

# CARPENTARIA SHIRE

Ontback by the Sea

# ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES

19 JULY, 2023



## **CONFIRMED MINUTES**

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#### **CONFIRMED MINUTES**

#### 1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor welcomed members and declared the meeting open at 9:08am.

#### 2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Councillors

Cr LV Bawden

Mayor

Cr BJ Hawkins

**Deputy Mayor** 

Cr AT Gallagher

Cr AJ Scott

Cr CJ Young

Cr AM Murphy

Cr DB Thomas

Staff

Mr Mark Crawley

Chief Executive Officer

Ms Angeline Pascoe

**Executive Assistant** 

Ms Julianne Meier

**Director Corporate Services** 

Mr Michael Wanrooy

Director of Engineering

The following officers attended the meeting as indicated in the minutes

Mrs Natasha Glaskin

Manager Water & Waste

Mr Tom Loadsman

Asset Manager

Mr John Martin

Consultant Engineer - ERSCON

Mr Nick Lennon

Consultant Engineer - ERSCON

Mr Srikanth Kotapati

Graduate Engineer

#### 3 CONDOLENCES

A minute's silence was held for the passing of the following community members:

- Baby Zackeelias Sailor
- Mrs Bessie Moon
- Ms Alma Douglas
- Mr Clive Thomas



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#### 4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Confirmation of Minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held 21 June 2023, as previously circulated to Councillors.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Young

Seconded Cr Thomas

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 21 June 2023 be confirmed.

CARRIED 7/0

Resolution No. 0723/001

Confirmation of Minutes from the Budget Meeting held 22 June 2023, as previously circulated to Councillors.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Murphy

Seconded Cr Gallagher

That the Minutes of the Budget Meeting held 22 June 2023 be confirmed.

CARRIED 7/0

Resolution No. 0723/002

#### 5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Nil.

#### 6 RECEPTION OF PETITIONS & DEPUTATIONS

10:30am Citizenship Ceremony for Mr Jacob Olobeni Talonia and Mrs Alice Mary Talonia.

#### 7 MAYORAL MINUTES

#### NWQROC Meeting - Karumba (5 & 6 July 2023)

Cr Bawden informed of his attendance at the NWQROC meeting recently held at Karumba. Discussion were held on the following issues:

- Imogen Ruyg presentation on the 2032 Olympic Games Legacy Committee
- Wild Caught product for catering at the Olympics identified as product from Carpentaria. Opportunity to showcase the product from our Region
- Southern Gulf NRM
  - \$150k grant received for pest and week mapping in the region
  - Croydon Shire to be included as they are now a member of NWQROC
- Waste Plan adopted by the NWQROC. Amendments requested by Carpentaria Shire



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were included

- Recruitment of Biosecurity Staff still not looking good for the Region but still recruiting for the position in Cloncurry
- ROSI Funding Transport and Main Roads have still not been advised when funding will be announced

#### **Townsville Regional Forum**

Cr Bawden informed of his attendance at the Regional Forum recently held at Townsville. Discussion were held on the following issues:

- Greg Palm effective in role with Committee
- Johnty doing well progressing TAFE for our Region
- CopperString 2.0 project to transmit renewable energy from Mount Isa to Townsville.
  - Waste and water requirements are now being discussed also to support the project
  - Housing a further concern, where are the proposed workers to be accommodated
- Regional Development Australia (update from Cr Gallagher)
  - o Concerns raised with the impact on telecommunications when 300 additional people come into the smaller communities

#### **Quarry / Gravel Pits**

Cr Bawden advised of the concerns being raised with progress of quarries and gravel pits and the need for ILUA's

Agreed that Council would continue to monitor progress with the Department on this issue

#### K150 Celebrations and Outback Queensland Masters

Cr Bawden informed the K150 Celebrations, by all accounts, was a good success and thanked all involved with the planning, lead up, running and volunteering for the various events held during the week long celebrations

Outback Queensland Golf Masters was also a very successful event for the community of Karumba, and more broadly the Outback

#### ATTENDANCE:

The Director Corporate Services left the meeting room at 9:30am. The Director Corporate Services re-entered the meeting room at 9:31am.



