



MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting Thursday, 20 June 2024

**MINUTES OF WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL BOARD ROOM
ON THURSDAY, 20 JUNE 2024 AT 8:00AM**

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Dirk Dowling (Chief Executive Officer), Helen Fogarty (Acting Executive Manager Community Services), Roger Naidoo (Director of Works), Kirby Reents (Minutes Secretary).

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND SERVICE

The Mayor recited the Acknowledgement of Country and Service to Country; and respects to the family and friends of Brian Holm, Rob Fawckner, Arthur Elliott, Leslie McIntyre and Michael Mace.

2 APOLOGIES

Nil

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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

- Kirby Reents (Minutes Secretary) – Declared interest for the 15.1 Correspondence No. 42 Winton Golf Club and 13.3 Community Grants Winton Golf Club

4 CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

24.06.01

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 May 2024 be confirmed.

CARRIED 6-0

5 BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Tina Elliott – Report 18.1 *Request to reinstate rates discount on Assessment NO.406-5 & 188* – Did we send out correspondence to let the Customer know the result of the Motion.

CEO – *The letter has not been sent out to the customer as yet. We will arrange this.*

6 MAYOR'S REPORT TO COUNCIL

Mayor Meeting & Inspections 16 May - 20 June 2024
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DATE	TYPE	PARTIES	PURPOSE
17/05/2024	Meeting	Waltzing Matilda Board Meeting	Advisory Meeting
	Meeting	Hon Leanne Enoch MP / Mayor / Deputy Mayor / Acting CEO and Councillor	General discussion in relation to the Winton LG area
	Outback Opera	Long lunch - WMC	Community Event
21/05/2024	Meeting	CEO and Mayor	General Catch up
	Committee	Community Facilities Users Group Advisory Committee	Advisory Meeting
22/05/2024	Committee	Rural Lands & Agriculture Advisory Committee Meeting	Advisory Meeting
	Committee	Tourism & Beautification Advisory Committee meeting	Advisory Meeting
23/05/2024	Committee	Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting	Advisory Meeting
	AGM	AAOD-board	AGM
24/05/2024	Workshop	Councillors / CEO / Senior Leadership Team	Budget Workshop
27-29/5/2024	Meeting	RAPAD F2F Blackall	General Meeting
30/05/2024	Event	Prostate Cancer fundraiser - The Long Ride	Community Event
31/05/2024	Morning Tea	Winton Hospital	Community Event
3/06/2024	Meeting	Winton 150 Year Weekend Celebration	General Meeting
4/06/2024	Meeting	150 Years Community Consultation	Community Meeting
5/06/2024	Meeting	Central West Hospital and Health Services and Mayor	Meet and Greet Health Services CEO and Board Chair
6/06/2024	Meeting	Queensland Police	Awareness Campaign - PLB for Solo Farmers
	Meeting	Outback Futures / Mayor	General Catch up
	Committee	Work Camp Correctional Facility Advisory Committee meeting	Advisory Meeting
7/06/2024	Workshop	Councillors / CEO / Senior Leadership Team	Budget Workshop
	Meeting	Outback Highway Development Council Inc	General Meeting

	Meeting	RAPAD	Discussion on Vergemont Station
10/6/2024	Dinner	Former Master Chef Contestant-Robbie Cooper	Community dinner
11/06/2024	Meeting	Queensland Treasury Corporation / Councillors / CEO and Senior Leadership Team	Post Election Councillors Inductions Session
	Meeting	CEO and Mayor	General Meeting
	Meeting	Resources Environment, Science and Innovation Longreach Regional Council Winton Shire Council Qld Boulder Opal...	Discussion on Vergemont Station
14/06/2024	Meeting	Councillors / CEO / Senior Leadership Team	General Workshop and Budget Workshop
17/06/2024	Meeting	Maroochydore Electorate Office Fiona Simpson	General Catch up
	Meeting	Community Advisory Network Meeting	Committee Meeting
18/06/2024	Meeting	Regional Roads and Transport Group (RRTG) - Welcome Webinar	General Meeting
19/06/2024	Event	Writers Festival	Open the festival

24.06.02

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

That the Mayors Report be received.

CARRIED 6-0**24.06.03**

Moved: Cr C White

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

1. THAT Council agree to change the order of Agenda Items **7. Mayors business** to be after **13.1 Councillors Portfolios**.

