



MINUTES

**Ordinary Council Meeting
Thursday, 15 May 2025**

**MINUTES OF WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL BOARD ROOM
ON THURSDAY, 15 MAY 2025 AT 8:00AM**

PRESENT: Cr Cathy White (Mayor), Cr Tina Elliott (Deputy Mayor), Cr Frank Standfast, Cr Jacob Mutton, Cr Adrian Lenton, Cr Julie Dorries.

IN ATTENDANCE: Louise Knol (CEO), Shannon Van Bael (Executive Manager Community Services), Brenton Hall (Acting Director of Works), Kirby Reents (Minutes Secretary).

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND SERVICES

The Mayor recited the Acknowledgement of Country and Services and paid respects to the family and friends of Collin Anderson, Max Jurd and Quenteen Williams.

2 APOLOGIES

Nil

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

invited Councillors to declare any relevant "Interest" to respective items.

NIL

4 CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

25.05.1

Moved: Cr F Standfast

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17 April 2025 be confirmed.

CARRIED 6-0

25.05.2

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

1. That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 2 May 2025 be confirmed.

CARRIED 6-0

5 BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Cr Frank Standfast inquired about the commencement of building works for the Showgrounds bar, noting that the Show had planned for construction to begin before the event. In response, A/DOW confirmed that materials for the project had been purchased within the current financial year. Works are to commence as soon as possible.

6 MAYOR'S REPORT TO COUNCIL

Mayors Report 18 April 2025 to 15 May 2025		
Date	Subject	Required Attendees / Purpose
23/04/2025	Tourism Disaster Network Meeting - Western Queensland Flooding	Mayor Patricia O'Callaghan; Rick Britton;
24/04/2025	QLD Music Trails - Outback 2026 Winton	Mayor - Lowana Moxham; Stu Watters; Tara-Lee Follett; Oriana Wyrozebska; Daryl Raven; Queensland
24/04/2025	District Recovery Meeting	District Recovery Group
24/04/2025	OQTA Board Update - Zoom	Outback Board Monthly Meeting / Mayor / CEO and Deputy Mayor
25/04/2025	ANZAC DAY	Community Event
28/04/2025	Mayor and CEO Weekly Meeting Catch up	Weekly Meeting
28/04/2025	CEO MAYOR and EA Weekly Meeting Catch up	Weekly Meeting
29/04/2025	Community Facilities Users Advisory Committee Meeting	Community Users Facilities Committee Group
29/04/2025	DOW Interviews	Corporate Manager; CEO and Mayor; McArthur Recruitment
30/04/2025	Rural Lands and Agriculture Advisory Committee Meeting	Rural Lands Advisory Committee Group
30/04/2025	Local Recovery Group Meeting	Executive Manage Community Services; Deputy Mayor; CEO and Mayor; Acting DOW, Erin Ley - QRA
30/04/2025	Wild Dog and Pest Management Meeting	Wild Dog Management Advisory Committee Group
1/05/2025	OHDC - Collabforge Progress Meeting	Outback Way Monthly Meeting – Mayor and Deputy Mayor
2/05/2025	RAPAD May Board Monthly Meeting	CEO and Mayor

2/05/2025	Special Meeting this Friday 2 May 2025 at 4pm	Councillors; Senior Leadership Team
4/05/2025	Opalton-General meeting-update on Vergemont	Mayor
6/05/2025	Mayor CEO and EA Weekly Catch up	Weekly Meeting
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6/05/2025	Tourism and Economic Development Advisory Meeting	Tourism and Economic Development Committee Group
7/05/2025	QRA Team - Stuart MacKenzie CEO/ Mayor / Acting DOW	General Meeting
7/05/2025	Event - Community Dinner Farewell Bronwen Healy!!	Community Event
8/05/2025	District Recovery Meeting	District Recovery Group Meeting
8/05/2025	Local Government Red Tape Reduction Taskforce - Play Back Webinar - 8 May 2025	Local Government Red Tape Reduction
8/05/2025	Country Universities Centre RAPAD CWQ Winton OPENING	Community Event
8/05/2025	RADF Meeting	RADF Assessment Panel Meeting
8/05/2025	OHDC General Meeting	CEO and Deputy Mayor Meeting
9/05/2025	Monthly Workshop	Councillors and Senior Leadership team
9/05/2025	Farewell Afternoon Tea Farewell Bronwen Healy	Community Event
12/05/2025	Winton 150 Volunteer BBQ	Event for 150 Volunteers to say thank you
13/05/2025	Mayor CEO and EA Weekly Catch up	Weekly Meeting

