

Shire of West Arthur

Annual Report of Training completed by Elected Members for the year ending 30 June 2020

Amendments to the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 relating to elected members training came into effect in September 2019 with a new mandatory training course, "Council Members Essentials" being required to be completed within 12 months of being elected.

The members elected in 2019, for which the amended regulations apply, are:

- Cr Adam Squires
- Cr Neil Morrell
- Cr Graeme Peirce

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.

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.

All elected members have enrolled in the Council Member Essentials course through WALGA. This course comprises the following five units:

- understanding local government
- serving on council
- meeting procedures
- conflicts of interest, and
- understanding financial reports and budgets.

A table detailing elected member training completed to 30 June 2020 including Mandatory (Council Member Essential) and elective training is shown below.

<i>Elected Member</i>	<i>Training Course</i>	<i>Date Completed</i>
<i>Cr Kevin King</i>		
<i>Cr Neil Morrell</i>		
<i>Cr Marie Lloyd</i>		
<i>Cr Adam Squires</i>	Council Member Essentials - Conflict of Interest	26/05/2020
	Council Member Essentials - Meeting Procedures	28/05/2020
	Council Member Essentials - Serving on Council	25/06/2020
<i>Cr Graeme Peirce</i>		
<i>Cr Julie McFall</i>		
<i>Cr Neil Manuel</i>		