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*Cherbourg Aboriginal  
Shire Council*

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*Minutes – Council  
Meeting*

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*19 & 20 June 2024*

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Unconfirmed

MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

HELD 19 & 20 JUNE 2024

Attendance

Mayor Bruce Simpson  
Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher  
Cr Gordon Wragge  
Cr Tom Langton  
Cr Daniel Weazel

Officers: CEO - Zala  
Minute Taker - Eileen Jacobs  
Advisor - Brett De Chastel

9.03am Mayor Opened Meeting  
  
Opening Prayer - Uncle John Stanley  
Welcome to Country - Cr Daniel Weazel

Leave of Absence - Cr Gordon Wragge

Council resolves to grant a leave of absence on Thursday 20 June 2024 to Cr Gordon Wragge because of another important event.

Moved: Cr Daniel Weazel  
Seconded: Cr Tom Langton

Motion No. 2532 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously

**Councillor Obligations**

**Prescribed Conflict of Interest**

Nil

**Declarable Conflict of Interest**

Nil

**Register of Interest**

Nil

**Minute Approval**

***Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council resolves that the minutes of the***

***A. Council Meeting held 16 May 2024***

***be confirmed.***

***Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher***

***Motion No. 2533 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously***

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**Close Meeting**

***Mayor moved that the meeting be closed to discuss a CEO Complaint under section 254 (3) of the Local Government Regulation.***

***Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge  
Seconded: Cr Tom Langton***

***Motion No. 2534 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously***

***Mayor advised that the meeting was closed and asked all persons other than councillors and minute taker to leave the room.***

**Open Meeting**

Mayor then declared that the meeting be reopened. The following resolution is proposed.

**Resolution**

*That council notes the update of the CEO Complaint.*

**Moved:** Cr Gordon Wragge

**Seconded:** Cr Tom Langton

**Motion No. 2535 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

**Report Approval**

*Council resolves that the Mayor's Report be adopted.*

**Moved:** Cr Gordon Wragge

**Seconded:** Cr Tom Langton

**Motion No. 2536 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT**

**Corporate Plan**

Approval sought for new Corporate Plan 2024-2029

**Resolution**

*That in relation to the new Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Corporate Plan 2024-2029, Council;*

- A. Commence a process to develop a new corporate plan*
- B. Undertake a community engagement process that seeks to include community and staff in the development of our new corporate plan with the engagement process to be generally in accordance with the suggested approach as set out by CEO*
- C. Note that the Council will use its new Corporate Plan to set its strategy and priorities for the next 5 years and help focus its advocacy and lobbying for future funding*

**Moved:** Cr Gordon Wragge

**Seconded:** Cr Daniel Weazel

**Motion No. 2537 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

Audit & Risk Committee

The regular meeting of Council's Audit & Risk Committee was held on Friday 9 June 2024. The Council recently appointed Mayor Simpson and Councillor Weazel as its representatives on that committee.

Resolution

*In relation to the Council's Audit and Risk Committee, the Council note the minutes of the Audit & Risk Committee meeting held on 9 June 2024.*

**Moved:** Cr Gordon Wragge

**Seconded:** Cr Tom Langton

**Motion No. 2538 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

Councillor Expenses Policy

Endorsement sought for the Councillor Expenditure Policy.

Resolution

*In relation to the Policy on the Reimbursement of Expenses and the Provision of Facilities for Councillors, the Council:-*

- A. Repeal the previous policy; and*
- B. Adopt the updated policy as attached to the CEO's report and note that a copy of the new policy will be published on Council's website.*

**Moved:** Cr Gordon Wragge

**Seconded:** Cr Daniel Weazel

**Motion No. 2539 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

Elders Advisory Group

The Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Elders Advisory Group is to be established to provide advice to the Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council on matters that are referred to the Group from Council.

Council has received 9 expressions of interest from Elders and must consider the number of Elders on the Advisory Group.

