

**REGULATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE NO. 2026(01)**

**29 JANUARY 2026**

REPORT

**COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Paul Tully (Chairperson); Councillors Jim Madden, Marnie Doyle, Andrew Antonioli and Mayor Teresa Harding (Observer), Councillor Jacob Madsen (Observer), Councillor David Martin (Observer) and Councillor Pye Augustine (Observer)

Mayor Teresa Harding arrived at 2.05 pm.

**COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:**

Nil

**OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE:**

Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager, Corporate Services (Matt Smith), Manager, Strategy Governance and Performance (Haiden Taylor), Principal Officer, Governance (Barbara Dart), Manager, General Counsel (Allison Ferres-MacDonald), General Manager, Planning and Regulatory Services (Brett Davey), Manager, Compliance (Alisha Connaughton) – via audio-link

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

Nil

**BUSINESS OUTSTANDING**

Nil

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE REGULATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE NO. 2025(03) OF 30 OCTOBER 2025

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the minutes of the Regulation Advisory Committee held on 30 October 2025 be confirmed.

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## OFFICERS' REPORTS

### 2. STRATEGIC REGULATION PROJECT: STEP 1 POLICY

This is a report concerning Step 1 of the Strategic Regulation Project and updating Council's current Compliance and Enforcement Policy to be more holistic about regulation. Following targeted community consultation that supported a risk-based approach to regulation, amendments to the policy were drafted. Feedback was sought from Councillors and key staff during October/November 2025. The policy has been amended and includes a name change from Compliance and Enforcement Policy to Regulation Policy which supports the intent of making the policy more holistic. The amended policy is now presented to Council for adoption.

### RECOMMENDATION

That the amended Compliance and Enforcement Policy, now named the Regulation Policy, as outlined in Attachment 3, be adopted.

### DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed the Regulation Policy and proposed the following amendments:

- Under 7. Roles and Responsibilities – Role of Officers – the words 'abreast of' be replaced with the words 'familiar with'.
- Under 10. Definitions – a definition for Investigation to be included.

### Attachments

1. Regulation Policy - updated with amendments 
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### 3. LOCAL LAW REVIEW - PROPOSED COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

This is a report concerning the comprehensive local law review that forms part of the Strategic Regulation Project. The report provides information about the topics that initial community consultation will be undertaken on so that Council can consider that feedback before any drafting of new laws commences. All of the topics have a focus of making it easier for the community to understand if they need to apply, how to apply and/or how to comply with eight of the seventeen topics providing a reduction in red tape for the community. This initial community consultation will occur over 3-4 weeks commencing mid-late March.

### RECOMMENDATION

That the report titled 'Local Law Review – Proposed Community Consultation', be received and the contents noted.

## DISCUSSION

The committee discussed the Key Topics for Initial Feedback and proposed the following amendment:

Under Declared Traffic Areas and Off-Street Regulated Parking, under the sub heading Addition of New Off-Street Regulated Parking areas (11), the addition of the following:

- Richardson Park, Goodna (incl Goodna Aquatic Centre and Noel Kelly Drive).

Attachments

1. Topics for survey - updated [↔](#) 
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## 4. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is to be determined.

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## 5. GENERAL DISCUSSION (within the purpose and scope of the committee)

### 5.1. GENERAL BUSINESS

The committee discussed the following matters:

- Beekeeping
- Temporary home proposal
- Overgrown properties
- Footpath mowing
- Abandoned Properties

Councillor Marnie Doyle left the meeting at 2.47 pm.

### ACTION

The Principal Officer (Governance) to prepare an options paper on overgrown properties for the next meeting of the Regulation Advisory Committee.

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## PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 2.04 pm.

The meeting closed at 2.59 pm.