



BACKGROUND

- Local Government Act Review – New Gift Framework
- Invitation to events considered gifts/ disclosure of interest
- Approved events = no interest
- Valid role of Elected Members attending
- Where an Elected Member or CEO attends an event but has not paid for the ticket must be disclosed as a gift
- Event includes concert, conference, function, sporting event, prescribed occasion



LEGISLATION

5.90A. Policy for attendance at events

- (2) **A local government must prepare and adopt* a policy that deals with matters relating to the attendance of council members and the CEO at events, including —**
- (a) the provision of tickets to events; and**
 - (b) payments in respect of attendance; and**
 - (c) approval of attendance by the local government and criteria for approval; and**
 - (d) any prescribed matter.**

** Absolute majority required.*

20B. Excluded gifts prescribed

- WALGA;
- Australian Local Government Association Limited (ABN 31 008 613 876);
- Local Government Professionals Australia WA (ABN 91 208 607 072);
- a department of the Public Service;
- a government department of another State, a Territory or the Commonwealth;
- a local government or regional local government.



POLICY DEVELOPMENT

- Specified Criteria and known events that fit within the definition
- Attendance at events not affecting the business of the Council
- Protocols for accepting, declining and distribution invitations
- Guidance for considering events that require the Council's approval and payment of costs.



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M20/5751- New Policy – CP-113 Attendance at Events
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Questions