

8.2 LOCAL GOVERNMENT STATUTORY COMPLIANCE AUDIT RETURN 2023

TRIM Ref: D23/225558

Attachments: 1. Compliance Audit Return 2023

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. **NOTES** that the City of Vincent's Compliance Audit Return for the period 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 was reviewed by the Audit Committee at its 29 February 2024 meeting;
2. **ADOPTS** the Compliance Audit Return for the period 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, at Attachment 1; and
3. **AUTHORISES** the Compliance Audit Return in Recommendation 1. above to be certified by the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer in accordance with Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996*.

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To adopt the City's Compliance Audit Return (CAR) for 2023.

DELEGATION:

Section 7.13(1)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1995* (Act) requires local governments to undertake an audit of compliance "in the prescribed manner and in a form approved by the Minister". In accordance with section 7.13(1)(i) of the Act, the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) requires that all local governments complete a CAR by 31 March 2024.

BACKGROUND:

In accordance with Regulation 14(3a) of the *Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996*, the Audit Committee reviewed the CAR at its meeting held on 29 February 2024 and resolved to recommend to Council that it adopts the CAR.

DETAILS:

The 2023 CAR contains the following compliance categories:

- Commercial enterprises by Local Governments;
- Delegation of power/duty;
- Disclosure of interest;
- Disposal of property;
- Elections;
- Finance;
- Integrated planning and reporting;
- Local Government employees;
- Official conduct;
- Tenders for providing goods and services; and
- Optional Questions.

The attached responses have identified that the City had one area of non-compliance, as detailed below:

Disclosure of Interest – Question 4.

Section 5.75 of the Act requires Elected Members and designated employees to complete a disclosure of financial interest by way of a Primary Return within 3 months of their start date.

One of the City's designated employees failed to complete a Primary Return within three months of their powers commencing.

The employee was issued a Certificate of Delegation on 20 March 2023 and submitted a Primary Return on 27 June 2023 (being 7 days outside of the submission period).

An internal audit of all decisions made by the employee was undertaken and reviewed against the submitted return to confirm that there were no conflicts arising from a financial interest.

Reasonable measures have been implemented to ensure that future breaches do not occur and necessary training has been completed with staff and Managers to apprise them of their responsibilities in complying with the Act.

As required under the Act, notification of the breach was submitted to the Corruption and Crime Commission (CCC) and to the DLGSC on 27 July 2023.

The DLGCS have confirmed that they do not intend to take any further action and the file has been closed.

CONSULTATION/ADVERTISING:

Not applicable.

LEGAL/POLICY:

Regulation 14 of the *Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996* requires that the Audit Committee reviews the completed CAR and reports the results to Council. Following Council's adoption of the CAR, the CAR must be submitted to the Department by 31 March 2024. To achieve this timeframe, it is proposed to table the CAR at the Council Meeting on Tuesday 19 March 2024.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Low: Review of the CAR by the Audit Committee satisfies the legislative requirements and assists the City in identifying areas for improvement in terms of internal controls and legislative compliance.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

This is in keeping with the City's *Strategic Community Plan 2018-2028*:

Innovative and Accountable

Our decision-making process is consistent and transparent, and decisions are aligned to our strategic direction.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS:

This does not contribute to any environmental sustainability outcomes.

PUBLIC HEALTH IMPLICATIONS:

This does not contribute to any public health outcomes in the *City's Public Health Plan 2020-2025*.

FINANCIAL/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.



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Commercial Enterprises by Local Governments					
No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	s3.59(2)(a) F&G Regs 7,9,10	Has the local government prepared a business plan for each major trading undertaking that was not exempt in 2023?	N/A		Senior Land and Legal Advisor
2	s3.59(2)(b) F&G Regs 7,8A, 8, 10	Has the local government prepared a business plan for each major land transaction that was not exempt in 2023?	N/A		Senior Land and Legal Advisor
3	s3.59(2)(c) F&G Regs 7,8A, 8,10	Has the local government prepared a business plan before entering into each land transaction that was preparatory to entry into a major land transaction in 2023?	Yes	Business plan was published as part of statewide public notice on 26 July 2023	Senior Land and Legal Advisor
4	s3.59(4)	Has the local government complied with public notice and publishing requirements for each proposal to commence a major trading undertaking or enter into a major land transaction or a land transaction that is preparatory to a major land transaction for 2023?	Yes	Statewide public notice of Business Plan occurred from 26 July 2023 to 11 Sept 2023	Senior Land and Legal Advisor
5	s3.59(5)	During 2023, did the council resolve to proceed with each major land transaction or trading undertaking by absolute majority?	Yes	Council Meeting on 21 Nov 2023 (item 9.8) approved by absolute majority to proceed with Major Land Transaction and to execute transaction documents. Transaction documents executed on 24 January 2024.	Senior Land and Legal Advisor

