Delegated authority

Reference

DL4.12

Subject

Payments from the Municipal or Trust Funds

Category

Finance

Delegator

Council

Power or duty

The Chief Executive Officer is delegated authority to make payments from the Municipal or Trust Funds. The Authority to make payments is subject to annual budget limitations. All payments from the Municipal Fund or Trust Fund are to be authorised and signed in accordance with Council's policies and the Shire's approved work procedures and each payment from the Municipal Fund or the Trust Fund is to be noted on a list compiled for each month which is to be presented to the next ordinary meeting of Council, in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 13(1) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Delegates

CEO

Conditions

- 1. Delegates must comply with the Procedures approved by the CEO in accordance with Financial Management Regulation 5.
- 2. Payments by cheque and EFT transactions must be approved jointly by two delegates, one of whom must be the Executive Manager Corporate Services or Deputy Chief Executive Officer.
- 3. Delegates that approve the payment must not verify the liability. The verification of incurring the liability via the purchase order, invoice and evidence of goods / service received, must be undertaken independent of the payment approval.
- 4. For any variations to requisition and/or purchase orders, a purchasing order file note is required as per Policy 3.12 -Purchasing Policy. Approval from the CEO is to be sought prior to incurring further liabilities and that the amount has already been approved in the annual budget process (FM Regs 5 & 11). These will be reported to Council monthly and to the Audit Committee.
- 5. The authority to approve requisitions and purchase orders and for the supply of goods and services authorised by the CEO to employees is subject to the following maximum individual amounts:

| Authority by Employee Title | Capital Value Limit | Operating Value Limit |
|--|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Community Liaison Officer | \$1,100 | \$1,100 |
| Ranger | \$1,100 | \$1,100 |
| Construction Supervisor | \$2,000 | \$2,000 |
| Cummins Theatre Manager | \$2,500 | \$2,500 |
| Regional Manager Library | \$2,500 | \$2,500 |
| Media & Communications Officer | Nil | \$2,500 |
| Pool Manager | \$2,500 | \$2,500 |
| Central Wheatbelt Visitors Centre Manage | er \$2,500 | \$2,500 |
| Executive Assistant to the CEO | \$2,750 | \$2,750 |
| Executive Support Officer | \$2,750 | \$2,750 |
| Environmental Health Officer | Nil | \$2,750 |
| Asset Management Officer | \$10,000 | \$10,000 |

| Building Project Manager | \$10,000 | \$10,000 |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Manager of Projects | \$55,000 | \$55,000 |
| Executive Manager Corporate Services | \$55,000 | \$55,000 |
| Executive Manager Development Services | \$55,000 | \$55,000 |
| Executive Manager Engineering Services | \$55,000 | \$55,000 |
| Deputy Chief Executive Officer | \$55,000 | \$55,000 |
| Chief Executive Officer | Unlimited | Unlimited |

Executive Managers/Deputy CEO/CEO Unlimited – This authority pertains to payments for EFT transactions, including Creditors and Payroll and transfers between trust and municipal funds. All transactions require two (2) signatories.

Subdelegates

Deputy Chief Executive Officer Executive Manager of Development Services Executive Manager of Engineering Services Executive Manager of Corporate Services

Statutory framework

Local Government Act 1995 Section 5.42, Section 5.43 & Section 5.44 Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Regulation 12(1)(a)

Policy

Policy 3.12 - Purchasing Policy