

# **SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES**

## LITCHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING

**Minutes of Special Meeting** held in the Council Chambers, Litchfield on Wednesday 23 August 2023 at 5:30pm

Doug Barden Present

Mayor (Chair)

Rachael Wright

Deputy Mayor / Councillor North Ward

Andrew Mackay Emma Sharp

Councillor Central Ward Councillor South Ward

Kevin Harlan Mark Sidey Mathew Salter

Councillor South Ward Councillor North Ward

Councillor Central Ward

Staff

Stephen Hoyne

Chief Executive Officer

Debbie Branson

**Executive Assistant** 

**Attendance** 

Alan McGill - Facilitator

### 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 5:30pm.

### **ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE** 3.

### 3.1 **Electronic Attendance**

Moved:

Deputy Mayor Wright

Seconded: Cr Harlan

THAT Council approve Cr Sidey and Cr Sharp to attend the meeting electronically.

CARRIED (7/0) SCM2023 11-042

- 3.2 Apologies: Nil
- 3.3 Leave of Absence Previously Granted

Nil.

3.4 Leave of Absence Request

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

The Chief Executive Officer declared an interest in item 6.01 – Workplace Matter.

5. OFFICERS' REPORTS

Nil.

#### 6. **CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Moved:

Mayor Barden

Seconded: Cr Mackay

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

(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 (7-0) SCM2023 11-043

The meeting was closed to the public at 5.35 pm.

Moved:

Cr Salter

Seconded: Cr Harlan

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 11-045

The meeting moved to Open Session at 7.10 pm.

#### 7. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The Chair closed the meeting at 7.11 pm.

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### MINUTES TO BE CONFIRMED

19 September 2023.

Doug Barden

Stephen Hoyne

Chief Executive Officer