



ORDINARY MEETING

30 SEPTEMBER 2026

9.02 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
C Simmons	Acting Director Planning, Growth and Sustainability
G Kang	Associate Director Engineering Services
D Puia	Director Lifestyle and Community
L Whitton	Chief Financial Officer
N Masasso	Director Economic Development and Advocacy
C Horne	Acting Associate Director Service Delivery
K Le Roy	Executive Manager Creative Life
J Conway	Executive Officer
J Perry	Acting Public Affairs Coordinator
L Vigar	Public Affairs Advisor
S Cottrell	Minute Secretary

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1. APOLOGY

Nil

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no conflict of interests or material personal interests declared.

3. MAYORAL MINUTE

3.1 FREE ALL YEAR ROUND DOMESTIC GREEN WASTE

EDEN / MOLLER

Free all year round domestic green waste disposal be introduced effective from 1 July 2027 at an expected annual cost of \$1.35 million, and that this initiative be incorporated into Council's next budget.

Motion lost with Councillors Moller, Tickner, Zeiger, Tim, Pyne, Vallely, Middleton, Coghlan & Olds voting against the motion

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 16/09/2026

MOLLER / OLDS

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 16 September 2026 be confirmed.

carried unanimously

5. OPEN SESSION – OFFICERS' REPORTS

5.1 CEO MONTHLY REPORT 39 EXE | 93/1/2 | #7943284

MIDDLETON / ZEIGER

That Council notes:

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

carried unanimously

5.2 COUNCIL TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER DELEGATIONS 58
POP | 65/4/1 | #7947339

MOLLER / COGHLAN

That Council:

- 1. Adopts the changes to the powers delegated to the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009* as detailed in Attachment 1.**
- 2. Recognises the powers that are unable to be delegated as detailed in Attachment 2.**
- 3. Adopts the ‘Register of Delegations – Council the Chief Executive Officer’, consolidating the changes in Attachment 1 with the existing delegations in Attachment 3, which details all powers both delegated and not delegated, pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*.**
- 4. Adopts the conditions and limitations to the exercising of delegated powers outlined in Attachment 4.**
- 5. Authorises the Mayor to sign the Instrument of Delegation in accordance with section 27A(3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*.**

carried unanimously

5.3 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 28 AUGUST 2026..... 886
FBS | 63/17/2-01 | #7937850

MIDDLETON / VALLELY

That Council notes the financial performance report for the period ended 28 August 2026.

carried unanimously

5.4 ASSET ACCOUNTING POLICY 909
FBS | 63/17/2-01 | #7932174

MOLLER / OLDS

That Council:

- 1. Adopts the Asset Accounting General Policy;**
- 2. Rescinds the Asset Capitalisation General Policy; and**
- 3. Rescinds the Revaluation of Non-Current Assets General Policy.**

carried unanimously

**5.5 AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL MARINE EXPORT GROUP LIMITED,
TRADING AS SUPERYACHT AUSTRALIA, RESOURCE AND
PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT 1 NOVEMBER 2026 TO 30 JUNE 2029 ... 920**
EDA | 58/1/2 | #7891601

MIDDLETON / EDEN

That Council:

1. Enters into a three-year Resource and Performance Agreement with Australian International Marine Export Group Limited, trading as Superyacht Australia, for the period 1 November 2026 to 30 June 2029, with funding of \$10,000 (ex GST) per annum fixed for the term of the Agreement.
2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with *Local Government Act 2009* to finalise any and all matters associated with the Resource and Performance Agreement.

carried unanimously

5.6 REVEGETATION OF NATURAL AREAS GRANT 926
LC | 61/6/1 | #7919416

OLDS / COGHLAN

That Council:

1. Approves \$50,400 (ex GST) funding from the 2026/2027 Revegetation of Natural Areas Grant stream to the following applicants:
 - a) Marlin Coast Men's Shed Inc. for revegetation project – Northern Beaches Bike Path, Trinity Park/Smithfield to value of \$10,400 (ex GST).
 - b) The Agile Project - Wildlife Rescue Inc. for revegetation project – Bluewater Parklands Stage 2, Trinity Beach to value of \$20,000 (ex GST).
 - c) Treeforce Association Inc. for revegetation project – Zone 10 Cattana Wetlands Phase 4, Redlynch to the value of \$20,000 (ex GST).
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 funding agreements.

carried unanimously

5.7 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS GRANT ROUND 19 933
LC | 63/18/1-01 | #7915424

VALLELY / TIM

That Council:

