



Confirmed Special Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 30 April 2025 at 6:00pm

Maryborough Town Hall, 71 Clarendon
Street, Maryborough.

The meeting commenced at 6:00pm.

PRESENT

Councillors:

Grace La Vella (Mayor)
Ben Green (Deputy Mayor)
Geoff Bartlett
Anna de Villiers
Liesbeth Long
Jake Meyer
Gerard Murphy

Officers:

General Manager Community Wellbeing, Emma Little
Acting General Manager Assets Infrastructure and Planning, Alan Jones
Acting General Manager Corporate Performance, Anthony Smith
Acting Manager Governance, Property and Risk, Libby Sheward
Governance Advisor, Ralph Anania

1 Welcome

The Mayor, Cr La Vella welcomed attendees to the meeting and then read an Acknowledgment of Country and the Council Prayer.

2 Apologies

An apology was received for the Interim Chief Executive Officer, Sally Jones.

3 Declarations Conflict of Interest

Nil.

4 Items of Business

4.1 Draft Rating and Revenue Plan 2025-2029

Presenting to Council, its Draft Rating and Revenue Plan for 2025 – 2029 and to commence community engagement and the public submission process in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Policy.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That Council:

1. Endorse the Draft Revenue and Rating Plan 2025 – 2029, provided as Attachment 1 to the report, for community consultation.
2. Give public notice of its Draft Revenue and Rating Plan 2025 - 2029 on Council's website and invites written submissions from Thursday, 1 May until Thursday, 22 May 2025.
3. In reliance of its Community Engagement Policy, resolves that any person who makes a written submission and requests in writing, to be heard in support of their submission, will be heard by a Hearing of Council to be held on Wednesday 4 June 2025 commencing at 6pm at the Maryborough Town Hall, if required.

Moved: Cr Murphy
Seconded: Cr Meyer

CARRIED

4.2 Draft 2025/26 Budget

To propose that Council endorse its Draft 2025/26 Budget (incorporating the four (4) year Budget) and to commence the community engagement and public submission process in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Policy.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That Council:

1. Endorse its draft 2025/26 Budget (incorporating the 4-year Budget), provided as Attachment 1 to this report for community consultation.
2. Give public notice of the draft 2025/26 Budget on Council's website and invites written submissions from Thursday, 1 May until Thursday, 22 May 2025.
3. In reliance of its Community Engagement Policy, resolves that any person who makes a written submission and requests in writing, to be heard in support of their submission, will be heard by a Hearing of Council to be held on Wednesday 4 June 2025 commencing at 6:00pm at the Maryborough Town Hall, if required.

Moved: Cr Murphy
Seconded: Cr Green

CARRIED

4.3 Places for Play - the Play Space Strategy Draft

To propose that Council endorse its Draft Places for Play – the Play Space Strategy and to commence community engagement and the public submission process in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Policy.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That Council:

1. Endorse its Draft Play Space Strategy, provided as Attachments 1 and 2 to the report, for community consultation or a 3-week period.
2. Receive a further report, following the completion of the consultation process.

Moved: Cr Long
Seconded: Cr Bartlett

CARRIED

4.4 Princes Park Grandstand

To propose that Council endorse its Draft Princes Park Grandstand Changeroom Concept Design and to commence community engagement and the public submission process in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Policy.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That Council:

1. Endorse its draft Princes Park Grandstand Changeroom Concept design, provided as Attachment 2 to the report, for community consultation for a 3-week period.
2. Receive a further report, following the completion of the consultation process.

Moved: Cr Murphy

Seconder: Cr Meyer

CARRIED

4.5 Council Approval to allow completion of works under Contract G1760-23 Flood Emergency Works (Civil) – Panel of Suppliers

To seek Council approval to complete a late tender process under a pre-existing Panel of Suppliers Tender Contract – G1760-23, for works that Council has received external funding (Federal Governments' Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements).

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That Council:

1. Notes the report.
2. Approves the late tender process, advertised on 3 March 2025 under the umbrella of Contract G1760-23, be allowed to be executed under the said Contract G1760-23.
3. Authorises the CEO under delegation to ensure that recommendation two above, is promptly actioned.

Moved: Cr de Villiers

Seconder: Cr Bartlett

CARRIED

5 Meeting Closure

The Mayor, Cr La Vella closed the meeting at 6:27pm.