



Norseman Woodlands to Eucla Coast

Unconfirmed Minutes Ordinary Council Meeting 19th November 2024

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Peter Fitchat
Chief Executive Officer

15 November 2024

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES for the ORDINARY Meeting of Council held in the Council Chamber at the Shire Administration office– commencing at 6:00 pm (AWST)

Notes to Agenda

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1. Declaration of Opening and Announcement of Visitors.

The Shire President welcomed all in attendance and declared the meeting open at: **6.00pm**

This Ordinary Council Meeting will be video recorded to assist in the preparation of the minutes of the meeting.

1.1 Acknowledgment of Country

The Shire of Dundas recognises the Ngadju and Mirning as First Nations People in the Shire of Dundas and pay our respects to their Elders, past, present, and emerging.

1.2 Attendance at meetings by electronic means

2. Declarations of Financial, Proximity, Impartiality Interests & Gifts Received.

Financial Interests:

CEO – Item 10.2.5

Proximity Interests:

None declared.

Impartiality Interests:

DCEO – Item 10.2.6

Gifts Received by Councillors:

Cr. Brown – Raffle won, value of approx. \$300

As per the Shire of Dundas Code of Conduct section 3.4 Gifts, adopted by the Council on 21 October 2014 and reference to Regulation 34B of the Local Government (Administration) 1996.

3. Record of Attendance of Councillors / Officers and Apologies.

Cr Laurene G Bonza	Shire President
Cr Sharon M Warner	Deputy Shire President
Cr JE Patrick Hogan	
Cr John Maloney	
Cr Sharon Brown	
Cr Chantelle McLeod	

Peter Fitchat	Chief Executive Officer
Pania Turner	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Barry Hemopo	Manager of Works and Services
Hannah Turner	Executive Assistant

Apologies

Public Gallery

J. Tucker

4. Applications for Leave of Absence.**5. Response to Previous Public Questions Taken on Notice.**

Nil

6. Public Question Time.

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 and the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, any person may during Public Question Time ask any question.

7. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting.**7.1 Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 22nd October 2024**

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 22nd October 2024 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Voting Requirements

Simply Majority

Moved: Cr. JEP Hogan

Seconded: Cr. C McLeod

Recommendation

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 22nd October 2024 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Carried by: Simple Majority

For: Cr. L Bonza, Cr. S Warner, Cr. JEP Hogan, Cr. J Maloney, Cr. S Brown, Cr. C McLeod

Against: 0

Resolution

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 22nd October 2024 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

8. Petitions, Deputations or Presentations.

8.1 Reports of Committees

8.1.1 GVROC

Council representatives Cr Bonza and Cr Warner

- The next GVROC meeting will be held on Friday 29th November, hosted by Shire of Laverton.
- We had a GVROC/Goldfields Esperance zone meeting on Friday 15th November to consider the State Council agenda for the State Council meeting on 6th December.
- These items will be reported following the State Council meeting at our OMC in December.
- One item of note from the meeting was in relation to regional State Council meetings which rotate through the zones. The Regional State Council meeting for 2025 is due to be held in the Goldfields Esperance zone. The Shire of Dundas has requested that we host that meeting which was carried by our zone members and will hopefully be ratified at the State Council meeting.

8.1.2 WALGA

Council representatives Cr Bonza, Cr Warner, and Cr McLeod

- WALGA State Council will meet on Thursday 5th December for a zone forum to be followed on 6th December by the State Council meeting to be held in Busselton.

8.1.3 Regional Roads Group

Council representatives Cr Bonza and Cr Brown

- The next RRG meeting is scheduled to be held Friday 22nd November in Kalgoorlie.

8.1.4 RoadWise

Council representatives Cr McLeod and Cr Maloney

- We had a meeting with Linda Parsons from WALGA to discuss the Shire's road safety plan and how we will manage our road safety initiatives going forward.
- We will provide some more information to WALGA to further inform the strategy and how it aligns with the Shire's other strategic documents.
- We have proposed a meeting with our RoadWise committee to discuss the plan and then a workshop with all Councillors and the WALGA team, early in the new year.

8.1.5 Local Emergency Management Committee

Council representatives Cr Bonza and Cr Brown

- An airport crash exercise was conducted at our airstrip on 12th November. Cr Brown will present the report from the exercise.

Exercise Thorny Devil 2024 – Cr. Sharon Brown

A real time exercise involving DFES, Main Roads, SJA, WAPOL and employees of the Shire of Dundas was recently conducted to check Emergency Policies and Procedures. The airport was chosen by LEMC and authorized by District Emergency Management Committee (DEMC). These two authorities and the Shire of Dundas are key stakeholders in developing and maintaining effective emergency arrangements. Aerodrome Management Services Pty Ltd (AMS) were engaged to plan and oversee the exercise and did a very thorough process. Briefing was very thorough with key phrases repeated often to ensure understanding and familiarity of use. A bus became fuselage, trailers positioned as wings and a smoke machine simulated a removed nacelle fire some distance away where the aircraft initially made contact with the runway.

The school supplied 'victims' and they thoroughly enjoyed the acting possibilities, some providing extraordinary performances. Also, I am sure many parents and friends loved receiving the very ghoulish, moulage photos! Perhaps it was just as well Halloween was over otherwise I am sure there would have been many reconstructed dead and maimed young adults wandering Norseman!

Several areas for improvement were highlighted especially around communications. Unfortunately, not all services were on the same 'channel' with some able to hear but not identify which service was responding and other services completely unable to participate via radio. This is a very common problem in all multi service emergencies and has been addressed for many years unsuccessfully. Also highlighted was another common fault, that within small communities we all know each other and there is an accepted knowledge whose role is whose that an external agency doesn't have insight into.

All services were left with homework to work on within their own service before a possible tabletop exercise, but I think that the Aerodrome Reporting Officer (ARO) has the most work to do as he has to assimilate and meticulously understand all services protocols in his role at the airport, an extensive task with a lot of responsibility.

