



2017-18 Investigation Hugel

Sector	Local government
Respondent level	Designated Public Officer
Misconduct risk(s)	Misuse of public resources

Description

An anonymous complaint alleged a councillor had claimed reimbursement of expenses in circumstances where there was no entitlement—this related to a time when the councillor was not engaged in Council business.

Our investigation identified that councillors at the particular Council are entitled to be reimbursed for reasonable expenses in accordance with a Council policy adopted under schedule 5 of the *Local Government Act 1993*. The particular arrangement that was established to manage the councillor's expenses did not breach the entitlement to reimbursement of 'reasonable expenses'.

The investigation also found that the councillor had used Council resources appropriately and had complied with the relevant council policy.

Outcome	Dismissed
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The Commission can help

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