CARRIED 6-0

7 QUESTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

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

Nil

9 PETITIONS

Nil

10 DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

11 CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS

Nil

12 DECISIONAL REPORTS**13.1 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIOS****SUMMARY**

Council has previously adopted the use of formal Advisory Committees pursuant to the *Local Government Act Qld (2009)*. There is some cross-over of items / matters / areas between the existing adopted Advisory Committees and the proposed Portfolio Areas of responsibility, with many of the areas identified clearly Operational in nature – as opposed to Strategic.

Following the recent election Councillors determined to workshop the existing Portfolio list to identify what responsibilities might be relevant moving forward.

Apart from some minor amendments Councillors identified a Portfolio list similar to that used by Winton Shire Council in previous years.

24.06.04

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

1. THAT the Report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.05

Moved: Cr F Standfast

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

2. That Council:

- a. **do not** adopt Portfolios, and instead recognise that all Councillors are spokespersons for all headings identified in the Corporate Plan; and as individual Councillors have already adopted leadership roles through the Advisory Committee structure, there is no need to adopt Portfolio responsibilities.

CARRIED 4-2

Cr Cathy White voted against

13 Mayor's Business to be Considered Without Notice**24.06.06**

Moved: Cr C White

Seconded: Cr F Standfast

1. That **Cr Tina Elliott** to be nominated as a Council representative on the Outback Highway Development Committee.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.07

Moved: Cr C White

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

2. THAT the Mayor writes a letter of support to AAOD Australian Natural History Museum Project on behalf of Winton Shire Council.

CARRIED 6-0

13.2 WSCT - 2324-20 CONCRETE WORKS FOR YOUTH CENTRE

SUMMARY

Council sought quotes through Vendor Panel for the construction of the Youth Centre concrete pad. Quotes were received from JT Cox Concrete & Precast Pty Ltd, Remote Building Solutions Pty Ltd and Stockham Building Supplies. All of the Tendered prices were substantially higher than the price submitted by the Contractor who originally tendered for general construction of the entire project, and was ultimately awarded the construction Contract, on the understanding that the concrete pillars and the pad itself would be coordinated / project managed by Council itself – given the time restraints involved with the Contractor doing other work in a different Shire up until August.

24.06.08

Moved: Cr J Mutton

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

1. That the report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.09

Moved: Cr F Standfast

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

2. That Council does not award Tender WSCT-2324-20 to any of the Tenderers.

CARRIED 6-0

13.3 COMMUNITY GRANT REQUESTS

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 2023-2024 financial year thus far, and to present further Community Grant Requests which have been received.

Delared Conflicts of Interest

I Ms Kirby Reents (Minutes Secretary), inform the meeting that I have a prescribed conflict of interest, 13.3 Communtiy Grants Winton Golf Club as I hold the role as Winton Golf Club Secretary.

As a result of this presribed conflict of interest, I will now leave the room.

Departure: Ms Kirby Reents (Minutes Secretary) departed the chamber at 9:00am

24.06.10

Moved: Cr T Elliott
Seconded: Cr J Dorries

1. THAT the Report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.11

Moved: Cr A Lenton
Seconded: Cr J Mutton

2. THAT Council do accept the request from Winton Community Garden for the monetary donation of \$500 toward National Plant a Tree Day.

There was some discussion regarding where the trees are to be planted, with confirmation given that the trees are to be planted on the existing Community Garden site.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.12

Moved: Cr F Stadnfast
Seconded: Cr J Dorries

3. THAT Council do accept the request from Corfield Race Club Inc. for the sponsorship of \$1650 inc GST as well as the in-kind assistance of \$4965.00.

There was some discussion regarding the usual supply of some free tickets to Councillors for the event – with Councillors not in favour of this practice. The general consensus was that Council should inform the Corfield Race Club Inc to cease this practice – Councillors attending to buy their own tickets.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.13

Moved: Cr T Elliott
Seconded: Cr J Dorries

4. THAT Council do accept the request from Winton Golf Club for the in-kind assistance of \$210 for an additional double portaloo for the Golf Masters.

CARRIED 6-0

Attendance: Ms Kirby Reents (Minutes Secretary) returned to the chamber at 9.20am.

