

WUJAL WUJAL ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL

Minutes - Special Budget 2024-2025 Adoption Meeting

Date:

Monday 29 July 2024

Time:

9.00am

Venue: Council temporary office



WELCOME | OPENING OF MEETING

Acknowledgement Of Traditional Owners

The Mayor opened the meeting 9.06am and acknowledged the traditional owners past present and emerging.

ATTENDANCE, LEAVE OF ABSENCE AND APOLOGIES

Attendance

Councillors:

Councillor Alister Gibson, Mayor Councillor Claudia Doughboy, Deputy Mayor Councillor Nikita Tayley

WWASC Staff Representatives

Chief Executive Officer, Kiley Hanslow
Operations Manager, Works and Building Services, Perry Gould
Community Services Manager, Kesa Strieby
Corporate and Commercial Services Manager, Micah Nkiwane
Acting Executive Assistant, Tania Edwards (Microsoft Teams)

Leave of Absence | Apologies

Apologies from Councillor Lucas Creek and Councillor Robert Bloomfield.

SECTION ONE | LONG-TERM FINANCIAL FORECAST

1.1 Long-term Forecast Parameters

- Corporate and Commercial Services Manager, Micah Nkiwane explained the forecast parameters, assumptions and terminology.
- The meaning of various terminology was explained.

1.2 Budget Overview

• The Chief Executive Officer gave a brief overview of the budget and the impact the Tropical Cyclone Jasper flooding has had on the financial operation of Council.

1.3 Statement of Comprehensive Income

 Note correction required to the title 'Actual 2023/24' should be corrected to read Forecast 2023/24' on the table.

Attendance: Deputy Mayor left the meeting at 9.25am and rejoined the meeting at 9.26am.

• Discussion regarding various aspects of the financial statements.

1.4 Statement of Financial Position

Discussion regarding various aspects of the Financial Position

Attendance: Financial Accountant Khushwant Kumar joined the meeting at 9.25am

1.5 Statement of Cash Flow

• Discussion regarding various aspects of the Cash Flow.



SECTION TWO | BUDGET OVERVIEW BY DEPARTMENT

Councillors considered the Budget Overview by department as presented

Proposed Resolution:

In accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Regulations 2012, Section 170(1) (a) and (b),* Council resolves to adopt the new financial year annual budget for 2024/25.

Resolution: Adoption of the 2024/25 Budget

Resolution:	In accordance with the requirements of the <i>Local Government Regulations</i> 2012, Section 170(1) (a) and (b), Council resolves to adopt the 2024/25 Budget.	
Moved:	Mayor Alister Gibson	Carried 3/3
Seconded:	Deputy Mayor Claudia Doughboy	
Resolution No	20240729-01	

Fees and Charges, Revenue and Debt Policies

Under the Local Government Regulations 2012, Section 170(1) (a) and (b), Council is required to adopt the annual Fees and Charges and annual update of the Revenue and Debt Policy.

3.1 Fees and Charges

• Councillors discussed various items on the Fees and Charges, questioning items they wanted to learn more about.

Attendance: meeting adjourned 10.31am, reconvened at 10.36am.

4.1 Revenue Policy

• The Councillors considered the Revenue Policy as presented.

4.2 Debt Policy

• The Councillors considered the Revenue Policy as presented.

Proposed Resolution:

In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Regulations 2012, Section 170(1) (a) and (b), Council resolves to adopt the annual Fees and Charges and annual update of the Revenue and Debt Policy.

Resolution: Adoption of the Fees and Charges and annual update of the Revenue Policy and the Debt Policy

Resolution:	In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Regulations		
	2012, Section 170(1) (a) and (b), Council resolves to adopt the 2024/25 Fees		
	and Charges and the update of the Revenue Policy and the Debt Policies.		
Moved:	Councillor Nikita Tayley	Carried 3/3	
Seconded:	Mayor Alister Gibson		
Resolution No	20240729-02		



4.3 Councillor Remuneration Policy

Report to: Mayor, Councillors and Chief Executive Officer

Subject: Councillor Remuneration 2024/2025 and Remuneration Policy - update

Prepared by: Chief Executive Officer

Status: Decision

Councillors considered the policy as presented

 Councillors requested the addition of medical certificate to the leave of absence for approval of sick leave/to receive payment of sitting fee.

Resolution: Councillor Remuneration

Resolution:	1. Adopt the updated Councillor Remuneration Policy noting the amendment to the policy that for sick leave to be accepted, a medical certificate is required;			
	2. In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Regulation 2012 (s247) and the remuneration determinations of the Local Government Remuneration Commission Annual Report 2023, resolves to accept the commissions position and that the following remuneration amounts apply effective 1 July 2024:			
	Elected Member Rol	e 2024/2025		
	Mayor	\$119,393		
	Deputy Mayor	\$68,880		
	Councillors*	\$59,695		
Moved:	Councillor Nikita Tayley		Carried 3/3	
Seconded:	Deputy Mayor Claudia Doughboy			
Resolution No	20240729-03			

Attendance: Meeting adjourned at 11.15am.

Attendance: Financial Accountant Khushwant Kumar left the meeting at 11.15am

Attendance: Meeting reconvened at 11.32am

SECTION FIVE | OPERATIONAL PLAN

5.1 Late Item: Motion to LGAQ Regarding Boundary Alignment

- Councillors discussed the requirement to extend the boundaries of Wujal Wujal to allow for more housing, as per the Operational Plan.
- Council discussed the proposed motion to advocate for the proposed Wujal Wujal boundary extension.

The LGAQ calls on the State Government to review and implement, as a matter of urgency, Local Council boundary realignments agreed between Local Government Councils to facilitate land availability for smaller Shire Councils.

Resolution: Motion to LGAQ

Resolution:	That Council endorse the motion to LGAQ as follows: The LGAQ calls on the State Government to review and implement, as a matter of urgency, Local Council boundary realignments agreed between Local Government Councils to facilitate land availability for smaller Shire Councils.	
Moved:	Deputy Mayor Doughboy	Carried 3/3
Seconded:	Mayor Alister Gibson	
Resolution No	20240729-04	



Report to: Mayor and Councillors

Subject: Adoption of the 2024/25 Operational Plan

Prepared by: Chief Executive Officer

Status: Decision

- The Chief Executive Officer outlined the legislative requirements for the annual review of the Operational Plan and provided an overview of the plan.
- Specific items were discussed and explained.
- Note: spelling correction Operations Plan, section regarding the LGAQ motion.

Proposed Resolution:

In accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act (s104)* and *Local Government Regulations 2012, Section 174-175,* Council resolves to adopt the new financial year annual Operational Plan for 2024/25.

Resolution: Adoption of the 2024/25 Operational Plan

Resolution:	In accordance with the requirements of the <i>Local Government Act (s104)</i> and <i>Local Government Regulations 2012, Section 174-175,</i> Council resolves to adopt the new financial year annual Operational Plan for 2024/25.	
Moved:	Mayor Alister Gibson	Carried 3/3
Seconded:	Councillor Nikita Tayley	
Resolution No	20240729-05	

Meeting Closure

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Meeting formally closed at 11.47am.

Minutes confirmed by Mayor:

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