

NOTICE OF MEETING

Dear Councillors

You are requested to attend the following meeting of Council.

SPECIAL MEETING OF
ISAAC REGIONAL COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 22 MARCH 2023
COMMENCING AT 1.00PM
AT ISAAC REGIONAL COUNCIL
MORANBAH CHAMBERS

JEFF STEWART-HARRIS PSM
Chief Executive Officer

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Chapter 8, Part 2 Local Government Meetings and Committees

Division 1A, Requirements for Local Government Meetings Generally Section 254J

Closed meetings

- (1) A local government may resolve that all or part of a meeting of the local government be closed to the public.
- (2) A committee of a local government may resolve that all or part of a meeting of the committee be closed to the public.
- (3) However, a local government or a committee of a local government may make a resolution about a local government meeting under subsection (1) or (2) only if its councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting to discuss one or more of the following matters—
 - (a) the appointment, discipline or dismissal of the chief executive officer;
 - (b) industrial matters affecting employees;
 - (c) the local government's budget;
 - (d) rating concessions;
 - (e) legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government;
 - (f) matters that may directly affect the health and safety of an individual or a group of individuals;
 - (g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government;
 - (h) negotiations relating to the taking of land by the local government under the [Acquisition of Land Act 1967](#);
 - (i) a matter the local government is required to keep confidential under a law of, or formal arrangement with, the Commonwealth or a State.
- (4) However, a local government or a committee of a local government must not resolve that a part of a local government meeting at which a decision mentioned in [section 150ER\(2\)](#), [150ES\(3\)](#) or [150EU\(2\)](#) of the [Act](#) will be considered, discussed, voted on or made be closed.
- (5) A resolution that a local government meeting be closed must—
 - (a) state the matter mentioned in subsection (3) that is to be discussed; and
 - (b) include an overview of what is to be discussed while the meeting is closed.
- (6) A local government or a committee of a local government must not make a resolution (other than a procedural resolution) in a local government meeting, or a part of a local government meeting, that is closed.

Section 254K Participating in meetings by audio link or audio visual link

- (1) A local government may allow a person to take part in a meeting of the local government by audio link or audio visual link.
- (2) A committee of a local government may allow a person to take part in a meeting of the committee by audio link or audio visual link.
- (3) A councillor or committee member who takes part in a local government meeting under subsection (1) or (2) is taken to be present at the meeting if the councillor or member was simultaneously in audio contact with each other person at the meeting.
- (4) In this section—
audio link see the [Evidence Act 1977, section 39C](#).
audio visual link see the [Evidence Act 1977, schedule 3](#).

Conflict of Interest Obligations

Reference is made to Section 150EL of the Local Government Act 2009. Specifically, the obligation of Councillors when they first become aware they have a conflict of interest to make the Chief Executive Officer aware in writing or if in a meeting, ensure they declare immediately.

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**2023 Australian Local Government Association - National
General Assembly - Isaac Regional Council Motions**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly (NGA) is Australia's largest and most influential gathering of Local Government Councillors, Mayors, Chairs and Officials. The 2023 (NGA) will be held on 13 to 16 June 2023 in Canberra.

Two motions have been prepared for consideration of Council to submit to the 2023 ALGA NGA. The first motion is seeking ongoing support from the Federal Government for the Regional University Centres Funding. The second motion is seeking support from the Federal Government to establish a Net Zero Regional Transformation/Transition Authority at a national level.

A resolution is sought from Council to accept and submit the motions to ALGA NGA by 24 March 2023.

6. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

No confidential reports this meeting.

7. CONCLUSION