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DECLARING INTERESTS FLOWCHART – QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF

Breaching those parts identified as a pecuniary interest is potentially a criminal offence

Helpful Reminders for Members

- *Is your register of interests up to date?*
- *In particular have you declared to the Monitoring Officer all disclosable pecuniary interests?*
- *Have you checked the register to ensure that they have been transcribed correctly?*

When should you declare an interest at a meeting?

- **What matters are being discussed at the meeting?** (including Council, Cabinet, Committees, Subs, Joint Committees and Joint Subs); or
- If you are a Cabinet Member making decisions other than in Cabinet what **matter is before you for single member decision?**



Does the business to be transacted at the meeting

- relate to; or
- likely to affect

any of your registered interests and in particular any of your Disclosable Pecuniary Interests?

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests shall include your or interests of:

- your spouse or civil partner's
- a person you are living with as husband/ wife
- a person you are living with as if you were civil partners and you are aware that this other person has the interest

What is a Non-Pecuniary interest? – this is an interest which is not pecuniary (as defined) but is nonetheless so significant that a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard to be so significant that it would materially impact upon your judgement of the public interest,

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest? – see attached description

Pecuniary

If the interest is not already in the register you must (unless the interest has been agreed by the Monitoring Officer to be sensitive) disclose the existence and nature of the interest to the meeting

Non-pecuniary

Declare the nature and extent of your interest including enough detail to allow a member of the public to understand it's nature

If the Interest is not entered in the register and is not the subject of a pending notification you must within 28 days notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest for inclusion in the register

Unless you have received dispensation upon previous application from the Monitoring, you must:

- Not participate or participate further in any discussion of the matter at a meeting;
- Not participate in any vote or further vote taken at the meeting; and
- leave the room while the item is being considered/voted upon

If you are a Cabinet Member you may make arrangements for the matter to be dealt with by a third person but take no further steps

You may participate and vote in the usual way.

Please seek advice on Predetermination and Bias from the Monitoring Officer.

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
Sponsorship	<p>Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by a Member in carrying out their duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of 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</p>
Contracts	<p>Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and(b) which has not been fully discharged.
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	<p>Any tenancy where (to the Member's knowledge)—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the landlord is the relevant authority; and(b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.
Securities	<p>Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) that body (to the Member's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and(b) either—<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth 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.

Our Vision for Thurrock:

“Thurrock: A place of opportunity, enterprise and excellence, where individuals, communities and businesses flourish”.

Achieving Our Vision:

To achieve our vision, we have identified five strategic priorities:

1. Create a great place for learning and opportunity
2. Encourage and promote job creation and economic prosperity
3. Build pride, responsibility and respect to create safer communities
4. Improve health and well-being
5. Protect and promote our clean and green environment

Our aim:

Our aim is to become a confident, well managed and influential council regarded by residents, peers and partners as ambitious for the people of Thurrock and totally focused on meeting their current and future aspirations.

Meeting: **CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Date: 9 October 2012

Time: 7:00pm

Venue: Committee Room 1

A G E N D A

- 1. Apologies for absence**
- 2. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meeting held on 3 July 2012 (Page 3).**
- 3. To receive additional items that the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency, in accordance with Section 100B (4) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972**
- 4. Declaration of interests**
- 5. Pupil Place Planning**

The report of the Strategic Leader, Operations, Resources and Libraries is attached at page 11.
- 6. Progress Report on Standards in the Early Years, Primary and Secondary Phases**

The report of the Head of Learning and Universal Outcomes is attached at page 91.
- 7. OFSTED Inspection of Safeguarding and Looked After Children**

The report of the Head of Care and Targeted Outcomes is attached at page 99.
- 8. Report on Adoption Inspection and Action Plan**

The report of the Service Manager, Placements and Support is attached at page 153.
- 9. Work Programme**

The draft work programme is attached at page 181.

ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

(i) Scheduled Meeting Dates for Municipal Year

3 July, 9 October, 8 November, 11 December 2012 29 January, 20 March 2013
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(ii) Quorum

3 Elected Members

(iii) Queries regarding this Agenda
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(iv) Changes to Membership, substitutions or apologies

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