

RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

RESPONSIBILITY:

Personnel & Procedures Committee

REVIEW CYCLE:

Annually, or earlier in the event of legislative changes

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Council recognises that it has a responsibility to take all reasonable and practical measures to safeguard its employees, the people it works with and provides services for; and to protect the natural and built environments for which it is responsible.
- 1.2 The Council is aware that some risks cannot be eliminated fully and has in place a strategy that provides a structured, systematic and focused approach to managing risk.

2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The objectives of the Risk Management Policy are to:
 - Integrate risk management into the culture of the Council.
 - Manage risk in accordance with best practice and legislative requirements.
 - Minimise loss, disruption, injury and damages.
 - Inform policy and operational decisions by identifying risks and their likely impact.
 - Raise awareness of the need for risk management.
- 2.2 These objectives will be achieved by:
 - Identification of risk.
 - Undertaking risk assessments.
 - Managing the risk and recording actions.
 - Incorporating risk management considerations into Council processes.
 - Providing appropriate training.
 - Establishing clear roles, responsibilities and reporting lines.
 - Effective communication with, and active involvement of, employees.

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