8.1.6 Steering Committee Coastal Management Plan

Council representatives Cr Bonza and Cr Brown

- The Coastal Management Strategy committee meeting was held on Thursday 14th November 2024.
- The Coastal Vulnerability Assessment document was endorsed with a few minor changes. It is very comprehensive document and has covered the aspects we need to consider for our strategy very well.
- We also received and noted the input from identified stakeholders and endorsed some minor changes to the 'Guiding Principles'.
- We received some further information in relation to the effect of Native Title determination over the area subject to our coastal management strategy.
- As a result of this meeting we arrive at the item 10.1.1 later in this meetings' agenda.
- The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday Dec 12th 2024.

9. Announcements by Presiding Member without Discussion.

10. Reports

10.1 Planning and Development

Agenda Reference & Subject	
10.1.1 Proposed vesting of coastal shack sites	
Location / Address	Lots 310-313 on DP 67595, lot 314 on DP 67596, lots 316-319 on DP 67597, lot 520 on DP 69778, and lot 521 on DP 69936 in the district of Mundrabilla
File Reference	LP.PL.1
Author	Anthony Dowling, Dowling Giudici + Associates (DG+A) - Town Planning Consultant
Date of Report	13 November 2024
Disclosure of Interest	DG+A receives consulting fees from the Shire of Dundas

Summary

This report presents for Council's consideration and recommendation **acceptance** of a long-standing request from the Department of Planning Lands and Heritage (DPLH) for the aforementioned lots (Crown lots) containing existing shacks sites along the Shire's south coast to be **vested** in the Shire of Dundas for the purpose of '**Access, Professional Fishing Leases and the Letting of Squatter Cottages Thereon on 19 March 2005**', with the Shire becoming the subsequent **management body** responsible for managing these reserves.

Acceptance of this vesting request will also allow for the Shire to enter into **formal lease arrangements** with existing shack owners/proprietors for them to lease the shack sites from the Shire for a period of up to 6 years (from the date the shack site lease commences).

Background

Back on 22 August 2006 the then Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DPI) wrote to the Shire seeking its formal agreement to adopt a number of actions pertaining to the tenure and management of existing squatters and professional fisher shacks along the Shire's (south) coast.

Agreement was sought from Council to:

- (i) Adopt the proposed individual reserve areas at Red Rocks, Wanteen and Eucla (3 and 12 Mile), each for the purpose of '**Access, Professional Fishing Leases and the Letting of Squatter Cottages Thereon on 19 March 2005**';
- (ii) Adopt the lease areas proposed for each individual existing shack;
- (iii) Accept a management (vesting) order pursuant to the Land Administration Act 1997 (**LAA**) with power to lease the sites containing the shacks for periods of up to 10 years with the approval of the Minister for Lands; and
- (iv) Adopt State Lands Policies *12.05.01.01 - Illegal Occupation of Coastal Crown Land (Squatters)* in relation to 9 identified squatter shacks, and *12.08.01 - Professional Fisher Shack* in relation to the management and leasing of the professional fisher shacks.

At its Ordinary Meeting held on 5 September 2006 Council resolved to endorse the aforementioned points (i) to (iv).

However, the aforementioned Council resolution was not accepted by DPI due to the 10-year lease period being incorrect — the lease period was to be 6 years as per Policy 12.05.01.01. A revised Council resolution was required but it seems that this was subsequently overlooked, resulting in no further progressing of the vesting request until recent times.

Council previously considered the vesting request at its Ordinary Meeting held on 23 November 2021 whereby it resolved as follows:

“That the Council of the Shire of Dundas include Fishing and Squatter Sites along the Eucla coastline (UCL PIN 993221) – Shire of Dundas (Case 2100759 File 00093-2021) into our Strategic Community Plan as part of our Community Consultation process, and work with the Department of Lands to get all the relevant information to make an informed decision about taking the management order for the Fishing and Squatter Sites along the Eucla coastline.”

Since that time, there has been ongoing consultation with DPLH in this matter but DPLH is still seeking an amended resolution of the Council as to whether it will accept the proposed vesting and management responsibility of the lots containing the shack sites.

As Council's response to the vesting request remains outstanding, and to give effect to guiding principle 4 (v) listed in the *Coastal Planning Strategy Guiding Principles* adopted by Council on 21 May 2024, the vesting request is presented for Council's consideration.

However, given the effluxion of time, and for the benefit of current Councillors, the following additional background and context is provided to assist Council in its deliberations on the vesting request:

1. The State has a long-standing policy (since 1989) of removing 'squatter' shacks and 'squatter' shack settlements that illegally occupy coastal Crown land (unallocated Crown land and unmanaged reserves) located along the Western Australian coast;

A copy of this policy *No. 12.5.1.1 - Illegal Occupation of Coastal Crown Land (Squatters)* (March 2005) is provided at **Attachment 10.1.1 (i)** in the papers relating to this agenda;

2. Where such shacks occur, the policy seeks to facilitate the removal of these shacks over a maximum 6-year lease period, allowing for reasonable usage whilst deterring extensive improvements or redevelopment of these.

The maximum 6-year lease period is calculated from the commencement date of formal arrangements to facilitate the ultimate removal of the shacks. Retaining the shacks within this period is subject to a number of conditions as outlined in the policy;

Guiding Principle 4 (v) listed in the *Coastal Planning Strategy Guiding Principles* presumes that the existing squatter and professional fisher shacks will be retained for the longer-term.

To this end, the coastal planning strategy will endeavour to provide a way forward for long-term occupancy of the current shack sites (beyond the aforementioned 6-year period);

3. Shacks used by professional fishers who hold a West Australian commercial fishing licence and/or a managed fishery licence issued in accordance with the *Fish Resources Management Act 1994* and the *Fish Resources Management Regulations 1995* are dealt with differently in respect to shack tenure, i.e. via *State Land Policy No. 12.08.01 - Professional Fisher Shack* (5 August 1999).

A copy of this policy is provided at **Attachment 10.1.1 (ii)** in the papers relating to this agenda.

It should be noted that this policy was drafted to apply to the professional fisher shacks located along the State's central coast (in the Shire of Carnamah) and remains a **draft**

only. However, it is understood that DPLH applies this policy Statewide regardless of its draft status and the geographic location of shacks.

