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## THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (Cap. 14)

## THE HONIARA TOWN COUNCIL (WARD-DEVELOPMENT FUND) REGULATION 1997

IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 54(2) of the Local Government Act, and with the approval of the Minister, the Honiara Town Council hereby establishes a Special Fund for the purpose of Ward Development -

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Honiara Town Council (Ward Development Fund) Regulations 1997, and shall be administered in accordance with the terms and conditions specified herein.

Establishment of Ward Development Fund.

- 2. (a) The Ward Development Fund is established pursuant to section 54(2).
- (2) The Council shall in each financial year allocate a sum of \$15 000 or such other amounts as may be approved by the Minister for each ward in Honiara.
- (3) The total aggregate of the Ward Development Fund shall be kept in an account opened for that purpose with a commercial bank in Solomon Islands.

Payment to be in quarters.

3. Payments out of the Ward Development Fund to each member shall be in quarters and on a quarterly basis at the beginning of each quarter.

Ward member and imprest holder 4. For the purposes of these Regulations each ward member shall be an imprest holder for the purposes of the Local Government Financial Instructions and such member shall use the Ward Committee to assist him in vetting and assessing community project proposals.

Application.

- 5. (1) All applications for Ward Development Fund assistance shall be in the form prescribed in Appendix A.
  - (2) All Fund allocations shall be by way of grants.

Application of Ward Development Fund.

- 6. A member may allocate funds from the Ward Development Fund for the following purposes only -
  - (a) individual or group income generating project;
  - (b) community or religious related projects; or
  - (c) any expense relating to primary or secondary education.

7. The Town Council Treasurer and the Town Clerk shall be the authorised signatories for the purposes of any withdrawal of moneys from the Ward Development Fund account.

Authorised

8. (1) Each member shall be responsible for the keeping of records and be accountable for retiring the amount expended at the end of each quarter as required under the Local Government Financial Instructions.

Members to be accountable.

- (2) The payment out of the Ward Development Fund for succeeding quarters shall be subject to the condition that retirement of the preceding quarter as required under the Local Government Financial Instructions has been complied with.
- 9. Under no circumstances shall Ward Development Fund be paid in advance before the amount for the quarter is due.

No advance.

10. The Ward Development Fund shall be subject to Audit as required under Local Government Financial Instructions.