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Register of Members' Pecuniary Interests

WESTLAND
District Council | Te Kahui o Poutini

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Purpose

A register of members' pecuniary interests is a statutory record of elected members' financial interests. Under Part 4, Subpart 3 of the Local Government Act 2002, local authorities must keep a register for members of the local authority and elected members of any community or local boards that form part of the local authority. The register is made up of members' pecuniary interest returns, including required disclosures such as relevant company roles or interests, employment, trust interests, property interests, gifts, travel, and payments for activities.

The purpose of the register is to support transparency, strengthen public trust and confidence in local government decision-making, and assist in identifying potential conflicts of interest. The Act also requires the local authority to make a summary of the information publicly available, ensure the information is used or disclosed only for the purpose of the register, and retain information for seven years before removing it.

What Should Be Disclosed

Sections 54E and 54F of the Local Government Act 2002 sets out the information that must be included in a member's pecuniary interest return in relation to the member's position. In summary, a member should disclose the following interests:

1. **Company directorships:** the name of each company in which the member is a director or holds or controls more than 10% of the voting rights, together with a description of the company's main business activities. (s54E(1)(a))
2. **Company controlling interests:** the name of each company in which the member holds or controls more than 10% of the voting rights, together with a description of the company's main business activities. (s54E(1)(a))
3. **Other companies or business entities:** the name of any other company or business entity in which the member has a pecuniary interest, other than as an investor in a managed investment scheme, and a description of the main business activities of each company or entity. (s54E(1)(b))
4. **Employment:** if the member is employed, the name of each employer and a description of each employer's main business activities. (s54E(1)(c))
5. **Trusts:** the name of each trust in which the member has a beneficial interest. (s54E(1)(d))
6. **Funded organisations or trusts:** the name of any organisation or trust, and a description of its main activities, where the member is a member, governing body member, or trustee, and the organisation or trust receives funding from, or has applied for funding from, the relevant local authority, local board, or community board. (s54E(1)(e))
7. **Appointments by virtue of office:** the title and description of any organisation in which the member holds an appointment because they are an elected member. (s54E(1)(f))
8. **Real property held personally:** the location of real property in which the member has a legal interest, other than an interest as trustee, and a description of the nature of that property. (s54E(1)(g))

9. **Real property held by a trust:** the location and nature of real property held by a trust where the member is, and knows or ought reasonably to know they are, a beneficiary, provided the trust is not a disclosed unit trust and is not a publicly open retirement scheme. (s54E(1)(h))
10. **Overseas travel:** for each country outside New Zealand travelled to, the member should disclose the country, the purpose of the travel, and the name of each person who contributed to the travel or accommodation costs, excluding if those costs were paid in full by the member, a member of family, or as otherwise excluded by section 54F. (s54F(1)(a))
11. **Gifts, hospitality, and donations:** a description of each gift, including hospitality and donations in cash or kind, and the name of the donor if known or reasonably ascertainable, where the gift has an estimated market value in New Zealand of more than $500, or where the combined value of gifts from the same donor is more than $500. Donations made to cover electoral campaign expenses and gifts received from family members are excluded. (s54F(1)(b))
12. **Payments for activities:** a description of each payment received by the member for activities in which the member is involved, excluding salary or allowances paid under the Remuneration Authority Act 1977 or the Local Government Act 2002, payments already disclosed under section 54E, and payments for activities the member ceased before becoming a member. (s54F(1)(c))

The Register covers the period of 23 October 2025 to 22 July 2026. Amendments or corrections can and will be made throughout the year.

