

Conditions of Entry Council Chambers public gallery

All Council meetings are open to the public, unless the Council has passed a resolution excluding the public from attending all or part of a meeting.

To ensure that the Council meets its obligations under the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 to provide for the safety, comfort and security of all individuals in the Council Chambers public gallery area, and ensure that public debate takes place in a respectful and orderly way, the following conditions of entry apply to all members of the public:

- Signage, posters, banners, placards or flags (worn, held or stand-alone) that display derogatory messages or defame people, or are used to disrupt the meeting, will not be permitted in the venue.
- Loudspeakers, instruments, or anything that generates loud noise and could potentially disrupt the meeting will be permitted only at the Chairperson's discretion.
- Visitors must remain quiet and seated at all times. Those with a confirmed presentation slot in the Public Forum will be invited to speak by the Chairperson when it is time to present their item.
- Visitors may use their mobile phones for texting and emailing in silent mode.
- Recording the meeting is permitted, but only if the Chairperson is notified at the commencement of the meeting. The Chairperson may stop recording for a period of time, if circumstances require this.
- Access to the meeting venue will be provided just prior to the official start time of the meeting

The Chairperson has the ability to require members of the public to leave the meeting if their conduct is disorderly, creating a disturbance, or if their continued presence would prejudice the orderly conduct of the meeting.

Please note, Council Meetings, Briefings and other Committee Meetings, where possible, will be livestreamed or recorded and posted on our KDC YouTube channel after the meeting.

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