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# **CONFIRMED MINUTES**

**Ordinary Council Meeting**

**Held at the Bedourie Administration  
Office on Monday 13 October 2025**

**Commencing at 9:00am**

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## 1 OPENING OF MEETING

Mayor Francis Murray declared the Meeting open at 9:00 am.

## 2 ATTENDANCE

### Present:

Mayor Francis Murray	Mayor
Deputy Mayor Damien Watson	Deputy Mayor
Cr Damian Clarke	Councillor
Cr Robert Dare	Councillor

### Officers in attendance:

Ms Julianne Meier	Chief Executive Officer
Mr Garth Borgelt	Director Infrastructure
Ms Jade Nacario	Director Corporate Services
Ms Juanita Warner	Executive Assistant

### Consultants

Mr Stuart Bourne	Partner, GBA Consulting Engineers
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## 3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVES OF ABSENCE

### 3.1 Leave of Absence

#### RESOLUTION CNL/25/230

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

That the apology received from Cr Kerry Morton be accepted and leave of absence granted.

**CARRIED 3/0**

### 3.2 Apologies

MS PRACTICE BRANDENBURG

DIRECTOR COMMUNITIES

## 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 PRESENTATIONS AND DEPUTATIONS**

Nil

## **8 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/231**

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Mayor Francis Murray

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 15 September 2025 copies of which were previously circulated, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

**CARRIED 3/0**

## **9 MAYORAL UPDATE**

### **9.1 Mayoral Report**

#### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/232**

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

That Council receives the Mayor's Report.

**CARRIED 3/0**

## **10 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

Nil

## **11 NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

### **ATTENDANCE**

Cr Damian Clark entered the meeting at 9:10 am

## **12 OFFICER REPORTS**

### **12.1 Infrastructure Services Directorate**

Infrastructure Services Directorate Reports has been moved to another part of the document

### **12.2 Corporate Services Directorate**

#### **12.2.1 Corporate Services Update**

##### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/233**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council receives and notes the Corporate Services Update report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

#### **12.2.2 Finance Report - September 2025**

##### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/234**

Moved: Cr Damian Clarke

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

That Council receives and notes the Finance Report - September 2025.

**CARRIED 4/0**

#### **12.2.3 2024.2025 Draft Financial Statements**

##### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/235**

Moved: Mayor Francis Murray

Seconded: Cr Damian Clarke

That Council receives and notes the 2024.2025 Draft Financial Statements report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### 12.2.4 Governance Update

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/236**

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Cr Damian Clarke

That Council receives and notes the Governance Update report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### 12.2.5 Queensland Privacy Principles (QPP) Privacy Policy

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/237**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council adopt the Queensland Privacy Principles (QPP) Privacy Policy as presented.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### 12.2.6 Gifts and Benefits Policy

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/238**

Moved: Cr Damian Clarke

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

That Council resolves to adopt the Gifts and Benefits Policy as presented.

**CARRIED 4/0**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 11:02 am

The meeting resumed at 11:20 am

## 12.3 Communities Services Directorate

Communities Services Directorate Reports has been moved to another part of the document

## **12.4 Executive Office**

### **12.4.1 Human Resources Update**

#### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/239**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

Seconded: Cr Damian Clarke

That Council receives and notes the Human Resources Update Report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### **12.4.2 Work Health and Safety Report**

#### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/240**

Moved: Cr Damian Clarke

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

That Council receives and notes the Work Health and Safety Report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 1:00 pm

The meeting resumed at 1:40 pm

## **12.1 Infrastructure Services Directorate**

### **12.1.1 Infrastructure Services Report**

#### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/241**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council receives and notes the Infrastructure Services Report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### **12.1.2 Works Update**

#### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/242**

Moved: Cr Damian Clarke

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council receives and notes the Works Update report.

