



SUSTAINABLY DEVELOPING THE OUTBACK

AMENDED CONFIRMED MINUTES

**Special Council Meeting
Held at Diamantina Shire Council's
Administration Centre
17 Herbert Street, Bedourie, QLD 4829 on
4 June 2026 at 12:00pm**

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1 OPENING OF MEETING

Mayor Murray declared the Meeting open at 12.01pm.

2 ATTENDANCE

Present:

Mayor Francis Murray	Mayor/Chairperson (Teams)
Deputy Mayor Damien Watson	Deputy Mayor/Deputy Chairperson (Teams)
Cr Damian Clarke	Councillor (Teams)
Cr Robert Dare	Councillor
Cr Kerry Morton	Councillor (Teams)

Officers in attendance:

Ms Julianne Meier	Chief Executive Officer
Ms Practice Brandenburg	Director Communities (Teams)
Ms Dana Livne	Executive Assistant
Ms Jade Nacario	Director Corporate Services
Mr Brent Reeman	Director Corporate Services

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVES OF ABSENCE

3.1 Leave of Absence

Nil

3.2 Apologies

Nil

4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mayor Francis Murray acknowledged the Wangkamahdla People, Traditional Custodians of the land on which the meeting was held and paid respect to their Elders, past and present. He extended that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people present at the meeting.

5 CONDOLENCES

Nil

6 DISCLOSURES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

7 OFFICER REPORTS

7.1 Communities Services Directorate

7.1.1 Community Grant Request - Simpson Desert Ultra

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to Council on Community Grant requests received last month.

RESOLUTION SCM/26/002

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Cr Damian Clarke

1. That Council approves the Community Grant request for the 2026 Simpson Desert Ultra Marathon for the total amount of \$7443.00 inc. GST, which encompasses the following funding support:
 - (a) \$5,523.00 inc. GST - Queensland Ambulance Service Event Fee
 - (b) \$1,120.00 inc. GST - QAS Accommodation at the Birdsville Lodge
 - (c) \$800.00 inc. GST – Shuttle Bus Service

5/0 CARRIED

8 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

RESOLUTION SCM/26/003

Moved: Cr Damian Clarke

Seconded: Cr Kerry Morton

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:

8.1 Birdsville and Bedourie Tourist Park Leases

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(3) - g 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 negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

5/0 CARRIED

RESOLUTION SCM/26/004

Moved: Mayor Francis Murray

Seconded: Cr Kerry Morton

Resume into Open Session.

5/0 CARRIED

8.1 Birdsville and Bedourie Tourist Park Leases**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides Council with an update on the management of Birdsville and Bedourie Tourist Park Leases.

RESOLUTION SCM/26/005

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Cr Kerry Morton

1. That Council receives and notes the Birdsville and Bedourie Tourist Park Leases report.

5/0 CARRIED

9 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

90 NEXT MEETING

To be held at Diamantina Shire Council's Administration Centre, 17 Herbert Street, Bedourie, QLD 4829 at 9:00 AM on 15 June 2026.

11 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 12:44pm.