

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF MARANOA REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD AT ROMA ADMINISTRATION CENTRE ON 9 SEPTEMBER 2020 SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE AT 9.00AM

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Cr. T D Golder chaired the meeting with, Deputy Mayor Cr. G B McMullen, Cr. J R P Birkett, Cr. M C Edwards, Cr. J L Guthrie, Cr. J M Hancock, Cr. W L Ladbrook, Cr. C J O'Neil, Cr. W M Taylor, Chief Executive Officer – Julie Reitano, and Minutes Officer – Kelly Rogers in attendance.

AS REQUIRED

Deputy Chief Executive Officer/Director Development, Facilities & Environmental Services – Rob Hayward, Director Corporate & Community Services – Sharon Frank, Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management – Cameron Hoffmann, Manager Water, Sewerage & Gas – Graham Sweetlove, Manager Planning & Building Development – Danielle Pearn, Manager Facilities (Land, Buildings & Structures) – Tanya Mansfield, Manager Procurement & Plant – Michael Worthington, Manager Environment, Health, Waste & Rural Land Services – Sandra (Kay) Crosby, Manager Organisational Development & Human Resources – Noela Ward, Regional Tourism Development Coordinator – Justine Miller, Specialist Arts & Culture – Kym-Maree Walters, Regional Sport & Recreation Development Coordinator – Fiona Vincent, Lead Accounts Processing Officer / System Administrator – Debbie Gelhaar, Rates and Utilities Billing Officer – Catherine (Katie) Ballard.

WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at 9.08am.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/01

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting [held] on 26 August 2020 be accepted as true and correct [confirmed].

CARRIED

9/0

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/02

Moved Cr Edwards

Seconded Cr Birkett

That the minutes of the Special Budget Meeting held on 2 September 2020 be confirmed.

CARRIED

9/0

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/03

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Taylor

That the minutes of the Special Meeting held on 3 September 2020 and scheduled to commence at 10.30am be confirmed.

CARRIED

9/0

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/04

Moved Cr Taylor

Seconded Cr McMullen

That the minutes of the Special Meeting held on 3 September 2020 and scheduled to commence at 3.30pm be confirmed.

CARRIED

9/0

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr McMullen

Item	Subject Heading
C.1	Expressions of Interest – Corner of Ironbark and Barnard Road, Roma (Lot 3 on SP230317)

Cr McMullen advised:

I, Cr Geoff McMullen, declare that I have a perceived 'Conflict of Interest' as defined by the *Local Government Act 2009*, section 175D & E for agenda Item C.1, with the subject heading - *Expressions of Interest – Corner of Ironbark and Barnard Road [Roma (Lot 3 on SP230317)]*. Perceived conflict is because I was previously a sponsor of the Roma & District Motorcycle Club.

I have determined this personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead me to making a decision on the matter that is contrary to the public interest. I will best perform my responsibility of serving the overall public interest of the whole of the Council area by participating in the discussion and voting on the matter.

However, I acknowledge that the remaining Councillors must now determine pursuant to section 175E(4) of the *Local Government Act 2009*:

- (a) Whether I have a real conflict of interest in this matter or a perceived conflict of interest in this matter; and
- (b) If so, whether:
 - I. I must leave the meeting while this matter is discussed or voted on; or
 - II. I may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter.

Regarding Cr McMullen's declared conflict, Cr Hancock asked Cr McMullen as to how long ago he was a sponsor of the club (Roma & District Motorcycle Club), in response, Cr McMullen indicated he was a sponsor of the club prior to his time on Council, and this ceased also once he got out of his business.

Cr Hancock further enquired regarding Cr McMullen's grandchildren's involvement in the club from a prior declaration at a previous meeting in regard to the club. In response, Cr McMullen advised his grandchildren were no longer committee members, but that one may still have a permit to ride, however, he was uncertain if they were still in the club.

Moved Cr Guthrie

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Cr McMullen does not have either a real conflict of interest or a perceived conflict of interest in the matter and is accordingly free to participate in the meeting while this matter is discussed, including by voting on the matter.

NO VOTE TAKEN

No vote was taken on the abovementioned motion at that time, with Cr Hancock querying that Cr McMullen had declared a perceived conflict of interest in the matter, and that the draft procedural motion put forward by Cr Guthrie was in conflict with Cr McMullen's declared perceived conflict of interest. Cr Guthrie in turn put forward an alternate procedural motion, which the 'Seconder' confirmed he was happy to support.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/05

Moved Cr Guthrie

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Cr McMullen has a perceived conflict of interest in the matter and notwithstanding the conflict, Cr McMullen may participate in the matter, discuss and vote upon it.

CARRIED

8/0

Cr McMullen did not vote on this motion as he was the declaring Councillor under consideration in this matter.

Responsible Officer

Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement

Cr Birkett

Item	Subject Heading
C.8	Scout Hut - Mitchell

Cr Birkett advised:

I, Cr John Birkett, declare that I have a 'Conflict of Interest' as defined by the *Local Government Act 2009*, section 175D & E for agenda item C.8, subject heading – *Scout Hut - Mitchell*. The personal interest arises because of my relationship with another person, the name of the person is Gary Birkett and Lola Birkett. The nature of my relationship with these people is my father and daughter. The nature of the person's interests in the matter is my father is the President of the Mitchell Rotary Club and my daughter is joining Scouts. I will be dealing with the matter by leaving the room while the matter is discussed and voted upon.

Cr Hancock enquired as to whether the nature of Cr Birkett's interest was a 'Material Personal Interest.' In response, and following further discussion with Councillors, Cr Birkett confirmed that he was leaving the room for discussion on the matter.

Cr Hancock

Item	Subject Heading
C.1	Expressions of Interest – Corner of Ironbark and Barnard Road, Roma (Lot 3 on SP230317)

Cr Hancock advised:

I, Johanne Hancock, declare that I have a 'Material Personal Interest' as defined by the *Local Government Act 2009*, section 175B for agenda item C.1, with the subject heading – *Expressions of Interest – Corner of Ironbark and Barnard Road, Roma (Lot 3 on SP230317)*. The name of the person who stands to gain a benefit or suffer a loss (either directly or indirectly) depending on the outcome of the consideration of the matter at the meeting is Nicholas Hancock. The nature of my relationship to the person is he is my son.

Describe how you, the person or other entity stands to gain a benefit or suffer a loss (either directly or indirectly) depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. Depending on the decision of Council in this decision Nicholas may gain a benefit or suffer a loss.

In accordance with Section 175C (2)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, I will leave the room while the matter is being discussed and voted on.

Cr Birkett

Item	Subject Heading
C.8	Scout Hut - Mitchell

Cr Birkett re-visited his stated conflict for Item C.8.

