



GLADSTONE
REGIONAL COUNCIL

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**HELD AT THE GLADSTONE ENTERTAINMENT CONVENTION CENTRE,
56 GOONDOON STREET, GLADSTONE**

On 4 August 2020

Commencing at 9.00am

**Leisa Dowling
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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Elected Members

Councillor - Mayor M J Burnett
Councillor G G Churchill
Councillor K Goodluck
Councillor R A Hansen
Councillor D E Brathwaite
Councillor D V O'Grady
Councillor C B Cameron
Councillor C A Trevor
Councillor N Muszkat

Officers

Mrs L Dowling (Chief Executive Officer)
Miss C Daly (Executive Secretary)
Ms A Scott
Mr N Kloppers
Mrs K Wockner
Mr J Tumbers
Mrs C Quinn
Mrs T Whalley
Mr M Holmes

APOLOGIES

Nil.

G/0.3.2. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

G/0.3.3. MESSAGES OF CONDOLENCE

Nil.

G/0.3.4. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr O'Grady

Councillor Desley O'Grady declared a conflict of interest in Item G/3.1 COUNCILLOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE as her request for leave was the subject of the report.

Cr O'Grady elected to leave the room during the consideration of Item G/3.1.

MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST

Mayor Burnett

Mayor Matt Burnett declared a material personal interest in Item G/3.2 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE, as Mayor Burnett is currently the Central Queensland representative on the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) Policy Executive and an LGAQ board member.

Mayor Burnett left the room for consideration of Item G/3.2.

G/1. MAYORAL STATEMENT OF CURRENT ISSUES

I would like to start by discussing the Gladstone Region Drought Appeal. I was in Rosedale yesterday with the Salvation Army team as we began transferring funds of \$500 per Gladstone Region primary producer. Round 1 is \$500 for every Gladstone Region primary producer who puts in an expression of interest, and if there are funds left then Round 2 will begin to ensure the balance of the funds get out to the community.

Currently we are unaware of exactly how many expressions of interest have been made but we encourage Gladstone Region primary producers to apply by Friday 7 August 2020. Roadshows are going around the region; there is one being held today in Builyan in the Boyne Valley, tomorrow in Miriam Vale which Cr Glenn Churchill will be attending, following that will be Calliope and on Friday 7 August will be Mt Larcom at the Mt Larcom Hall. I encourage primary producers to put in an expression of interest as it is \$500 straight into their bank accounts and if Round 2 occurs potentially more. You just have to be an eligible primary producer in the Gladstone Region. I would like to thank our community for supporting our fundraiser, our major industry partners for providing additional funds and the Salvation Army who topped it up to \$40,000.

The next item on the agenda is Relay for Life which was held virtually this year on the 26 July 2020. I would like to thank Councillors for their involvement, the Relay for Life team and the local Gladstone Cancer Council team for putting on the event and raising funds for the Cancer Council in Queensland, it was a fantastic event.

Also to our seniors, Seniors Week is coming up. On the 21 August 2020 we will have the Mayor's Morning Tea as another virtual event due to COVID-19 so we are encouraging our seniors to get involved in that. We will be live streaming our virtual Mayor's Morning Tea to our nursing homes and retirement villages around the region on the 21 August 2020.

Finally, the Gladstone Region Public Holiday will be Monday 10 August 2020 and a long weekend for the Gladstone Region to enjoy. For those who are not aware, a number of years ago we surveyed the community about the timing of the Gladstone Region Show Holiday and the overwhelming endorsement of the community was for the public holiday to be part of a long weekend. Council made the decision to align the Gladstone Region Show Holiday with the Monday of the Brisbane Ekka, which will now be the show holiday going forward so the community can enjoy a long weekend.

G/2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

G/2.1. CONFIRMATION OF GENERAL MEETING MINUTES FOR 21 JULY 2020

File Ref: CM7.2

Purpose:

Confirmation of the minutes of the General Meeting held on 21 July 2020.

Officer's Recommendation:

That the minutes of the General Meeting of Council held on 21 July 2020 be confirmed.

G/20/4280 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Churchill
Seconded Cr Trevor

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3. OFFICERS' REPORTS

G/3.1. COUNCILLOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

File Ref: CM7.2

**Councillor O'Grady (declared Conflict of Interest)
left the room during the consideration and voting of Item G/3.1.
(refer G/0.3.4 Disclosure of Interest section of the minutes – page 4)**

Purpose:

To report a request for leave of absence as required under section 6.1.1 of the Council Meetings Procedures Policy (P-2018-27).

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council grant Cr O'Grady a leave of absence for the General Meeting of 6 October 2020.

G/20/4281 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Trevor
Seconded Cr Muszkat

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3.2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

File Ref: CM6.1

**Mayor Burnett left room (declared Material Personal Interest)
left the room during the consideration and voting of item G/3.2.
(refer G/0.3.4 Disclosure of Interest section of the minutes - page 4)**

Purpose:

To confirm Councillor attendance at the Annual Conference of the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) to be held on 19-24 October 2020 at the Gold Coast.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Authorise Mayor Burnett and Cr Goodluck to attend as Councils Conference delegates and Cr _____, Cr _____ and Cr _____ to attend as observers; at the LGAQ Annual Conference on 19-24 October 2020 held at the Gold Coast.

G/20/4282 Council Resolution:

Authorise Mayor Burnett and Cr Goodluck to attend as Councils Conference delegates and Cr O'Grady to attend an observers at the LGAQ Annual Conference on 19-24 October 2020 held at the Gold Coast.

