

Council Member
Councillor Henry Davis

Public

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QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Henry Davis will ask the following Question on Notice:

- ‘1. How many deputations have been received to be heard at Council during this Council term?’
2. How many deputations have been refused either by the chair of a committee, the Lord Mayor or the Council?’

REPLY

1. Members of the public may request to speak at a Council Meeting or a Core Committee Meeting by way of deputation, in accordance with regulation 11 of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013 (Regulations)*, the Council Code of Practice for Meeting Procedures (Code of Practice) and the Core Committee Terms of Reference and Meeting Procedures (Terms of Reference).
2. In accordance with the Regulations, Code of Practice and Terms of Reference, the presiding Member of Council or a Core Committee may refuse or accept a deputation request.
3. Council, through the Code of Practice and Terms of Reference documents, has resolved to limit the number of deputation requests able to be approved by a Presiding Member at either Council or a Core Committee, to no more than three, with any further requests to be put to the meeting for consideration. If the Presiding Member refuses to allow a deputation to appear at a meeting, a verbal report explaining the decision to the meeting will be provided by the Presiding Member.
4. The following table provides a summary of deputation requests received for both Council and Core Committees for the current Council Term until 2 September 2025.

Meeting	Accepted	Refused (Presiding Member)	Refused (Meeting)	Other
Council	53	7	5	3 (withdrawn or no-show)
City Community Services and Culture Committee	4	1	Nil	Nil
City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee	8	Nil	Nil	Nil

Meeting	Accepted	Refused (Presiding Member)	Refused (Meeting)	Other
City Finance and Governance Committee	2	Nil	Nil	Nil
Infrastructure and Public Works Committee	3	4*	4*	Nil

**These deputation requests were declined by the Presiding Member and then by the Meeting.*

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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