



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

AGENDA

26 MAY 2026

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CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, 26 MAY 2026 AT 5.00PM
CHAMBERS, CATHEDRAL AVENUE

A G E N D A

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to respectfully acknowledge the Yamatji people who are the Traditional Owners and First People of the land on which we meet/stand. I would like to pay my respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Yamatji people.

3 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Present:

Officers:

Others:

Members of Public:

Members of Press:

Apologies:

Leave of Absence:

Cr T Milnes

4 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

CEO R McKim declared an Impartiality interest in Item No. DS094 Local Planning Policy Review – Consideration of Submissions, as his residence is located within the Beachlands Heritage area.

Cr P Fiorenza declared an Impartiality interest in Item No. DS094 Local Planning Policy Review – Consideration of Submissions, as his residence is located within the Beachlands Heritage area.

Cr S Van Styn declared an Impartiality interest in Item No. DS095 Local Planning Policy Review – Proposed Policy Amendments, as he owns property in the CBD.

5 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

There are no questions from previous meetings.

6 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Questions provided in writing prior to the meeting or at the meeting will receive a formal response. Please note that you cannot make statements in Public Question Time and such statements will not be recorded in the Minutes.

Our Local Laws and the Local Government Act 1995 require questions to be put to the presiding member and answered by the Council. No questions can be put to individual Councillors.

If you would like to ask a question, please complete the Public Question Time form on the City's website, linked below, which also provides the procedures for Public Question Time. [Questions From the Public » City of Greater Geraldton](#). Submit up to 3 questions by 12 noon the day prior to the meeting.

7 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**Existing Approved Leave**

Councillor	From	To (inclusive)	Date Approved
Cr T Milnes	16 May 2026	6 June 2026	24/2/2026
Cr N Colliver	28 May 2026	3 June 2026	28/4/2026
Cr K Parker	12 July 2026	22 July 2026	31/03/2026

**Note: If Elected Members' application for leave of absence is for the meeting that the request is submitted, they will be noted as an apology until Council consider the request. The granting of the leave, or refusal to grant the leave and reasons for that refusal, will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.*

If an Elected Member on Approved Leave subsequently attends the meeting, this will be noted in the Minutes at 'Record of Attendance'.

8 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS

There are none

9 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 28 April 2026, as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

10 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR AND PRESENTATIONS*Events attended by the Mayor or designated representative*

DATE	FUNCTION	REPRESENTATIVE
29 April 2026	Triple M Interview - Outcomes of Council Meeting 2026	Mayor Jerry Clune
29 April 2026	Filming for the Outcome of Council Meeting 2026 - Coffee with the Councillor - with Cr Kim Parker	Mayor Jerry Clune
30 April 2026	Geraldton Guardian Interview - Opinion of Announcement by State Government on building 37 new Government Regional Officers' Housing (GROH) houses in Geraldton	Mayor Jerry Clune
30 April 2026	Signing of 'proof of life' Pensioner Papers	Mayor Jerry Clune
1 May 2026	Citizenship Ceremony	Mayor Jerry Clune
1 May 2026	Daily Living Products - Grand Opening	Mayor Jerry Clune
2 May 2026	Geraldton Tree Festival 2026 - Opening Day	Mayor Jerry Clune
3 May 2026	John Batten Hall – Installation of Mural Project	Mayor Jerry Clune
4 May 2026	Mayor/CEO/ Deputy Mayor Catch Up	Mayor Jerry Clune
4 May 2026	Marketing & Media Regular Catch up	Mayor Jerry Clune
4 May 2026	City of Greater Geraldton (CGG) and Department of Housing and Works - Introductory Meeting	Mayor Jerry Clune
4 May 2026	Greater Geraldton Economic Development Plan 2026 - Workshop	Mayor Jerry Clune
5 May 2026	CH7 NEWS Interview – Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) Base Announcement	Mayor Jerry Clune
5 May 2026	ABC Interview - RFDS Base Announcement	Mayor Jerry Clune
5 May 2026	Concept Forum 2026	Mayor Jerry Clune
6 May 2026	Geraldton Radio Interview - RFDS Relocation and All Ability Seating at Queen's Park Theatre (QPT)	Mayor Jerry Clune
6 May 2026	Clinical Yarning Project - Mid West Development Commission (MWDC) – via electronic means	Mayor Jerry Clune
6 May 2026	Geraldton/ Guardian Interview – RFDS Relocation to Geraldton	Mayor Jerry Clune
6 May 2026	Planning Meeting for His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM - Governor of Western Australia Midwest Travel	Mayor Jerry Clune
7 May 2026	Geraldton Guardian Interview – Budget Rate Setting	Mayor Jerry Clune

7 May 2026	Gathering of Stories and Hackers (GoSH) Mid West Briefing	Mayor Jerry Clune
7 May 2026	Vestas Development - Mid West Wind Farm	Mayor Jerry Clune
8 May 2026	Abrolhos Visit - MWDC	Mayor Jerry Clune
9 May 2026	GoSHackathon - Mid West 2026 – Day 2	Mayor Jerry Clune
11 May 2026	Mayor/Deputy Mayor Catch Up	Mayor Jerry Clune
11 May 2026	Marketing & Media Regular Catch up	Mayor Jerry Clune
11 May 2026	ABC Interview - City Reaction to the State Budget	Mayor Jerry Clune
11 May 2026	State Budget Briefing 2026 - Mid West region	Mayor Jerry Clune
12 May 2026	100th Birthday Celebration for Mr Dennis Blackwell – Hosted by the Geraldton and Districts Senior Citizens Action Group	Mayor Jerry Clune
12 May 2026	Concept Forum 2026	Mayor Jerry Clune
13 May 2026	Radio Geraldton Interview - Pool Closure, Fitzgerald St Development, Flores Rd Roundabout, Federal Budget in relation to the City	Mayor Jerry Clune
13 May 2026	100th Birthday Celebration for Mr Dennis Blackwell – Hosted by QEII	Mayor Jerry Clune
14 May to 15 May 2026	MWDC Board Regional Visit – Murchison Shire	Mayor Jerry Clune
18 May 2026	Mayor/CEO/ Deputy Mayor Catch Up	Mayor Jerry Clune
18 May 2026	Marketing & Media Regular Catch up	Mayor Jerry Clune
18 May 2026	Regular Meeting with Local Member Hon Sandra Carr MLC, Member for the WA Legislative Council and City of Greater Geraldton	Mayor Jerry Clune
19 May 2026	Civic Reception for His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM and Mrs Darrilyn Dawson	Mayor Jerry Clune
19 May 2026	Agenda Forum 2026	Mayor Jerry Clune
21 May 2026	Recycled Fashion Parade - Pensioners Social Club	Mayor Jerry Clune
21 May 2026	Mid West Ports Authority (MWPA) – Telephone Survey	Mayor Jerry Clune
21 May 2026	Mid West Ports End of Cruise Season Sundowner	Deputy Mayor Colliver
21 May 2026	Dinner with His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM and Mrs Darrilyn Dawson – Geraldton Regional Art Gallery (GRAG)	Mayor Jerry Clune
22 May 2026	Mullewa Community Reception for His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM - Governor of Western Australia	Mayor Jerry Clune
23 May 2026	St John Ambulance Western Australia Ltd - Volunteer Week Celebration	Mayor Jerry Clune

