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# Longreach Regional Council



**Ordinary Meeting  
Thursday 18 July 2024**



**Minutes of the Longreach Regional Council Ordinary Meeting  
held on Thursday 18 July 2024 at the Town Hall, Yaraka**

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**Present**

**Councillors**

Mayor

Deputy Mayor

Cr AC Rayner

Cr LJ Nunn

Cr DJ Bignell

Cr AJ Emslie

Cr NA Gay

Cr TM Hatch

Cr A Watts

**Officers**

Chief Executive Officer

Chief Financial Officer

Acting Director of Communities

Director of Works

Manager of Human Resources, Safety and Wellness

Manager of Governance and Economy

Executive Assistant to Chief Executive Officer,

Mayor and Councillors

Brett Walsh

David Wilson

Tanya Johnson

Andre Pretorius

Grace Cronin-Jones

Simon Kuttner

Elizabeth Neal

**Apologies**

Nil

**1 Opening of Meeting and Acknowledgement of Country**

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9:32am.

*"We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today, and we acknowledge elders past and present."*

**2 Prayer**

Reverend Rob Flodine, Baptist Church, opened the meeting with a prayer.

**3 Condolences**

No one has passed since the June Council Meeting.

**4 Leave of Absence**

Nil

**5 Declaration of any Prescribed / Declarable Conflicts of Interest by Councillors**

**5.1 Declaration of Prescribed Conflicts of Interest on any Item of Business**

*No declarations were made during this point of the meeting.*

**5.2 Declaration of a Declarable Conflict of Interest on any Item of Business**

*No declarations were made during this point of the meeting.*

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**6 Confirmation of Minutes**

**6.1 Council - Thursday 20 June 2024**

*(Res-2024-07-169)*

*Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Watts*

*That the Minutes of the Council held on Thursday 20 June 2024, be confirmed.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

**7 Mayoral Report**

**Mayoral Report**

This report provides an update on the Mayoral duties that have occurred during the previous month.

*(Res-2024-07-170)*

*Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Hatch*

*That Council receives the Mayoral Report, as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

**8 Notices of Motion**

Nil

**9 Petitions**

Nil

**10 Deputations**

Nil

**11 Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Consideration was given to the Chief Executive Officer's Report

**11.1 Councillor Information Correspondence**

From the Chief Executive Officer, tabling a list of significant and relevant correspondence for Councillors and public information.

*(Res-2024-07-171)*

*Moved Cr Emslie seconded Cr Bignell*

*That Council receives the Councillor Information Correspondence Report, as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

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**11.2 Western Queensland Local Government Association (WQLGA) funds distribution**

Consideration of funds distribution from the recently wound-up Western Queensland Local Government Association (WQLGA).

*(Res-2024-07-172)*

*Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Watts*

*That Council:*

- 1. Notes that the Western Queensland Local Government Association is wound up; and,*
- 2. Allocates its distribution of funds from the Western Queensland Local Government Association, totalling \$7,154.94, towards annual membership of the Remote Area Planning and Development Board given that it is an organisation that has similar aims and objectives.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

**11.3 Annual Operational Plan 2023-24-- Review for period ending 30 June 2024**

Consideration of the 2023-24 Annual Operational Plan review for the period ending 30 June 2024.

*(Res-2024-07-173)*

*Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Bignell*

*That Council, pursuant to section 174(3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, receives the Chief Executive Officer's evaluation of the implementation of the 2023-24 Annual Operational Plan for the period ended 30 June 2024.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

The meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 10:31am.

The meeting resumed at 10:59am with all present prior to the adjournment in attendance..

**11.4 Annual Operational Plan 2024-2025**

Consideration of the Longreach Regional Council Annual Operational Plan 2024-2025, which is presented for adoption.

*(Res-2024-07-174)*

*Moved Cr Bignell seconded Cr Watts*

*That Council, pursuant to section 174(1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, adopts the Longreach Regional Council Annual Operational Plan 2024-2025, as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

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**11.5 Monthly Workplace Health and Safety Report - June 2024**

This report provides a summary of Council's health and safety performance as at 30 June 2024, highlighting issues, risks and opportunities impacting on employee health and safety in the workplace.

*(Res-2024-07-175)*

*Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Nunn*

*That Council receives the Workplace Health and Safety update as at 30 June 2024, as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

**11.6 Information Report - Planning and Development Report**

This report provides an update on Development Services that has occurred during the month of June 2024.

*(Res-2024-07-176)*

*Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Gay*

*That Council receives the Planning and Development information report, as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

**11.7 Information Report - Governance**

This report provides an update on a range of activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Governance Directorate.

*(Res-2024-07-177)*

*Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Emslie*

*That Council receives the Governance information report, as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

The meeting adjourned for Lunch at 12:36pm.

The meeting resumed at 1:52pm with all present prior to the adjournment in attendance.

**12 Financial Services Report**

Consideration was given to the Chief Financial Officer's Report

**12.1 Interim Audit Report**

QAO has conducted their interim audit in preparation for the 2023/24 financial reports. The interim audit report is attached for Council's information.

*(Res-2024-07-178)*

*Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Gay*

*That Council receives the Interim Audit Report as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*



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**12.2 Monthly Financial Statements**

Consideration of the financial statements for the period ending 30 June 2024:

*(Res-2024-07-179)*

*Moved Cr Emslie seconded Cr Bignell*

*That Council receives the monthly financial statements for the period ending 30 June 2024, as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

**12.3 Information Report - Finance**

This report provides an update on a range of activities that occurred during the month of June 2024 for the Finance Directorate.

*(Res-2024-07-180)*

*Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Watts*

*That Council receives the Finance information report, as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

**13 Community and Cultural Services Report**

Consideration was given to the Director Community and Cultural Services Report

**13.1 Community Donation - Ilfracombe Golf Club Open**

Consideration of a Community Donations application received in June in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06.

*(Res-2024-07-181)*

*Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Nunn*

*That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06;*

<i>Organisation/ Name</i>	<i>Event/Activity</i>	<i>Grant Requested</i>	<i>Grant Approved</i>
<i>Ilfracombe Golf Club</i>	<i>Golf Club Open</i>	<i>Financial \$1,400.00</i>	<i>Financial \$1,400.00</i>
		<i>TOTAL \$1,400.00</i>	<i>TOTAL \$1,400.00</i>

*CARRIED 7/0*

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**13.2 Community Donation - Ilfracombe Historical Society**

Consideration of a Community Donations application received in June in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06.

*(Res-2024-07-182)*

*Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Bignell*

*That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06;*

<i>Organisation/ Name</i>	<i>Event/Activity</i>	<i>Grant Requested</i>	<i>Grant Approved</i>
Ilfracombe Historical Society	Crawler Concrete	Financial \$5,000.00	Financial \$5,000.00
		TOTAL \$5,000.00	TOTAL \$5,000.00

*CARRIED 7/0*

**13.3 Community Donation - Longreach Netball Association - Juniors and Ladies Presentation Day Awards**

Consideration of a Community Donations application received in June in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06.

*(Res-2024-07-183)*

*Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Gay*

*That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06;*

<i>Organisation/ Name</i>	<i>Event/Activity</i>	<i>Grant Requested</i>	<i>Grant Approved</i>
Longreach Netball Association	Juniors & Seniors Presentation Day Awards	Financial \$5,000.00	Financial \$5,000.00
		TOTAL \$5,000.00	TOTAL \$5,000.00

*CARRIED 7/0*

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**13.4 Community Donation - Rotary Club of Longreach Incorporated**

Consideration of a Community Donations application received in June in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06.

*(Res-2024-07-184)*

*Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Gay*

*That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06;*

<i>Organisation/ Name</i>	<i>Event/Activity</i>	<i>Grant Requested</i>	<i>Grant Approved</i>
Rotary Club of Longreach Incorporated	Movie Screen	Financial \$5,000.00	Financial \$5,000.00
		TOTAL \$5,000.00	TOTAL \$5,000.00

*CARRIED 7/0*

**13.5 Sponsorship - Branches Performing Arts**

Consideration of a Sponsorship application received for the month of June, in accordance with Council's Sponsorship Policy No. 11.07.

