



ORDINARY MEETING

27 MAY 2026

9 A.M.

PRESENT: Cr A Eden (Chairperson)
Cr B Moller
Cr M Tickner
Cr C Zeiger
Cr T Tim
Cr R Pyne
Cr K Vallely
Cr A Middleton
Cr R Coghlan
Cr B Olds

APOLOGY:

OFFICERS:

K Gouldthorp	Chief Executive Officer
H McBride	Director People and Organisational Performance
M Davey	Director Planning, Growth and Sustainability
G Kang	Acting Director Cairns Infrastructure and Assets
D Puia	Director Lifestyle and Community
L Whitton	Chief Financial Officer
C Simmons	Executive Manager Development & Planning
A Patterson	Executive Manager Licensing & Compliance
J Conway	Executive Officer
I Elliott-Smith	Principal Planner
P Rogato	Public Affairs Coordinator
L Vigar	Public Affairs Advisor
S Cottrell	Minute Secretary

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1. APOLOGY

Nil

2. PRESCRIBED CONFLICT OF INTEREST / DECLARABLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Olds informed the meeting that:

I, Cr Olds declare a COI for Closed Session Agenda Item 7.2, as this report is directly related to me personally. I will be dealing with this COI by leaving the meeting and not participating in this item.

Councillor Eden informed the meeting that:

I, Mayor Eden declare a COI in relation to Agenda Item 7.2 and will leave the meeting while the item is considered and decided.

3. MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 13/05/2026

TICKNER / COGHLAN

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 13 May 2026 be confirmed.

carried unanimously

5. OPEN SESSION – OFFICERS’ REPORTS

5.1 CEO MONTHLY REPORT 15 EO | 93/1/2 | #7874291

MOLLER / VALLELY

That Council notes:

1. The status of Council Resolutions;
2. The CEO Monthly Update; and
3. The Monthly Activity Review – April 2026.

carried unanimously

5.2 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 24 APRIL 2026	37
F&BS 63/17/2-01 #7860418	

MOLLER / COGHLAN

That Council notes the financial performance report for the period ended 24 April 2026.

carried unanimously

5.3 ADOPTION OF INFORMATION PRIVACY, RIGHT TO INFORMATION AND DATA BREACH GENERAL POLICIES	60
POP 65/4/1-07 #7874203	

OLDS / ZEIGER

That Council adopts the Information Privacy General Policy, Right to Information General Policy and Data Breach General Policy.

carried unanimously

5.4 CAIRNS THE PREMIER DESTINATION FOR WOMEN'S SPORT ACTION PLAN	80
L&C 52/8/4 #7871296	

EDEN / MIDDLETON

That Council:

- 1. Endorses the "Cairns the Premier Destination for Women's Sport Action Plan"; and**
- 2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to finalise any and all matters relating to the above.**

carried unanimously

5.5 BEST PRACTICE MANAGEMENT GUIDELINE FOR USE OF PUBLIC OPEN SPACE UPDATE..... 87
L&C | 52/8/1 | #7824387

OLDS / TIM

That Council endorses the updated Best Practice Management Guideline for Use of Public Open Space.

carried unanimously

5.6 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS GRANT ROUND 18 171
L&C | 68/18/1-01 | #7822023

TICKNER / ZEIGER

That Council:

Approves \$203,427 (ex GST) from the 2026/2027 Community Partnerships Grant Stream to the following applicants:

- a) **Babinda Harvest Fest Inc for the Babinda Harvest Festival up to the value of \$25,000 (ex GST).**
- b) **Bayview Heights Community Kindergarten Association Inc for the 50th Anniversary Celebration of Bayview Heights Community Kindergarten to the value of \$3,000 (ex GST).**
- c) **Cairns Bongo Group Inc. for Cairns Durga Puja 2026 to the value of \$7,500 (ex GST).**
- d) **Cairns Chieftains GAA Inc. for the QGFHA Carpenter Cup 2026 – Festival of Gaelic Games to the value of \$7,000 (ex GST).**
- e) **Cairns Christian Ministers Network Inc. for Joy to the World Carols & Fireworks to the value of \$20,000 (ex GST).**
- f) **Cairns Hindu Samaj Inc for Ganeshotsav to the value of \$7,500 (ex GST).**
- g) **Cairns Pride Inc for the Cairns Pride Festival 2026 up to the value of \$17,200 (ex GST).**
- h) **Cancer Council Queensland for Far North QLD Relay for Life 2026 up to the value of \$17,000 (ex GST).**

- i) **Fiji Community Association Far North Queensland for the Cairns 7s Rugby Tournament to the value of \$7,000 (ex GST).**
- j) **Machans Beach Community Association for Moon Over Machans to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST).**
- k) **Mission Australia for South Side Celebration (Child Protection Week event) to the value of \$10,000 (ex GST).**
- l) **Papua New Guinea & Wantoks Association Cairns Incorporated for PNG's Family & Cultural Day – 51st Independence Anniversary up to the value of \$17,700 (ex GST).**
- m) **Redlynch Valley Community Group Inc. for Tunnel of Terror to the value of \$1,527 (ex GST).**
- n) **Stratford Dolphins Football Club Inc. for the Barron River Foodfest to the value of \$10,000 (ex GST).**
- o) **The Great Pyramid Race and Country Fair Association Incorporated for The Great Pyramid Race to the value of \$15,000 (ex GST).**
- p) **The Japanese Society of Cairns Inc for Cairns Japan Bon Dance Festival 2026 up to the value of \$18,000 (ex GST).**
- q) **The Roman Catholic Trust Corporation for the Diocese of Cairns for St Rita's School Babinda Centenary Celebration to the value of \$3,000 (ex GST).**
- r) **Young Animal Protection Society Inc for FNQ Dogs Day Out to the value of \$12,000 (ex GST).**

carried unanimously

5.7 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS GRANT – OUT OF ROUND APPLICATION

