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Housing Panel (Panel of the Scrutiny Committee)

Date: **Tuesday 29 April 2014**

Time: **5.00 pm**

Place: **Plowman Room - Town Hall**

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Membership

Chair **Councillor Val Smith**

Vice Chair

Councillor Gill Sanders

Councillor Sam Hollick

Linda Hill

Co-optee

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1 APOLOGIES	
<p>The Quorum for this Panel is three and substitutes are allowed.</p>	
2 DE-DESIGNATION REVIEW YEAR 3 (2013/14)	5 - 10
<p>Officer: Tom Porter, Allocations Manager will support the Panel with this debate. Telephone: 01865 252713 Email: tporter@oxford.gov.uk</p> <hr/>	
<p>To review the lettings to de-designated flats and bungalows during Year 3 (2013/14) and to receive approval for the continued phase de-designation of properties in Year 4 (2014/15)</p>	

DECLARING INTERESTS

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your* employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licenses for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

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Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member "must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself" and that "you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned". What this means is that the matter of interests must be viewed within the context of the Code as a whole and regard should continue to be paid to the perception of the public.

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