

# **List of Relevant Ministerial Private Interests**

**Welsh Government**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

### **Ministerial Code**

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 position at the end of this process.

### **Scope of the List**

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 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.

### **Categories of Interests disclosed**

On appointment, Ministers are asked to notify 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.

2. Directorships and shareholdings - Shareholdings are not listed where they are considered to be de minimus in nature.
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 for their own use is not included in the List.
5. Any sponsorship/membership from/of a Trade Union.
6. Public Appointments.
7. Links with charities.
8. Details of any disputes with, or investigation by, HM Revenue and Customs.
9. Any other relevant interests.

**Welsh Government**

<b>Rt Hon Mark Drakeford, First Minister of Wales (Cardiff West)</b>	
<b><i>Trade Union Membership</i></b>	
Unite the Union & Unison	
<b><i>Membership of Societies</i></b>	
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

<b>Jane Hutt, Deputy Minister and Chief Whip (Vale of Glamorgan)</b>	
<b><i>Trade Union Membership</i></b>	
Unison	
<b><i>Membership of Societies</i></b>	
Member	Vale Youth Forum
Honorary President	Barry First Responders
Member	Vale People First
Member	Ocean Water Sports Trust, Barry
Patron	Credit Unions Wales
Patron	Wales for Africa Health Links
Trustee	Vale for Africa charity
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
Spouse	Trustee and Director - UWC Atlantic College

<b>Rebecca Evans, Minister for Finance and Trefnydd (Gower)</b>	
<b><i>Trade Union Membership</i></b>	
Unite the Union & Unison	
<b><i>Membership of Societies</i></b>	
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

**Jeremy Miles, Counsel General and Minister for European Transition  
(Neath)**

***Directorships***

Digidal Ltd (Business Affairs Consultancy) (the only remuneration relates to use of a company car - pending termination of car lease) (SO 4.3 - Band 1 – less than 5 hours per week) (Ceased on 13.11.17)

***Investment Property***

Jointly owns a residential tenanted property in Swansea

***Shareholdings***

Shareholder in Digidal Ltd (Business Affairs Consultancy)

***Trade Union Membership***

GMB and Unite

***Membership of Societies***

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

<b>Vaughan Gething, Minister for Health and Social Services</b> (Cardiff South & Penarth)	
<b><i>Trade Union Membership</i></b>	
Unite the Union, GMB and Unison	
<b><i>Membership of Societies</i></b>	
Patron	SEF Cymru Homework Club
Vice President	Penarth Sea Cadets
Honorary Member	British Veterinary Association
Member	CF10 Arms Park Rugby Trust
Member	Cardiff and Vale Credit Union



<b>Julie Morgan, Deputy Minister for Health and Social Services (Cardiff North)</b>	
<b><i>Trade Union Membership</i></b>	
Unite the Union, Unison, Cooperative Party	
<b><i>Membership of Societies</i></b>	
Patron	Ethnic Minority Welsh Women Achievement Association
Trustee	Life for African Mothers
Vice-President	City Hospice (previously George Thomas Hospice)
Chair	Wales Programme Monitoring Committee
Honorary President (position frozen)	Cardiff Abortion Rights

**Lesley Griffiths, Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs  
(Wrexham)**

***Membership of Societies***

Patron	Erlas Garden, Wrexham
Patron	New Steps, Life After Stroke Club Wrexham
Patron	Dynamic, Wrexham
Patron	The Venture, Wrexham
Patron	Motiv8, Wrexham
Patron	Friends of Pedal Power, Wrexham
Patron	Dragonsong (community youth choir), Wrexham
Vice President	Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod
Member	Wrexham Supporters Trust
Honorary Member	Wrexham Rotary Club
Patron	Wrexham Youth and Play Partnership
Member	Friends of the Vic Youth Centre
Vice President	Cantorion Rhos

