



Burdekin Shire Council

MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

**HELD AT COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
145 YOUNG STREET, AYR**

on 13 July 2021

COMMENCING AT 9:00AM



Burdekin Shire Council

TUESDAY 13 JULY 2021

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ATTENDANCE

Councillors L.A. McLaughlin (Mayor), S.P. Perry (Deputy Mayor), K.D. Boccalatte, J.T. Bonanno, M.J. Detenon, J.A.G. Furnell and M. Musumeci

Mr. T. Brennan – Chief Executive Officer
Mr. N. O'Connor – Director Corporate and Community Services
Mr. N. Wellwood – Director of Infrastructure, Planning and Environmental Services
Mrs. K. Olsen – Manager Financial and Administrative Services (Part)
Mr. D. Mulcahy – Manager Environmental and Health Services (Part)
Mr. S. Great – Manager Planning and Development (Part)
Mrs. A. Dale – Administration and Records Coordinator (Part)
Ms. M. Bradford – Planning Assistant (Part)
Ms. P. Prayaga – Coordinator Public Health and Environment (Part)
Mrs. R. Stockdale – Senior Governance Officer (Part)

Minutes Clerk – Miss. M. Price-Wilson

1 PRAYER

The meeting prayer was delivered by Father Sibichan Kaippanlackal of the Catholic Church.

9.08am Mrs. Dale entered the meeting.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Mayor called for declarations of interest.

Councillor Boccalatte advised she had a Declarable Conflict of Interest in relation to Item 5.4.3 - Shane Rodney Johnson and Catherine Mary Johnson Transfer to James William Kelly and Annette Marie Kelly - Trustee Lease 'C' and 'D' on Part of Lot 141 on Crown Plan GS808420 as the Transferee applicants are related to her husband and are the farm's harvesting contractor. Councillor Boccalatte advised of her intention to leave the meeting during this discussion.

3 MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes - 22 June 2021

Recommendation

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 22 June 2021 be received as a true and correct record.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Furnell, seconded Councillor Detenon that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

3.2 Audit Committee Meeting Minutes - 16 June 2021

Summary of recommendations and actions for consideration and adoption:

Item 4.1 – Final Infrastructure Valuation Methodology Report

That the Committee note the final Internal Valuation Report 2020-2021.

Item 6.1 – Internal Audit Activity Report

That the Committee note the Internal Audit Activity Report.

Item 6 – Internal Audit

That the Committee note the Rates and Charges Revenue Management audit report and Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Planning audit report.

Item 7.1 – Long Term Financial Strategy

That the Committee note the Long Term Financial Strategy.

Item 7.2 – Review of Policies

That the Committee note the Council Policy Update.

Item 8.1 – Chairman's Annual Report

That the Committee endorse the Audit Committee Chairperson's 2020/2021 Annual Report to be presented to Council.

Item 9.1 – QAO Briefing for Audit Committee Chairs – 6 May 2021

That the Committee note the QAO Briefing for Audit Committee Chairs.

Recommendation

That:

1. the minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held on 16 June 2021 be noted, and;
2. the recommendations as detailed in the minutes and summarised in 4.1 to 9.1 above be adopted.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Perry, seconded Councillor Detenon that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

3.3 Burdekin Shire Youth Council Meeting Minutes - 21 June 2021

Summary of recommendations and actions for consideration and adoption:

Item 6 – Burdekin Library School Holiday Activities

That Council notes the participation of the Youth Council Members volunteering during the Burdekin Library School Holiday Program.

Item 10 – First Aid Training

That Council notes the interest of Burdekin Shire Youth Council members in completing first aid training, with costs and availability to be considered by Council following further information being obtained by Officers.

Recommendation

That:

1. the minutes of the Burdekin Shire Youth Council Meeting held on 21 June 2021 be noted, and;
2. the recommendations as detailed in the minutes and summarised above be adopted.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Furnell, seconded Councillor Boccalatte that the recommendation be adopted noting the incorrect spelling of Burdekin Christian College in the minutes.

CARRIED

3.4 Economic Development Advisory Group Meeting Minutes - 3 June 2021

Summary of recommendations and actions for consideration and adoption:

Item 1 – Ayr/Home Hill – Residential Suburbs of Townsville

Council investigates if Burdekin Shire is eligible for a subsidised bus service to Townsville.

