

Nominated Officers

Initial Personal Interests Returns Summary



WELLINGTON
SHIRE COUNCIL

The Local Government Act 2020 (sections 133 and 134) requires that specified persons including Councillors, members of delegated committees and nominated officers must submit a record of their personal interests to Council's Chief Executive Officer (CEO). A nominated officer is a member of council staff who (a) has a statutory delegated power, duty or function; and (b) is nominated by the CEO because of the nature of that power, duty or function.

The first Personal Interests Return to be completed and submitted to the CEO within 30 days of a council employee being nominated or being appointed to a nominated position. A Biannual Personal Interests Return follows for the duration the position is held between:

- 1 March and 31 March; and
- 1 September and 30 September.

A Personal Interests Return is a record of interests that contain information of shareholdings, trusts, business associations or other private interests of the key people making decisions at councils. A summary of these interests must be made available to the public on Council's website. This assists in ensuring that decision-making is conducted in an impartial manner by key individuals in Council.

Details of the below summarised items are required to be disclosed by specified persons on an Initial Biannual Personal Interest Return as per the *Local Government (Governance and Integrity) Regulations 2020*:

<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (a)</p> <p>Any corporation of which the specified person is a director or member of the governing body and a description of the purposes/activities of the corporation.</p>	<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (g)</p> <p>Any land located within the municipal district of the Council or an adjoining municipal district of which the specified person is an owner or holds a beneficial interest (other than by way of security for a debt).</p>
<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (b)</p> <p>Any unincorporated association in which the specified person is a member and performed a leadership role and a description of the purposes/activities of the association.</p>	<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (h)</p> <p>If the specified person is an owner or holds a beneficial interest in shares, where the total value of the company does not exceed \$10 million, and the combined total value of the shares is more than \$10,000.</p>
<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (c)</p> <p>Any business partnership or joint venture of which the specified person is a member.</p>	<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (i)</p> <p>Any company in which the specified person, solely or jointly with any family members, held a controlling interest including any other company in which this company holds a controlling interest (within the meaning of section 72(2) of the Payroll Tax Act 2007).</p>
<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (d)</p> <p>Any trust of which the specified person is a trustee or a beneficiary, the type of assets held by the trust and purpose of the trust.</p>	<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (j)</p> <p>Any personal debt exceeding \$10,000 owed by the specified person, other than with a banking or financial institution.</p>
<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (e)</p> <p>Any paid employment (other than Council) during the preceding 6 months, if the income from the employment exceeded \$10,000.</p>	<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (k)</p> <p>The details of any other interest which the specified person has decided to disclose on the basis that it may give rise to a general conflict of interest or a material conflict of interest within the meaning of s 127 or 128 of the <i>Local Government Act 2020</i>. Disclosure in this category is optional.</p>
<p align="center">Regulation 8 (1) (f)</p> <p>Any person or body for whom the specified person currently is, or has acted as, a consultant, contractor or agent and whose payments to the specified person exceeded \$10,000.</p>	

Officer Name	Position at Time of Lodgement	Date Lodged	Regulation	Summary of interests
David James Lingwood MORCOM	Chief Executive Officer	24 November 2020	8 (1) (a)	Director of Destination Gippsland (unpaid) – promote and grow tourism across Gippsland.
			8 (1) (b)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Owner of residence, Sale. Owner of investment property, 27 Pearson Street, Maffra.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.
Arthur SKIPITARIS	General Manager Corporate Services	30 November 2020	8 (1) (a)	Chair of Central Gippsland Health - major provider of health and aged care services in the Wellington Shire.
			8 (1) (b)-(k)	Nil.
Christopher Mark HASTIE	General Manager Built and Natural Environment	12 December 2020	8 (1) (a)	Director of C&K Hastie Pty Ltd – SMSF. Director of C.M.Hastie & K.A.Hastie trading as Kip McGrath. Education Centres – Traralgon – education business.
			8 (1) (b)	Treasurer of Morwell Caledonian Pipe Band.
			8 (1) (c)	C.M.Hastie & K.A.Hastie trading as Kip McGrath Education Centres – Traralgon.
			8 (1) (d)	Markanne Holiday Pty Ltd, cash – family trust.
			8 (1) (e)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Owner of primary residence, Traralgon. Owner of business property, Unit 3/37 Grey Street, Traralgon.
			8 (1) (h)	Nil.
			8 (1) (i)	C.M.Hastie & K.A.Hastie trading as Kip McGrath Education Centres - Traralgon.
Renaë LITTLEJOHN	Acting General Manager Development	3 February 2026	8 (1) (a)	Board member, Gippsland League – Provision of strategic support to Gippsland League administration. Board member, Local Government Professionals Inc – Provision of strategic support to the CEO and organisation. Committee member, Regional Development Australia Gippsland Committee – Provision of support to the Chair for regional development in Gippsland.
			8 (1) (b)-(c)	Nil.
			8 (1) (d)	Littlejohn Family Trust, monies – private use trust.
			8 (1) (e)-(f)	Nil.