4. Under *Policy No. 12.08.01* it is desirable that professional fishers ultimately operate from within a designated development node (being a Crown Reserve) near their traditional fishing grounds, or from any nearby existing townsite.

The designated development node could either be a new (undeveloped) node or an area comprising existing shack sites—if the existing shacks are deemed appropriately located.

Prior to establishing and formalising a development node, existing shack owners/proprietors may be offered a 3-year transitional conditional lease whilst the node is being formalised. It is understood that the transitional lease can commence from the expiry of the 6-year ‘squatters’ lease (in effect giving a 9-year lease period).

Sites within a development node can be **leased for up to 21 years**. Whilst these leases do not have an automatic option for renewal they may be renewed by the Minister for Lands upon the recommendation of the management body;

5. Based on investigations thus far, available aerial photography (Google Earth and Landgate), and a recent site visit in August 2024, there appears to be at least **19 developed shack sites** and **2 undeveloped shack sites** along the Shire’s south coast;
6. For the purpose of identification, future geo-referencing, and reporting, all the shack sites have been categorised into 3 geographical sectors referenced as Red Rocks (including ‘Berrybush’), Wanteen, and Eucla.
7. Each shack site is proposed to be contained within a surveyed Crown allotment, either singularly or as a group.

Copies of aerial images depicting the location, shape and extent of the proposed Crown allotments and the shack sites contained within are provided at **Attachment 10.1.1 (iii)** in the papers relating to this agenda;

8. Survey Plans (known as Deposited Plans) have been prepared for each proposed Crown allotment but it is unknown whether Crown land titles referencing these lots have been generated;

Each of the proposed Crown allotments will be created as a Crown Reserve—it is not yet known whether these reserves have been created. Copies of these survey plans are provided at **Attachment 10.1.1 (iv)** in the papers relating to this agenda.

As previously mentioned, these reserves will be created for the purpose of **‘Access, Professional Fishing Leases and the Letting of Squatter Cottages Thereon on 19 March 2005’**;

9. It is understood that prior to the creation of the Crown reserves native title clearances and other statutory clearances will need to be obtained. The DPLH will undertake actions to seek these clearances.

It is noted that there is a registered Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA - ref: WI2013/007) in place between the State and the Mirning People (who have native title extending across the proposed Crown reserves) whereby the Mirning People have consented to land transactions (such as vesting the lots in the Shire and granting

power to lease them) being undertaken in respect to the Fishing and Squatters shack sites. It is presumed that this involves the Mirning people **granting native title clearance** to enable the creation of the proposed Crown reserves; and

10. It appears that at a meeting in Eucla in March 2005 Council resolved not to support any further shacks being established along its coast.

It further resolved not to determine a position on the future of the existing shacks until it had received the recommendations of a Council working party (or committee?) in resolving the future of the shacks. Council was, however, supportive of proposed commercial fisher leases and the development of a management plan over these leases.

At this juncture, it is not yet known what the working party (or committee) of the Council recommended in respect to the future of the shacks and whether this committee has any ongoing currency.

Proposal

For Council to consider and resolve to advise the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) if it is prepared to accept the vesting (with power-to-lease for up to 6 years) and management responsibility of the proposed Crown reserves comprising lots 310-313 on DP 67595, lot 314 on DP 67596, lots 316-319 on DP 67597, lot 520 on DP 69778, and lot 521 on DP 69936 in the district of Mundrabilla for the purpose of **'Access, Professional Fishing Leases and the Letting of Squatter Cottages Thereon on 19 March 2005'**.

Statutory Environment

Land Administration Act 1997

Land Administration Regulations 1998

Policy Implications

Execution of, and compliance with, the following State Lands policies:

No.12.5.1.1 - 'Illegal Occupation of Coastal Crown Land (Squatters)

No. 12.08.01 - 'Professional Fisher Shack'

Financial Implications

These have yet to be specifically identified, however, it is suggested that any resolution Council makes to accept the vesting of the proposed Crown reserves and management responsibility ought to be subject to **the State bearing all expenses/costs associated with the vesting process**, including any requirement to vary the current ILUA or to prepare a new ILUA as a consequence.

Expenses the Shire might be responsible for include the following:

- (i) Undertaking onsite inspections of the shacks and their curtilages and preparing building condition reports;
- (ii) Resurveying shack sites for the purpose of generating lease plans;
- (iii) Preparing and registering relevant lease documents etc; and
- (iv) Amending the Shire's local planning scheme (if warranted), which incurs expenses in preparing the necessary documentation.

Strategic Implications

Acceptance of the Crown land vesting proposal and subsequent lease management of the shack sites can accord with **Goal 5 - Governance and Leadership** expressed in the Shire's *Community Strategic Plan 2022-32*.

The stated goal is—

We are a trusted Local Government; we are a strong advocate for our Community; we lead with respect and accountability.

The following outcomes/objectives under this goal may also apply, namely:

5.2 We are a strong advocate for our community.

5.2.1 The Shire develops partnerships with government and non-government organisations, and key stakeholders to achieve positive outcomes for the community.

Consultation

Shire administration, current shack site owners/proprietors, and DPLH land officers.

Comment

Because local government is often considered and touted as the form of government 'closest to the people', and that the Shire already has statutory authority to regulate the use and development of all land within its local government district and apply environmental health standards etc, it is considered sensible and logical for the Shire to **accept the proposed vesting of the Crown reserves and the associated responsibilities that come with it.**

Whilst this might burden the Shire administration with additional costs and responsibilities to a certain degree it appears that the current shack owners are already adequately self-sufficient when occupying their shack, not drawing or relying upon the resources of the State or the Shire during their occupancy.