Item 2 – Ayr/Home Hill – residential suburbs of Townsville

Council invites Member for Burdekin Dale Last to the next Economic Development Advisory Group meeting.

Recommendation

That:

1. the minutes of the Economic Development Advisory Group Meeting held on 3 June 2021 be noted, and;
2. the recommendations as detailed in the minutes and summarised in item 1 and 2 above be adopted.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Musumeci, seconded Councillor Boccalatte that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

4 EXECUTIVE

4.1 CEO

4.1.1 Appointment of Acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Executive Summary

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) will be taking a period of annual leave from 16 to 26 July 2021. During the absence of the CEO on leave the Council should appoint an Acting CEO. It is proposed that the Director Corporate and Community Services, Mr. Nick O'Connor, be appointed Acting CEO for this period.

Recommendation

That the Director Corporate and Community Services, Mr. Nick O'Connor, be appointed Acting CEO from 16 to 26 July 2021 during the absence of the CEO on annual leave.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Furnell, seconded Councillor Detenon that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

4.1.2 Council Workshops - June 2021

Executive Summary

The Council conducted two (2) Workshops during the past month on 1 and 15 June 2021, with a range of policy and operational issues discussed by Councillors and staff.

A brief summary of the items discussed at the Workshops is outlined in the report.

Recommendation

That the report on the Council Workshops held on 1 and 15 June 2021 be received and noted.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Bonanno, seconded Councillor Perry that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

4.1.3 Council Attendance at the Local Government Association of Queensland Annual Conference - 25 to 27 October 2021 - Mackay

Executive Summary

The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) Annual Conference is being held in Mackay from 25 to 27 October 2021.

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval for the Mayor and two (2) Councillors to attend the LGAQ Annual Conference.

Recommendation

That Council endorse the Mayor, Councillor Lyn McLaughlin and two (2) Councillors to attend the Local Government Association of Queensland Annual Conference in Mackay from 25 to 27 October 2021, with all expenses of attendance at the Conference be met by Council.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Perry, seconded Councillor Boccalatte that the recommendation be adopted noting the following amendments:

That Council endorse the Mayor, Councillor Lyn McLaughlin, Councillor John Bonanno and Councillor John Furnell to attend the Local Government Association of Queensland Annual Conference in Mackay from 25 to 27 October 2021, with all expenses of attendance at the Conference be met by Council.

CARRIED

4.1.4 Delegations of Power to the Chief Executive Officer

Executive Summary

Council has many powers and duties which are governed by legislation, however, in the interest of efficiency, these decision-making powers and duties can be delegated by Council to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). In turn, the CEO may further sub-delegate certain powers to specified staff in the organisation as considered appropriate.

Delegation and sub-delegation processes ensure that employees are provided with the legal authority to undertake various duties and exercise powers in accordance with legislation. They promote accountability and are considered a proactive risk management tool.

The *Local Government Act 2009* (the Act) requires Councils to review delegations to the CEO annually. Through King and Company Solicitors, the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) has developed a complete list of all delegations under State legislation which can be delegated to local government CEO's.

LGAQ has recently provided an update to the Delegations Register Service with details of new registers, which include the *Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020* and *Land Regulation 2020*. Approval is sought by Council to delegate all powers to the Chief Executive Officer, and include these new registers in Council's 'Register of Delegations - Council to CEO' (attached).

Recommendation

That, pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, all powers under the *Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020* and *Land Regulation 2020*, are delegated by Council to the Chief Executive Officer, and included in the 'Register of Delegations - Council to CEO' (attached).

Resolution

Moved Councillor Furnell, seconded Councillor Musumeci that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

4.2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**5 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES****5.1 CLIENT SERVICES****5.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT****5.3 FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES****5.3.1 Corporate Purchase Card Policy****Executive Summary**

The Corporate Purchase Card Policy was developed to establish a criteria for issuing Corporate Purchase Cards and to define responsibilities for cardholders.

Cards will not be issued to contractors, temporary employees, or elected members other than the Mayor.

Recommendation

That Council adopts the attached Corporate Purchase Card Policy.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Detenon, seconded Councillor Musumeci that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

9.32am Mrs. Stockdale entered the meeting.

