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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Yourself

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

## Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Bernard Egan

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

**Q6** What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

**Nedlands (City)** 

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -

65

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus

Supportive

revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Unsure

Is there a salary range recommended for executives based on size of council. Is there an employee number that is relevant depending on size of council and services provided.



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Yourself

## Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

## Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Chris Cornish

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Council member, including Mayor or **President** 

**Q6** What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

**Bayswater (City)** 

**Q8** What is your age?

36 -

45

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Financial management		
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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Neutral	
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Neutral	
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Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
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It is imperative that LG's should be allowed to invest reserves into assets other than cash or cash equivalents. Anyone with a rudimentary knowledge of finance knows that cash is not ideal for long term funds. https://chriscornish.info/is-cash-the-best-place/



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Q4 What is your name?

Robert Elsbury

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Swan (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -

75

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No

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Neutral

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Neutral

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An independent risk assessment

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Yes

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No

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Unsupportive

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Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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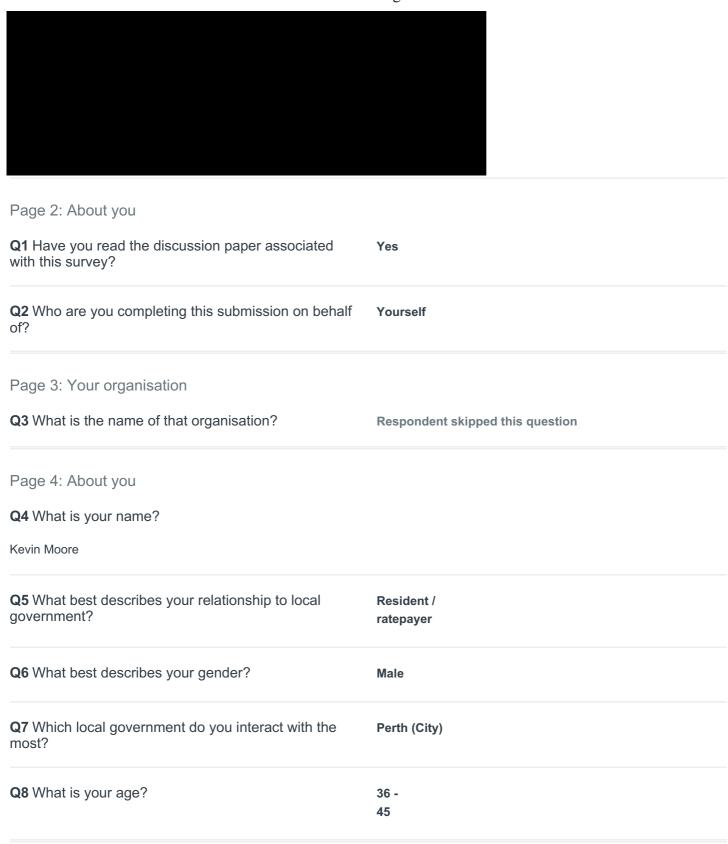
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Stop the secrecy. LG must advertise intend to borrow money and justify it to ratepayers.



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**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

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"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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Yes

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No

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approval."

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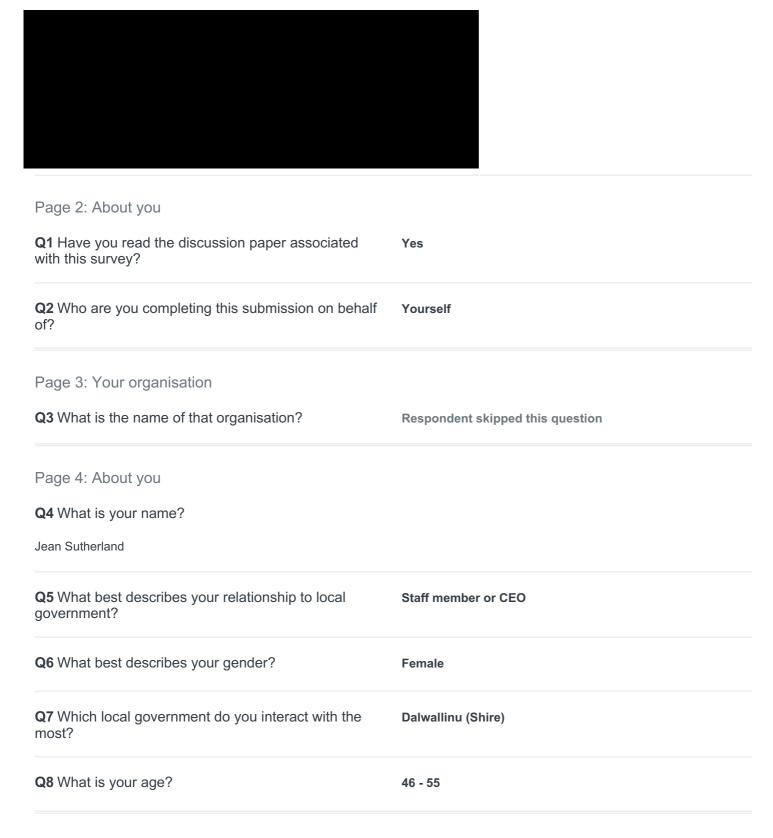
program?

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

commercial

As well as a limit on the CEO discretionary spend, there also needs to be a limit on spend frequency. Beyond a number of transactions, further approval should be required.

This will limit the ability to commit fraudulent, frequent transactions below the threshold. Random auditing is also needed.



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**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Supportive

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Unsupportive

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Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

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Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Neutral

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Q4 What is your name?	
Sean Hefferon	
Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?	Resident / ratepayer
Q6 What best describes your gender?	Male
Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?	Fremantle (City)
Q8 What is your age?	46 - 55
Page 5: About you	
<b>Q9</b> Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?	Yes
Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No

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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

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No

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Neutral

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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf

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Yourself

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

## Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Anthony Brekalo

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

**Q6** What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

Armadale (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

36 -

45

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No

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"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

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Unsupportive

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Salaries and Allowance Tribunal

bands

An independent risk assessment

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No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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## Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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Page 4: About you	
Q4 What is your name?	
Murray Cook	
Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?	Council member, including Mayor or President
Q6 What best describes your gender?	Male

**Bunbury (City)** 

66 -75

# Page 5: About you

Q8 What is your age?

most?

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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Unsupportive

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Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

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Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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**Neutral** 

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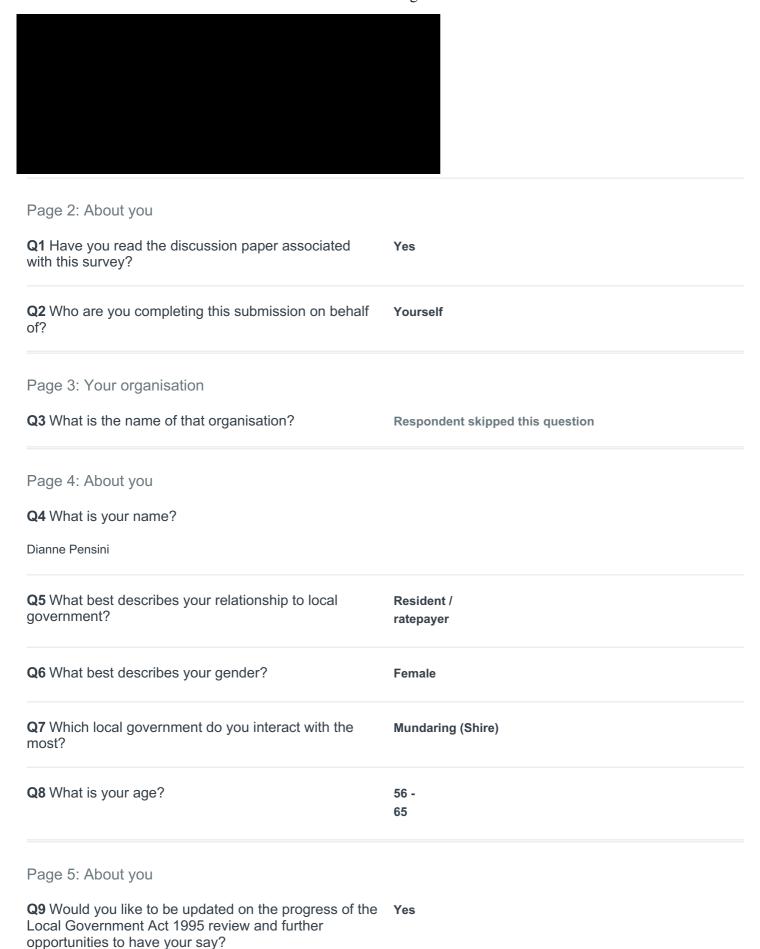
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Supportive