**CARRIED 4/0**



### 12.1.3 Fleet Maintenance and Workshop Report

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/243**

Moved: Mayor Francis Murray

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

That Council receives and notes the Fleet Maintenance and Workshop Report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### 12.1.4 Facilities and Town Services Report

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/244**

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Cr Damian Clarke

That Council receives and notes the Facilities and Town Services Report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### 12.1.5 Engineering Update

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/245**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council receives and notes the Engineering Update report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### 12.1.6 RFQ 2025-004 Purchase of Stabiliser

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/246**

Moved: Cr Damian Clarke

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council:

1. Award Wirtgen Australia Pty Ltd a contract for the procurement of a second hand (2022) Wirtgen WR240 machine with integrated spreader device S-Pack and 8kg Groeneveld grease system for \$1,047,810.
2. Delegates authority under s 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into contracts, negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this contract.

**CARRIED 4/0**

## **12.2 Corporate Services Directorate**

Corporate Services Directorate Reports has been moved to another part of the document

## **12.4 Communities Services Directorate**

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## **12.4 Executive Office**

Executive Office Reports has been moved to another part of the document

# **14 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS**

### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/247**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

Seconded: Cr Damian Clarke

That Council resolves to move into Closed Session at 3:25 pm to discuss the following items:

### **14.1 Cultural Heritage Assessment Framework**

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.

### **14.2 Legal Matter**

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.

### **14.3 Leasing and Conveyancing Matters (Status Report)**

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.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### **ATTENDANCE**

At 3:45 pm, Cr Damian Clarke left the meeting.

At 3:51 pm, Cr Damian Clarke returned to the meeting.

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/248**

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Cr Damian Clarke

That Council resolves to move out of Closed Session at 4:10 pm.

**CARRIED 4/0**

**14.1 Cultural Heritage Assessment Framework****RESOLUTION CNL/25/249**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council notes and receives the fit for purpose Cultural Heritage Assessment Framework report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

**14.2 Legal Matter****RESOLUTION CNL/25/250**

Moved: Cr Damian Clarke

Seconded: Mayor Francis Murray

That Council note the Legal Matter report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

**14.3 Leasing and Conveyancing Matters (Status Report)****RESOLUTION CNL/25/251**

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Cr Damian Clarke

That Council receives and notes the Leasing and Conveyancing Matters (Status Report) report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

**12.3 Communities Services Directorate****12.3.1 Communities Directorate Update****RESOLUTION CNL/25/252**

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

That Council receives and notes the Communities Directorate Update report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### **12.3.2 Community Grants Policy**

#### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/253**

Moved: Cr Damian Clarke

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council adopt the amended Community Grants Policy, as presented.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### **12.3.3 Community Grants and In Kind Requests**

#### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/254**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council:

1. Receives and approves the Community Grants and In Kind Requests Report; and
2. Approves the following fee waivers for:
  - (a) Red Ridge Ltd to hold a Language Workshop for \$1,250.00; and
  - (b) Birdsville Social Club to hold a Cricket Day for \$290.00.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### **12.4 Executive Office**

Item - 12.4.1 Human Resources Update - has been moved to another part of the document.

Item - 12.4.2 Work Health and Safety Report - has been moved to another part of the document.

### **12.4.3 CEO's Update**

#### **RESOLUTION CNL/25/255**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Damien Watson

Seconded: Cr Damian Clarke

That Council receives and notes the CEO's Update report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

#### 12.4.4 Revised Schedule of Fees and Charges

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/256**

Moved: Cr Damian Clarke

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council:

1. adopt the revised 2025-2026 Schedule of Fees and Charges as presented, effective 1<sup>st</sup> November 2025; and
2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer under s257 of the *Local Government Act 2009* to negotiate fees and charges where circumstances warrant and to make minor administrative amendments to the schedule.

**CARRIED 4/0**

#### 12.4.5 Actions Register Update

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/257**

Moved: Cr Robert Dare

Seconded: Cr Damian Clarke

That Council receives and notes the Actions Register Update report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

#### 12.4.6 Correspondence Received

**RESOLUTION CNL/25/258**

Moved: Mayor Francis Murray

Seconded: Cr Robert Dare

That Council receives and notes the Correspondence Received report.

**CARRIED 4/0**

### 13 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

### 14 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

### 15 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

## **16      NEXT MEETING**

To be held at Birdsville Wirrarri Visitor Information Centre at 9:00 am on 17 November 2025.

## **17      CLOSE OF MEETING**

The Meeting closed at 4:46 pm.