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From: Max Hipkins

Sent: Thursday, 29 January 2015 12:16 PM

To: Legislation, Uniform

Subject: Submission to Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review

planning and development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011

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Attachments: RE: PAYMENT FOR ATTENDING DAP MEETING

Submission to Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review *Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011*

I draw you attention to the following:

- 1. Today DAPs are often considering and determining relatively minor projects. They should only be concerned with projects of regional and state significance. The threshold for consideration of projects by DAPs should be significantly increased, to say \$50 million. Local Government is quite capable of deciding projects of any less value.
- 2. DAPs have made decisions contrary to local planning schemes, particularly when they wrongly assume discretion exists to vary specified requirements. Where the RAR draws attention to such matters, DAPs should not be permitted to go contrary to that advice.
- 3. It is not unusual for DAPs to make decisions in secret and without due public notice being given. DAPs must follow their own Standing Orders.

4. DAP fees and charges should be reviewed (refer attached)

Mayor

Max Hipkins



Legislation, Uniform

From:

Sent:

Wednesday, 28 January 2015 9:57 AM 'Development Assessment Panels'

To: Subject:

RE: PAYMENT FOR ATTENDING DAP MEETING

Dear Erica

Thank you for your explanation, which I accept.

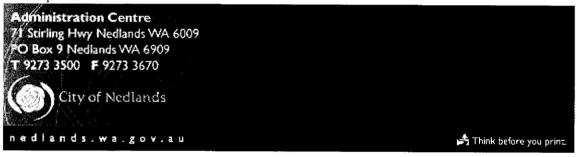
However my point is still valid, that \$50 hardly covers travel and parking costs, let alone time.

I would like to request a review of all fees. The DAPs have been operating for some years now. A review is in order.

I look forward to your reply.

Mayor

Max Hipkins



From: Development Assessment Panels [mailto:daps@planning.wa.gov.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 20 January 2015 12:42 PM

Subject: PAYMENT FOR ATTENDING DAP MEETING

Good Afternoon Mayor Hipkins

You would have received a \$50 payment for any Form 2 application that is determined on its own. Attached are the Minutes for the 8 December 2014 meeting. City of Nedlands only had a Form 2.

Please find Schedule 2 – Fees for DAP Members on page 43 of the Regulation at the following - <a href="http://daps.planning.wa.gov.au/data/Publications/Legislation%20and%20Planning%20Bulletins/DAP%20Regulations%202011%20(Gazetted%2025%20January%202013).pdf

As Form 2's were intended on being only minor modifications to an approved development, they attract a \$50 sitting fee for members (other than the Presiding Member who receives a \$100 payment). Should the panel consider that the proposed changes are significant enough to constitute a Form 1, then the panel may refuse to accept the DAP as a Form 2 application. The applicant will then need to submit the proposed modifications as a Form 1 application. Should you need more information regarding this, please review Practice Note 4 at the following link - http://daps.planning.wa.gov.au/data/Publications/Practice%20Notes/DAP%20Practice%20Notes/204%20-%20Form%202,%20Regulation%2017,%20Minor%20Amendments.pdf

Please let me know should you require any further information.

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From: Max Hipkins

Sent: Tuesday, 20 January 2015 11:32 AM **To:** Development Assessment Panels

Cc: admin@planningwa.com; Nigel Shaw; Julie Matheson **Subject:** PAYMENT FOR ATTENDING DAP MEETING

I am not sure who I should be sending this email to.

I recently received the attached payment slip for attending a DAP meeting. The payment for the meeting is listed as \$50, where previously it has been \$400.

Has there been a mistake? \$50 hardly covers the cost of travelling and parking, not to mention the time involved in attending the meeting.

If there was to be a change in payment, some notice should have been given to allow attendees to decide whether they wanted to continue.

If costs are not being covered, increase the fees to applicants, for it is they who want the DAP system. Don't screw the DAP members!

Mayor Max Hipkins

