

***Cherbourg  
Aboriginal  
Shire  
Council***

*Minutes –  
Council Meeting  
14 & 15 August 2024*

Unconfirmed

MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON 14 AUGUST 2024

Attendance

*Mayor Bruce Simpson  
Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher  
Cr Tom Langton  
Cr Daniel Weazel*

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

*9.30am Mayor Opened Meeting  
Welcome to Country - Cr Daniel Weazel  
Sorry Business - 1 Minute Silence*

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 Council Meeting held on 17 July 2024 be adopted.*

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

*Motion No. 2575 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

*Mayor presented his report.*

**9.42am Cr Gordon Wragge entered meeting**

**Report Approval**

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

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

***Motion No. 2576 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously***

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT**

**Fisher Street & Collins Street Subdivision Development**

***Council is keen to progress the Fisher Street and Collins Street subdivision development applications.***

**Resolution**

***In relation to Fisher Street & Collins Street Subdivision development, Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council resolves to:***

- 1. Adopt in principle option C as it has more capacity and higher number of plots (subject to key stakeholders feedback)***
- 2. Proceed with community consultation to get feedback from community including Elders Advisory Group, YAG, School and various community stakeholders***

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

***Motion No.2577 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously***

Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Corporate Plan 2024/2029

Resolution

*That in relation to Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Corporate Plan, Council:*

- A. Commence a process to develop a new corporate plan*
- B. Undertake a community engagement process that seeks to include our community and staff in the development of our new corporate plan with the engagement process to be generally in accordance with the suggested approach set out in the report by the CEO and*
- C. Note that 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: Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher*

*Motion No. 2578 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

Elders Advisory Group

*The first meeting of the Elders Advisory Group was held on 23 July 2024 at the Council Chambers. Eric Law was elected Chairman of the Elders Advisory Group & Christine Stewart was elected as Deputy Chairman of the Elders Advisory Group.*

Resolution

*That in relation to the Elders Advisory Group;*

- A. Council endorses the minutes of the first Elders Advisory Group Meeting*
- B. Note that there were no recommendations from the first Elders Advisory Group Meeting*

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

*Motion No. 2579 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously*

Water Quality Improvement Project - \$26M

Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council is working with both State and Federal governments on a joint funding application to upgrade our water infrastructure including;

1. Upgrade of existing Water Treatment Plant
2. New Water Reservoir at Bert Button Lookout
3. Replacing 2.8km of main Water pipelines

Resolution

that in relation to Cherbourg Water Quality Improvement Project - \$26 Million Funding Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council:

- Fully supports the application and urges both State and Federal Governments to approve this critical funding for securing clean and reliable water supply for the Cherbourg Community

Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge

Seconded: Cr Tom Langton

Motion No. 2580 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously

Report Approval

Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council resolves that the CEO's Report be adopted.

Moved: Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher

Seconded: Cr Gordon Wragge

Motion No. 2581 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT & FINANCE REPORT

The Corporate Services & Finance Managers presented their report.

Report Approval

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

Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge

Seconded: Cr Tom Langton

Motion No. 2582 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously

2024 LGAQ Annual Conference

All Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Councillors will attend the 2024 LGAQ Annual Conference.

Resolution

*That all Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Members will attend the 2024 LGAQ Annual Conference to be held in Brisbane on 21-23 October 2024.*

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

**Motion No. 2583 Carried**  
**For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

The Manager of the Economic & Community Development presented his report.

Cherbourg Café

2 applications were submitted;

Option A – 2 people from community running the business  
Option B – 1 person from the community running the business

Economic & Community Development Manager recommends – the application with the more substantive WHS evidence and access to start-up funding. Less risk with a single applicant.

Resolution

*That in relation to the Cherbourg Café – Council awards the lease to Applicant Elvie Douglas subject to the following conditions;*

- Applicant has Regulatory legislated licences and qualifications required by council
- Applicant has Appropriate public liability insurance
- A formal lease is in place

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

**Motion No. 2584 Carried**  
**For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

Barambah Rangers

**Cr Daniel Weazel declared his interest and left meeting - as he is a board member of the Bunya Wakka Wakka Rangers.**

Council approval is sought for the Barambah Rangers to utilise the old shed at the Bralbin Farm. This would provide income from a currently untenanted premises, although we need to agree rights of access as we have equipment there.

Resolution

**In relation to tenancy of the agreed premises (old shed at Bralbin Farm) Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council:**

- 1. Enter into a 12 month tenancy agreement with Barambah Rangers**
- 2. Negotiate Agreed rights of access**

**Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge**

**Seconded: Cr Tom Langton**

**Motion No. 2585 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

**Cr Daniel Weazel entered meeting  
Council updated Cr Daniel Weazel on Council Decision**

Report Approval

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

**Moved: Cr Tom Langton**

**Seconded: Cr Gordon Wragge**

**Motion No. 2586 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

OPERATIONS DEPT REPORT

Operations Dept Manager's presented his report

Roundabout Beautification Project

Operations Manager presented Roundabout Beautification designs for the Community. Council in full agreement that these designs would improve the roundabouts.

