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#### **OBJECTIVE:**

To provide a transparent protocol for the determination of development applications lodged by councillors, staff and relatives thereof or development applications for development on Council owned land.

#### **POLICY:**

1. That, subject to the exemptions in Part 2 of this Policy, any development application lodged where the applicant is a Councillor or a member of staff, or where a Councillor or member of staff is the owner of the land to which the application relates, or where the development application on Council owned land, that such an application be referred to Council for consideration and determination.
2. In the case of staff members who are not Executive Staff, the following applications need not be reported to the Council:
  - (i) dwellings
  - (ii) ancillary building structures
  - (iii) general applications under Section 68 of the Local Government Act 1993.

In such cases the application must be determined by referring to a supervising delegated officer or the General Manager.

In the case of an application lodged by a family member and the Council officer would normally hold delegated authority to determine the application, then the application must be referred to supervising delegated officer or in the absence of such, will be reported to Council.

3. This policy does not apply to applications for the modification of development consent unless the modification represents a significant departure from the original application. However, staff cannot assess or determine modification applications involving their development; their land; or development or land involving a family member.

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

**Executive Staff** includes the General Manager and any Manager that reports directly to the General Manager.

**Family member** includes a spouse, child, brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew or child, brother, sister,

grandparent, grandchild, aunt, uncle, niece, or nephew of the staff members spouse.

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