

**POLICY TITLE: COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION — LOCAL
GOVERNMENT DECISION MAKING**

Policy No. 205

POLICY PURPOSE

To clearly designate opportunities for community participation in Council's decision making processes.

POLICY STATEMENT

The Council will, in recognising that members of the public should be able to participate in Local Government decision making, encourage such participation through the processes of: Deputations before Council and Committees;

- Members being available for consultation;
- Council and Committee minutes being available to members of the public;
- Non-confidential surveys/questionnaires on particular issues;
- Public Notice to be given of all Council Meetings;
- Non-confidential Council business papers to be available for public information; Publication of a summarised Council Agenda;
- Formation of Advisory and Management Committees.