5.3.2 TBSC/21/006 - Cleaning Services for Council Buildings - Council Chambers, Jones Street Depot and Burdekin Libraries - Ayr and Home Hill

Executive Summary

The *Local Government Regulation Queensland 2012* requires Council to invite written tenders for large-sized contractual arrangements for goods and services purchased from a supplier that is expected to exceed \$200,000.00 excluding GST per financial year. The purchase of Cleaning Services as a combined contract for Council Chambers, Jones Street Depot and Burdekin Libraries – Ayr and Home Hill fell within this category.

Tenders were called for TBSC/21/006 - Cleaning Services for Council Buildings – Council Chambers, Jones Street Depot and Burdekin Libraries – Ayr and Home Hill closing on Thursday, 27 May 2021. Following assessment of the evaluation criteria of the seven tenders received, the recommendation is to accept three separate tenders, one supplier dedicated to each site. The tender documentation allows Council to accept a Tender in part or in whole.

Recommendation

That Council awards Contract TBSC/21/006 - Cleaning Services for Council Buildings – Council Chambers, Jones Street Depot and Burdekin Libraries – Ayr and Home Hill for a 24 month term to the following;

1. Council Chambers be awarded to ELA Cleaning Professionals for a contract price of \$189,288.00 (including GST); and
2. Jones Street Depot be awarded to CMBM Facility Services for a contract price of \$27,476.92 (including GST); and
3. Burdekin Libraries – Ayr and Home Hill be awarded to Command51 Pty Ltd for a contract price of \$56,831.50 (including GST).

Resolution

Moved Councillor Perry, seconded Councillor Boccalatte that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

9.37am Mr. Wellwood left the meeting.

9.39am Mrs. Dale left the meeting.

5.3.3 Repealing of COVID-19 Rates and Charges Financial Assistance Policy

Executive Summary

Council adopted the COVID-19 Rates and Charges Financial Assistance Policy in 2020 to assist ratepayers and Not-for-Profit Community and Sporting Organisations experiencing temporary financial hardship due to the impacts of COVID-19, specifically, the impacts of public health measures that were implemented and resulted in temporary reduction in business activity and/or temporary unemployment.

As these public health measures and COVID-19 financial impacts are no longer applicable to ratepayers of the Burdekin, Council's COVID-19 Rates and Charges Financial Assistance Policy is no longer relevant.

Recommendation

That Council repeals the COVID-19 Rates and Charges Financial Assistance Policy.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Detenon, seconded Councillor Perry that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

9.40am Mr. Wellwood returned to the meeting.

5.4 GOVERNANCE

9.43am Mrs. Olsen left the meeting.

5.4.1 Audit Committee Chairperson's 2020/2021 Annual Report**Executive Summary**

Council's Audit Committee ('the Committee') has been established in accordance with requirements of the *Local Government Act 2009*. The Committee operates independently of management and plays a key role in assisting Council discharge its responsibilities for the efficient, effective, economical, and ethical use of ratepayer's resources. The Committee does this by providing independent oversight and assurance of Council's governance and internal control frameworks, financial reporting, and compliance with relevant legislation.

In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Committee is to examine the internal audit plan, reports of internal audit activity, a draft of the financial statements before being provided to the Auditor-General, and the Auditor-General's audit report and observation report of the financial statements.

The Committee meets in accordance with an adopted meeting schedule and provides prompt and constructive reports directly to Council via the provision of meeting minutes. In addition, the Independent Chairperson, Mr. Ian Jessup, is required to provide an annual report to Council on the performance of the Audit Committee.

Recommendation

That Council notes the attached Audit Committee Chairperson's 2020/2021 Annual Report.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Detenon, seconded Councillor Perry that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

9.49am Mr. Mulcahy entered the meeting.

5.4.2 Internal Audit Services Three-Year Contract

Executive Summary

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* and *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council has established an internal audit function. The internal audit function is responsible for preparing an internal audit plan, carrying out internal audits and reporting to Council's Audit Committee on the progress towards completing the internal audit plan and the outcomes of each internal audit. Since 2018, Council has used a contract auditor to deliver internal audit services. A request for quotation was published via Vendor Panel in May 2021. Quotations have been received from five (5) suppliers. An overview of the evaluation of the quotations is below.