23 May 2026	Flotsam and Jetsam 2026 - Opening Night	Mayor Jerry Clune
24 May 2026	National Volunteer Week - Our Local Heroes - Celebrating Multicultural Volunteers	Mayor Jerry Clune
25 May 2026	Marketing & Media Regular Catch up	Mayor Jerry Clune
25 May 2026	Mayor/CEO/ Deputy Mayor Catch Up	Mayor Jerry Clune
25 May 2026	Sailing On WA - Introduction and Discussion	Mayor Jerry Clune
26 May 2026	Geraldton Police Aboriginal Advisory Group (GPAAG) Meeting	Mayor Jerry Clune
26 May 2026	Budget Workshop	Mayor Jerry Clune
26 May 2026	Ordinary Meeting of Council 2026	Mayor Jerry Clune

Note: Whilst it is noted that Council Members may have also been in attendance at the above events, this is a record of attendance by the Mayor, or where a Council Member has been asked to represent the Mayor.

11 UNRESOLVED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There is none.

12 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS

12.1 REPORTS OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

DS094	LOCAL PLANNING POLICY REVIEW – CONSIDERATION OF SUBMISSIONS
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AGENDA REFERENCE:	D-26-052498
AUTHOR:	H Martin, Manager City Growth
EXECUTIVE:	T Free, Director Development Services
DATE OF REPORT:	8 April 2026
FILE REFERENCE:	GO/6/0029-003
ATTACHMENTS:	Yes (x3) 1x Confidential
	A. Final Amended Local Planning Policies
	B. New Local Planning Policy - Home Based Business and Non-Residential Development in the Residential Zone
	C. Confidential - Submission

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to adopt one new Local Planning Policy (LPP), amend three and revoke two existing LPPs.

At its meeting on 24 February 2026 (Item No. DS089), Council resolved to advertise proposed amendments to three existing LPPs and the proposed new Home Based Business and Non-Residential Development in the Residential Zone LPP, which is proposed to replace the Home Based Business and Non-Residential Development in the Residential Zone LPPs.

The proposed amendments and new policy were publicly advertised with one supportive submission received. This report addresses both the decision to proceed with the amended and new Policy, as well as the single submission received.

It is recommended that Council adopt the amended policies and the new Home Based Business and Non-Residential Development in the Residential Zone LPP.

This includes minor amendments to:

- an image within the Heritage Conservation and Development LPP; and
- text changes within the new Home Based Business and Non-Residential Development in the Residential Zone LPP.

It is also recommended that Council revoke the two existing LPPs, which will be replaced by the new policy.

CEO R McKim declared an Impartiality interest in Item No. DS094 Local Planning Policy Review – Consideration of Submissions, as his residence is located within the Beachlands Heritage area.

Cr P Fiorenza declared an Impartiality interest in Item No. DS094 Local Planning Policy Review – Consideration of Submissions, as his residence is located within the Beachlands Heritage area.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 Schedule 2, Part 2 cl.3(1) and cl.3(4) RESOLVES to:

1. PROCEED with the amendment of the following local planning policies so as to take the form as identified in Attachment No. DS094A:
 - a. Geraldton / Beachlands Heritage Area;
 - b. Heritage Conservation and Development;
 - c. Parking of Commercial Vehicles in Residential and Rural Residential Areas;
2. PROCEED with making a new local planning policy titled Home Based Business and Non-Residential Development in the Residential Zone Local Planning Policy, in the form identified in Attachment No. DS094B;
3. REVOKE the following existing local planning policies:
 - a. Home Based Business; and
 - b. Non-Residential Development in the Residential Zone.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:

At the 24 February 2026 Ordinary Meeting of Council (Item No. DS089) Council resolved to amend the following LPPs:

- Geraldton / Beachlands Heritage Area;
- Heritage Conservation and Development; and
- Parking of Commercial Vehicles in Residential and Rural Residential Areas.

Council also resolved to make a new Local Planning Policy titled Home Based Business and Non-Residential Development in the Residential Zone, which will replace the following existing policies:

- Home Based Business; and
- Non-Residential Development in the Residential Zone.

These policies have been publicly advertised, inviting submissions from interested parties. At the close of the consultation period one supporting submission was received in relation to the amendments to the Geraldton/Beachlands Heritage Area LPP. No objecting submissions were received.

**CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING –
ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:****Connected:**

LPPs form part of the City's broader planning framework, guiding development decisions from a local perspective. The 'Connected' theme within the Strategic Community Plan supports a local community that is inclusive and safe. LPPs identify the risks associated with development and the ways those risks should be addressed to ensure the community is safe.

Liveable:

The planning framework shapes how we live, work and move through our city, with a focus on supporting community health and wellbeing. The 'Liveable' theme of the Strategic Community Plan focuses on creating healthy, inclusive places to live. Each of the proposed LPPs contains requirements to ensure future development does not have a detrimental impact on community health and wellbeing.

Thriving:

Two of the LPPs being considered, seek to support business activities within the City of Greater Geraldton. Those policies are:

- Parking of Commercial Vehicles in Residential and Rural Residential; and
- Home Based Business and Non-Residential Development within the Residential Zone.

Leading:

The City is demonstrating leadership by providing clear guidance through the proposed LPPs on how development should address planning matters. The process for modifying existing and creating new LPPs includes stakeholder consultation, ensuring that Council members are fully informed when deciding whether they should be adopted.

Disclosure of Interest:

No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Council has previously made decisions in relation to the creation, amendment and revocation of LPPs, the most recent being the amendment of four LPPs on 31 March 2026 (Item No. DS092 - Local Planning Policy Review – Consideration of Submissions).

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:

The proposal to amend three existing LPPs and replace two existing LPPs with one new LPP was advertised between 6 and 30 March 2026 in the following ways:

- Public notice published in the Geraldton Guardian 6 March 2026;
 - Letters sent to landowners within the Geraldton / Beachlands Heritage Area;
 - Public notice published on the City of Greater Geraldton website; and
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- Copies of the local planning policies available from the Civic Centre in Geraldton, the District Office in Mullewa and on the City's website.

One submission was received during the consultation period. That submission was in relation to the Geraldton / Beachlands Heritage Area LPP, giving its support to the proposed amendments. A copy of the submission is included as Confidential Attachment No. DS094C.

During the consultation period, Officers also identified elements of two policies that warrant modification of the draft.

The first relates to one of the supporting images in the Heritage Conservation and Development LPP that does not align with the policy intent. The Heritage Conservation and Development LPP provides guidance on advertising signs on heritage buildings and includes two images illustrating preferred locations for signage on verandah end panels (see Figure 1). The left image, with the sign fully within the panel, aligns with the policy, while the right image, showing the sign projecting below, does not. It is recommended to keep the left image and remove the right one.

