

To whom it may concern

Please find following a submission received in response to Wellington Shire Council's finalised review of mayoral and councillors allowances, made under the current determination by the Minister for Local Government.

Wellington Shire Council are lodging the following submission on behalf of [REDACTED], to be included in the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal's consideration of submissions in preparation for its first determination later this year.

DATE RECEIVED	CORRESPONDENT	SUBMISSION
17 June 2021	[REDACTED]	I would like to see Councillor allowances raised substantially, in the order of 100 to 200%. My rationale is that currently the small remuneration effectively reduces the pool of potential representatives to self-funded retirees. For all other cohorts it is not near enough to act as a reasonable wage that could adequately supplement any other income. Given the role of councillors is very time consuming, combined with the small wage, this effectively makes it impossible for young people, parents, working singles and couples, etc to put their hand up for a Councillor role. Hence, it becomes impossible to get a diverse representation of views and opinions on Council.

If you require any further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Regards

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