



**GLADSTONE**  
REGIONAL COUNCIL

**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CIVIC CENTRE  
101 GOONDOON STREET, GLADSTONE**

**On Tuesday 19 October 2021**

**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 V O'Grady  
Councillor C A Trevor  
Councillor N Muszkat  
Councillor C Cameron  
Councillor D Branthwaite

**Officers**

Mrs L Dowling (Chief Executive Officer)  
Mrs R Millett (Executive Secretary)  
Mrs B Saunders (Manager Governance and Risk)  
Mr J Tumbers (General Manager Operations)  
Mr M Holmes (General Manager Finance, Governance and Risk)  
Mr M Francis (General Manager Strategic Asset Performance)  
Ms K Lee (General Manager Community Development and Events)  
Mr T Mienie (General Manager People, Culture and Safety) (via teams)  
Ms K Wockner (Manager Contracts and Procurement)  
Mr J Bentley (Manager Revenue Services)  
Mr M Harris (Media Advisor)  
Ms T Whalley (Property Acquisition and Disposal Specialist)  
Ms V Wood (Engineer) (via teams)  
Ms C Faulkner (Manager Asset Planning) (via teams)

**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**

Nil.

## **G/1. MAYORAL STATEMENT OF CURRENT ISSUES**

Firstly, I would like to take the opportunity to thank Andrew Forrest and Fortescue Future Industries for choosing the Gladstone Region for their billion-dollar investment in future industries and future energy in Queensland and Australia. It's \$100 plus million dollars almost immediately manufacturing electrolisers, wind turbines, electrical cabling and other components for renewable energy in Queensland. It's going to create awesome jobs in the Gladstone Region, in our state development area but ultimately working with Future Industries as well. We had the Premier, the Deputy Premier, the Treasurer and 2 Ministers in town, it's not every day you have 5 members of the Queensland cabinet in the Gladstone Region. We certainly thank Andrew Forrest and Fortescue Future Industries for choosing the Gladstone Region.

This month is Seniors Month and it has been going very well with lots of activities across the region and I'd like to thank our Community Development and Events team for putting on the events and there are still more to come including activities at Tondoon Botanic Gardens today. Check out Council's website for the balance of the activities across Seniors Month as there are plenty of things happening, such as Our Priceless Past, which is on display now at the Gladstone Regional Art Gallery and Museum. Year 8 students from Toolooa State High School met up with a number of local seniors and recorded their history for Our Priceless Past this year.

Also at the Gladstone Regional Art Gallery and Museum, the 46th Rio Tinto & QAL Martin Hanson Memorial Art Awards 2021 were on the weekend. Thank you to our judge, Tracey Cooper Lavery, for travelling to the Gladstone Region from the Gold Coast to judge those awards. I will table the list of winners (refer Addendum 1) but I'm very excited, for those that didn't know, the winner was a local artist, winning the \$15,000 first prize thanks to Rio Tinto and QAL, and that was Kairen Kerr for her fantastic artwork. TENTBOXERS. Congratulations to Kairen and all the award winners including Christine Holden who took out the Pamela Whitlock Memorial Acquisitive Award which means that Council will acquire that artwork. Congratulations again to all the winners in the 46th Rio Tinto & QAL Martin Hanson Memorial Art Awards 2021. Of course, Marty Hanson a well-known local identity.

Thanks to the Australian Tourism Industry Council, The Australian Top Tourism Town Awards where Agnes Water and 1770 is a finalists in, with the winner to be announced at 12pm on the 28th October 2021. I will be in Mackay for the Local Government Association of Queensland Conference, but I will live stream in, and I know Gus Stedman from GAPDL will be in Agnes Water to live stream from there as well. Fingers crossed we'll take out that award. Agnes Water and 1770 took out the Top Tourism Small Town Award for Queensland and now is a finalist in the national awards. Very exciting and hopefully we will take that award out and maybe Noosa will take out the Top Tourism Large Town Award and good luck to our friends in Noosa.

The Queensland Country Women's Association (QCWA) is hosting their state conference in Gladstone next week as well. Wishing all the participants in the QCWA State Conference a fantastic time in the Gladstone Region. For those returning, it's the second time we've hosted the state conference, welcome back and for those attending for the first time, welcome to the Gladstone Region you won't be disappointed.

