
PRESENT

Members:

Mayor Adam Roberts
Councillor Lauren Edwards (remote attendance)
Councillor Mark Hornshaw
Councillor Chris Kirkman
Councillor Nik Lipovac
Councillor Danielle Maltman
Councillor Rachel Sheppard
Councillor Hamish Tubman

Other Attendees:

Legal Counsel (Anthea Gilmore)
Group Manager Governance (Michael Ferguson)

The meeting opened at 5.30pm.

01 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor opened the Meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed all in attendance in the Chamber.

02 REMOTE ATTENDANCE AT MEETING

RESOLVED: Roberts/Lipovac

That Council accede to the request of Councillor Lauren Edwards to attend the meeting by remote means.

CARRIED: 8/0
FOR: Edwards, Hornshaw, Kirkman, Lipovac, Maltman, Roberts, Sheppard and Tubman
AGAINST: Nil

03 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED: Roberts/Kirkman

That the apology received from Councillor Lisa Intemann be accepted.

CARRIED: 8/0
FOR: Edwards, Hornshaw, Kirkman, Lipovac, Maltman, Roberts, Sheppard and Tubman
AGAINST: Nil

04 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Sheppard declared a Pecuniary, Significant interest in Item 10.01 Personnel Matter. The reason being is that Cr Sheppard has been notified by internal Legal Counsel that matters under consideration may give rise to a potential legal proceeding involving her. Given the potential financial interest in the outcome, Cr Sheppard intends to leave the meeting, take no part in the consideration and voting and will be out of sight during consideration of this matter.

05 MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil.

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

RESOLVED: Tubman/Lipovac

- 1. That pursuant to section 10A subsections 2 & 3 and 10B of the Local Government Act 1993 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the proceedings of the Confidential Session of Council on the basis that items to be considered are of a confidential nature.**
- 2. That Council move into Confidential Session to receive and consider the following items:**

Item 10.01 Personnel Matter

This item is considered confidential under Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993, as it contains personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).

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- 3. That the resolutions made by the Council in Confidential Session be made public as soon as practicable after the conclusion of the Closed Session and such resolutions be recorded in the Minutes of the Council Meeting.**

CARRIED: 8/0

FOR: Edwards, Hornshaw, Kirkman, Lipovac, Maltman, Roberts, Sheppard and Tubman

AGAINST: Nil

Councillor Sheppard left the meeting, the time being 5.33pm.

RESOLVED: Hornshaw/Lipovac

That the Council meeting be closed to the public for the consideration of confidential items for the reason as listed in the reports.

CARRIED: 7/0

FOR: Edwards, Hornshaw, Kirkman, Lipovac, Maltman, Roberts and Tubman

AGAINST: Nil

10.01 PERSONNEL MATTER

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RESOLVED: Roberts

That Council:

- 1. Note that the Chief Executive Officer, Dr Clare Allen, will not be seeking re-appointment of her contract upon its expiration on 31 January 2026.**
- 2. Delegate to the Mayor the authority to finalise a mutual Deed of Settlement and Release under the conditions listed in the body of this report to facilitate a mutually agreed separation of the Chief Executive Officer from Council.**
- 3. Maintain the confidentiality of the consideration in respect of the contents of this report.**

CARRIED: 5/2

FOR: Hornshaw, Kirkman, Lipovac, Maltman and Roberts

AGAINST: Edwards and Tubman

RESOLVED: Tubman/Kirkman

That the Council Meeting be re-opened to the public.

CARRIED: 7/0

FOR: Edwards, Hornshaw, Kirkman, Lipovac, Maltman, Roberts and Tubman

AGAINST: Nil

Councillor Sheppard returned to the meeting, the time being 6.52pm.

The outcomes of the Confidential Session of the Ordinary Council meeting were read to the meeting by the Group Manager Governance.

The meeting closed at 6.54pm.

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Adam Roberts
Mayor