

# **Minutes**

# **Ordinary Council Meeting**

Held in Council Chambers, Wolfram Street Westonia Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2017

# **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

These minutes were confirmed by the Council on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2017 as a true and accurate record of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017.

Cr Karin Day
Shire President

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#### 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The President, Cr Day welcomed Councillors and staff and declared the meeting open at 3.36pm.

# 2. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

#### **Councillors:**

Cr D Hermon Deputy President

Cr RS Corsini Cr ML Geier Cr JJ Jefferys WJ Huxtable

Staff:

Mr. JC Criddle Chief Executive Officer

Members of the Public: Nil
Apologies: Nil

Approved Leave of Absence: Cr KM Day President

# 3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (3.37PM – 3.52PM)

Nil

# 4. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

## 5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Jefferys Seconded: Cr Corsini

01/08-17 That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2017 be confirmed as

a true and correct record.

CARRIED 5/0

# 6. RECEIVAL OF MINUTES

#### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the minutes of the Biodiversity Fund Project Meeting held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017 be received.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Corsini Seconded: Cr Huxtable

02/08-17 That the minutes of the Biodiversity Fund Project Meeting held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017

be received.

CARRIED 5/0

#### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the minutes of the Central East Aged Care Alliance Inc Executive Committee Teleconference held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017 be received.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Corsini Seconded: Cr Huxtable

03/08-17 That the minutes of the Central East Aged Care Alliance Inc Executive Committee

Teleconference held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017 be received.

CARRIED 5/0

# 7. PRESIDENT/COUNCILLORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Deputy President, Cr Hermon advised having attended the following meetings:

WALGA Local Government Week Conference with Cr's Geier, Jefferys, Huxtable and the CEO.
 The Deputy President wished to make special mention of the Eminent Service Award bestowed upon Cr
 Louis Geier for his service to the Westonia community. A well-deserved award for a worthy recipient.

Cr Geier advised having attended the following meetings:

• WALGA Local Government Week Conference

Cr Jefferys advised having attended the following meetings

WALGA Local Government Week Conference which included a tour of the new Perth Stadium

Cr Huxtable advised having attended the following meetings

- WALGA Local Government Week Conference
- NEWTRAVEL meeting in Bencubbin with Stacey Geier

# 8. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

In accordance with Section 5.65 of the *Local Government Act 1995* the following disclosures of <u>Financial</u> interest were made at the Council meeting held on **17 August 2017.** 

Name/Position	
Item No./Subject	
Nature of interest	
Extent of Interest	

In accordance with Section 5.65 of the *Local Government Act 1995* the following disclosures of <u>Closely Association Person And Impartiality</u> interest were made at the Council meeting held on **17 August 2017.** 

Name/Position	Cr Doug Hermon
Item No./Subject	9.1.4 – Resignation from Office
Nature of interest	Direct
Extent of Interest	Person in question

In accordance with Section 5.60B and 5.65 of the *Local Government Act 1995* the following disclosures of <u>Proximity</u> interest were made at the Council meeting held on **17 August 2017.** 

Name/Position	
Item No./Subject	
Nature of interest	
Extent of Interest	

# 9. MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

#### 9.1. GOVERNANCE, ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

#### 9.1.1 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

**Responsible Officer:** Jamie Criddle, CEO

Author:Kay Geier, Senior Finance OfficerFile Reference:F1.3.3 Monthly Financial Statements

Disclosure of Interest: Ni

Attachments: Attachment 9.1.1 List of Accounts

Signature: Officer CEO





This information is provided to Council on a monthly basis in accordance with provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996. A Local Government is to develop procedures for the authorisation of, and payment of, accounts to ensure that there is effective security for, which money or other benefits may be obtained.



#### Comment

Attached is a copy of Accounts for Payment for the month of July2017. The credit card statements currently show:

CEO

**July 17 \$1198.63** associated with the purchase of; Fuel, Change of plate & Licence new vehicle, Activ8 speed pack office & 3 residences, typewriter ribbon for museum.

Works Supervisor

July 17 \$313.25 associated with the purchase of; cargo toolbox, Annual inspection

Wessy Bus.



#### **Statutory Environment**

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Regulations 12 & 13 requires the list of accounts to be presented to Council. Payments are made by staff under delegated authority from the CEO and Council.



