

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

WATER AND WASTE STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF
ISAAC REGIONAL COUNCIL

HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, 15 MARCH 2023
COMMENCING AT 1.00PM

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ATTENDANCE Chair, Cr Simon West, Division Four
Cr Greg Austen, Division One
Cr Kelly Ve a Ve a, Division Five
Cr Carolyn Franzmann, Division Six

OFFICERS PRESENT Mr Jeff Stewart-Harris, Chief Executive Officer
Mrs Lisa Tonkin, Manager Business Services
Mr Karl Murdoch, Manager Waste Services
Mr Stephen Wagner, Manager Operations and Maintenance
Mr Amal Meegahawattage, Manager Planning and Projects
Mr Gary Carlyle, Planning Engineer
Mr Seungchan Bang, Maintenance Planner
Mr Neill Thompson, Project Manager - Planning and Project Development
Mrs Zoe Behrendt, Acting Manager Business Services
Mrs Tricia Hughes, Coordinator Executive Support
Mrs Chantel Potter, Executive Assistant

1. OPENING

The Chair declared the meeting open at 1.00pm and acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today and paid his respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

2. APOLOGIES

An apology has been received from Mayor Anne Baker and Mr Scott Casey.

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Resolution No.: W&W0416

Moved: Cr Austen

Seconded: Cr Vea Vea

That the Water and Waste Standing Committee accepts the apology received from Mayor Anne Baker.

Carried

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflict of interests declared this meeting.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of minutes from Water and Waste Standing Committee Meeting of Isaac Regional Council held at Council Chambers, Moranbah on Wednesday 8 February 2023.

Resolution No.: W&W0417

Moved: Cr Vea Vea

Seconded: Cr Austen

That the minutes from the Water and Waste Standing Committee meeting held in Council Chambers, Moranbah on Wednesday 8 February 2023 are confirmed.

Carried

5. OFFICERS REPORTS

5.1 Water And Waste 2022-2023 Capital Projects Progress Reports

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is to provide an update to the Water and Waste Standing Committee and Council of the progress in delivery of the Water and Waste 2022/2023 Capital Works Program.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the monthly Water and Waste 2022/2023 Capital Projects Progress Summary Report.**

Resolution No.: W&W0418

Moved: Cr Vea Vea

Seconded: Cr Franzmann

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the monthly Water and Waste 2022/2023 Capital Projects Progress Summary Report.**

Carried

5.2 Scada Modernisation - Program Update March 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide an update of the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) program including progress on implementing this program and activities planned to occur in the medium term.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Receives and acknowledges this update on the SCADA Modernisation Program.***

Resolution No.: W&W0419

Moved: Cr Austen

Seconded: Cr Vea Vea

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Receives and acknowledges this update on the SCADA Modernisation Program.**

Carried

NOTE:

- Cr Vea Vea has requested for an addendum to the report to include what solutions are being put in place to manage the risks.
- Request for future reporting (all capital deliverables) that management of risks and solutions are included for Council review and consideration.
- The Chief Executive Officer advised that an update on recent Capital Peer Review Outcomes will be provided to Councillors at the next Strategic Planning Day.

5.3 Procurement Compliance for Engagement of Process Engineer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to retrospectively ratify and obtain approval for the past cost incurred from November 2022 through to February 2023 and continued engagement of Simmonds and Bristow for Process Engineering services through to the end of the 2022-2023 financial year, that were and are non-compliant under the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Notes that the engagement of a labour hire Process Engineer through Simmons and Bristow for the period 1 November 2022 to current has been non-compliant due to the expiry of Local Buy Panel BUS262 which the original engagement occurred through.***

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- Retrospectively approves the engagement of a labour hire Process Engineer from Simmons and Bristow for the period 1 November 2022 to 29 March 2023.*
 - Following review of three quotations for similar or equivalent skilled positions approves the engagement of a labour hire Process Engineer from Simmons and Bristow for the period 30 March 2023 to 30 June 2023.*

