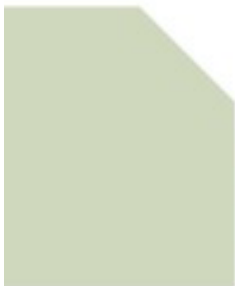


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Longreach Regional Council MINUTES

of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Thursday 21 May 2026 at
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1 Opening of Meeting and Acknowledgment of Country

The Mayor declared the meeting open at **8:54 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
	Cr DJ Bignell
	Cr AJ Emslie
	Cr NA Gay
	Cr TM Hatch
	Cr AR Watts

Officers

Chief Executive Officer	Brett Walsh
Chief Financial Officer	David Wilson
Director of Communities	Tanya Johnson
Director of Works	André Pretorius
Acting Director of Organisational Services	Simon Kuttner
Executive Officer of Governance	Sharon Calligaro

Apologies

Director of Organisational Services	Grace Cronin-Jones
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2 Prayer

Pastor Rob Flodine, Tia Moyo Outback, opened the meeting with a prayer.

3 Condolences

The meeting paid its respects and observed a minutes silence to mark the passing of community members Peter James Alexander Wedge and Graham Charles Webb.

4 Leave of Absence

Nil

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

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No declarations were made during this point of the meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Res-2026-05-106

Moved: Cr Tony Emslie | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council confirms the Minutes dated 16 April 2026 as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

CARRIED 7 / 0

7 Mayoral Report

7.1 Mayoral Report

Res-2026-05-107

Moved: Cr Tracy Hatch | Seconded: Cr Nikki Gay

That Council receives the Mayoral Report, as presented.

CARRIED 7 / 0

8 Notices of Motion

Nil

9 Petitions

Nil

10 Deputations

Nil

11 Chief Executive Officer's Report

11.1 Councillor Information Correspondence

From the Chief Executive Officer, tabling a list of significant and relevant correspondence for Councillors and public information.

Res-2026-05-108

Moved: Cr Leonie Nunn | Seconded: Cr Nikki Gay

That Council receives the Councillor Information Correspondence Report, as presented.

CARRIED 7 / 0

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11.2 Chief Executive Officer's Council Report

This report provides an update on the activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Chief Executive Officer.

Res-2026-05-109

Moved: Cr Tracy Hatch | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council receives the Chief Executive Officer's Council report, as presented.

CARRIED 7 / 0

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10:45am and resumed at 11:21am with all those present prior to the adjournment in attendance.

11.3 SES Controller - Honorarium Payment Consideration 2026 - 2027

Consideration to provide the Local SES Controller with an honorarium payment for their volunteer services for financial year 2026/2027.

Res-2026-05-110

Moved: Cr Tony Emslie | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts

That Council endorses an honorarium payment of \$6,000 for the 2026/27 financial year for the SES Local Controller.

CARRIED 7 / 0

11.4 Annual Operational Plan 2025-26 - Q3 Review for Period Ending 31 March 2026

Consideration of the 2025-26 Annual Operational Plan review for the period ending 31 March 2026.

Res-2026-05-111

Moved: Cr Tony Emslie | Seconded: Cr Leonie Nunn

That Council, pursuant to section 174(3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, receives the Chief Executive Officer's evaluation of the implementation of the 2025-26 Annual Operational Plan for the period ended 31 March 2026.

CARRIED 7 / 0

11.5 RDA Priorities

Consideration of Council's priorities to be shared with Regional Development Australia Central and Western Queensland.

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Res-2026-05-112

Moved: Cr Nikki Gay | Seconded: Cr Leonie Nunn

That Council endorses the priorities to be shared with Regional Development Australia Central and Western Queensland, as presented and amended.

CARRIED 7 / 0

11.6 Community Forum Dates - 2026

Consideration of updated proposed dates to hold remaining Community Forums for 2026.

Res-2026-05-147

Moved: Cr Tracy Hatch | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council endorses the new proposed dates for the November 2026 Community Forums as follows;

- Monday 09th – Ilfracombe (Recreation Centre) 5:30pm-7:00pm
- Tuesday 10th – Yaraka (Community Hall) 1:00pm-2:30pm (lunch 12:30pm-1:00pm)
- Tuesday 10th – Isisford (Community Hall) 5:30pm-7:00pm
- Wednesday 18th – Longreach (Disaster Coordination Centre) 5:30pm-7:00pm

CARRIED 7 / 0

12 Organisational Services Report

12.1 Director of Organisational Services Report

This report provides an update on the activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Director of Organisational Services.