Moved Cr Muszkat
Seconded Cr Goodluck

CARRIED

G/3.3. UPDATE OF LOCAL ROADS OF REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE (LRRS) NETWORK

File Ref: RD8.1

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to allow Council to consider the updated Local Roads of Regional Significance (LRRS) network.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council endorse:

1. The addition of the following roads to the Local Roads of Regional Significance network:
 - a. Archer Street, Calliope from Bloomfield Street to Stowe Road;
 - b. Bloomfield Street, Calliope from Dawson Highway to Archer Street;
 - c. Don Cameron Drive, Calliope from Morris Avenue to end of road;
 - d. Drynan Drive, Calliope from Dawson Highway to Morris Avenue;
 - e. Morris Avenue, Calliope from Drynan Drive to Don Cameron Drive;
 - f. Stowe Road, Calliope from Archer Street to Ningana Court;
 - g. Bramston Street, Gladstone from Glenlyon Street to Auckland Street;
 - h. Cedarvale Road, Boyne Valley from Clifton Road to Council Boundary;
 - i. Diamond Hill Road, Rosedale, from McPherson Street to Council Boundary; and
 - j. Riverstone Rise Boulevard, Boyne Island from Boyne Island Road to end of road.
2. The removal of Yarroon Street, Gladstone from Harbour Terrace to Flinders Parade.

G/20/4283 Council Resolution:

Moved Mayor Burnett
Seconded Cr Goodluck

That Council endorse:

1. The addition of the following roads to the Local Roads of Regional Significance network:
 - a. Archer Street, Calliope from Bloomfield Street to Stowe Road;
 - b. Bloomfield Street, Calliope from Dawson Highway to Archer Street;
 - c. Don Cameron Drive, Calliope from Morris Avenue to end of road;
 - d. Drynan Drive, Calliope from Dawson Highway to Morris Avenue;
 - e. Morris Avenue, Calliope from Drynan Drive to Don Cameron Drive;
 - f. Stowe Road, Calliope from Archer Street to Ningana Court;
 - g. Bramston Street, Gladstone from Glenlyon Street to Auckland Street;
 - h. Cedarvale Road, Boyne Valley from Clifton Road to Council Boundary;
 - i. Diamond Hill Road, Rosedale, from McPherson Street to Council Boundary; and
 - j. Riverstone Rise Boulevard, Boyne Island from Boyne Island Road to end of road.
2. The removal of Yarroon Street, Gladstone from Harbour Terrace to Flinders Parade.
3. The addition of the local government controlled roads that were removed from the Local Roads of Regional Significance Network by Council Resolution in 2015.

CARRIED

G/3.4. 2019/20 OPERATIONAL PLAN FINAL REPORT

File Ref: CM14.2

Purpose:

To present Council with the final performance report on the 2019/20 Operational Plan ending 30 June 2020.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council note the 2019/20 Operational Plan Final Report.

G/20/4284 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Churchill
Seconded Cr Muszkat

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

**The meeting adjourned for morning tea
at 10:10am and reconvened at 10:30am.**

G/4. DEPUTATIONS

Nil.

G/5. COUNCILLORS REPORT

Verbal Councillor reports were received by Cr Churchill, Cr Branthwaite, Cr O'Grady, Cr Muszkat and Cr Hansen.

G/20/4285 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Hansen
Seconded Cr Cameron

That the verbal reports be noted.

CARRIED

G/6. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

G/7. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil.

G/8. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

G/20/4286 Procedural Motion

Moved Cr Churchill
Seconded Cr O'Grady

That in accordance with Section 275 (1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting be closed to the public to discuss business relating to the following: -

(e) contracts proposed to be made by it.

CARRIED

G/20/4287 Procedural Motion

Moved Cr Hansen
Seconded Cr O'Grady

That Council re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED

G/8.1. 260-20 BENARABY LANDFILL CELL 3A CONSTRUCTION

File Ref: PE1.1

Reason for Confidentiality:

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 275 (1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting is to be closed to the public to discuss business relating to the following: -

(e) contracts proposed to be made by it.

G/20/4288 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Trevor
Seconded Cr Hansen

That Council;

1. Accept the tender from the Trustee for Blomfield Family Trust T/A Blomfield Excavations ("Blomfields") for Tender 260-20 Benaraby Landfill - Cell 3A Construction and;
2. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to enter a contract with the Trustee for Blomfield Family Trust T/A Blomfield Excavations ("Blomfields") for Tender 260-20 Benaraby Landfill - Cell 3A Construction.

CARRIED

Statement Pursuant to *s273 Local Government Regulation 2012 (Qld)*: In today's circumstances given COVID-19 it is of the utmost importance to this community to derive economic benefit and to protect local jobs.

G/8.2. CONSIDERATION OF GAWB WATER PRICING OPTIONS

File Ref: FM6.1

Reason for Confidentiality:

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 275 (1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting is to be closed to the public to discuss business relating to the following: -

(c) the local government's budget.

G/20/4289 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Goodluck
Second Cr Muszkat

That Council respond to Gladstone Area Water Board advising that it does not accept either of the offers provided with respect to pricing as these do not align to the rate freeze sought.

A division was called on the motion:

In Favour of the Motion: *Cr O'Grady, Cr Trevor, Cr Hansen, Cr Muszkat, Cr Goodluck, Cr Cameron, Mayor Burnett, Cr Churchill and Cr Branthwaite.*

Against the Motion: *Nil.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

There being no further business the Mayor formally closed the meeting.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 12:25PM.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby confirm that I have read the minutes and they are a true and correct record of the proceedings of the meeting. I certify that these 15 pages form the official copy of Gladstone Regional Council General Meeting Minutes of the 4 August 2020.

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Mayor Matt Burnett

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Date

ATTACHMENTS