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VISION STATEMENT

A connected community, valuing nature and creating our Future Together.

VALUES

Our Values will guide achievement

Service	We deliver excellent service by actively engaging and listening to each other.
Respect	We trust and respect each other by valuing our difference, communicating openly and showing integrity in all we do.
Diversity	We challenge ourselves by keeping our minds open and looking for all possibilities and opportunities.
Ethics	We provide honest, open, equitable and responsive leadership by demonstrating high standards of ethical behaviour.
Creativity	We create and innovate to improve all we do.
Courage	We take risks that are calculated to lead us to a bold new future.
Prosperity	We will ensure our City has a robust economy through a mixture of industrial and commercial development.
Harmony	We will retain our natural assets in balance with our built environment.

LEGISLATION ADMINISTERED

The following is a list of enabling legislation and legislation for which the City is responsible.

STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATION

Legislation	Details
BUILDING CODE OF AUSTRALIA	A series of Codes prescribing building standards throughout Australia.

BUILDING ACT 2011	<p>An Act to provide for the following -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permits for building work and demolition work; • Standards for the construction and demolition of buildings and incidental structures; • The use and maintenance of, and requirements in relation to, existing buildings and incidental structures; • Work affecting land other than land on which the work is done; • The amendment of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1960 and various other Acts • The repeal of the Building Regulations 1989 and the Local Government (Prohibition on Dealings in Land) Regulations 1973
BUSH FIRES ACT 1954 AND ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS	<p>An Act to make better provision for diminishing the dangers resulting from bushfires, for the prevention, control and extinguishment of bushfires.</p>
CARAVAN AND CAMPING GROUNDS ACT 1995	<p>An Act to provide for the licensing of caravan parks and camping grounds, to regulate caravanning and camping, and to improve and promote caravanning and camping. It also ensures that the design and layout of land used for caravan parks and camping grounds and the provision and availability of amenities and services meet desirable standards. Finally, it ensures that the standards of caravans and annexes in caravan parks are adequate to protect the health and safety of the occupiers.</p>
CITIZENSHIP ACT 2007	<p>This Act set out how to become an Australian citizen, the circumstances in which a person may cease to be a citizen and some other matters related to citizenship.</p>
CONTROL OF VEHICLES (OFF-ROAD AREAS) 1978	<p>An Act to prohibit the use of vehicles in certain places, to make provision as to the use of vehicles otherwise than on a road, to provide for areas where the use of off-road vehicles shall be permitted, for the registration of off-road vehicles, and for related purposes. This Act is currently being reviewed by the Department of Local Government.</p>
DIVIDING FENCES ACT 1961	<p>An Act relating to the construction and repair of dividing fences between certain lands.</p>

DOG ACT 1976 AND ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS	An Act to amend and consolidate the law relating to the control and registration of dogs, the ownership and keeping of dogs and the obligations and rights of persons in relation thereto, and for incidental and other purposes.
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986	An Act to provide for an Environmental Protection Authority, for the prevention, control and abatement of environmental pollution, for the conservation, preservation, protection, enhancement and management of the environment.
EVIDENCE ACT 1906	An Act to consolidate and amend the statute law of evidence.
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT AND REGULATIONS 1992	An Act to provide for public access to documents, and to enable the public to ensure that personal information in documents is accurate, complete, up to date and not misleading, and for related purposes.
HEALTH ACT 1911	An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Public Health.
HERITAGE OF WA ACT 1990	An Act requiring all local authorities to compile and regularly review an inventory of local places which are significant or may become significant heritage properties.
INTERPRETATION ACT 1918	An Act to amend and consolidate the law relating to the construction, application, interpretation, and operation of written law; to provide for the exercise of statutory powers and duties, and to provide for connected or incidental purposes.
JUSTICES ACT 1902	An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Justices of the Peace and their Powers and Authorities.
LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT 1997	An Act to consolidate and reform the law about Crown land and the compulsory acquisition of land generally, to repeal the <i>Land Act 1933</i> and to provide for related matters.
LAND VALUATION TRIBUNALS 1978	
LIBRARY BOARD OF WA ACT 1951	An Act to provide for the Constitution and Functions of a Library Board and for other purposes.

