



City of **HOBART**

**MEMORANDUM: LORD MAYOR
DEPUTY LORD MAYOR
ELECTED MEMBERS**

LORD MAYOR'S ENTITLEMENTS

Meeting: Finance and Governance Committee

**Meeting date: 14 September
2021**

Raised by: Alderman Behrakis

Question:

In regards to the entitlements of the Lord Mayor's office, how are they broken down, and how they differ from the Lord Mayor's individual aldermanic entitlements? In regards to the communications entitlements set aside for the Office for the Lord Mayor, what is that allocated to be used for.

Also, were any staff working in the Office of the Lord Mayor involved in the preparation or distribution of the letters Ald Briscoe was referring to?

Response:

The budget for the Lord Mayor's Office has two distinct activity/function areas:

1. **Lord Mayoral Support** – Support for the function of the roles of the Lord Mayor and administration of the Lord Mayor's Office.
2. **Civic and Ceremonial Support** – Delivery of the civic and ceremonial components of the roles of the Lord Mayor.

In accordance with the Council's Elected Members' Development and Support Policy, the position of Lord Mayor receives the same entitlements as other Elected Members with the exception of the 'Community Activities Participation Allocation'.

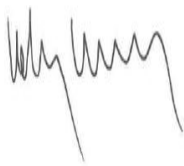
This allocation is provided to facilitate the participation of elected members in community functions and activities which contribute to the advancement of the Council's strategic objectives. Elected Members have an allocation of \$1,000 per

year, the Deputy Lord Mayor \$2,500 per year and the Lord Mayor \$5,000. The increased provision for the Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor is to accommodate the increased community expectation on these roles to accept invitations to participate in community events.

There is no specific line item for communications within the Lord Mayor Office budget. Communication activities for the Office of the Lord Mayor include such things as writing assistance as required and the graphic design for the Lord Mayor's Annual Report.

The role of staff in the Lord Mayor's Office is to support the Lord Mayor of the day. This includes the preparation of correspondence so staff were involved in the preparation and distribution of the letter Ald Briscoe referred to his question without notice on 14 September 2021.

As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.



Kelly Grigsby
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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