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13/05/2025	GYO-WAG Meeting 4	Grow Your Own Red Ridge
13/05/2025	Festival of Outback Opera Festival Opening Speech.	EVENT
13/05/2025	Opera Festival	EVENT
14/05/2025	Integrated Care and Commissioning Longreach and RAPAD region - Stakeholder Advisory Group	RAPAD Group
14/05/2025	Are You Lonesome Tonight - WINTON - Opera Queensland Booking Details - 57:1253	EVENT
15/05/2025	Council Meeting	Councillors and Senior Leadership Tea,
15/05/2025	Festival of Outback Opera - Dark Sky Serenade	EVENT
15/05/2025	Dark Sky Serenade - Opera Queensland Booking Details - 57:1239	EVENT

25.05.03

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

1. That the Mayors report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

7 MAYOR'S BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT NOTICE

NIL

8 QUESTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Cr Cathy White – April Meeting 2025

1. Could the Acting DOW please give council an update on the rural signage project?

DOW has taken on notice and will have a full report to Council by the Next Meeting.

Cr Tina Elliott

QUESTION ON: Winton's 150th Birthday Celebration Budget

1. Can Council please be delivered a report that will detail the community outcomes from the recent Winton 150th Birthday Celebrations that also includes a detailed budget breakdown of the expenses incurred?

CEO response

- The Winton 150 Event will provide an evaluation of the Winton 150 Celebrations primary celebrations held from 6 to 13 April 2025, marking the 150th anniversary of the founding of Winton. The evaluation will assess the event's objectives, participation, economic and social impact, stakeholder engagement, promotional effectiveness, governance, and areas for future improvements.

It is proposed that evaluation of the event will be progressed through various means including engagement with the Winton 150 Committee, Councillors, internal team members, businesses and community, industry bodies (OQTA) and Event Society who were engaged to deliver the event.

Theming of Winton 150 continues throughout 2025 with the culmination of celebrations and the Outback Festival.

9 QUESTIONS (WITHOUT DEBATE) FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN

Cr Julie Dorries

1. Can Council please advise as to why the Council designated road train route from the intersection at Colston road through to the dump is not road train routed?

Cr Tina Elliott

2. Can Council be advised of the current status of the Youth Centre Building?

10 PETITIONS

NIL

11 DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

- 10:00am Joe and Karen Perner - Cycads International

12 CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS

NIL

13 DECISIONAL REPORTS

13.1 THE VISION SPLENDID OUTBACK FILM FESTIVAL PROPOSAL

SUMMARY

The Vision Splendid Outback Film Festival's vision was developed following the premiere screening of Mystery Road in Winton in October 2013 and is entering its 12th year in 2025. The Festival aligns with Screen Australia's objectives, supporting creative industries and economic recovery. Core Pillars of the Festival are quality programming, driving the destination, career pathways, screen industry leadership and local and social impact.

Council is asked to consider a partnership proposal for The Vision Splendid Outback Film Festival Incorporated for the 2025 event, noting that the Moreton Bay Regional Council has withdrawn its financial support for 2025. As a result, the Festival Committee is requesting an increased financial contribution from Council.

Following the 2025 Festival, Council and the Festival Committee will enter into negotiations to assess the outcomes of the event and explore a potential three-year partnership agreement. This agreement would aim to identify new opportunities and maximise the social and economic benefits of this iconic and unique event.

25.05.04

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

1. THAT the Report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

25.05.05

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr C White

2. THAT Council accept the request from The Vision Splendid Outback Film Festival Incorporated (Festival) ABN 27 448 945 983 to enter into a partnership agreement for the 2025 Festival (27 June to 5 July 2025) with Council making a financial contribution of \$75,000 (seventy-five thousand dollars only) with no in-kind support requested from the Festival; and post the 2025 event, Council and the Festival will evaluate and assess the outcomes of the event and explore a potential three-year partnership agreement which will be brought to Council for consideration by December 2025.

