

**Policy Title: Elected Member continuing professional development****Policy Statement:**

The Mindarie Regional Council (MRC) is required to adopt a policy regarding the continuing professional development of council members.

The MRC is made up of seven local governments comprising of the Cities of Joondalup, Perth, Stirling, Vincent, Wanneroo and the Towns of Cambridge and Victoria Park.

**Policy Procedure:**

Under section 5.128 of the Local Government Act 1995 (the Act), local governments are required to have adopted a policy regarding the continuing professional development of council members.

The MRC's Councillors are each required to complete training that is set in the regulations within twelve (12) months of being elected by their respective local government.

Each of the MRC's member councils is required to prepare and adopt a policy for the continuing professional development of its council members.

Each member council CEO is required to prepare a report per financial year outlining the training that has been completed by each of their respective council members in that financial year.

Each member council CEO is then required to publish the report on the local government website within one month of the end of the financial year.

The policy, training and reporting requirements of the MRC Councillors, as required under the Act, are fulfilled by the training undertaken through their respective councils.

To comply with the requirements of the Act, the MRC's website will provide a link to each member councils' website where compliance with the policy, training and reporting requirements in respect of each of the MRC's respective councillors is evidenced.

In addition, the MRC requires Councillors, within 3 months of their appointment onto the MRC, to take part in a tour of MRC facilities and to complete the next WASTE 101 training course delivered by WALGA.

<b>Legislation</b>	Local Government Act 1995 s.5.128
<b>Responsible Officer</b>	Chief Executive Officer
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<b>Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer</b>	Nil
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