

Consultation: Consultation on emergency services levy (ESL) review

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Comments: Currently we receive an amount of money from the ESL via our Local Government. This is excellent in theory however we have to spend the money. Any we don't spend turns in to double jeopardy because we lose that amount off the following years money and subsequent years are reduced by that amount as well so there is no incentive to be economical with the funds. First suggestion; there should be a percentage carry over of funds over say 3 years to allow the Unit to balance their spending more effectively with out fear of losing funding. When it comes to the Manual for Capital and Operating Grants, - it is full of discrepancies and confusion and the list of eligible/ineligible items has been drawn up without any consultation leading to such things as "Compass - hand held- 1 per brigade/unit" as an SES unit that provides a search capability this is ludicrous. Recommend that each group is invited to a yearly meeting to review and forward recommendations.

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