



GLADSTONE
REGIONAL COUNCIL

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CIVIC CENTRE
101 GOONDOON STREET, GLADSTONE**

On Tuesday 20 December 2022

Commencing at 9.00am

**Leisa Dowling
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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GENERAL MEETING AGENDA 20 DECEMBER 2022

Elected Members

Councillor - Mayor M J Burnett
Councillor G G Churchill
Councillor K Goodluck
Councillor R A Hansen
Councillor D V O'Grady
Councillor C Cameron
Councillor D Branthwaite

Officers

Mrs L Dowling (Chief Executive Officer)
Mrs R Millett (Executive Secretary)
Mrs S Penrose (Manager Governance and Risk, Acting)
Mr M Holmes (General Manager Finance Governance and Risk)
Ms C Quinn (General Manager Strategy and Transformation)
Ms K Marxsen (General Manager Community Development and Events, Acting)
Mr M Francis (General Manager Strategic Asset Performance)
Mr M Bailey (General Manager Customer Experience, Acting)
Mr T Mienie (General Manager People Culture and Safety)
Mr M Harris (Media Advisor)

G/0.3.2. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

GM/22/4899 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Hansen
Seconded Cr Goodluck

That an apology for Cr Muszkat and Cr Trevor be received.

CARRIED

G/0.3.3. MESSAGES OF CONDOLENCE

Councillor Desley O'Grady passed on condolences to Gassan Sangari who passed away earlier in the month. Cr O'Grady mentioned that a lot of people know Gassan as 'kebab man', he had Kebab Heaven which he went to many different organisations around the region and not for profit groups selling his kebabs. Cr O'Grady mentioned that Gassan originally came to Agnes Water and Seventeen Seventy area and had Latino's and then moved to Gladstone. Cr O'Grady passed on condolences to the family and friends of Gassan.

Councillor Rick Hansen mentioned that Peter Turich very sadly passed away last week. Peter Turich was born in Gladstone on 10 February 1951. Peter was one of two children, with his sister Margeret, to Aileen and Godfrey Turich. The family lived on Auckland Hill during Peter's early years before moving to Glenlyon Street. On trips out to Heidelberg (the family property) with Godfrey, Peter developed an affinity and love of the land. Like his father, Peter had a passion for tennis and enjoyed success in the juniors and as a result it was decided that he would move to Brisbane to complete year 11 and 12 and play tennis on the Brisbane Circuit. He then attended Teachers College at Kelvin Grove.

Peter took his first teaching placement at Gladstone West in 1970. It was also at that time that Peter started playing cricket and he became a foundation member of the newly formed 'The Glen Cricket Club', a team that Peter captained to a record 7 consecutive A grade premierships. Peter would later return to become the Principal of West State School for 15 years after spending time teaching at Clinton, Central, Boyne Island, South and Kin Kora Schools.

Peter met his future wife Judy from Bowen in August 1975. In December 1976, Peter and Judy were married and made their home on the family property at Benaraby. Peter and Judy had six children, Joanna, Louise, Andrea, Matthew, Peter and David. Many years were spent with the children at swimming, dancing, speech and drama, singing, eisteddfod, music, basketball, football and cricket. As the last of their children left home to pursue their careers, Peter decided to combine his two passions of 'Property Development' and Heidelberg. In May 2012, earthworks commenced on Gladstone's largest residential development, known as Riverstone Rise. Peter retired as the Principal of Gladstone West State School in 2012 closing the chapter on a 42 year career with Education Queensland. He threw himself into the development, cattle work, running the property, travel and family commitments; including his 16 grandchildren.

Peter was incredibly generous with his time, especially for those seeking his advice. His calm and thoughtful nature, coupled with his excellent communication skills made him someone people gravitated to naturally. Peter always brought with him his positivity and happiness. He was a humble man who sought to live a simple life, based on his faith and a well calibrated moral compass. He was a statesman and a true gentleman. On behalf of Council, Cr Hansen passed on sincere condolences for Peter's passing to Judy and the family. May he rest in peace.