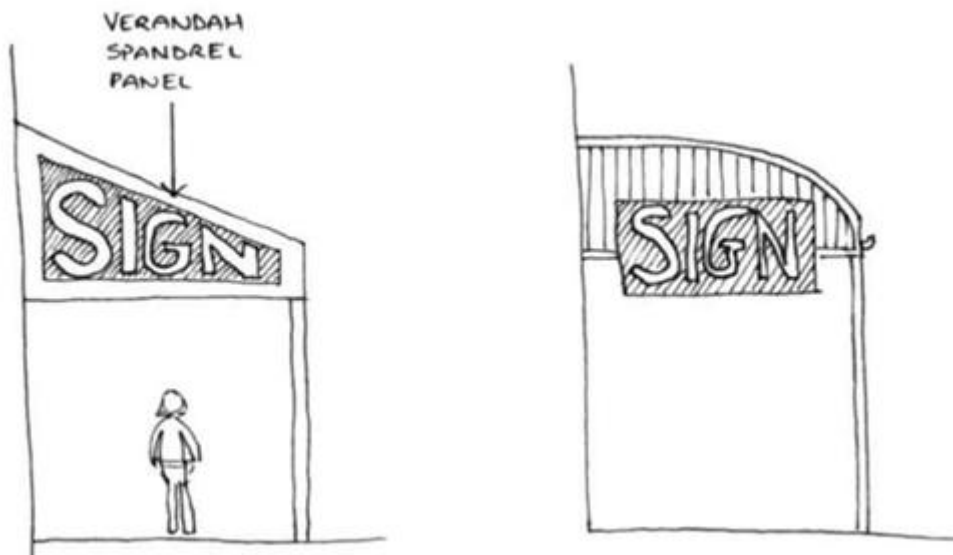


Figure 1 – LPP images showing preferred locations for signs on verandah end panels

The second relates to requirements applied to home-based businesses within the Home Based Business and Non-Residential Development in the Residential Zone Local Planning Policy. The policy identifies that non-residential development in residential areas should not detrimentally affect the amenity of the area. The policy also identifies the following ways in which non-residential development can occur in residential areas and not detrimentally impact residential amenity. They have been carried over from the existing local planning policy.

- a. Development approval is granted solely to the specified owner or occupier of the land and is non-transferable. If ownership or occupancy changes, the approval becomes invalid.
- b. The scale and intensity of home-based business must be secondary to residential use.
- c. Operating hours should align with the business type, generally 8:30AM – 5:30PM (Monday–Friday) and 8:30 AM – 1:00PM (Saturday), with discretion for variations.
- d. Where a business involves the calling of clients or customers, these appointments should be generally limited to five per day in accordance with the approved business hours.
- e. All business materials must be stored within the dwelling, outbuilding or screened areas.
- f. One small sign of maximum 0.2m² is permitted on site.
- g. The first development approval for Home Business on a site shall be limited to a maximum period of 24 months. Any subsequent approval may be time limited if considered necessary to address management issues that have resulted in detrimental impacts on the surrounding area.

It has been identified that the way in which these have been expressed makes them open to being interpreted as the only acceptable way in which a home-based business can operate in a residential area. The intent is that they are presented as one acceptable way a home-based business can operate in a residential area. An applicant is able to present other ways in which they will operate their business and still achieve the policy objectives.

It is proposed that the following text be added to the policy, immediately before the requirements, to make the intent clear:

A development application that meets the following development requirements (as applicable) will be considered to have achieved the objectives of this policy. A development application that does not meet these development requirements will need to demonstrate how the objectives of this policy are being achieved.

Further to this, it is proposed that item 'd' in the previous list be removed. While the number of visitors to a business has the potential to have a detrimental impact on the amenity of the surrounding area, enforcing such a restriction would be difficult and the limit of five (5) per day is considered too low. Officers can consider this issue on a case by case basis when assessing a development application. They would factor in the nature of the business, the area in which it is located and the likely number of visitors it would generate, to determine whether an unacceptable impact on residential amenity will result.

It is considered that these changes do not change the policy intent. They improve its interpretation and application. Consultation on these modifications is therefore not considered necessary.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The process for amending and making LPPs is set down in the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Scheme) Regulations 2015*. The review process ensures that all legislative requirements will be met. LPPs identify Council's policy position on planning related matters to ensure that related decisions are consistent with Council's intent.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The Planning Policy Review aims to improve efficiency within the planning system and optimise the use of Council resources in its administration. Those efficiencies will translate into improved application assessment timeframes and cost savings to anyone seeking to undertake development.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Thriving	An economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.
Goal 1	Support existing businesses and attract new investment, contributing to a vibrant CBD and other key activity centres.
Goal 3	Plan for the sustainable growth of the City, balancing the needs of current and future populations.
Strategic Theme: Leading	A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.
Goal 1	Engage with the community to enhance decision-making.
Goal 6	Ensure high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

LPPs guide decision-making in relation to development matters. If these policies are not amended, the planning system may remain unnecessarily complex and inefficient, raising development and administration costs and potentially discouraging investment.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

Retaining the policies in their existing form was considered as an alternative however, doing so would be inconsistent with the intent of the review to:

- Reduce the number of LPPs so that they are manageable to maintain and administer;
- Ensure the content is current, clear and provides certainty;
- Ensure consistency with best practice;
- Reflect the City of Greater Geraldton's values and strategic direction; and
- Reduce 'red tape' and the cost of doing development.

DS095 LOCAL PLANNING POLICY REVIEW – PROPOSED POLICY AMENDMENTS
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AGENDA REFERENCE:	D-26-052508
AUTHOR:	H Martin, Manager City Growth
EXECUTIVE:	T Free, Director Development Services
DATE OF REPORT:	10 April 2026
FILE REFERENCE:	GO/6/0029-003
ATTACHMENTS:	Yes (x6)
	A. Local Planning Policy Review Status
	B. Existing Local Planning Policies Proposed to be Amended
	C. Existing Local Planning Policies Proposed to be Revoked
	D. Local Planning Policy Comparison Table
	E. Draft Caravans for Temporary Accommodation Information Sheet
	F. Draft Travel Plans Information Sheet

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to revoke two (2) Local Planning Policies (LPPs) and to seek Council approval to commence the statutory process to amend five (5) LPPs.

The City has been undertaking a review of its 52 LPPs. The following summarises the status of those policies:

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| • Review completed – Policy revoked | 28 |
| • Review completed – Policy amended | 4 |
| • Statutory Consultation Commenced | 5 |
| • Statutory Consultation Completed | 6 |
| • Reviewed but not yet considered by Council | 9 |

This report deals with seven (7) of the nine (9) policies that have been reviewed but not yet considered by Council. It is proposed that five (5) of those policies be retained and amended and that two (2) are revoked.

The six (6) policies that have completed statutory consultation are considered under a separate item on this agenda (DS094 - Local Planning Policy Review - Consideration of Submissions).

The proposed changes will improve clarity, consistency and usability, while retaining the existing policy intent, ensuring development outcomes that reflect best practice and meet the needs of the local community.