Resolution

*That in relation to the Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Elders Advisory Group, Council will;*

- 1. Determine the number of members on the CASC Elders Advisory Group*
- 2. Ensure all applicants meet the required qualifications*

*Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge  
Seconded: Cr Tom Langton*

*Motion No. 2540 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

Council Media Policy

*Endorsement sought for the Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Media Policy.*

Resolution

*That in relation to Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Media Policy;*

- 1. Council adopts the media policy - to manage our media press releases and social media.*

*Moved: Cr Daniel Weazel  
Seconded: Cr Tom Langton*

*Motion No. 2541 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

AMP

*Council discussed the Removal of the AMP from the Community, this is a lengthy process.*

Resolution

*that in relation to the AMP on Cherbourg, Council will*

- Commence the process to remove AMP from the Community*

*Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge  
Seconded: Cr Daniel Weazel*

*Motion No. 2542 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

TCICA

Council has been invited to join the Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance Inc (TCICA)

Resolution

*In relation to Council joining TCICA , the Council;-*

- A. Should consider the additional cost of Annual membership fees of \$10,000 and all of the travel cost associated with travel to Cairns*
- B. Majority of TCICA discussion are relevant to Torres Strait and Cape Communities*
- C. Council should consider not to join TCICA membership in its current format*

*Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge  
Seconded: Cr Tom Langton*

*Motion No. 2543 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

Report Approval

*Council resolves that the Chief Executive Officer's Report be adopted.*

*Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge  
Seconded: Cr Tom Langton*

*Motion No. 2544 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT & FINANCE REPORT

Report Approval

*Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council resolves that the Corporate Services & Finance Report be adopted.*

*Moved: Cr Daniel Weazel  
Seconded: Cr Gordon Wragge*

*Motion No. 2545 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

**ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

*Cr Daniel Weazel entered meeting*

Wakka Wakka Rangers

*Requesting usage of the sheds at the nursery as a base to store the team's vehicles and equipment.*

**Resolutions**

*Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council will consider this request for the Wakka Wakka Rangers to use the Nursery Sheds as a base at the next council meeting*

*Moved: Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher*

*Seconded: Cr Tom Langton*

*Motion No. 2546 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

*Cr Daniel Weazel entered meeting*

Arafura Building System

*Proposal to lease the old abattoir at the top of the Emu Farm.*

*Council requires more time to review and discuss this proposal.*

**Report Approval**

*Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council resolves that the Economic and Community Development Report be adopted.*

*Moved: Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher*

*Seconded: Cr Tom Langton*

*Motion No. 2547 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

**OPERATIONS DEPT REPORT &**

*Operations Dept Manager's presented his report*

Report Approval

*Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council resolves that the Operations Dept Report be adopted.*

*Moved: Cr Daniel Weazel*

*Seconded: Cr Tom Langton*

*Motion No. 2548 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*



**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Bunya Peoples Aboriginal Corporation**

Proposal to lease and utilise Nursery Facilities at Cherbourg.

Council has already discussed and will consider at the next council meeting.

**Melissa Bond & Kimberley Smith**

Melissa and Kimberley are seeking sponsorship to enable the Michael Bond Snr Burnett Bunya Memorial Rugby League Team to participate in the Murri Carnival representing the South Burnett.

**Resolution**

***In relation to the Michael Bond Snr Burnett Bunya Memorial Team sponsorship;-***

***A. Council has will allocate \$200 as per policy***

***Moved: Cr Tom Langton  
Seconded: Cr Gordon Wragge***

***Motion No. 2549 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously***

**Uniting Care Community – SB Domestic Family Violence Services**

Uniting Care Community (Safety House) is seeking a partnership with Council to beautify the vacant yard (Old Girls Dormitory site) next to the Lena Buck Centre.

**Resolution**

***Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council will work in partnership with Uniting Care to beautify the vacant yard near the Lena Buck Centre.***

***Moved: Cr Tom Langton  
Seconded: Cr Daniel Weazel***

***Motion No. 2550 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously***

Cherbourg State School

Request to use the Jumbunna building for their Buwu Program.

The Jumbunna building is not available – it is currently occupied by the Dept Youth Justice Service Centre.

Wondai Regional Art Gallery

The Wondai Regional Art Gallery is seeking sponsorship at the South Burnett Regional Council Acquisitive art competition.

Resolution

Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council has decided to allocate sponsorship of \$500 to the South Burnett Regional Council Acquisitive Art Competition.

