

Councillor Training 2021-22



1 July 2022

In September 2019 amendments to the *Local Government Act 1995* and the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* came into effect relating to training for elected members.

A mandatory training course, "Council Members Essentials" is required to be completed within 12 months of being elected and this course comprises the following five units:

1. Understanding local government
2. Serving on council
3. Meeting procedures
4. Conflicts of interest, and
5. Understanding financial reports and budgets.

A person who is a council member on the day on which the Local Government Regulations comes into operation is exempt from the requirement until the end of their term of office.

The three members elected on 20 October 2021, for which the amended regulations apply, are;

- Cr Tracey Muir (completed 7 January 2022)
- Cr David Binks (completed 18 January 2022)
- Cr Ian Earl (completed 27 June 2022)

Pursuant to Section 5.127 of the *Local Government Act 1995*:

- (1) A local government must prepare a report for each financial year on the training completed by council members in the financial year.
- (2) The CEO must publish the report on the local government's official website within 1 month after the end of the financial year to which the report relates.

A table listing elected members training which was completed in the financial year ending 30 June 2022 is shown below -

Councillor	Course	Provider	Mandatory Training	Completed
Cr Earl	WALGA Conference 2021: Heads of Agencies Breakfast	WALGA	No	20/09/2021
Cr Cristoffanini	WALGA Conference 2021	WALGA	No	21/09/2021
Cr Earl	WALGA Conference 2021	WALGA	No	21/09/2021
Cr Daniel	WALGA Conference 2021	WALGA	No	21/09/2021
Cr Muir	Understanding Local Government	WALGA	Yes	5/11/2021
Cr Cristoffanini	New Councillor Seminar	WALGA	No	12/11/2021
Cr Binks	New Councillor Seminar	WALGA	No	12/11/2021
Cr Muir	New Councillor Seminar	WALGA	No	12/11/2021
Cr Daniel	New Councillor Seminar	WALGA	No	12/11/2021
Cr Binks	Understanding Local Government	WALGA	Yes	30/11/2021
Cr Binks	Conflicts of Interest	WALGA	Yes	6/12/2021
Cr Muir	Conflicts of Interest	WALGA	Yes	21/12/2021
Cr Binks	Serving on Council	WALGA	Yes	29/12/2021
Cr Muir	Meeting Procedures	WALGA	Yes	30/12/2021
Cr Muir	Understanding Financial Reports and Budgets	WALGA	Yes	4/01/2022
Cr Muir	Serving on Council	WALGA	Yes	7/01/2022
Cr Binks	Understanding Financial Reports and Budgets	WALGA	Yes	14/01/2022
Cr Binks	Meeting Procedures	WALGA	Yes	18/01/2022
Cr Earl	Serving on Council	WALGA	Yes	16/05/2022
Cr Earl	Meeting Procedures	WALGA	Yes	19/05/2022
Cr Earl	Understanding Financial Reports and Budgets	WALGA	Yes	19/05/2022
Cr Binks	CEO Performance Review	WALGA	No	2/06/2022
Cr Earl	Conflicts of Interest	WALGA	Yes	27/06/2022
Cr Earl	Understanding Local Government	WALGA	Yes	27/06/2022



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