Res-2026-05-113

Moved: Cr Leonie Nunn | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council receives the Director of Organisational Services report, as presented.

CARRIED 7 / 0

12.2 Monthly Workplace Health and Safety Report

The Workplace Health and Safety report is presented to the Council for consideration. Details include performance commentary, risk management activities, health and safety initiatives, training, injuries and Workers Compensation claims information, as of 7th of April 2026.

Res-2026-05-114

Moved: Cr Andrew Watts | Seconded: Cr Tracy Hatch

That Council notes the monthly Workplace Health and Safety report for March 2026, as presented.

CARRIED 7 / 0

12.3 Procurement of Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Services

Consideration of Application of Section 235(b) Exception – Procurement of Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Services

Attendance

Cr Tony Emslie left the meeting at 12:38 pm.

Res-2026-05-115

Moved: Cr Nikki Gay | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts

That Council:

- 1. Determines, pursuant to Section 235(b) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that it would be impractical and disadvantageous to invite written quotes or tenders for Employee Assistance Program (EAP) services due to the specialised and confidential nature of the services;*
- 2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to take all steps necessary to negotiate and execute a new agreement with the current Employee Assistance Program provider for an initial term of three (3) years with two (2) optional twelve (12) month extensions.*

CARRIED 6 / 0

12.4 Information Report - Organisational Services

This report provides an update on a range of activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Organisational Services Directorate.

Res-2026-05-116

Moved: Cr Dale Bignell | Seconded: Cr Tracy Hatch

That Council receives the Organisational Services Information Report, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

12.5 Information Report - Planning and Development Report

This report provides an update on Development Services that has occurred during the month of April.

Res-2026-05-117

Moved: Cr Andrew Watts | Seconded: Cr Leonie Nunn

That Council receives the Planning and Development information report, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

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The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:55pm and resumed at 1:53pm with all those present prior to the adjournment in attendance.

12.6 DA2526-062 – Siting Variation at 41 Sparrow St, Longreach

Consideration of a Referral Agency Assessment Application for an alternative siting assessment lodged with Council for the proposed residential use at 41 Sparrow St, Longreach described as Lot 1 on RP848584.

Res-2026-05-118

Moved: Cr Andrew Watts | Seconded: Cr Leonie Nunn

That Council approves the Referral Agency Assessment Application DA2526-062, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

12.7 DA2526-047 Development Application for Operational Works at 343 Old Winton Highway

Consideration of a Development Permit for Carrying Out Operational Work for Earthworks over land located on 343 Old Winton Highway, formally described as Lot 11 on SP332287

Res-2026-05-119

Moved: Cr Tracy Hatch | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council approves the development application for a Development Permit for Carrying Out Operational Work for Earthworks over land located on and adjacent to 343 Old Winton Highway, formally described as Lot 11 on SP332287, subject to the following conditions:

1.0 PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL

- 1.01 The Developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.*
- 1.02 Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.*
- 1.03 The cost of all works associated with the development and construction of the development including services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required are met at no cost to the Council or relevant utility provider, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.*

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- 1.04 *The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out associated with the development. To the extent the damage is deemed by Council to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.*
- 1.05 *All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to commencement of the works for each stage and to Council's satisfaction, and to be maintained at all times thereafter, unless otherwise stated.*

2.0 APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

- 2.01 *The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans and documents, except where amended by the conditions of this approval:*

Plan/Document Name	Drawing Number	Revision	Date
<i>Typical Section – Cut & Fill Placement</i>	<i>S.100</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>11/11/2025</i>
<i>Bored Pier Details</i>	<i>S.200</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>11/11/2025</i>
<i>Construction Notes</i>	<i>S.300</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>11/11/2025</i>

- 2.2 *Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans and documents, the conditions of approval prevail.*

3.0 EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

- 3.01 *Implement and maintain an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) on-site for the duration of the works, and until such time as all exposed soil areas are permanently stabilised (for example, turfed, hydro mulched, concreted and/or landscaped). The ESCP must be available on-site for inspection by Council Officers during the works.*
- 3.02 *The Erosion and Sediment Control Plan must be prepared in accordance with the Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control document from the International Erosion Control Association, as updated from time to time.*
- 3.03 *Where any component of the works is to be undertaken during the wet season (October to May), the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan must be submitted to Council for approval, prior to commencement of the works.*

Advisory note: Schedule 5.1.2.5 of the Longreach Regional Council Planning Scheme (v3) references the Director of Infrastructure Services to undertake the assessment of the ESCP.

