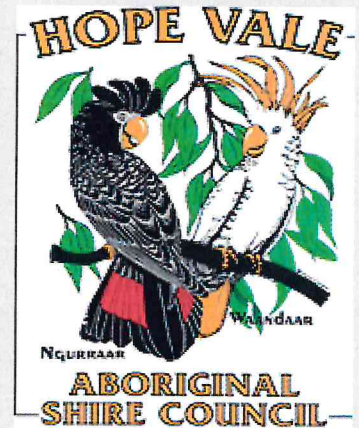


Minutes

General Meeting

Wednesday 27 September 2023

Council Offices, Hope Vale



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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Mayor Woibo declared the meeting open at 10.12 am.

Mayor Woibo acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which the meeting was being held and elders, past, present, and emerging.

The Mayor also acknowledged, followed by a minute's silence, those members of the Hope Vale region who have recently passed away as well as other members of the region who have recently suffered illness or injury.

Paster Mark Winter was also welcomed to the meeting and led the meeting in a prayer.

2 Members Present:

Cr Jason Woibo – Mayor

Cr Bruce Woibo – Deputy Mayor (via Teams)

Cr Barry Bowen

Cr Allison Michael

Leave of Absence

Moved by Mayor Jason Woibo

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution

That leave of absence be granted to Cr Keithean Bowen for his absence due to illness.

CARRIED

Officers Present:

Chief Executive Officer - Steve Linnane

Finance and Corporate Services Director Shannon Gibbs
(Items 6.2 and Item 6.4)

Social Services Director – Deborah Burke (Items 6.3)

Operations Manager - Elai Semisi (Item 6.4)

3 OBLIGATIONS OF COUNCILLORS

3.1 Declaration Of Prescribed Conflict Of Interest On Any Item Of Business

Pursuant to Sections 150EG-150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, Cr Bruce Woibo advised that he had a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in relation to Item 8.1 of this meeting.



3.2 Declarable Conflict Of Interest On Any Item Of Business

Pursuant to Sections 150EN-150ET of the Local Government Act 2009, no Declarable Conflicts of Interest were made relating to this meeting.

3.3 Registers Of Interest

Councillors were reminded of their obligation to keep their Registers of Interests and Related Parties Disclosures updated.

4 Confirmation of Minutes of General Meeting held on 23 August 2023

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Woibo

Resolution

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 23 August 2023, be accepted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5 Business arising from Minutes of General Meeting held on Wednesday 23 August 2023

Nil

6 OFFICER'S REPORTS

6.1 Chief Executive Officer's Report

The Chief Executive Officer's Report dated 25 September 2023, was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Allison Michael

Resolution

That Council

(a) receive the Chief Executive Officer's Report dated 25 September 2023, and

(b) note the meetings attended by the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED



At this stage, the meeting dealt with Item 6.1.2 and Item 7.1

6.1.1 Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee Report

The Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee met on Thursday 24 August 2023. The Report on the meeting was attached for Council's consideration. (Attachment A of the Chief Executive Officer's report).

Moved by Mayor Jason Woibo

Seconded by Cr Allison Michael

Resolution

That Council receive, note, and endorse Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee Report on the meeting held on 24 August 2023 as shown as Attachment A of the Chief Executive Officer's Report.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Memorandum of Cooperation – Diatreme Resources and Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council

A Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) has previously been discussed by Diatreme Resources and Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council. Diatreme Resources have submitted a draft Memorandum of Cooperation for Council's consideration. (Attachment B of the Chief Executive Officer's report)

It is Council's view that should sand mining operations be approved by the State and/or Federal Governments, then the Hope Vale community should benefit from any opportunities that arise from the project.

The draft MoC is generally considered to reflect Council's desire to cooperate with Diatreme Resources, subject to the rewording of the Introduction.

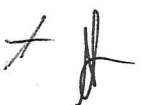
Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution

That Council enter into a Memorandum of Cooperation with Diatreme Resources to cooperate and demonstrate good intent and to support mutually beneficial opportunities for the Hope Vale community and the proposed Northern Silica Project, subject to the final Memorandum of Cooperation document being to the satisfaction of the Mayor.

CARRIED



6.1.3 Planning Scheme Review

At its meeting held on 7 September 2023, the Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance (TCICA) discussed the required review dates of the various Council's Planning Schemes. Representatives from Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and the Arts provided the attached presentation on planning scheme reviews and provide guidance on the options available (Attachment C of the Chief Executive Officer's report).

The Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council Planning Scheme was gazette in 2014.

Section 25 of the Planning Act 2016 states -

(1) A local government must -

(a) review its planning scheme within 10 years after-

(i) the planning scheme was made; or

(ii) if the planning scheme has been reviewed—the planning scheme was last reviewed; and

(b) decide, based on that review, whether to amend or replace the planning scheme.