Cr Frank Standfast, Cr Julie Dorries and Cr Jacob Mutton Voted against CARRIED 3-3

Mayor used casting vote to support the motion.

13.2 RATES INCENTIVE DRAW

SUMMARY

As an incentive for ratepayers to pay their rates by the due date, Council introduced a “rates payment incentive scheme” whereby people who paid their rates on time were automatically entered into a draw to win a cash prize of \$1,000.

25.05.06

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

1. THAT the report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

25.05.07

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr F Standfast

2. THAT Council draw the winner of the “rates payment incentive scheme” with a cash prize of \$1,000 being awarded to the winner Julie A Strandquist.

CARRIED 6-0

13.3 OUTBACK REGIONAL ART GALLERY ACQUISITION

SUMMARY

The Waltzing Matilda Centre Board Acquisition Committee and Exhibition Supervisor asks Council to consider a request that the 2025 John Villiers Outback Art Prize artwork ‘Bruno’ (2025) Charcoal on Paper by local artist Ms Christine Heller be acquired for the Outback Regional Gallery collection.

25.05.08

Moved: Cr J Mutton

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

1. THAT the report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

25.05.09

Moved: Cr J Mutton

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

2. THAT Council adopt the proposal to acquire ‘Bruno’ (2025) Charcoal on Paper, 20.5cm x 29cm (framed size 46cm x 37.5cm) by artist Ms Christine Heller (Winton, Qld) 2025 from the John Villiers Outback Art Prize at a cost of \$1,800 framed.

CARRIED 6-0**13.4 COMMUNITY GRANT REQUEST REPORT****SUMMARY**

Council is committed to supporting not-for-profit community organisations that support the needs and liveability of the Winton community. This report is a reflection of the expenses during the 2024-2025 financial year thus far.

25.05.10

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

1. THAT the Report be received.

CARRIED 6-0**25.05.11**

Moved: Cr J Mutton

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

2. THAT council does accept the request from Winton Pastoral and Agricultural Show Society for the monetary donation of \$5,500.00 and the in-kind assistance of plant/equipment up to the value of \$1,000.00.

CARRIED 6-0**25.05.12**

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr F Standfast

3. THAT council does accept the request from Izumi Remedial Yoga for the monetary donation of \$3,500.00 subject to a formal agreement containing outcome milestones being met which will govern payment arrangements.

CARRIED 6-0

13.5 PROPOSED NEW STRUCTURE AND ALIGNMENT OF FUNCTIONS

SUMMARY

Council is required under the *Local Government Act 2009* s196(1) to adopt an organisational structure by resolution that is appropriate to the performance of the local government's responsibilities.

The Organisational Structure of Council needs to be reflective of Council's priorities and goals providing improvements in efficiency and responsiveness to customers.

The Revised Organisational Structure and Functions of Council (attached) as at May 2025 is put to Council for consideration.

25.05.13

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

1. That the report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

25.05.14

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

2. That Council adopt the proposed Organisational Structure and Functions as at May 2025 presented in the Attachment to this report.

Cr Frank Standfast, Cr Tina Elliott and Cr Julie Dorries abstained CARRIED 3-3

Mayor used casting vote to support the motion.

13.6 VENUE HIRE - WINTON CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP 1

SUMMARY

The Winton Christian Fellowship have requested the rental of the new Youth and Recovery Centre on Sundays and on an ad hoc basis as required.

25.05.15

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

1. THAT the Report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

25.05.16

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

2. THAT Council permits the Winton Christian Fellowship to utilise the Youth & Recovery Centre on Sundays at no cost until the adoption of the 2025-2026 Budget, provided that no other community organisations reserve the facility.

CARRIED 6-0

13.7 LATE REPORT - WSCT-2425-14 SEALING WINTON JUNDAH, CHAINAGE 54.970 TO 59.466KM

SUMMARY

On 14 March 2025, tender documents for Winton Town Street and Winton Jundah Road Sealing Package – ‘All Services’ Supply and Install Bituminous Products were released to market via VendorPanel. The scope consisted of two separable portions:

1. Winton Town reseals (under Roads to Recovery [R2R] funding), and
2. Winton Jundah Road resealing works from CH 54.970 to 59.466km (under Roads of Strategic Importance [ROSI] funding).

