

Register of Pecuniary Interests 2025 - 2026

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Register of members' pecuniary interests

This register of pecuniary interests (**Register**) is published pursuant to [section 54A of the Local Government Act 2022](#) (the Act).

The Act requires Whanganui District Council to publish a summary of elected members' financial, business and personal interests including certain assets, business associations and gifts they have received annually. The summaries are an individual snapshot of members' interests for the previous 12 months.

In addition to the Register, elected members may make a declaration of any interest or conflicts during a meeting according to the requirements of Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968. These are recorded in the minutes of the meeting, which are available on our website's [Meetings, Agendas and Minutes](#) page.

Why have a Register of members' interests?

The purpose of the Register of members' pecuniary interests is to record members' interests so as to provide transparency and to strengthen public trust and confidence in Council processes and decision making. The summary is published as the Register of Pecuniary of Whanganui District Council's Elected Members.

How the Register works

Elected members are provided a declaration form to complete annually, once returned to Council officers a summary of the information is collated and published on our website.

Note: Not all requirements apply for each Councillor and they are only required to declare the relevant ones. If a number is omitted in the response list, that means a Councillor has nothing to declare for that category.

This Register summarises the information provided by elected members' in their annual declarations in relation to the requirements of the Act which includes the following:

1. Company directorship and controlling interest (section 54E(1)(a)).
2. Other Companies and Business Entities (section 54E(1)(b)).
3. Employment (section 54E(1)(c)).
4. Beneficial Interests in, and Trusteeships of, Trusts (section 43E(1)(d)).
5. Organisations and trusts that obtain or are seeking to obtain funding or other assistance from the Council (section 54E(1)(e)).
6. Council Appointments (section 54E(1)(f)).
7. Real property (section 54E(1)(g) and (1)(h)).
8. Overseas travel (section 54F(1)(a)).
9. Gifts (section 54F(1)(b)).

Mayor Andrew Tripe

1 Company directorships and controlling interests

ACT Investment Ltd (Commercial property)

2 Other companies or business entities

GNR Developments LTD (Property development)

BodyCode Health Ltd (Health technology)

3 Employment

CultureWorks Ltd (trading as SamePage Group) – (Management consultancy)

6 Council appointments

The Manawatu-Whanganui Regional Disaster Relief Fund Trust (Trustee - Provides relief and assistance to anyone affected by disasters in the Manawatu-Whanganui area)

Mountains to Sea Partnership (Chair - Administers the Mountains to Sea cycle trail)

Margaret Watt Children's Trust (Trustee - assists young Whanganui residents in their training for life)

Whanganui District Employment Trust (Member of committee for trustee appointments)

7 Real property

St Johns Hill, Whanganui – Residential property

Central Whanganui - Commercial property

Deputy Mayor Michael Law

1 Company Directorships and Controlling Interest

Surge Management Group Limited
Surge Coach Limited
Necta NZ Limited

3 Employment

Surge Management Group Limited

7 Real property

Whanganui East – Family home

Councillor Philippa Baker-Hogan

1 Company Directorships and Controlling Interest

Hogan Osteo Plus Limited (Osteopath and primary allied health Business)

3 Employment

Hogan Osteo Plus (Osteopath and primary allied health Business)

4 Beneficial Interest, and Trusteeships of, Trusts

Hogan Baker Trustees

5 Organisations and Trusts that obtain or are seeking to obtain funding or other assistance from the council

Whanganui Rowing Association Incorporated (Governing organisation to support rowing clubs and activities across the Whanganui and Taranaki regions)

6 Council appointments

Four Regions Trust

7 Real Property

Whanganui - Family Home

Whanganui - Rental Property

Whanganui - Family Business, Hogan Osteo Plus Limited

Councillor Glenda Brown

- 1 Company Directorships and Controlling Interest**
5Merchants Limited
- 2 Other companies or business entities**
Sustainbuilt Developments Limited
- 3 Employment**
Kate Joblin & Co Limited
- 4 Beneficial Interest, and Trusteeships of, Trusts**
Beechlea Family Trust
Converge Trust
- 6 Council appointments**
Pakaitore Historics Reserve Board
- 7 Real Property**
Whareroa, Taupo
Whanganui – Residential House

Councillor Josh Chandulal-Mackay

4 Beneficial interests in, and Trusteeships of trusts

Porto Fino Trust

5 Organisations and Trusts that obtain or are seeking to obtain funding or other assistance from the council

Age Concern Whanganui (Chairperson)