Recommendation

That Council awards the contract to BDO (NTH QLD) for \$146,300.00 to deliver internal audit services for a three-year period from 2021-2024.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Musumeci, seconded Councillor Perry that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

9.56am Mrs. Stockdale left the meeting.

5.4.3 Shane Rodney Johnson and Catherine Mary Johnson Transfer to James William Kelly and Annette Marie Kelly - Trustee Lease 'C' and 'D' on Part of Lot 141 on Crown Plan GS808420

9.57am Councillor Boccalatte left the meeting at the commencement of this discussion as she had a Declarable Conflict of Interest in relation to Item 5.4.3 - Shane Rodney Johnson and Catherine Mary Johnson Transfer to James William Kelly and Annette Marie Kelly - Trustee Lease 'C' and 'D' on Part of Lot 141 on Crown Plan GS808420 as the Transferee applicants are related to her husband and are the farm's harvesting contractor.

Executive Summary

Council approval is requested to consent to the Transfer of the following Trustee Lease:

Trustee:	Burdekin Shire Council
Lessee:	Shane Rodney Johnson and Catherine Mary Johnson
Interest:	Reserve
Leased Area:	Lease 'C' and 'D' on Part of Lot 141 on Crown Plan GS808420 (about 3.371 hectares)
Commencement:	17 May 2019
Expiry:	16 May 2024
Rent:	\$287.00 including GST per annum (yearly CPI review)

Recommendation

That Council agree to the Lessee (Shane Rodney Johnson and Catherine Mary Johnson) transferring the Trustee Lease over the leased premises described as Lease 'C' and 'D' on part of Lot 141 on Crown Plan GS808420 to James William Kelly and Annette Marie Kelly.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Musumeci, seconded Councillor Detenon that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

9.58am Councillor Boccalatte returned to the meeting.

10.02am Mr. Great entered the meeting.

10.03am Ms. Bradford entered the meeting.

6 INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

6.1 ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

6.1.1 Options for Clare Transfer Station

Executive Summary

The operation of the Clare Transfer Station has had a varied history in respect of its hours of operation and whether it has been manned or not. The facility currently provides for domestic or household waste only and not commercial quantities of waste which should be disposed of at the other manned Transfer Stations or Landfill.

Since 2018 the facility has been operating on an unmanned basis and permanently open. Issues with waste disposal where signage and rules were not being followed have occurred, which require Council staff and contractors to remedy. In addition, Council is unaware if commercial sources of waste have been deposited at the facility.

In April 2021 recently installed trail cameras were stolen from the site. The Council temporarily closed the site and advised the community that the site would reopen once the cameras were returned, the perpetrators prosecuted and users understood the importance of sorting and disposing of waste correctly.

This report addresses the above issues and provides a recommendation on the future operation of the Clare Transfer Station.

Recommendation

That Council open the Clare Transfer Station in a manned capacity for three (3) hours per week (being Sundays 10.00am to 1.00pm) for a trial period of six (6) months following the installation of the security camera with Council to review the operation of the facility after the trial period.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Furnell, seconded Councillor Musumeci that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

6.2 OPERATIONS

6.3 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

6.3.1 Development Application Material Change of Use for an Undefined Use (Function Facility and Event Hire) at 62 Wilmington Street, Ayr (Lot 1 on RP709667)

Executive Summary

Council has received a Development Application from Brazier Motti Pty Ltd on behalf of their client Giustina Maria Wilson seeking a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for an Undefined Use (Function Facility and Event Hire) at 62 Wilmington Street, Ayr (Lot 1 on RP709667).

The proposal is for an undefined use so has triggered the need for an 'Impact Assessable' Development Application in accordance with the provisions of the Burdekin Shire Council's IPA Planning Scheme (the scheme).