LIQUOR LICENSING ACT 1988 AND ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS	An Act, administered in part by Local Government, to regulate the sale, supply and consumption of liquor, use of premises on which liquor is sold and the services and facilities provided in conjunction with or ancillary to the sale of liquor.
LITTER ACT 1979 AND ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS	An Act to make provision for the abatement of litter, to establish, incorporate and confer powers upon the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (WA).
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995 AND ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS	An Act to provide for a system of local government in Western Australia, to amend the Local Government Act 1960 and for related purposes.
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AMENDMENT ACT 2006	An Act that changes the date of Local Government Elections.
LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS ACT 1978	An Act to provide for the distribution to local governments in WA of certain financial assistance provided by the Commonwealth.
LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Miscellaneous Provisions) ACT 1960 AND ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS	An Act to deal with certain matters concerning local government.
MAIN ROADS ACT 1930	An Act to consolidate and amend the law relating to and making provision for the construction, maintenance and supervision of highways, main and secondary roads, and other roads, the control of access to roads and for other relative purposes.
METROPOLITAN REGION SCHEME	The Metropolitan Region Scheme is a statutory land use planning scheme for the Perth Metropolitan Region. It comprises a set of twelve maps and a text which, together with the Metropolitan Town Planning Scheme Act 1959, governs the operation of the Scheme. Under the Metropolitan Region Scheme, land is classified into reservations or broad zones, and the development of and is controlled by the various measures provided for in the Scheme text.
METROPOLITAN REGION TOWN PLANNING SCHEME ACT 1959	This Act provides for the creation of District Planning Committees. Six geographically based groups represent the twenty-nine (29) local government authorities within the Perth Metropolitan Region.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE ACT 1984 AND ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS	An Act, administered in part by Local Government to promote and improve standards for occupational health, safety and welfare and to coordinate the administration of the laws relating to occupational health, safety and welfare and for incidental and other purposes.
PARKS AND RESERVES ACT 1895	An Act for the control and management of certain land reserved to the Crown.
PARLIAMENTARY COMMISSIONER ACT 1971	An Act to provide the appointment of a Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations for the investigation of administrative action taken by or on behalf of certain government departments and other authorities and for incidental purposes.
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2005	An Act to provide for a system of land use planning and development in the State and for related purposes.
PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE ACT 2003	An Act to facilitate the disclosure of public interest information, to provide protection for those who make disclosures and for those the subject of disclosures, and, in consequence, to amend various Acts, and for related purposes.
PUBLIC WORKS ACT 1902	An Act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to public works.
RATES AND CHARGES (REBATES AND DEFERMENTS) ACT 1992	An Act to permit administrative authorities to allow rebates on, or the deferral of payment of, certain amounts payable by way of rates or charges by pensioners and other eligible persons.
RESIDENTIAL DESIGN CODES OF WA 2002	
STATE RECORDS ACT 2000	An Act to provide for the keeping of State records and for related purposes.
STRATA TITLES ACT 1985	An Act to facilitate the subdivision of land into cubic spaces and the disposition of titles thereto, to provide for incidental and connected purposes.
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT 1997	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS (LOW IMPACT FACILITIES) DETERMINATION 1997	

TOBACCO CONTROL ACT 1990 AND ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS	An Act, administered in part by Local Government to regulate the sale and promotion of tobacco products.
TOWN PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 1928	This Act provides for the planning and development of land for urban, suburban and rural purposes. The general objective of this Act is to improve and develop land to the best possible advantage, and to balance the use of all land resource.
VALUATION OF LAND ACT 1978	An Act to provide for the valuation of land and for other purposes.
WATERWAYS CONSERVATION ACT 1976	
DISABILITY SERVICES ACT 1993	
WORKERS COMPENSATION AND ASSISTANCE ACT 1981	