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Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	State Government		
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?			
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Very supportive		
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very unsupportive		
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Yes

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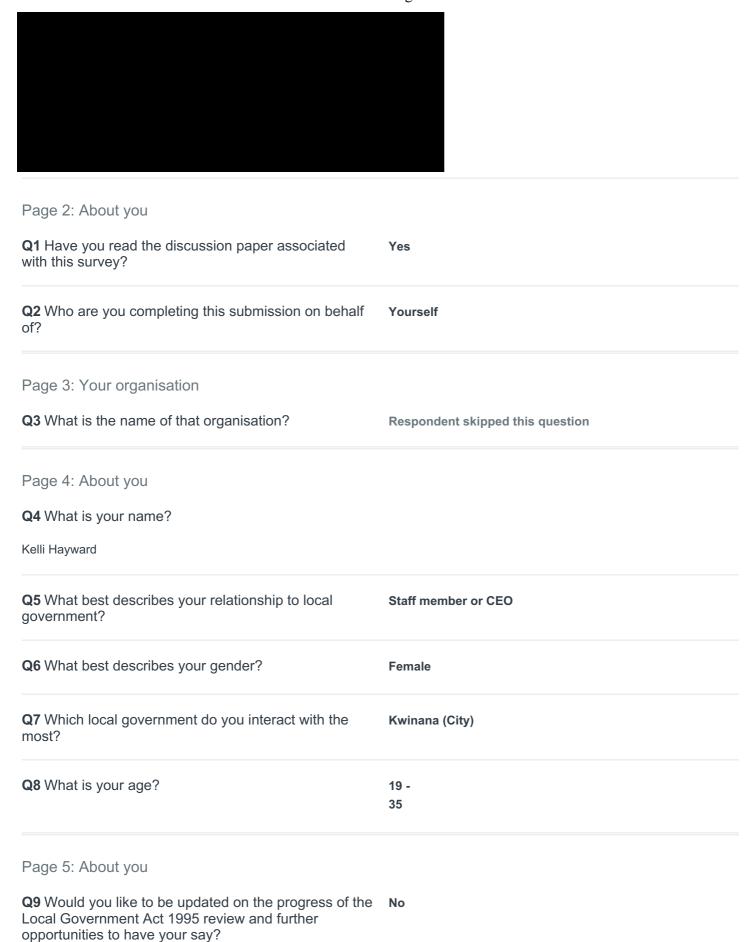
Council?

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Supportive

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Supportive

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Yes

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Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent

Unsupportive

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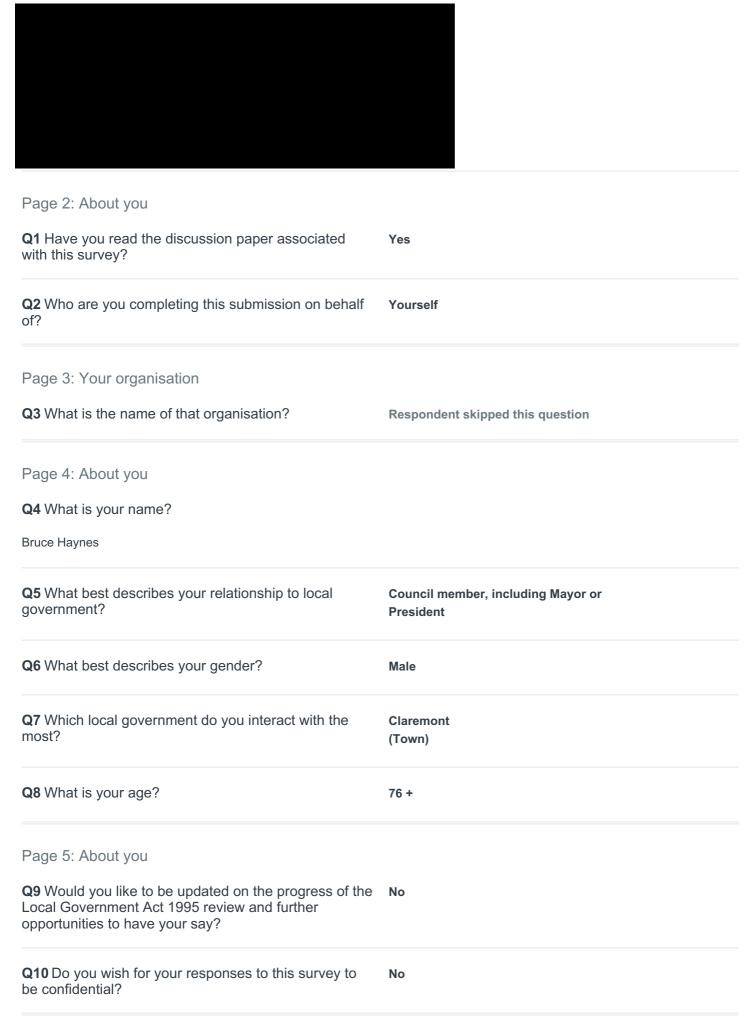
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commercial

Need to be able to find the balance between transparency, financial sustainability and cost to adminster



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"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

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Local government should deposit/loan with any Australian deposit taking bank but not invest in instruments other than limited term deposits.



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Danielle Courtin	
Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?	Staff member or CEO
Q6 What best describes your gender?	Female
Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?	Mundaring (Shire)
Q8 What is your age?	56 - 65

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Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government		
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Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's

No

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size or capacity?

Council?

## **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Supportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Supportive
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"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Supportive

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Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure No loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to Yes participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the **Environmental upgrades** program? Page 11: Additional comments **Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Di Granger

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Toodyay (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -65

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**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

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"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Unsupportive
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Unsupportive
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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is permitted to spend without needing approval from	n
Council?	

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Supportive
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Both environmental and

commercial

The CEO should consult Council with financial issues outside of agreed budget and other plans



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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Suzie Haslehurst

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Female

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

York (Shire)

Q8 What is your age?

46 - 55

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

## Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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## Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

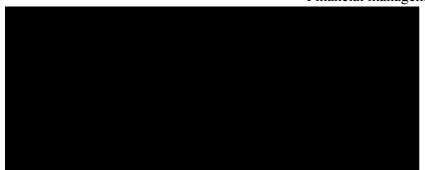
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Respondent skipped this question



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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

stephen wesley

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Busselton (City)** 

Q8 What is your age?

36 -

45

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No

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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Very supportive
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very supportive
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets	Supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold
for when a local government must publicly advertise a
tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO
is permitted to spend without needing approval from
Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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# Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

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"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Very supportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Very supportive

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Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Unsure
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Respondent skipped this question

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**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Ill write a submission, you guys are missing the point and there are many other opportunities for financial reform to improve the accountability of the sector.



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No

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Carnarvon

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Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

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**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

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Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Yes

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

**Environmental upgrades** 

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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Sabrina klinger

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Cambridge (Town)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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program?

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Neither

Investment: I support to follow NSW in regards to investment decisions.

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the

Debt: Local governments should be able to borrow to fund long term community assets. This would support the underlying concept that benefits received (i.e. use of the asset) should commensurate with paying for the asset.

Procurement: State and local government procurement should be aligned. This would ensure buying power capacity and common accountabilities and responsibilities across all levels of government. Procurement regulation should not be tied to expenditure or salaries and allowance bands. State government entities have all to follow the same procurement rules regardless of their size. Annual reporting: The calculation and communication of financial ratios should follow one concept only, to provide information to current and future residents/ratepayers that their local government is operating efficient, effective and provides services that are value for money and improve the overall well-being of the community.

Building Upgrade Finance: The idea appears to be borne out of desperation by the City of Perth having a high commercial vacancy rate due to economic downturn. Legislating for one local government for one particular situation is over-reach and completely unnecessary. I don't support any such arrangements at all. If individual local government want to expose their ratepayers to such undertaking they should put the idea to the community for endorsement.



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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

# Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

**Andrew Thomson** 

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

Cambridge (Town)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -65

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to	No
be confidential?	

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

## Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with	Neutral
the State Government."	
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local	Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO	N
is permitted to spend without needing approval from	
Council?	

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Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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governments."

#### **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Unsupportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Very unsupportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent	Very supportive

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Yes

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Yourself

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

**Trevor Martin** 

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Supplier or commercial

partner

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Perth (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -

65

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

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Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

An independent risk assessment

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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Yes

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Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Peter Crispin

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Coorow (Shire)

Q8 What is your age?

56 -

65

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**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial management	
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Page 7: Who should authorise payments?	
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Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?	No
Page 8: Investments	
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"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Neutral

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Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Unsure
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
<b>Q19</b> Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Yes
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Both environmental and commercial

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**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Am concerned that if procurement amount were based on tribunal bands, that the smaller local governments would be forced into tendering more often with the associated costs that they can least afford.