**G/2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**G/2.1. CONFIRMATION OF GENERAL MEETING MINUTES FOR 5 OCTOBER 2021**

**Responsible Officer:** Chief Executive Officer

**Council Meeting Date:** 19 October 2021

**File Ref:** CM7.2

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**Purpose:**

Confirmation of the minutes of the General Meeting held on 5 October 2021.

**Officer's Recommendation:**

That the minutes of the General Meeting of Council held on 5 October 2021 be confirmed.

**GM/21/4607 Council Resolution:**

Moved Cr Branthwaite  
Seconded Cr Hansen

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **G/3. OFFICERS' REPORTS**

#### **G/3.1. EXPENDITURE APPROVAL - ASPHALT RESURFACING (VARIOUS LOCATIONS)**

**Responsible Officer:** General Manager Operations

**Council Meeting Date:** 19 October 2021

**File Ref:** PE1.1

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#### **Purpose:**

This report seeks resolution from Council, in accordance with Council's register of financial delegations, to approve expenditure for Asphalt Resurfacing and associated products.

#### **Officer's Recommendation:**

That Council:

1. Approve the expenditure of \$1,340,110.65 ex GST for Asphalt Resurfacing and associated products with Fulton Hogan Industries Pty Ltd.

#### **GM/21/4608 Council Resolution:**

Moved Cr Muszkat

Seconded Cr Churchill

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **G/3.2. EXPENDITURE APPROVAL - SUPPLY AND DELIVERY 3 X LOADERS**

**Responsible Officer:** General Manager Operations

**Council Meeting Date:** 19 October 2021

**File Ref:** PE1.1

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**Purpose:**

This report seeks resolution from Council, in accordance with Council's register of financial delegations, to approve expenditure for the supply and delivery of three (3) loaders.

**Officer's Recommendation:**

That Council:

1. Approve the expenditure of \$1,551,600.00 ex GST for the supply and delivery of three (3) loaders from Hastings Deering (Australia) Limited.

**GM/21/4609 Council Resolution:**

Moved Cr Goodluck

Seconded Cr Hansen

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**G/3.3. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 26 SEPTEMBER 2021**

**Responsible Officer:** General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

**Council Meeting Date:** 19 October 2021

**File Ref:** FM15.1

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**Purpose:**

This report seeks Council adoption of the Monthly Financial Statements for the 2021-22 year to date, for the period ended 26 September 2021.

**Officer's Recommendation:**

That Council adopt the Monthly Financial Statements attached to the officer's report for the 2021-22 year to date, for the period ended 26 September 2021 as required under Section 204 *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

**GM/21/4610 Council Resolution:**

Moved Cr Goodluck

Seconded Cr Cameron

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **G/3.4. TEMPORARY CHANGE TO MULCH FEES AND CHARGES**

**Responsible Officer:** General Manager Finance, Governance and Risk

**Council Meeting Date:** 19 October 2021

**File Ref:**

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#### **Purpose:**

To seek Council's endorsement of proposed temporary changes to the 2021/2022 Fees and Charges for Council's "Sale of Mulch" and "Council Loading Mulch" fees at Gladstone Waste Transfer Station and Agnes Water Waste Transfer Station.

#### **Officer's Recommendation:**

That Council adopt the below proposed temporary changes to the 2021/2022 Fees and Charges Schedule for a period of two (2) months during November – December 2021:

1. Gladstone Waste Transfer Station:
  - a. Reduce the commercial rate for the "Sale of Mulch" fee per tonne to "No Charge"
  - b. Reduce the commercial rate for "Council Loading Mulch" fee to "No Charge"
  - c. Reduce the domestic rate for "Council Loading Mulch" fee to "No Charge"
  
2. Agnes Water Waste Transfer Station:
  - a. Set a domestic rate for "Council Loading Mulch" at "\$10 per load".

#### **GM/21/4611 Council Resolution:**

Moved Cr Goodluck  
Seconded Cr O'Grady

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **G/3.5. AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES - 15 SEPTEMBER 2021**