CITY OF KALAMUNDA LOCAL LAWS

Local Law	Details
City of Kalamunda Bee Keeping Local Law 2008	Enables the Council to regulate the keeping of bees to ensure they do not cause a nuisance.
City of Kalamunda Dogs Local Law 2010	Enables the Council to regulate the keeping of dogs, dog exercise areas and licensing within the City.
Local Government Model Local Laws (Extractive Industries) No 9	Enables the Council to regulate the excavation or recovery of materials from any land within the City.
City of Kalamunda Local Laws Relating to Fencing	Enables the Council to regulate fencing location and specifications in the City.
City of Kalamunda Health Local Law 2011	
Local Law Relating to Numbering Houses and Buildings	Enables the Council to regulate the numbering of houses and buildings within the City.
Local Government Model By-law (Old Refrigerators and Cabinets) No.8	Enables the Council to regulate the disposal of old refrigerators and cabinets.
Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law 2019	To enable the Council to regulate parking stations, parking stalls and metered zones within the City.
City of Kalamunda Pest Plant By-Laws, 1979	Enables the Council to control the growth of pest plants in the City.
City of Kalamunda Local Government Property Local Law	Enables the Council to maintain the amenity, regulate the use of and ensure access to the City's property for all residents of the City.
Local Government Model By-laws (Removal and Disposal of Obstructing Animals or Vehicles) No.7	Enables the Council to ensure that animals and vehicles are not left to cause obstruction in any public place.
City of Kalamunda Sand Drift and Litter Control Local Law 2006	Enables the Council to control and manage sand drift, rubbish and litter, on building sites and subdivisions on land within the district.
City of Kalamunda Signs, Hoarding and Bill Posting By-Laws	Enables the Council to regulate the erection of signs, hoardings and bill posting within the City.
City of Kalamunda Standing Orders Local Law 2015	Establishes the procedures to be followed at Council meetings to ensure that they are conducted in an orderly manner.

<p>Local Government Model By-Laws (Street Lawns and Gardens) No.11</p>	<p>Enables the Council to maintain the amenity of the City through the regulation of street lawns and gardens.</p>
<p>Trading on Thoroughfares and Public Places Local Law 2008</p>	<p>Enables the council to regulate trading in a public place through the requirement to obtain a licence to trade as such in the City.</p>
<p>Keeping and Control of Animals and Nuisance Local Law 2011</p>	<p>This Local Law enable the Council to control activities or conditions which are harmful, vexatious or annoying.</p>

AGENCY STRUCTURE

The Council of the City of Kalamunda consists of twelve Elected Members including the City of Kalamunda Mayor.

The City has three Directors who are directly responsible to the Chief Executive Officer, who is the most senior officer within the organisation. The Directors oversee the running of the three service areas within the City – Corporate Services, Development Services and Asset Services.

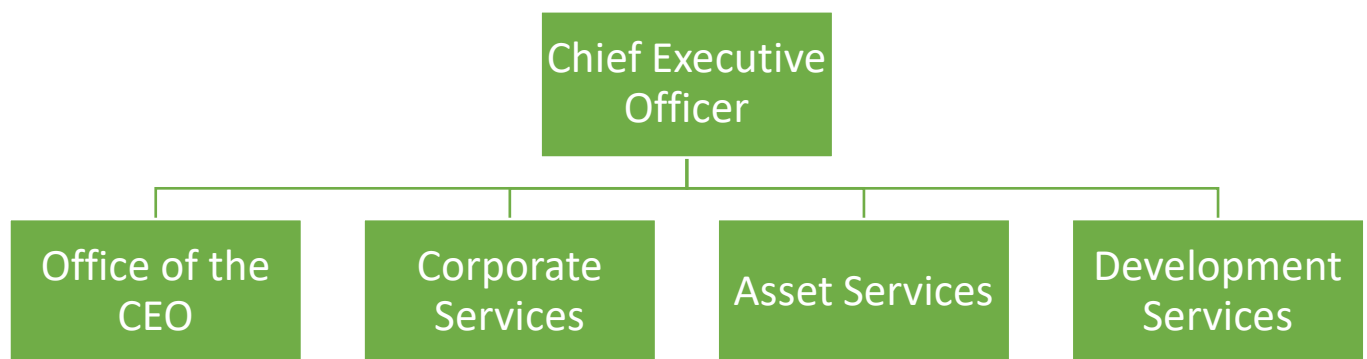
All staff employed by the City are responsible to, and report to, the Chief Executive Officer.

