

Innaloo Community Group



Mario Valenti

Department of Local Government WA

REF: Review of the Local Government Act 2019

Dear Sir

We wish to make the following comments with regard to the proposed changes to the Local Government Act on behalf of the concerned Innaloo residents.

We welcome the review of the Local Government Act especially in regard to tighten u the roles that the staff and rogue elected members have on our area. As most of our members have lived in this community in excess of fifty years we believe we have the right to make the following statements and believe that our statements should be given consideration. Although our statements below are only a summary of our major concerns we believe that the City of Stirling and the whole of the Local Government Act needs to be in line with the people, the community as it has lost touch with us the ratepayer, the people, the community and is spending too much time off with our hard earned money !

1. The Code of conduct, regulation 7 must be applicable to both local government staff and elected members as the staff will abuse and use it against elected members as seen from LGSP and the complaints procedures need to apply to everyone and it should not have to go to the CEO to decide, as it goes nowhere and all complaints should just be sent straight to the department
2. Enquiry needs to be undertaken of WALGA, as they have been pocketing ratepayer's money and are spiralling out of control with no accountability, transparency etc.
3. Elected members should not be eligible if they work as, builders, planners, real estate agents, developers, or if they have people with criminal convictions etc. and they must live in the Council area and display their actual residential address on the information sheet and no post office boxes or lied addressees
4. Nepotism is in the Act however there are not penalties on the issues if a whole business unit disappears and mates are employed its ok and brings fear into the workplace
5. All gifts, trips, forums etc. for Local Government staff and Councillors should be recorded and listed on the Council website for all the ratepayers to see
6. Perjury, telling lies, providing mis information to Councillors, to Council, to LGSP, to SAT to any court or person should have a punishment including financial
7. Should have compulsory voting and a four-year term and no preferential voting as that is just a political stunt and doesn't help the community
8. All charges and fees should be reduced and staff wages should be reduced to assist the community and not constantly increase their costs

Yours sincerely

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On behalf of the Innaloo Community Group

OUR LIVES BEGIN TO END THE DAY WE BECOME SILENT ABOUT THINGS THAT MATTER

Martin Luther King Junior