



# **WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL**

## **COUNCILLOR EXPENSES REPORT**

*1 JANUARY 2024 – 30 JUNE 2024*

## ABOUT THIS REPORT

Section 252 of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires all Councils to adopt a policy concerning the payment of expenses incurred or to be incurred by, and the provision of facilities to, the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors in relation to discharging the functions of civic office.

Weddin Shire Council (Council) adopted its current Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy at its Ordinary Meeting held 17 November 2022 (Resolution 301/22). This policy enables the reasonable and appropriate reimbursement of expenses and provision of facilities to Councillors to help them undertake their civic duties. It ensures accountability and transparency and seeks to align Councillor expenses and facilities with community expectations.

Clause 13 of Council's Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy provides:

13.1 Council will report on the provision of expenses and facilities to councillors as required in the Act and Regulations.

13.2 Detailed reports on the provision of expenses and facilities to councillors will be publicly tabled at a council meeting every six months and published in full on council's website. These reports will include expenditure summarised by individual councillor and as a total for all councillors.

Council's Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy can be accessed from <https://www.weddin.nsw.gov.au/Council/Plans-and-Policies>

A number of Councillor Expenses not included in the reporting period of 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023 were due to reconciliations being undertaken outside of the reporting period and now appear in this report in red text. June 24 Fees and superannuation will be reflected in Quarter 1, 2025 FY and also noted in red text.

## ALL COUNCILLORS

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17	\$255.00	\$460.70	\$340.00	\$255.00	\$1,310.70
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses		\$3,787.87	\$1,339.94			\$5,127.81
Accommodation		\$800.00	\$130.00			\$930.00
Meals / Food & Catering		\$1,574.96	\$797.17	\$1,248.39	\$620.55	\$4,241.07
Professional Development			\$3,075.00	\$3,972.98		\$7,047.98
Conferences and Seminars		\$7,222.72	\$1,404.27			\$8,626.99
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases		\$25,458.10	\$3,284.76	\$500.00	\$52.53	\$29,295.39
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees/ Super		\$38,633.55	\$38,633.55	\$38,633.55	\$26,493.97 June 24 Fees & Super will be reflected in Quarter 1, 2025 FY	\$142,394.62
					\$198,974.56	

## MAYOR, CR CRAIG BEMBRICK

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation (Mayoral vote)		\$408.18			\$788.17	\$1,196.35
Meals / Food & Catering (Mayoral vote)					\$81.66	\$81.66
Professional Development (Mayoral vote)						
Conferences and Seminars (Mayoral vote)		\$1,962.50		\$1,600.00	\$352.99	\$3,915.49
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$11,503.88	\$11,503.88	\$11,503.88	\$7,669.44	\$42,181.08
						\$47,374.58

## DEPUTY MAYOR, CR PAUL BEST

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation (Partial Mayoral Vote)		\$391.82	\$467.10 <i>*Not included in previous report*</i>			\$858.92
Meals / Food & Catering (Partial Mayoral Vote)		\$298.06	\$137.37			\$435.43
Professional Development						
Conferences and Seminars		\$1,753.41				\$1,753.41
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases			\$77.48			\$77.48
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,256.86	\$3,256.86	\$3,256.86	\$2,171.24	\$11,941.82
						\$15,067.06

## CR MICHELLE COOK

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation						
Meals / Food & Catering			\$57.60			\$57.60
Professional Development		\$615.00				\$615.00
Conferences and Seminars						
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,615.11	\$3,615.11	\$3,615.11	\$2,410.08	\$13,255.41
						\$13,928.01

## CR PHILLIP DIPROSE

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17	\$460.70	\$255.00	\$340.00	\$255.00	\$1,310.70
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation			\$130.00			\$130.00
Meals / Food & Catering		\$57.50 <i>*Not included in previous report*</i>				\$57.50
Professional Development		\$615.00				\$615.00
Conferences and Seminars						
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,615.11	\$3,615.11	\$3,615.11	\$2,410.08	\$13,255.41
						\$15,368.61







## CR JASON KENAH

Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General Travel Expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per adopted budget and Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 1.6.17					
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses						
Accommodation			\$467.10 <i>*Not included in previous report*</i>			\$467.10
Meals / Food & Catering						
Professional Development			\$615.00			\$615.00
Conferences and Seminars		\$1,753.41				\$1,753.41
Admin / Insurance/ Marketing / Minor Equipment Purchases						
Councillor/ Mayoral Fees / Super		\$3,256.86	\$3,256.86	\$3,256.86	\$2,171.24	\$11,941.82
						\$15,006.57