# **Policy Implications**

Council does not have a policy in relation to payment of accounts.



#### **Strategic Implications**

Accounts for payment are presented to Council in the interests of accountability and provide information on Council expenditure.



Expenditure in accordance with the 2017/2018 Annual Budget.

	Voting Requirements	
$\boxtimes$	Simple Majority	Absolute Majority

#### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

That July 2017 accounts submitted to today's meeting on Municipal vouchers 3558 to 3564 and D/Debits EFT2553 to EFT2582 (inclusive of Department of Planning and Infrastructure / Creditor and Bank Fees Directly Debited and Visa Card Payments) totalling \$223,989.65 be passed for payment.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Corsini Seconded: Cr Huxtable

04/08-17 That July 2017 accounts submitted to today's meeting on Municipal vouchers 3558 to 3564 and D/Debits EFT2553 to EFT2582 (inclusive of Department of Planning and Infrastructure /

Creditor and Bank Fees Directly Debited and Visa Card Payments) totalling \$223,989.65 be

passed for payment.

#### 9.1.2 MONTHLY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY – JULY 2017

**Responsible Officer:** Jamie Criddle, CEO

Author: Kay Geier, Senior Finance Officer
File Reference: F1.3.3 Monthly Financial Statements

Disclosure of Interest: Ni

Attachments: Attachment 9.1.2 Monthly Statement of Financial Activity

Signature: Officer

CEO

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#### **Purpose of the Report**

Executive Decision

X

Legislative Requirement



#### **Background**

This information is provided to Council on a monthly basis in accordance with provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.



#### Comment

The Monthly Statement of Financial Activity for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017 is attached for Councillor information, and consists of:

- Summary of Bank Balances
- 2. Summary of Outstanding Debtors
- 3. Balance Sheet
- 4. Budget v Actuals Schedules



#### **Statutory Environment**

General Financial Management of Council
Council 2015/2016 Budget
Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 34 1996
Local Government Act 1995 section 6.4



# **Policy Implications**

Council is required annually to adopt a policy on what it considers to be material as far as variances that require to be reported for Council. Council policy is that the material variation be set at \$10,000 and 15%.



#### **Strategic Implications**

The Monthly Statement of Financial Activity is a record of Council's activities and financial performance during the reporting period.



#### **Financial Implications**

There is no direct financial implication in relation to this matter.



#### **Voting Requirements**

X

Simple Majority



**Absolute Majority** 

#### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council adopt the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending  $31^{st}$  July 2017 and note any material variances greater than \$10,000 or 15%.

# **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Corsini Seconded: Cr Jefferys

05/08-17 That Council adopt the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending 31st July 2017 and note

any material variances greater than \$10,000 or 15%.

CARRIED 5/0

06/08-17

#### 9.1.3 GST RECONCILIATION REPORT – JULY 2017

**Responsible Officer:** Jamie Criddle, CEO Author: Kay Geier, Senior Finance Officer F1.4.4 Audit Report File Reference: **Disclosure of Interest: Attachments:** Attachment 9.1.3 GST Report CEO Signature: Officer **Purpose of the Report** X **Executive Decision** Legislative Requirement **Background** The Reconciled Balance of the GST Ledger to the General Ledger as reported as at 31st July 2017 is provided to Council on a monthly basis as a means of keeping Council informed of its current GST liability. Comment The GST Reconciliation Report is attached for Councillor consideration. **Statutory Environment** Nil **Policy Implications** Council does not have a policy in regards to Goods and Services Tax. **Strategic Implications** Nil **Financial Implications** The GST reconciliation is presented to Council as a means of indicating Council's current GST liability, which has an impact on Council's cash-flow. **Voting Requirements** X Simple Majority Absolute Majority OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS That the GST Reconciliation totaling \$14,682 for the period ending 31st July 2017 be adopted. **RESOLUTION** Moved: Cr Geier Seconded: **Cr Jefferys** 

That the GST Reconciliation totaling \$14,682 for the period ending 31st July 2017 be adopted.

#### 17 August 2017

Cr Hermon declared an interest in item 9.1.4. as he is the direct office	officer involved.
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Moved: Cr Jefferys Seconded: Cr Huxtable

07/08-17 That Cr Hermon be allowed to stay in the meeting.

