

COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting 16 July 2025



Item 1: Meetings Attended

- Mayor, Councillors, and CEO attended a Councillors Discussion Forum in Hope Vale on 17 June 2025
- Mayor, Councillors, and CEO met with Kevin Russell, Chair of nbn, Kylie Lindsay, Head of QLD, nbn, and Che Cockatoo-Collins, Executive Manager of First Nations Affairs, nbn in Hope Vale on 17 June 2025 for discussions on the nbn Community Wifi Mesh.
- Mayor, Councillors, and CEO met with Kelly Reaston from the UpNorth Group in Hope Vale on 17 June 2025 for a workshop on Council's Corporate Plan.
- Mayor, Councillors, and CEO met with Kim Fomiatti -Customer Service Manager -Tenancy, Kareena Nealon -Senior Customer Service Manager -Tenancy and Penny Guthrie – A/Manager – Tenancy (attended online via teams) from the Department of Housing and Public Works, in Hope Vale on 17 June 2025 for discussions on social housing tenancy issues.
- Mayor, Councillors, and CEO met with Acting OIC Hope Vale Police Station, Sgt Sara Peebles and other QPS officers in Hope Vale on 17 June 2025 for discussions on juvenile crime in Hope Vale
- Mayor, Councillors and CEO attended the Council Meeting held in Hope Vale on 18 June 2025.
- Mayor, Councillors and CEO undertook an interview with an applicant for the Hope Vale CEO position, in Hope Vale on 23 June 2025
- Mayor, Councillors and CEO attended the Special Council Meeting held in Hope Vale on 30 June 2025.
- Mayor and CEO met with representatives from Regional Development Australia (Tropical North) in Hope Vale on 30 June 2025.
- CEO attended and chaired the Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council Technical Working Group Meeting held in Hope Vale on 1 July 2025.
- CEO met with Mike Winer from the Juunjuwarra Aboriginal Corporation in Hope Vale on 1 July 2025 for discussion on finalizing the License Agreement of the Red Shed.
- CEO met with Jacinta McKewen, Director, and Chantal Cora from First Nations Housing and Homelessness, Department of Housing and Public Works in Cairns on 3 July 2025 for discussions on the street numbering of social houses in Hope Vale.

- A number of other meetings were also held by the CEO in relation to various administration, organizational, staffing and tenure issues.

Recommendation:

That Council

- (a) receive the Chief Executive Officer's Report, and**
- (b) note the meetings attended by the Chief Executive Officer**

Item 2: DA2023-027 Hope Vale DA Social Housing 992SP312758 (Hope Valley Estate)

Council was made application for a 58-lot subdivision (Reconfiguration of Lot) and new road over part of Lot 992 on SP 312758. (as shown on the attached plans).

A report on the Development Application (Section 51 of the Planning Act 2016) for proposed reconfiguring a lot located at Hope Valley Estate, Hopevale is attached as Attachment 1 to this report.

Recommendation:

That Council –

- (a) notes that the Council is the Local Government Authority for the Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire area. As the Local Government Authority, Council as duly elected representatives of the community, through decision making has the responsibility of deciding what is in the best interest of the community, advancing a thriving community,**
 - (b) considers that approving (with conditions) the reconfiguring a lot at Millers Block is of benefit to and representative of the aspirations of the community.**
 - (c) as the Local Government Authority resolves to approve (subject to those conditions of approval nominated in Attachment 1 of the Chief Executive Officers report dated 11 July 2025) the Development Application lodged with Council for:**
 - i. Reconfiguring a Lot, staged development - 1 into 58 lots**
 - ii. New Roads.**
- on part of Lot 992SP312758 at Millers block, north-east of Hope Valley Estate, Hope Vale**

Item 3: Hope Vale Street Numbering

The Hope Vale local government area currently does not have a single endorsed street numbering system for the area. Formalising a street numbering system for Hope Vale will -

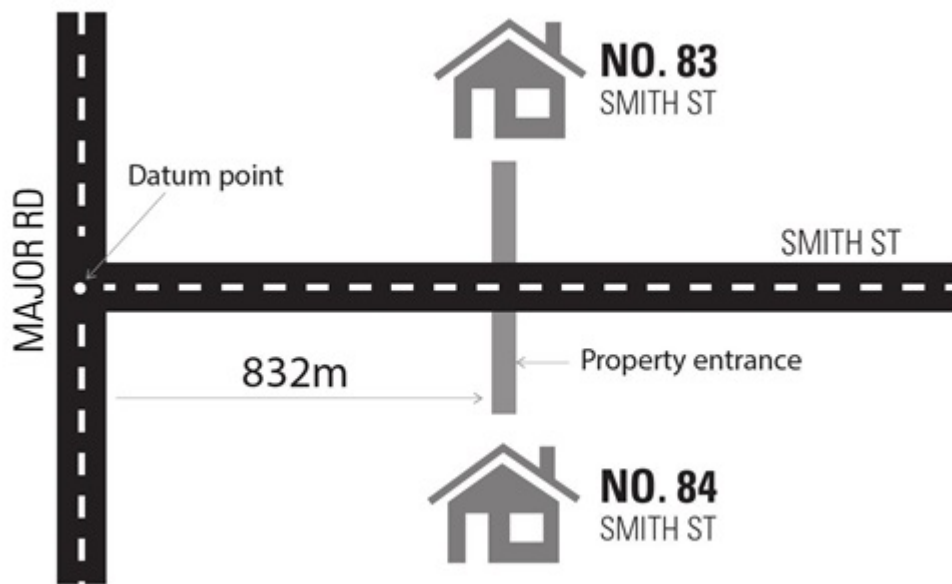
- Designate legal addresses to particular properties;
- Assist in emergency response and coordination;
- Improve way finding for visitors and tourists.

To date, significant work has been undertaken on this project.

The street numbering for the Town area and Millers Estate is considered satisfactory and is recommended for endorsement by Council. (Attachment 2)

However rural addressing is a bit more complicated. Rural addressing is a system of allocating a unique number to a rural property in accordance with Australian Standard (4819:2011 Rural and Urban Addressing).

The rural number is determined by measuring the distance (in metres) from the start of the road (datum point) to the property access and dividing it by ten. The number is then rounded to the nearest odd number on the left side of the road, or even number on the right side.



I understand that the street numbering for the rural area has been undertaken by Cardno on behalf of DATSIP in accordance with the Australian standards. However, I am currently unable to locate this mapping with DATSIP. Street numbering for rural areas, in accordance with the Australian Standards, is the best approach as it 'futureproofs' additional development and makes more sense for emergency services

However, DATSIP has mapped the addresses for the rural area using the numbers based on the social housing numbers, these are the numbers that these properties have been known as for a long time. (Attachment 3)

There are therefore 2 options that Council may wish to consider –

Option 1 - Adopt the street numbering for the Town area and Millers Estate and defer consideration of the rural addressing to a future meeting.

Option 2 - Adopt the street numbering for the Town area and Millers Estate, and adopt the current DATIP street numbering system for rural areas based on historical practice, for an interim period, until street numbering, in accordance Australian standards are finalized.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the adopt the street numbering for the Town area and Millers Estate as shown as Attachment 2 to the Chief Executive Officers report and defer consideration of the rural area addressing to a future meeting.

Item : CEO Verbal Briefing

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**Steve Linnane
Chief Executive Officer
11 July 2025**