

Policy

PART 4 OTHER MATTERS

4.1. Acquisition and returning of facilities and equipment

On the completion of their term of office, extended leave of absence or at the cessation of their civic duties and where requested, Councillors are required to return all equipment and facilities issued by the Council within 28 days. This includes mobile telephones and tablet computers provided to Councillors and associated peripherals, and the mayoral vehicle.

Dedicated mobile phone accounts provided by the Council for official purposes will be disconnected within 28 days of the cessation of duties.

Under certain circumstances the Councillor may be given the option to purchase the equipment previously allocated to them at an agreed fair market price.

4.2. <u>Superannuation</u>

4.2.1. Councillor contributions to superannuation

In accordance with the Australian Tax Office Interpretative Decision 2007/205, the Council may enter into an arrangement with a Councillor under which the Councillor agrees to forego all or part of their annual fee in exchange for the Council making contributions to a complying superannuation fund on their behalf.

To establish this facility, a Councillor must submit a written request to the General Manager, using similar wording to that of a normal employee deduction request. The request cannot be retrospective.