



# Agenda

Special Council Meeting

Tuesday, 20 May 2025

Date:	Tuesday 20 May 2025
Time:	11:00 AM
Location:	Council Chambers, Onslow Shire Complex, Second Avenue, Onslow
Distribution Date:	Friday 16 May 2025



**Shire of Ashburton  
Special Council Meeting**

Please be informed a Special Council Meeting will be held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday 20 May 2025 at Council Chambers, Onslow Shire Complex, Second Avenue, Onslow.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Garry Hunt', is positioned above the name of the signatory.

Dr Garry Hunt PSM  
Chief Executive Officer (Temporary)

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# 1 Declaration Of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at [enter time](#).

## 1.1 Acknowledgement Of Country

As representatives of the Shire of Ashburton Council, we respectfully acknowledge the local Indigenous people, the traditional custodians of this land where we are meeting upon today and pay our respects to them and all their elders past, present and emerging.

# 2 Announcement Of Visitors

To be informed at the meeting.

# 3 Attendance

## 3.1 Present

Elected Members:	SP A Smith Cr K White Cr R de Pledge Cr M Gallanagh Cr L Rumble JP Cr A Sullivan Cr M Lynch Cr B Healy	Shire President  Deputy Shire President, Onslow Ward Ashburton-Tablelands Ward Pannawonica Ward Paraburdoo Ward Paraburdoo Ward Tom Price Ward Tom Price Ward
Employees:	Dr G Hunt PSM J Bray	Chief Executive Officer (Temporary) Manager Governance
Guests:	<a href="#">Enter names</a>	
Members of Public:	There were <a href="#">enter number</a> members of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.	
Members of media:	There were <a href="#">enter number</a> members of the media in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.	

## 3.2 Apologies

To be informed at the meeting.

### **3.3 Approved Leave Of Absence**

Nil

## **4 Question Time**

### **4.1 Public Question Time**

To be informed at the meeting.

## **5 Declaration By Members**

### **5.1 Due Consideration By Elected Members To The Agenda**

Elected Members will be requested to note they have given due consideration to all matters contained in this agenda.

### **5.2 Declaration Of Interest**

A member who has an Impartiality, Proximity or Financial interest in any matter to be discussed at this meeting must disclose the nature of the interest either in a written notice, given to the Chief Executive Officer, prior to the meeting, or at the meeting immediately before the matter is discussed.

A member who makes a disclosure in respect to an interest must not preside at the part of the meeting which deals with the matter, or participate in, or be present during any discussion or decision-making process relative to the matter, unless the disclosing member is permitted to do so under Section 5.68 or Section 5.69 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

The following declarations of interest are disclosed –

Nil

## **6 Announcements By The Presiding Member And Councillors Without Discussion**

To be informed at the meeting.

## **7 En Bloc Resolutions**

### **7.1 Agenda Items Adopted En Bloc**

To be advised at the meeting.

## 8 Confidential Matters

### Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee Meeting held on 20 May 2025

#### CEO.1 Chief Executive Officer Recruitment

<b>File Reference</b>	PE.CE001
<b>Applicant or Proponent(s)</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Author</b>	J Bray, Manager Governance
<b>Authorising Officer</b>	Dr G Hunt PSM, Chief Executive Officer (Temporary)
<b>Previous Meeting Reference</b>	Ordinary Council Meeting 20 August 2024 – Item 11/CP.1 – 155/2024 Ordinary Council Meeting 20 August 2024 – Item 11/CP.2 – 156/2024 Ordinary Council Meeting 17 September 2024 – Item 11/CEO.1 – 172/2024 Ordinary Council Meeting 19 November 2024 – Item 18/CEO.1 – 232/2024 Ordinary Council Meeting 10 December 2024 – Item 11/CEO.1 – 247/2024 Ordinary Council Meeting 10 December 2024 – Item 11/CEO.2 – 248/2024 Ordinary Council Meeting 18 March 2025 – Item 12.1 – 027/2025
<b>Disclosure(s) of interest</b>	Author – Nil
	Authorising Officer – Nil
<b>Attachments</b>	1. Selection Report - Shire of Ashburton CEO

#### Reason for Confidentiality

<b>Section under the Act</b>	<i>This matter is to be considered behind closed doors pursuant to s.5.23(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1995 as the subject matter relates to:</i>
<b>Sub-clause and Reason:</b>	<i>"s.5.23(2)(a) a matter affecting an employee or employees."</i>

#### Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present the outcome of the recruitment process for the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Shire of Ashburton (Shire).

The Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee (Committee) is requested to consider the CEO Selection Panel's recommendation as detailed in Attachment 1, recommend the appointment of the preferred candidate to Council and endorse the proposed terms of the contract of employment.

**CEO.2 Appointment of Acting/Temporary Chief Executive Officer**

<b>File Reference</b>	PE.CE001
<b>Applicant or Proponent(s)</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Author</b>	J Bray, Manager Governance
<b>Authorising Officer</b>	J Bray, Manager Governance
<b>Previous Meeting Reference</b>	Ordinary Council Meeting 10 December 2024 – Item 18/CEO1 – 268/2024
<b>Disclosure(s) of interest</b>	Author – Nil
	Authorising Officer – Nil
<b>Attachments</b>	Nil

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<b>Sub-clause and Reason:</b>	<i>“s.5.23(2)(a) a matter affecting an employee or employees.”</i>

**Report Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to consider the appointment of an Acting/Temporary Chief Executive Officer, commencing 12 June 2025 until such time as a contract of employment has been entered into for the vacant substantive role for a permanent Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Shire of Ashburton (Shire).

The Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee (Committee) is requested to recommend to Council the appointment of an Acting/Temporary CEO from 12 June 2025.

## **9 Next Meeting**

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at 1:00pm on Tuesday 20 May 2025 at Council Chambers, Onslow Shire Complex, Second Avenue, Onslow.

## **10 Closure Of Meeting**

There being no further business, the Presiding Member closed the meeting at [enter time](#).