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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Mark Northover

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Wyndham-East Kimberley (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -

65

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

An independent risk assessment

Other (please specify):

Time sensitivity to multiple contracts needs regulation. WALGA needs to comply. CCC needs oversite on "non for profit private" tendering exemptions afforded through legislation.

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**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

No

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**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

No

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Neither

## Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Compulsory Independent internal auditing be implimented.

Tendering practice's of green lighting, subjective weighting, and privileged tender exemptions need regulation, reform and independent oversight.



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**Q1** Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Nils Hay

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Mingenew (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

19 -35

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**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial management	
Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	e State Government
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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Unsupportive
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Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands
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Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?	Yes

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"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Supportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Neutral
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Supportive

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**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
<b>Q19</b> Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Yes
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Both environmental and commercial

## Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

It needs to be acknowledged that small, low-capacity local governments struggle to effectively resource best-practice compliance in the procurement space. There are likely common systems/processes that could be developed at a Departmental/WALGA level and shared through the system (e.g. common charts of accounts, policies) to save local governments with limited capacity from having to develop their own.

In addition, establishment of a common set of contract documents would provide consistency to suppliers and local government officers - this is something that could be invested in and rolled out by either DLG or WALGA and (with appropriate training) would greatly assist smaller local governments with effective contract management.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Helen

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

**President** 

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Prefer not to say

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

#### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Unsure

#### Page 8: Investments

## **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Neutral

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Neutral

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Yes

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of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Colin Mowday

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Merredin (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -

65

Page 5: About you

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Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	State Government
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statement	ents?
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Very supportive
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	An independent risk assessment
Page 7: Who should authorise payments?	
<b>Q14</b> Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?	Yes
Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?	Yes
Page 8: Investments	
Q16 To what extent do you support the following statement	ents?
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Very supportive
Page 9: Borrowing	
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	Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over
Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

**Unsure** 

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

**Environmental upgrades** 

# Page 11: Additional comments

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For all proposed expenditure above legislated limits Local Government should be required to produce and issue a Financial Impact Statement for public comment before committing to such expenditure.



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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Maxine Middap

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Wyndham-East Kimberley (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -75

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Neutral

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Other (please specify):

Value of the tender. Minimum value set across all local government. eg \$50,000

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

Page 8: Investments

Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus

Supportive

revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

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Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	No
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Neither

# Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Financial management rules are perfectly adequate at the moment. Don't change.



Page 2: About you

**Q1** Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

City of Greater Geraldton

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align le	ocal government	tender rules wit	th the State	Government

<b>Q12</b> To	what	extent do	VOL	sunn	ort the	following	statements?
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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

## Page 8: Investments

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Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

**Supportive** 

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Unsupportive

## Page 9: Borrowing

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Yes

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Yes

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

**Commercial upgrades** 

# Page 11: Additional comments

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Page 2: About you

Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Jesse Johnson

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Female

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Wyndham-East Kimberley (Shire)

Q8 What is your age?

19 -35

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	State Government
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statement	ents?
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Unsupportive
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very unsupportive
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Very unsupportive
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government
Page 7: Who should authorise payments?	
Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?	No
Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?	No
Page 8: Investments	
Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?	Respondent skipped this question
Page 9: Borrowing	
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Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Respondent skipped this question

Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Respondent skipped this question
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Respondent skipped this question

## Page 11: Additional comments

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More clarification is required around the term "contract" particularly when it comes to reoccurring spend on the same services / goods. currently there is no guidance around the value of spend vs the spend over time. for example WALGA reference that if expenditure on a good/service is expected to exceed the tender threshold over 3 years then it should go to tender. But this is not referenced anywhere

I don't believe in procurement rules aligning with state government as \$50,000 is a large amount of money to have the ability to source directly or base on a verbal quote.

I believe procurement rules set by legislation are important to prevent corruption and to ensure every local government is held to the same standard. I believe the requirement to publicly tender ensures a greater range of suppliers are provided with an opportunity to bid, otherwise the same "favourites" are invited to quote everytime.

Th Pre-Qualified Supplier Panel regulations are confusing and could do with fine tuning.



Page 2: About you

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Yes

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Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Tania

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

Kalgoorlie-Boulder (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

36 -45

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial management			
Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No		
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	e State Government		
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statem	ents?		
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Supportive		
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very unsupportive		
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Very unsupportive		
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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Supportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Supportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Supportive

# Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
<b>Q19</b> Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Yes
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Both environmental and

Page 11: Additional comments

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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Garry Keeffe

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Northampton (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -65

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Other (please specify):

Its not the threshold that is the concern it is the interpretation of the time frame. Tender threshold needs to be either project specific or for one financial year. LG's are getting auditor querires where they are looking at expenditure from a firm, for example a local tyre delare, over five years and as have expended more than \$150K over that period the auditors are determining that the LG is in breach of the tender. In addiotn all road making materials, specifically bitumen/asphalt products and aggregate should be exempt same as fuel and oils

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

Page 8: Investments

# Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Unsupportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Supportive
Page 9: Borrowing	
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# Page 11: Additional comments

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LG's need to have their own financial standards, not the current AAS27, the lay person and Councillors don't understand the reports as are complicated. Should be a simplified version.



Page 2: About you

Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated Y with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Kevin Xanthis

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Stirling (City)

Q8 What is your age?

66 -75

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to No be confidential? Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements? "Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with Very supportive the State Government." "Different procurement rules should apply to different local Unsupportive governments." "Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets Unsupportive should have fewer procurement rules to comply with." Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold None. Procurement rules should be consistent across for when a local government must publicly advertise a local government tender? (select all options that should apply) Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Upper Gascoyne

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q6** What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local Very unsupportive

governments."

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets

Very unsuppo

should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

## Page 8: Investments

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Very unsupportive

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"Certain types of investments should require independent Very unsupportive approval."

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**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

The rules around procurement need to be consistent across all local governments.

Using freehold assets to secure finance is a very bad idea.

Manual (paper based) purchase order books should be outlawed. They leave no electronic audit trail and are so easily used to cover up breaches in purchasing policy i.e writing a PO after the invoice has been received.

Ratios and other measures of financial health need to be tiered depending on the type of Local Government. In the discussion paper rates make up on average 55% of operating revenue, in Upper Gascoyne it is less than 8%.

If Local Governments have surplus funds they should either go into reserves to fund needs in future years. If a Local Government is actually investing in income generating assets then really it has too much money and perhaps portions of their Federal Assistance Grants need to be given to the regional local government with smaller rates and income generating capacity, as they need it more.

Getting into Building Upgrade Finance is a bad idea!!! You don't need to have the intellect of Captain Obvious to see that lumping Local Governments with the responsibility of collecting loan payments on someone else's asset is a bad idea. Who are the idiots who come up with these schemes, the only winners here are the financiers who can write up more debt. There are enough issues in collecting rates arrears. Also, if Local Governments are not liable for non-payment then what is the point? Your asking the LG to collect the loan but it is not liable for non-payment, this would create an administrative burden just for the sake of it.

I think sometimes local governments get a bit too carried away and well away from the basics i.e Roads, Rates, Rubbish and to a lesser extend Recreation. Trying to be everything to everyone and provide substandard services across the board.

Finally, some areas of high contention and corruption such as town planning/property development should be taken away from Local Governments. It would be better for the State to have uniform planning policies which Local Governments administer.



Page 2: About you

Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

William Smith

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Northampton (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -75

Page 5: About you

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Yes

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

Neutral

Neutral

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Yes

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of?

Yourself

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Parveen Bauer

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Joondalup (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

36 -45

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to	
be confidential?	

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with
the State Government."

Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus	Very supportive
revenue."	

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their Very unsupportive ability to invest surplus revenue."

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Rick Sommerford

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Joondalup (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -75

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

## Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

#### Page 8: Investments

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf

Yourself

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Lee

of?

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Melville (City)

Q8 What is your age?

19 -

35

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial management		
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Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	e State Government	
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Page 7: Who should authorise payments?		
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Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?	No	
Page 8: Investments		
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powers and rules."

approval."

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

"Different local governments should have different investment

"Certain types of investments should require independent

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

Very unsupportive

**Supportive** 

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure Unsure loans using assets that they own freehold?

### Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

**Unsure** 

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Neither

## Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Please remove the requirement to advertise tenders in The West. It is archaic and very expensive.

There is nothing wrong with the \$150,000 tender threshold. What we need is clear and consistent guidelines beneath that amount. We need access to the state government tender portal or to have our own created.

We need to use state government templates and contracts for all procurement activities.

We need an equivalent of STRC which is appropriately resourced so as not to create delays.

We need better clarity of the EOI process - at present it is extremely ambiguous.