Cr O'Neil added the comment, that we've got to be clear that MPI's aren't defined by money, material doesn't mean money, that's been clear throughout the training.

I, John Birkett, declare that I have a 'Material Personal Interest' as defined by the *Local Government Act 2009*, section 175B for agenda item C.8, subject heading – *Scout Hut – Mitchell*. The nature of my relationship to the person or entity is, the person is my father and child (parent and child). In accordance with Section 175C (2)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, I will leave the room while the matter is discussed and voted on. Sorry, I should have had, He's President of the Mitchell Rotary Club, my daughter is joining Mitchell Scout Group.

Cr. Edwards brought to Council's attention a potential conflict he was uncertain if it was required to be declared in regard to Item LC.4 – Audit Committee – Appointment of External Members.

Cr Edwards is one of Council's representatives on the Audit Committee. Through discussion, it was confirmed that no conflict existed in this regard.

ON THE TABLE

Item 8.1 – *Structures for Community Contact* was laid on the table at the Ordinary Meeting on 12 August 2020.

Item L.2 – *Successful Application for Community Drought Support* was laid on the table at the Ordinary Meeting on 26 August 2020.

CONSIDERATION OF NOTICES OF MOTION

Item Number: 8.1 **File Number:** D20/83104

SUBJECT HEADING: STRUCTURES FOR COMMUNITY CONTACT

Councillor's Title: Cr. Tyson Golder

Executive Summary:

I would like Council to consider the notice of motions I have proposed.

This notice was proposed at the Ordinary Meeting on 12 August 2020, and was laid on the table in order for Council to further discuss the matter at a Councillor Briefing. A briefing was held on 25 August 2020.

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council:

- 1. Not elect to have portfolios for the 2020-2024 term.**

2. All Councillors be invited for photo opportunities.
3. All Councillors be invited for consultation with the community at meetings.
4. Elect the Mayor to be the spokesman in press releases and if he is not available, the Deputy Mayor to be.
5. Instead of having advisory groups, schedule special meetings to hear feedback and concerns of former advisory members and community members on such topics as wild dogs, saleyards etc. with the frequency of meetings decided by Council. Thus incorporating involvement of all Councillors in all issues.

[Wording amended by Mayor Golder from his original motion following a request from Cr McMullen to amend points 2 and 3 of the motion, for which the Mayor confirmed he was happy to accept.]

NO VOTE TAKEN

No vote was taken on the draft motion at that time, with Cr Taylor enquiring about a further briefing regarding the proposal and following further comment from the Chief Executive Officer at the initial briefing. In consideration of the Chief Executive Officer's comments, Cr Taylor then proposed the following procedural motion:

Moved Cr Taylor

I'd like to lay it on the table until we have that briefing.

MOTION LOST

6/3 [intended 3/6]

OM/09.2020/06 intentionally deleted – motion lost.

Responsible Officer	Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement
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With the procedural motion lost, Council again considered the initial motion put forward by Mayor Golder and seconded by Cr McMullen:

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/06

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That:

1. Council not elect to have portfolios for the 2020-2024 term.
2. All Councillors be invited for photo opportunities.
3. All Councillors be invited for Council endorsed community meetings.
4. Contact be made initially with the Mayor who will be spokesperson for Maranoa Regional Council in all media releases where a quote or quotes are required, or at his sole discretion, he may nominate the Deputy Mayor to be spokesperson. To remove any doubt, this does not preclude individual Councillors from making comment to the media about matters pertaining to Maranoa Regional Council.
5. Instead of having advisory groups, schedule special meetings to hear feedback and concerns of former advisory members and community members on such topics as wild dogs, saleyards etc. with the frequency of meetings decided by Council. Thus incorporating involvement of all Councillors in all issues.

[Wording amended by Mayor Golder from his original motion following comment from the Chief Executive Officer seeking further detail to clarify the Mayor's intent for points 3 and 4. Following further discussion these points were amended by the Mayor, which the Seconder confirmed he was happy to accept.]

CARRIED

6/3

Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote.

The outcomes were recorded as follows:

Those in Favour of the Motion	Those Against the Motion
Cr. Birkett	Cr. Hancock
Cr. Edwards	Cr. O'Neil
Cr. Golder	Cr. Taylor
Cr. Guthrie	
Cr. Ladbrook	
Cr. McMullen	

Responsible Officer	Chief Executive Officer / Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement / (Acting) Lead Corporate Communications & Design Officer
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BUSINESS

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Item Number: 12.1 File Number: D20/80934

SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST FROM ASSESSMENT 13014683 FOR
EXTENSION TO COUNCIL'S REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY
ZONE BOUNDARY

Officer's Title: Manager - Water, Sewerage & Gas

Executive Summary:

The applicant wishes to develop their lot and have requested a connection to the Council water reticulation network. There is a water main across the road from this lot, but they are outside of the Regional Water Supply Zone. They have therefore requested that Council extend the boundary of the supply zone to allow them to access this network.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/07

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That Council approve this request to expand the Regional Water Supply Zone and advise the applicant of the decision.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Manager – Water, Sewerage & Gas
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Item Number: 12.2 File Number: D20/82496

SUBJECT HEADING: APEX ROMA - CHILDREN ROAD SAFETY SIGNAGE INITIATIVE

Officer's Title: Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management
Assets Officer - Transport Network

Executive Summary:

Council received a request from the Apex Roma Club seeking Council's support of a road safety initiative to install signage to improve road safety for pedestrians around Roma and the Maranoa. This report outlined the details of the request and possible locations.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/08

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Edwards

That Council:

1. Approve the installation of the yellow and red road signage at the following four (4) locations:
 - Site 1 – Bungil Street Pedestrian Crossing – Near the Kindergarten
 - Site 2 – Duke Street Pedestrian Crossing – Near the corner store
 - Site 3 – McDowall Street Pedestrian Crossing – Near the Pool
 - Site 4 – McDowall Street Crossings – Near the Hospital, Skate park and play grounds and Childcare
2. Prepare and issue a media release, including a photo with representative(s) from Apex Roma, once the sign[age] has been installed at the above locations.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management

DEVELOPMENT, FACILITIES & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Item Number: 13.1 File Number: D20/80939

SUBJECT HEADING: ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP OF OUTBACK QUEENSLAND TOURISM ASSOCIATION AND GREAT INLAND WAY COMMITTEE FOR 2020/2021

Officer's Title: Regional Tourism Development Coordinator

Executive Summary:

Annual membership of Council's Regional Tourism Organisation, Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA) and the Great Inland Way (GIW), are now overdue for renewal.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/09

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Hancock

That Council:

1. Renew their Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA) Local Government Membership in the 2020/21 financial year.