4.0 CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

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4.01 *Construction activity and noise must be limited during earthworks and construction of the approved development to the hours of 06:30 to 18:30 Monday to Saturday, with no work to occur on Sundays or public holidays.*

4.02 *The construction of any works must be undertaken in accordance with good engineering practice and workmanship and generally in accordance with the relevant provisions of Planning Scheme Policy No. 1 – Works Planning Scheme Policy under Schedule 5 of the Longreach Regional Planning Scheme 2015 (v3).*

4.03 *All construction materials, waste, waste skips, machinery and contractors' vehicles must be located and stored or parked within the development site, unless otherwise approved in writing by Council.*

5.0 ENGINEERING CERTIFICATION

5.01 *An Engineer's Certificate of Construction must be signed and submitted to Council by a Registered Professional Engineer of Queensland verifying that all works have been carried out in accordance with the relevant standards, drawings, the development permit for Carrying Out Operational Work, and any specification that results from the submission of the engineering certification.*

ADVISORY NOTES

- 1. This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.*
- 2. General environmental duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.*
- 3. This development approval does not authorise any activity that may harm Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is advised that under section 23 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").*

CARRIED 6 / 0

12.8 DA2526-060 Developmental Application for Material Change of Use at 101 Cramsie-Muttaburra Rd

Consideration of a development application for a Material Change of Use for Low Impact Industry and Warehouse over land at Lot 101 Cramsie-Muttaburra Road, Longreach

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Res-2026-05-120

Moved: Cr Nikki Gay | Seconded: Cr Tracy Hatch

That Council approves the development application for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for Low Impact Industry and Warehouse over land at Lot 101 Cramsie-Muttaborra Road, Longreach, formally described as Lot 101 on C6181, subject to the following conditions:

1.0 PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL

- 1.01 The Developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.
- 1.02 Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.
- 1.03 The cost of all works associated with the development and construction of the development including services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required are met at no cost to the Council or relevant utility provider, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.
- 1.04 The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out associated with the development. To the extent the damage is deemed by Council to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.
- 1.05 All development conditions contained in this development approval about infrastructure under Chapter 4 of the Planning Act 2016 (the Act), should be read as being non-trunk infrastructure conditioned under section 145 of the Act, unless otherwise stated.
- 1.06 All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to commencement of the use and to Council's satisfaction, and to be maintained at all times thereafter, unless otherwise stated.

APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

2.1 The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans and documents, except where amended by the conditions of this approval:

Plan/Document Name	Plan/Document Number	Revision	Date
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<i>Sketch Proposed Development on: 101 Cramsie-Muttaburra Road</i>	-	-	10/03/2026 (Received date)
<i>Elevations</i>	<i>Page 3 of 62</i>	-	22/01/2026
<i>Plan – Summary (1/4)</i>	<i>Page 5 of 62</i>		22/01/2026

2.2 Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans and documents, the conditions of approval prevail.

3.0 LIMITATION OF USE

3.1 The site and associated buildings are permitted to be used for the following purposes as defined in the Longreach Region Planning Scheme 2015:

- Low impact industry
- Warehouse.

3.2 Any proposed Office is not to exceed 150m² in gross floor area and is to remain ancillary to any use listed in condition 3.1.

3.3 The Caretaker's accommodation is not to exceed 100m² in gross floor area and is to be provided for a caretaker of a non-residential use on the same premises only.

4.0 VEHICLE ACCESS AND PARKING

4.1 Provide and maintain a minimum of three (3) car parking spaces on-site. All car parking spaces must be clearly delineated by either line-marking or signage.

4.2 Construct and maintain a Rural Property Access in accordance with the Department of Transport and Main Roads Standard Drawing No. 1807 Revision C, dated 3/2024.