- 1. Approves \$63,500 (ex GST) from the 2026/2027 Community Partnerships Grant Stream to be awarded to the following applicants:**
 - a) Cairns Irish Association for Saint Patrick's Day Family Festival to the value of \$12,000 (ex GST).**
 - b) Cairns Thai Community Association FNQ Inc. for Songkran Festival 2027 up to the value of \$18,000 (ex GST).**
 - c) Cairns Water Polo Inc for Water Polo Queensland Senior Country Championships to the value of \$10,000 (ex GST).**
 - d) Holloways Beach Community Hall Inc. for the Holloways Christmas Celebrations to the value of \$8,500 (ex GST).**
 - e) Nga Matawaka Inc for Waitangi Day Celebration to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST).**
 - f) QCWA Branch Freshwater for Freshwater Christmas in the Park to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST).**
 - g) Yorkeys Knob Residents Association Inc for the Twilight Festival to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST).**

carried unanimously

**5.8 THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY CAIRNS NORTH QUEENSLAND INC. 2027-30
RESOURCE AND PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT 945**
LC | 79/5/7-01 | #7943598

PYNE / ZEIGER

That Council:

- 1. Enters into a three-year Resource and Performance Agreement with The Historical Society Cairns North Queensland Inc. (Cairns Historical Society) for the period 01 July 2027 to 30 June 2030, with funding of \$557,000 (ex GST) per annum fixed for the term of the Agreement.**

2. **Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to negotiate and finalise any and all matters in relation to the execution of the agreement subject but not limited to the terms and conditions of the report.**

carried unanimously

5.9 CONTRACT 3084–ANNUAL REGIONAL SEWER RELINING PROGRAM . 971
CIA | 50/9/99 | #7941061

TICKNER / MIDDLETON

That Council:

1. **Awards Contract 3084 – 2026/27 Sewer Relining Program to Relining Solutions Pty Ltd for the estimated value of \$1,775,332.62 excluding GST**
2. **Approves the Project Launch Approval for 601385 2026/27 Sewer Relining Program with a Project Launch Budget (PLB) of \$2.5M and an Approved End Date (AED) of 30 June 2027**
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 or in relation to this project and contract subject to Council’s procurement practices and policies.**

carried unanimously

5.10 EARLY WORKS – SHAWS ROAD DRAIN – REDLYNCH COMMUNITY SPORTING PRECINCT #600616..... 977
CIA | 73/2/3-02 | #7943500

VALLELY / COGHLAN

That Council:

1. **Approves early works on project 600616 Redlynch Community Sporting Precinct to allow the construction of the Shaws Road Drain for an estimated value of \$1,649,000 (ex GST).**
2. **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 or in relation to this contract, subject to Council’s normal procurement policies and practices.**

carried unanimously

6. URGENT BUSINESS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Nil

7. CLOSED SESSION – OFFICERS’ REPORTS

MOLLER / VALLELY

AT 10.30 AM COUNCIL RESOLVED TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FOR THE REASONS INDICATED UNDER THE *LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS 2012* (LGR).

Item	Reason	LGR section
CONTRACTUAL MATTER – CONSIDERATION OF OPTIONS FOR COOTHARINGA GARDENS, BABINDA, LOT 21 ON SP302211, 10- 15 KING STREET, BABINDA – DIVISION 1 PGS 19/28/9-02 #7946470	<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)
CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – STAFF MATTER	<i>Industrial matters affecting employees.</i>	254J(3)(b)

carried unanimously

AT 10.32 AM COUNCIL RESOLVED TO MOVE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

MOLLER / OLDS

carried unanimously

RESOLUTIONS ARISING FROM MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

**7.1 CONTRACTUAL MATTER – CONSIDERATION OF OPTIONS FOR
COOTHARINGA GARDENS, BABINDA, LOT 21 ON SP302211, 10-15 . KING
STREET, BABINDA – DIVISION 1..... 984
PGS | 19/28/9-02 | #7946470**

MOLLER / EDEN

That Council:

- 1. Does not exercise the transfer back right available to Council over the Cootharinga Gardens facility located on lot 21 on SP302211, 10-15 King Street, Babinda site;**
- 2. Retains the registered Statutory Covenant on the title that restricts the use of the property to Retirement Village, Special Residential Accommodation purposes, Community Care Centre, Retirement Facility and Residential Care Facility; and**
- 3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, to negotiate and finalise any and all matters associated with the non-exercise of the transfer back right.**

carried unanimously

7.2 STAFF MATTER – CEO PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT
POP | 65/4/1-07 | #7950190

OLDS / COGHLAN

That Council:

- 1. Adopt the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Annual Performance Agreement Report for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026;**
- 2. Increase the CEO's remuneration in accordance with the recommendation (Option B) of the Report;**
- 3. Adopt the 2026/27 CEO Performance Agreement for period 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027;**
- 4. Authorise the CEO to undertake the Development Plan within the performance agreement subject to budget availability; and**
- 5. Approve the CEO's outstanding leave application in line with Executive staff contracted leave entitlements.**

carried unanimously

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.34 AM

CONFIRMED THIS DAY OF 2026

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MAYOR/CHAIR

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER