# LONGREACH REGIONAL COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

## **Thursday 27 October 2022**

Civic Centre, 96a Eagle Street, Longreach

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File Ref:

Advice to Council regarding the appointment of Acting Chief Executive Officers, following the resignation of Council's recently appointed Chief Executive Officer, Mr Dirk Dowling.

#### **Council Action**

Deliver

#### **Applicable Legislation**

Local Government Act 2009 Local Government Regulations 2012

#### **Policy Considerations**

Nil

#### **Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations**

GOVERNANCE: GOVERNANCE SERVICES					
Link to Corporate Plan	Activity	Key Performance Indicators	Operational Targets		
4.1.1	Ensure effective and	Maintain Council's policy register in line	90% of policies are		
4.3.2	responsible policy development and decision	with policy review dates and legislative requirements.	reviewed and adopted in line with review dates.		
	making.	-			

#### **Budget Considerations**

Existing budget allocation will be utilised to support these acting appointments.

#### **Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

(Res-2022-02-001)

Moved Cr Rayner seconded Cr Bignell

That pursuant to section 195 of the Local Government Act 2009 Council:

- 1. Authorise the appointment of Mr Scott Mason as the Acting Chief Executive Officer until a permanent appointment is made; and
- 2. Authorise the Mayor to negotiate a contract and terms of engagement with the appointee and their representatives.

#### **Officer Comment**

Responsible Officer: Mark Watt, Acting Chief Executive Officer

#### **Background:**

Through the recent resignation of Councils Chief Executive Officer, the appointment of an Acting Chief Executive Officer is required during the recruitment period.

It is expected that the Acting Chief Executive Officer role will include all the aspects of working within Council's Executive Leadership Team, relevant legislation, and that the Acting Chief Executive Officer would be working with Council to assist with major decision-making should the need arise.

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#### **Issue:**

Due to availability, Mr Mark Watt has accepted to fill the role in the short-term from 17 October 2022 until 28 October 2022.

Following the availability of Mr Brett Walsh for the longer term, a further appointment is possible from 28 October 2022 until the role is permanently filled.

#### **Risk Management Factors:**

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Unlikely Consequence: Moderate Rating: Medium (6/25)

#### **Environmental Management Factors:**

Nil

#### **Other Comments:**

Nil

#### Recommendation:

That pursuant to section 195 of the Local Government Act 2009 Council:

- 1. Retrospectively endorse the appointment of Mr Mark Watt to the role of Acting Chief Executive Officer effective 17 October 2022 to 28 October 2022;
- 2. Appoint Mr Brett Walsh to the role of Acting Chief Executive Officer effective 29 October 2022; and
- 3. Authorise the Mayor to negotiate a contract and terms of engagement with the appointees and their representatives.