# Tables showing changes to consultation versions of the Local Government Meeting Procedures and General Regulations 2025

## Table 1: Changes between *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* and draft Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025 (consultation version)

| **Regulation number in Meeting Procedures 2015** | **Regulation number in draft Meeting Procedures 2025** | **Title** | **Change** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | **PART 1 - PRELIMINARY** |  |
| 1 | 1 | Short title | No change |
| 2 | 2 | Commencement | Amended |
| 3 | 3 | Interpretation | New interpretations |
| Schedule 1 | 4 | Fees | Moved, no change |
|  |  | **PART 2 - MEETINGS** |  |
|  |  | **Division 1 -– Convening and agendas** |  |
| 4 | 5 | Convening council meetings | Amended |
| 5 | 6 | Convening meetings of council committee | No change |
| 6 | 7 | Times of meetings | No change |
| - | 8 | Statement to be made at meetings | New |
| 7 | 9 | Notice of meetings | No change |
| 8 | 10 | Agenda | Amended |
| 9 | 11 | Public access to documents | No change |
| 10 | 12 | Chairperson | No change |
| 11 | 13 | Quorum | Amended |
| 12 | 14 | Abandoned meetings | No change |
| 13 | 15 | Adjournments | No change |
| 14 | 16 | Open meetings | No change |
| 15 | 17 | Closed meetings | Amended |
|  |  | **Division 2 -– Motions** |  |
| 16 | 18 | Motions generally | Restructured and amended |
| 19 | 19 | Written notice of motion | Restructured and amended |
| 20 | 20 | Motions without notice | Restructured and amended |
| 17 | 21 | Motions to amend motions | No change |
| 18 | 22 | Motion to overturn decision | No change |
| 19 | 23 | Discussion of resolved matter | No change |
| 20 | 24 | Procedural motions | No change |
| 21 | 25 | Addressing council meeting | No change |
| 22 | 26 | Debate at council meeting | No change |
| 23 | 27 | Point of order at meeting | No change |
| 24 | 28 | Personal explanation at meeting | No change |
| 25 | 29 | Acting as planning authority | No change |
|  |  | **Division 3 -– Voting** |  |
| 26 | 30 | Votes | No change |
| 27 | 31 | Voting procedure | No change |
| 28 | 32 | Determination of voting | No change |
|  |  | **Division 4 -– Questions** |  |
| - | 33 | Questions generally | New  |
| 29 | 34 | Questions without notice by councillor | Restructured |
| 30 | 35 | Questions on notice by councillor | Restructured |
| - | 36 | Questions by member of the public | Restructured |
| - | 37 | Questions without notice by member of the public | Restructured |
| - | 38 | Questions on notice by member of the public | Restructured |
|  |  | **Division 5 -– Minutes** |  |
| 32 | 39 | Minutes | Amended |
| 34 | 40 | Minutes of closed meeting | No change |
| 35 | 41 | Circulation and inspection of minutes of open meeting | No change |
| 36 | 42 | Confirming minutes | No change |
|  |  | **PART 3 – GENERAL PROVISIONS** |  |
| 33 | 43 | Audio recording of meetings | Amended |
| 37 | 44 | Other procedures | No change |
| - | 45 | Requirement to attend meetings in-person | New |
| - | 46 | Participation in meetings by audio or audio visual link | New |
| - | 47 | Whole meeting by audio link or audio visual link | New |
| - | 48 | Maximum attendance at meetings by audio link &c. | New |
| 38 | 49 | Invitations to address meeting | No change |
| 39 | 50 | Leave of absence | Amended |
| - | 51 | Parental leave | New |
| 40 | 52 | Suspension from meeting | No change |
| 41 | 53 | Offences | No change |
| 42 | 54 | Powers and functions of regulations to commissioner under section 232 | Amended |