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#### **Easement on Pipeline Road**

Cr Bawden informed the meeting that one of the landowners had produced correspondence from December 1990 indicating the road was not a gazetted road Century Mine currently have an access through Magowra and should be utilising that approved access

Action: The Chief Executive Officer to discuss with Greg O'Shea and Mick Sceresini.

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#### 8 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS – ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009*, and the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, in the opinion of the General manager, the following business is of a kind as referred to in clause 275(1) of the Regulation, and should be dealt with in a Confidential Session of the Council meeting closed to the press and public.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Gallagher

Seconded Cr Hawkins

That Council adjourn into Closed Session and members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session, and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld unless declassified by separate resolution. This action is taken in accordance with clause 275(1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 as the items listed come within the following provisions

- 8.1 Compulsory Acquisition Karumba Point

  This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL und
  - This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under the provisions of clause 254J(3)(e) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.
- 8.2 Request to Provide Concession

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under the provisions of clause 254J(3)(f) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to matters that may directly affect the health and safety of an individual or a group of individuals.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/003

#### **CLOSURE OF MEETING:**

The meeting was closed to the public at 9:36am.

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

- I, **Councillor Thomas**, inform this meeting that, pursuant to section 150EQ(3)(b) and 150EQ(3)(c) of the Local Government Act 2009, I have a declarable conflict of interest in relation to Agenda Item 8.2 Request to Provide Concession. The nature of my interest is as follows:
- (i) I am a Director of the Normanton Christian Fellowship; and
- (ii) The Secretary of the Normanton Bowls Club.

In accordance with section 150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, I will now leave the meeting room while this matter is discussed.



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#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Thomas left the meeting room at 9:42am.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION** 

Moved Cr Gallagher

Seconded Cr Hawkins

That Council open the meeting to the public.

**CARRIED 6/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/004

#### **REOPENING OF MEETING:**

The meeting was reopened to the public at 10:22am.

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Thomas re-entered the meeting room at 10:22am.

Cr Bawden left the meeting room at 10:22am.

Cr Bawden re-entered the meeting room at 10:24am

CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY: 10:30am - 10:37am.

The Mayor officiated and performed the Citizenship Ceremony for Mr Jacob Olobeni Talonia and Mrs Alice Mary Talonia and congratulated them on becoming Australian citizens.

The Mayor called a recess for morning tea after the ceremony.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10:38am The meeting resumed at 11:07am.

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#### 8.1 COMPULSORY ACQUISITION - KARUMBA POINT

#### **Executive Summary:**

To progress the Karumba Point Foreshore Revetment Wall a portion of the private land in the area will need to be compulsorily acquired. The information contained in the report provides details on the process to proceed with the compulsory acquisition.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Young

Seconded Cr Gallagher

- 1. That Council adopt the Report tabled by the Chief Executive Officer regarding the proposal to acquire the land described in the Notice of Intention to Resume being the area shown as Lot 1 on Drawing Number 23008/ROL/01, titled "Plan of Proposed Resumption of Lands, Lots 1 and 56 Karumba Point", containing an area of approximately 79m² and being part of Lot 56 on Crown Plan K3645, title reference 20706030 (the "Land") for purposes relating to the environment, including, in particular, works (in this case, rock revetment works) for the management, protection or control of the seashore, estuaries and land adjoining the seashore and estuaries.
- 2. That after due consideration of the objections (if any) to the acquisition of the Land, Council is of the opinion that the Land is still required for purposes relating to the environment, including, in particular, works (in this case, rock revetment works) for the management, protection or control of the seashore, estuaries and land adjoining the seashore and estuaries.
- 3. That Council note that the proposed compulsory acquisition of the Land will affect the human rights identified in the Report to Council and that the proposed compulsory acquisition will limit the identified human rights.
- 4. That Council considers that the proposed compulsory acquisition of the Land in the manner provided under the Acquisition of Land Act 1967 limits the identified affected human rights only to an extent that is reasonable and demonstrably justifiable in accordance with section 13 of the Human Rights Act 2019, and accordingly, would be compatible with human rights, for the purposes of the Human Rights Act 2019.
- 5. That Council proceed with the compulsory acquisition of the Land being described as the area shown as Lot 1 on Drawing Number 23008/ROL/01, titled "Plan of Proposed Resumption of Lands, Lots 1 and 56 Karumba Point", containing an area of approximately 79m² and being part of Lot 56 on Crown Plan K3645, title reference 20706030 for purposes relating to the environment, including, in particular, works (in this case, rock revetment works) for the management, protection or control of the seashore, estuaries and land adjoining the seashore and estuaries, and that the Chief Executive Officer prepare and the Mayor execute the necessary application for compulsory acquisition and forward the application and all required supporting documentation to the Department of Resources in accordance with the requirements of the



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Acquisition of Land Act 1967.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/005

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

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- (ii) The Secretary of the Normanton Bowls Club.