5.0 ROOF AND ALLOTMENT DRAINAGE WORKS

5.1 Discharge all roof and allotment drainage such that it does not restrict, impair or change the natural flow of runoff water or cause a nuisance to adjoining properties or infrastructure from the pre- to the post-development condition.

5.2 All stormwater must drain to the lawful point of discharge, and must not adversely affect adjoining land or infrastructure in comparison to the pre-development condition by way of blocking, altering or diverting existing stormwater runoff patterns or have the potential to cause damage to other infrastructure.

6.0 SERVICES

6.1 The premises must be connected to Council's reticulated water network in accordance with the standards prescribed in Table SC5.1.2.6 (Water and Sewer Standards) of Planning Scheme Policy 1 – Works.

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Advisory Note: *In accordance with section 5.7 and specifically Table 5.7.1 (Operational Work) of the Planning Scheme, Operational Work for water and sewerage connections are prescribed as 'Accepted subject to requirements.' The requirements are the Works Code of the Planning Scheme.*

6.2 *The premises must be connected to an on-site sewage treatment and disposal in accordance with the requirements of the Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018, including the Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code, at all times.*

6.3 *Electricity and telecommunication services must be provided to the premises in accordance with the standards and requirements of the relevant service provider.*

7.0 LANDSCAPING

7.1 *Establish landscaping to the frontage of the site (except for areas used for access, manoeuvring or services). The landscaping must predominantly contain species that are endemic to the region due to their low water dependency.*

7.2 *Ensure the landscaped areas are subject to water and maintenance during the establishment phase, and ongoing maintenance and replanting as required.*

8.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

8.1 *Undertake the approved development so there is no environmental nuisance or detrimental effect on any surrounding land uses and activities by reason of the emission of noise, odour, wastewater, waste products, dust or otherwise.*

8.2 *Maintain outdoor lighting to comply with AS4282 "Control of Obstructive Effects of Outdoor Lighting".*

8.3 *All waste storage areas must be kept in a clean, tidy condition, and must be screened from view. Sufficient waste containers and services are to be provided to cater for the containment and removal of all waste generated on the site.*

9.0 EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

9.1 *Implement and maintain an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) on-site for the duration of the works, and until such time as all exposed soil areas are permanently stabilised (for example, turfed, hydro mulched, concreted, and landscaped). The ESCP must be available on-site for inspection by Council Officers during the works.*

9.2 *The Erosion and Sediment Control Plan must be prepared in accordance with the Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control document from the International Erosion Control Association, as updated from time to time.*

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9.3 *Where any component of the works is to be undertaken during the wet season (October to May), the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan must be submitted to Council for approval, prior to commencement of the works.*

Advisory note: *Schedule 5.1.2.5 of the Longreach Regional Council Planning Scheme (v3) references the Director of Infrastructure Services to undertake the assessment of the ESCP.*

10.0 CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

10.1 *Construction activity and noise must be limited during earthworks and construction of the approved development to the hours of 06:30 to 18:30 Monday to Saturday, with no work to occur on Sundays or public holidays.*

10.2 *The construction of any works must be undertaken in accordance with good engineering practice and workmanship and generally in accordance with the relevant provisions of Planning Scheme Policy No. 1 – Works Planning Scheme Policy under Schedule 5 of the Longreach Regional Planning Scheme 2015 (v3).*

10.3 *All construction materials, waste, waste skips, machinery and contractors' vehicles must be located and stored or parked within the development site, unless otherwise approved in writing by Council.*

11.0 ASSET MANAGEMENT

11.1 *Any alteration necessary to electricity, telephone, water mains, sewerage mains and/or public utility installations resulting from the development or in connection with the development, must be undertaken and completed at no cost to Council.*

ADVISORY NOTES

1. *Prior to commencing any construction activities, the applicant/developer may be required to obtain further development permits for operational work (for example, for the relocation of the sewer line if this is required), building work, and plumbing and drainage work, as required under relevant legislation for this work.*
2. *This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.*
3. *Compliance must be achieved with any relevant Civil Aviation Safety Authority requirements. The development and operation of the use must not conflict with or adversely impact the operational requirements of the Longreach Airport.*
4. *General environmental duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.*

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5. *This development approval does not authorise any activity that may harm Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is advised that under section 23 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").*

CARRIED 6 / 0

Attendance

Simon Kuttner, Acting Director of Organisational Services left the meeting at 2:10pm

13 Finance Report

13.1 Chief Financial Officer's Report

Consideration of the financial statements for the period ending 30 April 2026.

