



**WUJAL WUJAL**  
Aboriginal Shire Council

**WUJAL WUJAL ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL**

## **Council Special Meeting**

**31 January 2020**

**Minutes**

**of the**

**Council Special Meeting held at the Wujal Wujal  
Aboriginal Shire Council Chambers**

*Desmond Taylor*

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**WUJAL WUJAL ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL AGENDA  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
31 January 2020**

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## 1. WELCOME/MEETING OPENING

Mayor welcomes everyone and opens the meeting at 11.54am.

## 2. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

<b>Members Present:</b>	Cr Desmond Tayley, Mayor (Chair) Cr Robert Bloomfield, Deputy Mayor (via teleconference) Cr Regan Kulka Cr Bradley Creek
<b>Apologies:</b>	Cr Vanessa Tayley
<b>Officers/Staff:</b>	Stephen Wilton - Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Harish Nair – Director of Finance and Corporate Services (DF&CS) Victor Mills – Director of Works and Building Services (DW&BS) Vanessa Kennedy - Executive Assistant (EA)
<b>Observers:</b>	Nil

## 3. COUNCILLOR OBLIGATIONS

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**3.2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest on any item of business**

**3.3. Registers of Interest**

**4. OPEN BUSINESS**

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**Friday 31 January 2020**

**11.54am**



**4.1 Purpose of Meeting**

**4.1.1 Adoption of 2018/19 Financial Statements**

<b>Resolution:</b>	That Council moves a resolution to accept Cr Robert Bloomfield attend the meeting on teleconference.	
Moved:	Cr Desmond Tayley	<b>CARRIED 3/4</b>
Seconded:	Cr Regan Kulka	
Decision No:	0131012020	

<b>Resolution:</b>	That Council moves a resolution to accept Cr Vanessa Tayley apologies for not being able to attend the meeting.	
Moved:	Cr Bradley Creek	<b>CARRIED 3/4</b>
Seconded:	Cr Robert Bloomfield	
Decision No:	0231012020	

CEO thanked councillors for attending the short notice meeting. Meeting called to endorse the Financial Statements for 2018/2019.

QAO issued an unmodified audit opinion on the 2018/19 Financial Statements.

CEO read out the results for the year, a surplus was recorded.

Two new significant deficiencies were noted in the 2019 closing report to the Mayor/CEO.

CEO advised Council that DF&CS will be working through issues raised with the QAO.

Legislation requires that we adopt our Annual report within 30 days of receiving the Financial Statements, the CEO advised this may not happen in this timeframe, however, a special meeting may be called again at short notice to meet this timeframe.

## 4.1 Adoption of 2018/19 Financial Statements

### 4.1.1 Adoption of 2018/19 Financial Statements

Presentation of the 2018/2019 Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council Annual Financial Statements (as tabled) for adoption in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* (QLD) and associated *Local Government Regulations 2012* (QLD).

#### BACKGROUND/HISTORY

The Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council Annual Report and audited financial statements (the Annual Report) are required to be presented to the local government within one month of the day the auditor-general gives the auditor-general's audit report about the local government's financial statements for the financial year [under section 182 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*(QLD)].

Council had applied for and received an extension of time for the finalisation of the annual audit by the Queensland Audit Office to 31 January 2020. The Audit has been completed without any adverse findings ie the audit provides an unqualified opinion. The audited financial statements were signed by the Auditor General on 31 January 2020 which meets the timeframe extended by the Minister for local Government Hon. Stirling Hinchliffe.

Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council's Annual Report 2018/2019 Annual Report will be presented to Council for adoption within 30 Days

#### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS (STATUTORY, BASIS, LEGAL RISKS)

*Local Government Act 2009* and the *Local Government Regulations 2012*.

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

N/A

#### FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (BUDGETARY)

The Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council financial statements for 2018/2019 provide information on Council's financial performance for the year ended 30/06/2019.

<b>Resolution:</b>	That Council resolves to adopt the 2018/2019 audited financial statements.	
<b>Moved:</b>	Cr Desmond Tayley	<b>CARRIED 4/4</b>
<b>Seconded:</b>	Cr Regan Kulka	
<b>Decision No:</b>	0331012020	

The Mayor acknowledged that the Council appreciates the work that all Council members have done to finalise these reports.

Senior Management all acknowledged efforts of everyone involved in the whole process and the way we are moving forward.

The Mayor mentioned that we need people in senior positions to report regularly on the state of the budget.

The CEO said budget preparation needs to be tighter and in a way that can be understood by everyone to enable the staff to have the ability to operate at a level where projects can be delivered.

The Mayor said the whole team needs to be educated on how to interpret reports and statements. The CEO said this also needs to be timed properly in order to capitalise on funding.

#### 5. MEETING CLOSE

Meeting closed at 12.22pm.

