



DORSET

Local Enterprise Partnership

**Conflict of
Interest Policy**

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Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership: Register of Board Directors' Interest Policy

1. Registering and declaring pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

- 1.1. You must, within 28 days of taking office as a Board Director or co-opted, notify Dorset LEP's Director and Accountable Body's S151 Officer of any disclosable pecuniary interest, where the pecuniary interest is yours, your spouse's or civil partner's, or is the pecuniary interest of somebody with whom you are living with as a spouse, or as if you were civil partners.
- 1.2. In addition, you must, within 28 days of taking office, notify your Dorset LEP's Director and Accountable Body's S151 Officer of any non-pecuniary interest which Dorset LEP has decided should be included in the register or which you consider should be included if you are to fulfil your duty to act in conformity with the Seven Principles of Public Life. These non-pecuniary interests will necessarily include your membership of any Trade Union.
- 1.3. Board Director's should review their individual register of interest before each board meeting. If an interest has not been entered onto Dorset LEP's register, then the Board Director must disclose the interest at any meeting of Dorset LEP at which they are present, where they have a disclosable interest in any matter being considered and where the matter is not a 'sensitive interest'.
- 1.4. Whenever a matter is to be discussed at a meeting or decision is to be made and a Director has a Conflict of Interest in respect of that matter then he or she must:
 - 1.4.1. remain only for such part of the meeting as in the view of the other Directors is necessary to inform the debate;
 - 1.4.2. not be counted in the quorum for that part of the meeting; and
 - 1.4.3. withdraw during the vote and have no vote on the matter.
- 1.5. Following any disclosure of an interest not on the Dorset LEP register or the subject of pending notification, you must notify Dorset LEP's Director and Accountable Body's S151 Officer of the interest within 28 days beginning with the date of disclosure.
- 1.6. Unless dispensation has been granted, you may not participate in any discussion of, vote on, or discharge any function related to any matter in which you have a pecuniary interest. Additionally, you must observe the restrictions Dorset LEP places on your involvement in matters where you have a pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest as defined by Dorset LEP.
- 1.7. In line with Dorset LEP's guidance an up-to-date Register of Interests will be published on the Dorset LEP [website](#).

2. What is Hospitality?

- 2.1. Dorset LEP defines hospitality as including gifts, entertainments or 'perks' offered or received by reason of or in connection with employment or relations with Dorset LEP. This could include the offer of a meal, tickets to a sporting or professional event, or an individual present, for example a bottle of alcoholic drink.
- 2.2. **What is Allowed?** Normal and proportionate hospitality whether given or received, for example, as part of Dorset's wider commercial, promotional and marketing activities where this is genuinely aimed at building a good business relationship or improving the profile of Dorset LEP.
- 2.3. **When to Declare?** Where it might reasonably exceed £25 in overall value, Dorset LEP Board Members/Dorset LEP sub-group member must declare all hospitality offered by them or to them or received by them, whether or not accepted. The "overall value" is to

be taken as an aggregate of any hospitality offered or received by an individual (or any parties related to them) within a three month period. For example, a business or personal contact buys you lunch every day for a week. The overall value of the hospitality offered is likely to exceed £25. It must therefore be logged. If in doubt about the propriety of hospitality, do not offer or receive it (as the case may be).

Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership: Register of Board Directors' Interest Form

As a Board Director/ Co-opted Director of Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) CIC, I declare that I have the following disclosable pecuniary and/or non-pecuniary interests. **(Please state 'None' where appropriate, do not leave any boxes blank).**

NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES

Each Board Member shall review their individual register of interests before each board meeting and decision making committee meeting, submitting any necessary revisions to the LEP and S151/S73 Officer at the start of the meeting.
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Even if a meeting has not taken place a Member must, within 28 days of becoming aware of any change to the interests specified below, provide written notification to the LEP and S151/S73 Officer, of that change.

***SPOUSE/PARTNER** – In the notice below my spouse or partner means anyone who meets the definition in the Localism Act, i.e. my spouse or civil partner, or a person with whom I am living as a spouse or a person with whom I am living as if we are civil partners, and I am aware that that person has the interest having carried out a reasonable level of investigation. Where your spouse or partner has recently been involved in any activity which would have been declarable, this should be mentioned, with the date the activity ended.

Forms should be returned to:

Kathryn Hill
Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership
Poole House
Talbot Campus
Fern Barrow
Poole BH12 5BB
Email: khill@bournemouth.ac.uk

SECTION 1	ANY EMPLOYMENT, OFFICE, TRADE, PROFESSION OR VOCATION CARRIED ON FOR PROFIT OR GAIN	MYSELF	SPOUSE/PARTNER*
1.1	<p>Name of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - your employer(s) - any business carried on by you - any other role in which you receive remuneration (this includes remunerated roles such as councillors) 	<p>Self employed trading as Hospitality Solutions. Director & Shareholder in Yenton Hotel Limited (Hotel on Gervis Road, Bournemouth) and Hospitality Solutions Limited (Hotel Contract Operator).</p> <p>Member of Bournemouth Council (Members' allowances received as a Councillor, as Leader of the Council and as Leader of the Conservative Group on the Council).</p>	<p>British Airways</p>
1.2	<p>Description of employment or business activity</p>	<p>Consultant in Hotel Management and Hotel Development. Hotelier and Hotel Contract Operator.</p>	
1.3	<p>The name of any firm in which you are a partner.</p>	<p>Director & Shareholder in Yenton Hotel Limited (Hotel at Gervis Road, Bournemouth) and Hospitality Solutions Limited (Hotel Contract Operator)</p>	
1.4	<p>The name of any company for which you are a remunerated director.</p>	<p>Director & Shareholder in Yenton Hotel Limited (Hotel at Gervis Road, Bournemouth) and Hospitality Solutions Limited (Hotel Contract Operator)</p> <p>Non-Executive Director (unpaid) Platinum Skies Living Ltd.</p>	
SECTION 2	SPONSORSHIP	MYSELF	SPOUSE/PARTNER