THE COUNCIL

The Council consists of twelve Councillors including the Mayor. Each Elected Member is elected for a term of four years. The Mayor and Deputy Mayor are chosen by the Elected Members every two years and are picked from the Elected Members. The Elected Members also choose a Chairperson for each Committee.

Organisational Structure

The City's organisational structure has four operational and functional areas which are overall guided by the Chief Executive Officer



Three Directorates exist each with several specific business units responsible and accountable for implementing the Corporate Business Plan

Chief Executive Officer - Rhonda Hardy

Office of the CEO

Function: To lead the organisation ensuring compliance with legislative and legal requirements through the management and implementation of decision-making processes. Ensure the City operates in a financially sustainable manner. Manage and mitigate risks and delivery of major transformational projects. Assist the Council in direction setting for the City and maintain highly effective external advocacy and relationship management with key stakeholders.

Office of the CEO	To provide leadership through transparent governance	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Statutory	Elected Member Liaison Council & Committee meetings Election coordination Governance Advice Elected Member teaming Implementation of the Governance Framework Dispute & litigation management Statutory reporting Misconduct investigations & Complaints handling Integrated Planning and reporting Policy Development and Review	4.1.1
Discretionary	Legal Services Directorate reviews	4.1.2
Office of the CEO	Build an effective and efficient service-based organisation	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Statutory	Recruitment and induction Employee relations Employee health, safety and well-being Performance evaluation Workforce planning	4.1.2

Discretionary	Strategic Workforce Planning Learning and development HR reporting Culture and staff relationships Media marketing Customer service Community satisfaction monitoring	4.1.2
Office of the CEO	To proactively engage and partner for the benefit of community	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Discretionary	Undertake advocacy activities and develop partnerships to support growth and reputation. Media, communications and public relations Marketing and graphic design Brand management Civic events and Functions Website and social media	4.2.2
Office of the CEO	To be a community that advocates, facilitates and provides quality lifestyles choices	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Statutory	Access and Inclusion	1.1.1
Discretionary	Community development services Diversity, Youth and Family programs	1.1.2 1.1.2
Office of the CEO	To support the active participation of local communities	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Statutory	Community participation and engagement	4.2.1
Discretionary	Develop Connected Communities and volunteering Events & community facilities management Customer Service	1.3.1 1.3.2 4.1.2
Office of the CEO	Provide safe and healthy environments for community to enjoy	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Discretionary	Recreation planning and management Community Facilities planning Club development and Reserves Management	1.2.3 1.2.3 1.2.3

Corporate Services		
Director – Gary Ticehurst		
Function: To coordinate internal corporate services provision and functions to the organisation and deliver external service relevant to economic development, tourism and culture the arts and library services.		
Corporate Services	To provide leadership through transparent governance	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Statutory	Audit Committee management and Reporting	4.1.1
	Financial & Management accounting and reporting	4.1.1
	Rate levying	4.1.2
	Debt collection	4.1.2
	Payment of Creditors	4.1.2
	Purchasing and Contract management	4.1.2
	Taxation	4.1.1
	Risk Management Coordination	4.1.1
	Records management & FOI	4.1.1
	Payroll	4.1.1
	IT Security	4.1.1
Discretionary	Internal Audit Programming	4.1.1
	ICT and Network services	4.1.2
	Corporate Systems support	4.1.2
	Business process improvement	4.1.2
	GIS	4.1.2
	Organisational Planning and Reporting	4.1.2
	Management of the City's land holdings	4.1.1
	Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery	4.1.2
Corporate Services	Develop and enhance the City's economy	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Discretionary	Economic analysis	3.3.1
	Supports the Economic Advisory Committee	3.3.1
	Economic Development Strategy	3.3.1
	Promotes the City as an attractive place to invest	3.3.1
	Develop partnerships with industry and local business stakeholders to foster economic development	3.3.2