Accepting the vesting proposal and subsequent management responsibility can fulfil the principle of subsidiarity, a notion that ... *"matters ought to be handled by the smallest, lowest or least centralized competent authority. Political decisions should be taken at a local level if possible, rather than by a central authority."* (Weebly, accessed online 16 May 2024)

Should Council resolve to accept the vesting of the proposed Crown reserves there will be a number of follow-on tasks and matters to undertake, namely:

1. *Confirming ownership or proprietorship and relevant contact details of the existing shack owners/proprietors—this will be necessary to write up lease agreements and to be able to charge and receive lease fees, and to issue any relevant statutory notices etc;*

Note: The task of confirming ownership of each shack site has more or less been completed

2. *Determine whether any currently vacant shacks ought to be removed/demolished, and if so, who will be responsible for this (including incurring the expense in removing/demolishing the shacks);*

Note: There is current uncertainty as to whether one shack is still being used or occupied — to date, the assumed current owner has not responded to any requests to confirm ownership and future occupancy intentions

3. *Determining whether the Shire retains lots 520 and 521 for its own purposes and requirements, especially for low-key camping, recreation, and management of a possible future coastal reserve;*

Note: There are no shacks located within these lots but the owner of the shack located on lot 318 (a professional fisherman) may be using part of lot 521 for storage of his fishing gear

5. *Ascertain which State Land Policies 12.5.1.1 and 12.08.01 respectively apply to the current occupied shack sites in order to determine future lease and tenure arrangements;*
6. *Identify preferred routes and alignment, route types (e.g. public access route, right-of-way), provision of way-finding signage etc to each shack site—presently, access to all shack sites is across Unallocated Crown land (UCL);*

Note: This task will be undertaken through the coastal planning strategy

7. *Amend the Shire's Local Planning Scheme (LPS) 2 to firstly, reflect the proposed Crown reserves as scheme reserves and their purpose; and secondly, to enable the **existing shacks to lawfully remain** during the 6-year lease period, either as a **non-conforming use** or other **appropriate use class** if long-term use, tenure and occupancy is sought beyond the 6-year lease period; and*
8. *Investigate and determine **whether the existing shacks require upgrading to an acceptable building code or standard**, or can be **exempt** from complying with any prescribed code or standard;*

Note: Determining whether the upgrading of a shack is required will largely depend upon whether the shack is **designated as either a professional fisher shack or squatter shack**.

If a squatter shack is likely to be removed upon cessation of the 6-year lease period, any desired requirement for it to be upgraded might not be warranted.

Notwithstanding that these matters require finalisation, completion etc they are unlikely to impede the vesting process but rather, be undertaken contemporaneously with the vesting process.

If Council is prepared to accept the proposed vesting, it is recommended that acceptance be subject to the State—

- bearing all expenses/costs associated with the vesting process;
- bearing all expenses/costs associated with any requirement to either vary the current ILUA between the State and the Mirning People (WI2013/007) or prepare a new ILUA if this is required; and

- Amending *State Land Policy 12.08.01* to reflect Statewide application (as opposed to just the Midwest coast of WA).

Council ought to be mindful that by accepting the vesting of the Crown reserves, it will be **obliged to comply** with and effect the requirements of State Land policies *No.12.5.1.1* and *No.12.08.01*.

Whilst Policy *No.12.08.01* can provide for the implementation of longer-term tenure for professional fishers through the establishment of **development nodes**, Policy *12.5.1.1* requires the 'squatter' shacks to ultimately be removed.

It is understood that many of the current shack owners (and who may fall into the category of a 'squatter') **desire long-term tenure**.

To this end, the proposed coastal planning strategy currently being prepared will endeavour to address potential long-term tenure for both professional fisher shacks and squatter shacks by identifying recommended future land use classifications (based on desired tenure) and zoning under LPS 2, access routes, and what type of consequential development standards may need to be applied.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Moved: Cr. C McLeod
Seconded: Cr. JEP Hogan

Officer Recommendation

1. That Council advise the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) that it accepts the vesting of proposed Crown reserves comprising lots 310, 311 and 312 on Deposited Plan 67595; lot 314 on Deposited Plan 67596; lots 316-319 on Deposited Plan 67597, lot 520 on Deposited Plan 69778, and lot 521 on Deposited Plan 69936 in the district of Mundrabilla for the purpose of *'Access, Professional Fishing Leases and the Letting of Squatter Cottages Thereon on 19 November 2024* subject to the Western Australian government —
 - (i) bearing all expenses/costs associated with the vesting process;
 - (ii) bearing all expenses/costs associated with any requirement to either vary the current ILUA between the State and the Mirning People (WI2013/007) that applies to the lots or prepare a new ILUA if this is required as part of the vesting process; and
2. That Council request the Western Australian government to consider amending *State Land Policy No. 12.08.01 - 'Professional Fisher Shack'* to reflect Statewide application (as opposed to just the Midwest coast of WA).

Carried by: Simple Majority

For: Cr. L Bonza, Cr. S Warner, Cr. JEP Hogan, Cr. J Maloney, Cr. S Brown, Cr. C McLeod

Against: 0

Resolution

1. That Council advise the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) that it accepts the vesting of proposed Crown reserves comprising lots 310, 311 and 312 on Deposited Plan 67595; lot 314 on Deposited Plan 67596; lots 316-319 on Deposited Plan 67597, lot 520 on Deposited Plan 69778, and lot 521 on Deposited Plan 69936 in the district of Mundrabilla for the purpose of 'Access, Professional Fishing Leases and the Letting of Squatter Cottages Thereon on 19 November 2024 subject to the Western Australian government —
 - (i) bearing all expenses/costs associated with the vesting process;
 - (ii) bearing all expenses/costs associated with any requirement to either vary the current ILUA between the State and the Mirning People (WI2013/007) that applies to the lots or prepare a new ILUA if this is required as part of the vesting process; and

2. That Council request the Western Australian government to consider amending State Land Policy No. 12.08.01 - 'Professional Fisher Shack' to reflect Statewide application (as opposed to just the Midwest coast of WA).

Agenda Reference & Subject	
10.1.2 – Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) recommending a public environmental review	
Location / Address	Shire of Dundas
File Reference	ES.SP
Author	Chief Executive Officer – Peter Fitchat
Date of Report	14 November 2024
Disclosure of Interest	Nil

Summary

The Shire of Dundas has submitted comments to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) recommending a public environmental review for the Western Green Energy Hub (WGEH) project. This project raises significant environmental concerns, particularly around the potential impact on the unique biodiversity of the Eucla region's karst systems and broader ecosystems.

