Processing of Councillor Expense Reimbursement Request v2.0



Summary

Objective

This process is designed to ensure compliance with the Councillor Support, Resources, Reimbursement and Reporting of Expenses Policy 2019.

Background

To ensure compliance with the Local Government Act and reporting requirements under the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations.

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Procedure

1.0 Councillor to complete Councillor Expenses Reimbursement Form

Councillor

- a Councillor to complete the Councillor Expenses Reimbursement Form, sign the declaration and attach tax invoices and other documentation providing evidence of expenditure in accordance with the policy.
 - Councillor Support, Resources, Reimbursement and Reporting of Expenses Policy 2019
- **b** Note: Claims must be submitted within 6 weeks of expenditure otherwise the expense will not be reimbursed.
 - Councillor Expenses Reimbursement Form
- c Councillor to submit completed form and tax invoices to the Executive Assistant - Chief Executive Officer.

2.0 Review of completed form by CEO's office CEO, Executive Assistant - CEO, Group Manager Corporate and Community

- a Executive Assistant CEO to undertake preliminary review of form and information attached to ensure the form has been signed and completed correctly, ensuring that the Councillor has identified which category of expense the item(s) need to be allocated to.
- **b** Executive Assistant CEO to forward completed form and documentation to the Chief Executive Officer for review.
- c If the expense claim is appropriate and the requirements of the Councillor Support, Resources, Reimbursement and Reporting of Expenses Policy are met, CEO to sign the form.
- **d** CEO to then forward signed form to the Group Manager Corporate & Community for review and signature.
- e Group Manager Corporate & Community to forward completed form to the Finance team.
- f If the form is incomplete or insufficient documentation attached, either the CEO or the Group Manager, Corporate & Community must contact the Councillor by telephone or email and outline what further information is required.

3.0 Processing of claim by Finance department Accounts Payable Officer

a Accounts Payable Officer to review form and process, ensuring that the expense is allocated to the correct cost centre as identified on the form.

Triggers & Inputs

TRIGGERS

Starts Frequency Volume
Submission of a reim- Monthly 84 per year

bursement form by a Councillor

INPUTS

None Noted

Outputs & Targets

OUTPUTS

None Noted

PERFORMANCE TARGETS

None Noted

Process Dependencies

PROCESS LINKS FROM THIS PROCESS

None Noted

PROCESS LINKS TO THIS PROCESS

None Noted

RACI

RESPONSIBLE

Roles that perform process activities

Accounts Payable Officer, CEO, Councillor, Executive Assistant - CEO, Group Manager Corporate and Community

Systems that perform process activities

None Noted

ACCOUNTABLE

For ensuring that process is effective and improving

Process Owner Dawn Bray

Process

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