

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST RETURNS REGISTER FOR COUNCILLORS AND DESIGNATED PERSON

Overview

Part 4 of the Model Code of conduct for Local Councils in NSW (2018) (Model Code) requires a councillor or a designated person to complete and lodge with the general manager a return disclosing his or her pecuniary interests. That return may contain personal information about each councillor and designated person, including his or her name, address and signature, as well as information about property and share holdings, gifts received, debts owed, other sources of income, and positions held in a trade union or business or professional organisation.

The mandatory pro-active release associated with the Government Information (Public Access) (GIPA) Act 2009, is requiring that the information contained in these returns should be made easily accessible, such as available free on the internet; unless:

- It imposes unreasonable costs, or
- Council determined there was an overriding public interest against disclosing information.

Overriding public interest against disclosure

As such, council has determined that providing this information online would increase the risk associated with cybercrime activities. The following overriding public interest against disclosing has been identified, as set out in section 14 of the Gipa Act;

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Individual rights, judicial processes and natural justice.

There is a public interest consideration against disclosure of information if disclosure of the information could be reasonably expected to have one or more of the following effects:

- (a) reveal an individual's personal information.*
- (f) expose a person to risk of serious harm or serious intimidation.*

Register

Alternatively, council has provided the following register which identifies council staff and Councillors who have completed a return of interest. Individuals are welcome to apply to view the returns of interest, by completing an [Informal Access to Information request](#).

Designated person	Position	Latest return
Charlie Sheahan	Mayor	New Councillor return 2022
Leigh Bowden	Deputy Mayor	New Councillor return 2022
Les Boyd	Councillor	New Councillor return 2022
Logan Collins	Councillor	New Councillor return 2022
Trevor Glover	Councillor	New Councillor return 2022
David Graham	Councillor	New Councillor return 2022
Gil Kelly	Councillor	New Councillor return 2022
Abb McAlister	Councillor	New Councillor return 2022
Penny Nicholson	Councillor	New Councillor return 2022
Les McMahon	Acting General Manager	New designated person April 2022
Glen McAtear	Interim Deputy General Manager	New designated person April 2022
Mark Ellis	Manager Civil Works	Annual 2020/2021
Miriam Crane	Manager Community and Culture	Annual 2020/2021
Glen McAtear	Manager Regulatory Services	Annual 2020/2021
John Chapman	Interim Manager Finance and Customer Service	New designated person June 2021
Sharon Langman	Manager Development, Building and Compliance	Annual 2020/2021
Linda Wiles	Coordinator Business	Annual 2020/2021
Matt Stubbs	Manager Technical Services	Annual 2020/2021
Ganesh Ganeshamoorthy	Manager Assets	Annual 2020/2021
Wayne Bennett	Manager Waste, Facilities and Recreation Services	Annual 2020/2021
Andrew Brock	Manager Facilities	Annual 2020/2021
Nicole Godber	Ranger/ Regulatory Officer	Annual 2020/2021
Bruce Webb	Ranger/ Regulatory Officer	Annual 2020/2021
Nathan Campbell	Ranger	Annual 2020/2021
Andrew Wiegold	Ranger	Annual 2020/2021
Luke Izzard	Environmental Health and Building Surveyor	Annual 2020/2021
Sally Atkinson	Environmental Health Officer	Annual 2020/2021
Craig Perrin	Town Planner	Annual 2020/2021
Laura Schweiger	Town Planner (PPT)	Annual 2020/2021
Catherine Smith	Procurement Officer	Annual 2020/2021