Model Meeting Code Amendments - Online Submission Form : Entry # 12409

1. Your Details

I would like my name and personal details to be treated as confidential:

I consent to my details being shared

Name:

Brett Stonestreet

Name of Organisation (If applicable):

Griffith City Council

Role/Position:

General Manager

Postal Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Which of the following best describes you?

Council Regional

2. Targeted Questions

2.3. Will the proposed amendments have any unintended consequences?

"Requiring information considered at closed meetings to be made public after it ceases to be confidential, as recommended by ICAC. The general manager will, after consulting with the council, be required to publish business papers for items considered in closed meetings on the council's website after the information in them ceases to be confidential."

There is no guidance provided as to when confidential information "ceases to be confidential." Such a provision will expose General Managers to litigation by parties external to Council for publishing information that is confidential. It will also be counter productive to informed decision making by elected councillors in closed meetings. General Managers will be reluctant to include detailed confidential information in business papers when they are aware that they will be subsequently under a lot of pressure to publish that information. This amendment to the Draft Code of Meeting Practice should be withdrawn/removed.

Notes



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