# Agenda

# Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Panel

### Tuesday, 16 March 2021, 2.00 pm

All County Councillors are invited to attend and participate

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#### **DISCLOSING INTERESTS**

## There are now 2 types of interests: <a href="https://doi.org/10/15/15/2015/">'Disclosable pecuniary interests'</a> and 'other disclosable interests'

#### WHAT IS A 'DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST' (DPI)?

- Any **employment**, office, trade or vocation carried on for profit or gain
- **Sponsorship** by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party of your member or election expenses
- Any **contract** for goods, services or works between the Council and you, a firm where you are a partner/director, or company in which you hold shares
- Interests in **land** in Worcestershire (including licence to occupy for a month or longer)
- **Shares** etc (with either a total nominal value above £25,000 or 1% of the total issued share capital) in companies with a place of business or land in Worcestershire.

#### NB Your DPIs include the interests of your spouse/partner as well as you

#### WHAT MUST I DO WITH A DPI?

- Register it within 28 days and
- **Declare** it where you have a DPI in a matter at a particular meeting
  - you must not participate and you must withdraw.

NB It is a criminal offence to participate in matters in which you have a DPI

#### WHAT ABOUT 'OTHER DISCLOSABLE INTERESTS'?

- No need to register them but
- You must declare them at a particular meeting where:
   You/your family/person or body with whom you are associated have
   a pecuniary interest in or close connection with the matter under discussion.

#### WHAT ABOUT MEMBERSHIP OF ANOTHER AUTHORITY OR PUBLIC BODY?

You will not normally even need to declare this as an interest. The only exception is where the conflict of interest is so significant it is seen as likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

#### DO I HAVE TO WITHDRAW IF I HAVE A DISCLOSABLE INTEREST WHICH ISN'T A DPI?

Not normally. You must withdraw only if it:

- affects your pecuniary interests OR relates to a planning or regulatory matter
- AND it is seen as likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

#### **DON'T FORGET**

- If you have a disclosable interest at a meeting you must disclose both its existence and nature – 'as noted/recorded' is insufficient
- Declarations must relate to specific business on the agenda
  - General scattergun declarations are not needed and achieve little
- Breaches of most of the **DPI provisions** are now **criminal offences** which may be referred to the police which can on conviction by a court lead to fines up to £5,000 and disgualification up to 5 years
- Formal **dispensation** in respect of interests can be sought in appropriate cases.



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#### Membership

#### **Councillors:**

Mr T A L Wells (Chairman), Mr S J Mackay (Vice Chairman), Ms P Agar, Mr T Baker-Price, Mr B Clayton, Ms R L Dent, Mr P M McDonald, Mrs F M Oborski, Ms T L Onslow and Mrs J A Potter

#### **Co-opted Church Representatives (for education matters)**

Mr B Allbut (Church of England)

#### Parent Governor Representatives (for education matters)

Vacancy

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2	Declaration of Interest and of any Party Whip	
3	Public Participation  Members of the public wishing to take part should notify the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance in writing or by e-mail indicating the nature and content of their proposed participation no later than 9.00am on the working day before the meeting (in this case 15 March 2021). Enquiries can be made through the telephone number/e-mail address below.	
4	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting (previously circulated)	
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