

SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES

LITCHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Special Meeting held in the Council Chambers, Litchfield on Thursday 8 June 2023 at 5:15pm

Present Doug Barden Mayor (Chair)

Andrew Mackay Deputy Mayor / Councillor Central Ward Emma Sharp Councillor South Ward (electronically)

Mathew Salter Councillor North Ward

Rachael Wright Councillor North Ward (late arrival - electronically)

Kevin Harlan Councillor Central Ward (electronically)
Mark Sidey Councillor South Ward (electronically)

Staff Stephen Hoyne Chief Executive Officer

Debbie Branson Executive Assistant

Public Nil

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

On behalf of Council, the Mayor acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet. 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.

2. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting at 5:24pm.

3. ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Electronic Attendance

Moved: Deputy Mayor Mackay

Seconded: Cr Salter

THAT Council approves Cr Sharp, Cr Wright, Cr Harlan and Cr Sidey to attend the meeting electronically.

CARRIED (6-0) SCM2023 11-038

3.2 **Apologies**

It was noted Cr Wright was a late arrival.

3.3 **Leave of Absence Previously Granted**

Nil.

Leave of Absence Request 3.4

Nil.

4. **DISCLOSURE 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.

4.1 **Elected Members**

Nil.

4.2 Staff

Chief Executive Officer Stephen Hoyne declared an interest in Item 6.01 Workplace Matter and left the meeting during the deliberations.

OFFICERS' REPORTS 5.

Nil.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS 6.

Moved:

Deputy Mayor Mackay

Seconded: Cr Salter

THAT pursuant to Section 93(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51 of the Local Government (General) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following Confidential Items:

6.01 Workplace Matter

This item is considered 'confidential' pursuant to Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Section 51(1) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021:

8(a) information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.

CARRIED (6-0) SCM2023 11-039

The meeting was closed to the public at 5:27pm.

Moved:

Cr Sidey

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Mackay

THAT pursuant to Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51 of the Local Government (General) Regulations the meeting be re-opened to the public.

CARRIED (7-0) SCM2023 11-041

The meeting moved to Open Session at 6:42pm.

7. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The Chair closed the meeting at 6:42pm.

MINUTES TO BE CONFIRMED

Tuesday 18 July 2023.

Mayor

Doug Barden

Stephen Hoyne

Chief Executive Officer