In accordance with section 150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, I will now leave the meeting room while this matter is discussed.

#### ATTENDANCE:

Councillor Thomas left the meeting room at 11:08am.

#### 8.2 REQUEST TO PROVIDE CONCESSION

#### **Executive Summary:**

This report is to consider whether the granting of concessions to ratepayers in accordance with the 2023/2024 Rate Based Financial Assistance for Community Organisations Policy may have unintended consequences for some ratepayers and whether they are best dealt with on another basis.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

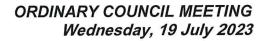
Moved Cr Murphy

Seconded Cr Young

That Council resolves to grant a concession, pursuant to section 122 (1)(b) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, on differential general rates, water (excluding excess water consumption charges), sewerage and garbage utility charges, to not for profit/community organisations as follows:

- For religious like organisations 50% concession
- For community protection like organisations 50% concession
- For sporting group and like organisations 50% concession
- For childcare and like organisations 100% concession
- For the Bynoe Park (A690) a 100% concession for vacant water, vacant sewerage and garbage charges.

**CARRIED 6/0** 





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#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Thomas re-entered the meeting room at 11:09am.

#### 9 REPORTS FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

#### 9.1 CEO REPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

This report provides information and updates to Council on various activities and programs that are facilitated within the Chief Executive Officer's portfolio.

#### Comments from the Council Website

Comments have been received through the Council website and feedback is sought from the Councillors in relation to the removal, or otherwise, of the sign mentioned in the feedback from a member of the public.

Action: Send to QPS and Transport and Main Roads, the Director of Engineering to arrange for the removal of the sign

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Gallagher

Seconded Cr Hawkins

That Council:

- 1. receive and note the Chief Executive Officer's report; and
- 2. that those matters not covered by resolution be noted.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/007

#### 9.2 COUNCILLOR CODE OF CONDUCT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE POLICIES

#### **Executive Summary:**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider repealing the Councillor Code of Conduct and Audit Committee Policies as they are legislatively and operatively not required.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Young

Seconded Cr Gallagher

#### That Council:

- 1. Repeal the Audit Committee Policy (POL\_I\_CSA\_016);
- 2. Repeal the Councillor Code of Conduct Policy (POL\_E\_EXGC\_011); and



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3. Acknowledge the Queensland Government's 'Code of Conduct for Councillors in Queensland' that sets out the standards of behaviour for Councillors in performing their functions as Councillors.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/008

# 9.3 POLICY UPDATES - COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE PUBLIC OFFICIAL, COUNCILLOR REMUNERATION AND CARETAKER PERIOD

#### **Executive Summary:**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider updates to policies relating to the Complaints about the Public Official, Councillor Remuneration and Caretaker Period Policies.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Scott

Seconded Cr Thomas

#### That Council:

- adopt the updated 'Complaints about the Public Official Policy' (POL\_E\_CSA\_014);
- 2. adopt the updated 'Councillor Remuneration Policy' (POL I ADM 001; AND
- adopt the updated 'Caretaker Period Policy' (POL E EXGC 012).

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/009

#### 9.4 MEDIA POLICY

#### **Executive Summary:**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the adoption of a Media Policy.

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Murphy

Seconded Cr Scott

#### That Council:

- Adopt the Media Policy (POL\_E\_EXGC\_013);
- 2. Note the progress on developing an appropriate social media policy/protocol which will be presented to Council at a future meeting for consideration;
- 3. Note the Chief Executive Officer will roll out an awareness campaign to all staff to ensure compliance with the Media Policy.