Res-2026-05-121

Moved: Cr Dale Bignell | Seconded: Cr Leonie Nunn

That Council receives the Chief Financial Officer's Report for the period ending 30 April 2026, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

13.2 2025 Final Management Report QAO

Receipt of the 2025 Final Management Report

Res-2026-05-122

Moved: Cr Dale Bignell | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts

That Council receives the 2025 Final Management Report from QAO.

CARRIED 6 / 0

13.3 Information Report - Finance

This report provides an update on a range of activities that occurred during the month for the Financial Services Directorate.

Res-2026-05-123

Moved: Cr Leonie Nunn | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts

That Council receives the Finance Information Report, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

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13.4 Fuel Response Plan

Receive a briefing on the impacts of the fuel disruption issue on Council and endorsement of the Fuel Disruption Response Plan.

Res-2026-05-148

Moved: Cr Tracy Hatch | Seconded: Cr Nikki Gay

That Council receives the report on the impact of fuel disruptions and endorses the Fuel Disruption Response Plan presented by management.

CARRIED 6 / 0

Attendance

Simon Kuttner, Acting Director of Organisational Services joined the meeting at 2:34pm

13.5 Strategic Asset Management Plan

Consideration and adoption of the Strategic Asset Management Plan.

Res-2026-05-124

Moved: Cr Dale Bignell | Seconded: Cr Tracy Hatch

That Council adopts the Strategic Asset Management Plan as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

13.6 Fraud and Corruption Policy

Consideration of a new Fraud and Corruption Control Policy.

Res-2026-05-125

Moved: Cr Andrew Watts | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council adopts the Fraud and Corruption Control Policy as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

13.7 Audit and Risk Committee Meeting - 13 April 2026

Consideration of the report on matters reviewed at the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 13 April 2026.

Res-2026-05-126

Moved: Cr Leonie Nunn | Seconded: Cr Nikki Gay

That Council notes the report of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 13 April 2026.

CARRIED 6 / 0

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14 Communities Report

14.1 Community Grants - Individual

Considerations of applications received for the month of April in accordance with the Community Donation Policy 11.06.

Res-2026-05-127
 Moved: Cr Nikki Gay | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts
 That Council endorses the allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program, in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.6, as follows:

Organisation/ Individual	Event/Project Activity	Event Date	Grant Approved
<i>Kobe Jackson</i>	<i>16-19 years Netball State Championship Trials</i>	<i>6-10 May 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Greta Neuendorf</i>	<i>10-12 years Netball North West Trials</i>	<i>29-30 March 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Tayla Willersdorf</i>	<i>Massed Choir</i>	<i>12-19 July 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Denzel Rich</i>	<i>Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University State Honours Program 2026</i>	<i>27-29 March 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Declan Rich</i>	<i>Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University State Honours Program 2026</i>	<i>15-17 May 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Katelyn Ballin</i>	<i>Regional Massed A Dance cast for the 2026 Creative Generation Show – State Schools Spectacular</i>	<i>13-19 July 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Jaylie Miller</i>	<i>16-19 years Netball State Championships</i>	<i>7-10 May 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Cooper Mullen</i>	<i>15-16 years Rugby League State Championships</i>	<i>20-24 May 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Brax Taylor</i>	<i>15-16 years Rugby League State Championships</i>	<i>20-24 May 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>

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<i>Xander Flanagan</i>	<i>15-16 years Rugby League State Championships</i>	<i>20-24 May 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Savanna Balke</i>	<i>10-12 years Netball North West Trials</i>	<i>29-30 March 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Sarah Strong</i>	<i>Massed Choir 2026 CGEN show</i>	<i>13-19 July 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Riley Walton</i>	<i>15-16 years Rugby League State Championships</i>	<i>20-24 May 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Rebekah Strong</i>	<i>Future Dance cast CGEN State Schools</i>	<i>12-19 July 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Quincey Osborne</i>	<i>10-12 years Netball State Championships</i>	<i>28 May -1 June 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Prisca Ballin</i>	<i>Regional A Massed Dance cast CGEN show</i>	<i>13-19 July 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Lily Worland</i>	<i>Regional A Massed Dance cast CGEN show</i>	<i>13-19 July 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
<i>Kylan Weldon</i>	<i>10-11 years Rugby League North West trials</i>	<i>8-9 May 2026</i>	<i>\$350</i>
TOTAL			\$6300

CARRIED 6 / 0

14.2 Community Grant - Longreach Senior Rugby League

Consideration of application received in March in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06.

