

Privacy collection statement – gift offers

Background

This privacy collection statement is published in accordance with the Information Privacy Principles in Schedule 1 of the *Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014*.

Gippsland Water is part of the public sector. As such, we comply with a range of laws and related obligations, including:

- the Public Administration Act 2004;
- the *Minimum accountabilities for the management of gifts, benefits and hospitality* issued by the Victorian Public Sector Commission; and
- the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014.

Collection, retention and use of information

As part of our compliance with our obligations and with good public sector governance practice:

- 1. If an individual or organisation offers a reportable gift, benefit or hospitality to a board member or employee of Gippsland Water as a result of that person's role with the agency, information about the offer and who made it will be recorded, retained, and used by the agency.
- 2. The purpose of collecting this information is to record details of reportable gifts, benefits and hospitality in an internal register to ensure compliance with government policy, including to:
 - a. comply with the *Minimum accountabilities for the management of gifts, benefits and hospitality*; and
 - b. promote transparency in public sector decision making.
- 3. Our gifts policy is published here.
- 4. As set out in the gifts policy, we publish a de-identified copy of the gifts register on our external <u>website</u>, as required by the minimum accountabilities.
- 5. If you have offered a gift to one of our board members or employees as a result of their role with us, you can view the information that has been recorded by contacting: **1800 050 500**.