

Memo

Community & Belonging

To: All Councillors

Cc: Chief Executive Team

From: David Kerr
Director Community & Belonging

Date: 26 October 2020

Subject: Council Meeting 27 October 2020 - Item 10.1 - Outcome of Public Exhibition and Adoption of Child Safeguarding Policy – Amendment to the recommendation

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Please find an amended recommendation for **change in wording** for item 10.1 Outcome of Public Exhibition and Adoption of Child Safeguarding Policy.

In the draft Policy (Attachment 1) of the report, under the heading titled 'Scope', the word "recommends" appears rather than "requires". The paragraph should have read;

*'This policy will support persons, associations, organisations, clubs and groups who hire, licence or lease Council's facilities, such as sports clubs and community halls, to conduct activities which involve children and young people under 18 years of age. Council has no oversight over those activities and this policy does not apply to the hire, license or lease of Council's facilities, however, Council **requires** that those persons, associations, organisations, clubs and groups adopt their own Child Safe Policy. We have provided a link to a template Child Safe Policy developed by the Office of the Children's Guardian in the References section of this policy'*

The amended Recommendation should read as follows (addition in bold):

- 1) Note the outcomes of the public exhibition process and Council's proposed response to the feedback received as detailed in the Community Engagement Report.
- 2) Adopt the attached amended Child Safeguarding Policy **and additional change to alter the word "recommends" to "requires" in the section titled "Scope"**.

I note that the proposed change reflects the content of the Councillor briefing presentation of 13 October 2020 and has changed as a result of a staff error.

Please accept my apologies and should you require any further information about matters raised in this memo please contact my office on 8495 6303.

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