Resolution No.: W&W0420

Moved: Cr Austen

Seconded: Cr Vea Vea

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- Notes that the engagement of a labour hire Process Engineer through Simmons and Bristow for the period 1 November 2022 to current has been non-compliant due to the expiry of Local Buy Panel BUS262 which the original engagement occurred through.**
- Retrospectively approves the engagement of a labour hire Process Engineer from Simmons and Bristow for the period 1 November 2022 to 29 March 2023.**
- Following review of previously supplied quotations (three) for similar or equivalent skilled positions approves the engagement of a labour hire Process Engineer from Simmons and Bristow for the period 30 March 2023 to 30 June 2023.**
- Notes that notification arrangements have been put in place to identify the end of local buy panel arrangements in timely manner to enable subsequent supplier arrangements to be put in place for business continuity.**
- Considers funding in the FY2024 Budget for a Process Engineer resource as either an employee or a contractor to fill this organisational need.**

Carried

NOTE:

The Committee requests that an addendum is added to the report to include the costs for the engagement of a labour hire Process Engineer from Simmons and Bristow and the budget that this service is funded from.

ATTENDANCE

Mr Jeff Stewart-Harris left the meeting room at 1.42pm and returned at 1.43pm.

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5.4 Effluent Reuse Strategy Part 1 Report

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report summarises the outcomes of the Effluent Reuse Strategy Part 1. The Strategy is to be delivered in two parts. Part 1 provides the outcomes of investigations dealing with requirements 4 and 5 of an Environment Protection Order (EPO) issued by the Department of Environment and Science (DES) for the Moranbah Wastewater Treatment Plant. Part 2 will expand on the Part 1 investigations for Moranbah and investigate the Recycled Water Networks in Clermont, Dysart, Middlemount and Glenden.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the Effluent Reuse Strategy Part 1 Report.*

Resolution No.: W&W0421

Moved: Cr Franzmann

Seconded: Cr Vea Vea

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the Effluent Reuse Strategy Part 1 Report and notes that some of the solutions proposed could be superseded once the Effluent Reuse Strategy Part 2 Report is presented in May 2023.**

Carried

ATTENDANCE

Mr Karl Murdoch left the meeting room at 1.45pm and returned at 1.47pm.

5.5 3rd Quarter Report - Water Quality Reliability Investigation Action Plan Deliverables

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present to Council the 3rd quarter report for the Water Quality Reliability Investigation Action Plan Deliverables.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the 3rd Quarter Water Quality Reliability Investigation Action Plan Deliverables.**

Resolution No.: W&W0422

Moved: Cr Franzmann

Seconded: Cr Vea Vea

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the 3rd Quarter Water Quality Reliability Investigation Action Plan Deliverables.**

Carried

NOTES:

The Committee have requested that the proposed or actual commencement date or other relevant commentary regarding commencement of actions is added to the plan.

ATTENDANCE

Mr Jeff Stewart-Harris entered the meeting room at 2.10pm.

5.6 Water Service Area Legislation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present to Council clarification on the interpretation of the *Water Supply Safety and Reliability (WSSR) Act 2008* with regard to the formation and implementation of water service areas.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Receives and acknowledges the legal advice clarifying Water Service Area legislation; and**
- 2. Supports the review of existing water service areas.**

Resolution No.: W&W0423

Moved: Cr Austen

Seconded: Cr Vea Vea

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. Receives and acknowledges the legal advice clarifying Water Service Area legislation; and
2. Supports the review of existing water service areas commencing with Clermont with a further report to be submitted to Council with options (cost analysis, legal and legislative obligations, reputation etc) for consideration at the September 2023 Water and Waste Standing Committee Meeting.
3. Notes that the Chief Executive Officer will seek further legal advice forthwith regarding acceptable timeframes for a review of the water service area.
4. Notes that there is currently no budget or resource allocations to undertake this body of work and requests the Chief Executive Officer provide Council with options about how to address this.

Carried

5.7 Water and Wastewater Preventive Maintenance Programme

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report summarises the pathway of the Water and Wastewater Preventive Maintenance Programme and the outcomes of the programme to date.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. *Notes the contents of the Water and Wastewater Preventive Maintenance Programme Report.*

Resolution No.: W&W0424

Moved: Cr Franzmann

Seconded: Cr Vea Vea

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. Notes the contents of the Water and Wastewater Preventive Maintenance Programme Report.