Background

The WGEH project involves large-scale land clearing and infrastructure construction, which poses threats to native vegetation, wildlife habitats, and specialised ecosystems within the karst systems. Key concerns include habitat loss for sensitive species, soil compaction, disruption of unique subterranean ecosystems, and potential social impacts on local residents, travellers, and Native Title holders.

Statutory Environment

The Shire of Dundas' submission aligns with the statutory environmental protection frameworks outlined by the EPA. This includes the consideration of biodiversity preservation, landform integrity, and potential impacts on flora, fauna, and community wellbeing as required by the Environmental Protection Act 1986.

Policy Implications

The recommendation for a public environmental review aligns with the Shire's policy goals to safeguard environmental values and maintain public trust through transparency and rigorous environmental oversight.

Financial Implications

There may be financial implications for the Shire if environmental degradation occurs, impacting local resources or increasing the need for rehabilitation and community engagement efforts.

Strategic Implications

Natural Environment – Goal 2

Objective 2.1: The Shire views its natural environment as a precious asset that requires protection. The potential impacts on the Eucla region's karst systems align with this strategic goal, emphasizing the need for strict environmental assessments.

Governance and Leadership – Goal 5

Objective 5.1: Ensuring trusted local governance requires transparent actions and the promotion of responsible environmental stewardship. The Shire's recommendation to the EPA strengthens community confidence in local governance.

Consultation

Elected Members
Senior Staff

Comment

The Shire of Dundas considers the WGEH project a substantial risk to the Eucla region's sensitive ecosystems. Environmental effects such as habitat fragmentation, soil compaction, and the destabilisation of unique microbial communities in the karst systems could lead to irreversible damage. Additionally, there are social wellbeing implications for local residents, travellers, and Native Title holders who may experience significant disruptions. Independent environmental oversight funded by WGEH, but accountable to the Shire, is recommended to ensure unbiased assessment.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Moved: Cr. JEP Hogan
Seconded: Cr. S Brown

Officer Recommendation

That Council notes the submission made by the Shire of Dundas to the EPA, advocating for a public environmental review of the WGEH project, with a focus on transparent environmental monitoring, to consider design considerations and overall project to reduce ecological impacts.

Carried by: Simple Majority

For: Cr. L Bonza, Cr. S Warner, Cr. JEP Hogan, Cr. J Maloney, Cr. S Brown, Cr. C McLeod

Against: 0

Resolution

That Council notes the submission made by the Shire of Dundas to the EPA, advocating for a public environmental review of the WGEH project, with a focus on transparent environmental monitoring, to consider design considerations and overall project to reduce ecological impacts.

10.2 Administration, Finance and Community Development

Agenda Reference & Subject	
10.2.1 – Receive the Information Bulletin	
Location / Address	Shire of Dundas
File Reference	PE.ME.2
Author	Chief Executive Officer – Peter Fitchat
Date of Report	13 November 2024
Disclosure of Interest	Nil

Summary

For Council to consider receiving the Information Bulletin for **5 November 2024**.

Background

The Councillors' Information Bulletin for the period ending **5 November 2024** was completed and circulated to Councillors.

Statutory Environment*Local Government Act 1995*

1. Section 2.7(2) - Provides that Council is to oversee the allocation of local government finances and resources and to determine the local government policies.
2. Section 3.1 – Provides that the general function of the local government is to provide for the good governance of persons in its district.

Policy Implications

Council has no policies in relation to this matter.

Financial Implications

The recommendation of this report has no financial implications for Council.

Strategic Implications

Informing Elected Members with respect to matters impacting on their roles, responsibilities and decision making as the Shire of Dundas Council.

Consultation

The IB Report is prepared in consultation with Senior Officers.

Comment

The intent of the Councillors' Information Bulletin is to assist in providing Councillors with information relevant to their role as a Councillor.

The Information Bulletin contains confidential elements and is not a public document, it is distributed to Councillors and senior officers only and is not for public release.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Moved: Cr. C McLeod
Seconded: Cr. JEP Hogan

Officer Recommendation

That Council receive the monthly Councillors' Information Bulletin for the period ending 5 November 2024.

Carried by: Simple Majority

For: Cr. L Bonza, Cr. S Warner, Cr. JEP Hogan, Cr. J Maloney, Cr. S Brown, Cr. C McLeod

Against: 0

Resolution

That Council receive the monthly Councillors' Information Bulletin for the period ending 5 November 2024.

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Agenda Reference & Subject	
10.2.2 – Norseman Community Resource Centre Financial Statements for the period ending 31 st October 2024	
Location / Address	Shire of Dundas
File Reference	FM.IN
Author	Ciara Stewart, Senior Administration Officer
Date of Report	14 November 2024
Disclosure of Interest	Nil

Norseman Community Resource Centre
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Reconciliation Report

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ID#	Date	Payee	Deposit	Withdrawal
Cheque Account:		1-1110	Cheque Account	
Date of Bank Statement:		31/10/2024		
Reconciled Cheques				
SC311024	4/10/2024			\$10.00
2483	9/10/2024	Public Transport Authority of		\$968.04
2484	9/10/2024	Public Transport Authority of		\$208.98
2485	9/10/2024	Norseman IGA		\$436.55
2486	9/10/2024	Norseman IGA		\$330.85
2487	10/10/2024	Australian Tax Office		\$4,849.00
SC311024	17/10/2024			\$10.00
Total:			\$0.00	\$6,813.42

Reconciled Deposits				
CR003342	11/10/2024	Payment; Horizon Power	\$50.00	
CR003343	11/10/2024	Payment; Goldfields Esperanc	\$45.45	
CR003344	11/10/2024	Payment; Department of Trans	\$200.00	
CR003349	11/10/2024	Bank Deposit	\$3,925.06	
CR003351	11/10/2024	Bank Deposit	\$275.00	
CR003340	15/10/2024	Centrelink	\$3,491.16	
CR003338	18/10/2024	Payment; Native Title Service	\$100.00	
CR003339	18/10/2024	Payment; Shire of Dundas	\$3,775.90	
Total:			\$11,862.57	\$0.00

