



WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR EXPENSES REPORT

1 JULY 2023 – 31 DECEMBER 2023



ABOUT THIS REPORT

Section 252 of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires all Councils to adopt a policy concerning the payment of expenses incurred or to be incurred by, and the provision of facilities to, the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors in relation to discharging the functions of civic office.

Weddin Shire Council (Council) adopted its current Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy at its Ordinary Meeting held 17 November 2022 (Resolution 301/22). This policy enables the reasonable and appropriate reimbursement of expenses and provision of facilities to Councillors to help them undertake their civic duties. It ensures accountability and transparency and seeks to align Councillor expenses and facilities with community expectations.

Clause 13 of Council's Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy provides:

13.1 Council will report on the provision of expenses and facilities to councillors as required in the Act and Regulations.

13.2 Detailed reports on the provision of expenses and facilities to councillors will be publicly tabled at a council meeting every six months and published in full on council's website. These reports will include expenditure summarised by individual councillor and as a total for all councillors.

Council's Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy can be accessed from <https://www.weddin.nsw.gov.au/Council/Plans-and-Policies>

ALL COUNCILLORS

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17	\$255.00	\$460.70			\$715.70
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses		\$3787.87	\$1,339.94			\$5127.81
Accommodation		\$800.00	\$130.00			\$930.00
Meals / Food & Catering		\$1,574.96	\$797.17			\$2,372.13
Professional Development			\$3,075.00			\$3,075.00
Conferences and Seminars		\$7,222.72				\$7,222.72
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases		\$25,458.10	\$3,284.76			\$28,742.86
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees/ Super		\$38,633.55	\$38,633.55			\$77,267.10

\$125,453.32

MAYOR, CR CRAIG BEMBRICK

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation		\$408.18				\$408.18
Meals / Food & Catering						
Professional Development						
Conferences and Seminars		\$1,962.50				\$1,962.50
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$11,503.88	\$11,503.88			\$23,007.76

\$25,378.44

DEPUTY MAYOR, CR PAUL BEST

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation		\$391.82				\$391.82
Meals / Food & Catering		\$298.06	\$137.37			\$435.43
Professional Development						
Conferences and Seminars		\$1,753.41				\$1,753.41
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases			\$77.48			\$77.48
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,256.86	\$3,256.86			\$6,513.72

\$9,171.86

CR MICHELLE COOK

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation						
Meals / Food & Catering			\$57.60			\$57.60
Professional Development		\$615.00				\$615.00
Conferences and Seminars						
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,615.11	\$3,615.11			\$7,230.22

\$7,902.82

CR PHILLIP DIPROSE

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17	\$460.70	\$255.00			\$715.70
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation			\$130.00			\$130.00
Meals / Food & Catering						
Professional Development			\$615.00			\$615.00
Conferences and Seminars						

Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,615.11	\$3,615.11			\$7,230.22
						\$8,690.92

CR WARWICK FRAME

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation						
Meals / Food & Catering						

Professional Development	Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Conferences and Seminars						
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,615.11	\$3,615.11			\$7,230.22
						\$7,230.22

CR GLENDA HOWELL

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense					
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total	
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17						
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses			\$229.24			\$229.24	
Accommodation							
Meals / Food & Catering							
Professional Development			\$615.00			\$615.00	
Conferences and Seminars			\$1,753.41			\$1,753.41	
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases							
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super			\$3,256.86	\$3,256.86			\$6,513.72

\$9,111.37

CR JASON KENAH

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation						
Meals / Food & Catering						
Professional Development			\$615.00			\$615.00
Conferences and Seminars		\$1,753.41				\$1,753.41
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,256.86	\$3,256.86			\$6,513.72

\$8,882.13

CR STUART McKELLAR

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation						
Meals / Food & Catering						
Professional Development						
Conferences and Seminars						
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						

Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,256.86	\$3,256.86			\$6,513.72
						\$6,513.72

CR JAN PARLETT

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation						
Meals / Food & Catering						
Professional Development						
				\$615.00		

Conferences and Seminars						
Admin / Insurance / Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,256.86	\$3,256.86			\$6,513.72
						\$7,128.72