Carried

5.8 Annual Review Landfill Management Contracts

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a review of the performance of the Waste and Recycling Collection Contracts IRCT2083-0620-192 over the twelve (12) months from December 2021 to December 2022.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- Notes the report on the December 2021 to December 2022 annual review on the performance of the Management of Council's Landfill sites for Contract IRCT2083-0620-192.**

Resolution No.: W&W0425

Moved: Cr Austen

Seconded: Cr Vea Vea

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- Notes the report on the December 2021 to December 2022 annual review on the performance of the Management of Council's Landfill sites for Contract IRCT2083-0620-192.**

Carried

5.9 Water and Waste Integrated Management System Update

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide a six (6) monthly update on activities relevant to the Water and Waste Directorate's Integrated Management System (IMS). This report is intended to compliment but not restate targets, outcomes or matrixes reported through other means including the Water and Waste Annual Performance Plan, Annual Operational Plan or Regulatory Compliance Quarterly Report.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- Receives and acknowledges the content of this report on the status and outcomes of activities relevant to the Water and Waste Directorate's Integrated Management System (IMS).**

Resolution No.: W&W0426

Moved: Cr Vea Vea

Seconded: Cr Austen

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. Receives and acknowledges the content of this report on the status and outcomes of activities relevant to the Water and Waste Directorate's Integrated Management System (IMS).

Carried

6. INFORMATION BULLETIN REPORTS

6.1 Water and Waste Information Bulletin – March 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Water and Waste Directorate Information Bulletin for March 2023 is provided for Committee review.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee:

1. *Notes the Water and Waste Directorate Information Bulletin for March 2023.*

Resolution No.: W&W0427

Moved: Cr Franzmann

Seconded: Cr Austen

That the Committee:

1. Notes the Water and Waste Directorate Information Bulletin for March 2023.

Carried

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1

Cr Kelly Vea Vea raised the recent announcement by the Queensland Government - Spotlight on solar panels in draft drive to recycle and reduce landfill.

- Queensland will consult on a proposal to ban the dumping of end-of-life solar panels in landfill
- The Palaszczuk Government will pilot a solar panel recycling scheme led by industry
- The consultation is part of a draft plan to tackle e-waste across Queensland
- It builds on a broader \$1.1 billion Recycling and Jobs Fund that's driving Queensland's zero waste transition

Queenslanders are being encouraged to have their say on a proposal to recycle items like solar panels and repair other e-products instead of sending them to landfill, to protect our great lifestyle.

Cr Vea Vea seeks to understand what this means for the Isaac Region from a domestic level and from a region that hosts large scale solar farms. What are the possible impacts on our Region?

Cr Vea Vea requests that Council consider lodging any submissions relevant to this matter and asks that Council's Advocacy Team is included in preparation of the submissions.

ACTION: MANAGER WASTE SERVICES AND HEAD OF ADVOCACY AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

7.2 Water Leak Mills Avenue, Moranbah

The Chair, Cr West enquired if the large leak on Mills Avenue is a result of any Water and Waste infrastructure or activities.

The Manager Operations and Maintenance advised that an extensive investigation has occurred, and he could advise that the leak is not a result of any Water and Waste Infrastructure or activities.

7.3 Effluent Water Capacity/Flow

The Chair raised an enquiry from the Engineering and Infrastructure Steering Committee which sought clarification on why there is insufficient effluent water capacity/flow to provide adequate water supply for irrigation of the parks and medium strips in Moranbah.

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The Manager Operations and Maintenance advised that with current infrastructure they are delivering at maximum capacity and that a significant upgrade of the infrastructure would be required to provide additional capacity in the system to allow the required capacity to be provided.

ACTION: MANAGER OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

8. CONCLUSION

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 2.55pm.

These minutes were confirmed by the Committee at the Water and Waste Standing Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 12 April 2023 in Moranbah.

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