CorporateServices	Be recognised as a preferred tourism destination	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Discretionary	Visitors Centre Operations Tourism Strategy Destination marketing	3.4.1 3.4.1 3.4.1
CorporateServices	A community that advocates, facilitates and provides quality lifestyles choices	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Statutory	Library operations	1.1.3
Discretionary	Library Services Cultural Services and events Art gallery Operations Performing Arts Centre management Arts Strategy	1.1.3 1.3.2 1.3.2 1.3.2 1.3.2

Asset Services		
Director – Brett Jackson		
<p>Function: To plan, design, construct and maintain the physical assets of the City and to maintain and plan for the protection the natural areas. To plan for and enable the strategic asset management and sustainable delivery of infrastructure and waste management service to the City.</p>		
Asset Services	Protect and enhance the environmental values of the City	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Statutory	Parks Asset Planning Conservation & Environmental Advisory Services	1.2.3 2.1.2
Discretionary	Parks and natural areas management Biodiversity planning Local Environment Strategy Urban Forest Strategy Environmental Education programs Street Tree and Plants for Residents Programs Commemorative Tree Planting Program	2.1.1 2.1.2 2.1.3 2.1.2 2.1.3 2.1.1 2.1.1

Asset Services	To provide safe and healthy environments for community to enjoy	
Service Type	Service Objective	StrategicLink
Statutory	Implementation of actions from Bushfire Risk Management Plan	1.2.1
Asset Services	Achieve environmental sustainability through effective natural resource management	
Service Type	Service Objective	StrategicLink
Discretionary	Solar farm investigations Renewal Energy Program Water Plan Managed Aquifer recharge	2.2.1 2.2.2 2.2.1 2.2.1
Asset Services	Reduce the amount of waste produced and increase the amount of reuse and recycling of waste	
Service Type	Service Objective	StrategicLink
Statutory	Waste management and weekly refuse collection services, waste streams in accordance with State Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Act	2.3.1
Discretionary	Value add services – Transfer Station, Litter Control	2.3.1
Asset Services	Optimal management of all assets.	
Service Type	Service Objective	StrategicLink
Statutory	Strategic Asset management Infrastructure Asset management Property Management Building Maintenance Asset Renewal Programs	3.2.1 3.2.1 3.2.1 3.2.1
Discretionary	Major project management Capital works programming New capital works program delivery Technical and consultancy advice Cleaning maintenance Street Lighting services Fleet management	3.2.1 3.2.1 3.2.1 3.2.1 3.2.1 3.2.1 3.2.2

	Strategic planning for stormwater drainage	3.2.1
Asset Services	Provide and advocate for improved transport solutions and better connectivity through integrated transport planning	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Discretionary	Strategic planning for transport and traffic (Kalamunda Moving strategy)	3.2.2
	Manage traffic and road safety	3.2.2
	Acquire funding for infrastructure projects	3.2.2
	Bicycle infrastructure planning and delivery	3.2.2
	Paths and trails planning and delivery	3.2.2

Development Services

Director – Peter Varelis

Function: To coordinate urban planning controls and approvals that meet statutory requirements and ensure high quality build environment outcomes within the City of Kalamunda. To manage compliance and regulatory services, public and environmental health activities and community safety.

