

Terms of Office

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Policy Objectives

To provide an increased number of opportunities for Councillors to undertake the role of Deputy Mayor than the term of two years provided for in the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Policy Scope

Policy applies to the position of Deputy Mayor of the City of Melville.

Policy Statement

Whilst acknowledging that the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995* state that the term of office for the position of Deputy Mayor is a period of twenty-four (24) months, Elected Members have indicated their desire to elect the Deputy Mayor annually for a period of 12 months. This is to enable more Councillors to undertake that role thereby increasing their skills and experience as well as ensuring that the additional workload involved in the office of Deputy Mayor is more evenly distributed to Councillors.

In order to give effect to the operation of this policy, the Deputy Mayor will voluntarily resign from that position after a term of 12 months. Nothing in this policy prevents a Councillor from renominating for the position for a further term nor does it over-ride the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995*

References that may be applicable to this Policy

Legislative Requirements: Local Government Act 1995 Sections 2.15, 2.28 Item 12, Section 2.31

ORIGIN/AUTHORITY

Administration & Community Services Committee
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REVIEWS

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