**CARRIED 7/0** 



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#### 9.5 DELEGATION REVIEW - COUNCIL TO CEO

#### **Executive Summary:**

Advice has been received in relation to the changes to delegations required from the Council to Chief Executive Officer for the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*, *Industrial Relations Act 2016*, *Land Act 1994*, *Nature Conservation (Animals) Act 2020*, *Nature Conservation (Plants) Act 2020*, *Nature Conservation Act 1992 and the Transport Infrastructure Act 1994*.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Young

Seconded Cr Hawkins

That Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the reports provided in the Officer's Report.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/011

#### 9.6 ADDITIONAL SERVICE TO LOCAL BUSINESS - FOLLOW UP MENTORING

#### **Executive Summary:**

A proposal has been received from one of the Business Mentors who attended Normanton and Karumba recently with the Department for the Mentoring for Growth sessions.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Thomas

Seconded Cr Hawkins

That Council authorize the Chief Executive Officer to engage the services under the Local Buy arrangement and promote to the Business Community and provide a report back in relation to the ROI, number of businesses engaged to coincide with the Outback by the Sea Festival.

**CARRIED 7/0** 



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#### 9.7 CONFERENCE MOTION - LGAQ ANNUAL CONFERENCE

#### **Executive Summary:**

The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) has called for motions to be considered at the Annual Conference to be held in Gladstone in October 2023.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Bawden

Seconded Cr Hawkins

That Council authorize the Chief Executive Officer to submit a motion for consideration at the Annual Conference in relation to the need for an urgent review of the Industrial Relations Act as it relates to enterprise bargaining and authorise the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to attend the conference.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/013

#### 9.8 HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

This report provides information on the progress of SAFEPLAN, Council's safety management system, and an update on general human resource matters.

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Scott

Seconded Cr Young

That Council accepts the report for information.

CARRIED 7/0

Resolution No. 0723/014

#### 9.9 DRUG & ALCOHOL POLICY

#### **Executive Summary:**

The Drug & Alcohol Policy has been amended to acknowledge the potential risk of impairment to a worker when using legal drugs (prescribed or over the counter drugs).

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Young

Seconded Cr Gallagher

That Council adopts the amended Drug & Alcohol Policy as presented.

**CARRIED 7/0** 



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# 9.10 LES WILSON BARRAMUNDI DISCOVERY CENTRE, KARUMBA AND NORMANTON VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRES

#### **Executive Summary:**

This report provides a summary of the operational and promotional activities surrounding the Les Wilson Barramundi Discovery Centre, as well as activities in relation to the Visitor Information Centres.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Murphy

Seconded Cr Thomas

That Council:

1. receive the Report; and

2. that those matters not covered by resolution be noted.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/016

#### **NOTATION:**

A check to be done on aerators and follow up on hormone supply. Swim with the Barra to be cancelled.

#### 9.11 BURIAL FEES FOR CHILDREN - NORMANTON AND KARUMBA CEMETERIES

#### **Executive Summary:**

Council owns, manages and is responsible for the cemeteries in Normanton and Karumba. Within the Normanton Cemetery, there are a number of children graves. However, Council does not have a set fee for children's graves in the Schedule of Fees and Charges.

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Gallagher

Seconded Cr Young

That Council amend the 2023-2024 Schedule of Fees and Charges to include the following: -

Burial Fee – Child Grave (2 years to 8 years)

\$1,000.00

Burial Fee – Infant Grave (Under 2 years)

\$0

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/017

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

The Chief Executive Officer left the meeting room at 12:12pm.

The Chief Executive Officer re-entered the meeting room at 12:13pm.

Councillor Murphy left the meeting room at 12:13pm.

Councillor Murphy re-entered the meeting room at 12:14pm.

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#### 10 REPORTS FROM DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES

#### 10.1 DCS REPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

This report provides information and updates to Council on various activities and programs that are facilitated within the Director of Corporate Services portfolio.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Scott

Seconded Cr Thomas

#### That Council:

- 1. receive and note the Director of Corporate Services Report; and
- 2. that those matters not covered by a resolution be noted.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/018

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:34pm.

The meeting resumed at 1:15pm.

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

#### The Graduate Engineer entered the meeting room at 1:15pm.

Mr Matt Moore – Fisheries Ecologist from Catchment Solutions and Mr Dan Smith from Department of Agriculture and Fisheries entered the meeting room at **1:15pm**.