**Resolution**

***Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council resolves to endorse the Roundabout Beautification Project.***

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

***Motion No. 2587 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously***

**Report Approval**

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

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

***Motion No. 2588 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously***

***12.24pm meeting adjourned for lunch  
1.05pm meeting recommenced***

**COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT**

***Community Services Manager presented her report.***

**Report Approval**

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

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

***Motion No. 2589 Carried  
For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously***

***1.15pm Julien Chan & Wendy entered meeting***

**Cherbourg Local Waste Management Plan**

***Julien & Wendy presented the Cherbourg Local Waste Management Plan – moving from Landfill to Transfer Stations to Council.***

***1.35pm Julien Chan & Wendy left meeting***



**CORRESPONDENCE**

Lewis & Talisha Hopkins

Seeking financial support for the Cherbourg Brothers Team to compete in the Christmas Cup at Palm Island on the weekend 13 – 15 December 2024.

**Resolution**

***Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council resolves to allocate \$500 to the Cherbourg Brothers Team to assist the Team to complete the Christmas Cup on Palm Island.***

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

***Motion No. 2590 Carried  
Vote: Council Voted Unanimously***

QPS Acting Inspector First Nations Division

Update Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Inquiries and info for QPS First Nations Mayors Summit.

***Presentation – Corporate Plan Workshop (5 Year Vision) by Brett De Chastel***

***2.21pm meeting closed***

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COUNCIL MEETING

HELD 15 AUGUST 2024

Attendance

Mayor Bruce Simpson  
Cr Tom Langton  
Cr Daniel Weazel  
Cr Gordon Wragge

Officers: CEO - Zala  
Minute Taker - Eileen Jacobs

9.30am Mayor Opened Meeting  
Welcome to Country - Cr Daniel Weazel  
Sorry Business - 1 Minute Silence

Leave of Absence - Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher

Resolution

Council resolves to grant Leave of Absence to Deputy Mayor Carla Fisher due to illness.

Moved: Cr Gordon Wragge  
Seconded: Cr Daniel Weazel

*Motion No. 2591 Carried*

9.36am Operations Manager - Matt Bock entered meeting

Operations Manager recommends that Council endorses the 2024 Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council - Local Waste Management Plan, as due to the National Waste Policy and Environmental Protection Act compliances becoming more difficult, every local govt council is moving towards closing Landfills and transitioning to Transfer Stations. In this program Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council will work in partnership with South Burnett Regional Council.

**Resolution**

**2024 Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council – Local Waste Management Plan**

*The Council is the Local Government Authority for the Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire area and the Trustee of the Cherbourg Deed of Grant in Trust (DOGIT). As the Local Government Authority, Council as duly elected representatives of the community, through local decision making has the responsibility of deciding what is in the best interest of the community, advancing a thriving community.*

*It is considered that approving the 2024 Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Local Waste Management Plan is of benefit to and representative of the aspirations of the Cherbourg community.*

1. *Council as the Local Government Authority and Trustee of the DOGIT resolves to approve (subject to conditions):*
  - a. *The 2024 Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Local Waste Management Plan*

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

**Motion No. 2592 Carried**  
**For Vote: Council Voted Unanimously**

**10.00am** Entered meeting Treaty & Truth Telling Team (Ivan, Josh, Ed, Megan)

*Truth Telling Inquiry- The Team advised Council of the strategy they were hoping to use to begin the process of collecting the stories from Indigenous communities for the inquiry.*

*Council agree that the project should begin in Cherbourg.*

**10.30am** Left Meeting Treaty & Truth Telling Team (Ivan, Josh, Ed, Megan)

**10.30am** Entered Meeting South Burnett Regional Council  
Mayor Kathy Duff  
Cr Danita Potter  
Cr Linda Little  
Cr Deb Dennien  
Cr Health Sanders  
Mark Pitt CEO

*Both Councils focussed on working in partnership with each other discussed issues such as Landfill and Transfer Stations, local boundaries.*

11.00am Left Meeting South Burnett Regional Council  
Mayor Kathy Duff  
Cr Danita Potter  
Cr Linda Little  
Cr Deb Dennien  
Cr Health Sanders  
Mark Pitt CEO  
Cr Deb Dennien  
Cr Health Sanders

11.00am Entered Meeting Jason Mollenhauer & Team (First Bite)

Jason & Team provided Resilience Foods (Freeze Dried Foods) for Council to sample.  
Overall response was that the food tasted very good for dried food.

11.15am Left Meeting Jason Mollenhauer & Team (First Bite)

1.00pm Entered Meeting

Bonnie Cummins - Animal Management in Rural & Remote Indigenous Com  
Peter Boland - Environmental Health DD Public Health Unit  
Amanda Hutchings - Environmental Health DD Public Health Unit  
Elizabeth O'Chin - Environmental Health Worker  
Bowman Weazel - Animal Control

Bonny presented the AMRRIC Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council - Companion Animal  
Census Report - June 2024

She has requested that the CASC case study be considered for inclusion in the Australian  
Government's Animal Welfare Strategy National Statement, due for publication later this  
year. This statement will be signed off by all state, territory and federal Agriculture Ministers  
so is a great opportunity to highlight the positive outcomes of the collaborative approach to  
animal management at Cherbourg.

Council is in full support for the Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council Study Case to be  
included in the Australian Governments Animal Welfare Strategy National Statement.

Peter and Amanda presented the Co-Design the Environmental Health Plan for Cherbourg.  
(Community Engagement Results)

1.00pm Left Meeting  
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2.00pm Meeting Closed