### Agenda Item 20.1

# Councillor Martin - QoN - Disability and Aged Pension Rate Rebate

Tuesday, 8 October 2024 Council

**Council Member**Councillor Phillip Martin

**Public** 

**Contact Officer:**Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating Officer

#### **QUESTION ON NOTICE**

#### Councillor Phillip Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

'Could the Administration advise;

When and how the Disability and Aged Pension Rebate for eligible City of Adelaide ratepayers will be paid, and the means by which the Rebate has and will be drawn to the attention of ratepayers so that they are aware that they may be entitled to claim it?'

#### **REPLY**

- 1. The pensioner concession rebate is available to those ratepayers who hold a Pensioner Concession Card.
- 2. The rebate is paid via a \$100 credit to the ratepayer's account.
- 3. Rebate applications received during the first quarter of 2024/25 are currently being assessed and approved rebates will be visible on the second quarter rate notice being issued later this month.
- 4. Each applicant is being contacted to advise the outcome of their application.
- 5. Information regarding the availability of the rate rebate is displayed on the rate notice in the information for ratepayer's section located on the back page. The information provided reads "Ratepayers who hold a Pensioner Concession card and satisfied the eligibility criteria to receive a State Government funded Cost of Living Concession may upon application to Council receive a rate rebate of \$100 for the financial year".
- 6. The on-line Pensioner Rate Rebate application form is available on our website (link).
- 7. Ratepayers can also find information about the rebate on the rates page of our corporate website under the "Changes to our Rating Policy" section (<u>link</u>). The article includes a link to the on-line application form.

Staff time in receiving	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 4.5
and preparing this reply	hours.

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## Councillor Davis - QoN - Committee Meeting Length

Tuesday, 8 October 2024 **Council** 

**Council Member**Councillor Henry Davis

Public

**Contact Officer:**Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating Officer

### **QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Councillor Henry Davis will ask the following Question on Notice:

.lı	n terms of time,	what has	been the sh	ortest comm	iittee meetin	g we have	had since	the start of	the council t	ierm'?'

#### **REPLY**

- Council's Core Committees (committees where all Council Members are appointed) were established by Council on 30 January 2023 pursuant to section 41 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and include the following Committees:
  - 1.1. City Community Services and Culture Committee;
  - 1.2. City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee;
  - 1.3. City Finance and Governance Committee; and
  - 1.4. Infrastructure and Public Works Committee
- 2. Core Committee meetings may vary in length depending upon the number of business items to be discussed.
- 3. From 7 February 2023 until 1 October 2024, both the shortest and longest Core Committee meetings for each committee are listed below:

Meeting Type	Date	Meeting Length	Number of Items on Agenda
Special City Community Services and Culture Committee	19 September 2023	11 minutes (Shortest)	1
City Community Services and Culture Committee	7 November 2023	2 hours and 13 minutes (Longest)	7
Special City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee		42 minutes (Shortest)	1

City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee	6 June 2023	2 hours and 11 minutes (Longest)	4
Special City Finance and Governance Committee	4 June 2024	4 minutes (Shortest)	1
City Finance and Governance Committee	21 March 2023	3 hours and 16 minutes (Longest)	10
Infrastructure and Public Works Committee	16 July 2024	11 minutes (Shortest)	2
Infrastructure and Public Works Committee	19 March 2024	1 hour and 51 minutes (Longest)	8

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