Reconciliation	
BusinessBasics Balance on 31/10/2024:	\$178,113.38
Add: Outstanding Cheques:	\$0.00
Subtotal:	\$178,113.38
Deduct: Outstanding Deposits:	\$0.00
Expected Balance on Statement:	\$178,113.38

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Profit & Loss Statement

1/07/2024 through 31/10/2024

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Income		
Sales		
Staff Reimbursement	\$55.46	
1 Computer Usage	\$267.72	
3 Photocopying/Printing	\$4,632.69	
Scanning	\$202.12	
Memberships	\$81.83	
Secretarial Services	\$27.28	
Events	\$9.09	
Computer Goods - Sales	\$116.55	
Phones & Credit - Sales	\$68.13	
Express Yourself - Sales	\$98.77	
Photo Express kiosk	\$221.75	
Conference Room Hire	\$695.46	
Contract Services	\$12,583.89	
Grant Income	\$59,714.00	
TRANS WA - Sales	\$2,233.23	
Miscellaneous Income	-\$1,795.55	
Total Income		<u>\$79,212.42</u>
Cost of Sales		
Purchases		
Computer & Phone Goods	\$379.09	
Total Cost of Sales		<u>\$379.09</u>
Gross Profit		<u>\$78,833.33</u>
Expenses		
Events	\$3,082.89	
Bank Fees	\$80.00	
Lease payment Interactive Boar	\$3,588.97	
Dues & Subscriptions	\$2,725.34	
Security	\$98.00	
Postage & Shipping	\$316.94	
Rent	\$19,101.82	
Stationery	\$2,174.24	
TRANSWA Fares	\$1,902.36	
Hardship Payment	\$778.09	
Employment Expenses		
Staff Amenities	\$29.14	
Superannuation	\$2,661.56	
Wages & Salaries	\$25,616.45	
Total Employment Expenses	\$28,307.15	
Total Expenses		<u>\$62,155.80</u>
Net Profit / (Loss)		<u>\$16,677.53</u>

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Balance Sheet

As of October 2024

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Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash On Hand	
Cheque Account	\$178,113.38
Petty Cash	\$150.00
Undeposited Funds	\$3,721.69
Total Cash On Hand	\$181,985.07
Trade Debtors	\$3,190.35
Total Current Assets	\$185,175.42
Other Assets	
Deposits	\$2,000.00
Total Other Assets	\$2,000.00
Fixed Assets	
Furniture & Fixtures	
Furniture & Fixtures at Cost	\$96,659.60
Furniture & Fixtures Accum Dep	-\$70,307.53
Total Assets	\$213,527.49
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
GST Liabilities	
GST Collected	\$98,736.50
ATO Running Balance Account	-\$2,169.00
GST Paid	-\$99,534.09
Total GST Liabilities	-\$2,966.59
Other Current Liabilities	
Long Service Leave Provision	\$21,773.96
Annual Leave Provision	\$8,595.74
Total Current Liabilities	\$27,403.11
Total Liabilities	\$27,403.11
Net Assets	\$186,124.38
Equity	
Retained Earnings	\$115,625.30
Current Year Earnings	\$16,677.53
Historical Balancing	\$53,821.55
Total Equity	\$186,124.38

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Moved: Cr. JEP Hogan

Seconded: Cr. C McLeod

Officer Recommendation

That the Norseman Community Resource Centre Financial Statements for the period ending 31st October 2024 be accepted.

Carried by: Simple Majority

For: Cr. L Bonza, Cr. S Warner, Cr. JEP Hogan, Cr. J Maloney, Cr. S Brown, Cr. C McLeod

Against: 0

Resolution

That the Norseman Community Resource Centre Financial Statements for the period ending 31st October 2024 be accepted.

Agenda Reference & Subject	
10.2.3 Exercise power of sale for A122 due to unpaid rates	
Location / Address	Shire of Dundas
File Reference	RV.CE.1
Author	CEO – Peter Fitchat & CS Legal
Date of Report	4 November 2024
Disclosure of Interest	Nil

Summary

This report seeks Council approval to proceed with the exercise of a power of sale for of A122 due to unpaid rates and charges owing for more than 3 years in accordance with section 6.64 of the *Local Government Act* (Act), and:

- (a) in lieu of the earlier resolution 10.3(14) made 28 September 2024 (not progressed);
- (b) without attempting to recover monies due to it under section 6.56 of the Act because the owner of the property has not been located after the Shire of Dundas has made reasonable efforts to do so, and cannot be located due to deregistration, as contemplated by section 6.68(2)(b) of the Act; and
- (c) authorising the Rates Officer execution of any related agent, auction, and sale agreements for the Shire under section 9.49A(4).

Background**Confidential Papers Relating.****Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

Moved: Cr. S Warner

Seconded: Cr. S Brown

Officer Recommendation

That Council resolves to:

1. **APPROVE** the sale of assessment A122, which has outstanding rates and charges for three years or more, pursuant to sections 6.64(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1995*;
2. **APPROVE**, pursuant to 6.68(2)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the sale of A122 without attempting recovery within the last 3 years under section 6.56 of the *Local Government Act 1995*; and
3. **AUTHORISE**, pursuant to section 9.49A of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the CEO and/or the Rates Officer for the time being to execute any agent, auction, sale or other document required for the auction and sale.

Carried by: Simple Majority

For: Cr. L Bonza, Cr. S Warner, Cr. JEP Hogan, Cr. J Maloney, Cr. S Brown, Cr. C McLeod

Against: 0

Agenda Reference & Subject	
10.2.4 – Appointment of a Deputy Bush Fire Control Officer and Weather Officer	
Location / Address	Shire of Dundas
File Reference	ES.SP
Author	CEO, Peter Fitchat
Date of Report	13 November
Disclosure of Interest	Nil

Summary

For Council to consider the appointment of a Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Weather Control Officer.

Background

Bushfire management arrangements are prescribed in the State Hazard Plan – Bushfire and the Bush Fire Act of 1954. These place an extensive range of responsibilities on Council across prevention, preparedness response and recovery.

Council has delegated to the CEO the role of Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, who is supported by the Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Bush Fire Control Officers.