13.4 RURAL LANDS & AGRICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**SUMMARY**

A new application has been received from Mr Geoff Cox for the Rural Lands & Agriculture Advisory Committee for consideration.

24.06.14

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

1. THAT the Report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.15

Moved: Cr J Mutton

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

2. That Mr Geoff Cox be accepted as a Rural Representative of the Rural Lands & Agriculture Advisory Committee.

CARRIED 6-0

13.5 LATE REPORT WSCT-2324-21 SUPPLY OF DRY HIRE ROLLERS**SUMMARY**

This report summarises the Tender process and assessment of Tenders received for the supply of Dry Hire Rollers. It is recommended that the contract be awarded to Tutt Bryant Hire Pty Ltd for their rate of \$18,400 (GST Exclusive) per month for four Multi-Tyre Rollers.

24.06.16

Moved: Cr F Stanfast

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

1. THAT the report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.17

Moved: Cr F Standfast

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

2. THAT Council award Tender WSCT-2324-21 Supply of four (4) Dry Hire Rollers for a total of 12 Months at the cost of \$18,400 (excl GST) per Month to Tutt Bryant Hire PTY LTD. Council may engage this Supplier on a as needs basis for the hire of a Pad Foot and Smooth Drum Roller for the cost of \$5633.33 (excl GST) per month.

CARRIED 6-0

14 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS**14.1 MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES USERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21 MAY 2024****24.06.18**

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

1. That the Minutes of the Community Facilities Users Advisory Committee Meeting held on 21 May 2024 be received with amendments.

There was some discussion about amendments needed to correct / include who was present via Zoom / Teams for all these Committee Meetings and that the material is actually a "Report", not "Minutes" under the new approach.

CARRIED 6-0

14.2 MINUTES OF THE RURAL LANDS AND AGRICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 22 MAY 2024**24.06.19**

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr F Standfast

1. That the Minutes of the Rural Lands and Agriculture Advisory Committee Meeting held on 22 May 2024 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted with amendments.

CARRIED 6-0

14.3 MINUTES OF THE WORK CAMP CORRECTIONAL FACILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 30 MAY 2024**24.06.20**

Moved: Cr F Standfast

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

1. That the Minutes of the Work Camp Correctional Facility Advisory Committee Meeting held on 30 May 2024 be received with amendments.

CARRIED 6-0

14.4 MINUTES OF THE TOURISM AND BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 22 MAY 2024**24.06.21**

Moved: Cr J Mutton

Seconded: Cr F Standfast

1. That the Minutes of the Tourism and Beautification Advisory Committee Meeting held on 22 May 2024 be received.

CARRIED 6-0

14.5 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23 MAY 2024

24.06.22

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

1. That the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 23 May 2024 be received with amendments.

CARRIED 6-0

Departure: Cr F Standfast departed the chamber at 11:06am.

Attendance: Cr F Standfast returned to the chamber at 11:08am.

15 CORRESPONDENCE

15.1 CORRESPONDENCE

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10:25am and resumed at 10:43am.

24.06.23

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

That the correspondence 1- 4, 6-14, 17-26, 28-30, 32, 34-37, 39-43 be received.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.24

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr F Standfast

There was some discussion regarding the need to get further information re the Show Society's opinion, before confirming the approach.

That the report **15.1 Attachment 5 – Department of State Development and Infrastructure 24.05.24** be laid on the table at 9.49am.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.25

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

That the **15.1 Attachment 5 – Department of state development and infrastructure 24.05.24** be retrieved from the table at 1137am.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.26

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr J Mutton

Attachment 5

That Council designate Melbourne Cup day 4/11/2025 as the official public holiday for Winton Shire in 2025.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.27

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

Attachment 15 (Local Government Association of Queensland – Motions)

That Council:

- research and develop wording for a submission regarding the recent loss of the Road Freight Subsidy, and the consequential impacts on local businesses, and
- research and develop wording for a submission regarding the State Government's recent purchase of Vergemont Station and the lack of engagement with local government in the lead up to that purchase, and the fact that the government's own policies were not followed.
- investigate the possibility of putting forward a motion lobbying for increased bed numbers at the Winton Multi-purpose Health Service (Winton Hospital).

