



**Shire of Ashburton
Special Council Meeting
Confirmed Minutes
(Public)**

**Council Chambers, Onslow Shire Complex, Second Avenue
Onslow
(and via electronic means)**

30 August 2022

6:00pm



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Special Council Meeting**

The Chief Executive Officer recommends the endorsement of these minutes at the next Ordinary Council Meeting.

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K Donohoe
Chief Executive Officer
31 August 2022

These minutes were confirmed by Council as a true and accurate record of proceedings at the Special Council Meeting held on Tuesday 30 August 2022.

Presiding Member

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Date

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Disclaimer

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1 Declaration of opening

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 6:04pm and moved the following recommendation –

Shire President Recommendation

That with regards to the attendance requirements for the meeting to be conducted, in accordance with regulation 14A of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*, Council, by an absolute majority –

- a Approves the attendance by attendees via telephone or electronic means, noting each attendee is in instantaneous communication with each person present at the meeting, and
- b Approves the locations, as chosen by each of the attendees, as being suitable to conduct the business of the meeting.

Council Decision 111/2022

Moved Cr R De Pledge

Second Cr M Lynch

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Carried 6/0

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 their elders past, present and emerging.

2 Announcement of visitors

Nil

3 Attendance

3.1 Present

Elected members

Cr K White	Shire President (Presiding Member) Onslow Ward
Cr M Lynch	Deputy Shire President, Tom Price Ward
Cr R De Pledge	Ashburton Ward
Cr L Rumble	Paraburdoo Ward
Cr T Mladenovic	Tom Price Ward
Cr A Smith	Tom Price Ward

Employees

K Donohoe	Chief Executive Officer
T Dayman	A / Director Corporate Services
C McGurk	Director Projects and Procurement
J Bray	Manager Governance
T Sullivan	A / Manager Media and Communications
A Furfaro	Governance Officer

Guests

Nil

Members of the public

Nil

Members of the media

Nil

3.2 Apologies

Cr M Gallanagh	Pannawonica Ward
Cr A Sullivan	Paraburdoo Ward
Cr J Richardson	Tableland Ward

3.3 Approved leave of absence

Nil

4 Question time

4.1 Response to previous questions taken on notice

Nil

4.2 Public question time

Nil

5 Declaration by members

5.1 Due consideration by Councillors to the agenda

Councillors noted they have given due consideration to all matters contained in this agenda.

5.2 Declarations 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 –

No declarations of interest were submitted.

Procedural motion

Moved **Cr M Lynch**

Second **Cr R De Pledge**

That Council, at 6:08pm, pursuant to Clause 6.2 of the *Shire of Ashburton Standing Orders Local Law 2012* consider the following confidential items behind closed doors,

6.1 Appointment of Director Infrastructure Services

Carried 6/0

6 Confidential Items for Consideration

6.1 Appointment of Director Infrastructure Services

File reference	PE01
Author's name	A Heraty
Author's position	Manager Human Resources
Authorising officer's name	K Donohoe
Authorising officer's position	Chief Executive Officer
Name of applicant / respondent	Nil
Date report written	26 August 2022
Previous meeting reference	Nil

Summary

The position for Director Infrastructure Services (a designated senior employee position) was recently advertised, interviews concluded, and the selection of a preferred candidate made.

The Chief Executive Officer is to inform the Council of, and request Council accept, the proposal to appoint a senior employee.

Council is requested to consider the Chief Executive Officer's recommendation to appoint the preferred candidate for the position of Director Infrastructure Services for a contract term of five (5) years.

Confidentiality

This report is confidential in accordance with section 5.23 of the *Local Government Act 1995* because it deals with matters affecting -

"a contract entered into, or which may be entered into, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting," and

"a matter affecting an employee or employees."

Council Decision 112/2022

Moved Cr T Mladenovic

Second Cr A Smith

That with respect to the Appointment of Director Infrastructure Services, Council, pursuant to section 5.37(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, accept the Chief Executive Officer's recommendation to appoint the preferred candidate, Mr Brendan Smith, for the position of Director Infrastructure Services for a contract term of five (5) years.

Carried 6/0

7 Closure of meeting

There being no further business, the Presiding Member closed the meeting at 6:16pm.