Delegation of Power/Duty					
No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	s5.16 (1)	Were all delegations to committees resolved by absolute majority?	Yes	Delegation to the Behaviour Complaints Committee was resolved by AMV at the Ordinary Council Meeting 14/12/2021 - Item 9.15 and last reviewed and adopted by AMV 20/06/2023 OMC - Item 12.1.	Senior Governance Project Officer
2	s5.16 (2)	Were all delegations to committees in writing?	Yes	See Register of Delegations, Authorisations & Appointments and Council Minutes available on the City's website	Senior Governance Project Officer
3	s5.17	Were all delegations to committees within the limits specified in section 5.17?	Yes	See Register of Delegations, Authorisations & Appointments and Council Minutes available on the City's website	Senior Governance Project Officer

Delegation of Power/Duty					
4	s5.18	Were all delegations to committees recorded in a register of delegations?	Yes	See comment above	Senior Governance Project Officer
5	s5.18	Has council reviewed delegations to its committees in the 2022/2023 financial year?	Yes	Annual review undertaken by Council see minutes of OMC 20/06/2023 – Item 12.1	Senior Governance Project Officer
6	s5.42(1) & s5.43 Admin Reg 18G	Did the powers and duties delegated to the CEO exclude those listed in section 5.43 of the Act?	Yes	See Register of Delegations, Authorisations & Appointments.	Senior Governance Project Officer
7	s5.42(1)	Were all delegations to the CEO resolved by an absolute majority?	Yes	see minutes of OMC 20/06/2023 – Item 12.1	Senior Governance Project Officer
8	s5.42(2)	Were all delegations to the CEO in writing?	Yes	Provided in the Register of Delegations, Authorisations and Appointments available as a public document on the City's website.	Senior Governance Project Officer
9	s5.44(2)	Were all delegations by the CEO to any employee in writing?	Yes	Individual Certificates are provided and saved in SC279 Also provided in the Register of Delegations, Authorisations and Appointments available as a public document on the City's website.	Senior Governance Project Officer
10	s5.16(3)(b) & s5.45(1)(b)	Were all decisions by the council to amend or revoke a delegation made by absolute majority?	Yes	All amendments are noted in Revisions at the end of the Register of Delegations, Authorisations and Appointments	Senior Governance Project Officer
11	s5.46(1)	Has the CEO kept a register of all delegations made under Division 4 of the Act to the CEO and to employees?	Yes	See Register of Delegations, Authorisations & Appointments available as a public document on the City's website.	Senior Governance Project Officer
12	s5.46(2)	Were all delegations made under Division 4 of the Act reviewed by the delegator at least once during the 2021/2022 financial year?	Yes	Annual review undertaken by administration 16/03/2023 D23/34733 & at by Council at OMC 20/06/2023 – Item 12.1.	Senior Governance Project Officer
13	s5.46(3) Admin Reg 19	Did all persons exercising a delegated power or duty under the Act keep, on all occasions, a written record in accordance with Admin Reg 19?	Yes	Saved to the City's central record keeping system (Content Manager).	Senior Governance Project Officer

