

## **NOTICE OF MOTION: DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION TO COUNCILLORS**

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**CITY STRATEGY LINK:** 6.1.1 A COUNCIL THAT IS OPEN, ACCOUNTABLE AND REPRESENTS ITS CONSTITUENTS

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### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

Councillor Coppock has indicated his intention to move the following Notice of Motion.

### **2. OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council consider the Notice of Motion from Councillor Coppock.**

### **3. MOTION**

That Council advise Ward Councillors of all material distributed by Council Officers into their Ward and confirming whether it relates to Development applications or correspondence relating to an individual resident or household.

### **4. BACKGROUND**

During the pre-election caretaker period of Council two mailings in Naremburn ward occurred that were controversial. The Ward Councils did not have any knowledge of these mailings. It highlighted it is appropriate that the issuing of public mailings on council matters to residents on ward issues should be advised to Ward Councillors so that they are able to address any concerns of residents without asking for copies of the mailed material.

Whilst the mailings might be operational in nature advise to Ward Councillors allows for transparency of the process of operational issues and facilitates the ability to handle residents inquiries with their elected representatives,

### **5. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

Information will be provided to Ward Councillors with the exception of circumstances where personal details would be revealed and breach privacy consideration or when the information is confidential in nature.

