

# Register of Interests

## Regulatory Horizons Council

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#### **Declaration of Interest - Guidance to Members**

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Conflict of interest refers to situations in which personal interest (which may include financial interests) may compromise or have the potential to compromise professional judgement and integrity and in doing so the best interests of the department. Declaring any conflicts of interest (actual, potential or perceived) will disclose the issue and allow the most appropriate mitigating actions to be put in place to manage any potential for conflict. Council members in breach of the conduct rules including conflict of interest rules may in certain circumstances be subject to disciplinary action.

You must declare to the Regulatory Horizons Council Conflicts Officer any personal or business interest which may influence or may be perceived (by a reasonable member of the public) to influence, your judgement in performing your functions and obligations as a council member. These interests include any external sources of remuneration, any direct and indirect pecuniary interests with a link to DSIT, other Government departments or the Regulatory Horizons Council, non-financial interests that could be perceived to influence your judgement, and any such interests of related parties. In order to avoid any suggestion of impartiality, you should refuse personal gifts or hospitality offered in connection with your role on the Regulatory Horizons Council.

A party is “related to you” if he or she is for example (but without limitation) your spouse/partner, close family member (*e.g. siblings or your children*) or living at the same household as yourself or close family members.

You should keep the Regulatory Horizons Council Conflicts Officer advised of any new personal or business interests as they arise. You will be requested to provide a full set of information a minimum of once a year and requested to provide any updates as and when they arise. You must inform the Regulatory Horizons Council Conflicts Officer, in advance of any new appointments that may impinge on your performance of your functions and obligations.

#### **Categories of interests to declare**

Below for guidance purposes are examples of matters which could give rise, or be perceived to give rise, to conflicts of interest. This is provided to assist you to complete the “Conflict of Interests declaration” form.

- Category 1: Sources of remuneration
  - Please list all directorships, membership of boards of public or private bodies, or committees for which you receive remuneration, whether payment or in kind.

- Category 2: Contracts
  - Please list any contracts of which you are aware between DSIT and organisations listed in Category 1 or any entities related to them (such as subsidiaries or holding companies), including a description of the contract.
- Category 3: Shares and securities
  - Please list any significant shareholdings in companies, which may have a relationship with DSIT through Directorships, trading arrangements, links directly or indirectly to any other Government departments, or link to the remit of the Regulatory Horizons Council.
  - Further information: As a guide, “significant” would be any shareholding in a private company and 1% or more in a public company or any significant shareholding that could give rise to a conflict of interest where the company is engaging in business transactions with DSIT and/or the company is pioneering an innovation likely to be addressed by the Regulatory Horizons Council.
- Category 4: Houses, lands and buildings
  - Please list any interest held in houses, lands and buildings, other than any home used for your personal residential purposes.
- Category 5: Gifts and hospitality
  - In order to avoid any suggestion of impartiality, you should refuse personal gifts or hospitality offered that might reasonably be seen to compromise personal judgement or integrity. Offers of significant gifts (worth £25 or more) or hospitality should be reported, even if they are refused, so that they can be formally registered.
- Category 6: Non-financial interests
  - Please list any non-financial interest that might be relevant to your role on the Regulatory Horizons Council.
- Category 7: Related party interests
  - Please list any interests in categories 1-6 above of yourself or any party related to you\* which may influence, or may be perceived to influence, your judgement in performing your duties on the Regulatory Horizons Council. A party is “related to you” if he or she is for example (but without limitation) your spouse/partner, close family member (*e.g. siblings or your children*) or living at the same household as yourself or close family members.
- Category 8: Other financial and non-financial interests
  - The categories above are not intended to be exhaustive.
  - If you consider that any other outside interests of yourself or any party related to you\* could give rise or be perceived to give rise to a conflict of interest, you should declare it on the form.

# The Seven Principles of Public Life

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## **Selflessness**

Holders of public office should take decisions solely in terms of the public interest. They should not do so in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, or their friends.

## **Integrity**

Holders of public office should not place themselves under any financial or other obligation to outside individuals or organisation that might influence them in the performance of their official duties.

## **Objectivity**

In carrying out public business, including making public appointments, awarding contracts, or recommending individuals for rewards and benefits, holders of public office should make choices on merit.

## **Accountability**

Holders of public office are accountable for their decisions and actions to the public and must submit themselves to whatever scrutiny is appropriate to their office.

## **Openness**

Holders of public office should be as open as possible about all the decisions and actions that they take. They should give reasons for their decisions and restrict information only when the wider public interest clearly demands.

## **Honesty**

Holders of public office have a duty to declare any private interests relating to their public duties and to take steps to resolve any conflicts arising in a way that protects the public interests.

## **Leadership**

Holders of public office should promote and support these principles by leadership and example.