2. Renew their Great Inland Way Committee (GIW) Local Government Membership in the 2020/21 financial year.
3. Pay a total of \$32,851.50 (inc GST) Local Government Contribution to OQTA, and \$3,000 (inc GST) Local Government Contribution to Great Inland Way with expenses to be costed to Council's Tourism Budget – Memberships and Contributions, with Work Order 14484.2537.2001.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Regional Tourism Development Coordinator
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Item Number: 13.2 **File Number:** D20/81358

SUBJECT HEADING: BRIGHT NIGHTS PROJECTION PROJECT

Officer's Title: Specialist - Arts & Culture

Executive Summary:

A request was received to provide in principle support to South West Queensland Regional Arts Services for an application for the Bright Nights Projection Project in 2021. This project delivers on Council's strategic objectives of fostering arts and culture within our communities through a variety of events across the region.

The purpose of this report was to seek approval to provide South West Queensland Regional Arts Services with a letter of support that can be used for a grant application to deliver the Bright Nights Projection Project in 2021.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/10

Moved Cr Hancock

Seconded Cr Taylor

That Council provide a letter of support to the South West Queensland Regional Arts Services for an application for the Bright Nights Projection Project in 2021.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Specialist – Arts & Culture
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COUNCILLOR BUSINESS

Item Number: 16.1 **File Number:** D20/80866

SUBJECT HEADING: ATTRACTIVE COMMUNITIES IN THE MARANOA

Councillor's Title: Cr. Tyson Golder

Executive Summary:

Mayor Golder proposed that Council consider recognising and acknowledging residents in the Maranoa who continue to keep their houses / yards attractive in the community.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/11

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That a report be prepared for an upcoming Council meeting.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Manager – Economic & Community Development
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**COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING
FOR MORNING TEA AT 10.46AM**

**SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING AT 11.22AM**

LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/12

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That we add item LC.5 – Update on Flood Mitigation Matter, [and this] be included as part of the Late Confidential Agenda.

[In accordance with *Local Government Regulation 2012* Section 275(h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.]

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

**Lead Officer – Elected Members &
Community Engagement**

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (CONTINUED)

Cr Golder

Item	Subject Heading
LC.5	Update on Flood Mitigation Matter

Cr Golder advised:

I, Cr Tyson Golder, declare that I have a perceived 'Conflict of Interest' as defined by the *Local Government Act 2009*, section 175D & E for agenda item LC.5 – Flood Mitigation. The personal interest arises because my mother, because of the name of the person with the personal interest is Carmen Golder, my nature with the person is she is my mother, and the nature of the person's interest in the matter is my mother had a flood mitigation matter in the previous Council term which has been concluded, which had been concluded in the last term, and I'll be dealing with this matter by leaving the room whilst the matter is discussed and voted on.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolved to close the meeting to discuss item C.1, which it has deemed to be of a confidential nature and specifically pertaining to the following section:

- (h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/13

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That in accordance with Section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* a local government may resolve to close the meeting, I'd like to resolve to close the meeting to discuss confidential items that the Council or members consider it necessary to close the meeting [at 11.26am].

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement

Cr. Hancock, having previously foreshadowed a 'Material Personal Interest' for the item C.1, for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 11.26am, taking no part in discussion on the matter.

At cessation of discussion on the abovementioned item, Cr Hancock returned to the meeting at 11.45am.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/14

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council open the meeting to the public [at 11.47am].

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (CONTINUED)

Cr Taylor

Item	Subject Heading
C.2	Injune Caravan Park – Amendment to Fees and Charges

Cr Taylor advised:

I, Cr Wendy Taylor, declare that I have a 'Conflict of Interest' as defined by the *Local Government Act 2009*, section 175D & E for agenda item C.2, with the subject heading – *Injune Caravan Park – Amendment to Fees and Charges*. The conflict - because I am the Treasurer of the Roma Clay Target Club. I will be dealing with this matter by leaving the room while the matter is discussed and voted on.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS CONTINUED

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolved to close the meeting to discuss items C.2 – C.18, which it has deemed to be of a confidential nature and specifically pertaining to the following sections:

- (b) industrial matters affecting employees;
- (c) the local government budget;
- (d) rating concessions;
- (e) contracts proposed to be made by it;
- (h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/15
Moved Cr Golder
Seconded Cr McMullen
I move that we go back into closed session [close the meeting to the public at 11.48am].
CARRIED
9/0
Responsible Officer
Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement

Cr. Taylor, having previously foreshadowed a 'Material Personal Interest' for the item C.2, for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - CONTINUED,' left the meeting at 11.49am, taking no part in discussion on the matter.

Cr. O'Neil left the meeting at 11.58am.

At cessation of discussion on Item C.2, Cr Hancock returned to the meeting at 11.59am.

Cr O'Neil returned to the meeting at 12.00pm.

Cr Ladbrook left the meeting at 12.21pm, and returned at 12.23pm.

Cr. Birkett, having previously foreshadowed a 'Material Personal Interest' for the item C.8, for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 12.26pm, taking no part in discussion on the matter.

At cessation of discussion on the abovementioned item, Cr Birkett returned to the meeting at 12.31pm.

**COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING
FOR LUNCH AT 1.27PM**

**SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION AT 2.26PM**

Cr Hancock was not present at resumption of Standing Orders.

Cr Hancock returned to the meeting at 2.32pm.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/16
Moved Cr Golder
Seconded Cr McMullen
That Council open the meeting to the public [at 4.05pm].
CARRIED
9/0
Responsible Officer
Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (CONTINUED)

Cr Taylor

Item	Subject Heading
C.19	Injune Caravan Park Management or Lease Agreement

Cr Taylor advised:

I, Cr Wendy Taylor, declare that I have a 'Conflict of Interest' as defined by the *Local Government Act 2009*, section 175D & E for the agenda item C.19 with the subject heading – *Injune Caravan Park Management or Lease Agreement*, because I am the Treasurer of the Roma Clay Target Club. I will be dealing with this matter by leaving the room while the matter is discussed and voted upon.

Cr. Taylor, having declared a 'Conflict of Interest' in the abovementioned item, left the meeting at 4.07pm, taking no part in the vote to close the meeting, and further was not present when the matter was discussed during closed session.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS CONTINUED

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolved to close the meeting to discuss items C.19, which it has deemed to be of a confidential nature and specifically pertaining to the following section:

(e) contracts proposed to be made by it.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/17	
Moved Cr O'Neil	Seconded Cr Ladbrook
I'll move that we go back into closed [close the meeting to the public at 4.07pm].	
CARRIED	8/0

Responsible Officer	Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement
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At cessation of discussion of Item C.19, Cr Taylor returned to the meeting at 4.11pm.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/18	
Moved Cr Golder	Seconded Cr Guthrie
That Council open the meeting to the public [at 4.13pm].	
CARRIED	9/0

Responsible Officer	Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement
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LATE ITEM

Item Number: L.3 **File Number:** D20/84398

SUBJECT HEADING: DROUGHT COMMUNITIES PROGRAMME - EXTENSION FOR MARANOA WATER SUPPLY SECURITY - SURAT AND YULEBA TOWNSHIPS REQUEST FOR VARIATION TO FUNDING AGREEMENT

Officer's Title: Program Funding & Budget Coordinator
Manager - Water, Sewerage & Gas

Executive Summary:

This report requested Council's approval to request a variation to the funding agreement for the Surat and Yuleba bore projects funded under the Drought Communities Programme – Extension.