Mr Moore and Mr Smith provided an update on the Reef Project (FAD) in Karumba. They informed the final inspection of sites were done 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

#### The Graduate Engineer left the meeting room at 1:22pm.

Mr Moore and Mr Smith left the meeting room at 1:22pm.



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#### 10.2 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - JUNE 2023

#### **Executive Summary:**

Presentation of the financial report for 30 June 2023 as required under section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*. The report is presented for noting and indicates whether Council is progressing satisfactorily against its current budget.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Scott

Seconded Cr Young

That Council accepts the Monthly Financial Report, as required under section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the period ended 30 June 2023.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/019

#### 10.3 EXTERNAL AUDIT - 2023 INTERIM REPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

Queensland Audit Office (QAO) contract auditors Crowe Australasia have conducted an audit in accordance with the external audit plan issued 3 April 2023. The attached interim report details the results of the interim audit conducted in May 2023.

The 2023 Interim Report is presented on behalf of the Mayor for Council for information.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Thomas

Seconded Cr Scott

That Council note the contents of the 2023 Interim Report.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/020

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Murphy left the meeting room at 1:50pm.

Councillor Hawkins left the meeting room at 1:50pm.

Councillor Murphy re-entered the meeting room at 1:51pm.

Councillor Hawkins re-entered the meeting room at 1:52pm

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#### 10.4 COMMUNITY DONATIONS AND SUPPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

Council receives numerous requests for donations throughout the year. The applications for donations and fee waivers listed in this report are presented for Council consideration, or advising those applications already approved by the Chief Executive Officer's delegation.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Scott

Seconded Cr Thomas

That Council approves the following requests for Donations and Support and waivers of fees and charges:

1. Note the donations approved under the delegation of the Chief Executive Officer.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/021

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

The Consultant Engineers entered the meeting room at 2:08pm. The Manager Water and Waste entered the meeting room at 2:08pm. The Asset Manager entered the meeting room at 2:08pm.

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#### 11 REPORTS FROM DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING - ROADS & SERVICES

#### 11.1 DOE REPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

This report provides information and updates to Council on various activities and programs that are facilitated within the Director Engineering's portfolio.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Gallagher

Seconded Cr Young

#### That Council:

- 1. receive and note the Director of Engineering Report as presented; and
- 2. that those matters not covered by resolution be noted.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/022

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#### 11.2 NDRRA/QDRF REPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

**QRA20:** The QRA20 project is 100% complete. One (1) submission has been acquitted and Council has received the final payment. The remaining three (3) submissions have been lodged for acquittal and audits are currently being undertaken.

**QRA21:** The QRA21 project is approximately 78% complete. Construction has now recommenced with the QRA21 scope being prioritised to ensure deadlines are met. The 2023 construction program has been compiled to complete all submissions prior to the EOT deadline of 31 December 2023.

**QRA22:** The QRA22 project is approximately 60% complete. Six (6) REPA Submissions have been approved and Council has received the 30% pre-payments from QRA. Submission 4 (Dunbar – Kowanyama Road) has been approved for construction.

QRA23: Carpentaria Shire Council has been activated for REPA, Emergency Works and CDO relief measures. Emergency will continue in the upcoming months to restore access where required. Damage pickup has been completed within the Shire and submissions are currently being prepared. QRA21 and QRA22 scope that received significant additional damage will be included with the QRA23 submissions to be rolled over.

**OTHER:** The QRA Betterment project on Dunbar – Kowanyama Road has been approved and has a current deadline of 30 June 2024. The QRA Community and Recreational Asset project on Burke and Wills Monument Access Road (Pavement and Sealing) has been approved and has a current deadline of 30 June 2024. Armstrong Creek Causeway and Karumba Foreshore betterment projects received an EOT until 31 December 2023.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Murphy

Seconded Cr Hawkins

That Council:

- 1. accepts the NDRRA/QDRF Report as presented; and
- 2. that those matters not covered by resolution be noted.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/023

#### PRESENTATION:

**3:01pm – 3:06pm.** Mr John Martin – Consultant Engineer from ERSCON provided Council with a presentation of the Mitchell River Bridge Options Analysis.

#### ATTENDANCE:

The Consultant Engineers left the meeting room at 3:06pm.