In addition to bush fire preparedness and prevention tasks Council, through its Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (CBCO), is responsible for responding to level 1 and 2 bush fires on all land in the Council area that the Department of Parks and Wildlife do not manage.

Occupiers have a shared responsibility to undertake all possible measures to extinguish a fire burning on their land.

In addition to the duties of a Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, a Weather Control Officer is also appointed.

Statutory environment

Local Government Act 1995

Bush Fires Act 1954

38. Local government may appoint bush fire control officer
- (1) A local government may from time to time appoint such persons as it thinks necessary to be its bush fire control officers under and for the purposes of this Act, and of those officers shall subject to section 38A(2) appoint 2 as the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and the Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer who shall be first and second in seniority of those officers, and subject thereto may determine the respective seniority of the other bush fire control officers appointed by it.
 - (2A) The local government shall cause notice of an appointment made under the provisions of subsection (1) to be published at least once in a newspaper circulating in its district.
 - (2C) The local government shall fill any vacancy occurring in the office of Chief Bush Fire Control Officer or Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer within one month after the vacancy occurs...

- (2E) A bush fire control officer appointed by a local government under the provisions of this section shall be issued with a certificate of appointment by the local government.

Policy Implications

T.1 Bushfire Control

Bush Fires Act 1954 - pursuant to s48 of the *Bush Fires Act 1954*, as s38(8) allows a local government to appoint its FWO(s).

Financial implications

The delegations will be captured in the task of a Shire employee. It is important to note that Emergency Management does require resource expenditure.

Strategic Implications

Natural Environment – Goal 2

2.1 Our natural environment is viewed as a precious asset that is protected and enjoyed.

Governance and Leadership – Goal 5

5.1 A trusted Local Government

Consultation

Elected Members
Senior Staff
Leigh Morgan
Robert Hayes

Comment

In preparation with the upcoming Fire Season and under the State Hazard Plan – Bushfire Act 1954, the Shire has key responsibilities in bushfire management, including prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery. The Chief Executive Officer has been delegated as the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, supported by the Deputy and other Bush Fire Control Officers. The Shire is responsible for managing level 1 and 2 bushfire responses on local lands not managed by the Department of Parks and Wildlife, with land occupiers sharing fire extinguishing responsibilities.

Relevant legislative frameworks include the Local Government Act 1995 and the Bush Fires Act 1954, which authorise Council appointments for bush fire management roles and outline procedures for publishing and filling vacancies.

While these roles are included in Shire employee responsibilities, emergency management tasks require resource allocation, supporting the Shire's strategic objectives to protect the natural environment and foster trusted governance.

The Council considers approving for the CEO to appoint Leigh Morgan as Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and note that will be appoint Robert Hayes as Weather Control Officer and seek permission to update the Delegations Register accordingly.

Voting requirements

Simple Majority

Moved: Cr. JEP Hogan
Seconded: Cr. S Warner

Officer Recommendation

That the Shire of Dundas Council:

1. Approve that the CEO appoint Leigh Morgan as Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer;
2. Note the appointment of Robert Hayes as Weather Control Officer, and
3. Approve the Delegations Register to be updated in accordance with the above appointments.

Carried by: Simple Majority

For: Cr. L Bonza, Cr. S Warner, Cr. JEP Hogan, Cr. J Maloney, Cr. S Brown, Cr. C McLeod

Against: 0

Resolution

That the Shire of Dundas Council:

1. Approve that the CEO appoint Leigh Morgan as Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer;
2. Note the appointment of Robert Hayes as Weather Control Officer, and
3. Approve the Delegations Register to be updated in accordance with the above appointments.

Agenda Reference & Subject	
10.2.5 CEO Contract	
Location / Address	Shire of Dundas
File Reference	Personnel File CEO
Author	Deputy CEO – Pania Turner
Date of Report	13 November 2024
Disclosure of Interest	Nil

Background

CEO Contract of Employment 2020 – 25

Council and Mr Peter Fitchat, CEO, agreed to a contract of employment in September 2020, with a term of five years, 21 September 2020 to 20 September 2025.

The contract includes the following clause relating to Further Contracts

3.3 Further Contracts

There is no compulsion on either the Council or the Chief Executive Officer to agree to a new Contract. The Council and/or the Chief Executive Officer may initiate discussions not later than 12 months prior to the expiry of the Term for the parties to enter into a new Contract for a further term. The Council may make a decision to finalise those discussions not later than six months prior to the expiry of the term of

this Contract. In the event that the Council and the Chief Executive Officer agree to a new contract, a new contract will be executed and will replace this Contract.

Council Decision 24 September 2024

At the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 24 September 2024, a report on the Chief Executive Officer's annual performance review for 2024 was considered. Included in the recommendations considered and subsequently adopted by the Council was the following item:

*That **Council:***

6. Considers a further contract with Mr Fitchat, in accordance with Clause 3.3 of the prevailing contract of employment.

Councillors' Workshop 15 October 2024

At a Council Workshop convened on 15 October 2024, Cr Laurene Bonza, Shire President, briefed members on the process to be considered in relation to consideration of a further contract for Mr Fitchat. This included matters including:

- a) the application of Clause 3.3 as it relates to the timeframe;
- b) the impact of the timing of the 2025 Council elections on contract renewal discussions and any consideration by Council of a new contract;
- c) use of the WALGA/LGPro joint model contract;
- d) support to Council for the drafting of a new contract, where required.

It was subsequently agreed that an item would be taken to Council at the meeting scheduled for 19 November 2024, for consideration of the formal commencement of the process with Mr Fitchat.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

The President moved for an amendment to the recommendation.

Moved: Cr. L Bonza

Seconded: Cr. JEP Hogan

Recommendation

That Council:

- 1. Commences discussions with Mr Peter Fitchat regarding a further contract of employment with following key clauses:**
 - a. commencing on a start date to be determined;**
 - b. term of contract;**
- 2. Utilises the WALGA/LGPro joint model contract as the template for the new contract of employment;**
- 3. Appoints JP Consulting to provide employee relations support to Council in the editing and updating of the WALGA/LGPro joint model contract, as well as discussions with Mr Fitchat;**

4. Allocates a budget amount of \$700.00 to the appointed employee relations support service per item (3);
5. Considers a final report and a draft contract of employment at its Ordinary Meeting on 17 December 2024.