(2) If the local government decides not to amend or replace the planning scheme, the local government must—

(a) give written reasons for the decision to the chief executive; and

(b) publish a public notice, in the approved form, about the decision; and

(c) keep a copy of the public notice in a conspicuous place in the local government's public office, for a period of at least 40 business days after the notice is published.

The cost of a review of Council's Planning Scheme (and supporting studies) is likely to exceed \$500,000.

TCICA has now enquired from its member Councils if they would consider a collaborative approach of a single Planning Scheme approach. With this proposal, there would be one basic Planning Scheme for participating Councils, with slight changes to reflect each community differences (i.e. local distinctions to adjust for local culture, heritage, topography, needs etc.)

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Allison Michael

Resolution

That Council advise the Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance that it will take part in an investigation into a possible collaborative approach of a single Planning Scheme approach.

CARRIED



6.1.4 Torch Project

The TORCH project has been established under the Health Innovation Fund on behalf of the State and Commonwealth Ministers of Health.

The objective is to codesign with community and establish an independent, non-government joint regional healthcare commissioning entity backed by pooled funding for healthcare services from all levels of government and accountable to the communities of the region.

The TORCH project is committed to First Nations governance and local community control of healthcare commissioning and health outcomes.

The TORCH project is a 10-year journey to shift the way care is commissioned and delivered, which will drive improved health system effectiveness, efficiency and equity and whole of population health and wellbeing outcomes.

It proposes to build on other key policy reforms including the National Agreement on Closing the Gap, Making Tracks Together, Tracks to Treaty, the Healthy Equity Framework, and the National Health Reform Agreement.

The Mayor and Chief Executive Officer attended the two-day Torres and Cape Health Care (TORCH) Commissioning Fund Regional Stakeholder Engagement Summit in Cairns on 31 August 2023 and 1 September 2023.

A summary Report of the Summit is attached (Attachment D of the Chief Executive Officer's report)

It was proposed that a Statement of Intent would be signed at the Summit, however, the Federal Government advised in the week before the Summit that it wished to defer the signing until after "The Voice" referendum.

Moved by Mayor Jason Woibo

Seconded by Cr Allison Michael

Resolution

That Council

- (a) Agree in principle that the TORCH project is an important reform and that it should be progressed without delay, and**
- (b) Authorise the Mayor to sign the Statement of Intent, when proposed.**

CARRIED

6.1.5 FNQROC Federal Advocacy Report

The Far North Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (FNQROC) undertook a delegation to Canberra on 1-2 August 2023 in order to advocate to Federal Parliamentarians



on the FNQROC regional priorities. The Advocacy Report on the delegation was attached for Council's noting. (Attachment E of the Chief Executive Officer's report)

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Woibo

Resolution

That Council receive and note the Advocacy Report on the FNQROC Mayoral Delegation to Canberra on 1-2 August 2023.

CARRIED

6.1.6 2023 LGAQ Annual Conference Motions

Advice has been received from the Local Government Association of Queensland (Attachment F of the Chief Executive Officer's report) that it has accepted Council's proposed motion in relation to health service delivery in First Nations communities. It has been merged into a composite motion with Torres Shire Council because of the alignment of the policy intention of both motions.

The motion will read –

The LGAQ calls on the State and Federal governments to:

- *investigate health service delivery to ensure appropriate integration with complementary services in First Nations communities including community-controlled health services.*
- *alter the roll out of "home dialysis" programs to include a more expansive "community dialysis" approach - to allow dialysis to take place in community in a safe environment more appropriate to a First Nations context.*
- *consider community-led palliative care models to ensure First Nations peoples have their right to heal and seek end-of-life support on country.*

The Background and Desired Outcome was attached (Attachment F) for Council's information.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Mayor Jason Woibo

Resolution

That Council receive and note Council's proposed motion to the 2023 LGAQ Annual Conference in relation to health service delivery in First Nations communities.

CARRIED

6.1.7 Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee Charter

At its Meeting held on 16 March 2022, Council resolved -

That Council

- a) Appoint the following advisory committee pursuant to Section 264 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 – Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee,*
- b) Endorse the draft Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committee as attached to the CEO's report (Attachment A),*
- c) Pursuant to Section 245G of the Local Government Regulations 2012 (Advisory committees exempted from taking minutes), exempt the Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee from taking minutes of its proceedings, however, it must give Council a written report on its deliberations and its advice or recommendation, and*
- d) Select five (5) community members for appointment to the Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee.*
- e) Select a Councillor for appointment to the Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee. It is noted that the Mayor is the Chair of the Advisory Committee.*

During deliberation of this issue, Council considered that it would appoint the Advisory Committee on an interim basis, and that Council would review the Advisory Committee's effectiveness and the Terms of Reference after 12 months of operation.

The Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee held its first meeting on Thursday 25 August 2022.

