

Item 7: Office of the General Manager

7.1 Review of the Code of Conduct and the Procedures for the Administration of the Code

REPORT BY THE GOVERNANCE COORDINATOR
TO 18 MAY 2022 ORDINARY MEETING
GOV400098, GOV400008

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. **receive the report by the Governance Coordinator on the Review of the Code of Conduct and the Procedures for the Administration of the Code;**
2. **adopt the revised Code of Conduct & the Procedures for the Administration of the Code.**

Executive summary

Councils must within 12 months after an ordinary election review its adopted Code of Conduct in accordance with section 440 (7) Local Government Act 1993.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Detailed report

Council has reviewed its Code of Conduct during the Councillor Induction Program following the December 2021 election. The review and this report ensures Council's compliance with section 440 of the Local Government Act.

The Office of Local Government has released a Model Social Media Policy, circular 22–08 7th April 2022. The supplementary social media clause that was available to councils when the 2018 Model Code of Conduct was prescribed can now be removed from Council's Code of Conduct and appropriately addressed in a Policy.

Community Plan implications

Theme	Good Governance
Goal	Strong civic leadership
Strategy	Provide accountable and transparent decision making for the community

Strategic implications

Council Strategies

Not applicable

Council Policies

Social Media Policy

Legislation

Local Government Act 1993

Local Government (General) Regulation 2001

Financial implications

Not applicable

Associated Risks

Legislative Compliance is identified by Councils Audit Risk & Improvement Committee as an activity in their work program.

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11 April 2022

Attachments: 1. Procedures for the Administration of the Code of Conduct. (separately attached)
2. Model Code of Conduct 2020. (separately attached)

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:

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