

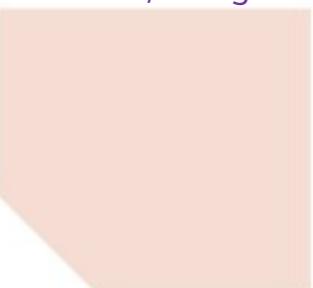


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Longreach Regional Council MINUTES

of the Special Council Meeting held on Friday 28 November 2025 at
96 Eagle Street, Longreach, Qld 4730



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**Longreach
Regional Council**
Ilfracombe Isisford Longreach Yaraka

**LONGREACH REGIONAL COUNCIL
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**LONGREACH REGIONAL COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

1 Opening of Meeting and Acknowledgment of Country

The Mayor declared the meeting open at **9:58 am**.

"We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, and we pay our respects to their elders past and present."

Present Councillors

Mayor	Cr AC Rayner
Deputy Mayor	Cr LJ Nunn (via teleconference)
	Cr DJ Bignell
	Cr AJ Emslie
	Cr NA Gay
	Cr TM Hatch
	Cr AR Watts

Officers

Chief Executive Officer	Brett Walsh (via teleconference)
Chief Financial Officer	David Wilson
Director of Communities	Tanya Johnson
Director of Works	André Pretorius
Director of Organisational Services	Grace Cronin-Jones
Manager of Economics, Planning, and Legal	Simon Kuttner
Executive Officer of Governance	Sharon Calligaro

Apologies

Nil

2 Declaration of any Prescribed / Declarable Conflicts of Interest by Councillors

No declarations were made during this point of the meeting.

**LONGREACH REGIONAL COUNCIL
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3 General Business

3.1 Murray McMillan Dam - Emergency Works

Consideration of undertaking urgent, unscheduled works at the Murray McMillan Dam, Ilfracombe.

Res-2025-11-338

Moved: Cr Tony Emslie / Seconded: Cr Tracy Hatch

That Council:

1. Approves the deepening and enlarging of the Murray McMillan Dam to increase its water storage capacity by an additional 152 ML;
2. Approves an amendment to the 2025/26 budget by increasing capital expenditure by \$650,000 to deepen and enlarge the Murray McMillan Dam;
3. Recognises that work associated with deepening and enlarging the Murray McMillan Dam prior to the commencement of the 2025-26 Wet Season is a genuine emergency, because the work is necessary for water security purposes ahead of the 2026 Dry Season, and must be commenced prior to the commencement of any significant wet weather event (**the Relevant Work**);
4. For the reasons set out in paragraph 3 of this resolution, to apply the exception under section 235(c) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 (**LG Reg**) to enter into a medium-sized or large-sized contractual arrangement for the Relevant Work without first inviting written quotes or tenders in accordance with the LG Reg;
5. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to develop a procurement process for the Relevant Work that has regard to the local government principles and the sound contracting principles.

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4 Closure of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at **10:32 am.**

Minutes Certificate

These minutes are unconfirmed

Cr AC Rayner
Mayor

Brett Walsh
Chief Executive Officer