

Draft inclusion to Councillor Support and Expenses Policy – Public Disclosure of Expenses

The following wording could be included in the Councillor Support and Expense policy if Councillors are of a mind to make available to the public quarterly expense schedules of Councillors.

*Note: item 4.2 would remain unchanged from the current wording

4.2 Audit and Reporting*

A quarterly report on Councillor expenses and reimbursements by category will be prepared, circulated to all Councillors and submitted to each (quarterly) meeting of Council's Audit Committee.

Audits of Councillor expenses and reimbursements may be carried out from time to time as part of Council's annual audit program.

Alternative 1

4.2.1 Public Disclosure

Commencing from the quarter 1 January to 31 March 2011, a schedule of Councillor Expenses will be published on Council's website within 120 days of the conclusion of each quarter. Each schedule will remain on the website for a period of 12 months from the date of publication.

Alternative 2

Alternate 4.2.1 Public Disclosure

A register of quarterly schedules of expenses will be made available for public inspection.

Commencing from the quarter 1 January to 31 March 2011, quarterly schedules of Councillor Expenses will be made available for public inspection on request. Schedules will be included in the register within 120 days of the conclusion of each quarter. Each schedule will remain available for a period of 12 months from the date of publication.

Persons seeking to inspect the register will be required to complete an application form. No request to inspect the register will unreasonably be refused.