



Central Highlands Council

AGENDA – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 12 DECEMBER 2023

Minutes of the **Annual General Meeting** of Central Highlands Council held in the Bothwell Town Hall, **Bothwell** on **Tuesday 12 December 2023**, commencing at **8.45 am**.

1. OPENING – 8.56am

2. AUDIO RECORDING DISCLAIMER

As per Regulation 33 (2) (a) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, audio recordings of meetings will be made available to Councillors, staff and members of the wider community including Government Agencies at no charge and will be made available on Council's website as soon as practicable after each Council Meeting. Unlike Parliament, Council meetings are not subject to parliamentary privilege, and both Council and the individual may be liable for comments that may be regarded as offensive, derogatory and/or defamatory.

The Mayor advises the meeting and members of the public that Council Meetings, not including Closed Sessions, are audio recorded and published on Council's Website in accordance with Council's Policy 2017-50.

The Mayor also advises, that members of the public are not permitted to make audio recordings of Council Meetings without prior approval being granted.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

4. PRESENT

Mayor L Triffitt; Deputy Mayor J Allwright; Cr A Archer; Cr A Bailey; Cr J Hall; and Cr J Honner.

5. IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Kim Hossack (General Manager); and Mrs Janet Monks (Minute Secretary).



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6. PUBLIC ATTENDEES

Mr Steve Loring

7. APOLOGIES

Cr R Cassidy; Cr D Meacheam; and Cr Y Miller.

8. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

9. PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

In accordance with Regulation 8 (7) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the Chairperson requests Councillors to indicate whether they or a close associate have or are likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary or pecuniary detriment) or conflict of interest in any Item of the Agenda.

Nil

10. PERCEIVED INTEREST DECLARATIONS

Under the **Model Code of Conduct** made by Order of the Minister responsible for Local Government the following will apply to a Councillor –

PART 2 – Conflict of Interest that are not Pecuniary

- (6) A Councillor who has an actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest in a matter before the Council must –
- (a) Declare the conflict of interest and the nature of the interest before discussion on the matter begins; and
 - (b) Act in good faith and exercise reasonable judgement to determine whether a reasonable person would consider that the conflict of interest requires the Councillor to remove himself or herself physically from any Council discussion and remain out of the room until the matter is decided by the Council.

Nil

11. CONFIRMATION OF DRAFT MINUTES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 13 DECEMBER 2022

RESOLUTION: 01/12.2023/AGM



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Moved: Cr J Honner

Seconded: Cr J Hall

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 13 December 2022 be confirmed.

CARRIED

For the Motion

Mayor L Triffitt; Deputy Mayor J Allwright; Cr A Archer; Cr A Bailey; Cr J Hall; and Cr J Honner.

12. ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

The Central Highlands Council Annual Report for 2022-2023 was advertised in the Mercury Newspaper on 21 November 2023 and is now presented to Council and Electors. It has been prepared in accordance with Section 72 of the *Local Government Act 1993* which includes Financial Statements and Audit Opinion.

RESOLUTION: 02/12.2023/AGM

Moved: Cr J Honner

Seconded: Cr J Hall

THAT the Central Highlands Council Annual Report 2022-2023 be received.

CARRIED

For the Motion

Mayor L Triffitt; Deputy Mayor J Allwright; Cr A Archer; Cr A Bailey; Cr J Hall; and Cr J Honner.

11. SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED ON THE ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

No submissions were received.

12. OTHER BUSINESS

Any other business considered appropriate for the Annual General Meeting.

13. CLOSURE

Mayor Triffitt thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at **9.04am**.