Res-2026-05-128

Moved: Cr Nikki Gay | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06;

Organisation / Name	Event / Activity	Grant Requested	Grant Approved
<i>Longreach Senior Rugby League</i>	<i>Ilfracombe Home Game/ Old Boys Round</i>	<i>Financial \$3,193.00 In-kind \$650.00</i>	<i>Financial \$3,193.00 In-kind \$650.00</i>
		TOTAL \$3,843.00	TOTAL \$3,843.00

CARRIED 6 / 0

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Attendance

Joel Perry, Project Manager joined the meeting at 2:47pm

14.3 Community Grant - Isisford Golf Club

Consideration of application received in April in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06.

<i>Res-2026-05-129</i> <i>Moved: Cr Leonie Nunn Seconded: Cr Nikki Gay</i> That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06;			
Organisation / Name	Event / Activity	Grant Requested	Grant Approved
<i>Isisford Golf Club</i>	<i>Isisford Golf Open 2026</i>	<i>Financial \$2,791.80 In-kind \$0.00</i>	<i>Financial \$2,791.80 In-kind \$0.00</i>
		TOTAL \$2,791.80	TOTAL \$2,791.80
<i>CARRIED 6 / 0</i>			

14.4 Information Report - Communities

This report provides an update on the range of activities that have occurred during the month for the Community Services Directorate.

<i>Res-2026-05-130</i> <i>Moved: Cr Dale Bignell Seconded: Cr Leonie Nunn</i> <i>That Council receives the Communities Information Report, as presented.</i>	
<i>CARRIED 6 / 0</i>	

14.5 Project Management Update

Receive the project management update for the month of April 2026.

<i>Res-2026-05-131</i> <i>Moved: Cr Nikki Gay Seconded: Cr Tracy Hatch</i> <i>That Council receives the Project Management Update Report, as presented.</i>	
<i>CARRIED 6 / 0</i>	

Attendance

Joel Perry, Project Manager left the meeting at 3:14pm

14.6 NQS-QA1 Educational Program and Practice Policy

Consideration of adoption of the new Child Care Policy:
NQS-QA1 Educational Program and Practice Policy.

Res-2026-05-132

Moved: Cr Nikki Gay | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council adopts the NQS-QA1 Educational Program and Practice Policy, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

14.7 NQS-QA2 Child Protection Policy

Consideration of adoption of the new Child Care Policy:
NQS-QA2 Child Protection Policy.

Res-2026-05-133

Moved: Cr Leonie Nunn | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts

That Council adopts the NQS-QA2 Child Protection Policy, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

14.8 NQS-QA2 Children's Health and Safety Policy

Consideration of adoption of the new Child Care Policy:
NQS-QA2 Children's Health and Safety Policy

Res-2026-05-134

Moved: Cr Nikki Gay | Seconded: Cr Tracy Hatch

That Council adopts the NQS-QA2 Children's Health and Safety Policy, as presented

CARRIED 6 / 0

14.9 NQS-QA3 Physical Environment Policy

Consideration of adoption of the new Child Care Policy:
NQS-QA3 Physical Environment Policy

Res-2026-05-135

Moved: Cr Leonie Nunn | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts

That Council adopts the NQS-QA3 Physical Environment Policy, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

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14.10 NQS-QA4 Staffing Arrangements Policy

Consideration of adoption of the new Child Care Policy:
NQS-QA4 Staffing Arrangements Policy

Res-2026-05-136

Moved: Cr Nikki Gay | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council adopts the NQS-QA4 Staffing Arrangements Policy, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

14.11 NQS-QA5 Relationships with Children Policy

Consideration of adoption of the new Child Care Policy:
NQS-QA5 Relationships with Children Policy

Res-2026-05-137

Moved: Cr Nikki Gay | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts

That Council adopts the NQS-QA5 Relationships with Children Policy, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

14.12 NQS-QA6 Collaborative Partnerships with Families and Communities Policy

Consideration of adoption of the new Child Care Policy:
NQS-QA6 Collaborative Partnerships with Families and Communities Policy

