

## Notification of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests Mereworth Parish Council

**To the Monitoring Officer, Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4LZ:**

**Name:** Neil Hart

**Address:** Highcroft, 171a Butchers Lane, Mereworth, Kent, ME18 5QG

I am completing this form because on [                    ]

- I was elected as a member of the Mereworth Parish Council

[                    ]

### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

- (1) The requirement to notify the Monitoring Officer of a disclosable pecuniary interest applies not only to your own interests but also those of your husband/wife/civil partner, or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners, where you are aware that the other person has the interest.

The term 'relevant person' therefore means you and any other person referred to above.

- (2) Details of your notified interests will appear in the Members' Register of Interests and will be published on the Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council's website, and open to public inspection. Where your Parish Council has a website, details of your notified interests will also be published on that website.

- (3) If you consider that the disclosure of the details of any of your interests could lead to you, or a person connected with you, being subject to violence or intimidation, and you would like to withhold these details from the register of interests, please provide this information to the Monitoring Officer and explain your concerns regarding the disclosure of the sensitive information, including why it is likely to create such a risk. If the Monitoring Officer agrees, the information will not be included in copies of the register made available for inspection, or any published version of the register.

Further explanatory notes are included at the end of this Notification.

### **Part A: Employment**

1. Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain

**Both my wife and I are Directors of Harty Ltd, a company authorized and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, and by St. James's Place PLC.**

**Part B: Sponsorship**

Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from Mereworth Parish Council) made or provided within the relevant period\* in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of yourself. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

\*'relevant period' means the period of 12 months ending with the day on which you give a notification for the purposes of section 30(1) or section 31(7), as the case may be, of the Localism Act 2011

None

**Part C: Contracts**

Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest\*) and Mereworth Parish 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

\*“body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest” means a firm in which the relevant person is a partner or a body corporate of which the relevant person is a director, or in the securities of which the relevant person has a beneficial interest;

“director” includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society;

None

**Part D: Land**

Any beneficial interest in land\* which is within the area of Mereworth Parish Council

\*“land” excludes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for the relevant person (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income

We live in our house in the address as above.

**Part E: Licences**

Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land\* in the area of Mereworth Parish Council for a month or longer

\*"land" excludes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for the relevant person (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income

None
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**Part F: Corporate Tenancies**

Any tenancy where (to your knowledge)—

- (a) the landlord is Mereworth Parish Council; and
- (b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest

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"director" includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society

"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 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society

None
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**Part G: Securities**

Any beneficial interest in securities\* of a body where—

(a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of Mereworth Parish Council; and

(b) either—

(i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 (face value) or one hundredth (1/100<sup>th</sup>) of the total issued share capital of that body; or

(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 the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class

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None

**Part H: Declarations**

**IMPORTANT**

A member or co-opted member will commit a criminal offence if, without reasonable excuse, they fail to notify the monitoring officer of any disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs). This requirement arises in each of the following circumstances:


- (a) before the end of 28 days beginning with the day on which you become a member or co-opted member of the authority (s30(1) Localism Act 2011));
- (b) where the DPI is not entered in the authority's register and is not the subject of a pending notification, but is disclosed at a meeting of the authority (or any committee, sub-committee, joint committee or joint sub-committee) as required by s31(2) of the Localism Act, within 28 days beginning with the date of the disclosure (s31(3) Localism Act 2011));
- (c) where the DPI is not entered in the authority's register and is not the subject of a pending notification, within 28 days beginning with the date when you become aware that you have a DPI in any matter to be dealt with, or being dealt with, by you acting alone in the course of discharging a function of the authority (s31(7) Localism Act 2011)).

It is also a criminal offence to knowingly provide information that is false or misleading (or being reckless as to whether the information is true and not misleading)

To the best of my knowledge, the information given in this form is complete and correct.

Signed:	
Date:	8/5 2023

**This form is to be returned direct to the Monitoring Officer**

This declaration has been registered by me:	
Monitoring Officer	
Date:	03/08/ 2023

You may use this space as a continuation sheet or, if necessary, attach another sheet of paper:

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES:**

### **1. Employment - detail:**

- (a) the nature of every employment, business, office, trade, profession or vocation that you or your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners have, with a short description of the job concerned
- (b) the name and address of the employer
- (c) if you or your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners, are employed by a company, the name and address of the company paying your or their wages or salary, not that of the ultimate holding company
- (d) the name and address of any company for which you or your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners, are a paid director
- (e) the name and address of any firm in which you or your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners have, are a partner.
- (f) where you or your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners hold an office, the name of the person or body which appointed you or your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners.

If you consider that the disclosure of the details of any of your interests could lead to you, or a person connected with you, being subject to violent or intimidation (e.g. certain scientific research or the Special Forces), and you would like to withhold these details from the register of interests, please provide this information to the Monitoring Officer and explain your concerns regarding the disclosure of the sensitive information, including why it is likely to create such a risk. If the Monitoring Officer agrees, the information will not be included in copies of the register made available for inspection, or any published version of the register.

**2. Sponsorship** - Name any person or body (other than Mereworth Parish Council) who has made a payment to you in respect of your election or any expenses you have incurred in carrying out your duties as a Member.

**3. Contracts with Mereworth Parish Council** - Describe the subject matter and the length of all contracts (goods, services or works) which are not fully discharged:

- (a) between you or your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners, and the Council;
- (b) between you and a firm in which you are a partner, or a company of which you are a paid director or a corporate body in which you have shares of a value described in para. 7 below;
- (c) between your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners and a firm in which they are a partner, or a company of which they are a paid director or a corporate body in which they have shares of a value described in para. 7 below.

**4. Land** - The address or a brief description of the property (e.g. houses, land and buildings) in the area of Mereworth Parish Council, which you or your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners, own, lease or rent (other than leases or tenancies with the Council).

**5. Licences** - The address or a brief description of the property (e.g. houses, land and buildings) in the area of Mereworth Parish Council, which you or your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners, occupy under licence (alone or jointly with others), for a month or longer.

**6. Corporate tenancies** - The address or a brief description of the property where:

(a) you, or a firm in which you are a partner, a company of which you are a paid director or a person or a corporate body in which you have shares of a value described in para. 7 below, are lessees or tenants of the Council;

(b) your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners or a firm in which they are a partner, or a company of which they are a paid director or a corporate body in which they have shares of a value described in para. 7 below, are lessees or tenants of the Council.

**7. Securities** - Name the company or other body which to your knowledge has a place of business or land in the area of Mereworth Parish Council in which you or your husband/wife/civil partner or a person with whom you are living as husband/wife or as if you are civil partners have a shareholding of more than £25,000 (face value) or have a stake of more than 1/100<sup>th</sup> of the total issued share capital (whichever is the lower).