Recommendation

That Council approves the Development Application for a Material Change of Use for an Undefined Use (Function Facility and Event Hire) at 62 Wilmington Street, Ayr (Lot 1 on RP709667) subject to the following conditions:

General

- 1.1 The development and conduct of the approved use of the premises, the carrying out and maintenance of any works on the premises and construction and maintenance of any building on the premises must be generally in accordance with the applications supporting material including all drawings/documents, except where modified by the conditions of this Development Permit and any approval issued there under.
- 1.2 Where a discrepancy or conflict exists between the written condition(s) of the approval and the approved plans, the requirements of the written condition(s) will prevail.
- 1.3 The proposed development must comply with all Planning Scheme requirements as applying at the date of this approval, except as otherwise specified by any condition.
- 1.4 The number of events in the outdoor function space will be limited to a maximum of 12 in any given calendar year.
- 1.5 Unless otherwise agreed in writing by Council, the maximum number of patrons allowed at the premises at any given time must not exceed fifty (50).

Compliance with conditions

2. The proposed development must comply with all conditions of this development permit prior to the commencement of the use.

Outstanding charges

3. All rates and charges (including regulated infrastructure charges), in arrears in respect of the land, subject of the application, are paid in full prior to the commencement of the proposed use.

Notice of Intention to commence the use

4. Prior to the commencement of the use on the site, written notice must be given to Council that the use (development and/or works) fully complies with the decision notice issued in respect of the use.

Public Utility Services/Damage

- 5.1 The developer must at its own cost undertake all necessary alterations to public utility mains and services as are rendered necessary by the carrying out of any required external works or other works associated with the approved development.
- 5.2 Any damage which is caused to Council's infrastructure as a result of the proposed development must be repaired immediately.

Building

- 6.1 A development permit for Building Works is to be obtained before any triggered assessable building works are carried out on the premises.
- 6.2 Provide evidence that the existing building has had a change of classification to a 6 – Shop/dining room, finalised prior to the use commencing.

Access and Carparking

7. Parking space and layout must be maintained in accordance with the provisions contained in the supporting material included in the plans submitted with the application.

Amenity - Lighting

8. Any night and outdoor lighting must be designed, conducted, and operated in accordance with 'AS 4282 – Control of the Obtrusive Effects of Outdoor Lighting'.

Amenity – Noise

- 9.1 Unless otherwise agreed in writing by Council, any noise sources (music) associated with the use must cease operation by 10pm
- 9.2 Unless otherwise agreed in writing by Council, all activities associated with the approved use must cease at 12 midnight for any given event occurring on Friday or Saturday night and 9pm on all other nights of the week.
- 9.3 The operator of the Facility must keep a Complaints Register on the premises at all times, for the inspection by an authorised office of Council identifying:
 - The time, date and detail of any complaint made to the operator relating to the use and occupation of the facility; and
 - Any action or response taken by the operator to rectify or reasonably deal with the complaint.

Amenity – Screen Fencing

10. The existing 1.8m high screen fence must be maintained along the property boundaries. Any changes to the type and design of the existing fence must be submitted and approved by the Chief Executive Officer prior to any new screen fence being constructed.

Drainage

- 11.1 Stormwater drainage from any new paved/sealed areas must be discharged under the footpath to kerb and channelling within the adjoining road reserves in accordance with AS3500.2.2003 or as otherwise required or agreed to in writing by the Chief Executive Officer.
- 11.2 The approved development and use(s) must not interfere with the natural flow of stormwater in the locality in such a manner as to cause ponding or concentration of stormwater on adjoining land or roads.
- 11.3 Any external catchments discharging to the premises must be accepted and accommodated within the development's stormwater drainage system.

Environment and Health

- 12.1 No release of contaminants, including, but not limited to dust, fumes, odour or aerosols or emission of noise is to cause or be likely to cause an environmental nuisance beyond the boundaries of the premises to which this development permit relates.
- 12.2 Lighting used to illuminate any areas of the premises shall be angled or shaded so that the light issuing there from does not directly illuminate any nearby premises or roadways in such a manner as to constitute an environmental nuisance.
Placement of the lights should not be near any sensitive areas, reflective surfaces and kept below 70 degrees from Horizontal

When investigating light nuisance Council will consider:

- the amount of light being emitted;
 - the duration and rate of emissions;
 - the characteristics and qualities of the light;
 - the sensitivity of the environment;
 - the impact that the light has had or may have; and
 - the impact on any other neighbours or complainants.
- 12.3 Upon receipt of a complaint regarding the emission of dust, odour or other air or noise emission, the operator must within a reasonable period of time:
- take any actions necessary to resolve the complaint, and
 - implement abatement measures to minimise the emissions from the site.
- 12.4 The activities subject to this development approval must be conducted in a manner to ensure that no noise deemed unreasonable by an authorised person and caused by the activity can be detected beyond the boundary of the site to which this development permit relates.
The emission of noise from the development must not result in levels greater than those specified in Table 1.

