



SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2025
10:00 AM

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1. NOTICE OF MEETING

I hereby give notice that a Special Council Meeting was held on:

Date: 12th November 2025
Time: 10:00am
Location: Council Chambers
22 Cameron Road, Batchelor NT 0845

Any member or staff member who may have a conflict of interest, or perceived conflict of interest regarding any item of business to be discussed at a Special Council meeting should declare that conflict of interest to enable Council to manage the conflict and resolve it in accordance with its obligations under the *Local Government Act 2019*.

The Special Council Meeting was open to the public and adhered to COVID Safety Plan requirements, including optional wearing of a mask, appropriate physical distancing, health and hygiene requirements.

The meeting was recorded for minuting purposes only.



Chief Executive Officer

RESOLUTION 2025/12/16/002

That the Public Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 12th November 2025 be confirmed they are a true and correct record of the meeting, as amended to include a note:

At item 8.2 Deputy President Whatley, “through the CEO, to thank staff for outstanding efforts towards the production of the Annual Report 2024-25.

Moved: Deputy President Whatley

Seconded: Clr. Strettles

Carried

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BATCHELOR

ON TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER AT 10:00AM

The President, Mr Ross McGorman, declared the meeting open at 10:04am and welcomed all in attendance.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land commonly referred to as Coomalie. I pay my respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

3. PERSONS PRESENT

MEMBERS PRESENT

President	Ross McGorman
Deputy President	Chris Whatley
Councillor	Mae Mae Morrison
Councillor	Greg Strettles – via electronic means
Councillor	Sharon Beswick
Councillor	Alan Roe – via electronic means

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Sharon Hillen
Corporate Services Manager	Natasha Chapman
Council & Community Services Manager	Emma Dunne
Executive Services Coordinator	Stacey Shooter

VISITORS PRESENT

Nexia Edwards Marshall (Auditor)	Noel Clifford
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4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Date: 12th November 2025.
Author: Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer.
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

This report is to table for Council's record any apologies and requests for leave of absence received for the Special Meeting held on 12th November 2025.

Nil

5. ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE.

Date: 12th November 2025.
Author: Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer.
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

This report is to table, for the Council's record, any requests and permissions for Electronic Attendance.

RESOLUTION SPEC2025/11/12/001

That Council acknowledge and accepts Clr. Strettles and Clr. Roe's attendance to the meeting of 12th November 2025 via electronic means.

Moved: Deputy President Whatley

Seconded: Clr. Beswick

Carried

6. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Date: 12th November 2025.
Author: Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer.
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

Members and Staff are required to disclose an interest in a matter under consideration by the Council at a meeting of the Council by:

- 1) In the case of a matter featured in an officer's report or written agenda item by disclosing the interest to the Council by disclosure as soon as possible after the matter is raised.
- 2) In the case of a matter raised in general debate or by any means other than the printed agenda of the Council by disclosure as soon as possible after the matter is raised. Under disclosure, the member or staff member must abide by the decision of Council on whether he/ she shall remain in the meeting and/ or take part in the issue. The Council may elect to allow the member or staff member to provide further and better particulars of the interest prior to requesting him/ her to leave the Chambers.

RESOLUTION SPEC2025/11/12/002

That Council receives Nil declarations of interest for the Special Meeting held 12th November 2025.

Moved: Clr. Beswick

Seconded: Clr. Morrison

Carried

8. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RESOLUTION SPEC2025/11/12/003

That Council close the meeting to the general public in accordance with Regulation 51 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*;

Moved: Deputy President Whatley

Seconded: Clr. Beswick

Carried

Procedural Note:

The meeting was closed to the public at 10:06am.

8.1 USE OF THE COMMON SEAL - ROAD OPENING, OWEN LAGOON ROAD

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1)(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;
Regulations 51(1)(c)(i) cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person

8.2 ANNUAL REPORT AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2024-25

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(1)(c)(i) cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person

RESOLUTION CONFSPEC2025/11/12/005

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements 2024-25; and
- b) endorses the Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements 2024-25 as amended; and
- c) moves the Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements 2024-25 into open business.

NOTE: Deputy President Whatley, "through the CEO, Thanks staff for outstanding efforts towards the production of the Annual Report 2024-25".

Moved: Deputy President Whatley

Seconded: President McGorman

Carried

9. DECISIONS ARISING FROM THE CONFIDENTIAL SECTION OF THE COUNCIL

RESOLUTION CONFSPEC2025/11/12/006

That Council move the following items into Open:

8.2 - ANNUAL REPORT AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2024-25

Moved: Cllr. Beswick

Seconded: Deputy President Whatley

Carried

10. RE-OPENING OF THE MEETING

RESOLUTION CONFSPEC2025/11/12/007

That the Committee re-opens the meeting to the general public in accordance with Regulation 51 of *the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*.

Moved: Deputy President Whatley

Seconded: Clr. Morrison

Carried

Procedural Note:

The meeting was reopened to the public at 11:31am.

11. MEETING CLOSED

The meeting was closed at 11:33am.