***Any Other Relevant Interests***

Partner is employed by Welsh Government

<b>Ken Skates, Minister for Economy and Transport (Clwyd South)</b>	
<b><i>Financial Interests</i></b>	
Blind trust/ blind management arrangement	
<b><i>Trade Union Membership</i></b>	
Unite the Union	
<b><i>Membership of Societies</i></b>	
Member	National Trust
Member	Rhos Male Voice Choir
Member	The Stiwt, Rhos, Wrexham
Member	Institute of Welsh Affairs
Vice-President	Llangollen International Eisteddfod
<b><i>Any Other Relevant Interests</i></b>	
Brother (1) is employed by Welsh Government Brother (2) is employed by Ipsen Pharmaceuticals	

<b>Lee Waters, Deputy Minister for Economy and Transport (Llanelli)</b>	
<b><i>Trade Union Membership</i></b>	
GMB	
<b><i>Membership of Societies</i></b>	
Vice President	Llanelli Rotary Club
Patron	Llanelli Male Voice Choir
Honorary Life Fellow	Institute of Welsh Affairs
<b><i>Any Other Relevant Interests</i></b>	
Spouse – Employed by Health and Care Research Wales & voluntary Board member for Llamau	

<b>Kirsty Williams, Minister for Education</b> (Brecon & Radnorshire)	
<b><i>Financial Interests</i></b>	
Spouse - Partner in a farming business - D.C. Rees & Son – Business is in receipt of support under the EU’s Common Agricultural Policy and the Welsh Government’s Glastir scheme for common land	
<b><i>Shareholdings</i></b>	
Shareholder in Corn Exchange Crickhowell Ltd (commercial shop premises)	
<b><i>Membership of Societies</i></b>	
Vice President	Upper Chapel Eisteddfod
Vice President	Brecknock YFC
Vice President	Gwenddwr Show
Vice President	Pantydwr Show
Vice President	Cor Meibion Ystradgynlais
Vice President	Glangrwyney, Gilwern & Llangenny Cricket Club
Vice President	Llangynidr Agricultural Show
Vice President	Brecon Cricket Club
Vice President	Pontfaen YFC
Vice President	Llyswen & Boughrood Show
Vice President	Lower Chapel Agricultural Show
Patron	Knighton Initiative for Dementia Action
Patron	Knighton & District Museum
Honorary President	Brecknock Citizens Advocacy
Member	Royal British Legion
Member	Brecon and District Credit Union
Member	Fellow of the Royal College of Nursing
Member	Honorary Membership of the Rotary Club of Crickhowell.
Friend	Llanwrtyd Wells Heritage Centre

<b>Julie James, Minister for Housing and Local Government (Swansea West)</b>
<b><i>Trade Union Membership</i></b>
Unison

<b>Hannah Blythyn, Deputy Minister for Housing and Local Government (Delyn)</b>	
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<b><i>Trade Union Membership</i></b>	
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<b><i>Membership of Societies</i></b>	
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Patron	Flintshire Pride
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Patron	LGBT Labour
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Patron	TheFDF (formerly Flintshire Disability Forum)
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<b>Eluned Morgan, Minister for Mental Health, Wellbeing and Welsh Language</b> (Mid & West Wales)
<b><i>Financial Interests</i></b>
Blind trust/ blind management arrangement
<b><i>Trade Union Membership</i></b>
Unite the Union
<b><i>Any Other Relevant Interests</i></b>
Spouse – Partner in GP Practice
Member of Amnesty International
Member of European Movement
Member of Labour Movement for Europe
Member of the House of Lords



**Dafydd Elis-Thomas, Deputy Minister for Culture, Sport and Tourism  
(Dwyfor Meirionnydd)**

***Membership of Societies***

Vice President	Noah's Ark Children's Hospital Appeal
Vice President	Snowdonia Appeal, the National Trust
Member	The Lleyn Maritime Trust
Member	National Trust
Life Member	North Wales Wildlife Trust
Member	CLA
Member	CADW
Member	Institute of Welsh Affairs
Lay Canon	Llandaf Cathedral