**Responsible Officer:** General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

**Council Meeting Date:** 19 October 2021

**File Ref:** CM26.2

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#### **Purpose:**

To present a report about the matters presented at the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 15 September 2021, pursuant to section 211 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

#### **Officer's Recommendation:**

That Council:

1. Receive the Minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting that was held on 15 September 2021;
2. Endorse the Audit Risk and Improvement Committees recommendation for meetings to be held in 2022 as per below:
  - a. Schedule ordinary business meetings for the following dates and times in 2022:
    - Wednesday 16 March 2022 from 9am – 1pm;
    - Wednesday 15 June 2022 from 9am – 1pm;
    - Wednesday 21 September 2022 from 9am – 1pm;
    - Wednesday 30 November 2022 from 9am – 1pm; and
  - b. Undertake an Information Briefing at a Councillor Information Session planned to be scheduled for 12 April and 11 October 2022 (subject to Council meeting dates); and
  - c. Undertake a planning meeting and site visit on 2 February 2022 subject to committee and Council availability.

#### **GM/21/4612 Council Resolution:**

Moved Cr Churchill

Seconded Cr Branthwaite

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**G/3.6. COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM - COMMUNITY CELEBRATION FUND -  
SIGNATURE EVENT**

**Responsible Officer:** General Manager Community Development and Events

**Council Meeting Date:** 19 October 2021

**File Ref:** CM3.1

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**Purpose:**

To consider the recommendation of the Community Investment Panel on an application received under the Community Celebration Fund. The application being for Signature Event – Gladstone Ports Corporation Brisbane to Gladstone Yacht Race 2022.

**Officer's Recommendation:**

That Council:

1. Adopt the Community Investment Panel recommendation of funding \$66,000 for one (1) year for the Gladstone Ports Corporation Brisbane to Gladstone Yacht Race 2022: and
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to finalise and execute a sponsorship agreement with the successful applicant detailing relevant entitlements and conditions.

**GM/21/4613 Council Resolution:**

Moved Cr Trevor

Seconded Cr Hansen

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

## **G/4. DEPUTATIONS**

Nil.

## **G/5. COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Councillor Muszkat mentioned it was great to see the amount of local artists that entered and were awarded prizes in the 46th Rio Tinto & QAL Martin Hanson Memorial Art Awards 2021. Cr Muszkat congratulated the Gladstone Regional Art Gallery and Museum officers and acknowledged their hard work leading up to the event. Cr Muszkat noted that the 46th Rio Tinto & QAL Martin Hanson Memorial Art Awards 2021 is a marquee event for the art community and not just within the Gladstone Region as entries from all over were received.

Councillor Churchill mentioned the 46th Rio Tinto & QAL Martin Hanson Memorial Art Awards 2021 and acknowledged the winners; Kairen Kerr; Christine Holden; Katie Houvelroud; Trinity Johnson; Diana Carey; Marina Andrews; Kym Barrett; Beryl Wood; Clinton Barker; Gladstone Community Linking Agency; Roslyn Head; Ruth Cho; Geoffrey Head; Jude Kennedy; Megan Puls; Rod Butler; Kristel Kelly; Anna Glynn; and James Walden. Cr Churchill noted that overall there were 182 entries (87 easel paintings, 40 works on paper, 32 3-dimensional fibre works and 23 digital works) and that this was an indication that the art and culture industry is thriving and surviving at the moment. Cr Churchill noted that the QAL People's Choice Awards are now open for voting and invited and encouraged the community to visit the Gladstone Regional Art Gallery and Museum to view the artworks and vote for their choice. Cr Churchill acknowledged and thanked the sponsors, noting that QAL have indicated their ongoing support, and congratulated everyone involved.

Cr Muszkat mentioned that Cr Muszkat and Councillor Cameron attended Carinity Education Gladstone's opening of their new hospitality building and noted that it was good to see so many young people enjoying and utilising the new facilities. Cr Muszkat congratulated Carinity Education Gladstone and encouraged them to keep doing what they are doing. Cr Cameron endorsed Cr Muszkat's comments and further advised that a suggestion was put forward to the school that the hospitality students could host a dinner for a Rotary Club to test their skills and to engage the Rotary Clubs and other service clubs in the region to assist in getting the Carinity Education Gladstone program and services out into the community.