We need better clarity around what we can and cannot do in terms of negotiation.

The definition of 'Minor' variations is completely subjective - this needs to be far more objective.

WALGA should not get as many benefits within the Act. WALGA takes money coming and going from Suppliers which results in us having to pay more for goods and services. If we direct approach most of the WALGA suppliers, they will offer us discounted rates to go outside the WALGA panel because they don't have to pay WALGA. The idea of WALGA Preferred Suppliers is good but its not saving local government money.

The Regs need to be re-written to consider technological advances. Tender registers are starting to be more online. Need to improve the wording to be more supportive.

Sustainable procurement should be legislated.



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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

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Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Tony

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Kalamunda (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Supportive

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Unsupportive

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Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	No
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Yes

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Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Gerry

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

Council member, including Mayor or **President** 

government?

**Q6** What best describes your gender? **Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

East Pilbara (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

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No

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"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

**Supportive** 

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Unsupportive

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Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Unsupportive

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Public notice is not required in any of these situations

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Yes

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

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Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

**Q4** What is your name?

Shannon Hardingham

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Council member, including Mayor or President

Q6 What best describes your gender? Female

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most? **Corrigin (Shire)** 

Q8 What is your age? 36 -

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

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"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their	Supportive	

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approval."

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**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

"Different local governments should have different investment

"Certain types of investments should require independent

Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

**Supportive** 

Very supportive

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Lynette Baker

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

President

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Corrigin (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -

65

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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Supportive

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Unsupportive

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Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

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Supportive

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Supportive

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Yes

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Corrigin

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Q4 What is your name?

Matt

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Council member, including Mayor or

President

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Corrigin (Shire)

Q8 What is your age?

36 -45

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**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Very unsupportive

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Neutral

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Neutral

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Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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Yes

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No

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Supportive

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Neutral

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Unsupportive

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Neutral

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**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Mike Weguelin

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

**President** 

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Corrigin (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

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No

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Very unsupportive

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

An independent risk assessment

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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Very supportive

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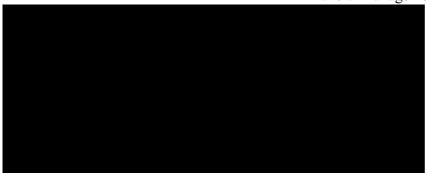
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Supportive

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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

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**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Michael Dowey

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Joondalup (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

Not applicable

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

**Supportive** 

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Unsupportive

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An independent risk assessment

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

Other (please specify):

Depends on the items purchased

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Yes

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Yes

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Unsupportive

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Unsupportive

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The reporting to Councils is deficient. Council members are generally not skilled to challenge or use the reports.



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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Peter hodkin

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Joondalup (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -65

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." **Neutral** 

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Neutral

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

An independent risk assessment

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

**Unsure** 

Page 8: Investments

Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus

Very unsupportive

revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Neutral

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure No loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to No participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? **Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Neither

### Page 11: Additional comments

program?

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Stop local government spending money on vanity projects like joondalup tried to spend over \$100 million on a performing arts centre that no one wanted and would financillary cripple the council and ratepayer



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Bruce Knox

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Joondalup (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -65

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

#### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Neutral

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)	Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget,  Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose
Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	No
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
<b>Q19</b> Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	No
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Neither

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**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Surplus funds should not be invested unless there is no debt. If debt exists then surplus funds should be applied to the debt.



Page 2: About you

No

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Nicky Dangar

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Joondalup (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -75

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

Other (please specify):

when there is personal investment or interest in any matter

#### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Unsupportive

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Q17 Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)	Unsure
Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	No
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	N.
Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	No
<b>Q20</b> What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Neither

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**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

In the event that local government is approved for raising loans there should be accountability built into the loans - the CEO should be accountable and the ratepayer ought not to continue to pay up for the overruns, inabilities to keep within budgets. should be run like any other corporation and stand down people who cannot manage the public money



Page 2: About you

No

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Felix Rosario

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Melville (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

19 -35

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the No Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

#### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

**Unsure** 

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

#### Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus

Very supportive

revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Neutral

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure **Unsure** loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to Yes participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Both environmental and program? commercial Page 11: Additional comments Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Hitesh Hans

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

Claremont (Town)

**Q8** What is your age?

36 -45

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial management		
Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No	
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	State Government	
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statem	ents?	
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Neutral	
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Supportive	
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Unsupportive	
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government	
Page 7: Who should authorise payments?		
<b>Q14</b> Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?	Yes	
Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?	Yes	
Page 8: Investments		
Q16 To what extent do you support the following statem	ents?	

# **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Supportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Supportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Neutral

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**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Yes
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Other (please specify): Local Government can decide type of upgrade.

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**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Genevieve Hunter

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Female

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Joondalup (City)

Q8 What is your age?

56 -

65

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

An independent risk assessment

#### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

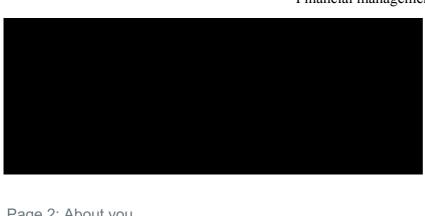
Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Q17 Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)	Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget
Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	No
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Respondent skipped this question
Page 11: Additional comments  Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.	Respondent skipped this question



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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Cherie Delmage

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Female

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Mingenew (Shire)

Q8 What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

## Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local Supportive

governments."

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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## Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus Supportive revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment Unsuppowers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Unsupportive

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Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure No loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to Unsure participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Both environmental and

#### Page 11: Additional comments

program?

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

It is important that the questions regarding smaller councils v larger councils & reporting requirements that it does not make it sound like smaller councils will be less compliant or have lesser standards - standards should be high & consistent regardless of size

commercial



Page 2: About you

**Q1** Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Kara

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Prefer not to say

Q8 What is your age?

19 -35

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to No be confidential? Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements? "Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with **Supportive** the State Government." "Different procurement rules should apply to different local Very unsupportive governments." "Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets Very unsupportive should have fewer procurement rules to comply with." Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold None. Procurement rules should be consistent across for when a local government must publicly advertise a local government tender? (select all options that should apply)

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

Supportive

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Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure Yes loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to Unsure participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Respondent skipped this question program? Page 11: Additional comments **Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question

of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Robert Gardiner

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Swan (City)

Q8 What is your age?

56 -65

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the **Yes** Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to No be confidential? Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements? "Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with Very supportive the State Government." "Different procurement rules should apply to different local **Supportive** governments." "Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets **Supportive** should have fewer procurement rules to comply with." Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold None. Procurement rules should be consistent across for when a local government must publicly advertise a local government tender? (select all options that should apply) Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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**Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus **Supportive** revenue." "Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their Unsupportive ability to invest surplus revenue." "Different local governments should have different investment **Neutral** powers and rules." "Certain types of investments should require independent Very supportive

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approval."

Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure No loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to Yes participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Both environmental and program? commercial

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**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

City of Swan (CoS) are spending millions (over\$32m) buying land for an "Un Crystallised" plan and giving bullshit answers to questions and getting away with it because the current Local Gvt act is weak and they are experts at exploiting loop holes.



Page 2: About you

Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

**Q4** What is your name?

Amanda O'Halloran

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Wandering (Shire)

Q8 What is your age?

46 - 55

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

## Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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## **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

**Supportive** 

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Neutral

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

**Supportive** 

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**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
<b>Q19</b> Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Yes
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Both environmental and commercial

# Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Financial information presentation should be simplified to improve the communities capacity to understand and engage in this area of Local Government Business and Politics.

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**Q1** Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

**David Trevaskis** 

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Moora (Shire)

Q8 What is your age?

19 -

35

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**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

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Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	State Government
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statement	ents?
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Unsupportive
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Unsupportive
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Unsupportive
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government
Page 7: Who should authorise payments?  Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?	Yes
Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?	Yes
Page 8: Investments	
Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?	
"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their	Very supportive

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powers and rules."

approval."

ability to invest surplus revenue."

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

"Different local governments should have different investment

"Certain types of investments should require independent

Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

Unsupportive

**Supportive** 

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	No
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Unsure
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Respondent skipped this question
Page 11: Additional comments  Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic	Respondent skipped this question

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

No

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Simon

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Mundaring (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

## Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Very supportive
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very unsupportive
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

## Page 8: Investments

## Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Neutral
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Very unsupportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Very unsupportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Very supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

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## Page 11: Additional comments

program?

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Neither

LGA should do everything in their power to monitor and manage costs as well as expenditures to staff and services, all LGA finances should be open and accountable to ratepayers. Same for staff remuneration and performance



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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Dumbleyung

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Very unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

**Unsure** 

#### Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

## Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

No

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to
participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

Unsure

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Respondent skipped this question

# Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Reports should be simpler/more understandable so that Councillors can better extract information to view.