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#### 11.3 WATER AND WASTE MONTHLY REPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

This report has been prepared to provide Council with an overview of actions completed and underway within the Water and Waste Department. Normanton Water Treatment Plant (WTP), Karumba Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) and Normanton STP for the month of June 2023.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Scott

Seconded Cr Gallagher

#### That Council:

- 1. receive and note the Water and Waste Report for the June 2023 period; and
- 2. that those matters not covered by a resolution be noted.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/024

#### ATTENDANCE:

The Manager Water and Waste left the meeting room at 3:09pm.

The Chief Executive Officer left the meeting room at 3:12pm.

The Chief Executive Officer re-entered the meeting room at 3:17pm.

#### 11.4 ASSET MANAGEMENT REPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

This report provides information and updates to Council on various tasks that are facilitated within the Asset Managers team. The following items of interest are discussed in further detail within the report:

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Hawkins

Seconded Cr Young

#### That Council:

- 1. receive the Asset Management Report as presented; and
- 2. that those matters not covered by resolution be noted.

**CARRIED 7/0** 



#### **CONFIRMED MINUTES**

#### 11.5 WORKSHOP REPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

This report provides information and updates to Council on various maintenance and repairs that are facilitated within the Workshop.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Murphy

Seconded Cr Thomas

That Council:

- 1. receive the Workshop Report as presented; and
- 2. that those matters not covered by resolution be noted.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/026

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

The Asset Manager left the meeting room at 3:40pm.

#### 11.6 BUILDING AND PLANNING REPORT

#### **Executive Summary:**

The report is to advise Council of relevant planning and building activities within the Shire for the month of June 2023.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Young

Seconded Cr Hawkins

That Council note and accept the content of the Building and Planning Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/027

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

- I, **Councillor Murphy**, inform this meeting that, pursuant to section 150EQ(3)(b) and 150EQ(3)(c) of the Local Government Act 2009, I have a declarable conflict of interest in relation to Agenda Item 11.7 Development Application I/2308 MCU for Multiple Dwellings. The nature of my interest is as follows:
- (i) I will be doing work on this building.

In accordance with section 150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, I will now leave the meeting room while this matter is discussed.



#### **CONFIRMED MINUTES**

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Murphy left the meeting room at 3:43pm.

11.7 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION I/2308 - MCU FOR MULTIPLE DWELLINGS
BPK WREN PTY LTD. 18 PHILP STREET, NORMANTON (LOT 5 ON SP136532)

#### **Executive Summary:**

The application seeks development approval for Material Change of Use for Multiple Dwellings on land at 18 Philp Street, Normanton, and described as Lot 5 on SP136532.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Gallagher

Seconded Cr Hawkins

That Council resolve to approve the application for Material Change of Use for Multiple Dwellings subject to reasonable and relevant conditions.

**CARRIED 6/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/028

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Murphy re-entered the meeting room at 3:49pm.

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

- I, Councillor Gallagher, inform this meeting that, pursuant to section 150EQ(3)(b) and 150EQ(3)(c) of the Local Government Act 2009, I have a declarable conflict of interest in relation to Agenda Item 11.7 Proposed BP Sign Foodworks. The nature of my interest is as follows:
- (i) My wife is employed by the applicant;

In accordance with section 150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, I will now leave the meeting room while this matter is discussed.

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Gallagher left the meeting room at 3:55pm.



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#### 11.8 PROPOSED BP SIGN - FOODWORKS

#### **Executive Summary:**

Council has received a request by Bynoe's building certifier Mr Peter Watton for a new BP sign located at the Landsborough St entrance. Two proposed locations have been nominated.

BP require an approval from Council for Approval in Principle before providing signage designs for the certifiers assessment. Upon approval Peter will then submit a formal building development approval to Council with the appropriate fee including RPEQ Form 15 Engineers Certificate.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved Cr Hawkins

Seconded Cr Young

That Council accepts Option 1 – Approve in Principle the sign and location in the Foodworks property as shown in Figure 2.

**CARRIED 6/0** 

Resolution No. 0723/029

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Scott left the meeting room at **3:56pm**. Councillor Gallagher re-entered the meeting room at **3:56pm**. Councillor Scott re-entered the meeting room at **3:58pm**.

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#### 12 GENERAL BUSINESS

#### 50th Anniversary of 1974 Floods

The Chief Executive Officer informed of a query, asking if Council had plans to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1974 floods.