Councillor O'Grady mentioned that on Sunday night the TV show The Weekender presented a segment showcasing the Gladstone Region including the Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail, Curtis Island and Boynedale Bush Camp. Cr O'Grady thanked everyone involved in getting The Weekender to the region.

Cr Cameron mentioned that the South Gladstone Rotary Club held their annual seniors dinner recently noting that the dinner was held at the Calliope Roosters function room and commended the Calliope Roosters on their facility. Cr Cameron noted that all attendees thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

Mayor Burnett congratulated Chantel and the Gladstone Engineering Alliance team on the Major Industry Conference and CQH2 Hydrogen Forum that was held in Gladstone recently. Mayor Burnett noted that it was well attended and that Minister de Brenni was in attendance announcing that CleanCo will be joining the MOU Hydrogen partnership along with the traditional owners in the coming months.

## **G/6. URGENT BUSINESS**

Nil.

## **G/7. NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nil.

**The meeting was adjourned for morning tea at 9:50am and reconvened at 10:20am.**

### **GM/21/4614 Procedural Motion:**

Moved Cr Churchill  
Seconded Cr Cameron

That in accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, section 254J, Council close the meeting to discuss two confidential items.

Item G/8.1 – Out of Policy Water Concession Requests will be closed under section 254J *(d) rating concessions*, as this item will discuss and consider individual requests for concessions from water rates and charges.

Item G/8.2 – Options for Effluent Disposal from Calliope Waste Water Treatment Plant will be closed under section 254J *(g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government*, as this item will discuss and consider different options for effluent disposal that include potential negotiations with third party landholders and effluent recipients.

**CARRIED**

These items were discussed and considered as well as presenting different options to consider including opportunities and risks associated with each item.

### **GM/21/4615 Procedural Motion:**

Moved: Cr Goodluck  
Seconded: Cr O'Grady

That Council re-open the meeting to the public.

**CARRIED**

## **G/8. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

### **G/8.1. OUT-OF-POLICY WATER CONCESSION REQUESTS**

**Responsible Officer:** General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

**Council Meeting Date:** 19 October 2021

**File Ref:** RV4.4, RV4.5

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**Purpose:**

To consider requests made by three local sporting clubs for out-of-policy water concessions in relation to the following assessments:

1. Assessment 13775-2: PtB Lot 22 CTN 1622 Pt Reserve 495 - Gladstone Touch Association Inc
2. Assessment 9536-4: Lot 2 RP 614829 - Meteors Sports Club Ltd
3. Assessment 2554-4: Lease A SP271498: Pt(a) Lot 20 C15493 - Clinton Park Sports Association Inc

**Officers Recommendation:**

That Council does not grant out-of-policy water concessions with respect to PtB Lot 22 CTN 1622 Pt Reserve 495, Lot 2 RP 614829 and Lease A SP271498: Pt(a) Lot 20 C15493.

**GM/21/4616 Council Resolution:**

Moved Cr Branthwaite

Seconded Cr O'Grady

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

## **G/8.2. OPTIONS FOR EFFLUENT DISPOSAL FROM CALLIOPE WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT**

**Responsible Officer:** General Manager Strategic Asset Performance

**Council Meeting Date:** 19 October 2021

**File Ref:**

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### **Purpose:**

To provide Council with a full and final list of options for effluent disposal from the Calliope Wastewater Treatment Plant.

### **Officers Recommendation:**

That in the interests of providing certainty for the future operation of the Calliope Waste Water Treatment Plant, Council delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Calliope Country Club Ltd and/or Calliope District Golf Club Inc (together referred to as "the Club") wherein Council agrees:

1. To supply treated effluent to the Club provided that:
  - a. the Club enters into an irrigation supply agreement with Council for a period of 20 years and complies with the terms of that agreement; and
  - b. the Club provides Council with satisfactory security for Council's investment in the Club's irrigation system;
2. To undertake a detailed design (co-designed with the Club of a replacement irrigation system at 126 Stowe Road, Calliope;
3. To construct, at Council's sole cost and expense, the co-designed irrigation system at 126 Stowe Road, Calliope; and
4. To transfer the irrigation system at 126 Stowe Road to the Club upon the latter of the provision of security referred to in 1(b), the signed Irrigation Supply Agreement or the completion of construction.