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Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Kellerberrin

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Ye

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

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Neutral

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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Unsure

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

**Supportive** 

## Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Yes
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Both environmental and commercial
Page 11: Additional comments  Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.	Respondent skipped this question



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Q4 What is your name?

Gary Tuffin

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

**East Fremantle** (Town)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

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No

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Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Neutral

#### Page 9: Borrowing

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Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
<b>Q19</b> Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Unsure
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the	Respondent skipped this question

## Page 11: Additional comments

program?

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

On previous occasions the Town has raised concerns regarding the method used to calculate FHI score, particularly in relation to the use of "debt service cover ratio" in the calculation.

The Town is debt free and as a result, the Town's Financial Health Indicator score is reduced as this component of the calculation is scored "0". The Town is effectively penalised for not having any debt, which does not seem fair or reasonable.

Our 17/18 operating surplus before interest and depreciation is circa \$2.4m. For argument sake, if we had annual P+I payments of \$200k (equivalent to gross debt of say \$2m), we would have a debt service cover ratio of 12. This would result in our FHI improving to 76.

The method used to calculate the FHI is flawed, misleading and needs further consideration. This is exemplified by anecdotal evidence that some local governments are deliberately taking out short term debt as at 30 June, and repaying this amount in the new financial year, just to ensure their FHI is not adversely affected.



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of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

John Bell

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Mundaring (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -

75

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to No be confidential? Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements? "Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with Very supportive the State Government." "Different procurement rules should apply to different local Unsupportive governments." "Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets Unsupportive should have fewer procurement rules to comply with." Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold None. Procurement rules should be consistent across for when a local government must publicly advertise a local government tender? (select all options that should apply) Page 7: Who should authorise payments? Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO

is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

Page 8: Investments

Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

"Certain types of investments should require independent Supportive approval."

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Q17 Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)	Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget , Unsure
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Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Unsure
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Environmental upgrades
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Yourself

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Gary Savill

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

**State Government** 

agency

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Greater Geraldton (City)** 

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -

65

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Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

## Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

An independent risk assessment

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

## Page 8: Investments

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Yes
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Environmental upgrades
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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Vanessa

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Female

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Cockburn (City)

Q8 What is your age?

19 -

35

Page 5: About you

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Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

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Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Neutral

**Q13** What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus Supportive revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

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Neutral

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Kay O'Neill

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Female

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Broomehill-Tambellup (Shire)** 

Q8 What is your age?

36 -45

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial management			
Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No		
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	State Government		
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statement	ents?		
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Supportive		
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Unsupportive		
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Unsupportive		
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands		
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Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?	No		
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Neutral

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Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
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Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

William Muir

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Swan (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -65

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Very unsupportive

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Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

An independent risk assessment

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Yes

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No

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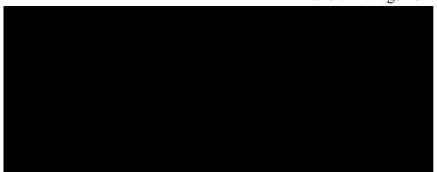
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Rates collected are supposed to be calculated on budgetary requirements for the year, there should not be any surplus left for investment. Local government should be open, honest and accountable when spending ratepayers funds. Ratepayers funds should not be used for dodgy investments (as has happened previously) they should only be used for funding local area requirements and improvements.



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**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Richard Foster

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Belmont (City)** 

Q8 What is your age?

66 -75

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No

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Unsupportive

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Unsupportive

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Yes

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No

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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

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Respondent skipped this question

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Q4 What is your name?

Tony Nottle

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Busselton (City)** 

Q8 What is your age?

36 -

45

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

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Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus

Very supportive

revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Q17 Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)	Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget ,  Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose
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Shire of Plantagenet

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Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

N

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with **Supportive** the State Government." "Different procurement rules should apply to different local **Supportive** 

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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governments."

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus **Supportive** revenue." "Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their **Supportive** ability to invest surplus revenue."

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

**Supportive** 

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

**Supportive** 

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Shire of Chapman Valley

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very unsupportive

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**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Unsure

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Neither

# Page 11: Additional comments

Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



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Page 3: Your organisation

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Shire of Meekatharra

Page 4: About you

**Q4** What is your name?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Neutral

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Other (please specify):

As tenders most often relate to capital expenditure, the threshold should be a percentage of a local governments average total expenditure (operating and capital combined).with a set minimum of \$200,000 that is amended annually in line with CPI Perth.

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

#### Page 8: Investments

#### **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Yes

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An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

aaron

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

Serpentine-Jarrahdale (Shire)

Q8 What is your age?

36 -

45

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

Page 8: Investments

Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

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Supportive

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Supportive

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Unsupportive

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commercial

Nil

program?



Page 2: About you

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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Henry Stawarz

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Cambridge (Town)

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -

75

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

Other (please specify):

Procurement rules should align with those applicable within state government

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

# Page 8: Investments

#### **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

**Supportive** 

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent

**Supportive** 

approval."

#### Page 9: Borrowing

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Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

## Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

Yes

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Both environmental and commercial

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Investment and procurement procedures should be aligned to State Government rules with key requirements to the community again being:

- transparency,
- accountability,
- risk management (generally low risk),
- avoidance of significant and long term debt.



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Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Councillor Tilbury

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

Council member, including Mayor or President

government?

**Q6** What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Chittering (Shire)** 

Q8 What is your age?

Not applicable

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Neutral

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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No

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No

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Very supportive

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**Supportive** 

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Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

XXX

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Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

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**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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Councillor Osborn

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

**President** 

**Q6** What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Chittering (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

Not applicable

Page 5: About you

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No

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Neutral

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Supportive

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None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

**Supportive** 

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Yes

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Yourself

## Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

## Page 4: About you

**Q4** What is your name?

Councillor Osborn

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Council member, including Mayor or

**President** 

**Q6** What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Chittering (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

Not applicable

## Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

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No

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Neutral

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Supportive

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## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

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No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

**Supportive** 

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Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Yes

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Yes

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Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

**Q4** What is your name?

Councillor King

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

**President** 

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Chittering (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

## Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Very supportive
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very unsupportive
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

## Page 8: Investments

## Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very unsupportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Very unsupportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Very unsupportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Very supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure No loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to No participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the **Neither** program? Page 11: Additional comments **Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



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Yes

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Yourself

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**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Councillor Ross

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

President

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Claremont (Town)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -

65

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

#### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus Very revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure Yes loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to **Unsure** participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Both environmental and program? commercial Page 11: Additional comments **Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Merredin

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Respondent skipped this question

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

# Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

## Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

## Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Yes

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Both environmental and commercial

# Page 11: Additional comments

Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Central Country Zone

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Other (please specify):

No criteria should be supplied

#### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Unsure

#### Page 8: Investments

#### **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

**Supportive** 

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

## Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to	Unsure
participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Ulisuie
<b>Q20</b> What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Other (please specify):
	The Central Country Zone whilst noting the City of Perth request is not sufficiently familiar with the concept to provide an opinion

Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf

of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Patrick Jeannerat

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Perth (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

36 -

45

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Neutral

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Neutral

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

An independent risk assessment

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

**Unsure** 

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

**Unsure** 

Page 8: Investments

Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus

Neutral

revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

**Neutral** 

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Neutral

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

**Unsure** 

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Unsure
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Yes
<b>Q20</b> What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Other (please specify): Enviro, Accessibility, Heritage, Commercial (incl potential conversion to Residential), at extent clearly stipulated (Additionality Principle!)

Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Karen Chappel

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

**President** 

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Morawa (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -

65

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial r	nanagement
Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	State Government
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statem	ents?
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Unsupportive
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Unsupportive
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Unsupportive
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government
Page 7: Who should authorise payments?	
Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?	No

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's	No
size or capacity?	

Page 8: Investments

# Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Supportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Unsupportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Unsupportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure Yes loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to Yes participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the **Environmental upgrades** program? Page 11: Additional comments **Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Bruce Rock

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

**Supportive** 

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

**Unsure** 

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

#### **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure Yes loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to Yes participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Both environmental and program?

#### Page 11: Additional comments

Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

commercial

Restrictions on purchasing (similar to the State Government) in smaller local governments would create problems, such as the ability to use local trades and business which provides crucial support to the local economy.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Sally Kenton

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Joondalup (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -75

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial r	nanagement
Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	State Government
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statement	ents?
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Very supportive
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very unsupportive
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Very unsupportive
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government
Page 7: Who should authorise payments?	
Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?	Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to
spend without needing additional approval from
Council be scaled according to the local government's
size or capacity?

No

Page 8: Investments

# Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very unsupportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Very unsupportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Very unsupportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Very supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure No loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to No participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Respondent skipped this question

## Page 11: Additional comments

program?