Discussion:

The reporting officer and Deputy Chief Executive Officer provided Council an overview on the matter. No determination was made by Council on this item at that time.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS CONTINUED

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolved to close the meeting to discuss items LC.1 – LC.5, which it has deemed to be of a confidential nature and specifically pertaining to the following sections:

- (b) industrial matters affecting employees;
- (e) contracts proposed to be made by it;
- (h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/19

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr McMullen

I move that we go into closed [close the meeting to the public] at 4.20pm.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Officer – Elected Members &
Community Engagement

Cr. Edwards left the meeting at 4.20pm, and returned at 4.23pm.

Mayor Golder, having previously foreshadowed a perceived 'Conflict of Interest' for the item LC.5, for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - CONTINUED,' left the meeting at 5.45pm, taking no part in discussion on the matter.

The Deputy Mayor took the role of 'Acting Chair' in the Mayor's absence.

At cessation of discussion on the abovementioned item, Mayor Golder returned to the meeting, assuming the Chair at 5.59pm.

Cr. Birkett left the meeting at 5.58pm, and returned at 6.00pm.

Cr O'Neil left the meeting at 6.08pm, and returned at 6.09pm.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/20

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council open the meeting to the public [at 6.20pm].

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Officer – Elected Members &
Community Engagement

Cr. Hancock, having previously foreshadowed a 'Material Personal Interest' for the following item, for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 6.21pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number: C.1 **File Number:** D20/78580

SUBJECT HEADING: **EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - CORNER OF IRONBARK AND BARNARD ROAD, ROMA (LOT 3 ON SP230317)**

Officer's Title: **Manager - Facilities (Land, Buildings & Structures)**

Executive Summary:

Council publicly invited interested parties to submit Expressions of Interest for a licence to use Council owned land on the corner of Ironbark and Barnard Road, Roma (Lot 3 on SP230317). Expressions of Interest were advertised on Friday 24 July 2020 with a closing date of 14 August 2020.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/21

Moved Cr Taylor

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That Council:

- 1. Enter into the 10 year lease with the Roma and District Motorcycle Club for the use of Lot 3 on SP230317.**
- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or delegate, to sign the lease documentation.**

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Manager – Facilities (Land, Buildings & Structures)

At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr. Hancock returned to the meeting at 6.22pm.

Cr. Taylor, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' for the following item, for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - CONTINUED,' left the meeting at 6.22pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number: C.2 **File Number:** D20/79028

SUBJECT HEADING: **INJUNE CARAVAN PARK - AMENDMENT TO FEES AND CHARGES**

Officer's Title: **Council Buildings & Structures Maintenance Officer / Team Coordination**

Executive Summary:

Operation of the Injune Caravan Park has been temporarily undertaken by Council since 26 June 2020, while a suitable management arrangement is sought. Council has recently received correspondence from a permanent resident of the Injune Caravan Park, requesting that Council include in its fees and charges, a discounted fee for long term residents.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/22
Moved Cr Golder
Seconded Cr Ladbrook
That Council:

1. Amend the Fees and Charges Register to include the following site fees for the Injune Caravan Park:
 - a. Powered Site - \$150.00 GST inclusive per site per week;
 - b. Unpowered Site - \$125.00 GST inclusive per site per week.
 - c. Pensioner Rate - \$115.00 GST inclusive per site per week.
2. Waive fees and charges for caravan park tenant Thomas Taylor from 26 June 2020 to 9 September 2020.

CARRIED
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Responsible Officer	Council Buildings & Structures Maintenance Officer / Team Coordination / Program Funding & Budget Coordinator
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At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr Taylor returned to the meeting at 6.24pm.

Item Number:
C.3
File Number: D20/58325
SUBJECT HEADING:
WALLUMBILLA POOL MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT - OPTION TO RENEW
Officer's Title:
Facility Lease Management & Housing Officer / Team Coordinator
Executive Summary:

Council has been advised by the Manager of the Wallumbilla Swimming Pool that she wishes to exercise her option as provided for in the Management Agreement and extend the current contract for a further twelve month period.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/23
Moved Cr McMullen
Seconded Cr Edwards
That Council approve the extension of the Wallumbilla Swimming Pool Management Agreement for a further twelve month period until 1 October 2021.
CARRIED
9/0

Responsible Officer	Facility Lease Management & Housing Officer / Team Coordinator
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Item Number: C.4 File Number: D20/59657

SUBJECT HEADING: SOUTH WEST DRAG RACING ASSOCIATION INC -
LEASE AGREEMENT OVER LOT 5 ON RP10338

Officer's Title: Facility Lease Management & Housing Officer / Team
Coordinator

Executive Summary:

The South West Drag Racing Association Incorporated Agreement with Council over part of Lot 5 on RP910338 is due to expire on the 30 September 2020. The group would like to renew this agreement with Council.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/24

Moved Cr Birkett

Seconded Cr Edwards

That Council:

1. Commence preparation of the lease with South West Drag Racing Association Incorporated and Roma and District Motorcycle Club, in respect to the group's shared use of Lot 5 on RP910338 located at Kimbler Road Roma.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or delegate, to execute the lease and any other associated documentation.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

**Facility Lease Management & Housing
Officer / Team Coordinator**

Item Number: C.5 File Number: D20/82371

SUBJECT HEADING: INJUNE SWIMMING POOL - REQUEST TO AMEND
OPENING HOURS

Officer's Title: Facility Lease Management & Housing Officer / Team
Coordinator

Executive Summary:

Council received correspondence from the Manager of the Injune Swimming Pool requesting a change in the opening hours at the facility.

Moved Cr Guthrie

Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That Council consult with the Injune community regarding the request for an amendment to the opening hours of the Injune Pool.

