



**Ards and
North Down**
Borough Council

**NORTHERN IRELAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COUNCILLORS**

**ARDS AND NORTH DOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
PERIOD BEGINNING 7 MAY 2019**

**DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' PERSONAL INTERESTS,
RELEVANT FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS, GIFTS AND
HOSPITALITY, DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS
AND PRIVATE OR PERSONAL NON-PECUNIARY
INTERESTS**

COUNCILLOR NAME: Karen Douglas

ADDRESS: Withheld

DATE ELECTED OR APPOINTED TO OFFICE (IF THAT IS LATER):

3rd May 2019

I Karen Douglas

(PLEASE PRINT NAME)

hereby undertake to abide by each and all of the provisions of The Northern Ireland Local Government Code of Conduct for Councillors issued by the Department of the Environment on 27 May 2014.

I acknowledge receipt of **The Northern Ireland Local Government Code of Conduct for Councillors** and the **Declaration of Interest form**.

Signed: _____

Date: 20/05/2019

Attachments

1. **The Northern Ireland Local Government Code of Conduct for Councillors**
2. **Declaration of Interest form** – *to be returned to the Chief Executive of Ards and North Down Borough Council as soon as possible.*

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FORM

DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTERESTS

Please refer to Paragraph 5.2 et seq. of The Northern Ireland Local Government Code of Conduct for Councillors

1.	EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS	<i>Code Paragraph 5.2 Parts a & b</i>
<p>Include details of any employment or business carried on by you. Please record: the name of any person who employs or has appointed you; the name of any firm in which you are a partner; or the name of any company for which you are a remunerated or non-remunerated director.</p>		
Date		
23/01/19 - present	Youth Conference Coordinator Youth Justice Agency	

2.	SPONSORSHIP	<i>Code Paragraph 5.2 Part c</i>
<p>Declare the name of any person, other than Ards and North Down Borough Council, who has made a payment to you in respect of your election or any expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a Councillor.</p>		
Date		
	None	

3.	SECURITIES IN CORPORATE BODIES	<i>Code Paragraph 5.2 Part d</i>
<p>List any corporate body which has a place of business or land within the Ards and North Down Borough, and in which you have a beneficial interest in a class of securities of that body that exceeds the nominal value of £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body.</p>		
Date		None

4.	CONTRACTS WITH THE COUNCIL	<i>Code Paragraph 5.2 Part e</i>
<p>Include any contract for goods, services or works, made between Ards and North Down Borough Council and you, or a firm in which you are a partner, an unincorporated body (i.e. Industrial & Provident Society), a company of which you are a remunerated director, or a body of the description specified at Section 3 above.</p>		
Date		None

5.	LAND IN THE AREA OF ARDS AND NORTH DOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL	<i>Code Paragraph 5.2 Parts f & g</i>
<p>List here any land in which you have a beneficial interest and which is within the Ards and North Down Borough. Include any land where the landlord is Ards and North Down Borough Council and the tenant is: a firm in which you are a partner; a company of which you are a remunerated director; or a body of the description specified earlier at Section 3.</p>		
Date		I am a home owner

6.	REPRESENTATION ON OTHER BODIES	<i>Code Paragraph 5.2 Part h</i>
<p>Include here any bodies to which you have been elected, appointed or nominated by Ards and North Down Borough Council.</p>		
Date		
2018 – present	Arts & Heritage Panel	
2018 – present	Road Safety Committee	
2017 – present	Bangor Town Steering Group	

7.	INTERESTS IN SOCIETIES, CHARITIES AND OTHER BODIES	<i>Code Paragraph 5.2 Part i</i>
<p>Include here details of your membership, or your position of general control or management, in any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature; • company, industrial and provident society, charity, or body directed to charitable purposes; • body whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy; • trade union or professional association; or • private club, society or association operating within the Ards and North Down Borough. 		
Date		
2005 – present	Northern Ireland Social Care Council (NISCC) – registered Social Worker	
2016 – present	Volunteer Counsellor with Childline	
2017 – present	Member of Ulster Wildlife	
2017 – present	Member of the European Movement	
2018 – present	Member of Amnesty International	
2017 – present	Member of Friends of the Earth NI	
2018 – present	Member of the Friends of Columbanus	
2018 – present	Member of RNLI	
2016 – present	Fundraise for: RNLI, Assisi Animal Sanctuary, NSPCC	

8.	LICENCE TO OCCUPY LAND	<i>Code Paragraph 5.2 Part j</i>
<p>Include here any land within the Ards and North Down Borough in which you have a licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy for 28 days or longer.</p>		
Date		None

9.	RELEVANT FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS	<i>Code Paragraph 6.10</i>
<p>Section 30 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 1972 requires you to disclose to the Council, in writing, any relevant family relationship, as set out in paragraph (6) of that section, known to exist between you and any person you know who either holds, or is a candidate for appointment to, any office in the Council.</p> <p>For the purposes of this section, a relevant family relationship shall be deemed to exist between a Councillor and an officer or candidate if they are husband and wife [or civil partners] or if the officer or candidate, or the husband or wife [or civil partner] of the officer or candidate, is the:</p> <p>(a) parent; (b) grandparent; (c) grandson or granddaughter; (d) son or daughter; (e) brother or sister; (f) uncle or aunt; or (g) nephew or niece of the Councillor or of the husband or wife [or civil partner] of the Councillor.</p>		
Date		None

DECLARATION OF GIFTS & HOSPITALITY

Please refer to Paragraph 4.20 of The Northern Ireland Local Government Code of Conduct for Councillors

GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY	<i>Code Paragraph 4.20</i>
<p>In accordance with The Northern Ireland Local Government Code of Conduct for Councillors and in accordance with any standing orders of Ards and North Down Borough Council, list here the existence and nature of any gifts, hospitality, material benefits or services for yourself or any person (which is above £20) which might place you, or reasonably appear to place you, under an improper obligation.</p>	
Date	None

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY & PRIVATE OR PERSONAL
NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

Please refer to Paragraph 6.1 et seq. of The Northern Ireland Local Government Code of Conduct for Councillors

PECUNIARY & PRIVATE OR PERSONAL NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS		<i>Code Paragraph 6.1 et seq.</i>
Meeting Date	Name of Committee Meeting	Interest Declared

Ards and North Down Borough Council is required to collect this information to meet its obligations under the LG Act 2014. Your information will be placed on the Council's website and will be publicly accessible for the duration of the Council term. You have a right to see and review the information held on you. If you wish to request your personal information or have a data protection query, please put your request in writing to: Data Protection Officer, Ards and North Down Borough Council, Town Hall, The Castle, Bangor, BT20 4BT, Email: dataprotection@ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk Tel: 0330 013 3333. If you are not satisfied with how the Council has handled this matter, you may refer it to the Information Commissioner's Office at 02890278757 or email ni@ico.org.uk.