Disclosure of Interest					
No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	s5.67	Where a council member disclosed an interest in a matter and did not have participation approval under sections 5.68 or 5.69, did the council member ensure that they did not remain present to participate in discussion or decision making relating to the matter?	Yes	https://www.vincent.wa.gov.au/our-city/council-and-committees/council-meetings/about-council-meetings.aspx	Council Liaison Officer
2	s5.68(2) & s5.69(5) Admin Reg 21A	Were all decisions regarding participation approval, including the extent of participation allowed and, where relevant, the information required by Admin Reg 21A, recorded in the minutes of the relevant council or committee meeting?	Yes	https://www.vincent.wa.gov.au/our-city/council-and-committees/council-meetings/about-council-meetings.aspx	Council Liaison Officer
3	s5.73	Were disclosures under section sections 5.65, 5.70 or 5.71A(3) recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which the disclosures were made?	Yes	https://www.vincent.wa.gov.au/our-city/council-and-committees/council-meetings/about-council-meetings.aspx	Council Liaison Officer
4	s5.75 Admin Reg 22, Form 2	Was a primary return in the prescribed form lodged by all relevant persons within three months of their start day?	No	<p>One of the City's designated employees failed to complete a Primary Return within three months of their powers commencing.</p> <p>The employee was issued a Certificate of Delegation on 20 March 2023 and submitted a Primary Return on 27 June 2023 (being 7 days outside of the submission period)</p> <p>A notification of the breach was submitted to the CCC and DLGSC on 27 July 2023.</p>	Senior Governance Project Office
5	s5.76 Admin Reg 23, Form 3	Was an annual return in the prescribed form lodged by all relevant persons by 31 August 2023?	Yes	Document reference numbers for all returns are available in the Register of Financial Interest - Primary and Annual Returns D20/130156	Senior Governance Project Officer
6	s5.77	On receipt of a primary or annual return, did the CEO, or the mayor/president, give written acknowledgment of having received the return?	Yes	Document reference numbers for all acknowledgements are available in the Register of Financial Interest - Primary and Annual Returns D20/130156	Senior Governance Project Officer
7	s5.88(1) & (2)(a)	Did the CEO keep a register of financial interests which contained the returns lodged under sections 5.75 and 5.76?	Yes	See Register of Financial Interest - Primary and Annual Returns - D20/130156. The City also publishes a list of Council Members and Employees (by position) that lodged a primary return and annual return for each financial year. This is available on the Council registers page on the City's website	Senior Governance Project Officer

Disclosure of Interest					
8	s5.88(1) & (2)(b) Admin Reg 28	Did the CEO keep a register of financial interests which contained a record of disclosures made under sections 5.65, 5.70, 5.71 and 5.71A, in the form prescribed in Admin Reg 28?	Yes	https://www.vincent.wa.gov.au/Profiles/vincent/Assets/ClientData/Council_Register_s/Register_of_Interests_disclosed_at_Ordinary_and_Special_Council_Meetings.pdf	Council Liaison Officer
9	s5.88(3)	When a person ceased to be a person required to lodge a return under sections 5.75 and 5.76, did the CEO remove from the register all returns relating to that person?	Yes	See Register of Financial Interest - Primary and Annual Returns - D20/130156.	Senior Governance Project Officer
10	s5.88(4)	Have all returns removed from the register in accordance with section 5.88(3) been kept for a period of at least five years after the person who lodged the return(s) ceased to be a person required to lodge a return?	Yes	These are saved in SC2692	Senior Governance Project Officer
11	s5.89A(1), (2) & (3) Admin Reg 28A	Did the CEO keep a register of gifts which contained a record of disclosures made under sections 5.87A and 5.87B, in the form prescribed in Admin Reg 28A?	Yes	Gift Register	Council Liaison Officer
12	s5.89A(5) & (5A)	Did the CEO publish an up-to-date version of the gift register on the local government's website?	Yes	Gift Register	Council Liaison Officer
13	s5.89A(6)	When a person ceases to be a person who is required to make a disclosure under section 5.87A or 5.87B, did the CEO remove from the register all records relating to that person?	Yes	Gift Register	Council Liaison Officer
14	s5.89A(7)	Have copies of all records removed from the register under section 5.89A(6) been kept for a period of at least five years after the person ceases to be a person required to make a disclosure?	Yes	Ref SC279	Council Liaison Officer
15	s5.70(2) & (3)	Where an employee had an interest in any matter in respect of which the employee provided advice or a report directly to council or a committee, did that person disclose the nature and extent of that interest when giving the advice or report?	Yes	D18/197286	Council Liaison Officer
16	s5.71A & s5.71B(5)	Where council applied to the Minister to allow the CEO to provide advice or a report to which a disclosure under s5.71A(1) relates, did the application include details of the nature of the interest disclosed and any other information required by the Minister for the purposes of the application?	N/A		Council Liaison Officer
17	s5.71B(6) & s5.71B(7)	Was any decision made by the Minister under subsection 5.71B(6) recorded in the minutes of the council meeting at which the decision was considered?	N/A		Council Liaison Officer
18	s5.104(1)	Did the local government prepare and adopt, by absolute majority, a code of conduct to be observed by council members, committee members and candidates that incorporates the model code of conduct.	Yes	At the 23 March 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council, a new Code of Conduct to be observed by Council Members, Committee Members and Candidates that incorporates the Model Code was adopted.	Senior Governance Project Officer

