



DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

13 October 2009

DCCS7	POLICY ON PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND PROVISION OF FACILITIES TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS
FILE: 276	PJH (NRN) {Folio *}

SUMMARY:

Reporting on the exhibition of council's policy on the payment of expenses and provision of facilities to the mayor and councillors.

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DESCRIPTION:

Council at its meeting on 11 August 2009 resolved to place its amended policy on exhibition for 28 days with the following resolution:

"That Council's Policy on the Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to the Mayor and Councillors be amended at clause 2.13 (4) to include the words "if required" and then Council's policy be placed on public exhibition for 28 days".

Public exhibition and submissions

The amended policy was placed on exhibition for 28 days on council's website and at the customer first centre with advertisements inserted in council's page in the Macleay Argus and Macleay Valley Happynings. No submissions were received.

The advertised policy document is shown at [\(Appendix D – Page CCS9\)](#).

Review of policy each 12 months

The Local Government Act (section 252) requires that council advertise this policy each year and formally adopt it on an annual basis with or without amendment.

RECOMMENDATION IMPLICATIONS:

- **Environmental**

Nil

- **Social**

Nil

- ***Economic (Financial)***

Expenses incurred under this policy are budgeted for Elected Members Services.

- ***Policy or Statutory***

Section 252 of the Act requires council to advertise its policy each year and then adopt its policy after considering any submissions.

- **Directors Review**

As per report.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council's amended policy on the Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to the Mayor and Councillors be adopted.

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