NO VOTE TAKEN

No vote was taken on the draft motion at that time. Further discussion ensued regarding an additional email circulated to Councillors during the meeting on the matter. On the basis of receipt of this additional information, Cr Guthrie then put forward an amended motion, as follows. The 'Seconder' confirmed he was happy to accept the amendment, recorded as follows:

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/25
Moved Cr Guthrie
Seconded Cr Ladbrook
That Council:

1. Conduct a six (6) month trial of the following amended opening hours for the Injune Pool:

Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Closed	3.00pm – 7:00pm
Tuesday	6:00am – 9:00am	3.00pm – 6:00pm
Wednesday	Closed	Closed
Thursday	6:00am – 9:00am	3.00pm – 6:00pm
Friday	6:00am – 10:00am	3.00pm – 6:00pm
Saturday	Closed	1:00pm – 5:00pm
Sunday	Closed	1:00pm – 5:00pm

2. Be provided a further report at the conclusion of the trial, which incorporates feedback from the community.

CARRIED
9/0
Responsible Officer
**Facility Lease Management & Housing
Officer / Team Coordinator**
Item Number:
C.6
File Number: D20/80842
SUBJECT HEADING:
**STATE GOVERNMENT SURPLUS PROPERTIES -
MARANOA REGION**
Officer's Title:
Administration Officer - Land Administration
Executive Summary:

Council received details of State Government properties listed as surplus in the Maranoa Region for the period 27 July 2020 to 3 August 2020.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/26
Moved Cr McMullen
Seconded Cr Birkett

That further information be sought from the Queensland Government as to how the acquirer intends to use the land, and if there is likely to be any vehicle movements, either entering or exiting the site, onto Currey Street as a result of the proposed acquisition.

CARRIED
9/0
Responsible Officer
Administration Officer - Land Administration

Item Number: C.7 File Number: D20/81618

SUBJECT HEADING: UNALLOCATED STATE LAND - LOT 312 ON A3843 AND LOT 313 ON A3843

Officer's Title: Administration Officer - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy sought Council's views on applications it has received to purchase Unallocated State Land (USL) being Lot 312 on A3843 and Lot 313 on A3843.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/28

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Edwards

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy that Unallocated State Land being Lot 312 on A3843 and Lot 313 on A3843:

- 1. Is not needed for a public purpose.**
- 2. There is no public demand for the land.**
- 3. Council offers no objection to the proposed further dealing of the purchase of the land on the condition that the purchaser is aware:**
 - Access to the land parcels is not to be provided from Basalt Street at its current standard;**
 - Council has no current plans to upgrade Basalt Street;**
 - Any new development of the land parcels may be subject to Council's development approval.**

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Administration Officer - Land Administration

Cr. Birkett, having previously foreshadowed a 'Material Personal Interest' for the following item, for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 6.34pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number: C.8 File Number: D20/80991

SUBJECT HEADING: SCOUT HUT - MITCHELL

Officer's Title: Administration Officer - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

Correspondence was received from the Mitchell Scout Group requesting to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Council in regard to recommencing use of the Scout Den in Mitchell for Scouting activities.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/29

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Taylor

That Council:

- 1. Amend the current Facility User Agreement held with the Mitchell Rotary Club to reflect that the Rotary Club will have non-exclusive use of the Scout Hall and associated building located on Lot 1 on M15136.**

2. Enter into a non-exclusive Facility User Agreement with the Mitchell Scout Group in respect to the Scout Hall located on Lot 1 on M15136 to reflect the new shared arrangement with the Mitchell Rotary Club.
3. Pay the electricity charges for the Mitchell Scout Hall in recognition of the group's shared use of the facility and in support for the newly reformed Mitchell Scout Group.
4. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to sign the agreement.

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Administration Officer - Land Administration

At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr Birkett returned to the meeting at 6.35pm.

Item Number:

C.9

File Number: D20/79582

SUBJECT HEADING:

AGREEMENT BETWEEN MEDIA MORTAR PTY LTD AND MARANOA REGIONAL COUNCIL

Officer's Title:

Regional Tourism Development Coordinator

Executive Summary:

Council and the COVID-19 Recovery Taskforce responded to the data obtained via the business survey by including in the action plan the engagement of a tourism marketing firm to design and implement a tourism strategy that inspires visitors to the region. Media Mortar has been engaged by Maranoa Regional Council to design and deliver the 12-month tourism campaign that will increase visitation and increase length of stay. The campaign commenced at the beginning of July 2020.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/30

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) (or delegate), to execute the agreement between Media Mortar Pty Ltd and Maranoa Regional Council.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Regional Tourism Development Coordinator

Item Number:

C.10

File Number: D20/81750

SUBJECT HEADING:

AGREEMENT BETWEEN MARANOA REGIONAL COUNCIL AND ROBERT GOOD TO PUBLISH THE KETCHING THE KENNIFFS BOOK

Officer's Title:

Regional Tourism Development Coordinator

Executive Summary:

Since 1996 Maranoa Regional Council (prior to amalgamation - Booringa Shire Council), has been the publisher of the Ketching the Kenniffs book. The current agreement was due to expire in June 2020. The author requested Council consider entering into a new 10-year contract to publish the book and ensure it remains available for purchase.

Moved Cr Birkett

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That Council reply to Mr Good's request and propose a three-year extension to the existing Ketching the Kenniffs book publishing arrangement.

NO VOTE TAKEN

No vote was taken on the draft motion at that time, and Cr Birkett then put forward the following amended motion:

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/31

Moved Cr Birkett

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That Council:

- 1. Consult with the community regarding the publication and distribution of Ketching the Kenniffs book.**
- 2. Further consider received feedback at an upcoming Council meeting.**

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Regional Tourism Development Coordinator

Item Number:

C.11

File Number: D20/79944

SUBJECT HEADING:

SURAT DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY PROJECT

Officer's Title:

Manager - Economic & Community Development

Executive Summary:

The National Broadband Network (NBN Co) has approached Council requesting its consent to being a consortium partner in an application for funds through the Commonwealth Government "Regional Connectivity Program".

The purpose of the application is to apply for funds that will future proof the data transfer technology in Surat, by providing either a microwave technology or terrestrial fibre based technologies. This will link Surat to Roma for high-speed data transfer equal to larger regional centres. The original technology solution is not available as planned within the budget allocated.

This report sought the agreement of Council to collaborate with NBN Co for this funding application, and allocate the existing \$250,000 commitment as a co-contribution to the proposed funding application.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/32

Moved Cr Hancock

Seconded Cr Taylor

That Council:

- 1. Provide in-principle support to the National Broadband Network (NBN Co), submitting an application under the Regional Connectivity Program for the town of Surat.**
- 2. Subject to the ongoing negotiations with the Queensland Government under the Building our Regions Program, approve a maximum allocation of \$250,000 from the Surat Digital Connectivity Project as a co-contribution to a funding application for the Regional Connectivity Program.**

3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to sign any agreements that are consistent with the contents of this report.