**Moved:** Cr Gordon Wragge

**Seconded:** Cr Daniel Weazel

**Motion No. 2551 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

Tahnee Renouf

Seeking financial support for son Lakiri Renouf to participate in the Rugby League State Championship U12's on the Gold Coast on 20-25 June 2024.

Resolution

**In relation to the application seeking financial assistance for Lakiri Renouf;-**

**A. Council has decided to allocate \$200 as per policy**

**Moved:** Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher

**Seconded:** Cr Daniel Weazel

**Motion No. 2552 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

*Cr Gordon Wragge declared interest and left Meeting*

*Youth Justice – Graduation*

*Cr Gordon Wragge has requested that Council donate usage of the Welfare Hall for free for the Graduation of youth in their youth justice programs. The youth family, Elders and community will be attending.*

*Resolution*

*In relation to Youth Justice Graduation Programs;*

- A. Council has decided to donate the Welfare Hall free of charge for the Youth Justice Graduation Programs*

*Moved: Cr Daniel Weazel  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher*

*Motion No. 2553 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

*Cr Gordon Wragge declared interest and left Meeting*

*Melisa Anderson- blaqdiamonds*

*Seeking council support with an initiative in collaboration with Challenge DV to raise awareness about Domestic Violence (DV) in Indigenous communities during the month of May 2024, and beyond. Promoting DV Awareness – 365 Days of the year with Gani Yirra Purple Domestic Violence Shirts Campaign.*

*Resolution*

*in relation to the 365 Days of the year Gani Yirra Domestic Violence Shirts Campaign*

- 1. Council will purchase the Gani Yirra Domestic Violence Shirts for staff*
- 2. Organise a community march in collaboration with blaqdiamonds*

*Moved: Cr Tom Langton  
Seconded: Cr Gordon Wragge*

*Motion No. 2554 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

Salvation Army

Info – Qld Reconciliation Awards 2024 Highly Commended Certificate for the Salvation Army Christmas Cheer Program Qld.

Commsioner Police

Invitation for Mayor & CEO to attend the First Nations Mayors Summit

Old Audit Office

Info – confirm the ongoing audit arrangements for Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council.

Office Industrial Relations

Request for Council nomination of Special Holidays.

Resolution

In relation to Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Special Holidays, Council nominates;

1. 11 July 2025 - NAIDOC DAY
2. 11 August 2025 - Show Holiday
3. 10 October 2025 - Cherbourg Day

Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge

Seconded: Cr Tom Langton

**Motion No. 2555 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

Council Meeting – Change of Date

Mayor and CEO will be attending the First Nations Summit in Cairns on 20 & 21 August 2024.  
Therefore the Council Meeting scheduled for 21 & 22 will be rescheduled to 14 & 15 August 2024.

Resolution

**In relation to Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council rescheduling its Council Meeting date, Council**

- **Will now hold its August Council Meeting on 14 & 15 August 2024**
- **New date will also be advertised**

**Moved: Cr Daniel Weazel**  
**Seconded: Cr Gordon Wragge**

**Motion No. 2556 Carried**  
**For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

Department of Justice & Attorney General

Thank you letter from Jasmin Joldic PSM Director General – Government Champion.

Department of Housing Local Govt, Planning & Public Works

Info 2024-28 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program

Minister of Energy & Clean Economy Jobs

Info – Energy (Renewable Transformation and Jobs) Clean Economy Jobs Bills

1.12pm Meeting adjourned for lunch

1.32pm meeting recommenced

1.32pm Presentation – Financial Management for Councillors (by Brett De Chastel)

2.30pm meeting closed

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Cr Daniel Weazel

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9.30am Mayor Opened Meeting

9.32am Community Services Manager – entered meeting  
Corporate Services Manager - entered meeting  
Economic Development Manager - entered meeting  
Operations Manager - entered meeting

COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Community Services Manager presented her Report

Report Approval

*Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council resolves that the Community Services Report be adopted.*

Moved: Cr Daniel Weazel  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher

*Motion No. 2556 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

Budget Workshop

CEO presented the Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council 2025 Budget and LongTerm Financial Plan.

Council will review the Budget and LongTerm Financial Plan and bring back to Council's July meeting for adoption.

12.00pm Meeting Closed

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