

# BUSINESS PAPER

## Special Meeting

**Thursday 24 September 2015**

Roma Administration Centre

### NOTICE OF MEETING

Date: 24 September 2015

Mayor: Councillor R S Loughnan

Deputy Mayor: Councillor W S Wason  
Councillors: Councillor J L Chambers  
Councillor R J Denton  
Councillor P J Flynn  
Councillor W M Newman  
Councillor C J O'Neil  
Councillor M L Price  
Councillor D J Schefe

Chief Executive Officer: Ms Julie Reitano

Please find attached agenda for the **Special Meeting** to be held at the Roma Administration Centre on **September 24, 2015 at 11.50AM**



Julie Reitano  
Chief Executive Officer

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**Confidential Items**

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items that it's Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

**C Confidential Items**

- C.1 Consideration of Commencement of Prosecution Proceedings in Respect of Demolition of Building**  
**Classification:** Closed Access  
Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 275(f) starting or defending legal proceedings involving the local government.

**Closure**

**OFFICER REPORT**

**Meeting:** Special 24 September 2015

**Date:** 24 September 2015

**Item Number:** 6.1

**File Number:** D15/79219

**SUBJECT HEADING:** Resolution to Permit Councillors to Participate by Teleconference

**Classification:** Open Access

**Name of Applicant:** N/a

**Location:** N/a

**Author & Officer's Title:** Julie Reitano, Chief Executive Officer

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**Executive Summary:**

A number of Councillors are available to be present for the Special Meeting, with a further number of Councillors available if they can participate by teleconference.

**Officer's Recommendation:**

That Council resolve to allow Councillors to participate in the Special Meeting by telephone, noting that Councillors Jan Chambers, Joy Denton and Scott Wason will be available to participate in the meeting via teleconference.

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**Body of Report:**

The Local Government Regulation 2012 provides for Councillors to participate in a meeting where the local government (i.e. by resolution) allows that to occur. The relevant section of the Regulation is reproduced below.

A quorum must be present at the meeting, to make the decision about the Councillors' participation.

**276 Teleconferencing**

- (1) *Teleconferencing* is the use of a telephone, video conferencing equipment or other means of instant communication that allows a person to take part in discussions as they happen.
- (2) A local government may allow a person to take part in a meeting by teleconferencing.
- (3) A councillor taking part in a meeting by teleconferencing is taken to have attended the meeting if—
  - (a) the councillor was simultaneously in audio contact with each other person at the meeting; and
  - (b) the local government approved the teleconferencing arrangement.

**Consultation (internal/external):**

- Mayor and Councillors

**Risk Assessment (Legal, Financial, Political etc.):**

Nil

**Policy Implications:**

Nil

**Financial Resource Implications:**

Nil

**Link to Corporate Plan:**

Corporate Plan 2014-2019

Strategic Priority 1: Community Leadership & Accountability

1.1 Council Meetings & Workshops

1.1.1 Council Meetings

**Supporting Documentation:**

Nil

**Report authorised by:**

Julie Reitano, Chief Executive Officer