



**AGENDA**  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024**

I hereby give notice that a Special Meeting of Council will be held on:

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024  
Time: 11:30am  
Location: Council Chambers  
22 Cameron Road, Batchelor NT 0845

Any member of Council who may have a conflict of interest, or perceived conflict of interest regarding any item of business to be discussed at a 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 Ordinary Meeting of Council will be open to the public and will adhere to COVID Safety Plan requirements, including wearing a mask, appropriate physical distancing, health, and hygiene requirements.

The meeting will be recorded for minuting purposes only.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'SHILL', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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# AGENDA

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BATCHELOR

ON 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024

The President of the Shire, Clr Beswick, will declare the meeting open at 11:30am and welcome all in attendance.

### **1. PERSONS PRESENT**

#### **ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councillor	President Sharon Beswick
Councillor	Colin Freeman
Councillor	Angus McClymont
Councillor	Stephen Noble
Councillor	Richard Luxton
Councillor	Cherrian Luxton

#### **STAFF PRESENT**

Chief Executive Officer	Sharon Hillen
Corporate Services Manager	Natasha Chapman

#### **VISITORS PRESENT**

## 2. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

<b>Date:</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
<b>Author:</b>	Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer
<b>Attachments:</b>	Nil

### PURPOSE

This report is to table for Council's record any apologies and requests for leave of absence received from Elected Members for the Special Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

### RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the apologies of..... absence for the Special Meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

**Moved:** Clr.

**Seconded:** Clr.

### COMMENT

The council can choose to accept the apologies or requests for leave of absence as presented, or not accept them. Apologies or requests for leave of absence that are not accepted by Council will be recorded as absence without notice.

### STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Section 95 *Local Government Act 2019*

1.12 Meetings of Council

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

### 3. ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

<b>Date:</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
<b>Author:</b>	Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer
<b>Attachments:</b>	Nil

#### PURPOSE

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

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council acknowledges and accepts Clr..... attendance to the Special meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024 via electronic means.

**Moved:** Clr.

**Seconded:** Clr.

#### COMMENT

The *Local Government Act 2019* provides for a member who is not physically present at a meeting is taken to be present at the meeting if:

- (a) the member's attendance at the meeting by means of an audio or audio-visual conferencing system is authorised in accordance with a council resolution establishing a policy for attendance in such a manner.

#### STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Section 95 *Local Government Act 2019*

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

#### 4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

**Date:** 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024

**Author:** Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer

**Attachments:** Nil

#### PURPOSE

Members 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 must abide by the decision of Council on whether he/ she shall remain in the meeting and/ or take part in the vote on the issue. The Council may elect to allow the Member to provide further and better particulars of the interest prior to requesting him/ her to leave the Chambers.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the declarations of interest as listed for the Confidential Special Meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

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**Moved:** Clr.

**Seconded:** Clr.

#### STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Sections 114 and 119 *Local Government Act 2019*

Conflict of Interest – Code of Conduct

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

#### 5. PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

## 6. REPORTS REQUIRING DECISIONS OF COUNCIL

### 6.1 NOMINATIONS TO REPRESENT LGANT ON THE ANIMAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

<b>Date:</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
<b>Author:</b>	Sharon Hillen, Chief Executive Officer
<b>Attachment:</b>	Procedures, TOR, handbook and Nomination form

#### PURPOSE

To seek nominations from members to represent LGANT on the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled Nominations to Represent LGANT on the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee; and
- b) nominates Clr Cherrian Luxton to represent all Local Government Areas in the NT as the LGANT Representative on the NT Animal Welfare Advisory Committee.

**Moved:** Clr.

**Seconded:** Clr.

#### BACKGROUND

##### Background

The Animal Welfare Advisory Committee is a function of the Animal Welfare Act (2) and has the following functions:

- providing advice to the Minister or the CEO on animal welfare issues or on any other matter that is relevant to the operation of the Act.
- investigating and reporting on matters relevant to animal welfare or the operation of the Act referred to the Advisory Committee by the Minister
- examining or developing codes of practice, and making recommendations to the Minister about:
  - adopting or prescribing codes of practice under the Regulations
  - providing advice to bodies, organisations, or the general community on programs for the improvement of community awareness about animal welfare
  - performing any other function associated with the welfare of animals or the operation of the Act determined by the Minister.

##### Role of the Committee

To provide strategic advice to the Minister on matters related to animal welfare, such as:

- policy, legislation and codes of practice
- education
- community attitudes and trends



- emerging animal welfare issues
- use of animals for scientific purposes

### **Term of Office**

Unless otherwise determined by the Minister, the term of office of the Committee and each Member will be three years.

### **Meetings**

- A sitting fee is paid after each meeting of \$228.00
- The Committee will meet not less than twice a year

### **Nominees**

- The member chosen to represent LGANT will represent all Territory municipals, shires and regional councils as one entity
- Elected members and officers are eligible to apply

### **COMMENT**

If you would like your nomination to be considered by the LGANT Board please return the attached nomination form to [andrea.james@lgant.asn.au](mailto:andrea.james@lgant.asn.au) before COB 07 June 2024.

### **CONSULTATION**

- Chief Executive Officer
- Manager, Council and Community Services

### **STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT/POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- Animal Welfare Act NT

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Committee member will receive a sitting fee of \$228 per meeting with a minimum of two (2) meetings per year.

## **7. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at
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