With all recommendations to be sent through to LGAQ by the closing date 29 July 2024.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.28

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

Attachment 16

That Council Nominate **Cr Jacob Mutton** to attend the Australia's Top Tourism Town awards held in Canberra on 10 September 2024 on behalf of the Winton Shire Council.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.29

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

Attachment 27

That Mayor respond to QBOA explaining that no decisions can be made until after Councils Land Use Planning session (to recure in the next couple weeks).

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.30

Moved: Cr F Standfast

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

Attachment 31

That Council Authorise the CEO to sign off on the SES support grant – 2024-2025 special funding.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.31

Moved: Cr T Elliott

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

Attachment 33

That Council Authorise the CEO to sign off on the QLD Health Community Services Funding agreement.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06.32

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

Attachment 38

That the CEO organise regular social media posts on this topic.

CARRIED 6-0

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Departure: Ms Kirby Reents (Minutes Secretary) departed the chamber at 11:45

24.06.33

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

Attachment 42

That Council approve the road closure as requested by the Winton Golf Club

CARRIED 6-0

Attendance: Ms Kirby Reents (Minutes Secretary) returned to the chamber at 11:50am.

16 LATE CORRESPONDENCE**17 OFFICERS REPORTS TO COUNCIL****17.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER****24.06.34**

Moved: Cr A Lenton

Seconded: Cr J Dorries

THAT the

- a) Chief Executive Officer report be received.
- b) Finance Report be received.

There was some discussion regarding the success of the new Works Request System and the need to maintain the success by running a second marketing campaign.

CARRIED 6-0

17.2 EXECUTIVE MANAGER OF COMMUNITY SERVICES**24.06.35**

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

THAT the Acting Executive Manager of Community Services Report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

17.3 DIRECTOR OF WORKS**24.06.36**

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr A Lenton

That the Director of Works Report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned for lunch at 1:21pm and resumed at 1.35pm.

18 CONFIDENTIAL SECTION**24.06.37**

Moved: Cr J Dorries

Seconded: Cr T Elliott

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 275 of the Local Government Act 2012:

CARRIED 6-0**24.06.38**

Moved: Cr J Dorries
Seconded: Cr A Letnon

18.1 Geothermal

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J (3) - e of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.

CARRIED 6-0**24.06.38**

Moved: Cr T Elliott
Seconded: Cr J Dorries

18.1 Rates Assessment No. 368

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J (3) - d of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with rating concessions.

CARRIED 6-0**24.06.39**

Moved: Cr F Standfast
Seconded: Cr T Elliott

1. THAT Council moves into the closed session at 1:25pm.

CARRIED 6-0**24.06.40**

Moved: Cr T Elliott
Seconded: Cr J Dorries

1. THAT Council moves out of the closed session at 1.45pm

.CARRIED 6-0**18.1 GEOTHERMAL****24.06.41**

Moved: Cr T Elliott
Seconded: Cr J Dorries

1. That the report be received.

24.06.42

Moved: Cr T Elliott
Seconded: Cr J Dorries

2. That Council:

- a. authorise the CEO to continue to pursue the case and expend additional funds as required, to ensure that further attempts to negotiate a satisfactory Settlement can be concluded; and
- b. direct the CEO to Report back to Council once the Mediation and resulting negotiations have concluded, but no later than the scheduled August 2024 Council Meeting - or sooner if circumstances demand it.

CARRIED 5-1

Cr F Standfast voted against

18.1 RATES ASSESMENT NO. 368

24.06.43

Moved: Cr A Lenton
Seconded: Cr F Standfast

1. THAT the Report be received.

CARRIED 6-0

24.06 Unsupported

Moved: Cr
Seconded: Cr

2. THAT Council authorise the write-off of penalty interest charges totalling \$1,855.78 associated with Assessment 368, reflective of the period 4 June 2021 to 4 June 2024, and support a waiver on additional interest to the period ending 31 July 2024.

24.06

Amended motion

THAT Council **do not authorise** the write-off of penalty interest charges totalling \$1,855.78 associated with Assessment 368, reflective of the period 4 June 2021 to 4 June 2024, and support a waiver on additional interest to the period ending 31 July 2024.

24.06

Moved: Cr T Elliott
Seconded: Cr A Lenton

The amended motion becomes the original motion.

CARRIED 6-0

19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Ordinary Meeting 18 July 2024

The Meeting closed at 1:50pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 July 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON

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