Cr S Van Styn declared an Impartiality interest in Item No. DS095 Local Planning Policy Review – Proposed Policy Amendments, as he owns property in the CBD.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* Schedule 2, Part 2 cl. 5 and 6 RESOLVES to:

1. AMEND the following Local Planning Policies so as to take the form as identified in Attachment No. DS095B:
 - a. City Centre;
 - b. Design Guidelines - Geraldton Airport Technology Park;
 - c. R-Codes Ancillary Dwellings;
 - d. R-Codes - Setback Variations;
 - e. Signage;
2. MAKE the draft policies available for community and stakeholder review and comment;
3. REFER the matter back to Council for final consideration following the completion of community and stakeholder consultation; and
4. REVOKE the following existing local planning policies:
 - a. Caravans for Temporary Accommodation; and
 - b. Travel Plans.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:

The *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* provide Council with the ability to prepare a LPP to provide guidance on matters relevant to the assessment of development applications.

The City has a suite of LPPs, the majority of which were prepared between 2007 and 2014. As previously reported to Council (27 August 2024 - Item No. DS045, 17 December 2024 - Item No. DS052, 29 April 2025 - Item No. DS062, 28 October 2025 – Item No. DS082, 24 February 2026 – Item No. DS089 and 31 March 2026 – Item No. DS092 and DS093) the review of the policies is progressing and near completion.

The intent of the review is to:

- Reduce the number of LPPs so that they are manageable to maintain and administer;
- Ensure the content is current, clear and provides certainty;
- Ensure consistency with best practice;
- Reflect the City of Greater Geraldton’s values and strategic direction; and
- Reduce ‘red tape’ and the cost of doing development.

Once a policy is reviewed, Council has three options under the relevant legislation:

1. Retain the policy without change;
2. Retain the policy with modifications; or
3. Revoke the policy.

The *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* identifies the steps that must be taken to implement those decision options. Those steps include undertaking community consultation where a new policy is proposed or an existing policy modified.

All of the original 52 policies have now been reviewed with 28 having already been revoked and four (4) retained with modification. The remaining 20 are in the final stages of review with 16 recommended for retention with modifications, and two (2) are recommended for consolidation into one new policy. The remaining two (2) policies will be presented to Council for consideration at a later date. The full list of policies and recommended treatment is included as Attachment No. DS095A - Local Planning Policy Review Status.

This report considers the following five (5) policies that are proposed to be retained with modifications and two (2) policies proposed to be revoked:

1. Caravans for Temporary Accommodation (to be revoked)
2. City Centre Planning Policy (to be retained and modified)
3. Design Guidelines - Geraldton Airport Technology Park (to be retained and modified)
4. R-Codes - Ancillary Dwellings (to be retained and modified)
5. R-Codes - Setback Variations (to be retained and modified)
6. Signage (to be retained and modified)
7. Travel Plans (to be revoked)

Attachment No. DS095B – Existing Local Planning Policies Proposed to be Amended, includes copies of the five (5) modified policies. Attachment No. DS095C – Existing Local Planning Policies Proposed to be Revoked, includes copies of the two (2) LPPs proposed to be revoked.

Policies Proposed to be Retained and Amended

Attachment No. DS095D – Local Planning Policy Comparison Table outlines the intent of each existing policy proposed to be retained and modified, along with a description of the changes being recommended. The proposed amendments to the five (5) LPPs are largely administrative and refinements in nature aimed at improving clarity, usability and consistency with the City's planning framework. Collectively, the changes:

- simplify and condense policy content;
 - clarify policy scope and application; and
 - provide more explicit guidance on assessment criteria and supporting information requirements for development applications.
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The proposed policies seek to achieve the same or improved planning outcomes as the existing policies, while being more accessible, efficient to administer, and more transparent for applicants, decision-makers and the community.

It is recommended that Council resolve to commence the statutory process to amend the five (5) existing policies. The first step will be to invite community feedback on the proposed changes. All submissions will be presented to Council, along with recommendations on whether to adopt the policies as proposed or make further modifications based on the feedback received.

Policies Proposed to be Revoked

The review has identified that two (2) of the existing LPPs are no longer required and it is therefore recommended that they be revoked.

Caravans for Temporary Accommodation LPP

Historically, proposals to use caravans for temporary accommodation have been dealt with under both the planning framework and the *Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Act 1995* (the Act) and associated *Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997* (the Regulations). This includes their use within an approved caravan park or camping ground, on other private land or within a road reserve.

The Regulations identify the periods of time in which a person can 'camp' in a caravan without approval. This included the ability to 'camp' on private land for up to five (5) nights in any period of 28 consecutive days. Longer periods are possible, subject to approval by a local government. The City has used a development approval as the mechanisms to consider requests for approval to 'camp' in a caravan on private land outside of that period.

In September 2024 the Regulations were amended to increase the time periods associated with 'camping' in a caravan. A person may now 'camp' in a caravan on private land for up to 24 consecutive months. Following this change, Officers considered whether a development approval is the most appropriate mechanism for considering requests to 'camp' in a caravan on private land for more than 24 months.

Making a development application requires the submission of a two-page development application form and supporting documentation, along with payment of a \$147 fee. The matters to be considered in relation to 'camping' in a caravan on private land are health related. The City's Environmental Health team have the expertise to deal with these issues appropriately and can do so through an administrative process that is less onerous than under the planning framework. Requests to 'camp' in a caravan on private land for more than 24 months are therefore now received and considered by the Environmental Health team.

Given a LPP is a mechanism to provide guidance on the consideration of development applications and the City no longer considers request to 'camp' in a caravan on private land through a development application, the LPP is no longer required. The information within the LPP is still relevant to requests made to the Environmental Health team so the LPP is being converted, with appropriate modifications, into an information sheet. A draft of the information sheet is provided as Attachment No. DS095E – Draft Caravans for Temporary Accommodation Information Sheet.

Travel Plans LPP

The planning framework seeks to have development delivered in a manner that supports multiple travel options – car, public transport, walking and/or cycling – as relevant. Travel plans are a mechanism that applicants for development approval can use to demonstrate how their proposal achieves that outcome. The Travel Plans LPP provides guidance on the preparation of travel plans.

The LPP review has identified that an information sheet would be a better mechanism to provide guidance on travel plans. There is no statutory reason why this guidance should be in a LPP. The need to consider travel options as part of a development application is identified within State Planning Policy and it therefore does not need to be conveyed through a LPP.

A draft information sheet has been prepared, based on the content of the current LPP and is included as Attachment No. DS095F – Draft Travel Plans Information Sheet.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:

LPPs form part of the City's broader planning framework, guiding development decisions from a local perspective. The 'Connected' theme within the Strategic Community Plan supports a local community that is inclusive and safe. LPPs identify the risks associated with development and the ways those risks should be addressed to ensure the community is safe.

Liveable:

The planning framework shapes how we live, work and move through our City, with a focus on supporting community health and wellbeing. The 'Liveable' theme of the Strategic Community Plan focuses on creating healthy, inclusive places to live. Each of the proposed LPPs contains requirements to ensure future development does not have a detrimental impact on community health and wellbeing.

Thriving:

Three (3) of the LPPs being considered seek to support business activities within the City of Greater Geraldton. Those policies are:

- City Centre Planning Policy
- Design Guidelines - Geraldton Airport Technology Park
- Signage

Leading:

The City is demonstrating leadership by providing clear guidance through the proposed LPPs on how development should address planning matters. The process for modifying existing LPPs will include stakeholder consultation, ensuring that Council Members are fully informed when deciding whether they should be adopted.