Carried by: Simple Majority

For: Cr. L Bonza, Cr. S Warner, Cr. JEP Hogan, Cr. C McLeod

Against: Cr. J Maloney, Cr. S Brown

Resolution

That Council:

1. Commences discussions with Mr Peter Fitchat regarding a further contract of employment with following key clauses:
 - a. commencing on a start date to be determined;
 - b. term of contract;
2. Utilises the WALGA/LGPro joint model contract as the template for the new contract of employment;
3. Appoints JPC to provide employee relations support to Council in the editing and updating of the WALGA/LGPro joint model contract, as well as discussions with Mr Fitchat;
4. Allocates a budget amount of \$700.00 to the appointed employee relations support service per item (3);
5. Considers a final report and a draft contract of employment at its Ordinary Meeting on 17 December 2024.

Agenda Reference & Subject	
10.2.6 Off-road Vehicles Area Grants Program - 2024 to 2027 Grant Application	
Location / Address	Shire of Dundas
File Reference	GS.PR
Author	Deputy CEO – Pania Turner
Date of Report	8 November 2024
Disclosure of Interest	Impartiality

Summary

For Council to note the funding application Community Motocross Track Project- Revved Up to the Off-road Vehicles Area Grants Program - 2024 to 2027.

Background

The Shire of Dundas seeks funding to establish a state-of-the-art motocross facility in Norseman. Norseman was once renowned for attracting motocross enthusiasts. This project aims to be a major boost to local and regional recreational facilities, stimulate tourism, and create a safe, sustainable space for community engagement. The facilities and track would

celebrate motorcross history, offering a dedicated venue for riders and fostering economic growth in the region.

Statutory Environment

Should the application be successful and the project commence there will be a number of legislative areas including:

Local Government Act 1995

Control of Vehicles (Off-road Areas) Act 1978

Associations Incorporation Act 2015

Policy Implications

A.12 Grant Funding Application Policy

Council policy requires applications over \$100,000 to be approved by Council. Due to the submission time frame, and invitation to apply for the larger grant the application was submitted before the OCM.

Financial Implications

The Shire of Dundas has committed to \$200,000 in kind support.

Strategic Implications

Community – Goal 1

1.3 A place where people thrive.

Built Environment – Goal 3

3.1 Shire infrastructure and services meet the Community's needs.

3.2 Liveable, sustainable and connected communities.

Economic Development and Financial Sustainability – Goal 4

4.2 Opportunity for economic diversification and growth.

4.3 A place where economic growth and business opportunity is encouraged and supported.

Consultation

Council

Senior Staff

GFG Consulting

Esperance Motocross representative

Create Enterprises

Department of Local Government, Sport, and Cultural Industries

Comment

Much community interest has occurred over the years to re-instate the Norseman Pig Farm Motocross Track to its former glory of an active recreation site, that attracted local and regional events to Norseman. A community led Register of Support is currently underway and demonstrates strong support of the project.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Moved: Cr. C McLeod
Seconded: Cr. JEP Hogan

Officer Recommendation

That Council approves the funding application Community Motocross Track Project-Revved Up to the Off-road Vehicles Area Grants Program - 2024 to 2027 for a total of \$1.3 million.

Carried by: Simple Majority

For: Cr. L Bonza, Cr. S Warner, Cr. JEP Hogan, Cr. J Maloney, Cr. S Brown, Cr. C McLeod

Against: 0

Resolution

That Council approves the funding application Community Motocross Track Project-Revved Up to the Off-road Vehicles Area Grants Program - 2024 to 2027 for a total of \$1.3 million.

10.3 Officer Reports

Agenda Reference & Subject	
10.3.1 – Officers Reports	
Location / Address	Shire of Dundas
File Reference	CM.PL.1
Author	Chief Executive Officer – Peter Fitchat
Date of Report	13 November 2024
Disclosure of Interest	Nil

Summary

That the Council receive Works and Services, Woodlands Cultural, Community & Visitor Centre, and Youth and Recreation Services and reports as contained in Papers Relating.

Background

The Officers present their reports on activities for the past month. These reports are in papers relating.

Statutory Environment

Shire officers are required to deliver the activities, programs, works and services within the appropriate legislative requirements where applicable.

Policy Implications

Shire officers are required to deliver the activities, programs, works and services guided by and within the appropriate Shire policies and procedures where applicable.

Financial Implications

Shire officers are required to deliver the activities, programs, works and services within allocated budgets, and purchasing and procurement policies.

Strategic Implications

Shire officers deliver activities, programs, works and services to achieve the community outcomes identified within the Strategic Community Plan.

Consultation

CEO
DCEO
Manager of Works and Services
CRC and Tourism Coordinator
Youth and Recreation Officer

Comment

The reports will advise councillors of the progress towards achieving the Strategic Plan's objectives.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Moved: Cr. C McLeod
Seconded: Cr. JEP Hogan

Officer Recommendation

That the Shire of Dundas Council receive the Works and Services, Youth and Recreation Services and Woodlands Cultural, Community & Visitor Centre reports as contained in Papers Relating.

Carried by: Simple Majority

For: Cr. L Bonza, Cr. S Warner, Cr. JEP Hogan, Cr. J Maloney, Cr. S Brown, Cr. C McLeod

Against: 0

Resolution

That the Shire of Dundas Council receive the Works and Services, Youth and Recreation Services and Woodlands Cultural, Community & Visitor Centre reports as contained in Papers Relating.

11. Elected Members Motions of Which Previous Notice Has Been Given

12. New Business of an Urgent Nature Introduced by the President or by a decision of the Meeting

The following items of urgent business were accepted for consideration by the President or by majority of the members of the Council:

Recommendation

That the members of the Council agreed to the introduction of the following late item for decision.

13. Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Council is scheduled to be held at **6.00pm AWST on 17 December 2024.**

There being no further business the Shire President will declare the meeting closed at: **6.22pm**

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