### **GM/21/4617 Council Resolution:**

Moved Cr Churchill

Seconded Cr Cameron

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

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

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 12:15pm**

**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 18 pages form the official copy of Gladstone Regional Council General Meeting Minutes of the 19 October 2021.

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Mayor Matt Burnett

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Date

## ATTACHMENTS

### Addendum 1

The 46th Rio Tinto & QAL Martin Hanson Memorial Art Awards 2021

## WINNERS LIST

### OVERALL

The 46th Rio Tinto & QAL Martin Hanson Memorial Art Award \$15,000	Kairen Kerr	<i>TENTBOXERS</i>
The Pamela Whitlock Memorial Acquisitive Award, sponsored by Gladstone Regional Art Gallery & Museum \$5,000	Christine Holden	<i>Pods</i>
The Pieter Groen-int-woud Memorial Young Emerging Artist Award, sponsored by Multitrade Building Hire \$1,500	Katie Houvelroud	<i>Passed Out</i>
The Local Murri Artist Award, sponsored by Elizabeth & Leo Zussino \$1,500	Trinity Johnson	<i>In between the pages</i>
The Local Artist Award, sponsored by Gail Sellers \$1,000	Diana Carey	<i>Grab It</i>
The Installers Choice Award, sponsored by Laureen Tkacik \$500	Marina Andrews	<i>Max Joyriding</i>

### SECTION 1: EASEL PAINTINGS

First Prize, sponsored by QER Pty Ltd \$2,000	Kym Barrett	<i>Home, in a New Rhythm</i>
Second Prize, sponsored by Gladstone Area Water Board \$1,000	Beryl Wood	<i>Almost There!</i>
Third Prize, sponsored by Gladstone Cinemas \$500	Clinton Barker	<i>Boomerang Moon</i>
Highly commended	Gladstone Community Linking Agency	<i>Dolphin in Paradise</i>

### SECTION 2: WORKS ON PAPER

First Prize, sponsored by Australia Pacific LNG ConocoPhillips \$2,000	Roslyn Head	<i>Just for Show</i>
Second Prize, sponsored by Reef City Motors \$1,000	Ruth Cho	<i>Why the Yellow Face?</i>
Third Prize, sponsored by Natalia Muszkat \$500	Geoffrey Head	<i>Entangled</i>

The 46th Rio Tinto & QAL Martin Hanson Memorial Art Awards 2021

**SECTION 3: THREE DIMENSIONAL & FIBRE WORKS**

<b>First Prize, sponsored by Gladstone Ports Corporation</b> \$2,000	Jude Kennedy	<i>You can't always see the Blues</i>
<b>Second Prize, sponsored by 4CC</b> \$1,000	Megan Puls	<i>"WAVEBREAK"</i>
<b>Third Prize, sponsored by Gladstone Picture Framing and Art Materials</b> \$500	Rod Butler	<i>Faithful in Adversity</i>

**SECTION 4: DIGITAL WORKS**

<b>First Prize, sponsored by Gladstone Engineering Alliance</b> \$2,000	Kristel Kelly	<i>Quixotic Response</i>
<b>Second Prize, sponsored by CQUniversity</b> \$1,000	Anna Glynn	<i>Cloudbird</i>
<b>Third Prize, sponsored by GAPDL</b> \$500	James Walden	<i>FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT</i>

**THE QAL PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS:**

All entries in their registered section are eligible, as voted by the visiting general public, collected at the QAL iPad voting kiosks only. Voting is available until 4.30pm, Thursday, 25 November 2021.

**QAL People's Choice Award** winners announced 11am Wednesday, 1 December 2021.

**SECTION 1: Easel Paintings**  
\$500

**SECTION 2: Works on Paper**  
\$500

**SECTION 3: Three Dimensional & Fibre Works**  
\$500

**SECTION 4: Digital Works**  
\$500