Development Services	Plan for diverse and sustainable housing, community facilities and industrial development to meet changing social and economic needs	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Statutory	Statutory planning assessments	3.1.1
	Building license assessments	
	Planning policy review and development	
	Subdivision referrals and advice	
Discretionary	Scheme amendments	3.1.1
	Strategic urban planning	
	Building and planning compliance	
City lead structure planning	3.1.1	
Strategic project planning (new) Strategic project implementation		
Development Services	Identify, examine and manage risk associated with contaminated sites.	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Statutory	Contaminated sites monitoring and management	2.4.1

Discretionary	Contaminated sites planning and remediation	2.4.1
Development Services	Facilitate a safe community environment	
Service Type	Service Objective	Strategic Link
Statutory	<p>Environmental health approval and inspections</p> <p>Environmental health investigations</p> <p>Animal control</p> <p>Fire prevention and management</p> <p>Local law compliance and public safety</p> <p>Parking</p> <p>Emergency management</p> <p>Supports the Local Emergency Management Committee</p>	1.2.1
Discretionary	<p>Public Access CCTV</p> <p>Supports the Bush Fire Advisory Committee</p> <p>Supports the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee</p>	1.2.1

DECISION MAKING FUNCTIONS

THE COUNCIL

The Council is made up of members of the local community who are elected to office by residents and ratepayers of the City.

The Council is led by the Mayor and there are twelve (12) councillors who serve in four wards or electoral districts. The wards are North West, South West, North and South East. As a group they are the decision making body.

Council elections are held every two years, on the third Saturday in October. Anyone who is enrolled on the State Electoral Roll for an address within the City is automatically entitled to vote. Non-resident owners and occupiers (for example, a person who lives in another local government area, but owns a property in the City) may also be entitled to vote but must apply to do so.

THE MAYOR

The Mayor is the City's Civic Leader, presides at all meetings of the Council and in conjunction with the Chief Executive Officer signs every deed, conveyance, agreement and contract under the Common Seal of Council.

The Mayor's position has special emergency powers for decision and direction to the Chief Executive Officer. The position is elected by the Councillors.

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The responsibility for the day to day management of the City rests with the Chief Executive Officer. Under his or her leadership, staff act on Council decisions by developing and putting into practice the Council policies and resolutions.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

The Local Government Act 1995 is an ultra vires type legislation which, in simple terms, means that unless there is something in the provisions of the Act that says a Local Authority can do something, then it is strictly prohibited from undertaking an action, activity or service.

STANDING ORDERS

The Local Laws relating to the Conduct of Proceedings of the Business of the Council, known as the Standing Orders, govern the proceedings of the Council and Committee meetings. In governing the proceedings of a meeting, the Local Law specifically details issues such as the order of business at Council meetings, conduct of the meetings with regard to determinations by the Chairperson, rules of debate, voting and amendments and various miscellaneous matters.

PUBLIC BRIEFING FORUM

The Public Briefing Forum, which is undertaken on the second Tuesday of every month, allows for thorough investigation and consideration of items prior to going to the Full Council Meeting.

STANDING COMMITTEES

There is one Standing Committee, the Audit & Risk Committee, which meets irregularly, but generally every quarter.

The need for committees is due to a necessity for specialisation and to the considerable number of decisions required to be made by local governments in the course of the administration of the municipality. These decisions require thorough investigation and consideration.

A Standing Committee is a permanent committee of the Council established generally for a period of two years. The committee is comprised of Elected Members only and the powers and duties are determined by delegation from the Council. The function of the committee is to deliberate upon matters within its authority, as determined by the Council, to report upon the deliberations and to make recommendations to the Council.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Advisory Committees are established by Council, with the membership made up of Council Representatives and members of the public. Membership is renewed every two years.

POLICIES OF THE COUNCIL

In order to provide guidance for the officers of the City, the Council adopts policies which are included in a Policy Register and provide the basis for decision making. The Policy Register includes policies on Administration, Building, Community Services, Council/Members Delegated Authority, Engineering, Finance, Health, Libraries, Parks, Reserves, Planning and Recreation.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The Chief Executive Officer has Delegated Authority from the Council to make decisions on a number of specified administrative and policy matters. These delegations are listed in the Council's Delegation Register and are reviewed annually by the Council. Delegations from the Chief Executive Officer to staff are also listed.

COUNCIL LOCAL LAWS

The Council Local Laws adopted by Council ensure that such matters as reserves and parking facilities in the City of Kalamunda are maintained for all residents of the City to use.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE FORMULATION OF POLICY AND PERFORMANCE OF AGENCY FUNCTIONS

Opportunities for public participation include:

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

The Council seeks the views of the community in a number of projects in which it is involved. Community involvement can range from surveys seeking the opinions of residents in relation to traffic treatments, to parks design in conjunction with community projects.