Table 1: Noise Limits (dBA)

Sensitive receptor	Time of day	Acoustic quality objectives (measured at the receptor) dB(A)			Environmental value
		L _{Aeq,adj,1hr}	L _{A10,adj,1hr}	L _{A1,adj,1hr}	
Residence (for outdoor)	daytime and evening	50	55	65	Health and wellbeing
Residence(for indoors)	daytime and evening	35	40	45	Health and wellbeing
	night-time	30	35	40	Health and wellbeing

daytime means the period after 7a.m. on a day to 6p.m. on the day.

evening means the period after 6p.m. on a day to 10p.m. on the day.

night-time means the period after 10p.m. on a day to 7a.m. on the next day

12.5 All solid wastes or other materials likely to produce contaminants shall be stored in bins with lids in place to prevent the ingress of stormwater.

12.6 There shall be no release of litter or contaminants from the site to any roadside, drain or waters.

12.7 All waste generated in carrying out the activity must be lawfully reused, recycled, or removed to a facility that can lawfully accept the waste.

Advice Only;

- *Waste and recycling services must be provided in accordance with Council's Waste Management Policy.*
- *A food licence must be acquired if food is to be handled on site unless operated by persons holding a food safety program.*
- *Kitchen facilities must comply with the Food Safety Standards if food is to be handled on site*
- *Based on the information supplied in the application, trade waste licenses are not required. However, if kitchen practices change you must inform Council and trade waste licenses may apply.*

Resolution

Moved Councillor Musumeci, seconded Councillor Furnell that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

10.20am Mr. Great and Ms. Bradford left the meeting.

6.4 TECHNICAL SERVICES

7 NOTICE OF MOTION

7.1 Appointment of Representatives to Advisory Groups

Background Information

The Council has recently undertaken a review of its representatives on the two advisory groups that it has established following the appointment of community representatives to the Community and Cultural Development Advisory Group. The below resolution confirms the appointment of two councillors as representatives to each advisory group, along with the appointment of another councillor as an alternative representative if one of the appointed councillors is unavailable.

Recommendation

That:

1. Councillor Michael Detenon, along with Councillor Max Musumeci be appointed as Council's representatives on the Burdekin Economic Development Advisory Group and Councillor Kaylee Boccalatte be appointed as Council's alternate representative.
2. Councillor John Bonanno be appointed as Council's alternate representative on the Community and Cultural Development Advisory Group should Council's appointed representatives, Councillor Sue Perry and Councillor John Furnell, not be available.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Perry, seconded Councillor Boccalatte that the recommendation be adopted noting the following amendment to dot point two:

1. Councillor Michael Detenon, along with Councillor Max Musumeci be appointed as Council's representatives on the Burdekin Economic Development Advisory Group and Councillor Kaylee Boccalatte be appointed as Council's alternate representative.
2. Councillor John Bonanno be appointed as Council's alternate representative on the Community and Cultural Development Advisory Group noting Council's appointed representatives are Councillor Sue Perry and Councillor John Furnell.

CARRIED

8 RECEIPT OF PETITIONS

9 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

10 GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 Siam Weed Motion

Resolution

Moved Councillor Detenon, seconded Councillor Furnell that in relation to the emergent need to take action in respect of the recent identification of Siam weed infestation in the Haughton River, the Council approve the action of the Mayor in approving expenditure to treat and reduce the infestation on the following grounds:

- Siam weed is a category 3 restricted invasive plant under the Biosecurity Act 2014 and is listed as 'High – 19 Containment' in the Burdekin Shire Biosecurity Plan 2020-25.
- Siam weed is considered one of the world's most invasive weeds and provides a major threat to the grazing industry and agricultural production systems.
- Siam weed flowers from May to July and expert advice is to treat the weed immediately.
- The expenditure can be funded from the Council Environmental Levy.

CARRIED

11 CLOSED BUSINESS ITEMS

12 DELEGATIONS

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.55am.

These minutes were confirmed by Council at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 July 2021.

MAYOR

