

Connected person certificate under the Charities Act 2011

Section 117(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (**2011 Act**) requires that if a non-exempt charity disposes of land to a “connected person” as defined by Section 118 of the 2011 Act (or to a trustee for or nominee of, a connected person) then the disposal must be authorised by the Charity Commission.

I/We and hereby confirm that for the purposes of s.117(2) of the 2011 Act, I/we are not a connected person (as defined by s.118 of the 2011 Act) or a trustee for or nominee of, such a connected person in relation to:

(1) Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes being a charitable body corporate established by the Methodist Church Act 1939 and registered charity number 1136358; or to

(2) DAVID HARLINGTON and ADRIAN JOHN WILLIAMS and others the members of the Circuit Meeting of the SHROPSHIRE AND MARCHES METHODIST CIRCUIT (Registered Charity Number 1139091).

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You should ask your solicitor to explain the definition of a “connected person” in s.118 of the 2011 Act to you in full before signing this statement.

For information purposes only, s.118 of the 2011 Act states that a connected person in relation to a charity is any person that, at the time of the disposition or at the time of the contract for the disposition is:

- (a) a charity trustee or trustee for the charity;
- (b) a person who is the donor of any land to the charity (whether the gift was made on or after the establishment of the charity);
- (c) a child, parent, grandchild, grandparent, brother or sister of any such trustee or donor;
- (d) an officer, agent or employee of the charity;
- (e) the spouse or civil partner of any person falling within any of paragraphs (a) to (d);
- (f) a person carrying on business in partnership with any person falling within any of paragraphs (a) to (e) above;
- (g) an institution which is controlled:-
 - (i) by any person falling within any of paragraphs (a) to (f); or
 - (ii) by two or more such persons take together; or
- (h) a body corporate in which:-
 - (i) any connected person falling within any of paragraphs (a) to (g) has a substantial interest; or
 - (ii) two or more such persons, taken together, have a substantial interest.