

6.2.3 COVID-19 Delegations

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Recommendation(s)

That Council note this report.

Attachments

Nil

Executive Summary

At the Special Council meeting held on 30 March 2020 Council resolved to execute and Emergency Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer. At the time there was some concern that due to the COVID-19 restrictions and provisions of the Local Government 1989 the Council would be unable to formally hold meetings.

At this time, the Chief Executive Officer has not been required to use any of the powers that exist under the Emergency Instrument of Delegation.

Background

Due to a range of concerns around COVID19 the Emergency Instrument of Delegation was determined as a prudent and considered approach in March 2020. The Instrument of Delegation allowed the CEO to, among other things, award a contract for works over \$1,000,000 but under \$5,000,000.

Any contract awarded in this range was to be reported to Council at the next available meeting. To date, the Chief Executive Officer has not been required to exercise this power.

It is not considered prudent at this time to revoke this Emergency Instrument of Delegation as the COVID19 pandemic is not yet over and the future remains unknown in regards to its impact.

Policy Implications

There are no policy implications as a result of this report.

Relevance to Council Plan

1.7 Minimised impact of emergencies

1.7.1 Implement plans that support people in times of emergency.

1.7.2 Implement effective plans and procedures that minimise the impact of all emergencies in the Shire.

1.7.3 Protect against the impacts of emergencies through effective preparation and community planning and education.

Climate Emergency Consideration

Nil.

Consultation/Communication

No consultation has taken place in preparation of this report.

Financial and Resource Implications

There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

Conclusion

At the time of writing this report the Chief Executive Officer has not been required to exercise the delegation