CARRIED 4/0

#### 9.1.4 RESIGNATION FROM THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY PRESIDENT & COUNCIL - CR HERMON

**Responsible Officer:** Jamie Criddle, CEO **Author:** Jamie Criddle, CEO

File Reference:

Disclosure of Interest: Nil Attachments: Nil

Signature: Officer CEO

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# **Purpose of the Report**



# **Background**

Council acceptance of the formal resignation of Cr Hermon from Council office is required. Cr Hermon is also the Deputy President.



#### Comment

Cr Hermon has indicated a change of goals and a desire to travel on his decision to resign and has formally submitted his resignation as Deputy President and Councillor of the Shire of Westonia, effective from Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017.

Council resolved at it July meeting to postpone its October meeting to the 26<sup>th</sup> of October to assist in swearing in the new Council. As there will not be a meeting without a Deputy President, the election of this position will be held as part of normal proceedings at the October ordinary meeting.

As Cr Hermon announced his retirement after the third Saturday in July, there is no requirement to seek approval from the Electoral Commission to hold an Extraordinary Election. Council simply add the vacancy to the existing adverting (as an Extraordinary election) and note the position will be for a period of two (2) years.

If there happens to be an election, the three (3) highest vote getters will receive four (4) year terms, the fourth highest will receive a two (2) year term.



#### **Statutory Environment**

2.32 . How extraordinary vacancies occur in offices elected by electors

The office of a member of a council as an elector mayor or president or as a councillor becomes vacant if the member —

(a) dies; or

- (b) resigns from the office; or
- (c) does not make the declaration required by section 2.29(1) within 2 months after being declared elected to the office; or
- (d) advises or accepts under section 2.27 that he or she is disqualified, or is declared to be disqualified by the State Administrative Tribunal acting on an application under section 2.27; or
- (da) is disqualified by an order under section 5.113, 5.117 or 5.119 from holding office as a member of a council; or
- (e) becomes the holder of any office or position in the employment of the local government; or
- (f) having been elected to an office of councillor, is elected by the electors to the office of mayor or president of the council.
- 4.17 . Cases in which vacant offices can remain unfilled
- (1) If a member's office becomes vacant under section 2.32 on or after the third Saturday in July in the election year in which the term of the office would have ended under the Table to section 2.28, the vacancy is to remain unfilled and the term of the member who held the office is to be regarded in section 4.6 as ending on the day on which it would have ended if the vacancy had not occurred.
- (2) If a member's office becomes vacant under section 2.32 —
- (a) after the third Saturday in January in the election year in which the term of the office would have ended under the Table to section 2.28; but
- (b) before the third Saturday in July in that election year,

the council may, with the approval of the Electoral Commissioner, allow the vacancy to remain unfilled and, in that case, the term of the member who held the office is to be regarded in section 4.6 as ending on the day on which it would have ended if the vacancy had not occurred.

- (3) If a councillor's office becomes vacant under section 2.32 and under subsection (4A) this subsection applies, the council may, with the approval of the Electoral Commissioner, allow\* the vacancy to remain unfilled and, subject to subsection (4), in that case, the term of the member who held the office is to be regarded in section 4.6 as ending on the day on which it would have ended if the vacancy had not occurred.
- \* Absolute majority required.
- (4A) Subsection (3) applies —
- (a) if —
- (i) the office is for a district that has no wards; and
- (ii) at least 80% of the number of offices of member of the council in the district are still filled;

or

- (b) if —
- (i) the office is for a ward for which there are 5 or more offices of councillor; and
- (ii) at least 80% of the number of offices of councillor for the ward are still filled.
- (4) If an ordinary or an extraordinary election is to be held in a district then an election to fill any vacancy in the office of councillor in that district that was allowed to remain unfilled under subsection (3) is to be held on the same election day and Division 9 applies to those elections as if they were one election to fill all the offices of councillor for the district or ward that need to be filled.
- 4.8. Extraordinary elections
- (1) If the office of a councillor or of an elector mayor or president becomes vacant under section 2.32 an election to fill the office is to be held.
- (2) An election is also to be held under this section if section 4.57 or 4.58 so requires.

