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#### **OBJECTIVE:**

To ensure the probity and integrity of the Public Tender process pursuant to Section 55 of the Local Government Act, 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

#### **POLICY:**

For the purpose of ensuring and maintaining the integrity and probity of the process of invitation and acceptance of tenders, tenderers are expected to refrain from the canvassing or lobbying of councillors and staff.

Action of this nature could result in the disqualification of the tender on the grounds that the tenderer has attempted to influence the impartial performance of the public duty of councillors and staff.

The canvassing or lobbying of councillors or staff accompanied by the offer of a bribe or other inducement constitutes corrupt conduct and will be reported to the Independent Commission Against Corruption for appropriate action to be taken.

The Council's Tender Specification and Public Advertisement will include the following reference to canvassing or lobbying councillors and staff.

Canvassing or lobbying for the purpose of the attempting to influence the impartial performance of the public duty of councillors and Council staff could result in disqualification of the tender.

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