[Wording amended by Cr Hancock from her original motion following suggested refinements from the Chief Executive Officer]

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Manager – Economic & Community Development / Program Funding & Budget Coordinator / Deputy Director Infrastructure Services
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Item Number: C.12 File Number: D20/79613

SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST FOR FEE WAIVER-DUNKELD PONY CLUB

Officer's Title: Local Development Officer - Mitchell

Executive Summary:

Council received a request from the Dunkeld Pony Club to consider a fee waiver of the Mitchell Showgrounds for a two-day period.

On the 26 and 27 September 2020, Dunkeld Pony Club is hosting the annual shield event, which is a zoned event with other Pony Clubs in the Maranoa participating.

Due to COVID-19, the Dunkeld Pony Club Grounds are not adequate to host the number of participants expected to attend this event.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/27

Moved Cr Birkett

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council waive the hire fees for the Dunkeld Pony Club to use the Mitchell Showgrounds on the 26 and 27 September 2020.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Local Development Officer - Mitchell
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Item Number: C.13 File Number: D20/79599

SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST TO VARY THE OPERATING HOURS FOR A PARTICULAR EVENT AT THE MOORELANDS BUSH NURSERY AND FUNCTION FACILITY

Location: 1344 Dargal Road, Roma

Applicant: Leesa Murray

Officer's Title: Lead Town Planner

Executive Summary:

The owner/operator of Moorelands Bush Nursery and Function Facility (Moorelands) has applied to Council to vary their approved operating hours in order to host the St Johns Catholic School graduation dinner on Thursday, 22nd October, 2020. Moorelands is currently approved to hold functions Friday through Sunday (subject to conditions), but there are provisions in their approval that allow them to apply to Council to vary their operating hours for a particular event.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/34

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council:

1. Approve the request to vary the approved hours [of] operation at the Mooreland's Bush Nursery and Function Facility for a particular event (St John's Catholic School graduation dinner) to be held at the premises on Thursday the 22nd of October, 2020 between the hours of 5:00 pm – 11:00 pm.
2. Approve Council planning officers to coordinate discussions between representatives of St John's Catholic School Roma and the adjacent land owners of the Mooreland's Bush Nursery and Function Facility ahead of this particular event.
3. Write to all stakeholders and adjacent land owners to advise that this is a one off approval due to the impact that COVID-19 has had on holding functions across the region.

[Wording amended by Cr O'Neil from his original motion following a suggestion from Cr McMullen for point 3, which Cr O'Neil confirmed he was happy to accept.]

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Town Planner

Item Number:

C.14

File Number: D20/79641

SUBJECT HEADING:

REQUEST FOR REDUCED TRADING TERMS – CREDITOR 13575

Officer's Title:

Lead Accounts Processing Officer / System Administrator

Executive Summary:

Council received correspondence from a supplier requesting a reduction in trading terms from 28 days to 14 days.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/35

Moved Cr Taylor

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council approve the request for the reduction in trading terms from twenty eight (28) days to fourteen (14) days for any invoices submitted by creditor 13575.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Accounts Processing Officer / System Administrator

Item Number: C.15 **File Number:** D20/82232
SUBJECT HEADING: WRITE OFF AMOUNTS IN ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
Officer's Title: Lead Accounts Processing Officer / System Administrator

Executive Summary:

This report recommended to Council the formal write off of Sundry Debtor Account debts.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/36

Moved Cr Edwards

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council approve the write off of Sundry Debtor Account debts as presented as it is not financially prudent to pursue further recovery action.

[Wording amended by Cr Edwards from his original motion to provide further clarity on the intent, with a suggestion provided by the Chief Executive Officer.]

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Lead Accounts Processing Officer / System Administrator
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Item Number: C.16 **File Number:** D20/81600
SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST TO GRANT DISCOUNT - ASSESSMENT 12011813
Officer's Title: Rates & Utilities Billing Officer

Executive Summary:

An application was received from the ratepayer requesting the discount be granted. Payment was received following the close of discount.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/37

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Taylor

That Council does not grant the discount on this occasion, as the circumstances do not meet the criteria in Council's adopted Revenue Statement for granting discount.

CARRIED

7/2

Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote. The outcomes were recorded as follows:

Those in Favour of the Motion	Those Against the Motion
Cr. Birkett	Cr. Edwards
Cr. Guthrie	Cr. Golder
Cr. Hancock	
Cr. Ladbrook	
Cr. McMullen	
Cr. O'Neil	
Cr. Taylor	

Responsible Officer	Rates & Utilities Billing Officer
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Item Number: C.17 File Number: D20/82067

SUBJECT HEADING: WARROO SPORTING COMPLEX RAW WATER REQUIREMENTS

Officer's Title: Manager - Water, Sewerage & Gas

Executive Summary:

At the meeting of 12 August 2020, Council requested a report on the works and budget required to address the raw water requirements at the Warroo Sporting Complex (OM/08.2020/34). This report provided that detail.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/38

Moved Cr Hancock

Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That Council:

1. Provide in principle support for the project, being the installation of two (2) tanks with a total capacity of 90,000 litres and associated pumping equipment, to be located near the cemetery.
2. Refer the project to the first quarterly review to provide funding to allow the project to commence.

CARRIED

8/1

Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote.

The outcomes were recorded as follows:

Those in Favour of the Motion	Those Against the Motion
Cr. Birkett	Cr. Golder
Cr. Edwards	
Cr. Guthrie	
Cr. Hancock	
Cr. Ladbrook	
Cr. McMullen	
Cr. O'Neil	
Cr. Taylor	

Responsible Officer

Manager - Water, Sewerage & Gas / Program Funding & Budget Coordinator

Item Number: C.18 File Number: D20/78447

SUBJECT HEADING: ROMA SALEYARDS - ENHANCEMENTS TO STUD STOCK SELLING ARENA

Officer's Title: Senior Engineer

Executive Summary:

Council requested that a report be tabled regarding the fitment of additional grab rails to the internal stairs in the newly completed Stud Stock Selling Arena at the Roma Saleyards. In addition, balustrade infills and inter-seating tier barriers were also raised for consideration as part of the review.

The matter has been researched and investigated, and whilst the completed facility is compliant with the National Construction Code, and a Certificate of Classification was received from the Building Certifier, it is understood that the requested additions are aimed to improve the access and safety of the facility.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/39

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Council:

1. Approve the supply and installation of a trial barrier and grab rail on the second tier from the top of the central section of the Stud Stock Selling Arena at the Roma Saleyards as an additional safety measure to enhance the access and safety of the facility.
2. Approve a budget allocation up to \$5,000 for the supply and installation of the abovementioned barrier and rail with funds to be sourced from the Roma Saleyards Reserves G/L 19550.9569.9550.
3. Seek feedback from Roma Saleyards users prior to and after installation of the trial barrier.
4. Continue to monitor the operation and function of the Stud Stock Selling Arena and whether any further actions are required.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Senior Engineer / Manager – Saleyards

Cr. Taylor, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' for the following item, for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - CONTINUED,' left the meeting at 6.52pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number:

C.19

File Number: D20/82869

SUBJECT HEADING:

TENDER 21003: INJUNE CARAVAN PARK MANAGEMENT OR LEASE AGREEMENT

Officer's Title:

Manager - Procurement & Plant

Executive Summary:

The management of the Injune Caravan Park was released for tender. The tender is now closed and submissions received. This report provided Council with the results of the tender for consideration.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/40

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That Council:

1. Not accept any tendered submissions.
2. Continue to manage the Injune Caravan Park and investigate management model options, with a further report brought back to Council for consideration.