# **Christopher Hodges – Council Chair**

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## **Category 1: Sources of Remuneration**

- Director of Oxford Consultancy Partnership Limited
- Pensions from HMG, the Universities Superannuation Scheme, and the Government of the Netherlands

## **Category 2: Contracts**

- None declared

## **Category 3: Shares and Securities**

- Oxford Consultancy Partnership Limited
- Adnams plc

## **Category 4: Houses, lands and buildings**

- None declared

## **Category 5: Gifts and hospitality**

- None declared

## **Category 6: Non-financial interests**

- Director of the International Network for Delivery of Regulation Limited
- Chair of the Horizon Compensation Advisory Board (DBT)
- Chair of the Housing and Property Redress group
- Member of the Advisory Council of the Internet Commission
- Member of the Commonhold Council
- Member of the Rail Ombudsman Liaison Panel

## **Category 7: Related party interests**

- Wife is Director and Shareholder of Oxford Consultancy Partnership Limited.
- Children and their spouses employed, or have been employed, in secondary schools, Catchy, Nordic Semiconductors, Urban Jungle and Pfizer.

## **Category 8: Other financial and non-financial interests**

- Private pension with James Hay Partnership (IFG Group Limited).

## **Alastair Denniston – Council Member**

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### **Category 1: Sources of remuneration**

- Director of INSIGHT, the Health Data Research Hub for Eye Health

### **Category 2: Contracts**

- None declared

### **Category 3: Shares and securities**

- None declared

### **Category 4: Houses, lands and buildings**

- None declared

### **Category 5: Gifts and hospitality**

- None declared

### **Category 6: Non-financial interests**

- None declared

### **Category 7: Related party interests**

- None declared

### **Category 8: Other financial and non-financial interests**

- None declared

## **Andy Greenfield-Council Member**

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### **Category 1: Sources of remuneration**

- Chair of Examiners for MSc in Clinical Embryology, University of Oxford (lecturing and examining fees)
- Member of the Human Tissue Authority Board
- Member of the Advisory Committee on Novel Foods and Processes (ACNFP), a scientific advisory committee of the Food Standards Agency (FSA); Chair of the 'Products of Genetic Technologies' subcommittee of ACNFP

### **Category 2: Contracts**

- None declared

### **Category 3: Shares and securities**

- None declared

### **Category 4: Houses, lands and buildings**

- None declared

### **Category 5: Gifts and hospitality**

- None declared

### **Category 6: Non-financial interests**

- Honorary Research Fellow at Nuffield Department of Women's & Reproductive Health, University of Oxford.
- External ethics advisor to *Rumigen*, an EU-funded programme of research
- Member of *Progress Educational Trust* Advisory Committee

### **Category 7: Related party interests**

- None declared

### **Category 8: Other financial and non-financial interests**

- None declared

## Joyce Tait – Council Member

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### **Category 1: Sources of remuneration**

- Member of staff, University of Edinburgh

### **Category 2: Contracts**

- None declared

### **Category 3: Shares and securities**

- None declared

### **Category 4: Houses, lands and buildings**

- None declared

### **Category 5: Gifts and hospitality**

- None declared

### **Category 6: Non-financial interests**

- Member, Life Sciences Scotland A-3 (Animal Health, Aquaculture and Agribusiness) Subgroup, Life Sciences Scotland.
- Member of the Engineering Biology Leadership Council (EBLC) (formerly the Synthetic Biology Leadership Council).
- Member, Re-Imagine Europa (RIE) Task Force on Sustainable Agriculture and Innovation, Expert Committee.

### **Category 7: Related party interests**

- None declared

### **Category 8: Other financial and non-financial interests**

- ISCF Future Food Production Systems research grant, REACT-FIRST (Reduced Emission Aquaculture and Chicken Trial for Integrated, Responsible and Sustainable Transformation of CO<sub>2</sub> into Animal Feed). Lead applicant Deep Branch Biotechnology Ltd; other commercial partners include Drax, BioMar, AB Agri, Sainsburys.

## **Parag Vyas – Council Member**

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### **Category 1: Sources of remuneration**

- Sole owner, employee and director of PV10 Consult Limited

### **Category 2: Contracts**

- Panitek Power Limited occasionally seeks support with partners from Innovate UK administrated competitions.

### **Category 3: Shares and securities**

- Rolls-Royce plc

### **Category 4: Houses, lands and buildings**

- One rental property owned

### **Category 5: Gifts and hospitality**

- None declared

### **Category 6: Non-financial interests**

- Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET)

### **Category 7: Related party interests**

- None declared

### **Category 8: Other financial and non-financial interests**

- None declared



## **Graeme Malcolm – Council Member**

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### **Category 1: Sources of remuneration**

- CEO and Director of M Squared Technologies Group Ltd and its subsidiary companies

### **Category 2: Contracts**

- None declared

### **Category 3: Shares and securities**

- Shareholder in M Squared Technologies Group Ltd
- Director and Shareholder of Distilled Solutions Ltd owning

### **Category 4: Houses, lands and buildings**

- Three properties owned which do not generate income

### **Category 5: Gifts and hospitality**

- None declared

### **Category 6: Non-financial interests**

- Visiting Professor at the University of Strathclyde

### **Category 7: Related party interests**

- None declared

### **Category 8: Other financial and non-financial interests**

- None declared

## **Lucy Mason – Council Member**

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### **Category 1: Sources of remuneration**

- Director at Capgemini

### **Category 2: Contracts**

- None declared

### **Category 3: Shares and securities**

- None declared

### **Category 4: Houses, lands and buildings**

- None declared

### **Category 5: Gifts and hospitality**

- None declared

### **Category 6: Non-financial interests**

- None declared

### **Category 7: Related party interests**

- None declared

### **Category 8: Other financial and non-financial interests**

- None declared