6 Council appointments

Pākaitore Historic Reserve Board

Whanganui River Enhancement Trust

7 Real property

Springvale, Whanganui – private home

Porto Fino Trust

Payments for other activities

Independent marriage & civil union celebrant

Honoraria - deputy presiding member, St Anne's Catholic School Board of Trustees

Councillor Ross Fallen

6 Council appointments

Whanganui Rural and Community Board (Council appointee)

7 Real Property

Castlecliff Whanganui – residential property

Councillor Julie Herewini

1 Company Directorships and Controlling Interest

Kohu Products and Design LTD

2 Other companies or business entities

Tukua Storytelling Studio LTD

5 Organisations and Trusts that obtain or are seeking to obtain funding or other assistance from the council

Te Whawhaki Iwi Development Trust (Capacity and capability building of Whanganui Iwi uri)

Hospice Whanganui (palliative care)

Ngā Tāngata Taki o Whanganui - Audit and Risk Committee (post settlement governance entity)

For Our Kids Trust (matching adults and young people to create supportive relationships)

6 Council appointments

Four Regions Trust

7 Real Property

Aramoho, Whanganui - Family home

Councillor Geoff Hipango

2 Other companies or business entities

Te Ao Hou Marae Reservation. Trust - Marae governance (Chairperson)

Ngaurukehu Inc (Land administration)

Nga Tangata Tiaki Whanganui river settlement trust (Trustee)

3 Employment

Nga Tangata Tiaki - Whanganui river settlement trust (trustee governance board)

4 Beneficial Interest, and Trusteeships of, Trusts

Te Ao Hou Marae

Nga Tangata Tiaki

Ngaurukehu Inc.

5 Organisations and Trusts that obtain or are seeking to obtain funding or other assistance from the council

Te Ao Hou marae participated 2024/5 regarding WDC 4 wellbeing as part of iwi collaboration with WDC.

Ngaurukehu Inc - rates relief for community housing development on lands opposite marae.

7 Real Property

Shareholder in lands with Ngaurukehu Inc - Aramoho

Te Ao Hou Marae Reservation - Aramoho, marae buildings

Ngaurukehu Inc. house property in Karioi, Ohakune.

Payments for other activities

Contract payment for Te Oranganui - marae based wananga - men's support.

Councillor Mike Hos

1 Company Directorships and Controlling Interest

B&M enterprises (Building washing)

Omahu enterprises (Commercial building washing and ownership)

3 Employment

B&M enterprises (Building washing)

4 Beneficial Interest, and Trusteeships of, Trusts

Hoscrow trust

7 Real Property

Whanganui - family home

Hamilton - rental property

Papamoa - rental property

Hastings - commercial building

Councillor Charlotte Melser

5 Organisations and Trusts that obtain or are seeking to obtain funding or other assistance from the council

Aranui Primary School Board of Trustees (Deputy presiding member)

6 Council appointments

Tarapurui Bushy Park Trust Board (Council appointee)

7 Real Property

Whanganui – 2 Family homes

Whanganui - Rental property

Payments for other activities

Event Manager contract.

Councillor Peter Oskam

4 Beneficial Interest, and Trusteeships of, Trusts

Takahuri Trust

Pukeko Trust

Takahuri Charitable Trust

6 Council appointments

Whanganui Education Trust

7 Real Property

Takahuri Kaiwhaiki Rd

Rural Community Board Chair Jack Bullock

3 Employment

FWS Residential Ltd (Residential Group Home Builder)

4 Beneficial Interest, and Trusteeships of, Trusts

HD Family Trust

7 Real Property

Okoia, Whanganui – dwelling

Rural Community Board Deputy Chair David Wells

2 Other companies or business entities

DJ & CJ Wells Partnership
DJ & CJ Wells Family Trust
Te Maire Kiwifruit Ltd

4 Beneficial Interest, and Trusteeships of, Trusts

DJ & CJ Wells Family Trust

6 Council appointments

Whanganui Rural Halls Trust

7 Real Property

Whanganui - Farm

Rural Community Board Member Charlie Anderson

3 Employment

Mid West Helicopters (Advisory)

Rural Community Board Member Bill Ashworth

4 Beneficial Interest, and Trusteeships of, Trusts

Bill Ashworth Family Trust

7 Real Property

Fordell, Whanganui

