

**REGISTER OF NON EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

1. The following provisions for the declaration of interests and withdrawal from meetings are intended to prevent the Chairman, Deputy Chair and Board Members being influenced, or appearing to be influenced, by their private interests in the exercise of their collective public duties.
2. As a minimum, all personal or business interests which may or, in the judgement of the MHS Board Member, may be *perceived* by a reasonable member of the public to influence their judgement, should be declared. Such interests will include, but will not be limited to, involvement in the agriculture, food and related industries. In addition, other interests which do not appear to be immediately relevant to the work of the Agency may also be declared, at the discretion of the Board Member concerned.
3. MHS Board members are required to complete a Register of Board Members' Interests. There is no lower threshold for declaration of personal and non-personal interests, including shareholdings. Board Members are asked to inform the MHS Board Secretariat as soon as is practicable of any changes in their interests and, in any event, Board Members will be required to complete a form declaring their personal and non-personal interests once a year.
4. The Chairman, Deputy Chair and MHS Board Members must declare their relevant interests in issues to be discussed at formal meetings of the MHS Board. Wherever possible, the interest should be declared in advance of the meeting, but as a minimum must be declared prior to discussion of the relevant agenda item at the meeting. After Board Members have fully explained the nature of their interests the Chairman (or the Deputy Chair in the case of a declaration from the Chairman) will decide whether and to what extent the Board Member should participate in the discussion and determination of the issue. Where the Chairman has a relevant interest and does not participate in the meeting, the Deputy Chair will chair the discussion of the relevant agenda item. Minutes of formal meetings will record declarations made by the Chairman, Deputy Chair and Board Members and the extent of their participation in discussion.
5. The current register of interests for each of the Board members follows.

**MHS Board Secretariat**

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**DR MAUREEN EDMONDSON (BOARD MEMBER FOR NORTHERN IRELAND  
AND CHAIR OF THE NORTHERN IRELAND FOOD ADVISORY COMMITTEE)**

**Personal Interests**

Consultancies and/or direct employment

None

Fee Paid Work

None

Shareholdings

None

Clubs and other organisations

Advisory Board of the Northern Ireland Centre for Food and Nutrition (NICHE)  
Member of the Academic Board of Masters in European Food Regulatory Affairs  
(Ulster University)

Other personal interests

None

**Non-personal interests**

Fellowships

Fellow of the Institute of Food Science and Technology  
Honorary Fellow of European College of Sports Sciences

Indirect Support

Pension from Mars Pension Trustees Limited

Trusteeships

None relevant

Land and Property

None

Other Public Appointments

Northern Ireland member of Postwatch National Council and Chair of Postwatch NI

Other Non-Personal Interests

None

Last Reviewed: February 2008

Dr Ian Reynolds

Personal interests

**Consultancies and/or direct employment**

None

**Fee-paid work**

None

**Shareholdings**

None

**Clubs and other organisations**

Member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons

**Other personal interests**

None

Non-personal interests

**Fellowships**

Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine

**Indirect support**

None

**Trusteeships**

None

**Land and property**

Brother-in-law owns and runs a sheep farm in Dorset

**Other public appointments**

None

**Other non-personal interests**

None

Last Reviewed: December 2007

## **Tim Bennett**

### Personal interests

#### **Consultancies and/or direct employment**

Owns a farm near Carmarthen in South West Wales, where he and his wife are partners in a beef rearing enterprise.

Board member of the National Livestock Management Database Limited.

#### **Fee-paid work**

None

#### **Shareholdings**

Shareholding in the Residuary body of Milk Marque, who have now acquired Community Foods Group Ltd, which is a natural foods distributor.

#### **Clubs and other organisations**

Member of the National Farmers Union

Member and Committee Member of the Farmers Club, London

#### **Other personal interests**

None

### Non-personal interests

#### **Fellowships**

Associate of the Royal Agricultural Societies

Fellow of the Institute of Grocery Distribution

#### **Indirect support**

None

#### **Trusteeships**

None

#### **Land and property**

None

#### **Other public appointments**

Member of the Council of Food from Britain and its remuneration committee.

Chairman of the Milk Sector of the Shadow Agricultural and Horticultural

Development Board for the UK.

Member of the Agricultural Land Tribunal Wales.

Member of the MHS Audit Committee

**Other non-personal interests**

None

Last Reviewed: January 2008

## Tim Smith

### Personal interests

#### **Consultancies and/or direct employment**

Son employed by Taylor Nelson Sofres

#### **Fee-paid work**

None

#### **Shareholdings**

Sara lee Corporation – 500 Shares

Northern Foods – 4,766 Shares

#### **Clubs and other organisations**

Member of the Farmers Club

#### **Other personal interests**

None

### Non-personal interests

#### **Fellowships**

None

#### **Indirect support**

None

#### **Trusteeships**

None

#### **Land and property**

None

#### **Other public appointments**

None

#### **Other non-personal interests**

None

Last Reviewed: May 2008

## **Steve McGrath**

### Personal interests

#### **Consultancies and/or direct employment**

Chief Executive Meat Hygiene Service

#### **Fee-paid work**

None

#### **Shareholdings**

BG Group, Centrica, National Grid, Barclays and Friends Provident.

#### **Clubs and other organisations**

Institute of Directors, Institute of Physics, National Trust, English Heritage.

#### **Other personal interests**

None

### Non-personal interests

#### **Fellowships**

None

#### **Indirect support**

None

#### **Trusteeships**

None

#### **Land and property**

None

#### **Other public appointments**

None

#### **Other non-personal interests**

Non Executive Director Young Enterprise North East

Last Reviewed: May 2008

## Margaret Gilmore

### Personal interests

#### **Consultancies and/or direct employment**

None

#### **Fee-paid work**

None

#### **Shareholdings**

None

#### **Clubs and other organisations**

Husband is a member of the Anaphylaxis Campaign. Member of Newbury Agricultural Society.

#### **Other personal interests**

None

### Non-personal interests

#### **Fellowships**

Royal United Services Institute.

#### **Indirect support**

None

#### **Trusteeships**

None

#### **Land and property**

None

#### **Other public appointments**

None

#### **Other non-personal interests**

None.

Last Reviewed: May 2008

## Clive Grundy

### Personal interests

#### **Consultancies and/or direct employment**

Consultant with CPS Executive Marketing and Boardroom Development

#### **Fee-paid work**

None

#### **Shareholdings**

Investment of £125,000 in Graysons Limited.

#### **Clubs and other organisations**

None.

#### **Other personal interests**

None

### Non-personal interests

#### **Fellowships**

Chartered Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Personnel Development. Fellow of the Institute of Hospitality.

#### **Indirect support**

None

#### **Trusteeships**

None

#### **Land and property**

None

#### **Other public appointments**

None

#### **Other non-personal interests**

None.

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