2.1	<p>Any financial benefit obtained (other than from Dorset LEP) which is paid as a result of carrying out duties as a Member.</p> <p>This includes any payment or financial benefit from a Trade Union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (a)</p>	None as a Member of the LEP Board	
SECTION 3	CONTRACTS	MYSELF	SPOUSE/PARTNER
3.1	Any contract for goods, works or services with Dorset LEP which has not been fully discharged by any organisation named at 1.1.	None	
3.2	Any contract for goods, works or services entered into by any organisation named at 1.1 where either party is likely to have a commercial interest in the outcome of the business being decided by Dorset LEP in the forthcoming meeting.	None	
SECTION 4	LAND OR PROPERTY	MYSELF	SPOUSE/PARTNER
4.1	<p>Any interest you or any organisation listed at 1.1 may have in land or property which is likely to be affected by a decision made by Dorset LEP.</p> <p>This would include, within the area of Dorset LEP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Any beneficial interest in any land in Dorset LEP areas, including your place(s) of residency o Any tenancy where the landlord is Dorset LEP and the tenant is a body in which relevant person has a beneficial interest o Any licence for a month or longer to occupy land owned by Dorset LEP <p>For property interests, please state the first part of the postcode and the Local Authority where the property resides. If you own/lease more than one property in a single postcode area, please state this.</p>	<p>Owner of Property at 7 Elm Gardens, Bournemouth, BH4 9JL</p> <p>Director & Shareholder in Yenton Hotel Limited (Hotel at Gervis Road, Bournemouth, BH1 3AL) and Hospitality Solutions Limited (Hotel Contract Operator)</p>	
SECTION 5	SECURITIES	MYSELF	SPOUSE/PARTNER
5.1	<p>Any interest in securities of an organisation under 1.1 where:-</p> <p>(a) that body (to my knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the LEP; and</p>	Director & Shareholder in Yenton Hotel Limited (Hotel at Gervis Road, Bournemouth) and	

	<p>(b) either –</p> <p>(i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or</p> <p>(ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.</p>	<p>Hospitality Solutions Limited (Hotel Contract Operator)</p>	
SECTION 6	GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY	MYSELF	SPOUSE/PARTNER
6.1	Any gifts and/or hospitality received as a result of membership of Dorset LEP (above the value of £50)	As recorded in the register of Bournemouth Council	

OTHER INTERESTS

Membership of Organisations

I am a member of, or I am in a position of general control, a trustee of, or participate in the management of:

1. Any body to which I have been appointed or nominated by Dorset LEP:
Included in item 7 below

2. Any body exercising functions of a public nature (eg school governing body or another LEP):
Included in item 7 below

3. Any body directed to charitable purposes:
Included in item 7 below

4. Any body whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union):
Included in item 7 below

5. Any local authority (please state any interests you hold as LA leaders/cabinet members for LA land, resources and the LA's commercial interests):
Included in item 7 below

6. Any professional bodies, special interest groups or mutual support organisations?
Included in item 7 below

7. Any other interest which I hold which might reasonably be likely to be perceived as affecting my conduct or influencing my actions in relation to my role.
Leader of Bournemouth Council
Leader of the Conservative Group on Bournemouth Council
Portfolio Holder for Resources Bournemouth Council
Chairman of the Dorset County Pension Fund Investment Committee

Chairman of the Brunel Pension Partnership Shadow Oversight Board - Resigned 09.11.2017

Local Government Association (LGA) General Assembly

Vice Chairman of LGA Key Cities Board

LGA Councillors' Forum

LGA Culture, Tourism & Sport Board

Bournemouth Tourism Management Board

Bournemouth Universities Liaison Group

Bournemouth and Poole Business Breakfast Forum

Chairman of the Bournemouth Council Group Limited

Non-Executive Director, Platinum Skies Living Limited

Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership CIC (Director)

Honorary Secretary of The Sixty-Six Club

Member and Officer of Bournemouth West Conservative Association

St Peter's Church, Bournemouth

Fellow of the Institute of Hospitality

Life Member National Trust

Life Governor RNLI

Member of Cedric Lodge & Hengist Chapter, both of Knole Road, Bournemouth, BH1 4DH

Member of the Grand Charity, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5AZ

MEMBER'S DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

I confirm that having carried out reasonable investigation, the information given above is a true and accurate record of my relevant interests, given in good faith and to the best of my knowledge:

Date	22 MARCH 2018
Board Director's name (Capitals - in full)	JOHN WELHAM BESLEY
Signature	

Receipt by LEP

Date received by Dorset LEP	
Signature of Dorset LEP Director	

Receipt by S151/S73 Officer

Date received by Section 151 Officer	
Signature of Section 151 Officer	