

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting 17 March 2021



Item 1: Register of Lobbyists contacts

Council is in receipt of correspondence from the Queensland Integrity Commissioner which refers to the obligation on lobbyists to file their lobbying activity and requesting Council confirm, by 31 March 2021, that all lobbying activity with council, including Councillors, has been properly recorded by lobbyists on the register from 1 December 2019 to 30 November 2020.

I am unaware of any lobbyist activities in terms of Council's operations nor do I have any information about the lobbying of Councillors. I have viewed the lobbyists register and there is no reference to Hope Vale Council being registered.

If Councillors are aware of any lobbyist's activities, at any time in relation to Council matters, this must be reported as asap to ensure lobbyists meet their reporting obligations.

Recommendation:

That Council respond to the Integrity Commissioner and confirm we are not aware of any lobbyist activities that should have been filed in the Lobbyist Register.

Item 2: Council's 14 April 2021 Meeting date to be postponed until 21 April.

The Council's meeting day for its April Ordinary Meeting is currently scheduled for Wednesday 14 April, 2021. Due to other meetings being scheduled, in Cairns by FNQROC and TCICA on 12-14 April it is considered appropriate to postpone the April meeting for one week until Wednesday 21 April.

Recommendation:

That Council approve of the postponement of the April Ordinary Meeting until 21 April 2021 and this change be advertised as soon as possible to inform the public.

Item 3: Proposed Minor Councillor Portfolio Change

Recommendation:

That Council portfolio for 'Sport & Recreation' be moved to Cr Keithean Bowen and the portfolio of 'Church' be moved to Deputy Mayor Cr Bruce Woibo.

Item 4: Letter from Alliance of Guugu Yimithirr People (AGYP)

The Alliance has written to Council on 8 March (see attachment 1) outlining their planning and progress. They have specifically asked for Council to consider auspicing local backbone officers, and an opportunity to address Council regularly at Council's Monthly meetings.

Recommendation:

That Council consider the requests made by the Alliance of Guugu Yimithirr People .

Item 5: Alcohol Management Plan (AMP) and Community Safety Plan (CSP) Review

As Council is aware the AMP and CSP review has been conducted over several months, starting in September 2020. Consultation was underpinned by the Qld governments new approach to alcohol management priorities. Recommendations from the review have been linked to Council's Strategic Plans and one of the key outcomes is that Council will work with a range of stakeholders to deliver the CSP recommendations and address community concerns. (See attachment 2 -HVASC "Community Safety Plan 2021 and Beyond").

Recommendation:

That Council endorse the Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council "Community Safety Plan 2021 and Beyond" which sets out Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council's pathway forward in ensuring the residents of our Community are safe, happy and are receiving the best possible culturally appropriate and place-based services. Secondly, that this Plan be forwarded to the State Government for implementation as Council's response to the Governments new approach to alcohol management priorities.

Mark Kelleher

Chief Executive Officer -12 March 2021