(3) <i>L</i>	An election	under this	section i	s called a	n extraordinary	election

Policy Implications			
Council does not have a policy in relati	ion to th	is matter.	
Strategic Implications Nil.			
Financial Implications			
There is no financial implication to Cou	ıncil in re	elation to this matter.	
Voting Requirements			
Simple Majority		Absolute Majority	
OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS			
OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS			

#### That Council:

- a) Accept the resignation of Cr Hermon from the office of Councillor and Deputy President for the Shire of Westonia, with the CEO writing to Cr Hermon expressing Council's appreciation for his service to Council and the community,
- b) Include Cr Hermon's seat in the upcoming General Local Government Election as an Extraordinary Election for a period of two (2) years.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Huxtable Seconded: Cr Corsini

08/08-17 That Council:

- Accept the resignation of Cr Hermon from the office of Councillor and Deputy
  President for the Shire of Westonia, with the CEO writing to Cr Hermon
  expressing Council's appreciation for his service to Council and the community,
- b) Include Cr Hermon's seat in the upcoming General Local Government Election as an Extraordinary Election for a period of two (2) years.

CARRIED 4/0

# 9.1.5 WEROC - INCREASED ADVOCACY ROLE **Responsible Officer:** Jamie Criddle, CEO Author: Jamie Criddle, CEO File Reference: A1.15.4 **Disclosure of Interest:** Nil Attachments: **Attachment** Signature: Officer CEO **Purpose of the Report Executive Decision** Legislative Requirement

Background

At the WEROC Executive Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 24 May 2017 during discussion on the review of the WEROC MoU the Executive also discussed the development of an enhanced advocacy role for WEROC.

The Executive were of the view that, as a smaller grouping of local governments, WEROC needed to develop a higher profile with respect to advocacy. It was the general view that the advocacy role being undertaken by the WALGA GECZ did not appear to be a sufficiently effective mechanism for many of the issues impacting on WEROC's Member Councils and local governments generally across the Wheatbelt.

The WEROC Executive also raised the question on the effectiveness of the GECZ and whether the resources involved in Member Councils attending GECZ meetings could be better directed into the functions of WEROC.

The GECZ comprises the Shires of Bruce Rock, Cunderdin, Kellerberrin, Kondinin, Koorda, Merredin, Mt Marshall, Mukinbudin, Narembeen, Nungarin, Tammin, Trayning, Westonia, Wyalkatchem and Yilgarn. WEROC comprises the Shires of Bruce Rock, Kellerberrin, Merredin, Westonia and Yilgarn.

In relation to delegates, Council has the option on who it appoints as delegates to the GECZ whereas the WEROC delegates are determined by WEROC's Constitution which states the Shire President and CEO of each Member Council are appointed delegates, with individual Councils retaining the right to appoint a deputy.

Further details of this item are included in the extract of the WEROC Minutes which are attached. Following discussion at the WEROC meeting, the WEROC Council made the following resolution:

#### "That WEROC Council:

- 1. consider developing an advocacy role separate and distinct from that currently provided by WALGA to progress issues affecting the WEROC Member Councils;
- write to each WEROC Member Council seeking their opinion as to whether it would be happy, whilst still remaining a member of WALGA, to withdraw from attending meetings of the Great Eastern Council Zone and allow the WEROC Council to review the WALGA State Council Agenda on behalf of WEROC Member Councils;
- 3. continue to meet as at present, however the WEROC Executive meet on an as needs basis; and
- 4. consider whether it wishes to increase its membership."

Council is asked to provide a decision on points 2 and 4 of the WEROC resolution.



#### Comment

In considering the amount of time spent at meetings, there are generally 5 GECZ meetings and 5 GECZ Executive meetings held each calendar year. Similarly, there are generally 5 WEROC Council meetings and 6 WEROC Executive meetings held each calendar year. The GECZ and WEROC Executive meetings differ in that Elected Members make up the GECZ Executive whereas CEOs make up the WEROC Executive. Meetings generally commence around 9-

9.30am and finish early/mid-afternoon. When attending a meeting, it is only the pre-appointed delegates (or their designated deputy) who have voting rights.