Upon review, Council officers have resolved not to proceed with the Winton Town reseals at this point in time. This report relates solely to the Winton Jundah Road Sealing Package (Separable Portion 2).

25.05.17

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

1. That the report be received

CARRIED 6-0

25.05.18

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

2. THAT Council award Tender WSCT-2425-14 – ‘All Services’ Supply and Install Bituminous Products, Separable Portion 2 only, to Stabilised Pavements of Australia for sealing of Winton Jundah Road between Chainage 54.90km to 59.46km for the amount of \$402,830.95 (excluding GST).

CARRIED 6-0

14 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

14.1 MINUTES OF THE TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6 MAY 2025

25.05.19

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

1. That the Minutes of the Tourism and Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting held on 6 May 2025 be received.

CARRIED 6-0

14.2 MINUTES OF THE LOCAL DISASTER RECOVERY GROUP MEETING HELD ON 30 APRIL 2025

25.05.20

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

1. That the Minutes of the Local Disaster Recovery Group Meeting held on 30 April 2025 be received.

CARRIED 6-0

14.3 MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES USERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 29 APRIL 2025

25.05.21

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

1. That the Minutes of the Community Facilities Users Advisory Committee Meeting held on 29 April 2025 be received.

CARRIED 6-0

14.4 MINUTES OF THE RURAL LANDS AND AGRICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 30 APRIL 2025

25.05.22

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr F Standfast

1. That the Minutes of the Rural Lands and Agriculture Advisory Committee Meeting held on 30 April 2025 be received and the recommendation therein be adopted for consideration in Council's 2025-2026 Budget deliberations.

- That Council **consider** a cat bounty of \$5 per tail through the next budget consideration.

CARRIED 6-0

Departure: Cr A Lenton departed the chamber at 9:42am.

Attendance: Cr A Lenton returned to the chamber at 9:43am.

Departure: Cr J Dorries departed the chamber at 9:46am.

Attendance: Cr J Dorries returned to the chamber at 9:47am.

14.5 MINUTES OF THE RADF ASSESSMENT PANEL MEETING HELD ON 8 MAY 2025

25.05.23

Moved: Cr F Standfast

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

1. That the Minutes of the RADF Assessment Panel Meeting held on 8 May 2025 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted subject to clarification of the applicant's budget.

- *THAT the funding of \$3,007.50 for the Winton Creative Arts Group for a Pottery Workshop be approved.*

CARRIED 6-0

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10:00am and resumed at 10:13am.

15 CORRESPONDENCE

15.1 CORRESPONDENCE

25.05.24

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

1. That the Correspondence be received and noted.

CARRIED 6-0

16 LATE CORRESPONDENCE

16.1 LATE CORRESPONDENCE

25.05.25

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

1. That the late correspondence be received and noted.

CARRIED 6-0

17 OFFICERS REPORTS TO COUNCIL**17.1 WORKS REPORT****25.05.26**

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

1. THAT the Acting Director of Works report for the Works Portfolio be received.

CARRIED 6-0**25.05.27**

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

1. THAT Council agree to change the order of Agenda.

CARRIED 6-0**Attendance:** Joe and Karen Perner - Cycads International entered the chambers at 11:00am**Departed:** Joe and Karen Perner - Cycads International departed the chambers at 11:30am**17.2 EXECUTIVE MANAGER COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT****25.05.28**

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

1. THAT the Executive Manager of Community Services report be received.

CARRIED 6-0**17.3 MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES****25.05.29**

Moved: Cr F Standfast

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

1. THAT the Manager of Corporate Services report be received.

CARRIED 6-0**17.4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER****25.05.30**

Moved: Cr J Mutton

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

That the Chief Executive Officer report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

17.5 LATE REPORT FINANCE REPORT

25.05.32

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

1. That Finance report be received as presented by the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED 6-0

18 CONFIDENTIAL SECTION

Nil

19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Ordinary Meeting 19 June 2025

The Meeting closed at 11:40pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 19 June 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON