

## **COUNCIL POLICY**

## MEMBERS OF COUNCIL Election of Committees

Policy No: 1.12

**Policy Subject:** Election of Committees

**Policy Statement:** To promote a system for the election of Council Committees in line with the

requirements of the Local Government Act.

**Objective:** To satisfy the electoral requirements contained in the Local Government Act.

Guidelines:

1) That all Committees be listed on a Council whiteboard according to the hierarchy of

Committee types contained in 5.9(2) of the Act.

2) That the Councillors write their names against Committees they would like to be appointed to prior to the meeting.

- 3) That the President invite any withdrawals from, or transfers and additions to, any of the Committees once the listing of candidates is complete.
- 4) The President is entitled to be on any Committee which has Council representation (5.10(4)).
- 5) That a ballot be held (excluding the President) to determine Council's preference of candidates where there are more nominations for a Committee than required, starting with the first Committee listed. The President may change the order of the committee selection process if it leads to the expediency of the process.
- 6) That a deadlock caused by an equality of votes be broken by the drawing of lots.
- 7) A motion be passed by absolute majority appointing the Committees preferred by this process at the conclusion of the selection process.
- 8) The Chief Executive Officer is entitled to be on (or appoint a representative to) any Committee having employee representation (5.10(5)).

- 9) A Councillor is entitled and required to be on at least one Committee made up of:
  - a) Council members only; or
  - b) Council members and employees

10) Voting is to be conducted so that no voter's vote is secret (Admin Reg 9) (*This does not apply to the election of the President and Deputy President which is to be by secret ballot*)

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Ordinary Council FC44/97

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**Review** 

**Responsibility:** Chief Executive Officer