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Procurement & Plant

LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Item Number: LC.1 File Number: D20/76193

SUBJECT HEADING: ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

Officer's Title: Chief Executive Officer

Executive Summary:

This report provided an update to Councillors on the proposed reshaping of the organisational structure. This included key concepts outlined by the Mayor as well as incorporating feedback from all Councillors at the briefing on 15 June 2020, the Special Meeting on 17 June 2020 and the Ordinary Meeting on 24 June 2020. A merging of the two proposals has also been collated following on from the informal discussion with Councillors.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/41

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That the proposal presented by the Mayor proceed to consultation.

Reason for Decision – Provided by Mayor Golder

Efficient running of the local government, creating competitive local business and improvement of services delivered on the ground locally.

CARRIED

6/3

Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote. The outcomes were recorded as follows:

Those in Favour of the Motion	Those Against the Motion
Cr. Birkett	Cr. Hancock
Cr. Edwards	Cr. O'Neil
Cr. Golder	Cr. Taylor
Cr. Guthrie	
Cr. Ladbrook	
Cr. McMullen	

Responsible Officer

Chief Executive Officer / Manager –
Organisational Development & Human
Resources

Item Number: LC.2 File Number: D20/85517

SUBJECT HEADING: SOLE INVITEE CN-14740 MINOR INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRACT WITH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES FOR 2020/21

Officer's Title: Rural Land Services & Funding Officer / Team Coordinator

Executive Summary:

Through Council's existing sole invitee status with the Department of Transport & Main Roads, Council has received CN-14740 Invitation to Offer to submit a tender for a Minor Infrastructure Contract to perform management of invasive plant activities in conjunction with bushfire mitigation activities on State-controlled roads located within the Maranoa region for the 2020/21 financial year.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/42

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Edwards

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to sign both the Invitation to Offer and the resulting Minor Infrastructure Contract with the Department of Transport and Main Roads for 2020/21 environmental maintenance activities to the value of \$97,350 GST Exclusive for:

- (a) Herbicide Spot Spraying – Declared Plants (Element 5); and**
- (b) Maintenance of firebreaks (Element 6).**

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Rural Land Services & Funding Officer / Team Coordinator / Manager Maintenance Delivery & Works / Deputy Director Infrastructure Services
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Item Number:

LC.3

File Number: D20/85735

SUBJECT HEADING:

CHIPS MUSEUM - INJUNE

Councillor's Title:

Cr. Julie Guthrie

Executive Summary:

The agenda item tabled a proposal regarding the CHIPS Timber Museum project in Injune following Council's allocation of budget towards this project in the 2020/21 budget.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/43

Moved Cr Guthrie

Seconded Cr Birkett

That a report be prepared for an upcoming Council meeting.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Manager – Economic & Community Development
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Item Number:

LC.4

File Number: D20/85399

SUBJECT HEADING:

**AUDIT COMMITTEE - APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL
MEMBERS**

Officer's Title:

Director - Corporate & Community Services

Executive Summary:

Council is required to establish an Audit Committee.

The purpose of this report was to appoint two (2) External Audit Committee Members to form a new Audit Committee.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/44
Moved Cr Edwards
Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council authorise the final steps to be undertaken, and confirm availability of those shortlisted to participate in a meeting on Thursday 17 September 2020.

CARRIED
9/0
Responsible Officer
Director - Corporate & Community Services

Mayor Golder, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' for the following item, for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - CONTINUED,' left the meeting at 7.10pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

The Deputy Mayor took the role of 'Acting Chair' in the Mayor's absence.

Item Number:
LC.5
File Number: D20/86366
SUBJECT HEADING:
UPDATE ON FLOOD MITIGATION MATTER
Officer's Title:
Chief Executive Officer
Executive Summary:

The report sought additional clarification from Council following the distribution of information.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/45
Moved Cr Hancock
Seconded Cr Guthrie

That further to Council's resolution on 26 August 2020 a capped value for legal costs be added to the proposed settlement value in line with the report.

CARRIED
8/0
Responsible Officer
Chief Executive Officer

At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Mayor Golder returned to the meeting at 7.11pm, assuming the Chair.

LATE ITEMS
Item Number:
L.1
File Number: D20/86118
SUBJECT HEADING:
REGISTER OF GENERAL COST - RECOVERY FEES AND COMMERCIAL CHARGES
Officer's Title:
Director - Corporate & Community Services
Executive Summary:

This report presented an updated Register of General Cost - Recovery Fees and Commercial Charges for adoption. All fees and charges eligible for a waiver as part of its COVID-19 recovery package (in full or in part) are now individually identified in the Register.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/46

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Council:

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Adopt the updated Register of General Cost-Recovery Fees and Commercial Charges.
3. Resolve that, in relation to those cost-recovery fees to which Section 97 of the *Local Government Act 2009* applies:
 - (i) the applicant is the person liable to pay these fees; and
 - (ii) the fee must be paid at or before the time the application is lodged.
4. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to amend commercial charges to which section 262 (3) (c) of the *Local Government Act 2009* applies.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

**Director - Corporate & Community Services /
Program Funding & Budget Coordinator**

Item Number:

L.2

File Number: D20/84304

SUBJECT HEADING:

**SUCCESSFUL APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY
DROUGHT SUPPORT**

Officer's Title:

Manager - Economic & Community Development

Executive Summary:

Council submitted a funding application under the Community Drought Support offered by the Department of Communities, Disabilities and Seniors. This application was partly successful. Approval was sought for the Chief Executive Officer or delegate authority to sign the funding agreement.

This matter had been laid on the table at the Ordinary Meeting on 26 August 2020.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/47

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Hancock

That Council:

1. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or delegate, to sign funding agreements as required.
2. Offer the following community group events an equal share of the successful funding amount offered:
 - Roma Show
 - ~~Mitchell Show~~ **Christmas in the Park (Mitchell)**
 - ~~Wallumbilla Show~~ **Wallumbilla Christmas Community Party**
 - Injune Races
 - Surat Christmas Carnival

[Mayor Golder asked if Cr Hancock would include Surat Camp Draft in the resolution, however, later withdrew this request.]