Disclosure of Interest:

No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Council has previously made decisions in relation to the creation, amendment and revocation of LPPs, the most recent being the amendment of five (5) LPPs on 31 March 2026 (Item No. DS093 - Local Planning Policy Review – Proposed Policy Amendments).

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:

Council Members have been kept informed about the progress of the LPP Review via briefings and reports throughout the process. The next step in reviewing the policies proposed to be retained and modified is to seek community feedback, with all comments to be reported to Council at the end of the consultation period.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The process for amending and making LPPs is set down in the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Scheme) Regulations 2015*. The review process ensures that all legislative requirements will be met. LPPs identify Council's policy position on planning related matters to ensure that related decisions are consistent with Council's intent.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The Planning Policy Review aims to improve efficiency within the planning system and optimise the use of Council resources in its administration. Those efficiencies will translate into improved application assessment timeframes and cost savings to anyone seeking to undertake development.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Thriving	An economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.
Goal 1	Support existing businesses and attract new investment, contributing to a vibrant CBD and other key activity centres.
Goal 3	Plan for the sustainable growth of the City, balancing the needs of current and future populations.

Strategic Theme: Leading	A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.
Goal 1	Engage with the community to enhance decision-making.
Goal 6	Ensure high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

LPPs guide decision-making in relation to development matters. If these policies are not amended, the planning system may remain unnecessarily complex and inefficient, raising development and administration costs and potentially discouraging investment.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

Retaining the policies in their existing form was considered as an alternative however, doing so would be inconsistent with the intent of the review to:

- Reduce the number of LPPs so that they are manageable to maintain and administer;
- Ensure the content is current, clear and provides certainty;
- Ensure consistency with best practice;
- Reflect the City of Greater Geraldton's values and strategic direction; and
- Reduce 'red tape' and the cost of doing development.

DS097	LIVING WELL IN GREATER GERALDTON WELLBEING PLAN 2026 - 2031
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AGENDA REFERENCE:	D-26-052602
AUTHOR:	H Williamson, Coordinator Environmental Health
EXECUTIVE:	T Free, Director Development Services
DATE OF REPORT:	11 May 2026
FILE REFERENCE:	GO/6/0029-003
ATTACHMENTS:	Yes (x1) DRAFT Living Well in Greater Geraldton Wellbeing Plan 2026-2031

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement of the Living Well in Greater Geraldton Wellbeing Plan 2026–2031 (the Plan), which sets out the City’s approach to supporting and improving community health and wellbeing through planned priorities, partnerships and actions over the next five years.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 2.7 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. ENDORSE the Living Well in Greater Geraldton Wellbeing Plan 2026-2031.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:

Local governments have had and continue to play a critical role in supporting and improving their community’s health and wellbeing. The development of a dedicated plan clearly defines the issues the Council is facing, recognises the work already underway and identifies future opportunities that may be progressed as resources permit.

Under the *Public Health Act 2016* (the Act), local governments are required to undertake public health planning to protect and promote the health and wellbeing of their communities and to align local action with the State Public Health Plan. The Living Well in Greater Geraldton Wellbeing Plan 2026–2031 has been developed to meet these legislative requirements and to provide a coordinated, prevention-focused approach to community wellbeing.

The Plan focuses on the factors that influence community health and wellbeing, such as access to services, social connection, safety and the quality of local environments. It outlines how the City will consider wellbeing in its planning and service delivery by setting clear priority areas and identifying actions to be undertaken and in partnership with other organisations.

Development of the Plan was evidence based and informed by a comprehensive review of local health data, existing City strategies and the objectives of the WA State Public Health Plan 2025–2030. Extensive community and stakeholder engagement was undertaken through surveys, workshops, targeted meetings, community events and formal public consultation, ensuring the Plan reflects local needs, priorities and aspirations.

The Plan identifies three key priority areas for action: Connected and Engaged Communities, Healthy and Active Communities, and Safe and Healthy Environments. Each priority area includes clear objectives and actions that define the City's role in supporting and improving community wellbeing. The actions have been developed with consideration of the City's responsibilities, capacity, available resources and ability to influence outcomes. They are intended to guide practical, achievable and locally relevant wellbeing initiatives throughout the life of the Plan.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:

The Plan supports community connection, inclusion and safety through a coordinated approach to health and wellbeing planning.

Liveable:

The Plan supports the creation of safe and healthy environments by guiding actions that promote environmental health, improve safety and strengthen access to places that support community wellbeing.

Thriving:

The Plan is not primarily focused on economic development however, by supporting improved health and wellbeing outcomes, it contributes to the conditions that enable community participation, resilience and long-term sustainability within the City.

Leading:

Endorsement of the Plan demonstrates leadership in meeting legislative obligations, supports evidence based decision making and provides a clear framework to guide partnerships, advocacy and coordinated service delivery.

Disclosure of Interest:

No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

There are no relevant precedents.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:

A comprehensive community and stakeholder engagement process was undertaken to ensure the Plan reflects the priorities and needs of the Greater Geraldton community. Engagement activities included an online community survey, which received 425 responses, providing valuable insight into community views and wellbeing priorities. Four workshops were also held with community members and identified stakeholders.

Targeted one-on-one meetings were conducted with nine key stakeholders, including Geraldton Regional Aboriginal Medical Service, RUAH and Disability WA, enabling more in-depth discussion of local challenges, service gaps and opportunities for collaboration. The City also engaged directly with community members through participation in local events, including the Disability Expo and the Mullewa Agricultural Show, to support broader and more accessible input.

In total, 557 individuals were directly engaged through these activities. Feedback gathered through the engagement process informed the identification of key community priorities and played a critical role in shaping the development of the Plan.

Following development of the draft Living Well in Greater Geraldton Wellbeing Plan 2026–2031, formal public consultation was undertaken from 9 to 31 March 2026. A total of 28 submissions were received from community members, along with three additional submissions providing direct feedback from key stakeholders including the Department of Health, Cancer Council and Ngala. Feedback was generally positive and indicated strong support for the Plan's overall direction, particularly its focus on prevention, partnerships and improving long-term community wellbeing.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Under section 45 of the *Public Health Act 2016*, the City is required to prepare and implement a local public health plan that aligns with the State Public Health Plan. The Plan has been developed to meet this legislative requirement and to guide a coordinated approach to protecting and promoting community health and wellbeing. Failure to develop and implement a local public health plan may result in the City not meeting its statutory obligations under the Act and reduce its ability to demonstrate legislative compliance and provide a clear framework for public health planning and action.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The Plan has been developed with clear consideration of the City's role, priorities, capacity and available resources. The Plan identifies actions that are either already resourced through existing services and programs, emerging actions that require resourcing or are identified as opportunities that may be progressed subject to future funding, partnerships or capacity.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Connected	An engaged and diverse community where everyone feels included and safe.
Goal 1	Provide safe and inviting public spaces for people to enjoy.
Goal 2	Foster collaborative partnerships to improve community safety, security and social cohesion.
Strategic Theme: Liveable	A protected and enhanced natural environment with facilities and services to support community health and wellbeing.

