

Councillor Couros - QoN - Confidential Investigation Report

Tuesday, 28 July 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Mary Couros

Public

Contact Officer:
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QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Mary Couros will ask the following Question on Notice:

'InDaily's article of 20 July 2026 refers to the contents of a leaked investigation report that has not been presented to Council.

Given the confidential nature of such reports, can the Chief Executive Officer advise:

1. What steps have been taken to determine how this confidential report was leaked?
2. Whether the CEO will initiate a formal investigation into the unauthorised disclosure, and if not, why not?
3. What process will be followed to investigate the leak, including whether an independent investigator will be appointed?
4. How and when Council Members will be informed of the outcome of any investigation, noting any legal or confidentiality constraints?
5. What additional measures will be implemented to strengthen the security and confidentiality of sensitive Council information and prevent similar incidents from occurring in the future?'

REPLY

1. Responsibility for enforcing any confidentiality requirements associated with the report rests with the Behavioural Standards Panel, as the owner and distributor of the document.
2. It is noted that Council will separately consider a proposed Motion on Notice from Councillor Cabada relating to this matter.
3. Should Council resolve to proceed with the actions proposed in that Motion on Notice, the Administration will give effect to the resolution in accordance with its terms.

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

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