Disclosure of Interest					
19	s5.104(3) & (4)	Did the local government adopt additional requirements in addition to the model code of conduct? If yes, does it comply with section 5.104(3) and (4)?	Yes	Administration proposed some minor amendments to the Model Code Division 3 (Behaviours) to incorporate behaviours referred to in the 2017 Code. All amendments comply with section 5.104(3) and (4)	Senior Governance Project Officer
20	s5.104(7)	Has the CEO published an up-to-date version of the adopted code of conduct on the local government's website?	Yes	Located under 'Code of conduct and CEO standards'	Senior Governance Project Officer
21	s5.51A(1) & (3)	Has the CEO prepared and implemented a code of conduct to be observed by employees of the local government in accordance with section 5.51A(1) of the Local Government Act 1995?	Yes	The Code of Conduct for City of Vincent Employees and Contractors has been developed and implemented by the CEO. Available on the City's website	Senior Governance Project Officer

Disposal of Property					
No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	s3.58(3)	Where the local government disposed of property other than by public auction or tender, did it dispose of the property in accordance with section 3.58(3) (unless section 3.58(5) applies)?	Yes	Council meeting dated 4 April 2023 (Item 9.5)	Senior Land and Legal Advisor
2	s3.58(4)	Where the local government disposed of property under section 3.58(3), did it provide details, as prescribed by section 3.58(4), in the required local public notice for each disposal of property?	Yes	Council meeting dated 4 April 2023 (Item 9.5)	Senior Land and Legal Advisor

Elections					
No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	Elect Regs 30G(1) & (2)	Did the CEO establish and maintain an electoral gift register and ensure that all disclosure of gifts forms completed by candidates and donors and received by the CEO were placed on the electoral gift register at the time of receipt by the CEO and in a manner that clearly identifies and distinguishes the forms relating to each candidate?	Yes	D23/160848	Council Liaison Officer
2	Elect Regs 30G(3) & (4)	Did the CEO remove any disclosure of gifts forms relating to an unsuccessful candidate, or a successful candidate that completed their term of office, from the electoral gift register, and retain those forms separately for a period of at least two years?	N/A		Council Liaison Officer
3	Elect Regs 30G(5) & (6)	Did the CEO publish an up-to-date version of the electoral gift register on the local government's official website in accordance with Elect Reg 30G(6)?	Yes	Was available during the election period	Council Liaison Officer

Finance					
No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	s7.1A	Has the local government established an audit committee and appointed members by absolute majority in accordance with section 7.1A of the Act?	Yes	Appointment of Council Members and Community Representatives by Absolute Majority at Ordinary Council meeting 21 November 2023 – Item 12.2.	Senior Governance Project Officer
2	s7.1B	Where the council delegated to its audit committee any powers or duties under Part 7 of the Act, did it do so by absolute majority?	N/A	No powers have been delegated to Audit Committee.	Senior Governance Project Officer
3	s7.9(1)	Was the auditor's report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 received by the local government by 31 December 2023?	Yes	Received on 8 December 2023.	Chief Financial Officer
4	s7.12A(3)	Where the local government determined that matters raised in the auditor's report prepared under s7.9(1) of the Act required action to be taken, did the local government ensure that appropriate action was undertaken in respect of those matters?	Yes	All audit matters raised have appropriate action items and are monitored and tracked by the Audit Committee.	Chief Financial Officer
5	s7.12A(4)(a) & (4)(b)	Where matters identified as significant were reported in the auditor's report, did the local government prepare a report that stated what action the local government had taken or intended to take with respect to each of those matters? Was a copy of the report given to the Minister within three months of the audit report being received by the local government?	N/A	A report to the Minister was not required as no significant matters were raised in the auditor's report.	Chief Financial Officer
6	s7.12A(5)	Within 14 days after the local government gave a report to the Minister under s7.12A(4)(b), did the CEO publish a copy of the report on the local government's official website?	N/A	A report to the Minister was not required as no significant matters were raised in the auditor's report.	Chief Financial Officer
7	Audit Reg 10(1)	Was the auditor's report for the financial year ending 30 June received by the local government within 30 days of completion of the audit?	Yes	Received on 8 December 2023.	Chief Financial Officer