Councillors decided not to hold any commemoration for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1974 floods.

Action: The Chief Executive Officer to advise the enquirer that no commemoration would be undertaken

#### Department of Resources - Application for Freehold

The Chief Executive Officer informed that the Department sought Councils views on the conversion of a term lease to freehold on a parcel of land in Yapper Street Karuma. Council advised it has no objection to the application for freehold.

Action: The Chief Executive Officer to advise the Department of the Councils views in relation to the application

#### Workshop - Thursday 20th July 2023

The Chief Executive Officer informed the workshop with Mel Comerford will be held tomorrow at 8:00am.

Action: The Chief Executive Officer to arrange for the link via Zoom to attend the virtual presentation at 8:00am

#### **Karumba Point Foreshore**

The Director of Engineering provided Council with an update on the proposed groynes between the boat ramp and shelter shed as had been presented previously and sought direction on proposed development and an application for funding.

Action: The Director of Engineering to advise Peak Services that the application for the groynes not be progressed at this time and that Council supports the application for the construction of the artificial headland

#### **NAIDOC Week Celebrations**

Councillor Thomas queried if staff could participate in the NAIDOC parade so that Council has a presence at the NAIDOC events.

The CEO provided correspondence requesting invitations for Council to attend future NAIDOC events in 2021 and no invitations have been provided.

Action: The Chief Executive Officer to provide advice to staff to allow them to attend future NAIDOC week celebrations



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#### New Hospital - Freezing Facility in Morgue

Councillor Thomas queried if the new hospital had a freezing facility. Informed that this is no longer allowed.

Action: No further action required on this matter

#### **Parking Lines**

Councillor Thomas stated the parking lines are in need of re-painting.

Action: The Director of Engineering to arrange for the re-painting of the parking lines throughout the CBD

#### **QPS Cameras**

Councillor Thomas queried the QPS cameras and if there are no plans to reinstate, could these be removed from footpaths.

Action: The Chief Executive Officer to write to QPS Normanton and request an update on the security cameras and what is proposed for re-instatement or when they will be removed from the footpaths

#### **Robert Walker Avenue at TAFE**

Councillor Thomas requested the access into Robert Walker Avenue needs further attention. Currently a boggy mess

Action: The Director of Engineering to investigate and carry out necessary works

#### **Dump Point Signage**

Councillor Thomas queried if the dump point signage be reviewed to ascertain if sufficient.

Action: The Director of Engineering to undertake a review of the current signage and ascertain if signs need to be added or current signs adjusted to allow for line of sight for motorists

#### Regional Development Australia (RDA)

Councillor Gallagher informed of his attendance at the RDA meeting held recently at Cloncurry. Discussions were held on the following issues:

- Boundary change Boulia Shire is proposed to move to Central West Region
- GravelRoad Group Proposal to undertake a survey of Telecommunications. MITEZ and RDA to fund – may be an opportunity to include Burke and Carpentaria Shires, discussions to be held with GSD
- Projects and Projects Dates (RDA)
  - Workforce projection 10 to 15,000 people required to progress most of the projects that have been identified in the RDA Region

Action: no further action required at this stage, the Chief Executive Officer to send Regional Priorities and Opportunities document to RDA and check with Gulf Savannah Development



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regarding the approach regarding the Gravel road telecommunications survey

#### Lilyvale - Marketing of lots

Councillor Gallagher raised the timing for the marketing of the Lilyvale lots

Action: The Chief Executive Officer to contact Colliers to come to Normanton to obtain photos to commence the marketing of the lots in the subdivision

#### Phone calls regarding Lilyvale

Councillor Young informed that he had received phone calls in relation to the Lilyvale Subdivision.

Action: See above

#### **Burial sites at the Mitchell River**

Councillor Young informed of phone calls in relation to burial sites in the area.

Action: The Director of Engineering to ensure that the local TO groups are consulted when working/designing the approaches

#### **Events at Karumba**

Councillor Young informed there was good feedback to Council in relation to the K150 Celebration and the Outback Queensland Masters Golf event

Action: No action necessary on this matter

#### Rates Recovery – Arrears of rates and payment arrangements

Councillor Young queried the progress on rates recovery for properties that agreed to payment schedule.

