



# Burdekin Shire Council

## **MINUTES**

## **ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

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

**on 13 May 2025**

**COMMENCING AT 9:00 AM**

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## **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

### **ATTENDANCE**

Councillor Michael Detenon, Councillor John Furnell, Councillor Amanda Hall, Councillor Max Musumeci, Councillor Callan Oar

Mr. M. Magin - Chief Executive Officer

Mrs. K. Olsen – Director Corporate and Community Services

Mr. J. Stewart - Director Infrastructure, Planning and Environmental Services

Mr. G. Arboit - Manager Community Services (Part)

Mr. K. Byers - Manager Technical Services (Part)

Mrs. R. Stockdale - Senior Governance Officer (Part)

Apologies: Councillor Pierina Dalle Cort - Approved Leave of Absence  
Councillor Fina Vasta - Approved Leave of Absence

Minutes Clerk - Miss K. Backman

### **2. PRAYER**

The meeting prayer was delivered by Pastor Peter Holmes of the Burdekin Community Church.

*9.06am - Councillor Hall entered the meeting.*

*9.07am - Mrs. Stockdale entered the meeting.*

### **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Deputy Chair called for declarations of interest.

Councillor Musumeci advised that he had a Declarable Conflict of Interest in relation to Item 4.2 Community Grants Panel Meeting Minutes - Round 4 - 29 April 2025 as his father Mr. Alfio Musumeci is the President of the Rotary Club of Home Hill. Councillor Musumeci advised of his intention to leave the meeting during this discussion.

### **4. MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING**

#### **4.1. Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes - 22 April 2025**

##### **Recommendation**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 22 April 2025 be received as a true and correct record.

##### **Resolution**

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

CARRIED

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## 4.2. Community Grants Panel Meeting Minutes - Round 4 - 29 April 2025

### Executive Summary

This report provides the minutes of the Community Grants Panel Meeting held on 29 April 2025.

### Recommendation

#### Item 1 – Consideration of Grants Applications Round 4 – 2024/2025 Financial Year

No.	Applicant	Recommended Cash Funding	Recommended In-kind Support
1.1	Burdekin Netball Association	\$3,000.00	\$1,032.00
1.2	Burdekin Road Runners & Walkers Club Inc	\$1,000.00	\$1,850.00
1.3	Burdekin Potters Inc	\$1,500.00	\$10.00
1.4	Burdekin Touch Association	\$1,000.00	\$265.00
1.5	Burdekin Machinery Preservationists	\$1,500.00	\$955.00
1.6	Rotary Club of Ayr	\$1,500.00	
1.7	Burdekin Artisan Community Assoc Inc	\$1,500.00	
1.8	Flexi QLD	\$500.00	
1.9	Rotary Club of Home Hill		\$630.00
1.10	Burdekin Clay Target Club		\$400.00
1.11	Burdekin Brass Band	\$3,000.00	
1.12	Burdekin Junior Eisteddfod	\$3,000.00	
1.13	Ayr Pastoral Agricultural & Industrial Assoc. Inc		\$5,300.00

That:

1. the minutes of the Community Grants Panel Meeting held on 29 April 2025 be noted; and
  2. the recommended funding as detailed in the minutes and noted in Items 1.1 - 1.13 be adopted; and
  3. it be noted that the remaining cash funds for the 2024/2025 Financial Year after the allocation from Round 4 will be \$7,500.00; and
  4. the remaining \$7,500.00 be constrained for the 2025/26 Community Grants budget, noting the ongoing increase in applications and promotion of the Community Grants Program.
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## **Resolution**

Moved Councillor Hall, seconded Councillor Detenon that the recommendation be adopted noting the following amendments:

- Item 1.7 Burdekin Artisan Community Assoc Inc. Recommended Cash Funding to be amended from \$1500.00 to \$1000.00.
- Recommendation 2. to read the recommended funding as detailed in the minutes and noted in Items 1.1 - 1.8 and 1.10 - 1.13 be adopted.
- Recommendation 4 not adopted.

CARRIED

*9.24am - Councillor Musumeci left the meeting at the commencement of this discussion as he had a Declarable Conflict of Interest in relation to Item 1.9 Rotary Club of Home Hill of 4.2 Community Grants Panel Meeting Minutes - Round 4 - 29 April 2025 as his father Mr. Alfio Musumeci is the President of the Rotary Club of Home Hill.*

## **Resolution**

Moved Councillor Detenon, seconded Councillor Hall that Councillor Furnell assumes Chair for Item 1.9 Rotary Club of Home Hill due to Conflict of Interest declared by Councillor Musumeci.