ELECTED MEMBERS

How to Contact Elected Members

Members of the Public can contact their Elected Members of the Council to discuss any issue relevant to the Council.

Contact telephone numbers for the Elected Members are listed in an information sheet which is available from the City's offices. The contact details are also available on the Council's Website, at www.kalamunda.wa.gov.au, under the About Us Tab, and then under Councillors.

Residents wishing to write to the elected Members should send their correspondence to:

The City of Kalamunda, PO Box 42, KALAMUNDA 6926

Council Elections

The Council Elections are held every two years. Members are elected to the voluntary positions for a four year term, with half of the number of positions falling vacant every two years.

WRITTEN REQUESTS

Residents can write to the council on any matter relating to a policy, activity or service.

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Members of the public have a number of opportunities to put forward their views on particular issues before the Council.

Petitions

Written petitions in the format as described in the Standing Orders can be addressed to the Mayor on any issue within the Council's jurisdiction.

Question Time

Question Time is held during the Ordinary Meeting of the Council for a minimum period of fifteen minutes. Electors can ask questions relating to the ordinary business of the Council and will receive an answer either at the meeting or shortly after.

Deputations

Deputations wishing to be received by Council should send a written request to the Chief Executive Officer.

Deputations cannot exceed five persons, of which only two speakers may address the Council or Committee of Council, except in reply to questions by members of Council or Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Standing Committee Meetings are open to the public. Any member of the public wishing to ask a question or make comment on any items of the Agenda of a Committee Meeting may do so by giving notice to the appropriate member of staff prior to the commencement of the Committee Meeting.

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to make their statement/question prior to the Committee considering the item.

ADVISORY AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

An Advisory Committee may be appointed to advise the Council on the establishment, management and control of anything for which the Council is responsible and chooses to refer to a Committee. Management Committees exercise powers delegated in relation to the control and maintenance of property for which the Council is responsible.

The function and membership of the various advisory and management Committees are contained in the "Details of Representation on Committees" document which is available from the City offices.

DOCUMENTS HELD BY THE CITY

DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE WITHOUT SUBMISSION OF A FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

The following documents are available for public inspection at the City of Kalamunda offices free of charge. Most of these documents are also available via the City of Kalamunda Website. Members of the public may purchase hardcopies of these documents as per the Schedule of Fees and Charges.

Document

- Policy Register
- Fees and Charges Schedule
- Delegation Register
- Standing Orders Local Law
- Emergency Management Arrangements
- Details of Representation on Committees
- Employees Safety Handbook
- List of Properties Exempt from Rates
- Local Planning Scheme No 3 Maps
- Local Planning Scheme No 3 Text
- Schedule of Buildings and Reserves
- Financial Interest Register
- Lease and Licence Summary Details
- Information Statement - Freedom of Information
- Property Index File
- Subject Index File
- Councillors Contact Details
- Community Information Directory (website only)
- Minutes of Council
- Budget
- Strategic Plan/Plan for the Future of the District
- Disability Access & Inclusion Plan
- Cultural Plan
- Aged Accommodation Strategy
- Seniors' Services Action Plan
- Youth Service Action Plan
- Sporting Reserve Development Plan
- Financial Statements
- Local Planning Strategy
- Local Housing Strategy
- Masterplans
- Documents submitted to Council (including Petitions and Reports)

Agendas and Minutes available to the public at the following times (via the website or the Front Counter):

Public Briefing Agendas:	The Friday before the meeting
Standing Committee Minutes:	5 Business days after the meeting (unconfirmed)
Council Agenda:	The Friday before the meeting
Council Minutes:	10 Business days after the meeting (unconfirmed)

OTHER DOCUMENTS HELD BY THE CITY

The City of Kalamunda holds many different types of documents. These include letters and general correspondence, internal reports, external reports to other agencies, plans, memorandums, drawings and videos.