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L&C | 63/18/1 | #7861573

ZEIGER / OLDS

That Council:

1. **Does not approve the grant application received from Torres Strait & Cape York Peninsula Indigenous Futsal Association Limited for Cairns NAIDOC Week 2026 Bama Futsal Cup.**

2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to finalise any and all matters relating to the above agreement.

carried unanimously

5.8 PREFERRED SUPPLIER ARRANGEMENT (PSA) CT005378 – TRANSPORT OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS 201
CIA | 63/1/495 | #7846408

MOLLER / MIDDLETON

That Council:

1. Appoints the following three suppliers to Preferred Supplier Arrangement (PSA) CT005378 – Transport of Recyclable Materials, for a term of two years commencing on 1 July 2026, with two extension options up to 12 months each available at Council's discretion:
 - Linfox Australia Pty Limited
 - Blacks Transport (Qld) Pty Ltd
 - Mainfreight Distribution Pty Ltd
2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to enter into contract, negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this contract subject to Council's normal procurement policies and practices.

carried unanimously

5.9 DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES AND DEFERRED CHARGES GENERAL POLICIES – CONSOLIDATED REVIEW OUTCOMES 206
PGS | 57/8/15 | #7874806

TICKNER / MOLLER

That Council:

1. Rescinds the Deferred Payment of Levied Charges Policy on 30 June 2026;
2. Rescinds the Development and Investment Incentive Support Policy on 30 June 2026; and
3. Adopts the new Development and Investment Incentive Support Policy, with a commencement date of 1 July 2026.

carried unanimously

6. URGENT BUSINESS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Nil

7. CLOSED SESSION – OFFICERS’ REPORTS

TICKNER / MOLLER

AT 10.24 AM COUNCIL RESOLVED TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEM FOR THE REASONS INDICATED UNDER THE *LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS 2012* (LGR).

Item	Reason	LGR section
7.1. CONTRACTUAL MATTER – PROPOSED INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENT BETWEEN FABCOT PTY LTD AND CAIRNS REGIONAL COUNCIL – WORKS CONTRIBUTION (TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE) – TRINITY BEACH SHOPPING CENTRE – 171-173 & 175 TRINITY BEACH ROAD, TRINITY BEACH – DIVISION 9 PGS 8/30/248 7198800	<i>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.</i>	254J(3)(g)

carried unanimously

AT 10.26 AM COUNCIL RESOLVED TO MOVE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

OLDS / MOLLER

carried unanimously

RESOLUTIONS ARISING FROM MATTER DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

7.1 CONTRACTUAL MATTER – PROPOSED INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENT BETWEEN FABCOT PTY LTD AND CAIRNS REGIONAL COUNCIL – WORKS CONTRIBUTION (TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE) – TRINITY BEACH SHOPPING CENTRE – 171-173 & 175 TRINITY BEACH ROAD, TRINITY BEACH – DIVISION 9..... 241
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OLDS / COGHLAN

That Council:

1. **Agrees to enter into a proposed Infrastructure Agreement with FABCOT Pty Ltd, for the provision of trunk infrastructure being a transport works contribution (upgrades to Trinity Beach Road and signalisation);**
2. **Approves a Project Launch Approval for the following project:**
 - a. **Project No. 600410 – TR Trinity Beach Road IA (Works) TRE577 and Signalisation ISF02 with a Project Launch Budget of \$2,370,000 excluding GST and an Approved End Date of 24 September 2027; and**
3. **Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to enter into contracts, negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with the Infrastructure Agreement and associated projects.**

carried unanimously

Cr Eden and Cr Olds left the meeting 10.27 a.m.

Call for recommendations for election of Chair

TICKNER / MOLLER

That Cr Coghlan be elected chair for the follow closed session item.

carried unanimously

MOLLER / TICKNER

AT 10.29 AM COUNCIL RESOLVED TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEM FOR THE REASONS INDICATED UNDER THE *LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS 2012* (LGR).

Item	Reason	LGR section
7.2 SUSPECTED CONDUCT REACH INVESTIGATION REPORT	<i>An investigation report given to the local government under chapter 5A, part 3, division 5 of the Act.</i>	254J(3)(j)

carried unanimously

OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

AT 10.45 AM COUNCIL RESOLVED TO MOVE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

TICKNER / VALLELY

carried unanimously

RESOLUTIONS ARISING FROM MATTER DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

7.2 SUSPECTED CONDUCT BREACH | INVESTIGATION REPORT

ZEIGER / VALLELY

That Council:

- 1. Accepts the investigation report and finds Councillor Olds did not engage in a conduct breach**
- 2. Notes that the out of pocket costs of the investigation excluding, internal staff time and resources, is estimated to be \$25,000 to \$30,000; and**
- 3. Notes that the full investigation report will be made publicly available in accordance with section 150AGA of the *Local Government Act 2009 (Qld)*.**

carried unanimously

Cr Eden and Cr Olds returned to the meeting 10.48 a.m.

The Chairperson advised Cr Eden and Cr Olds of the resolution passed on item 7.2 – Suspected Conduct Breach / Investigation Report.

Cr Eden resumed the Chair at 10.49 a.m.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.50 AM

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting held on
Wednesday 24th June 2026