Goal 2	Improve maintenance and connectivity of the City's transport network, including expanded active transport opportunities.
Goal 6	Support the community by advocating to State and Federal Government for better access to programs and services that improve community health and wellbeing.
Strategic Theme: Leading	A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.
Goal 1	Engage with the community to enhance decision-making.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

The Plan is primarily focused on local health and wellbeing outcomes but also supports broader regional outcomes by encouraging collaboration with other local governments, State Government agencies and community organisations. This collaborative approach contributes to a healthier, more connected and resilient Midwest region by helping to align efforts and support shared responses to health and wellbeing challenges.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

Endorsement of the Plan supports the City in meeting its obligations under section 45 of the *Public Health Act 2016* by providing a clear framework for local public health planning. Failure to endorse the Plan may limit the City's ability to demonstrate legislative compliance and implement a coordinated approach to community wellbeing.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

No alternative options were considered by City Officers, as failure to endorse the Plan would result in the City not meeting its obligations under section 45 of the *Public Health Act 2016*.

12.2 REPORTS OF COMMUNITY AND CULTURE – NIL

There are none.

12.3 REPORTS OF CORPORATE SERVICES

CS303	CORPORATE REPORTING – Q3 (JANUARY TO MARCH) 2025-26
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AGENDA REFERENCE:	D-26-052806
AUTHOR:	N Jane, Chief Financial Officer
EXECUTIVE:	P Radalj, Director Corporate Services
DATE OF REPORT:	7 May 2026
FILE REFERENCE:	GO/13/0013
ATTACHMENTS:	Yes (x1) Corporate Reporting for Q3 2025-26

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is for Council to receive the Corporate Reporting for Q3 (January to March 2026) 2025-26.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. RECEIVE the Corporate Reporting for Q3 (January to March 2026) 2025-26.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:

In June 2025, Council adopted the Strategic Community Plan 2025-2035 and Corporate Business Plan 2025-2029. The Corporate Business Plan describes the core services provided by the City, along with a list of key actions to be delivered against each of the strategic themes. The Corporate Business Plan is the four-year action plan that demonstrates how the City will implement the community's vision for the future including the key projects and initiatives that will deliver on the community's priorities.

This report provides a quarterly update on progress against the key actions identified for delivery in Year 1 of the Corporate Business Plan, 2025-26.

The *Local Government Amendment Act 2023* was passed by Parliament in May 2023. It introduced several key reforms including the requirement for local government CEO's performance criteria and performance reviews to be published. Regulations are currently being developed (*Local Government Regulations Amendment Regulations 2024*) which will implement these reforms.

In relation to CEO KPIs the paper states:

The CEO holds an important operational and financial role in the local government as the head of the administration. Allowing the community to view progress against CEO KPIs is another measure of confidence to track how a local government is performing overall.

Whilst the Regulations have not yet been enacted, the attached report incorporates an update on progress for the CEO KPI's in conjunction with the quarterly reporting on Corporate Business Plan actions.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:

This report provides information on key projects and initiatives being delivered to implement the community's vision for the future as contained in the Strategic Community Plan. The Connected theme has the objective to deliver an engaged and diverse community where everyone feels included and safe. Goals include providing safe and inviting public spaces for people to enjoy; fostering collaborative partnerships to improve community safety, security and social cohesion; supporting and celebrating the City's diverse community through programs, initiatives and events; and being an inclusive City by promoting and celebrating the full diversity of our community, including cultures, identities, backgrounds and abilities.

Liveable:

The Liveable theme has the objective to deliver a protected and enhanced natural environment with facilities and services to support community health and wellbeing. Goals include prioritising greening of the City's streetscapes and public spaces, with a focus on pathways and open space areas; managing and protecting the City's natural environment and identifying strategies to mitigate climate change and improving waste management to support a sustainable future.

Thriving:

The Thriving theme has the objective to deliver an economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth whilst preserving our local spirit. Goals include supporting existing businesses and attracting new investment, contributing to a vibrant CBD and other key activity centres and supporting and championing our diverse mix of industries, encouraging innovation and local employment opportunities.

Leading:

The Leading theme has the objective to demonstrate a progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth. Goals include engaging with the community to enhance decision-making; efficiently and effectively delivering community services and projects through optimal use of our resources, financial sustainability, actively seeking and leveraging external funding to deliver for the community; continued focus on strong advocacy to ensure that Federal and State projects, programs and funding are aligned with our community's priorities; providing the community with clear and accessible information about the City's programs, services and decisions; and ensuring high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

Disclosure of Interest:

No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Reports on progress against the Corporate Business Plan are provided to Council for each quarter. The annual report provides an update for the year.

- Item No. CS280 – 2025-26 Corporate Reporting – Quarter Two Reporting received on 24 February 2026.
- Item No. CS271 – 2025-26 Corporate Reporting – Quarter One Reporting received on 16 December 2025.
- Item No. CS269 – 2024-25 Annual Report received on 16 December 2025.
- Item No. CS215 – 2024-25 Corporate Business Plan – Quarter Three Reporting received on 27 May 2025.
- Item No. CS191 – 2024-25 Corporate Business Plan – Quarter Two Reporting received on 25 February 2025.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:

There has been no community/Council Member consultation; however, this report provides an update to the Community and Council Members on progress against the Corporate Business Plan 2025-2029 and CEO KPI's.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

There are no legislative or policy implications.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The Long-Term Financial Plan maps out the resourcing needs of the Strategic Community Plan over a 10-year period, and the annual budget adopted by Council supports delivery against the community's priorities as captured in the Strategic Community Plan and Corporate Business Plan.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

This report responds to all of the Integrated Planning themes.

Strategic Theme: Connected	An engaged and diverse community where everyone feels included and safe.
Strategic Theme: Liveable	A protected and enhanced natural environment with facilities and services to support community health and wellbeing.
Strategic Theme: Thriving	An economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.
Strategic Theme: Leading	A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

As the main regional centre for the Mid West, the City has a great opportunity to support, facilitate and leverage state projects in the region. The City continues to support and advocate for initiatives that build a better future for our community and the region.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

No specific risks associated with this report.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

No alternative options were considered by City Officers.

CS304	MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2026
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AGENDA REFERENCE:	D-26-054407
AUTHOR:	N Jane, Chief Financial Officer
EXECUTIVE:	P Radalj, Director Corporate Services
DATE OF REPORT:	6 May 2026
FILE REFERENCE:	FM/17/0017
ATTACHMENTS:	Yes (x1) Monthly Financial Report for period ended 30 April 2026

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a comprehensive report on the City's finances to 30 April 2026.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Regulation 34 and 35 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

1. RECEIVE the Monthly Financial Report for the period ended 30 April 2026 incorporating the Statement of Financial Activity and Statement of Financial Position.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:

This report provides Council with a comprehensive overview of the City's financial performance and position. It includes key performance indicators across Connected, Liveable, Thriving and Leading themes, along with the Statement of Financial Activity, Statement of Financial Position, Explanation of Material Variances, Net Current Funding Position and Monthly Investment Report.