Information is held on the City's Electronic Document Management Management System which has a classification system based on Keywords for Council.

Personnel information is held in the Electronic Document Management Management System.

OPERATION OF FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT IN THE CITY

INITIAL ENQUIRIES

Initial enquiries regarding the release of information should be made to the Coordinator Corporate Systems either in person at the City of Kalamunda or by telephone on 92579917.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Information can be accessed via an application to the City, which is required to: be in writing, provide enough information so that the documents requested can be identified, provide an Australian address to which notices can be sent, and be lodged at the City with any application fee payable (application fee applies when the application is for non-personal information).

Applications and enquiries should be addressed to:

By Post

The FOI Co-ordinator
City of Kalamunda
PO Box 42
KALAMUNDA WA 6926

In Person

The FOI Co-ordinator
City of Kalamunda
2 Railway Rd
KALAMUNDA WA 6076

BY Email

The FOI Co-ordinator
enquiries@kalamunda.wa.gov.au

Applicants will receive a response from the City as soon as possible within the statutory forty five (45) days of the Council receiving the request with the application fee.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION CHARGES

A scale of fees and charges is set under the Freedom of Information Regulations 1993. The charges are as follows:

- Personal information about the applicant No fee
- Application fee (for non-personal information) \$30.00
- Charge for time dealing with the application \$30.00
- (per hour, or pro rata)
- Access time supervised by staff \$30.00

- (per hour, or pro rata)
- Photocopying time \$30.00
- (per hour, or pro rata)
- Transcribing from tape, film or computer Not Available
- Per photocopy 0.20
- Duplicating a tape, film or computer information Actual Cost
- Delivery, packaging and postage Actual Cost

ADVANCE DEPOSITS

a) Advance deposit which may be required by an agency under section 18(a) of the Act, expressed as a percentage of the estimated charges which will be payable in excess of the application fee

25%

b) Further advance deposit which may be required by an agency under Section 18(4) of the Act, expressed as a percentage of the estimated charges which will be payable in excess of the application fee.

75%

NOTICE OF DECISION

As soon as possible but in any case within 45 days applicants will be provided with a notice of decision which will include details such as:

- the date which the decision was made,
- the name and the designation of the officer who made the decision,
- if the document is an exempt document the reasons for classifying the matter exempt; or the fact that access is given to an edited document, and
- information on the right to review and the procedures to be followed to exercise those rights.

REFUSAL OF ACCESS

Applicants who are dissatisfied with a decision of the City are entitled to request an **Internal Review** by the City. Application should be made in writing within 30 days of receiving the notice of decision.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome of the review within 15 days.

If applicants disagree with the result then application can be made to the Information Commissioner for an **External Review**, and details would be advised to applicants when the external review decision is issued.

AMENDMENT OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

If a person finds that information contained in a document is inaccurate, incomplete, out of date or misleading, then the person can apply to the City to amend the information.

Amendment can be made free of charge by forwarding the relevant information to the City. Proof may be requested to validate any amendments required.

DECISION MAKERS REGARDING ACCESS OR AMENDMENT

Council's FOI Coordinator is the Coordinator Corporate Systems who decides what information may be released and what information is exempt under the Freedom of Information Act 1992.

Decisions relating to the review of a request for information are made by the Director of Corporate Services

Freedom of Information Form

Freedom of Information Coordinator
City of Kalamunda
PO Box 42,
Kalamunda WA 6926

I, _____ of _____

request information under the Freedom of Information Act of 1992.

The information requested is for Personal/Non-Personal Information (circle applicable), and includes the following:

I have attached the application fee of \$30 for Non-Personal Information (delete if

not applicable). Please contact me by phone on: (08) _____ or by

email on _____@_____ if there are any problems, or any notifications.

Form of Access (please tick appropriate box)

- Will View documents at the City Offices
- Please send photocopies/recording to me (I will pay photocopying/recording charges prior to the document being sent).
- Please send scanned documents via email.
- Other (Please specify) _____

Signed: _____ Dated: __/__/__