*(Res-2024-07-185)*

*Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Bignell*

*That Council approves the allocation of funds from the 2024/2025 Sponsorship budget as contained in the following table, in accordance with the Sponsorship Policy No 11.07:*

<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Event/Project Activity</i>	<i>Event Date</i>	<i>Grant Approved</i>
Branches Performing Arts	Dirty Feet Outback Dance Festival	23 – 29 September 2024	Financial \$2940.00 In – Kind \$7060.00
		TOTAL	\$10,000.00

*CARRIED 7/0*

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**13.6 Sponsorship - Great Endeavour Rally - 2024 End of Event Dinner and Presentations**

Consideration for Sponsorship application received for the month of June, in accordance with Council's Sponsorship Policy No. 11.07.

(Res-2024-07-186)

Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Bignell

That Council approves the allocation of funds from the **2024/2025 Sponsorship budget** as contained in the following table, in accordance with the Sponsorship Policy No 11.07:

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Event/Project Activity</b>	<b>Event Date</b>	<b>Grant recommended</b>
Endeavour Foundation Limited	Great Endeavour Rally - 2024 End of Event Dinner & Presentation	1 September 2024	<b>In-Kind \$121.40</b>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$121.40</b>

CARRIED 7/0

**13.7 Sponsorship - Longreach Yellowbelly and Recreational Club Inc**

Consideration for Sponsorship application received for the month of June, in accordance with Council's Sponsorship Policy No. 11.07.

(Res-2024-07-187)

Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Nunn

That Council approves the allocation of funds from the **2024/2025 Sponsorship budget** as contained in the following table, in accordance with the Sponsorship Policy No 11.07:

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Event/Project Activity</b>	<b>Event Date</b>	<b>Grant Approved</b>
Longreach Yellowbelly and Recreational Club Inc	Longreach Yellowbelly Classic 2024	23 - 25 August 2024	<b>Financial \$8,764.80</b> <b>In-Kind \$1,235.20</b>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>

CARRIED 7/0

**13.8 Community Donations Policy**

Consideration to adopt the reviewed and amended Community Policy No 11.6.

(Res-2024-07-188)

Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Gay

That Council adopts the amended Community Donations Policy, as presented and amended.

CARRIED 7/0

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**13.9 Sponsorship Policy**

Consideration to adopt the reviewed and amended Sponsorship Policy No. 11.7.

*(Res-2024-07-189)*

*Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Watts*

*That Council adopts the amended Sponsorship Policy, as presented and amended.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

**13.10 Application for Works on Council Owned Land - Mural on Ilfracombe Rural Fire Brigade Shed**

Consideration of an 'Application for Works on Council Owned Land' from the Ilfracombe Rural Fire Brigade to paint a mural on the roller door of the Ilfracombe Rural Fire Brigade Shed.

*(Res-2024-07-190)*

*Moved Cr Bignell seconded Cr Gay*

*That Council grants the Ilfracombe Rural Fire Brigade permission to have a mural of a fire engine painted on the roller door of the Ilfracombe Rural Fire Brigade Shed.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

**13.11 Information Report - Community Services**

This report provides an update on the range of activities that have occurred during the month of June for the Community Services Department.

*(Res-2024-07-191)*

*Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Nunn*

*That Council receives the Community Services information report, as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

**14 Infrastructure Services Report**

**14.1 Information Report - Works**

This report provides an update on a range of activities that has occurred during the month of June 2024 for the Works Directorate.

*(Res-2024-07-192)*

*Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Gay*

*That Council receives the Works Information Report, as presented.*

*CARRIED 7/0*

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**16 Late Items**

Nil for this meeting

**17. Closed Matters**

Nil for this meeting

**18 Closure of Meeting**

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 3:20pm

**Minutes Certificate**

These minutes are unconfirmed.

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Cr A Rayner  
Mayor

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Brett Walsh  
Chief Executive Officer