Res-2026-05-138

Moved: Cr Andrew Watts | Seconded: Cr Nikki Gay

That Council adopts the NQS-QA6 Collaborative Partnerships with Families and Communities Policy, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

14.13 NQS-QA7 Governance and Leadership Policy

Consideration of adoption of the new Child Care Policy:
NQS-QA7 Governance and Leadership Policy

Res-2026-05-139

Moved: Cr Leonie Nunn | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts

That Council adopts the NQS-QA7 Governance and Leadership Policy, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

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14.14 NQS-QA7 Preventing and Detecting Fraud Policy

Consideration of adoption of the new Child Care Policy:
NQS-QA7 Preventing and Detecting Fraud

Res-2026-05-140

Moved: Cr Nikki Gay | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council adopts the NQS-QA7 Preventing and Detecting Fraud Policy, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

14.15 Repeal Superseded Childcare Policies

Consideration of repealing 18 Childcare Policies in order to facilitate the adoption of new policies based on the National Quality Standards.

Res-2026-05-141

Moved: Cr Tracy Hatch | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts

That Council repeals the following policies, in order to facilitate the adoption of new policies based on the National Quality Standards:

12-01 Childcare Centre Policy

12-02-Medical Conditions Policy

12-03-Safe Transportation Policy

12-04 Delivery of Children to and from ECEC Service Policy

12-05 Child Protection Policy

12-06 Safe Arrival of Children Policy

12-07 Payment of Fees Policy

12-08 Sleep and Rest Policy

12-10 Child Safe Environment Policy

12-11 Supervision Policy

12-12 Nappy Change and Toileting Policy

12-13 Dealing with Infectious Diseases Policy

12-14 Administration of First Aid Policy

12-15 Administration of Medication Policy

12-21 Interactions with Children Families and Staff Policy

12-24 Sick Staff Policy

12-25 Physical Environment Policy

12-26 Safe Use of Digital Technologies and Online Environments Policy

CARRIED 6 / 0

14.16 Director of Communities Report

This report provides an update on the activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Director of Communities.

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Res-2026-05-142

Moved: Cr Tracy Hatch | Seconded: Cr Nikki Gay

That Council receives the Director of Communities Report, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

15 Works Report

15.1 Changes to FY26 Plant request and program

Consideration of variations to FY 26 Plant Replacement Plan.

Res-2026-05-143

Moved: Cr Andrew Watts | Seconded: Cr Dale Bignell

That Council endorses the revised FY 26 Plant Replacement Plan.

CARRIED 6 / 0

15.2 Information Report - Works

This report provides an update on the range of activities that have occurred during the month of April 2026 for the Works Directorate.

Res-2026-05-144

Moved: Cr Leonie Nunn | Seconded: Cr Andrew Watts

That Council receives the Works Information Report, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

15.3 Director of Works Report

This report provides an update on the activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Director of Works.

Res-2026-05-145

Moved: Cr Andrew Watts | Seconded: Cr Nikki Gay

That Council receives the Director of Works Report, as presented.

CARRIED 6 / 0

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15.4 Procurement Exception - Weir Construction

Consideration of the application of an exception under Section 235(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* in the procurement of services for the Thomson River Weir Raising project.

Res-2026-05-146

Moved: Cr Leonie Nunn | Seconded: Cr Tracy Hatch

That Council:

- 1. determines, pursuant to Section 235(b) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that it would be impractical and disadvantageous to invite written quotes or tenders for Sheet Pile, due to the specialised nature of the services in relation to this project; and*
- 2. authorises the Chief Executive Officer to take all steps necessary to negotiate and execute a contract with the nominated supplier.*

CARRIED 6 / 0

16 Late Items

Nil

17 Closed Matters

Nil

The meeting discussed land that is being offered to the public by Aurizon under an expression of interest process.

The Mayor declared a declarable interest in the matter and left the meeting at **4:00pm**. The nature of the interest is that the Mayor owns land adjoining the Aurizon land.

The Deputy Mayor assumed the chair at **4:00pm**.

18 Closure of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at **4:10 pm**.

Minutes Certificate

These minutes are unconfirmed

Cr AC Rayner
Mayor

Brett Walsh
Chief Executive Officer