

CEO agreement explained

I find Warren Slater's letter in the *Advocate* titled Employment Contracts concerning the WDC chief executive officer's employment agreement an insulting slight upon my professional integrity. Rather than asking me directly what any arrangement is, at any of the council meetings we both attend, he is unashamedly politicking by making mischievous assertions without foundations.

More than 12 months ago, as chairman of the WDC CEO remuneration committee, I had the CEO's employment agreement renegotiated, with a number of significant changes to the benefit of the district.

Mr Simpson's contract expires in March 2011, at which time by law it must be readvertised.

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