

Elected members:

Annual review of personal interests that may create a potential conflict with their role – as at November 2024

This is a summary of the elected members' annual review of their personal interests that may potentially intersect with their responsibilities.

In consideration of whether an interest should be recorded Members are asked to consider:

- 1. Is their interest in a GWRC issue more than the ordinary interests of a ratepayer or a resident of the Wellington Region; and/or
- 2. Are they connected to GWRC through:
 - Financial, or pecuniary, interests; or
 - Close personal relationships; or
 - Ownership interests in other entities; and/or
- 3. Is their interest:
 - A current interest; or
 - A past interest that still has an influence; or
 - An interest that will foreseeably arise in the future; and/or
- 4. How other third parties will perceive their interest in terms of that interest influencing their role.



Name	Constituency	Date received	Declared Interests
Daran Ponter (Council Chair)	Pōneke/Wellington constituency	1 December 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests:
			Non pecuniary interests:
			Previously employed part-time (Chief Advisor) by Te Puni Kōkiri. Does not involve policy work on local government, resource management or transport. Fixed-term contract ended in mid- 2023.
			Consultant, often for Government agencies, local authorities and/or iwi authorities. Potential conflicts are managed by exclusion from work that directly relates to the Wellington Region and/or having other safeguards in place such as exclusion from policy development work that relates nationally or exclusion from certain information. All agencies are made aware that I am a Councillor and Chair, GWRC.
			Current contracts are with the Ministry for the Environment and the Ministry for Primary Industries. Both relate to negotiating or upholding Treaty settlements.
Adrienne Staples	Wairarapa	13 November 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests:
(Council Deputy Chair)	constituency		NIL
			Non pecuniary interests:
			NIL



David Bassett	Poneke/Wellington	12 November 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests:
	constituency		Trustee, D and Y.L. Bassett Family Trust, Beneficiary
			Director, H20 New Zealand Limited, Property Company
			Chair, Semple House, Body Corporate
			Partner, BJB Forestry Partnership, Forestry
			Non pecuniary interests:
			Ownership of an apartment in central Wellington and a house on the Kapiti Coast
			Trustee Huckleberry Trust which owns 5% of Hutt City Auto Services
			Son is an Assistant Director with a consulting company, based in London
			Director, WRC Holdings Limited
			Director, Wellington Rail Limited
Ros Connelly	Te Awa Kairangi ki	5 December 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests:
	Uta/Upper Hutt		NIL
	constituency		Non pecuniary interests:
			Member of Forest and Bird
			Member of Cycle Action Network
			Employed part-time as Governance and Policy Advisor at Fish and Game NZ. Potential conflicts around stream works and pest management.



Quentin Duthie	Te Awa Kairangi ki	2 December 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests:
	Tai/Lower Hutt constituency		Property owner with my partner of a residential property at Belmont, Lower Hutt 5010
			Non pecuniary interests:
			Volunteer (and former trustee) for Pareraho Forest Trust, and supporter of Friends of Belmont Regional Park.
			Member and elected representative of the Green Party of Aotearoa New Zealand.
			Partner works for the Natural Hazards and Resilience Platform hosted by GNS Science.
Penny Gaylor	Kāpiti Coast constituency	5 December 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests:
			Ownership interest in Otaki Mail newspaper (100%)
			Non pecuniary interests:
			NIL
Chris Kirk-	Porirua-Tawa	21 November 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests:
Burnnand	constituency		Autostop Holdings Limited – through its subsidiary companies owns commercial property in Johnsonville and Petone
			Forestry interests in Wairarapa and Gisborne, with some forestry product exported through Wellington's port.
			Non pecuniary interests:
			NIL



Ken Laban	Te Awa Kairangi ki Tai/Lower Hutt constituency	21 November 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests: Nil Non pecuniary interests: NIL
David Lee	Pōneke/Wellington constituency	21 November 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests: Shareholder - PledgeMe Limited Shareholder - Aureon Limited Shareholder - CoGo NZ Limited Board Member - Pounamu Ventures Limited Director - WRC Holdings Non pecuniary interests: Trustee and Beneficiary of the Triadds Family Trust Spouse is Business Development Manager at a Wellington based strategic and business consultancy Owner of various properties in Wellington and other areas of New Zealand
Thomas Nash	Pōneke/Wellington constituency	21 November 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests: NIL Non pecuniary interests: Independent Director for Big Street Bikers, a New Zealand social enterprise providing secure parking and charging infrastructure for e-bikes as well as e-bike subscription services. To avoid any potential conflict of interest, this role explicitly excludes any work specific to the Wellington region.



Hikitia Ropata	Porirua-Tawa constituency	12 December 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests: NIL Non pecuniary interests:
			Chairperson, Ātiawa Toa Hauora Partnership Board. Interaction between whenua, wai and whanau health.
Yadana Saw	Pōneke/Wellington constituency	27 November 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests: NIL Non pecuniary interests: Radio Active Charitable Trust – Trustee
Simon Woolf	Pōneke/Wellington constituency	21 November 2024	Pecuniary (financial) interests: NIL Non pecuniary interests: Photography by Woolf Photographic Services Wellington Hospital Foundation