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Longreach Regional Council

MINUTES

of the Governance Committee – Round Table Meeting held on Monday 26 October 2026.





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Ilfracombe Isisford Longreach Yaraka

1 Opening of Meeting and Acknowledgment of Country

The Mayor declared the meeting open at **10:10 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 TM Hatch
	Cr AR Watts

Officers

Chief Executive Officer	Brett Walsh
Director of Communities	Tanya Scott
Director of Organisational Services	Grace Cronin-Jones
Manager of Planning, Economics and Governance	Simon Kuttner
Executive Officer of Governance	Sharon Calligaro

Apologies

Councillors	Cr NA Gay

Officers

Chief Financial Officer	David Wilson
Director of Works	André Pretorius

2 Leave of Absence

Nil

3 Declaration of any Material Personal Interest / Conflicts of Interest by Councillors

No declarations were made during this point of the meeting.

4 General Business

4.1 Forum Strategy

Consideration of strategy to be implemented when presenting upcoming Community Forum information.

Recommendation:
That the Committee notes the information presented.

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The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:34pm and resumed at 1:03pm with all those present prior to the adjournment in attendance.

Attendance:

Joel Perry, Project Manager joined the meeting at 1:03pm

4.2 Showgrounds - Priority list

Consideration of Showgrounds facility plan to identify priority list of works.

Recommendation:
That the Committee notes the priorities, as discussed.

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Committee members expressed their preferences of high priority from the 23 options presented:

- New kitchen & bar building
- New unisex accessible amenities
- Refurbish existing Wool pavilion
- Grandstand inclusivity improvements
- Refurb existing Arts pavilion
- Hardstand to be installed between existing stables and adjacent buildings
- Hardstand to be installed east of grandstand building
- Footpaths throughout site
- Hardstand parking facility
- Oval lighting
- Rodeo lighting
- Portable covered rodeo grandstand
- Remove existing bird hut

Attendance:

Joel Perry, Project Manager left the meeting at 2:38pm

4.3 Outer Barcoo Interpretation Centre (OBIC)

Consideration of the information presented.

Recommendation:
That the Committee receives the report, as presented.

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Attendance:

Cr Andrew Watts left the meeting at 2:56pm

5 Late Items

Nil

6 Closure of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at **3:13 pm**.