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The Glamorgan Spring Bay Council committee tasked with drawing up a Statement of Expectations for the Council met for the first time today. A Statement of Expectations is an agreement between the Mayor, the Councillors, and the Staff, setting out the standards that all participants expect to be followed in their interactions with one another. It goes beyond statutory compliance to include the standards required to provide for best practice in local government.

Establishment of the committee is a direct result of a request by the Director of Local Government in November 2019. The decision to establish the committee was made at Council's December 2019 meeting. Formal endorsement of the committee as a Special Committee of Council will be undertaken at the council meeting on 28 January 2020.

The committee comprises the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, Cr Rob Churchill, and the General Manager. In addition, two independent consultants are part of the committee: Mr Greg Preece, recently retired General Manager of Meander Valley Council, and Ms Lynn Mason, former Mayor of Flinders Council and former President of the Local Government Association of Tasmania.

The committee discussed the areas which will be covered by the Statement of Expectations, and the reporting processes and procedures which will support this. The committee will provide a monthly report to Council, to be tabled in open meeting. This report will also be made available on the Council website, to keep the community informed.

The Terms of Reference for the committee will be finalised within the next fortnight and will be provided to Council, and publicly available to the community through the Council website.

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