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			8 (1) (g)	Joint owner, Principal place of residence, Leongatha. Joint owner, Investment property, 6 Hewson Street, Leongatha.
			8 (1) (h)-(j)	Nil.
			8 (1) (k)	Nil.
Ashy SEHGAL	Chief Financial Officer	13 May 2026	8 (1) (a)	Director, Omkara Wellness Officer Pty Ltd – wellness. Director, Omkara Wellness Cranbourne Pty Ltd – wellness. Director, Omkara Wellness Clyde Pty Ltd – wellness.
			8 (1) (b)-(c)	Nil.
			8 (1) (d)	Sehgal Family Trust, Shares and other financial investments – family trust. Sehgal Family Super Fund, Shares and other financial investments – self managed Super Fund.
			8 (1) (e)-(j)	Nil.
Barry HEARSEY	Coordinator Strategic Planning	17 December 2020	8 (1) (a)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Owner of residence, Longford.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.
Carly BLOOMFIELD	Manager Organisational Performance and Governance	28 October 2022	8 (1) (a)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	50% owner of primary residence, Maffra.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.
David Anthony HARPER	Manager Natural Environment and Parks	20 June 2023	8 (1) (a)-(d)	Nil.
			8 (1) (e)	Parks Victoria.
			8 (1) (f)-(k)	Nil.
Emilie Jane DAVINE	Manager People & Capability	26 March 2024	8 (1) (a)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Sole owner residential property, Longford. 50% owner investment property, Sale.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.
Peta CRAWFORD	Acting Manager Corporate Finance	5 January 2026	8 (1) (a)	Nil.
			8 (1) (b)	Treasurer of Maffra Dramatics Inc. Treasurer of Stratford Courthouse Inc.
			8 (1) (c)-(j)	Nil.
			8 (1) (k)	Spouse is owner of Crawford and Smart Solicitors.

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Kimberly Jade SALLEH	Manager Communications and Media	18 January 2024	8 (1) (a)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Owner of residence, Traralgon.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.
Phillip PHILLIPOU	Manager Information Services	27 December 2020	8 (1) (a)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Sole owner of residence, Traralgon.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.
Ross Steven MCWHIRTER	Manager Leisure Services	1 October 2021	8 (1) (a)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	50% owner of primary residence, Sale.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.
Rosina DAVIDSON-TUCK	Manager Community Development	31 July 2025	8 (1) (a)-(k)	Nil.
Samuel Robert MCPHERSON	Manager Communities Facilities & Emergencies	11 April 2022	8 (1) (a)	Treasurer of Bairnsdale Hockey Club Inc. – community sporting club.
			8 (1) (b)	Member of brigade management team, Bairnsdale Fire Brigade (CFA).
			8 (1) (c)-(d)	Nil.
			8 (1) (e)	East Gippsland Shire Council.
			8 (1) (f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	50% owner of primary residence, Bairnsdale.
Samuel James PYE	Acting Manager Built Environment	19 January 2021	8 (1) (a)	Director of Samy Super Pty Ltd - Corporate Trustee of my SMSF.
			8 (1) (b)-(c)	Nil.
			8 (1) (d)	Samy Super Fund, shares, cash – superannuation fund.
			8 (1) (e)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Owner occupier of main residence, Sale.
			8 (1) (h)	Nil.
			8 (1) (i)	Samy Super Pty Ltd, Corporate Trustee of SMSF.
8 (1) (j)-(k)	Nil.			
Shae HANSEN	Manager Economic Development	2 February 2026	8 (1) (a)-(d)	Nil.
			8 (1) (e)	Latrobe City Council, Acting Manager Economic Development Latrobe City Council, Senior Strategy and Advocacy Advisor
			8 (1) (f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Joint owner, Principal place of residence, Pakenham.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.