Integrated Planning and Reporting					
No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	Admin Reg 19C	Has the local government adopted by absolute majority a strategic community plan? If Yes, please provide the adoption date or the date of the most recent review in the Comments section?	Yes	The Strategic Community Plan 2022 - 2032 (SCP) was adopted by AMV at the 9 May 2023 OMC - Item 9.11	Senior Governance Project Officer
2	Admin Reg 19DA(1) & (4)	Has the local government adopted by absolute majority a corporate business plan? If Yes, please provide the adoption date or the date of the most recent review in the Comments section?	Yes	The Corporate Business Plan 2023/24 -2026/27 and Four Year Capital Works Program 2023/24 - 2026/27 was adopted by AMV at the 20 June 2023 OMC - Item 12.3	Senior Governance Project Officer
3	Admin Reg 19DA(2) & (3)	Does the corporate business plan comply with the requirements of Admin Reg 19DA(2) & (3)?	Yes	The Corporate Business Plan 2023/24 -2026/27 aligns with the legislative requirements	Senior Governance Project Officer

Local Government Employees					
No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	s5.36(4) & s5.37(3) Admin Reg 18A	Were all CEO and/or senior employee vacancies advertised in accordance with Admin Reg 18A?	N/A	There were no CEO and/or senior employee vacancies advertised in 2023.	Senior Governance Project Officer
2	Admin Reg 18E	Was all information provided in applications for the position of CEO true and accurate?	N/A	There were no CEO and/or senior employee vacancies advertised in 2023.	Senior Governance Project Officer
3	Admin Reg 18F	Was the remuneration and other benefits paid to a CEO on appointment the same remuneration and benefits advertised for the position under section 5.36(4) of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> ?	N/A	There were no CEO and/or senior employee vacancies advertised in 2023.	Senior Governance Project Officer
4	s5.37(2)	Did the CEO inform council of each proposal to employ or dismiss senior employee?	N/A	There were no CEO and/or senior employee vacancies advertised in 2023.	Senior Governance Project Officer
5	s5.37(2)	Where council rejected a CEO's recommendation to employ or dismiss a senior employee, did it inform the CEO of the reasons for doing so?	N/A	There were no CEO and/or senior employee vacancies advertised in 2023.	Senior Governance Project Officer

Official Conduct					
No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	s5.120	Has the local government designated an employee as defined by section 5.37 to be its complaints officer?	Yes	Council appointed the CEO as its complaints officer at the 16 February 2021 OMC - Item 12.4. At the 14 December 2021 OMC Council delegated by AMV to the CEO the authority to appoint an external Complaints Officer to receive complaints and withdrawal of complaints - Item 9.15 Also see Register of Delegations, Authorisations & Appointments 2.2.31.	Senior Governance Project Officer
2	s5.121(1) & (2)	Has the complaints officer for the local government maintained a register of complaints which records all complaints that resulted in a finding under section 5.110(2)(a)? Does the complaints register include all information required by section 5.121(2)?	Yes	No complaints received.	Executive Manager Corporate Strategy and Governance
3	S5.121(2)	Does the complaints register include all information required by section 5.121(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> ?	Yes	Template D16/107330 Refer Publicly available Council registers on the City's website	Senior Governance Project Officer
4	s5.121(3)	Has the CEO published an up-to-date version of the register of the complaints on the local government's official website?	Yes	Available on ' Make a Complaint '	Executive Manager Corporate Strategy and Governance