Mayor Helen Lash

1. Company directorships:
   Lash Fisheries Ltd - Fishing Quota Holder
2. Company controlling interests:
   Lash Fisheries Ltd - Fishing Quota Holder
3. Other companies or business entities:
   Nil
4. Employment:
   Nil
5. Trusts:
   Nil
6. Funded organisations or trusts:
   Nil
7. Appointments by virtue of office:
   Heritage Hokitika
8. Real property held personally:
   Takutai, Hokitika - Family residence
   Waitangi-Taona, Whataroa - Farmland
   Waitangi-Taona, Whataroa - Holiday home
9. Real property held by a trust:
   Nil
10. Overseas travel:
    Nil
11. Gifts, hospitality, and donations:
    Nil
12. Payments for activities:
    Nil

Deputy Mayor Reilly Burden - Northern Ward

1. Company directorships:
   Westland Delivery Ltd - Parcel Delivery
2. Company controlling interests:
   Westland Delivery Ltd - Parcel Delivery
3. Other companies or business entities:
   Nil
4. Employment:
   Self Employed: Westland Delivery Ltd - Parcel Delivery
5. Trusts:
   T & M Burden Family Trust
6. Funded organisations or trusts:
   Lions Club of Hokitika - Trustee - Secretary
   Life Education Trust West Coast - Chair
   St John West Coast Area Committee - Member
7. Appointments by virtue of office:
   Nil
8. Real property held personally:
   Nil
9. Real property held by a trust:
   Nil
10. Overseas travel:
    Nil
11. Gifts, hospitality, and donations:
    Nil
12. Payments for activities:
    Nil

Councillor Greg Maitland - Northern Ward

1. Company directorships:
   Nil
2. Company controlling interests:
   Nil
3. Other companies or business entities:
   Nil
4. Employment:
   Nil
5. Trusts:
   Nil
6. Funded organisations or trusts:
   Nil
7. Appointments by virtue of office:
   Nil
8. Real property held personally:
   Two sections in Kumara
   Blue Spur, Hokitika - Residence
9. Real property held by a trust:
   Nil
10. Overseas travel:
    Nil
11. Gifts, hospitality, and donations:
    Nil
12. Payments for activities:
    Nil

Councillor Euan Mackenzie - Northern Ward

1. Company directorships:
   Mackenzies Agency Limited
2. Company controlling interests:
   Mackenzies Agency Limited
3. Other companies or business entities:
   Nil
4. Employment:
   Nil
5. Trusts:
   Nil
6. Funded organisations or trusts:
   Nil
7. Appointments by virtue of office:
   Westland District Council - Councillor
8. Real property held personally:
   Kaniere, Hokitika - Residence
   Upper Hutt, Wellington - Rental
9. Real property held by a trust:
   Nil
10. Overseas travel:
    Nil
11. Gifts, hospitality, and donations:
    Nil
12. Payments for activities:
    Nil

Councillor Steven Gillett - Hokitika Ward

1. Company directorships:
   Nil
2. Company controlling interests:
   Nil
3. Other companies or business entities:
   Nil
4. Employment:
   Nil
5. Trusts:
   Nil
6. Funded organisations or trusts:
   Nil
7. Appointments by virtue of office:
   Nil
8. Real property held personally:
   Nil
9. Real property held by a trust:
   Nil
10. Overseas travel:
    Nil
11. Gifts, hospitality, and donations:
    Nil
12. Payments for activities:
    Nil

Councillor Carol Martin - Hokitika Ward

1. ## Company directorships:
   West Coast Natural Products 2015 Limited - Extraction and distribution of raw materials (rock/driftwood) for building, landscaping and craft creations.
2. ## Company controlling interests:
   West Coast Natural Products 2015 Limited - As above.
3. ## Other companies or business entities:
   Nil
4. ## Employment:
   Self Employed
   Short stay accommodation
   AirBnB on Park St
   BnB on Hoffman St
5. ## Trusts:
   Nil
6. ## Funded organisations or trusts:
   Lions Club of Hokitika Charitable Trust - International service organisation
7. ## Appointments by virtue of office:
   Lions Club of Hokitika Charitable Trust - Treasurer
   Lions Club of Hokitika Inc. - Treasurer
8. ## Real property held personally:
   Hokitika - Family residence
   Hokitika - Rental property
9. ## Real property held by a trust:
   Nil
10. ## Overseas travel:
    Nil
11. ## Gifts, hospitality, and donations:
    Nil
12. ## Payments for activities:
    Nil