DCS provided an update on the payment arrangements and some enquiries that have occurred since the correspondence was sent to those under arrangements

Action: The Director Corporate Services to present a quarterly report on payment arrangements

#### **Road Trips**

Councillor Young queried when is Council undertaking road trips – connection with Rural landowners.

Action: Road Trips are to be planned for the weekend of 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> August 2023. The Director of Engineering to make necessary arrangements



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#### **Barking Dogs in Karumba**

Councillor Young informed of barking dogs in Karumba

Action: The Director Corporate Services to arrange for the Local Laws Officer to investigate and action as appropriate

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Bawden left the meeting room at **4:41pm**. Councillor Bawden re-entered the meeting room at **4:43pm**.

#### K150 Celebrations

Councillor Scott advised that the Committee had done a great job with the K150 celebrations and a great week was planned and delivered for visitors

Action: No further action necessary, poster of thanks to the committee and volunteers is to be provided

#### Free Camps - Normanton Bookings

Councillor Scott informed that 2 nights are available for people wishing to use the Free Camp, however the system only allow a single night booking

Action: The Chief Executive Officer to discuss with Discovery Centre Manager to ascertain if booking system can be amended

#### **Road Trip with Councillors**

Councillor Scott asked if it may be best if the Councillors went in separate directions and some attended the North and others attended the Southern parts of the Shire Agreed that Councillors wished to attend all locations across the Shire and visit all as a group Action: See above

#### Corellas

The Director Corporate Services informed of huge numbers of corellas in Karumba.

Action: No action required at this time, locals are utilising sounds to move the Corellas on

#### **Rat Plague**

The Director Corporate Services informed the public have reported an increased number of rats and mice in recent weeks.

Action: Consider the development of a fact sheet and place on Website



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#### Ratepayers - Payment Plans

The Director Corporate Services informed that some ratepayers have been in contact since receiving a letter from Council.

Action: addressed above, further updates to be provided to Council

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

The Executive Assistant left the meeting room at 4:54pm.

The Executive Assistant re-entered the meeting room at 4:57pm.

#### Caretaker Period

The Director Corporate Services informed that Tenders will be called at the end of the year and presented to the December Meeting.

Action: The Director Corporate Services to commence process for calling of Tenders for the 2024 construction season for presentation to Council Meeting in December

#### Lilyvale

Councillor Hawkins had a query in relation to the progress of the Lilyvale Subdivision and this was addressed earlier

Action: No further action necessary as addressed earlier

#### **Road Trips**

Councillor Hawkins had a query on when the Road Trip would be undertaken and this was addressed previously

Action: No further action necessary as addressed earlier

#### **K150 Public Notice**

Cr Bawden requested a public notice be put out to thank the Committee and all involved in organising the K150 events.

Action: The Chief Executive Officer to arrange for the public notice to be provided on Facebook and notice boards in Karumba

#### **Ronald McDonald Charity Ball Auction Items**

Cr Bawden asked for consideration on auction items for the Charity Ball. The following items were suggested:

- Purchase a signed Panthers Jersey
- Arrange for a signed Stingers Jersey (Mens & Women's)
  - Seek local indigenous painting from one of the local artists

Discussions were also held on the following:

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- the scouring at the back of the Burns Philp Building needs to be levelled
- Water truck to ensure the area is watered in the lead up to the event
- Advertising for the Charity Ball
  - It will be on the front page of the newsletter next week
  - Posters to be put around town.
  - Ticket sales.
  - Information to be sent to Blackstar Radio
  - Email to all stations within the area.

Action: The Chief Executive Officer to arrange for the auction items as requested. The Director of Engineering to arrange the repairs to the scouring at the back of the building and the watering of the area. The Chief Executive Officer to arrange interviews for the Mayor on ABC and Blackstar Radio. The Director Corporate Services & the Chief Executive Officer to check and arrange additional promotion for the Ball with posters, Facebook posts etc as indicated above and send email to station owners

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Murphy left the meeting room at **5:19pm**. Councillor Murphy re-entered the meeting room at **5:21pm**.

#### 13 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chair of the meeting, Cr Lyall Bawden, Mayor, declared the meeting closed at 5:23pm.

#### MINUTES CERTIFICATE

These Minutes are Confirmed.

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| Councillor LV Bawden | Date |
| Mayor | Date | Da