

SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES

LITCHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Special Meeting held in the Council Chambers, Litchfield on Wednesday 3 July 2019 at 5:30pm

Present

Maree Bredhauer

Mayor

Doug Barden Christine Simpson Councillor South Ward Councillor Central Ward

Mathew Salter

Councillor North Ward

Staff

Silke Maynard

Interim Chief Executive Officer

David Jan

Acting Director Community & Corporate

Services

Nadine Nilon

Director Infrastructure & Operations

Debbie Branson

Executive Assistant

Public

Maerwen Taylor

Bees Creek

Shane & Michelle Moodie

Herbert

Gavin Chambers

Livingston

3 other members of the public

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting and welcomed members of the public.

The Mayor advised that an audio recording of the meeting will be made for minute taking purposes as authorised by the Chief Executive Officer.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

On behalf of Council, the Mayor acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which the Council meet on. The Mayor also conveyed Council's respect to the Elders past, present and future for their continuing custodianship of the land and the children of the land across generations.

3. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Deputy Mayor Kirsty Sayers-Hunt – Leave of Absence

4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The Mayor advised that any member of Council who may have a conflict of interest, or a possible conflict of interest regarding any item of business to be discussed at a Council meeting or a Committee meeting should declare the conflict of interest to enable Council to manage the conflict in accordance with its obligations under the Local Government Act and its policies regarding the same.

No disclosures of interest were declared.

5. PUBLIC FORUM – SPECIAL MEETING ITEM ONLY

5.1 Gavin Chambers – Municipal Plan and Budget

Mr Chambers expressed his concern in relation to the transparency and consultation in regard to the expenditure for the Tree Maintenance Program on Council's reserves.

Mayor Bredhauer thanked Mr Chambers for his comments and advised that information is available to justify the expenditure and the information would be made available.

6. OFFICERS REPORTS

6.1 Draft Municipal Plan & Budget 2019-20 Submissions

Moved:

Cr Simpson

Seconded:

Mayor Bredhauer

THAT Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to update the Budget 2019-20 in line with Attachment B and make editorial changes, as necessary to the Draft Municipal Plan and Budget 2019-20.

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AMENDMENT

Moved:

Cr Barden

Seconded:

Cr Salter

THAT Council reduces the employment costs by \$500,000 in the 2019/20 Budget / Municipal Plan.

MOTION LOST

Cr Barden left the meeting at 5:53pm.

7. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair closed the meeting at 5:54pm.

8. **NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, 17 July 2019.

MINUTES TO BE CONFIRMED

Wednesday, 21 August 2019.

Mayor

Maree Bredhauer

Interim Chief Executive Officer

Silke Maynard