

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date 6:00pm Meeting held in person Maryborough Town Hall, Maryborough, and livestreamed on the internet.

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors:

Grace La Vella (Mayor)
Ben Green (Deputy Mayor)
Anna De Villers
Jake Meyer
Geoff Bartlett
Gerard Murphy

Liesbeth Long

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING AND WELCOME

The Mayor commenced the meeting at 6pm, welcoming all present, with an acknowledgement of country and the Council Prayer.

PRESENT:

Councillors

Grace La Vella (Mayor)
Ben Green (Deputy Mayor)
Anna De Villers
Jake Meyer

Geoff Bartlett

Gerard Murphy

Liesbeth Long

Officers

Interim Chief Executive Officer Sally Jones

General Manager Community Wellbeing Emma Little

General Manager Assets Infrastructure and Planning Amber Ricks

General Manager Corporate Performance Mick Smith

Manager Governance Property and Risk Cecilia Connellan

2. APOLOGIES

Nil.

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

MOTION

That Council confirm the following Minutes as true and accurate record of the meeting:

5.1 Minutes from Statutory Council Meeting dated 26 November 2024

Changed Required:

- Meeting was held in person, not hybrid
- CR Meyer's surname needs to be corrected from Myer to Meyer

Moved: Cr Murphy Seconded: Cr Green

Carried

Cr who spoke to item: Cr Murphy

6. Minutes of Delegated and Advisory Committees

MOTION

That Council receives and notes the confirmed minutes of the:

- 1. Adelaide Lead Hall Annual General Meeting Minutes 2024;
- 2. Daisy Hill Community Centre Annual General Meeting Minutes 2024;
- 3. Dunolly Historic Precinct Annual General Meeting Minutes 2024;
- 4. Talbot Community Homes Annual General Meeting Minutes 2024 and;
- 5. Talbot Town Hall Committee Annual General Meeting Minutes 2024

Moved: Cr Murphy Seconded: Cr Green

Carried

Cr who spoke to item: Nil

7. PETITIONS

7.1 PETITION TO DEVELOP A LGBTIQA+ ACTION PLAN

Motion

That Council;

- 1) Note the submitted petition and agree for it to be considered at the next Council Meeting;
- 2) Refer the petition to the CEO for consideration as prescribed by the Governance Rules and:
- 3) Note that the Council Officers are currently in the process of undertaking work under the Rainbow Readiness Roadmap

Moved; Cr Bartlett

Seconded; Cr de Villiers

Carried

Cr who spoke to item: Cr Bartlett

8. OFFICER REPORTS

8.1 COUNCIL PLAN ACTION PLAN QUARTER ONE

The report provides Council with an update on the status of the actions identified in the Council Plan Annual Action Plan 2024-2025, for the quarter ending 30 September 2024.

MOTION

That Council note the Council Plan Action Plan Quarterly Action Items quarter one.

Moved: Cr Long

Seconded: Cr Murphy

Carried

Cr who spoke to item: Cr Long

8.2 QUARTERLY FINANCE REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2024

The purpose of this report is to brief council on the financial performance for the year to date and how it is tracking against the adopted budget, noting any material differences.

MOTION

That Council receives and notes the attached Finance Report for the period to 30 September 2024.

Moved: Cr de Villiers Seconded: Cr Bartlett

Carried

Cr who spoke to item: Cr de Villiers

8.3 2025 CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS – NOMINATION SELECTION PROCESS

The purpose of this report is for the Councillors to adopt the results of their scoring for the Central Goldfields Australia Day Awards.

The report outlines the selection process for determining award winners thereby providing Councillors with detailed information about the nominations, criteria, and evaluation methods used to determine the award recipients.

MOTION

That Council:

- adopt the final results of the nominations for the Australia Day Awards (as per contained in the confidential attachment provided) and;
- 2. Note that the Award recipients will be announced as part of Council's Australia Day event on Sunday 26th January 2025.

Moved: Cr Murphy Seconded: Cr Meyer

Carried

Cr who spoke to item: Cr Murphy

8.4 COMMUNITY AND COMPLIANCE ENFORCEMENT POLICY

The purpose of this report is to brief Councillors on the updated Community and Compliance Enforcement Policy, following a technical review.

This policy provides a rationale and framework for an equitable, transparent and consistent approach to compliance and enforcement activities undertaken by the Central Goldfields Shire Council so our community can be assured that standards are met and natural justice followed.

MOTION

That council adopt the updated Community and Compliance Enforcement Policy

Moved: Cr de Villers

Seconded: Cr Bartlett

Carried

Cr who spoke to item: Cr De Villiers, Cr Bartlett

8.5 FOOD ACT COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT POLICY

The purpose of this report is to recommend Council adopt the updated Food Act Compliance Enforcement Policy, following a technical review by the Environmental Health Officer (EHO).

This policy provides the strategic framework for food safety compliance and enforcement processes to food businesses registered within the municipality.

MOTION

That Council adopt the updated Food Act Compliance and Enforcement Policy

Moved: Cr Bartlett

Seconded: Cr Long

Carried

Cr who spoke to item: Cr Bartlett, Cr Long

8.3 SETTING COUNCIL MEETING DATES FOR 2025

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the proposed dates and times for meetings of Council for the 2025 calendar year.

MOTION

That Council adopt the following proposed Council Meeting dates for 2025:

- Wednesday 26 February
- Wednesday 26 March
- Wednesday 23 April
- Wednesday 28 May
- Wednesday 25 June
- Wednesday 23 July
- Wednesday 27 August
- Wednesday 24 September
- Wednesday 22 October
- Wednesday 19 November Statutory Meeting Election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor

- Wednesday 26 November
- Wednesday 17 December

Moved: Cr Long

Seconded: Cr Green

Carried

Cr who spoke to item: Cr Long

9. COUNCILLOR REPORTS AND GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

11. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

12. MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 6:20pm.