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Mayor Matthew Burnett passed on a message of condolence for Uncle Richie Johnson, Gooreng Gooreng Elder. Uncle Richie passed away on the weekend and Mayor Burnett advised that he has permission from the family ahead of the funeral to have this message of condolence. Mayor Burnett mentioned that Uncle Richie was born in Gladstone on 16 March 1951 and grew up in the family home, which is where Gladstone State High School is now, it was their family property and they were there for many years before they moved to Barney Point and moved into a commission house there which Aunty Jacqueline (Jackie), his sister still lives today, so it has been part of the family for a very long time. Mayor Burnett mentioned that Uncle Richie's brothers and sisters include Judith, Merle, Jackie, Valda, Lindsay (who passed away recently), Julie, Neola and Marilyn and noted that there may be others that are not known by the Mayor. Mayor Burnett noted that he knows the family very well and that their families are very close. Mayor Burnett mentioned that Uncle Richie has 3 daughters, Nonnie, Naomi and Annie and sent condolences to the daughters. Mayor Burnett noted that Uncle Richie has 11 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Mayor Burnett mentioned that Uncle Richie's family connections to the community go back generations. Mayor Burnett acknowledged that Uncle Richie was always participating in Council's welcome to country ceremonies and has participated in many events across the Region for many years, including the Seventeen Seventy Festival where the Gooreng Gooreng play an important part. Mayor Burnett noted that Uncle Richie was passionate about his culture and his community and made sure that the stories from his parents and grandparents lived on through the next generation. Mayor Burnett noted that Uncle Richie was now joining his wife Morag who passed away in 1990's and further mentioned that he raised his daughters pretty much by himself following her passing and sent deepest condolences to his family. Mayor Burnett encouraged everyone to watch the "My Priceless Past" video which Uncle Richie recorded just before he passed. May he rest in peace.

Councillor Glenn Churchill paid tribute, on behalf of Council and all the communities of the Region, for the sad deaths of two brave Queensland Police Officers, Constable Rachel McCrow and Constable Matthew Arnold and a community citizen, Alan Dare. Cr Churchill mentioned that last week was a dark day in the history of the Queensland Police Service. Cr Churchill noted that on behalf of Council and in his volunteer capacity as the President of the Gladstone Region Qld Retired Police Association and a State Vice President ex-officio, to hear of this sad tragedy to our brave Queensland Police officers and members of the public was very tragic. Cr Churchill noted that every officer and every worker deserves to go home safe, well and alive after their rostered duty.

Cr Churchill noted that every time we hear of these tragic incidents that occur, our emergency services personnel always reflect back on their own service and remember those close calls. Cr Churchill further noted that as every good law-abiding person would know, that if you hurt one, you touch or hurt most of us. Cr Churchill expressed prayers and deepest sympathies to their families, friends and work colleagues. Cr Churchill noted that the brave officer's funeral service will be with full state honours and will be held tomorrow (Wednesday 21 December 2022). Cr Churchill mentioned that this is never good news at any time, especially before the festive season. Cr Churchill mentioned that today is an opportunity for Council to honour their bravery and a responsibility for everyone to remember and celebrate their lives. May they rest in peace. Cr Churchill gave an impassioned reminder message: that as we go into the festive season, to all of the emergency services personnel we really really do thank them for what they do and can't emphasise it enough for them to "Take Care and Stay Safe".

G/0.3.4. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Nil

G/1. MAYORAL STATEMENT OF CURRENT ISSUES

Nil

G/2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

G/2.1. CONFIRMATION OF GENERAL MEETING MINUTES FOR 6 DECEMBER 2022

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Council Meeting Date: 20 December 2022

File Ref: CM7.2

Purpose:

Confirmation of the minutes of the General Meeting held on 6 December 2022.

Officer's Recommendation:

That the minutes of the General Meeting of Council held on 6 December 2022 be confirmed.

GM/22/4900 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Churchill

Seconded Cr Branthwaite

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3. OFFICERS' REPORTS

G/3.1. PUBLIC ART PROPOSAL - GLADSTONE AQUATIC CENTRE

Responsible Officer: General Manager Community Development and Events

Council Meeting Date: 20 December 2022

File Ref: CC2.1

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to present Council with a Public Art design by local First Nations artist, Jarrod Beezley for use at the Gladstone Aquatic Centre.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council approve the public artwork design received by local First Nations artist, Jarrod Beezley for use at the Gladstone Aquatic Centre.

GM/22/4901 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Hansen
Seconded Cr O'Grady

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3.2. FIRST NATIONS CULTURAL BURN SERVICES - SPECIALISED SUPPLIERS

Responsible Officer: General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

Council Meeting Date: 20 December 2022

File Ref: PE1.1

Purpose:

This report seeks resolution from Council to make use of the provisions in s235 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that allows for the exceptions to the requirement for written quotes or tenders. The use of this provision is sought in relation to First Nations Cultural Burning Services.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council resolves, in accordance with Section 235(b) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that it is satisfied due to the specialised nature of the services it would be impractical to invite quotes or tenders for the provision of First Nations Cultural Burning Services from:

- Gibee Goonyim Land Management Pty Ltd;
- Gidarjil Development Corporation;
- Bailai Corporation Pty Ltd; and
- PCCC Trust.