CARRIED

## **Resolution**

Moved Councillor Detenon, seconded Councillor Oar that the recommended funding as detailed in the minutes and noted in 1.9 be adopted.

CARRIED

*9.27am - Councillor Musumeci re-entered the meeting and resumed Chair.*

## **5. EXECUTIVE**

### **5.1. CEO**

#### **5.1.1. Council Workshop - April 2025**

##### **Executive Summary**

In line with agreed arrangements for Council meetings and workshops, two (2) general workshops were conducted during April on 1 and 15 April 2025.

A range of policy and operational issues were discussed with Councillors and staff at the workshop. A summary of the items discussed is outlined in the report.

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## **Recommendation**

That the report on the Council Workshops held on 1 and 15 April 2025 be received and noted.

## **Resolution**

Moved Councillor Oar, seconded Councillor Hall that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

## **5.2. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

## **6. CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

### **6.1. CLIENT SERVICES**

### **6.2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

#### **6.2.1. Library Collection Development Policy**

##### **Executive Summary**

The Library Collection Development Policy provides a framework for the acquisition and maintenance of the Library collection. A review of the Policy was recently undertaken, and a minor grammatical change is recommended.

## **Recommendation**

That Council adopts the Library Collection Development Policy as attached.

## **Resolution**

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

CARRIED

*9.30am - Mr. Arboit left the meeting.*

## **6.3. FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

## **6.4. GOVERNANCE**

### **6.4.1. Operational Plan 2024/2025 Q3 Report**

#### **Executive Summary**

Council's annual operational plan sets out the targeted activities to be completed to achieve the strategic objectives of the five-year Corporate Plan. Activities within the Operational Plan must be implemented in line with the adopted budget. The Chief Executive Officer

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(CEO) is required to provide a written report each quarter on the implementation of the Operational Plan. Council has a total of 174 agreed activities detailed in the Operational plan for 2024/2025. A traffic light system is used to provide an "at a glance" overview of progress and status for each activity.

Management have also provided explanatory comments to give context and supporting evidence for the traffic light selection for each activity. At the end of the third quarter period (1 January - 31 March 2025) 140 activities (80%) were considered to be at or above target, 26 activities (15%) were considered to be "progressing" (yellow traffic light), four (4) activities (2.5%) were considered to be "under target" (red traffic light) and a further four (4) activities (2.5%) were inactive during the quarter.

The report attached to this report provides a comprehensive overview of the operational activities progressed during the Q3 period.

### **Recommendation**

That Council adopts the Operational Plan 2024/2025 Q3 report as attached to this report.

### **Resolution**

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

CARRIED

## **7. INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

### **7.1. ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**

### **7.2. OPERATIONS**

### **7.3. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

#### **7.3.1. Home Hill Industrial Estate Master Plan**

##### **Executive Summary**

The Home Hill Industrial Estate Master Plan proposes the strategic development of 100 hectares of industrial land across the northern and southern precincts of Home Hill. This plan aligns with Council's 2024/25 Operational Plan and responds to findings from the 2018 Burdekin Industrial Land Analysis. The Master Plan provides a structured approach to stimulate economic growth, diversify industrial activity, and improve the region's investment readiness while retaining flexibility for future land use based on market demand.

##### **Recommendation**

That Council endorse the desktop review of the Home Hill Industrial Estate Master Plan as described in this report and resolve to take no further action until demand increases for industrial land development in Home Hill.

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## **Resolution**

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

CARRIED

*9.32am - Mrs. Stockdale left the meeting.*

*9.32am - Mr. Byers entered the meeting.*

## **7.4. TECHNICAL SERVICES**

### **7.4.1. TBSC/25/004 - Supply and Delivery of Three Tipper Trucks**

#### **Executive Summary**

This report to Council is with regards to the procurement of three (3) tipper trucks under quotation TBSC/25/004. The purchase is expected to be above the \$200,000.00 threshold set by the *Local Government Regulation Queensland 2012*.

#### **Recommendation**

That Council award TBSC/25/004 Supply and delivery of three (3) Tipper Trucks and is pursuant to Local Buy Contract NPN1.23 Trucks, Buses, Specialised Trucks and Bodies, to Prequalified Supplier, AP Townsville Pty Ltd (Isuzu Trucks Townsville) for the total value \$332,098.75 excluding GST, being for:

- Truck 1 - Isuzu NQR 88-190 for \$139,750.51 excluding GST; and
- Truck 2 - Isuzu NQR 88-190 for \$115,860.51 excluding GST; and
- Truck 3 - Isuzu NQR 45/55-155 for \$76,487.73 excluding GST excluding GST.