Councillor Joseph Walker - Hokitika Ward

1. Company directorships:
   Nil
2. Company controlling interests:
   Nil
3. Other companies or business entities:
   Hokitika Sandwich Company - Sandwich Shops
4. Employment:
   Hokitika Sandwich Company - Sandwich Shops
5. Trusts:
   Nil
6. Funded organisations or trusts:
   Destination Hokitika - Markets and promotes the Hokitika area
7. Appointments by virtue of office:
   Destination Hokitika - Deputy Chair
8. Real property held personally:
   Kaniere, Hokitika - Family home
9. Real property held by a trust:
   Nil
10. Overseas travel:
    Spain - July 2025 - Hokitika Sandwich Company
11. Gifts, hospitality, and donations:
    Nil
12. Payments for activities:
    Nil

Councillor Janella Munns - Southern Ward

1. Company directorships:

   Udder Confusion Ltd - Owns the Rushes Café, Bar and Store.

2. Company controlling interests:

   Udder Confusion Ltd

3. Other companies or business entities:

   Nil

4. Employment:

   Nil

5. Trusts:

   Nil

6. Funded organisations or trusts:

   Nil

7. Appointments by virtue of office:

   Nil

8. Real property held personally:

   Nil

9. Real property held by a trust:

   Nil

10. Overseas travel:

    Nil

11. Gifts, hospitality, and donations:

    Nil

12. Payments for activities:

    Nil

Councillor Brian Manera - Southern Ward

1. ## Company directorships:

   Hari Hari Motors Ltd. - Vehicle repairs and service centre.

2. ## Company controlling interests:

   Hari Hari Motors Ltd. - Vehicle repairs and service centre.

3. ## Other companies or business entities:

   Mikonui Holdings

   Drystock Farm

4. ## Employment:

   Hari Hari Motors Ltd.

5. ## Trusts:

   Gray Zone Ltd.

6. ## Funded organisations or trusts:

   Nil.

7. ## Appointments by virtue of office:

   Chairman of Community Association Hari Hari

8. ## Real property held personally:

   Nil.

9. ## Real property held by a trust:

   Whanganui Flat Road

10. ## Overseas travel:

    Nil.

11. ## Gifts, hospitality, and donations:

    Nil.

12. ## Payments for activities:

    New Zealand Fire and Emergency New Zealand - $300, Koha Payment

Kaiwhakahaere Francois Tumahai - Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Waewae

1. Company directorships:
2. Company controlling interests:
3. Other companies or business entities:
4. Employment:
5. Trusts:
6. Funded organisations or trusts:
7. Appointments by virtue of office:
8. Real property held personally:
9. Real property held by a trust:
10. Overseas travel:
11. Gifts, hospitality, and donations:
12. Payments for activities:

Kaiwhakahaere Paul Madgwick - Te Rūnanga o Makaawhio

1. Company directorships:

   Pokeka Poutini Ngai Tahu Ltd- Owns Poutini Waiora
   Te Ara Pounamu Ltd - Owns Pounamu Pathway
   Ngai Tahu Pounamu Ltd - Owns pounamu authentication scheme

2. Company controlling interests:

   Nil

3. Other companies or business entities:

   Nil

4. Employment:

   Greymouth Star - Newspaper

5. Trusts:

   Nil

6. Funded organisations or trusts:

   Nil

7. Appointments by virtue of office:

   Nil

8. Real property held personally:

   Family Residence
   Family Property

9. Real property held by a trust:

   Nil

10. Overseas travel:

    Nil

11. Gifts, hospitality, and donations:

    Nil

12. Payments for activities:

    Nil