



ADDENDUM

Meeting: General Meeting

Date: Wednesday 21st June 2023

Location: Council Chambers,
Georgetown

Commencing: 9.00am

Councillors: Cr B Hughes, L Royes, J Haase, T
Gallagher, C Barns

Open Session Addendum Attached

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Local Government Act 2009

The principles (s4(2)) of the Act are:

- Transparent and effective processes, and decision-making in the public interest
- Sustainable development and management of assets and infrastructure, and delivery of effective services
- Democratic representation, social inclusion and meaningful community engagement
- Good governance of, and by, local government
- Ethical and legal behavior of councillors and local government employees

S.275 – Local Government Regulation 2012

275 Closed meetings

- (1) A local government or committee may resolve that a meeting be closed to the public if its councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting to discuss –
 - Appointment, dismissal or discipline of a CEO or a BCC senior executive employee
 - Legal advice obtained by the Council or legal proceedings involving the Council
 - Matters that may directly affect the health and safety of an individual or group
 - Negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the Council
 - Negotiations relating to the taking of land by the Council under the *Acquisition of Land Act 1967*
 - A matter required to be kept confidential under a law of, or formal arrangement with, the Commonwealth or a State
 - Industrial matters affecting employees
 - The Council budget
 - Rating concessions
- (2) A resolution that a meeting be closed must state the nature of the matters to be considered while the meeting is closed.
- (3) A local government or committee must not make a resolution (other than a procedural resolution) in a closed meeting.

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Briefing Report

1 Update

Welcome to my June "Briefing" Report.

Tourism numbers are picking up, slowly and this is depicted in the "Matters of Interest" Report (distributed as part of the Meeting Agenda pack).

Flood Damage wise, ESC has put in a claim for proximately \$56mil, so the pressure is on to have it completed by June 2025. Part of this only Zone 1 has been approved, as at the time of writing this report.

Also I can advise that the CEO and 2 RLOs from QRA will be visiting the Shire this Thursday and we will be putting forward the issue of the delay in approving works and payment of claims.

Last week the State Government Budget was released and there not much to cheer about. I will have more comment on this, once an in-depth analysis has been done. Some early analysis by LGAQ and FNQROC / NWQROC has been undertaken on the budget and these email / notices have been forwarded on to yourselves.

2 Operational Plan Matters

Operationally Council is progressing well through the strategies set by Council and Management have acknowledged the project priorities identified by Council at a recent Workshop.

Special projects are still being managed as follows.

1. Robert Jaggar - remotely
 - a. Housing (Independent Living and Staff housing, Etc.)
2. Alan Clark - remotely
 - a. Charleston Dam and some road projects.

Resourcing personnel has become an issue again.

1. Engineering services
 2. Financial management services
 3. Administration services
 4. Workshop / Mechanical
 5. QRA support services
 6. Office accommodation and support proposal
- Currently working through these issues to resolve.

3 Emerging Issues

There have been some holdups with land tenure arrangements with regard to Charleston Dam that need to be discussed at the meeting.

4 Projects

I am currently working on the following projects, and if you have any comments do not hesitate to ask.

- **Charleston Dam – Alan Clark**
 - Alterations of land tenure has Native Title considerations.
 - There now new regulations with regard to the EAP

- **QRA Flood Damage – Gravel Pits**
 - Council is currently working through the new arrangements for ILUA's for gravel pits and other issues.
- **Asset Management - Road**
 - Currently the DES-Director Engineering Services is dealing with this report and should have it to a Council Meeting soon.
- **Developments**
 - Genex
 - Advice from the Coordinator General of a proposal for a Wind Farm
 - Powerlink approval has been deemed approved
 - Finnigan's Rest
 - Proposed commercial use at Charleston Dam – pending a formal request
 - Quartz Mine
 - Industrial Estate
- **Tourism Master Plan**
 - Funded projects
 - Master Plan – Totems, Entrance Signs and Pavilions
 - Sustainability Certification – presentation at the Council Meeting
- **Economic Development Plan**
 - Status of an Economic Development Strategy
 - Working with State Development to develop a new Strategy for the shire.
- **Rodeo Grounds – Georgetown**
 - Council needs to call a meeting / workshop to strategically address the issues surrounding this area.
- **Council's Budget**
 - Progress and workshops to date on same and the proposed Budget meeting date.

Over the past month

• 17 th	Board Room	Council Meeting
• 18 th	Board Room	EMT Meeting
• 19 th	Board Room	Wi-Sky
• 19 th	Teams	Qld Treasury
• 20 th 5 th	Bali	Annual leave
• 22 nd 26 th	Council	External Auditors
• 1 st	Cairns	FNQROC
• 2 nd	Talaroo	Ewamian Meeting
• 6 th	Zoom	ALMA Board Meeting
• 6 th	CEO Office	Works Meeting
• 7 th	CEO Office	LDMG Exercise
• 7 th	Board Room	Budget Workshop
• 9 th	Team	NWQROC
• 9 th	CEO Office	Sub contractor meeting
• 14 th	Board Room	Budget Workshop
• 14 th	Mt Surprise	Drop-in meeting
• 15 th	CEO Office	Jorganson
• 15 th	Teams	LG2024 ECQ
• 16 th	SES Shed	New vehicles
• 20 th	Board Room	QRA Prestart
• 21 st	CEO Office	Genex Windfarm
• 21 st	Board Room	Council Meeting

Next month

• 22 nd	Sports Centre	Etheridge Ag
• 22 nd	Board Room	QRA CEO and team
• 23 rd	Inspection	QRA
• 23 rd	Cairns	
• 28 th	Board Room	Budget Workshop

- 28th Georgetown Drop-in meeting
- 3rd Teams Griffith
- 3rd 4th Inspection Dam Regulator
- 4th 5th Kidston Genex and State Gov't
- 5th 6th Karumba NWQROC
- 19th Board Room Council Meeting

6 Other

TerrEstrial Coffee Van
 Planning matters
 Septic tanks
 Sale of Industrial Land
 Mt Surprise Drop-in meeting
 Council shirts
 Etc

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