4 Land

This means any beneficial interest in land within the area of Portsmouth City Council of yourself, or your partner.

This includes land which you, or your partner, own, lease, have the benefit of an option over, or have other rights in or over such as an easement or other burden or interest which carries the right to occupy land or receive income, or upon which you have a mortgage.

My interests
N/A
And of my spouse / civil partner (or person with whom I am living as such) of which I am aware.
N/A

5 Licences

This means any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the administrative area of Portsmouth City Council held by yourself, or your partner, for a month or longer.

My interests
N/A
And of my spouse / civil partner (or person with whom I am living as such) of which I am aware.
N/A

6 Corporate Tenancies

This means any tenancy where (to your knowledge) –

- (a) the landlord is Portsmouth City Council; AND
- (b) the tenant is a body in which you, or your partner, have a beneficial interest;

My interests
Unloc Learning Limited has a tenancy with the Guildhall Trust to rent office and event space on the Upper Second Floor of the Portsmouth Guildhall, a building which is owned by Portsmouth City Council, but operated by the Trust.
And of my spouse / civil partner (or person with whom I am living as such) of which I am aware.
N/A

7 Securities

This means any beneficial interest in securities of a body where –

- (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the administrative area of Portsmouth City Council; AND
- (b) either -
 - (i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued shared capital of that body; OR
 - (ii) 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 you, or your partner, have a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

Securities means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, Section 8, and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

My interests
N/A
And of my spouse / civil partner (or person with whom I am living as such) of which I am aware.
N/A

N.B. A body in which you, your spouse/civil partner (or person with whom you are living as such) have a beneficial interest means a firm in which you, your spouse/civil partner (or person with whom you are living as such) is a partner, or a body corporate of which you, your spouse/civil partner (or person with whom you are living as such) is a director, or in the securities of which you, your spouse/civil partner (or person with whom you are living as such) has a beneficial interest.

8 Personal Interests

You have a personal interest in the business of the Council when it relates to or is likely to affect:

- a. any body of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management, and to which you are appointed or nominated by the Council.
- b. any body
 - i. exercising functions of a public nature;
 - ii. directed to charitable purposes; or
 - iii. one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union); of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management
- c. any employment or business carried on by you other than for profit or gain;
- d. any person or body who employs you, or who has appointed you, other than for profit or gain;
- e. the interests of any person from whom you have received a gift or hospitality with an estimated value of at least £50 in the last three years; (Note: part e. is covered by a separate reporting process)

You also have a personal interest in the business of the Council when a decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting your well-being or financial position, or the well-being or financial position of a relevant person (as defined at paragraph 4.3 in the code), to a greater extent than the majority of other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the electoral ward within the administrative area of the Council affected by the decision;

My interests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee Member of Milton Village Community Association • Committee Member of Milton Neighbourhood Forum • Committee Member of Milton Neighbourhood Planning Form • Trustee (Chair) of the Portsmouth & District Friendly Societies Homes • Board Member of the Portsmouth Music Hub • Director of Pure Ground Community Cafe & Coffee Shop CIC • Supporter of the Friends of Beddow Library • Trustee of the St James Memorial Park Trust • Member of the Liberal Democrats • Member of the Association of Liberal Democrat Councillors and Campaigners (ALDC) • Director of the Solent LEP • Member and contributor to the 'Keep Milton Green!!' Facebook group • Member and contributor to the 'LETS STOP AQUIND' Facebook group • Member of the National Trust
And of my spouse / civil partner (or person with whom I am living as such) of which I am aware. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the National Trust • Member of the Labour Party • Ambassador for the IOD (Institute of Directors)

I understand that failure (without reasonable excuse);

- (a) to register any disclosable pecuniary interest required to be registered under Section 30(1), 31(2), 31(3), or 31(7) of the Localism Act; or
- (b) to participate in any discussion or vote in any matter considered at a meeting where I have a disclosable pecuniary interest in the matter in contravention of Section 31(4) of the Localism Act; or
- (c) when acting as a single Executive Member take any steps other than for the purpose of enabling the matter to be dealt with by myself, in contravention of Section 31(8) of the Localism Act; or
- (d) knowingly or recklessly provide information under Section 30(1), 31(2), 31(3), or 31(7) of the Localism Act which is false or misleading;

is a criminal offence under Section 34 of the Localism Act,

punishable by a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale (currently £5,000), and disqualification as a Member or Co-opted Member of Portsmouth City Council or any other relevant authority for a period not exceeding five years.

The signature of Members' declaration of interest forms have been removed for the purposes of publishing on our website however full versions of these records are kept and are available for inspection, by appointment, by contacting the City Solicitor on 023 9283 4123

Signed:

Dated: 22/12/2021