## Table 2: Changes between *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015* and draft Local Government (General) Regulations 2025 (consultation version)

| **Regulation number in General Regulations 2015** | **Regulation number in draft General Regulations 2025**  | **Title** | **Change** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | **PART 1 – PRELIMINARY** |  |
| 1 | 1 | Short title | No change |
| 2 | 2 | Commencement | Amended |
| 3 | 3 | Interpretation | No change |
|  |  | **PART 2 – ELECTIONS** |  |
|  |  | **Division 1 – Elections of mayor and deputy mayor by councillors** |  |
| 4 | 4 | Nominations for mayor and deputy mayor | No change |
| 5 | 5 | Ballots | No change |
| 6 | 6 | Voting | No change |
| 7 | 7 | Counting of votes | No change |
| 8 | 8 | Declaration of result of ballot | No change |
|  |  | **Division 2 – Hearing and determination of election disputes** |  |
| 9 | 9 | Parties to election dispute | No change |
| 10 | 10 | Hearings | No change |
| 11 | 11 | Evidence | No change |
| 12 | 12 | Witnesses | No change |
| 13 | 13 | Expenses | No change |
| 14 | 14 | Orders of Court | No change |
| 15 | 15 | Immaterial errors | No change |
| 16 | 16 | Costs | No change |
| 17 | 17 | Rules of Court | No change |
|  |  | **Division 3 – Drawing or casting of lots** |  |
| 18 | 18 | Order of names on batch of ballot papers | No change |
| 19 | 19 | Exclusion and election of candidates | No change |
| 20 | 20 | Procedure for drawing or casting lots | No change |
|  |  | **Division 4 – Electoral advertising** |  |
| 21 | 21 | Posters and signs | No change |
| 22 | 22 | Advertising | No change |
| 22A | 23 | Total expenditure for advertising | No change |
|  |  | **PART 3 – TENDERING AND CONTRACTING** |  |
|  |  | **Division 1 – Tenders for goods and services** |  |
| 23 | 24 | Public tenders | No change |
| 24 | 25 | Open tenders | No change |
| 25 | 26 | Multiple-use register | No change |
| 26 | 27 | Multiple-stage tender | No change |
| 27 | 28 | Non-application of public tender process | No change |
|  |  | **Division 2 – Code for tenders and contracts** |  |
| 28 | 29 | Code for tenders and contracts | No change |
|  |  | **Division 3 – Annual reporting requirements in relation to tenders and contracts** |  |
| 29 | 30 | Annual reporting requirements in relation to tenders and contracts | No change |
| **Part 3A** |  | **PART 3 – GIFTS AND DONATIONS** |  |
| 29A | 31 | Gifts or donations | No change |
| 29B | 32 | Details to be contained in notice | No change |
| 29C | 33 | Timeframe for provision of notice | No change |
| 29D | 34 | Information to be included in register | No change |
|  |  | **PART 4 – MISCELLANEOUS** |  |
| 30 | 35 | Incapacity to perform duties as councillor | No change |
| 30A | 36 | Prescribed information, &c., for dispute resolution policies | No change |
| 30B | 37 | Prescribed matters for annual reports | Amended |
| 31 | 38 | Customer service charter | No change |
| 32 | 39 | Service rate | No change |
| 33 | 40 | Variation factors | No change |
| 34 | 41 | Amount of rates below which council may decide rates not payable by instalments | No change |
| 35 | 42 | Details of register of money that are to be published | No change |
| 36 | 43 | Notice of proposed by-law | No change |
| 37 | 44 | Purposes for which land may be compulsorily acquired | No change |
| 38 | 45 | Criteria for city status | No change |
| 39 | 46 | Plan of boundaries of towns | No change |
| 40 | 47 | Declaration of office | No change |
| 41 | 48 | Fees | No change |
| 42 | 49 | Allowances for elected members | No change |
| 43 | 50 | Expenses for councillors | No change |
| 44 | 51 | Prescribed newspapers | No change |
| 45 | 52 | Council land information certificate | No change |
| Schedule 1 | Schedule 1 | ORDER OF NAMES ON BATCH OF BALLOT PAPERS  | No change |
| Schedule 2 | Schedule 2 | DECLARATION OF OFFICE | No change |
| Schedule 3 | Schedule 3 | FEES | No change |
| Schedule 4 | Schedule 4 | ALLOWANCES FOR ELECTED MEMBERS | Amended |
| Schedule 5 | Schedule 5 | COUNCIL LAND INFORMATION CERTIFICATE | No change |
| Schedule 6 | Schedule 6 | QUESTIONS | Amended |