In accordance with the Financial Management Regulations, a Statement of Financial Activity and a Statement of Financial Position must be presented monthly, accompanied by relevant supporting information. Beyond regulatory compliance, the purpose of regular financial reporting is to enable Council Members to monitor the allocation of financial and other resources against the approved budget, including the Mid-Year Budget review amendments endorsed in March 2026. This ongoing reporting demonstrates sound financial management and the effectiveness of the City's systems. The monthly report also provides a snapshot of the organisation's liquidity and its status as a going concern.

**CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING –
ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:****Connected:**

This report outlines the financial allocations and expenditures for programs and activities that support the City's commitment to building an engaged and diverse community. The City invests in programs and infrastructure that promote safety, inclusion, and social cohesion.

Liveable:

This report outlines financial activity related to the City's efforts to create a greener, healthier, and more sustainable environment. The City is committed to enhancing liveability through strategic investments in green infrastructure, sustainable practices, and community wellbeing.

Thriving:

This report outlines financial activity related to programs and projects that contribute to a thriving local economy. The City continues to invest in initiatives that foster economic vitality and supports local businesses.

Leading:

This report demonstrates the City's commitment to efficient service delivery, financial sustainability, and leadership that is transparent and accountable.

Disclosure of Interest:

No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Council is provided with financial reports each month.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:

There has been no community/Council Member consultation.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Section 6.4 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* require the local government to prepare a statement of financial activity each month, reporting on the revenue and expenditure as set out in the adopted annual budget. The statement is to be accompanied by documents containing an explanation of material variances and such other supporting information as is considered relevant by the local government.

Each financial year, a local government is to adopt a percentage or value to be used in statements of financial activity for reporting material variances. The materiality threshold adopted by Council are variances that are greater than 10% of the current budget or a value greater than \$50,000.

Regulation 35 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* also requires the local government to prepare a statement of financial position as at the last day of the previous month.

A statement of financial activity, statement of financial position and any accompanying documents are to be presented at an Ordinary Meeting of the Council within two months after the end of the month to which the statements relate.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

As detailed in this item and attached report.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Leading	A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.
Goal 1	Engage with the community to enhance decision-making.
Goal 2	Efficiently and effectively deliver community services and projects, through optimal use of our resources.
Goal 3	Financial sustainability, actively seeking and leveraging external funding to deliver for the community.
Goal 5	Provide the community with clear and accessible information about the City's programs, services and decisions.
Goal 6	Ensure high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

The provision of monthly financial reports to Council fulfills the relevant statutory requirements and is consistent with good financial governance.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

No alternative options were considered by City Officers.

12.4 REPORTS OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

IS334	COUNCIL POLICY 3.3 FRACKING
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AGENDA REFERENCE:	D-26-040295
AUTHOR:	M Dufour, Manager Climate Environment and Waste
EXECUTIVE:	C Lee, Director Infrastructure Services
DATE OF REPORT:	13 February 2026
FILE REFERENCE:	GO/6/0029-003
ATTACHMENTS:	Yes (x2) A. Draft Council Policy 3.3 Fracking (v4) B. Active Petroleum Titles within the City of Greater Geraldton

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of Council Policy – 3.3 Fracking, version 4.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. APPROVE Council Policy 3.3 Fracking, version 4.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:

This Council Policy was initially endorsed as Council Policy 4.16 Fracking through a Notice of Motion on 26 November 2019 – Item No. NM11, Onshore Gas Field Development (Fracking). The current version (version 3) of the policy was endorsed on 26 March 2024 – Item No. IS300 Council Policy – 3.3 Fracking.

The Midwest, Kimberley, Perth and Peel, and Southwest regions of Western Australia (WA) contain shale geological formations where fracking would be required for oil and gas resource extraction. Other areas of WA contain geological formations where traditional methods can be used for oil and gas resource extraction. The WA state government has lifted the moratorium on fracking in the Midwest region (Perth Basin) and Kimberley region (Canning Basin), whilst leaving the moratorium in place for the Perth and Peel region (Perth Basin), and Southwest region (Perth Basin).

This policy acknowledges that fracking activities are primarily dealt with through legislation administered by state government agencies. Based on Government of WA's information the Midwest and Kimberley regions represents the 2% of the WA landmass that fall outside the 98% of WA where the fracking method is either not permitted or not required to extract oil and gas. This is confirmed by a recent Environmental Protection Authority WA (EPAWA) recommendation (20 January 2026) for the state government to approve a 20-well fracking exploration project in the Kimberley.

The policy's intent demonstrates Council Member's commitment to environmental and natural resources protection, which fracking activities could impact. Within the City there are currently two (2) active petroleum titles (Attachment No. IS334B) that could, subject to EPAWA and state approvals, allow fracking exploration activities to be undertaken.

Apart from an update to a website link, no amendments have been made to this policy. Therefore, it is recommended that the version 4 of the policy (Attachment No. IS334BA) is approved.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:

This policy advocates for the protection of the community's health and wellbeing from potential harm caused by onshore gas field development.

Liveable:

This policy advocates for the protection of the natural environment. Previous engagement within the community has demonstrated broad support for the ongoing protection of the natural environment.

Thriving:

There are no adverse impacts.

Leading:

The implementation of this policy highlights the leadership of Council Members in supporting the ongoing sustainable management of the environment.

Disclosure of Interest:

No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Council previously endorsed version 3 of this policy on 26 March 2024 through Item No. IS300 Council Policy 3.3 Fracking.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:

A Briefing Note was issued to Council Members on 11 March 2026. The Briefing Note outlined the intent to retain the policy with Council Members to consider retiring it. The feedback period closed on 27 March 2026. No feedback was received. Therefore, retention of the policy is recommended.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

All applications for onshore exploration and production proposals involving hydraulic fracturing are required to be referred to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) under the Environmental Protection Regulations 1987.

The application of this policy supports the City's position concerning the impacts of climate change as identified in Council Policy 3.1 Climate Change.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial or resource implications.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Connected	An engaged and diverse community where everyone feels included and safe.
Goal 1	Provide safe and inviting public spaces for people to enjoy.
Strategic Theme: Liveable	A protected and enhanced natural environment with facilities and services to support community health and wellbeing.
Goal 3	Manage and protect the City's natural environment, and identify strategies to mitigate climate change.
Strategic Theme: Thriving	An economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.
Goal 3	Plan for the sustainable growth of the City, balancing the needs of current and future populations.
Strategic Theme: Leading	A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.
Goal 4	Continued focus on strong advocacy to ensure that Federal and State projects, programs and funding are aligned with our community's priorities.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

This policy advocates for the protection of the natural environment and community health and wellbeing across the region.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

Adopting Council Policy 3.3 Fracking will ensure that the City maintains a contemporary position to addressing the impacts of onshore exploration and production proposals involving hydraulic fracturing. By not adopting this policy, the City may not be able to demonstrate its obligation to section 3.1 of the *Local Government Act 1995*

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

Council could consider retiring the policy since health, wellbeing and environmental concerns are now addressed through a statutory EPA referral process.

12.5 REPORTS OF OFFICE OF THE CEO – NIL

There are none.

