SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES

LITCHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Special Meeting held in the Council Chambers, Litchfield on Tuesday 8 November 2022 at 6:10pm

Present	Doug Barden	Mayor (Chair)
	Emma Sharp	Deputy Mayor / Councillor South Ward (Electronic Attendance)
	Rachael Wright	Councillor North Ward
	Mathew Salter	Councillor North Ward
	Andrew Mackay	Councillor Central Ward
	Kevin Harlan	Councillor Central Ward (Electronic Attendance)
	Mark Sidey	Councillor South Ward (Electronic Attendance)
Staff	Stephen Hoyne	Chief Executive Officer
	Maxie Smith	General Manager Business Excellence
	Nicky Davidge	General Manager Community and Lifestyle
	Debbie Branson	Executive Assistant
Public	Nil	

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

On behalf of Council, the Mayor acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet. The Mayor also conveyed Council's respect to the Elders past, present and future for their continuing custodianship of the land and the children of the land across generations.

2. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting at 6:10pm.

3. ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Electronic Attendance

Moved: Cr Wright Seconded: Cr Salter

Council provided permission for the following Councillors to attend the Council Meeting electronically:

- Deputy Mayor Sharp;
- Cr Harlan; and
- Cr Sidey.

CARRIED (7-0) SCM2022 11-027

3.2 Apologies

Nil.

3.3 Leave of Absence Previously Granted

Nil.

3.4 Leave of Absence Request

Nil.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The Mayor advised that any member of Council who may have a conflict of interest, or a possible conflict of interest regarding any item of business to be discussed at a Council meeting or a Committee meeting should declare the conflict of interest to enable Council to manage the conflict in accordance with its obligations under the Local Government Act and its policies regarding the same.

4.1 Elected Members

Nil.

4.2 Staff

Nil.

5. OFFICERS' REPORTS

5.1 DRAFT Litchfield Council Annual Report 2021-2022

Moved: Cr Salter Seconded: Cr Mackay

THAT Council:

- 1. receive and endorse the Draft Litchfield Council Annual Report 2021-22;
- 2. forward a copy of the Litchfield Council Annual Report 2022-22 to the Minister Local Government;
- 3. publish the Litchfield Council Annual Report 2021-22 on Council's website;
- 4. publish a notice in the NT News informing the public that copies of the report may be downloaded from Council's website or obtained from Council's Office, Bees Creek Road, Freds Pass; and
- 5. authorise the Chief Executive Officer to make minor amendments.

CARRIED (7-0) SCM2022 11-028

6. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Moved: Cr Mackay Seconded: Cr Salter

THAT pursuant to Section 93(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51 of the Local Government (General) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following Confidential Items:

6.01 Grant Funding Opportunities

This item is considered 'confidential' pursuant to Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Section 51(1) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021:

(c)(i) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

CARRIED (7-0) SCM2022 11-029

The meeting was closed to the public at 6:20pm.

Moved: Cr Wright Seconded: Cr Salter

THAT pursuant to Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51 of the Local Government (General) Regulations the meeting be re-opened to the public.

CARRIED (7-0) SCM2022 11-032

The meeting moved to Open Session at 6:51pm.

7. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair closed the meeting at 6:51pm.

MINUTES TO BE CONFIRMED

15 November 2022.

..... Mayor **Doug Barden**

Stephen Hoyne Chief Executive Officer