GM/22/4902 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Goodluck
Seconded Cr Cameron

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3.3. PORT CURTIS CORAL COAST LIMITED AS TRUSTEE FOR THE PORT CURTIS CORAL COAST ABORIGINAL PEOPLES CHARITABLE TRUST SOLE SUPPLIER

Responsible Officer: General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

Council Meeting Date: 20 December 2022

File Ref: PE1.1

GM/22/4903 Council Resolution:

Moved Mayor Burnett
Seconded Cr Churchill

That Item G/3.3. Port Curtis Coral Coast Limited as Trustee for the Port Curtis Coral Coast Aboriginal Peoples Charitable Trust Sole Supplier be deferred to the General Meeting scheduled for 17 January 2023.

CARRIED

Purpose:

This report seeks resolution from Council to make use of the provisions in s235 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that allows for the exceptions to the requirement for written quotes or tenders. The use of this provision is sought in relation to cultural heritage services necessary to meet Council's obligations under the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003.

Officer's Recommendation:

That:

1. Gidarjil Cultural Heritage Corporation Ltd is no longer the only supplier available to Council to provide cultural heritage services.
2. Council resolves, in accordance with Section 235(a) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that it is satisfied that Port Curtis Coral Coast Limited as Trustee for the Port Curtis Coral Coast Aboriginal Peoples Charitable Trust is the only supplier available to Council to provide cultural heritage services in accordance with the Cultural Heritage Clearance Procedure within the Port Curtis Coral Coast People and Local Government Indigenous Land Use Agreement ("the ILUA);
3. Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to undertake sole supplier purchases with Port Curtis Coral Coast Limited as Trustee for the provision of cultural heritage services in accordance with the ILUA.

G/3.4. REPEAL OF PLAYGROUND POLICY

Responsible Officer: General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

Council Meeting Date: 20 December 2022

File Ref: CM28.2

Purpose:

This report recommends the repeal of Council's Playground Policy.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council repeal P-2014/30 Playground Policy.

GM/22/4904 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Hansen
Seconded Cr Cameron

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3.5. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30 NOVEMBER 2022

Responsible Officer: General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

Council Meeting Date: 20 December 2022

File Ref: FM15.1

Purpose:

This report seeks Council adoption of the Monthly Financial Statements for the 2022-23 year to date, for the period ended 30 November 2022.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council adopt the Monthly Financial Statements attached to the officer's report for the 2022-23 year to date, for the period ended 30 November 2022 as required under Section 204 Local Government Regulation 2012.

GM/22/4905 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Churchill
Seconded Cr Branthwaite

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/4. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

G/5. COUNCILLORS REPORT

G/5.1. PARKS AND LEISURE AUSTRALIA NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Council Meeting Date: 20 December 2022

File Ref: CM6.1 or CM7.1

Purpose:

For Councillor Desley O'Grady to submit a report on attendance at the Parks and Leisure Australia National Conference, Melbourne on 16 – 19 October 2022.

Councillor's Recommendation:

That Council receive the report from Councillor Desley O'Grady.

GM/22/4906 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr O'Grady
Seconded Cr Goodluck

That Council receive the report from Councillor Desley O'Grady.

CARRIED

G/6. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

G/7. NOTICE OF MOTION

G/7.1. NOTICE OF MOTION - CR CHURCHILL - APPLICATION OR DISPOSAL OF LOTS 206 - 214 ON CP U7251

Notice of Motion - Council Meeting Date: 20 December 2022

Purpose:

To allow Council to consider a Notice of Motion in relation to nine parcels of land in the Boyne Valley.

Councillor's Recommendation:

That by the 30 June 2023, a report be compiled and provided back to Gladstone Regional Council considering how Lots 206-214 on CPU 7251, situated in the Boyne Valley, can be applied or disposed of for the benefit of the whole community.

Proposed Amendment to recommendation:

Moved Cr O'Grady
Seconded Mayor Burnett

That by the 30 June 2023, an options report be compiled and provided back to Gladstone Regional Council considering how Council's freehold land situated in the Boyne Valley, can be applied or disposed of for the benefit of the whole community.

WITHDRAWN

GM/22/4907 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Churchill
Seconded Cr Branthwaite

That the Councillor's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/8. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil

The Mayor wished everyone a Merry Christmas and is looking forward to seeing everyone in the New Year.

There being no further business the Mayor formally closed the meeting.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10:00am