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Manager – Economic & Community Development
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At the Ordinary Meeting on 24 November 2021, Council resolved to amend the abovementioned resolution as highlighted in red text. Refer Resolution Number OM/11.2021/62.

Item Number: L.3 **File Number:** D20/84398

SUBJECT HEADING: DROUGHT COMMUNITIES PROGRAMME - EXTENSION FOR MARANOA WATER SUPPLY SECURITY - SURAT AND YULEBA TOWNSHIPS REQUEST FOR VARIATION TO FUNDING AGREEMENT

Officer's Title: Program Funding & Budget Coordinator
Manager - Water, Sewerage & Gas

Executive Summary:

This report requested Council's approval to request a variation to the funding agreement for the Surat and Yuleba bore projects funded under the Drought Communities Programme – Extension.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/48

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or delegate, to sign a request for variation for the Surat and Yuleba bore projects funded under the Drought Communities Programme – Extension to:

- 1. Extend the project completion date to 31 March 2021.**
- 2. Increase the project budget for the change to Surat bore location.**

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Program Funding & Budget Coordinator / Manager – Water, Sewerage & Gas
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Item Number: L.4 **File Number:** D20/74185

SUBJECT HEADING: RED ROSE FOUNDATION - RED BENCH INITIATIVE - MARANOA REGION

Officer's Title: Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management
Project Officer - Program & Contract Management
Manager - Maintenance Delivery & Works
Support Officer - Program & Contract Management /
Maintenance & Construction

Assets Officer - Transport Network

Executive Summary:

The Red Rose Foundation actively works to end domestic violence and family violence related deaths in Australia. The Red Bench Project is an initiative of the Foundation, which aims to raise public awareness, and is a permanent reminder that domestic and family violence can occur within all of our communities.

Council previously supported the Red Rose Foundation through the installation of a Red Bench at the Big Rig Parklands in Roma.

This report provided information as to how Council could consider furthering its support of the Foundation, by installing a new, or painting an existing, red bench within each of the remaining major townships in the region.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/49

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Golder

That Council:

1. Provide in-principle support to install one red bench in each of the major towns within the Maranoa region - Jackson, Yuleba, Wallumbilla, Amby, Muckadilla, Mitchell, Mungallala, Injune and Surat.
2. Approve the installation of the red benches, as referred in dot point 1, should one of the following budget opportunities be available during the delivery of the 2020/21 capital works program:
 - a. Inclusion within the scope of an existing park upgrade project for the towns; or
 - b. Cost-savings identified as part of the delivery of the 20/21 capital works program on projects associated with parks and gardens, footpath upgrades or other concreting works.
3. Consult with the community groups in each location.
4. Develop in consultation with local organisations that provide support for domestic violence around the appropriate signage that would complement the installation of the red benches.

[Mayor Golder asked Cr O'Neil if he would include in the resolution points inviting community consultation in each community, and a statement around explaining the significance of the red bench project. Cr O'Neil included points 3 and 4 in this regard and Mayor Golder confirmed he was happy to second the motion.]

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Deputy Director / Strategic Road
Management

Item Number:

L.5

File Number: D20/84247

SUBJECT HEADING:

LGAQ ANNUAL CONFERENCE | NOTICE OF GENERAL
MEETING AND VOTING ENTITLEMENTS

Officer's Title:

Lead Officer - Elected Members & Community
Engagement

Executive Summary:

The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) Annual Conference will be held on 19 – 21 October 2020 at the Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre.

As part of the program, LGAQ has provided notice of its intention to hold the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday 21 October 2020.

Maranoa Regional Council is entitled to a total of 2 votes for business considered at the meeting.

Council was asked to consider attendance and appointment of voting delegate/s or proxy.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/50
Moved Cr O'Neil
Seconded Cr Birkett
That Council:

1. Receive and note the Notice of Annual General Meeting.
2. Appoint Cr O'Neil and Cr Hancock as delegates to attend the LGAQ Annual General Meeting on 21 October 2020 and annual conference on behalf of Council, and note the advice from LGAQ that delegates on the form (Notification of Delegate Voting Entitlement) should be the same person/s registered as delegates through the online conference registration system for the annual conference.
3. Authorise the Mayor or Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to sign the Notification of Delegate Voting Entitlement on behalf of Council.
4. Draw applicable registration, travel costs and accommodation costs from attending Councillors' Conference budget allocation.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer
Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement
Item Number:

L.6

File Number: D20/85718
SUBJECT HEADING:
**NEW CHRISTMAS TREE & DECORATIONS - SURAT
TINSEL TRAIL**
Councillor's Title:
Cr. Mark Edwards
Executive Summary:

The agenda item proposed to support the Surat community through the purchase of a new Christmas tree and decorations.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/51

Moved Cr Edwards

Seconded Cr Golder

That a report be prepared for an upcoming Council meeting, and that it include consideration of the existing customer request.

[Wording amended by Cr Edwards from his original motion, following further discussion about the content of the returning report.]

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Economic & Community Development

LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS CONTINUED

SUBJECT HEADING: ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTARY ACTIONS

The Chief Executive Officer requested Council consider including a further Late Confidential Item in the meeting – Organisational Structure Proposed Supplementary Actions.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/52

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr McMullen

I'll move that we add an additional item to the agenda - Organisational Structure Proposed Supplementary Actions.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement

LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS CONTINUED

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolved to close the meeting to discuss item LC.6, which it has deemed to be of a confidential nature and specifically pertaining to the following sections:

- (b) industrial matters affecting employees;
- (c) the local government budget.

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/53

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Hancock

I move that we go into closed for the reasons the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) has articulated [close the meeting to the public at 7.38pm].

[In accordance with *Local Government Regulation* Section 275(b) industrial matters affecting employees and (c) the local government budget.]

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/54

Moved Cr Birkett

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That Council open the meeting to the public [at 8.10pm].

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement

Item Number:

LC.6

File Number: N/a

SUBJECT HEADING:

**ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE PROPOSED
SUPPLEMENTARY ACTIONS**

Officer's Title:

Chief Executive Officer

Executive Summary:

*The Chief Executive Officer requested additional guidance from Council in relation to **Resolution No. GM/09.2020/28**. (Item LC.1 – Organisational Structure).*

Resolution No. OM/09.2020/55

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That:

- 1. The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to seek feedback from the Employee Consultative Committee about an appropriate period of time for the consultation process and the range of feedback options to be used for the consultation, and the results on the discussions be circulated to Councillors informally.**
- 2. Feedback from the consultation process be provided to Council for consideration prior to any additional steps being undertaken.**

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Chief Executive Officer / Manager – Organisational Development & Human Resources

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor thanked Council for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8.12pm.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 23 September 2020, at Roma Administration Centre.

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Mayor.

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Date.

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Deputy Mayor.

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Date.