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Our Local Government bodies are not agile, smart and inclusive and should not be involved in spending ratepayer money beyond basic services and needs of ratepayers.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Maurice Battilana

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Chapman Valley (Shire)** 

Q8 What is your age?

56 -65

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial management		
Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No	
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	State Government	
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?		
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Supportive	
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Supportive	
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Very supportive	
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government	
Page 7: Who should authorise payments?		
Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?	Yes	
Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?	No	
Page 8: Investments		
Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?		
"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive	
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their	Very supportive	

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Very unsupportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Very unsupportive

# Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Unsure
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Neither
Page 11: Additional comments	

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Dave Blackburn

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Joondalup (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -75

15

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial management		
Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No	
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	State Government	
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statement	ents?	
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Very supportive	
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very unsupportive	
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Supportive	
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government	
Page 7: Who should authorise payments?		
Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from	Yes	

is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?	
Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?	Yes

Page 8: Investments

# Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very unsupportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Very unsupportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Very unsupportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Very supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure No loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to No participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Neither

#### Page 11: Additional comments

program?

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Residents pay their rates primarily for basic services. They don't want to be involved in financial schemes that expose ratepayers to having to pay for loan defaults or poor investments.

Local Government reports in the online world should facilitate a drill down facility whereby a click on a line item could reveal underlying transactions. The more transparency and ease of access to detail the better.



Page 2: About you

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf

of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Leanne Chaproniere

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Cockburn (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -65

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

## Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

An independent risk assessment

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

## Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

#### Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

No

## Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

No

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Both environmental and commercial

#### Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Local government wages and superannuation should be bought in line with private enterprise. CEO wages should be limited to an amount of a corporation of the same size. Wage increases should be in line with private enterprise.



Page 2: About you

Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Alan Perkins

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Belmont (City)** 

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -65

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

An independent risk assessment

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

Page 8: Investments

Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent

Very supportive

approval."

Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure **Unsure** loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to **Unsure** participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Other (please program? specify): Only with demonstrated community consultation and support

Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Financial management should be as open as possible with as much community consultation and support as possible. Chances for corruption should be minimised and as such should be State Govt oversight



Page 2: About you

Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

City of Armadale

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

## Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Nο

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

### Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Unsupportive

## Page 9: Borrowing

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**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

## Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

Yes

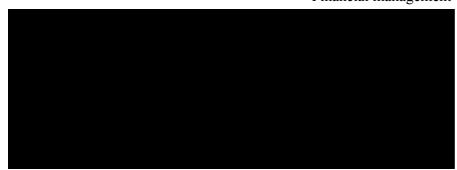
**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Both environmental and commercial

### Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

The operating surplus ratio is a critical indicator of Local Government Financial Sustainability but is subject to fluctuations due to abnormal items. There is no capacity in the Accounting Standards to identify and remove the abnormal items however DLGSCI can amend its own financial indicators in the 'My Council' website to allow LG's to identify abnormal items and remove them.



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An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

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City of Armadale

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

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No

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Supportive

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**Supportive** 

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Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Unsupportive

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Shire of Collie

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

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Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

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**Supportive** 

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Supportive

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Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

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Nο

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Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

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Supportive

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Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

## Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Unsure

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Both environmental and commercial

## Page 11: Additional comments

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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

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Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

City of Wanneroo

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

...

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local **Unsupportive** governments."

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets Very unsupportive should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

### Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus Supportive revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent Supportive approval."

Page 9: Borrowing

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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Belinda Trowbridge

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Female

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Rockingham (City)

Q8 What is your age?

36 -

45

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to No be confidential? Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements? "Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with Very supportive the State Government." "Different procurement rules should apply to different local **Supportive** governments." "Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets **Supportive** should have fewer procurement rules to comply with." Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold Salaries and Allowance Tribunal for when a local government must publicly advertise a bands tender? (select all options that should apply) Page 7: Who should authorise payments? **Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO Yes is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Supportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Supportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Supportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Supportive

## Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Yes
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Both environmental and commercial
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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

**Christine Cunningham** 

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

**President** 

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Canning (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very supportive

Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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Supportive

Supportive

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Very supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

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**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Respondent skipped this question



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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Terresa Lynes

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

**President** 

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Gosnells (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

## Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

## Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

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Supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very unsupportive

#### Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

## Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Yes

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

**Environmental upgrades** 

## Page 11: Additional comments

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

XXXX

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

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Yes

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## Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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Very unsupportive

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Very unsupportive

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No

#### Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

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Neutral

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Neutral

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**Unsure** 

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Unsure

## Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

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Both environmental and commercial

## Page 11: Additional comments

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Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

**Q4** What is your name?

Effie Nicholson

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Other

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Melville (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

Not applicable

Page 5: About you

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Yes

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Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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Very unsupportive

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Very unsupportive

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No

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Very unsupportive

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Very unsupportive

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Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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My local government Melville, has proven on many occasions that they will NOT abide by the LG Act/Regulations in regards to major land transactions.

By way of example, (as reported by PerthNow March 18, 2018) we have the Moreau Mews Canning Bridge major land transaction.

"A Local Government Act requirement that councils prepare and advertise a business case before entering into major land transactions, which are defined as being worth the lesser of \$10 million or 10 per cent of the local government's revenue — or, crucially, any land transaction preparatory to the entry of a major land transaction.

No business case was prepared ahead of any of the three purchases and each was debated and authorised behind closed doors, ..."

In relation to beneficial enterprises, I do not want the City of Melville, or for that matter, any WA council competing with the private sector in property development of any kind.

One of the major disadvantages of these beneficial enterprises is to by-pass the provisions of the LG Act/Regulations and not produce a publicly-advertised business case.

As the WA property Council has publicly stated: should a council-development fail, ratepayers would be at risk of footing the bill.

Councils should stick to their narrow range of expertise: roads, rates & rubbish.



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**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf **Yourself** of?

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

test

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

State Government agency

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Not listed

Q8 What is your age? 19 - 35

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No	
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Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?	Respondent skipped this question	
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Shire of Mundaring

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Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

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No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

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"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Neutral

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

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Consideration should be given to undertake a review of the statutory financial and asset management ratios that local governments are required to report on. Are the current prescribed ratios the best indicators of long-term financial sustainability?



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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Eigil Nielsen

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Male

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

Melville (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -

75

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Other (please specify):

All tenders must be advertised.

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

Page 8: Investments

Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their

Very unsupportive

ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

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Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Josh Wilson

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Claremont (Town)

**Q8** What is your age?

19 -35

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

# Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Neutral

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

Other (please specify):

Need for simplicity is important, this is why I support a single rule across all LG. Perhaps though, rural councils should have option to side-step procurement rules when they can demonstrate a lack of competition in the local marketplace - this would help minimise unnecessary administrative work.

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

**Unsure** 

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

**Unsure** 

Page 8: Investments

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Neutral
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Very unsupportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Supportive
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**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Both environmental and commercial

Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

I would like to recommend changes to the LG Act and Regs specifically to allow local governments to support renewable energy installations on private property.

I have been looking into establishing a scheme in my local council similar to Darebin in Victoria. Provision in the Act is needed to allow local governments to fund small-scale renewable energy (and potentially battery) installations and re-coup these costs through an annual charge over 5-10 years. The mechanism would be similar to that used for underground power levies but obviously it would only be at the request of an owner (i.e. cannot be imposed without owner's consent).

This is different to Building Upgrade Financing, which I realise is also being considered. BUF is not designed to be applied to small-scale and residential products so a different approach is needed for this to be viable.

Options for funding include group funding, whereby individual costs are averaged over a number of properties or direct passthrough of costs. I believe the Act and regs should be amended to allow both options in order to allow councils the ability to determine what works in their situation. Councils can also choose to be a direct purchaser and installer of equipment or can outsource these to established companies. Again, the changes should allow for both of these options.

Giving Councils this ability would:

- 1 Increase installations by removing the need for owners to research, self-educate and obtain quotes for renewable energy systems. Trust is a major issue in this industry as the quality of components and installation methods can vary wildly and many companies are not in it 'for the long haul'.
- 2 Benefit from economies of scale allowing for owners to get better value for money.
- 3 Allow councils to show leadership in a defining challenge of our generation.
- 4 Make a substantial difference to the State's carbon emissions. A 5kW photovoltaic system in Perth saves around 5 tons of CO2 emissions per year. Council-led programs will result in systems being installed years earlier than planned and in many cases where owners would not have installed them at all.

So long as it allows for the flexibility above I support WALGA's proposal to modify Regulation 54 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations be amended as follows:

54. Works etc. prescribed for service charges on land - Act's. 6.38 (1)

For the purposes of section 6.38(1), the following are prescribed as works, services and facilities:

- (a) property surveillance and security;
- (b) television and radio rebroadcasting;
- (c) underground electricity;
- (d) water; and

\*new entry\* (e) renewable energy infrastructure.