Delegates authority under s257(1)b of the *Local Government Act 2009* to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters related to the execution of Contract TBSC/25/004 – Supply and delivery of three (3) Trucks Tipper Trucks (approximately 4.5t and 8.5t GVM).

## **Resolution**

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

CARRIED

*9.39am - Mr. Byers left the meeting.*

## **7.5. WATER AND WASTEWATER**

## **8. NOTICE OF MOTION**

## **9. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS**

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## **10. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**

### **10.1. 2026 Land Valuation Program - Burdekin Consultation.**

A letter was received from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development seeking Council's view in relation to the revaluation of the Local Government area. Mr. Magin recommended Council respond in support of a valuation being undertaken for the Burdekin Shire. Councillors were in agreement with this recommendation.

### **10.2. Youth Justice Monitoring Devices Amendment Bill 2025.**

Council received a letter of response from the Hon. Laura Gerber MP declining Council's submission to extend the Electronic Monitoring in the Youth Justice System initiative to the Burdekin Shire. Mr. Magin recommended that Council seek a delegation at the upcoming Community Cabinet in Townsville to meet with the Minister. Councillors were in agreement with this recommendation.

### **10.3. Domestic and Family Violence Protection and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025.**

Council received a letter regarding Call for Submissions for the Domestic and Family Violence Protection and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025. Mr. Magin recommended a letter of support from Council for the local organisations lodging a submission. Councillors were in agreement with this recommendation.

## **11. COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

## **12. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **12.1. Fundamentals of Directorship Training - Councillor Hall**

Councillor Hall recently completed the Fundamentals of Directorship Training Course in Brisbane for Lower Burdekin Water and reported it was beneficial training.

### **12.2. Correspondence for Information - Councillor Oar**

Councillor Oar commented on the volume of correspondence for information on the agenda and questioned if all correspondence of significance is being brought to Councillors attention. Councillor Oar raised concern when Council is sending a delegation to the Cabinet that it represents Council's point of view. Councillor Oar raised the Mayor's recent response to Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) supporting 24 hour operations and requested further information on this decision. Mr. Magin advised that further information will be provided at an upcoming Council Workshop.

### **12.3. Upcoming Events - Councillor Furnell**

Councillor Furnell mentioned the following recent and upcoming events:

- Sky Renewables
  - Ayr Surf Life Saving Club Presentation
  - Burdekin Junior Eisteddfod
  - Mother's Day Breakfast
  - Machinery Preservation
  - AI Workshop
  - Burdekin Grower's Race Day
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- Rotary Duck Race
  - Community Cabinet Meeting in Townsville

#### **12.4. Burdekin Fish Restocking - Councillor Detenon**

Councillor Detenon discussed that Burdekin Fish Restocking members successfully released just over 17,000 Barramundi fingerlings into the Burdekin Falls Dam. There are plans for two (2) more local releases, one (1) in September in the Haughton River, at Giru and another in October possibly Kalamia Lagoon.

#### **12.5. Social Media Post - Councillor Hall**

Councillor Hall mentioned a recent social media post congratulating Council on the upgrade to the Brandon Park and stated it was good to see some positive online feedback towards Council.

#### **12.6. Active Resources and Future Projects - James Stewart**

Mr. Stewart discussed that all resources are currently deployed out on the roads to tidy up from the recent flood events in February 2025. Final components of the Road Maintenance Performance Contract (RMPC) are in development and there is a workshop planned next Tuesday to take Council through the progress of this project.

Mr. Stewart discussed Mr. Jimmy Cornford's farewell and gave praise on his service to Council. Mr. Stewart provided an update on the Macroalgae Open Day planned for June 2025.

#### **12.7. Current and Future Events - Councillor Musumeci**

Councillor Musumeci discussed a recent compliment for Mr. Stewart and his team from the developer of Zarraffa's. Councillor Musumeci gave an update on the following recent and upcoming events:

- Sky Renewables Presentation
- The Today Show Broadcast at the Burdekin Theatre
- Burdekin Junior Eisteddfod
- Sweet FM Radio Interview
- Burdekin Grower's Race Day
- Rotary Duck Race

### **13. CLOSED BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **14. DELEGATION**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.59am.

**These minutes were confirmed by Council at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 May 2025.**

**MAYOR**

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