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# List of relevant ministerial private interests

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## Introduction

### **Ministerial Code requirement**

Under the terms of the Ministerial Code, ministers must ensure that no conflict arises, or could reasonably be perceived to arise, between their ministerial position and their private interests, financial or otherwise.

On appointment to each new office and for each new subsequent financial year, ministers must provide the Permanent Secretary with a full list in writing of all interests which might be thought to give rise to a conflict. Individual declarations, and a note of any action taken in respect of individual interests, are then passed to the Permanent Secretary to provide advice on any further action as appropriate. The list being published today records the relevant interests held by ministers at the time of publication. Further information on the categories of interest disclosed is contained in the Appendix.

The declarations that ministers provide are treated in confidence. This allows for the fullest possible disclosure even where matters may not necessarily be relevant.

The published list contains relevant ministerial interests' current at the date of publication. It also includes any relevant Member of the Senedd declarations. Where a minister has disposed of a relevant interest, or where they did so before taking up ministerial office, it is not included in the list. The list sets out interests currently held by ministers, or their close family members, which are, or might reasonably be perceived to be, directly relevant to a minister's ministerial responsibilities. It also provides details of charities where a Minister is a trustee or patron. In addition, ministers may have other associations with charities or non-public organisations, for example, as constituency Member of the Senedd. Such associations may be historic, lapsed or the minister may not be actively involved.

The published list is not an account of all the interests or financial arrangements held by a minister or members of their close family. If it were, it would involve unjustifiable intrusion into the private affairs not only of ministers, but of their close family. Rather it is a list of any such interests, which are, or might reasonably be perceived to be, directly relevant to that particular minister's public duties. All interests declared by ministers are held by the Permanent Secretary.

### **Rt Hon Mark Drakeford, First Minister of Wales**

(Cardiff West)

Trade Union membership	Unite the Union and Unison
	Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd Member Register</b>

Member	Cardiff and Vale Credit Union
Member	Action in Caerau and Ely
Member	Glamorgan County Cricket Club
Member	Pontcanna Permanent Allotments Society
Member	Labour Land Campaign

Member	Cardiff City Supporter's Trust
Solidarity Member	LGBT Labour

## Mick Antoniw, Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution

(Pontypridd)

Financial interests	Personal Pension Plan but no role in or control over investment decisions
Trade Union membership	Unison, GMB, and Musician's Union
	Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd</b> Member Register

Member	Llantrisant Workmen's Club
Member	Welsh Labour Grassroots
Member	Co-operative Party
Member	Institute of Employment Rights
Member	Bevan Foundation

Member	League Against Cruel Sports
Member	Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain
Member	Humanists UK

## Hannah Blythyn, Deputy Minister for Social Partnership

(Delyn)

Trade Union membership	Unite the Union, GMB and Unison
·	Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd Member Register</b>

#### Links with organisations

Patron	LGBT Labour
Patron	TheFDF (formerly Flintshire Disability Forum)

## Dawn Bowden, Deputy Minister for Arts and Sport, and Chief Whip

(Merthyr Tydfil & Rhymney)

Trade Union membership	Unison
·····	Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd Member Register</b>

#### Links with organisations

Fan Owner	Merthyr Town FC
Vice-President	Merthyr Angling Association
Vice-President	Ynysowen Male Voice Choir
Patron	Merthyr Tydfil Area Osteoporosis Support Group
Patron	St David's Baby Bank (Merthyr Tydfil Ministry Area)
Honorary President	Treharris Phoenix RFC

#### Any other relevant interests

Spouse employed in constituency office

## Rebecca Evans, Minister for Finance and Local Government

(Gower)

Trade Union membership	Unite the Union and Unison
	Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd Member Register</b>

#### Links with organisations

Champion	Internet Watch Foundation
Member	Gower Society
Patron	Pontarddulais and Hendy Carnival
Patron	Loughor Town Band
Member	Penclawdd Rugby Club
Joint President of the Festival Committee	Gower Folk Festival
Honorary Vice President	Mumbles Twinning Association
President	Forget-Me-Not Dementia Day Clubs
Member	Neath Port Talbot Credit Union and Swansea Bay Credit Union (part of Celtic Credit Union)
Member	Court of Swansea University

#### Any other relevant interests

Sister employed in constituency office

## Vaughan Gething, Economy Minister

(Cardiff South & Penarth)

Trade Union membership	Unite the Union, GMB and Unison
•	Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd Member Register</b>

#### Links with organisations

Patron	SEF Cymru Homework Club
Vice-President	Penarth Sea Cadets
Honorary Member	British Veterinary Association
Honorary Member	Penarth Civic Society
Member	CF10 Arms Park Rugby Trust
Member	Cardiff and Vale Credit Union
Member	Co-operative Party

#### Any other relevant interests

Spouse Director at Thompsons Solicitors LLP

## Lesley Griffiths, Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales and Trefnydd

(Wrexham)

Trade Union membership	Unison
	Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd Member Register</b>

#### Links with organisations

Patron	Erlas Garden, Wrexham
Patron	New Steps, Life After Stroke Club Wrexham
Patron	Dynamic, Wrexham
Patron	The Venture, Wrexham
Patron	Friends of Pedal Power, Wrexham
Patron	Dragonsong (community youth choir), Wrexham
Patron	Wrexham Youth and Play Partnership

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Vice President	Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod
Vice President	Froncysyllte Male Voice Choir
Honorary Member	Wrexham Rotary Club
Member	Friends of the Vic Youth Centre

#### Any other relevant interests

Partner is employed by Welsh Government

## Jane Hutt, Minister for Social Justice

(Vale of Glamorgan)

