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Duncan Ord
Director General
Department of Local Government
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Dear Duncan,

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT REVIEW SUBMISSION

At the 11 October 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council had resolved the following with regards to the amendment of the Local Government Act 1995:

That Council:

Supports the following amendments to the Local Government Act 1995 and associated Regulations:

- 1. Make Annual Electors General Meeting optional;*
- 2. Gift Provisions exemptions include all family members, e.g. cousins and genuine discounts that are offered to the general public which the offered discount is in no way associated with a member/officer position in a local government;*
- 3. Tender thresholds be calculated on annual financial year basis, and the threshold amount remain at \$150,000;*
- 4. Local Government issued vehicle Fuel Cards can be used by elected members while they are on official business;*
- 5. Allows for the use of modern communication methods to advertise Public Notices and Tenders such as on the Local Governments website as well as the use of genuine tender portals (no need to use newspapers);*
- 6. Allow Local Governments the use of emails for official correspondence (reduce the need for physical mail); and*
- 7. Improve the definition of a Charity for Rates Exemption Purposes;*
- 8. To allow Councillors to be allocated a credit card with specified limits and accountability for the provision of accommodation & meals.*

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss this matter further.

Your faithfully

Colin Bastow
Chief Executive Officer
26 October 2017

