



City of Greater Geraldton Council Policy

4.20 JOINT REFORM

SUSTAINABILITY THEME

Leadership

OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this policy is to protect and maintain the interests and assets of the former Shire of Mullewa and the former City of Geraldton-Greenough for the future of the local communities.

POLICY STATEMENT

This policy applies to the City of Greater Geraldton.

POLICY DETAILS

1. Local Assets and Local Funding

The purpose of this section is to protect and maintain the assets of the former Shire of Mullewa and the former City of Geraldton-Greenough for the future of the local communities.

The City of Geraldton-Greenough and the Shire of Mullewa strongly supported the identification of local assets and local funding reserves owned and generated by local communities for use and benefit in the future for those communities.

The City of Greater Geraldton will adhere to the following principles:

- 1.1. All assets will be managed and maintained in accordance with the best practice model of the International Infrastructure Management Manual or equivalent alternate best practice system, in accordance with agreed service level agreements;
- 1.2. All assets and infrastructure will be budgeted in accordance with the adopted Strategic Management Plan and the Long-Term Financial Plan.

2. Local Identity

The purpose of this section is to maintain local community identity throughout any reform process.

The City of Geraldton-Greenough and the Shire of Mullewa strongly supported the retention of community identity where local governments undergo any structural reform to ensure continued employment and representation is provided to all communities.

The City shall:

- 2.1. Provide opportunities for consultative mechanisms within each former local government community;
- 2.2. Maintain a local administration office at Mullewa which will be headed by the Manager Mullewa District Office;
- 2.3. Maintain a local depot site located in Mullewa.

3. Local Workforce

The purpose of this section is to maintain a local work force that supports the City of Greater

Geraldton.

The City of Geraldton-Greenough and the Shire of Mullewa strongly supported the establishment and retention of a local community workforce that will complement services offered by the City of Greater Geraldton.

The City will ensure that:

- 3.1. Where there is a City presence in respect to either offices, depot or other establishment associated with the provision of services, that consideration be provided towards ensuring employment opportunities within those communities are maintained to ensure economic advantage to those communities;
- 3.2. A local office shall be maintained at the Mullewa townsite and shall provide the following services:
 - Customer service
 - City Rates and other revenue collection
 - Department of Transport licensing services
 - Dog registrations
 - Submissions for applications, licenses and public notices
 - Outreach library services
 - Community liaison and advocacy
 - Community development
 - Local event management and bookings of City-owned facilities
 - Ranger services
- 3.3. Consideration for indigenous services and engagement be developed at Mullewa; Maintenance of a depot site at Mullewa which will provide the following functions:
 - Parks and maintenance crew
 - Road construction crew

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Director Corporate Services is responsible for this policy.

In order to vary this policy Councils in the future must undertake community consultation and seek submissions in accordance the Local Government Act 1995 and variations must be passed by a majority vote.

WORKPLACE INFORMATION

Local Government Act 1995

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POLICY ADMINISTRATION

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