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Municipal Association Act Review
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Via email: local.government@delwp.vic.gov.au

Re: Municipal Association Act Review Consultation Paper – May 2017

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Municipal Association Act Review Consultation Paper - May 2017.

Maroondah City Council welcomes the State Government's Review of the Municipal Association Act in line with the Consultation Paper May 2017, which is in response to the Victorian Auditor-General's review of the Effectiveness of Support for Local Government and supports each of the recommendations outlined in the Consultation Paper. Additionally, Council officers would welcome four additional points to be considered in the sector dialogue prior to the State Government framing the final legislation. These four points are:

1. the strengthening of relationships by the MAV with other sector related associations and organisations such as LGPro, Procurement Australia and the Victorian Local Government Association (VLGA);
2. continuing Council's independent decision not to become members of the MAV if Councils so chose;
3. that the MAV foster best practice leadership across the sector and best practice support and guidance to Councils across all Councils activity; and
4. that a review of the current make-up of the Board and the definition of MAV Region's be reviewed to more accurately reflect communities of interest with considerations to align with State Government Regions and perhaps a slightly larger Board with four metro Councils per Region be included.

Council is considering this item in its upcoming meeting Monday 26 June 2017. We will forward a copy of Council's determination from this meeting as soon as we are able after this meeting.

Yours sincerely



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