In addition, the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer met with representatives from Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, National Indigenous Australians Agency, Alliance of the Guugu Yimithirr People, Pama Futures, and the Cape York Institute in Hope Vale on 21 August 2023 for discussions on a possible alternate model to the existing Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee model. It was pointed out to the meeting that any change to the Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee would need to be considered and approved by Council.

After discussions, it was agreed that there were 3 options for Council to consider -

Option 1 - No change to the existing Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee model, apart from the planned review of its Terms of Reference,

Option 2 - No change to the existing Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee model, apart from the planned review of its Terms of Reference and the appointment of representatives from Alliance of the Guugu Yimithirr People, the Hope Vale Foundation, and Hope Vale Congress.

Option 3 - the creation of a new joint model of the Local Thriving Communities and the Alliance of the Guugu Yimithirr People,



Should Council wish to consider Option 3 further, it was agreed that a detailed model would be developed.

At its meeting held on 23 August 2023, Council resolved that this Item be deferred until the next meeting.

Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution

That Council

- (a) make no change to the existing Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee model, apart from the planned review of its Terms of Reference, and**
- (b) call expressions of interest from the Hope Vale community for appointment to the Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee**

CARRIED

6.2 Finance and Corporate Services Director's Report

The Finance and Corporate Services Director's Report dated 22 September 2023 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Mayor Jason Woibo

Resolution

That

- (a) Council receive and note the Finance and Corporate Services Director's Report dated 22 September 2023, and**
- (b) the Council annual close period commence from close of business on Friday 15 December 2023 through to Monday 8 January 2024.**

CARRIED

At this stage, the meeting dealt with Item 6.4

6.3 Social Services Director's Report

The Social Services Director's Report dated 22 September 2023 was considered by Council.



Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution

That Council

- (a) receive and note the Social Services Director's Report dated 22 September 2023,
- (b) is satisfied that the services provided by Harbrow Mentoring for Youth Activities/school holiday programs are of such a specialised nature that it would be impractical or disadvantageous to the Council to invite tenders or quotations, and
- (c) support the initiation of the Hope Vale Markets to be hosted last Saturday of every month from 7am – 3pm.

CARRIED

6.4 Operations Manager's Report

The Operations Manager's Report dated 21 September 2023 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Mayor Jason Woibo

Resolution

That Council

- (a) receive and note the Operation Manager's Report dated 21 September 2023, and
- (b) authorise the publication of a notice giving owners of stray horses, one (1) months notice to make arrangements for their horses to be removed from public lands, and
- (c) at the expiration of the notice period, arrangements be made for the impounding and disposal of the horses.

CARRIED

7 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Northern Silica Project

At 11am Alastair Bauer and Robyn Bartlett from Diatrema Resources were admitted to the meeting and provided Council with an update on the Northern Silica Project

7.2 Climate Trends and Projections Briefing

At 3.30pm, Eliza Glasson from the Bureau of Meteorology provided a briefing (via Teams) on climate trends and projections.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Hope Vale Foundation Board

Consideration of correspondence from the Hope Vale Foundation Board in relation to the Hope Vale Foundation on Community Works recruitment process.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Mayor Jason Woibo

Resolution

That the correspondence from the Hope Vale Foundation Board be received and noted.

CARRIED

As required by s150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, Deputy Mayor Bruce Woibo informed the meeting of a prescribed conflict of interest in relation to matters to be considered in Item 8.1, due to a related party being on office bearer of Hope Vale Foundation Board

Deputy Mayor Bruce Woibo advised that he would leave the meeting and did not participate in the discussion or vote on this matter.

8.2 North Queensland Community Pharmacy Scope of Practice Pilot

Consideration of correspondence from The Pharmacy Guild of Australia, Queensland Branch dated 1 September 2023, updating Council with the progress made with the North Queensland Community Pharmacy Scope of Practice Pilot.

It was agreed that the correspondence from the Pharmacy Guild of Australia, Queensland Branch dated 1 September 2023 be received and noted.

Items 8.1 and 8.2 were dealt with after Item 10

Deputy Mayor Bruce Woibo was not present for Item 8.1 and Item 8.2



9 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

10 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Moved by Mayor Jason Woibo

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution

That the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to sections 254J (3) (f) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to consider the Confidential Report by the Director Social Services on data in relation to the Aged Care Centre operations for the month of August 2023.

CARRIED

Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution

That the meeting be re-opened to the public.

CARRIED

10.1 Aged Care Centre Operations

Moved by Mayor Jason Woibo

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution

That the Confidential Social Services Director's Report for the month of August 2023 on data in relation to the Aged Care Centre operations be noted.

CARRIED

11 NEXT MEETING

The next Council Meeting will be held in Hope Vale on Wednesday 25 October 2023.

12 MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.21 pm.



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Mayor Cr Jason Woibo



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Steve Linnane
Chief Executive Officer