



FRAUD AND CORRUPTION PREVENTION POLICY

Legislation / local law requirements	<i>Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996 – r.17 – CEO to review certain systems and procedures</i> <i>Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 – r.5 – CEO’s duties as to financial management</i>
Relevant delegations	Nil.
Related policy procedures and supporting documentation	Code of Conduct Governance Framework Fraud and Corruption Prevention Plan

PURPOSE

To set out the City’s approach to fraud and corruption prevention, detection, monitoring and reporting. This Policy is supported by a Fraud and Corruption Prevention Plan, which provides a structured framework for fraud and corruption prevention, detection, monitoring and reporting.

OBJECTIVE

To show that the City has zero tolerance for fraud and corruption and will take all necessary steps to prevent fraud or corruption occurring.

POLICY

1. All Elected Members, employees and contractors have a responsibility to safeguard against damage and loss through fraud, corruption or misconduct and have an obligation to support efforts to reduce associated risk by behaving with integrity and professionalism in undertaking their duties.
2. The City expects its Elected Members and employees to act in compliance with the respective Code of Conduct and the City’s Governance Framework and behave ethically and honestly when performing their functions and during their interactions with each other, the community and all other stakeholders.
3. The Chief Executive Officer will ensure that appropriate systems and procedures are in place to prevent, detect, report and investigate incidents of fraudulent or corrupt behaviour, and ensure that everyone is aware of their responsibilities.
4. All suspected instances of fraudulent or corrupt conduct are to be thoroughly investigated and the appropriate reporting, disciplinary, prosecution and recovery actions initiated.
5. The Chief Executive Officer will review the Fraud and Corruption Prevention Plan annually and present the outcome of the review to the Audit Committee.

SCOPE

This policy applies to Elected Members and Administration.

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Responsible Officer	Executive Manager Corporate Strategy and Governance
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