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Billie-Jo THORBURN	Acting Manager Customer and Communications	03 Nov 2025	8 (1) (a)	Nil.
			8 (1) (b)	Secretary/Treasurer, Gippsland Campdrafting Association Inc. Treasurer, Bairnsdale Campdraft Inc.
			8 (1) (c)-(k)	Nil.
Raymond WEBER	Acting Manager Assets and Projects	22 May 2024	8 (1) (a)	Ray Weber Family Trust, Trust operated by below – family trust. Ray Weber Holdings Pty Ltd, Director and Secretary – personal.
			8 (1) (b)-(c)	Nil.
			8 (1) (d)	Ray Weber Family Trust, nil – family structure.
			8 (1) (e)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Primary residence, Stratford.
8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.			
Joshua Paul CLYDESDALE	Major Projects and Principal Strategic Planner	21 July 2025	8 (1) (a)-(k)	Nil.
Andrew POPE	Municipal Building Surveyor	29 January 2026	8 (1) (a)-(k)	Nil.
Barry NICHOLL	Municipal Building Surveyor	22 July 2025	8 (1) (a)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Excluded under s10(2) of the <i>Local Government (Governance and Integrity) Regulations 2020</i> .
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.
Paul Francis GERICKE	Building Inspector (Limited)	27 April 2026	8 (1) (a)-(d)	Nil.
			8 (1) (e)	Crown Casino, Stewarding – Casino and hospitality.
			8 (1) (f)-(k)	Nil.
Nicole Kay REYNOLDS	Coordinator Strategic Planning	9 April 2025	8 (1) (a)	Director, Churinga Holdings Pty Ltd – trustee company for a family trust.
			8 (1) (b)-(c)	Nil.
			8 (1) (d)	Andrew Reynolds Family Trust, shares and property – family trust, discretionary investment trust.
			8 (1) (e)	East Gippsland Shire Council, Principal Strategic Planner - Local Government.
			8 (1) (f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Sole owner, Principal place of residence, Bairnsdale. Sole owner, Storage, 11 Rovon Place, Bairnsdale.
			8 (1) (h)	Churinga Holdings Pty Ltd, Director – public officer.
			8 (1) (i)-(k)	Nil.

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Andrew Roy WOLSTENHOLME	Environmental Planner	14 December 2020	8 (1) (a)	Business owner, Land Capability Assessments Gippsland – to produce land capability assessment reports.
			8 (1) (b)-(k)	Nil.
Louwrens Francois THERON	Statutory Town Planner	22 December 2020	8 (1) (a)-(b)	Nil.
			8 (1) (c)	Jims Mowing business, owner.
			8 (1) (d)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Owner primary residence, Morwell.
Mark Ian BAYLY	Statutory Planner	17 December 2020	8 (1) (a)-(k)	Nil.
Kritsaya JINTAKOM	Graduate Statutory Planner	15 March 2024	8 (1) (a)-(d)	Nil.
			8 (1) (e)	Leader Products.
			8 (1) (f)-(k)	Nil.
Saitharun YADAV	Graduate Statutory Planner	10 July 2025	8 (1) (a)-(k)	Nil.
Amie Ruth HILL	Environmental Planner	25 July 2024	8 (1) (a)-(d)	Nil.
			8 (1) (e)	Ethos NRM Pty Ltd.
			8 (1) (f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	50% owner primary residence, Maffra.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.
Caragh Louise BUTTON	Strategic Planner	10 August 2021	8 (1) (a)-(f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	50% owner of land – building primary residence, Glengarry.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.
Miriam TURNER	Strategic Planner	17 April 2023	8 (1) (a)-(d)	Nil.
			8 (1) (e)	Latrobe City Council.
			8 (1) (f)	Nil.
			8 (1) (g)	Property, Traralgon.
			8 (1) (h)-(k)	Nil.