Trade Union Unison   membership Trade Union sponsorship information available in Senedd   Member Register
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Trustee	Vale Youth Forum
Honorary President	Barry First Responders
Trustee	Vale People First

Trustee	Ocean Water Sports Trust, Barry
Member	Soroptimists International (Barry and District)
Spouse	Trustee and Director - Vale of Glamorgan Music Festival
Spouse	Honorary Senior Research Fellow - Cardiff University
Spouse	Trustee and Director - Cardiff and the Vale Citizens Advice

### Julie James, Minister for Climate Change

(Swansea West)

Directorships	Spouse - Director of Flattout Design Ltd (electronic engineering design)
Trade Union membership	Unison Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd</b> Member Register

Member	Aberglasney Gardens
Member	Amnesty International

Member	Greenpeace
Member	Royal Horticultural Society (RHS)
Member	Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB)
Member	Woodland Trust
Member	World Wildlife Fund (WWF)
Member	National Trust
Member	Co-operative Party

#### Any other relevant interests

Son - employed in constituency office

## Jeremy Miles, Minister for Education and Welsh Language

(Neath)

Investment property	Jointly owns a residential tenanted property in Swansea
Trade Union membership	Unite the Union, GMB and Unison

Trade Union sponsorship information available in **Senedd Member Register** 

Member	Neath Area Economic Forum
Member	CAMRA
Honorary Vice President	Neath Antiquarian Society
Patron	Resolven Building Blocks Family Centre
Patron	Neath YMCA
Member	Neath Port Talbot Credit Union (also known as Celtic Credit Union)
Member	Bevan Foundation
Honorary President	Pontardawe Royal British Legion
Honorary Patron	Neath Little Theatre
Patron	LGBT Labour
Patron	Neath Polyphonic Choir
Member	My Green Valley

## Eluned Morgan, Minister for Health and Social Services

(Mid & West Wales)

Financial interests	Blind trust/ blind management arrangement
Trade Union membership	Unite the Union Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd</b> Member Register

#### Links with organisations

Member	Amnesty International
Member	House of Lords (Leave of absence)
Member	European Movement
Member	Labour Movement for Europe
Organiser	St David's Festival of Ideas
European Champion	World Health Organisation's Well-being Economy Initiative

#### Any other relevant interests

Spouse – Partner in GP Practice

## Julie Morgan, Deputy Minister for Social Services

(Cardiff North)

Trade Union membership	Unite the Union and Unison
	Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd Member Register</b>

Patron	Ethnic Minority Welsh Women Achievement Association
Trustee	Life for African Mothers
Vice-President	City Hospice (previously George Thomas Hospice)
Honorary President (position frozen)	Cardiff Abortion Rights
Member	Cooperative Party
Member	Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
Member	National Trust

#### Any other relevant interests

Daughter - employed by Public Health Wales

## Lynne Neagle, Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing

(Torfaen)

Trade Union membership	Unite the Union
	Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd Member Register</b>

Patron	Torfaen Opportunity Group
Honorary Patron	Garnsychan Partnership
Vice President	Torfaen Museum Trust
Member	Co-operative Party

## Lee Waters, Deputy Minister for Climate Change

(Llanelli)

Trade Union membership	GMB Trade Union sponsorship information available in <b>Senedd</b> Member Register
Links with organis	sations
Life Fellow	Institute of Welsh Affairs
Life Member	Ammanford Social Club
Member	Aberglasney Gardens
Any other relevant	t interests

Spouse – Employed by Health and Care Research Wales

### **Appendix: Categories of interests disclosed**

On appointment, ministers are asked to provide their relevant interests in a number of categories.

1. Financial interests - The list includes directly relevant interests held by a minister. It is not therefore a list of all financial interests including all investments or loans held by a minister. It indicates where financial interests are held in a

blind trust or similar blind management arrangement. Blind Trusts and blind management arrangements are longstanding mechanisms for protecting ministers in the handling of their interests. They ensure ministers are not involved in decisions on the management, acquisition, or disposal of items in the arrangement and do not have live knowledge of the contents of such arrangements.

2. Directorships and shareholdings - Shareholdings are not listed where they are considered to be de minimis in nature. While ministers would not normally retain directorships while in office, on some specific circumstances it may be acceptable for a directorship to be retained, for example in connection with the management of a residential property or family enterprise, subject to specific undertakings to avoid any conflict.

3. Partnerships or other business interests.

4. Investment Property - In line with the Member of the Senedd Registers of Interests, property owned and/or occupied by ministers solely for their own use is not included in the List.

5. Any sponsorship/membership from/of a trade union (sponsorship as declared in their Senedd Member declaration).

6. Any Public Appointments held- most public appointments are relinquished on appointment to ministerial office. Where exceptionally it is proposed that such an appointment should be retained Ministers are expected to seek the advice of their Permanent Secretary.

7. Links with organisations including charities, not for profit organisations, community organisations, etc. In addition to those listed, ministers may have other associations not relevant to their ministerial interests with charities or non-public organisations, for example, as constituency Members. Such associations may be historic, lapsed or the minister may not be actively involved.

8. Any other relevant interests including relevant interests of a close family member. While there may be interests of close family of a minister that might be thought to give rise to a conflict with their ministerial responsibilities, it is also important to consider their right to a degree of privacy over their affairs. Accordingly, interests which are not directly relevant or on consideration do not in fact give rise to a conflict, but may give rise to public comment, are not within the scope of the List. What counts as close family will depend on a case-by-case basis. Ministers cannot be expected to know the detail of the affairs of all those they are related to, but where they have close and ongoing contact, they should take reasonable steps to ensure they adhere to their responsibilities within the Ministerial Code.

9. Details of any disputes with, or investigation by, HM Revenue and Customs or Welsh Revenue Authority.

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