Optional Questions					
No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	Financial Management Reg 5(2)(c)	Did the CEO review the appropriateness and effectiveness of the local government's financial management systems and procedures in accordance with Financial Management Reg 5(2)(c) within the three years prior to 31 December 2023? If yes, please provide the date of council's resolution to accept the report.	Yes	Audit Committee 1/12/2020 Council 15/12/2020	Senior Governance Project Officer
2	Audit Reg 17	Did the CEO review the appropriateness and effectiveness of the local government's systems and procedures in relation to risk management, internal control and legislative compliance in accordance with Audit Reg 17 within the three financial years prior to 31 December 2023? If yes, please provide date of council's resolution to accept the report.	Yes	Audit Committee 1/12/2020 Council 15/12/2020	Senior Governance Project Officer
3	s5.87C	Where a disclosure was made under sections 5.87A or 5.87B, was the disclosure made within 10 days after receipt of the gift? Did the disclosure include the information required by section 5.87C?	Yes	D19/183319 Gift Register	Council Liaison Officer
4	s5.90A(2) & (5)	Did the local government prepare, adopt by absolute majority and publish an up-to-date version on the local government's website, a policy dealing with the attendance of council members and the CEO at events?	Yes	The Attendance at Events policy was adopted by Council at the 23 March 2021 OMC - Item 12.1	Senior Governance Project Officer
5	s5.96A(1), (2), (3) & (4)	Did the CEO publish information on the local government's website in accordance with sections 5.96A(1), (2), (3), and (4)?	Yes	This information is available on the City's website	Senior Governance Project Officer
6	s5.128(1)	Did the local government prepare and adopt (by absolute majority) a policy in relation to the continuing professional development of council members?	Yes	The Council Members Continuing Professional Development Policy was adopted by Council at the 17 May 2020 OMC - Item 12.6	Senior Governance Project Officer
7	s5.127	Did the local government prepare a report on the training completed by council members in the 2022/2023 financial year and publish it on the local government's official website by 31 July 2023?	Yes	Council Members Professional Development Reporting is included in Publicly available Council registers on the City's website	Senior Governance Project Officer
8	s6.4(3)	By 30 September 2022, did the local government submit to its auditor the balanced accounts and annual financial report for the year ending 30 June 2022?	Yes	The balanced accounts and the annual financial report were submitted to the OAG on 29 September 2023.	Chief Financial Officer

Optional Questions

9	s.6.2(3)	When adopting the annual budget, did the local government take into account all its expenditure, revenue and income?	Yes	The City held 5 budget workshops with Elected Members prior to adopting the annual budget on 20 June 2023.	Chief Financial Officer
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Tenders for Providing Goods and Services

No	Reference	Question	Response	Comments	Respondent
1	F&G Reg 11A(1) & (3)	Did the local government comply with its current purchasing policy [adopted under F&G Reg 11A(1) & (3)] in relation to the supply of goods or services where the consideration under the contract was, or was expected to be, \$250,000 or less or worth \$250,000 or less?	Yes	The City complied with its Purchasing Policy for all procurements valued at \$250,000 or less.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
2	s3.57 F&G Reg 11	Subject to F&G Reg 11(2), did the local government invite tenders for all contracts for the supply of goods or services where the consideration under the contract was, or was expected to be, worth more than the consideration stated in F&G Reg 11(1)?	Yes	All procurements worth above \$250,000 were publicly invited as per Regulation 11(1).	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
3	F&G Regs 11(1), 12(2), 13, & 14(1), (3), and (4)	When regulations 11(1), 12(2) or 13 required tenders to be publicly invited, did the local government invite tenders via Statewide public notice in accordance with F&G Reg 14(3) and (4)?	Yes	All tenders were advertised in the West Australian newspaper, VendorPanel and on the City of Vincent website.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
4	F&G Reg 12	Did the local government comply with F&G Reg 12 when deciding to enter into multiple contracts rather than a single contract?	Yes	The City did not split any contracts into 2 or more contracts to avoid the requirements of regulation 11(1).	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
5	F&G Reg 14(5)	If the local government sought to vary the information supplied to tenderers, was every reasonable step taken to give each person who sought copies of the tender documents or each acceptable tenderer notice of the variation?	Yes	Any variation of information was distributed as addenda notice to all Tenderers via VendorPanel or emailed directly to tenderers.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
6	F&G Regs 15 & 16	Did the local government's procedure for receiving and opening tenders comply with the requirements of F&G Regs 15 and 16?	Yes	All tenders were advertised for a minimum of 14 days or more as required under Regulation 15. Two City officers were always present when tenders were opened.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
7	F&G Reg 17	Did the information recorded in the local government's tender register comply with the requirements of F&G Reg 17 and did the CEO make the tenders register available for public inspection and publish it on the local government's official website?	Yes	All information recorded in the tender register complied with Regulation 17. The City's tender register is published on the City's official website and is publicly available.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts

Tenders for Providing Goods and Services

8	F&G Reg 18(1)	Did the local government reject any tenders that were not submitted at the place, and within the time, specified in the invitation to tender?	Yes	The City used VendorPanel for all tenders. Any tender not submitted through VendorPanel or within the time and date specified in the tender were rejected. The City does not accept hardcopy tenders and VendorPanel does not allow tender responses to be submitted after the closing time and date.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
9	F&G Reg 18(4)	Were all tenders that were not rejected assessed by the local government via a written evaluation of the extent to which each tender satisfies the criteria for deciding which tender to accept?	Yes	All compliant tenders were evaluated by an evaluation panel and evaluation reports were generated and approved as per the City's Purchasing Policy.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
10	F&G Reg 19	Did the CEO give each tenderer written notice containing particulars of the successful tender or advising that no tender was accepted?	Yes	All tender respondents were notified of the evaluation outcome via a letter sent by email or via the VendorPanel platform.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
11	F&G Regs 21 & 22	Did the local government's advertising and expression of interest processes comply with the requirements of F&G Regs 21 and 22?	Yes	All EOI's were advertised above the minimum time allowed under Reg 22 and was advertised in the West Australian newspaper, VendorPanel and on the City of Vincent website.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
12	F&G Reg 23(1) & (2)	Did the local government reject any expressions of interest that were not submitted at the place, and within the time, specified in the notice or that failed to comply with any other requirement specified in the notice?	Yes	All EOI responses that did not comply with the EOI requirements were rejected.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
13	F&G Reg 23(3) & (4)	Were all expressions of interest that were not rejected under F&G Reg 23(1) & (2) assessed by the local government? Did the CEO list each person as an acceptable tenderer?	Yes	All compliant EOI submissions were evaluated by an approved evaluation panel and shortlisted respondents were advertised and approved as per the City's Purchasing Policy.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
14	F&G Reg 24	Did the CEO give each person who submitted an expression of interest a notice in writing of the outcome in accordance with F&G Reg 24?	Yes	All EOI respondents were notified of the evaluation outcome via a letter sent by email or via the VendorPanel platform.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
15	F&G Regs 24AD(2) & (4) and 24AE	Did the local government invite applicants for a panel of pre-qualified suppliers via Statewide public notice in accordance with F&G Reg 24AD(4) and 24AE?	N/A	The City did not establish any panel of prequalified suppliers.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts

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16	F&G Reg 24AD(6)	If the local government sought to vary the information supplied to the panel, was every reasonable step taken to give each person who sought detailed information about the proposed panel or each person who submitted an application notice of the variation?	N/A	The City did not establish any panel of prequalified suppliers.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
17	F&G Reg 24AF	Did the local government's procedure for receiving and opening applications to join a panel of pre-qualified suppliers comply with the requirements of F&G Reg 16, as if the reference in that regulation to a tender were a reference to a pre-qualified supplier panel application?	N/A	The City did not establish any panel of prequalified suppliers.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
18	F&G Reg 24AG	Did the information recorded in the local government's tender register about panels of pre-qualified suppliers comply with the requirements of F&G Reg 24AG?	N/A	The City did not establish any panel of prequalified suppliers.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
19	F&G Reg 24AH(1)	Did the local government reject any applications to join a panel of pre-qualified suppliers that were not submitted at the place, and within the time, specified in the invitation for applications?	N/A	The City did not establish any panel of prequalified suppliers.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
20	F&G Reg 24AH(3)	Were all applications that were not rejected assessed by the local government via a written evaluation of the extent to which each application satisfies the criteria for deciding which application to accept?	N/A	The City did not establish any panel of prequalified suppliers.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
21	F&G Reg 24AI	Did the CEO send each applicant written notice advising them of the outcome of their application?	N/A	The City did not establish any panel of prequalified suppliers.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts
22	F&G Regs 24E & 24F	Where the local government gave regional price preference, did the local government comply with the requirements of F&G Regs 24E and 24F?	N/A	No regional price preference was required or used for the assessment of tenders.	Coordinator Procurement and Contracts