

POLICY

TITLE:	Casting Vote Policy		
DIRECTORATE:	Council		
ADOPTED BY:	Council Resolution: OMC-24/355		
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POLICY NUMBER:	107		
LEGISLATIVE REF:	<i>Local Government Act 2019; Section 95 (6) (The Act)</i>		

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Purpose

It is a requirement of the Act that a Policy be passed by Council resolution allow the Chairperson of a Council meeting to cast a second vote (casting vote) on a question arising for decision at a Council meeting in the event of an equality of votes.

2. POLICY STATEMENT

2.1 Policy

- 1) This Policy may only be established by resolution of the Council passed at the first meeting of the Council to be held after a general election.
- 2) A casting vote is to be exercised by the Chairperson when there are equal votes on a question arising for decision at a Council meeting. During such an occurrence, the casting vote will determine the vote. The Chairperson must exercise the casting vote either in favour or against the motion.
- 3) If there are unequal votes, the Chairperson cannot exercise a casting vote.

3. RELEVANT POLICIES

- 1) Code of Conduct (Elected Members)
- 2) Conflict of Interest Policy
- 3) Council Meeting Protocols

4. IMPLEMENTATION AND REVIEW

4.1. Implementation

It is not a requirement of the Act for this Policy to be published on Council's website.


4.2. Review

It is a requirement of the Act that this Policy cannot be altered or revoked during the term of the Council; and that it lapses at the conclusion of the next general election.

5. APPROVAL

This policy is approved.

Chris Kelly
Chief Executive Officer


Signature

29 Nov 2024
Dated

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