D&S IFCA Declarations of Interest Form

The completion of this form confirms an understanding and agreement with the three statements below (A, B, and C).

A) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

As a Member of Devon and Severn Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority (D&S IFCA), I give notice below of those interests which I am required to declare under The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 and D&S IFCA's Code of Conduct. I understand that in so doing I must declare any interest of my spouse or civil partner or of any person with whom I am living as a husband or wife and also, in relation to the categories below, and so far as you are aware of any or relevant person as defined in section 30(3)(b) of the Localism Act 2011.

B) Sensitive Interests

I understand that if disclosing an interest could lead to me or a connected person being subjected to violence or intimidation, I can apply for the interest to be treated as a "sensitive interest". In such cases, the details will be excluded from the public register (not published), although I must still disclose that an interest exists at meetings.

- I understand that sensitive Interests should be disclosed directly to the Clerk and not as part of this form.

C) Other Registrable Interests

In addition, as a Member of D&S IFCA I give notice of those interests where a reasonable person with knowledge of the relevant facts would regard the Member, their relatives, or their close friends as having an interest in any business of the D&S IFCA being considered. The declaration of an interest is required where the matter affects the financial interest or well-being of the Member, their relatives or close friends to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of the public in the area affected by the decision such that it is likely to prejudice your view of the wider public interest.

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General Information

Name
Steve Ashton

Date that form was submitted
01/10/2026

General Interest
Somerset Councillor *Exec – Climate Change* *Planning Committee – Vice Chair* *Flood alleviation committee - Chair*

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation
retired

Sponsorship
n/a

Contracts
Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority—
none

Land
none

Licences
none

Corporate tenancies
Not applicable

Securities
None that are applicable

Other registerable interests

Do you hold membership of any other Public Authorities?
Somerset Rivers Authority – Chairman Severn Estuary Partnership (appointed but not currently active

Do you hold membership of any relevant organisation or charity (e.g. NFFO, Wildlife Trusts, angling clubs)?
none

Do you hold membership of bodies influencing Public Opinion or Policy (including any political party)?
British Association for Shooting and Conservation Somerset Building preservation Trust Liberal Democrats

Do you hold membership of Trade Unions or Professional Associations?
National Farming Union

Disclosure of Gifts and Hospitality: The name of any person from whom you have received a gift or hospitality with an estimated value of at least £25 which you have received in your capacity as a Member of D&S IFCA
none

Any other information you need to declare?
None