Thank you.



Page 2: About you

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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Tom Burbidge

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Mundaring (Shire)

Q8 What is your age?

66 -75

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the **Yes** Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

# Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Very unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

**Supportive** 

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

An independent risk assessment

Other (please specify):

How can country LG's get "Projects" done if limited to a "band" ot percentage. There needs to be a flexable method perhaps by Treasury.

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

#### **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent

Very supportive

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#### Page 9: Borrowing

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**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

## Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

Yes

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Both environmental and commercial

#### Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Small rate base country LGs need special attention to achieve financial health. Free State advice rather than expensive WALGA options.



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Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Nathan Russell

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Subiaco (City)

Q8 What is your age?

36 -

45

Page 5: About you

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**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

"Certain types of investments should require independent

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

**Supportive** 

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Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
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Yes

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An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

City of Busselton

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

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Supportive

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Unsupportive

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Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

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No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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**Supportive** 

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Yes

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City of Swan

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

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Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

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Very unsupportive

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Salaries and Allowance Tribunal

bands

An independent risk

assessment

A percentage of a local government's average

operating expenditure

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No

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

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Very supportive

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**Supportive** 

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**Supportive** 

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Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Lake Grace

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

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Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

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Very unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

**Supportive** 

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Other (please specify): No criteria should be applied

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

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Yes

Q15 Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Unsure

#### Page 8: Investments

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Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their

Neutral

ability to invest surplus revenue."

**Supportive** 

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Supportive

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Annual Reports need to be simplified to enable the community to understand the reports.

Establish a tiered arrangement for not only governance, but also financial management.

As much of our financial reporting is controlled by AAS a case should be developed to present to the Minister to limit the applicability if the AAS on local government.

Support increasing the tender threshold to \$250,000 with a time frame of one year for individual vendors.

Reg 30(3) be amended to delete the threshold on disposition when used solely for purchasing other property.

s6.16 That a review be undertaken to remove Fees & Charges from legislation and empower Councils to set Fees & Charges for Local Government services.

Individual Councils should set the threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without Council approval.



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Yourself

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Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

WA Treasury Corporation

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

**State Government** 

agency

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Not applicable / the submission is from an

organisation

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Prefer not to

say

**Q8** What is your age?

Not applicable

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Neutral

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Other (please specify):

Tiered dollar amount depending on total operating revenue

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Unsure

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Yes

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Supportive

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WATC will send an additional submission covering some specific issues not addressed in the survey.



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Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Andrew Brien

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Bayswater (City)** 

Q8 What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

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No

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Unsupportive

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Unsupportive

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Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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Nο

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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Supportive

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Supportive

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Q14 - explanatory note. No, the local government through setting the budget already consider and apply relevant levels of expenditure.

Q15 - explanatory note. No, the local government should set a variance policy which would be a public document outlining the Council expectations and variances.

Q17 - explanatory note. Yes, especially if the primary purpose of the loan is around the development of incoming generating assets



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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

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Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

City of Mandurah

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align I	local government	tender rules v	vith the S	State Government

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

**Supportive** 

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Other (please specify):

Risk assessment (does not need to be independent) or as set in Policy which must be given State-wide public notice.

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

## Page 8: Investments

# Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

**Supportive** 

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Neutral

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Unsupportive

#### Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

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Q19 Should local governments be permitted to
participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

Yes

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

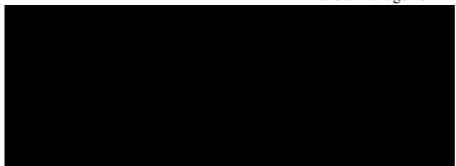
Both environmental and commercial

# Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Consideration should be given to amending:

- 1. Part 4 Division 2 [Tenders] of the Local Government Functions and General Regulations:
- 11(2)(e) to allow local governments to purchase from other local government panels.
- 2. Part 4A Regional Price Preference:
- To include quotations, not just tenders.
- To include for qualitative regional preferences (e.g. local employment) and have % weighting.
- 24B(2) definition of Regional Tenderer to remove "six months" and be replaced with "established".
- To include for % preference for the components of regionally sourced goods and services from non-regional tenderers (local content).



Page 2: About you

**Q1** Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

City of Perth

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

# Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Nο

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

# Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

Yes

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Other (please specify):

Environmental, commercial and rectification works for

buildings with combustible cladding

# Page 11: Additional comments

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See Submission on Building Upgrade Finance and additional Response Commentary submitted to the Department on 27/03/19.



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Yes

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An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

City of Kalamunda

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

## Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

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"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Neutral

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Neutral

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**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Yes

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Yes

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Both environmental and commercial

# Page 11: Additional comments

Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

**Q1** Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf **Yourself** of?

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation? Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Steve Walker

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the most?

Prefer not to say

Q8 What is your age? 36 -

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

# Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

## Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

An independent risk assessment

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

Other (please specify):

There could be other options which are not listed above.

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

## Page 8: Investments

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"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

**Supportive** 

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

## Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Unsure

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

No

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Other (please specify):

Can agree in City of Perth, and City of Fremantle. For City of Perth to allow some older commercial buildings to be upgraded. Rather than they blight away. Not for the rest of the metro area.

## Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

I'd say Tender of \$250 000 and over. 3 weeks notice in State wide.

Ok with a bit of debt. ie. increase in current behaviour generally of metro WA local governments. Though not into 'large debt territory'.

Invest -Australian funds, assets.

Is a little bit complex with me.

Not happy with WALGA taking its commission every year, on a range of matters, not informing the public, THEN campaigning against a reduction in metro local governments. Clearly they are protecting their 'control' and financial 'cloud position' in Perth metro and WA.

In regards to Question 18. Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold? c. Unsure. Some assets can agree with such as civic buildings, waste facilities. Other assets such as empty, and/or brownfield, land assets. NO.



Page 2: About you

Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf

of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Dan Bull

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

**President** 

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Bayswater (City)** 

**Q8** What is your age?

36 -

45

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to	No
be confidential?	

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with	Neutral
the State Government."	
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local	Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Unsupportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Unsupportive
"Different local governments should have different investment	Very unsupportive

powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)	Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget,  Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose,  Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over
Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Respondent skipped this question
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance  Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Unsure
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Respondent skipped this question
Page 11: Additional comments  Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.	Respondent skipped this question



Page 2: About you

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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

City of Kwinana

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

## Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Neutral

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Other (please specify):

It is recommended that the criteria should be \$250,000 or 1% of a local governments operating expenditure (excluding non cash items), whichever is the greater, and that the Office of the Auditor General verify the amount for the following financial year in their audit report of the financial statements. This will remove any uncertainty in the calculation of the threshold amount. For the City of Kwinana, if the threshold was set at 1% of the operating expenditure this would generate a tender threshold of \$557K. It is recommended that the WALGA preferred supplier and State Government Common Use Agreements remain applicable for local governments.

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

Page 8: Investments

# Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus Very supportive revenue." "Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their Neutral ability to invest surplus revenue."

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

**Supportive** 

## Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

No

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

No

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Neither

## Page 11: Additional comments

Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Dr Kaj NIEUKERKE

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Esperance (Shire)** 

**Q8** What is your age?

66 -75

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

## Page 8: Investments

Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus

Supportive

revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

Where a local government wishes to borrow money outside amounts listed in the annual budget

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the

funds for that purpose

Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

No

Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

Unsure

**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

**Environmental upgrades** 

#### Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Too much power has been transferred to the CEO. He/she should seek explicit approvals from Council for major financial transactions.

Shire manages community affairs and should not speculate with surplus funds rather invest very prudently - IT IS NOT THEIR MONEY!

Councils should be open and accountable. Far too often Esperance Shire is able to hide behind closed doors and conduct business without public scrutiny, or if so, this happens AFTER the fact.



Page 2: About you

**Q1** Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

City of Karratha

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

## Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

## Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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No

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Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

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Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Neutral

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Supportive

## Page 9: Borrowing

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The Regional Price Preference should be increased to provide greater support for local procurement.

A reduction in the number of compulsory financial ratios to be reported on in particular the removal of the asset sustainability ratio.



Page 2: About you

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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Westonia

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

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Supportive

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Unsure

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

## Page 8: Investments

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Supportive

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Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

**Supportive** 

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Yes

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An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

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Supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Neutral

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

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None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

## Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Very supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Unsupportive

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**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

No

# Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? Unsure

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Other (please specify):

Council has insufficient knowledge of Building Upgrade Finance to offer comments on this question.

Page 11: Additional comments

Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Swan Valley Ratepayers and Residents Association

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Respondent skipped this question

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

## Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very supportive

Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

## Page 8: Investments

ability to invest surplus revenue."