12.6 REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED**RR83 REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED - MAY**

AGENDA REFERENCE:	D-26-055669
AUTHOR:	R McKim, Chief Executive Officer
EXECUTIVE:	R McKim, Chief Executive Officer
DATE OF REPORT:	15 May 2026
FILE REFERENCE:	GO/6/0029
ATTACHMENTS:	Yes (x3)
	A. DSDD043 - Delegated Determinations and Subdivision Applications for Planning Approval
	B. CS305 – List of Accounts Paid Under Delegation – April 2026
	C. CS306 - List of Payments by Employees via Purchasing Cards - April 2026

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to receive the Reports of the City of Greater Geraldton.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:**PART A**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. RECEIVE the following appended reports:
 - a. Reports – Development Services:
 - i. DSDD043 - Delegated Determinations and Subdivision Applications for Planning Approval.

PART B

That Council by Simple Majority, pursuant to Regulation 13 and 13A of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

1. RECEIVE the following appended reports:
 - a. Reports – Corporate Services:
 - i. CS305 - List of Accounts Paid Under Delegation - April 2026; and
 - ii. CS306 - List of Payments by Employees via Purchasing Cards - April 2026.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:

Information and items for noting or receiving (i.e. periodic reports, minutes of other meetings) are to be included in an appendix attached to the Council agenda.

Any reports received under this Agenda are considered received only. Any recommendations or proposals contained within the 'Reports (including Minutes) to be Received' are not approved or endorsed by Council in any way. Any outcomes or recommendations requiring Council approval must be presented separately to Council as a Report for consideration at an Ordinary Meeting of Council.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:**Connected:**

By receiving these reports, Council is providing additional information to the community, keeping them connected to Council information and decisions.

Liveable:

There are no adverse impacts.

Thriving:

There are no adverse impacts.

Leading:

This report demonstrates the City's commitment to high-quality governance that upholds transparency and accountability.

Disclosure of Interest:

No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Reports to be received by Council at each Ordinary Meeting of Council.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:

There has been no community/Council Member consultation.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

There are no legislative or policy implications.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial or resource implications.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Leading	A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.
Goal 6	Ensure high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

There are no risks to be considered.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

No alternative options were considered by City Officers.

13 MOTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

There are none.

14 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

There are none.

15 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

There is none.

16 MEETING CLOSED TO PUBLIC

Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011, please note this part of the meeting *may* need to be closed to the public, *if* confidential discussion is required.

Livestreaming will be turned off if required.

CS307	RFT 2526 14 CLEANING OF PUBLIC ABLUTIONS
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AGENDA REFERENCE:	D-26-052811
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EXECUTIVE:	P Radalj, Director Corporate Services
DATE OF REPORT:	30 April 2026
FILE REFERENCE:	FM/25/0365
ATTACHMENTS:	Yes (x1) Confidential Confidential – RFT 2526 14 Evaluation Report

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to award tender RFT 2526 14 Cleaning of Public Ablutions to the recommended tenderer.

The contract is proposed to run for a period of two years for the delivery of budgeted cleaning of public ablutions.

The initial contract term proposed is 1 August 2026 to 31 July 2028 with the option of a two-year extension exercisable at the discretion of the City.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Sections 3.57 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 18(4) of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

NOTE - Council to insert successful tender name when moving the motion

1. ACCEPT the evaluation panel's recommendation, being the tender submission for Tender No. RFT 2526 14 Cleaning of Public Ablutions, received from the Recommended Tenderer, _____, named as Tenderer 1 in the Evaluation Panel Report recommendation detailed in Confidential Attachment No. CS307 as the most advantageous, for the estimated annual contract value of \$_____ excluding GST.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:

Tender RFT 2526 14 Cleaning of Public Ablutions (RFT) was advertised in The Geraldton Guardian on 6 March 2026, in The West Australian on 7 March 2026,

and the City's TenderLink e-Tendering Portal. The RFT closed on 26 March 2026.

Eight interested parties registered to receive copies of the tender and three tender submissions were received, with one tenderer withdrawing their tender. The tender assessment was undertaken by a panel of five Officers with three voting and two non-voting.

The RFT has a two-year duration commencing from 1 August 2026 and has an additional two-year extension option at the absolute discretion of the City. The City has adopted a two-year supply contract period for a variety of goods and services used in its operational and maintenance programs.

There has previously been a two-year contract for Cleaning of Public Ablutions RFT 2122 15 (Item No. CCS696).

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:

Cleaning of public ablutions supports the community by providing a safe and clean environment for all users of City public ablutions.

Liveable:

Cleaning of public ablutions supports community health and wellbeing.

Thriving:

Awarding this tender will strengthen the local economy by supporting businesses and creating employment opportunities for community members, including cleaners. It will also generate demand for locally sourced consumables, ensuring that City funds are reinvested into the community through both workforce engagement and supply chain partnerships.

Leading:

The services delivered through this tender process demonstrate strong leadership in resource management and service delivery with works monitored by the City through Key Performance Indicator (KPI) checklists and safety management audits. By ensuring the efficient and effective use of public funds, the tender supports the timely and high-quality delivery of community services and projects. The process also upholds principles of transparency, accountability, and good governance, reinforcing the City's commitment to ethical and responsible leadership. *Disclosure of Interest:* No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Council awarded a two-year supply contract RFT 2122 15 Cleaning of Public Ablutions on 31 May 2022, Item No. CCS696. The initial contract term was from 1 August 2022 to 31 July 2024, with an extension to contract approved 7 June 2024 to extend until 31 July 2026.

Prior to RFT 2122 15 Cleaning of Public Ablutions, Council awarded a two-year services contract RFT 25 1718 Cleaning of City of Greater Geraldton Public

Ablutions on 24 July 2018, Item No. DCS375. The initial contract term was from 1 August 2018 to 31 July 2020, with an extension approved 1 April 2020 to extend the contract until 31 July 2022.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:

Community and Council Member consultation is not undertaken for the award of two-year supply contracts for essential services. Engagement on these services occurs as part of Council's annual budget approval process.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The *Local Government Act 1995* and Council Policy 4.9 Procurement of Goods and Services were observed when preparing and recommending the award of this tender. Safe work methods and environmental management in line with legislative requirements will be observed as part of the delivery of the contract.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The current budget for Cleaning of Public Ablutions is \$225,685. Therefore, this RFT award will require an additional \$19,000 to be allocated to the 2026-27 draft budget.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Connected	An engaged and diverse community where everyone feels included and safe.
Goal 1	Provide safe and inviting public spaces for people to enjoy.
Strategic Theme: Thriving	An economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.
Goal 1	Support existing businesses and attract new investment, contributing to a vibrant CBD and other key activity centres.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

The successful tenderer will have documented management plans in place to ensure the safety and protection of workers and the community in relation to this service.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

This RFT was called to ensure compliance with the legislative procurement requirements of the *Local Government Act 1995*. The following alternatives were considered in the procurement planning phase prior to calling this tender:

1. Call for individual quotations and tenders for specific cleaning of public ablutions. This option is not supported and was discounted due to the volume of administrative effort required, and the potential to have higher costs through multiple small purchases.

17 CLOSURE

APPENDIX 1 – ATTACHMENTS AND REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED

Attachments and Reports to be Received are available on the City of Greater Geraldton website at: <https://www.cgg.wa.gov.au/council-meetings/>