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

Page 9: Borrowing

Q17 Should local governments be required to give Where a local government wishes to borrow money public notice in any of the following situations? (Please outside amounts listed in the annual budget select all options that should apply) Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure Yes loans using assets that they own freehold? Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance Q19 Should local governments be permitted to Unsure participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? **Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the Commercial upgrades program? Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Respondent skipped this question



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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Gidgegannup Progress Association Inc.

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Yes

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local Unsupportive

governments."

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

## Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus Supportive revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment very unsupportive powers and rules."

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

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## Page 11: Additional comments

program?

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Both environmental and

commercial

Local Government needs greater accountability and transparency. If there are surplus funds rates should be reduced



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Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Suzanne Thompson

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Joondalup (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

36 -

45

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Financial management		
Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No	
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the	e State Government	
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statem	ents?	
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Very supportive	
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very unsupportive	
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Very unsupportive	
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government	
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Q16 To what extent do you support the following statem	ents?	
"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Neutral	
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Very unsupportive	

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powers and rules."

approval."

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

"Different local governments should have different investment

"Certain types of investments should require independent

Public notice is not required in any of these situations

Very unsupportive

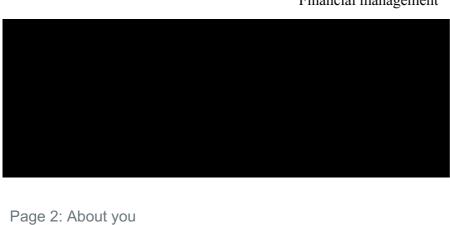
Very supportive

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	No
Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance	
<b>Q19</b> Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?	Yes
Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?	Environmental upgrades

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**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Transparency is needed and consistency of reporting. It's that simple. It is currently all but impossible to follow the reports the City of Joondalup put out for their ongoing budgets.



Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Liz

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Council member, including Mayor or

**President** 

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Katanning (Shire)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Unsupportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very supportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

An independent risk assessment

#### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

## Page 8: Investments

## Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Supportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

**Supportive** 

### Page 9: Borrowing

**Q17** Should local governments be required to give public notice in any of the following situations? (Please select all options that should apply)

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Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose but no longer wishes to use the funds for that purpose

Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure **Unsure** loans using assets that they own freehold?

Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

Q19 Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs? **Unsure** 

Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Neither

Page 11: Additional comments

Q21 Do you have any additional comments on the topic Respondent skipped this question of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.



Page 2: About you

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Yes

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Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

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Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

**Q4** What is your name?

Rashelle Predovnik

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Swan (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

Very unsupportive

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

An independent risk assessment

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

Other (please specify):

Procurement rules should be consistent across local government to ensure basic sound policy across the board.

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

No

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

#### Page 8: Investments

#### Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Very unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very unsupportive

## Page 9: Borrowing

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Where a local government has exercised its power to borrow for a purpose and has funding left over

**Q18** Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?

Unsure

Page 10: Building Upgrade Finance

**Q19** Should local governments be permitted to participate in Building Upgrade Finance programs?

Yes

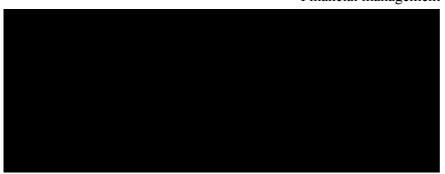
**Q20** What types of upgrades should be eligible for the program?

Both environmental and commercial

## Page 11: Additional comments

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue into what exactly? What would be prohibited? More detail is needed here.



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Yes

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Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

**Q4** What is your name?

Lorna Buchan

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Rockingham (City)

**Q8** What is your age?

46 - 55

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

## Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Supportive
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very unsupportive
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Very unsupportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

No

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## Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Unsupportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Very supportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Very supportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Very supportive

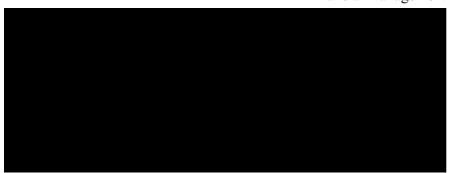
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Spending on boozy parties and junkets needs rectified. Stringent guidelines should be issued for spending other peoples money on alcohol and holidays. It just should not be allowed.



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Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Beryl

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Swan (City)

Q8 What is your age?

56 -65

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

No

# Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government." Very supportive

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

**Supportive** 

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

An independent risk assessment

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

#### Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

## Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

**Supportive** 

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Very unsupportive

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

Unsupportive

"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."

Very supportive

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specify):

be doing this.

This should depend on the council - some rural council may need greater access to this; urban councils should not

Local government needs to stick to it's core activities not getting involved in private sector activities.



Page 2: About you

Q1 Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

**Q3** What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Pat Lowe

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

**Q6** What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Broome (Shire)** 

**Q8** What is your age?

76 +

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."

"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets

Neutral

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

## Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Yes

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

**Supportive** 

#### Page 8: Investments

## **Q16** To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Certain types of investments should require independent

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."

"Unsupportive

Very unsupportive

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Yes

Q2 Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Stella

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Resident / ratepayer

Q6 What best describes your gender?

**Female** 

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

**Bayswater (City)** 

**Q8** What is your age?

56 -65

Page 5: About you

Q9 Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Yes Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

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Q10 Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?	No
Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government	
Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?	
"Local government purchasing rules should be consistent with the State Government."	Very supportive
"Different procurement rules should apply to different local governments."	Very unsupportive
"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."	Very unsupportive
Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)	None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government
Page 7: Who should authorise payments?	
Q14 Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?	Yes

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# Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."	Unsupportive
"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."	Unsupportive
"Different local governments should have different investment powers and rules."	Unsupportive
"Certain types of investments should require independent approval."	Very supportive

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#### Page 11: Additional comments

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Q20 What types of upgrades should be eligible for the

**Q21** Do you have any additional comments on the topic of financial management? Additional information can also be provided to the review team via email at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Neither

All community who want to be involved (instead of a small select group) should have the ability to participate in the formation of the budget including review donations, write-offs and debt collection, additional fees/charges. Local government should also be required to rank budget items according to priority ie low; medium; high. This should tie into a maintenance schedule which provides an overall view on that financial years expenditure. No additional projects can be added until the Medium and High items have been completed.



Page 2: About you

**Q1** Have you read the discussion paper associated with this survey?

Yes

**Q2** Who are you completing this submission on behalf of?

An organisation, including a Local Government, peak body or a business

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

**WEROC** 

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name? Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** What best describes your relationship to local government?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which local government do you interact with the most?

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Respondent skipped this question

**Q8** What is your age?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: About you

**Q9** Would you like to be updated on the progress of the Local Government Act 1995 review and further opportunities to have your say?

No

**Q10** Do you wish for your responses to this survey to be confidential?

Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

#### Q12 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments with few staff or small operating budgets should have fewer procurement rules to comply with."

Supportive

Q13 What criteria should be used to set the threshold for when a local government must publicly advertise a tender? (select all options that should apply)

None. Procurement rules should be consistent across local government

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Salaries and Allowance Tribunal

A percentage of a local government's average operating expenditure

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Other (please specify):

No criteria should be applied.

# Page 7: Who should authorise payments?

**Q14** Should the regulations set a threshold that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing approval from Council?

Respondent skipped this question

**Q15** Should the amount that a CEO is permitted to spend without needing additional approval from Council be scaled according to the local government's size or capacity?

Yes

## Page 8: Investments

## Q16 To what extent do you support the following statements?

"Local governments should be permitted to invest surplus revenue."

Supportive

"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

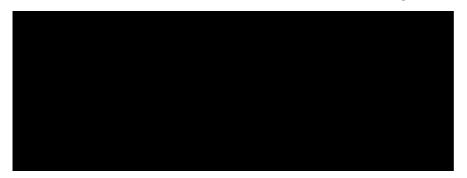
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Q18 Should local governments be permitted to secure loans using assets that they own freehold?	Yes
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Yes

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Yourself

Page 3: Your organisation

Q3 What is the name of that organisation?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 4: About you

Q4 What is your name?

Jamie Criddle

Q5 What best describes your relationship to local

government?

Staff member or CEO

Q6 What best describes your gender?

Male

Q7 Which local government do you interact with the

most?

Westonia (Shire)

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Not applicable

Page 5: About you

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#### Page 6: Align local government tender rules with the State Government

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Salaries and Allowance Tribunal bands

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**Unsure** 

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Yes

#### Page 8: Investments

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"Local governments should have fewer restrictions on their ability to invest surplus revenue."

Neutral

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Supportive

## Page 9: Borrowing

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Shire of Carnarvon

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Section 6.8 of the LG act needs to be clarified and should also include a material variance amount.