While the GECZ is a recognised group through WALGA, WEROC is a voluntary regional organisation of councils (ROC), as opposed to the regulated ROCs under Part 3 Division 4 of the Local Government Act 1995. Additionally, the GECZ has a larger catchment area than WEROC. As such, one could question the impact any advocacy work undertaken by WEROC could have, particularly at a State and even more so at a Federal level. Having said that though, without the work and activity undertaken by both WEROC and NEWROC, which for the most part are involved in CEACA Inc, the CEACA project would not have progressed to the point that it has.

The GECZ and WEROC minutes are distributed to Council as an attachment to the Council agenda (usually at Item 10). To allow Councillors to see the different issues dealt with, Attachment 15.1B includes the Table of Contents from previous GECZ and WEROC meetings.

Council will need to consider whether it believes the issues defined as "separate and distinct" to those dealt with by the GECZ can be effectively dealt with by WEROC.

Council's GECZ and WEROC delegates may also wish to provide comment at the meeting.



Council pays an annual membership subscription to both GECZ and WEROC. These membership costs are primarily to cover the cost of executive support and administration, with a portion of the WEROC subscription set aside for project work.

The cost of GECZ membership for 2017/18 is \$4,675. The cost of membership to WEROC in 2017/18 is \$13,200 which includes \$2,200 for the consultancy & project reserve. The GECZ subscription has remained the same, as it was also \$4,675 in 2016/17. The WEROC subscription is reduced from 2016/17 when it was \$20,350 which included \$3,300 for the consultancy and project reserve.

While any specific financial implications cannot be known at this time, by continuing membership to either or both GECZ and WEROC, Council will need to continue allocating the necessary membership fees in its subsequent budgets.

A cost saving may be derived in staff time by the CEO not attending GECZ meetings, however it could be argued that any savings may be absorbed by the same level and/or any additional time required as a result of WEROC's increased advocacy activities. As Councillors are paid an annual allowance regardless of the amount of time they spend on Council activities or meetings, there would be no financial saving to Council should the delegates decide not to attend GECZ meetings.

Additionally, if WEROC were to obtain a wider membership base there could be the potential for savings if membership fees were reduced as a result of having more members. However, it's also possible there would be no reduction in the membership fee, to off-set the additional costs associated with the additional proposed activities and advocacy WEROC could undertake.



#### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

That:

- 1. Council continues its current level of participation as a member of both GECZ and WEROC; and
- 2. WEROC be advised that the Shire of Westonia is happy to support WEROC reviewing and broadening its purpose, activities and membership base, however Council retains the right to determine its level of participation in the GECZ.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Geier Seconded: Cr Corsini

09/08-17 That:

- 1. Council continues its current level of participation as a member of both GECZ and WEROC;
- 2. WEROC be advised that the Shire of Westonia is happy to support WEROC reviewing and broadening its purpose, activities and membership base, however Council retains the right to determine its level of participation in the GECZ.

# 9.2 COMMUNITY AND REGULATORY SERVICE

NIL

#### 9.3 WORKS AND SERVICE

# 9.3.1 SALE OF WORKS FLEET VEHICLES

Responsible Officer:	Jamie Cridd			
Author:	Jamie Cridd	dle, CEO		
File Reference: Disclosure of Interest:	Nil			
Attachments:	Attachmen	nt		
Signature:	Officer		CEO	/
				Jum
Purpose of the Repo	rt			
Executive Decision			Legislative Require	ement
Background				
Included in the current budget is the Grader Ute.	he replaceme	ent of the Admin	istrative Vehicle, Wo	orks Crew Cab Ute and Works
Comment				
Management has obtained budget	quotes for th	nese vehicles.		
An interest has been expressed in requested to offer the vehicles for			so in order to maxir	nise the trade potential, it is
Management will then collate the email to all Councillors.	submissions	and award the	most advantageous	price in conjunction with an
Statutory Environme	ent			
Nil Policy Implications				
Nil				
Strategic Implication	ıs			
Nil				
Financial Implication	S			
The replacement of these vehicles	is included in	the current bud	get.	
Voting Requirement	s			
Simple Majority	$\boxtimes$	Absolute Majori	ty	

# **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council Call for quotes for the trade-in or outright purchase of the Administrative Vehicle, Works Crew Cab Ute and Works Grader Ute with the CEO award the most advantageous price in conjunction with an email to all Councillors.

# **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Huxtable Seconded: Cr Jefferys

10/08-17 That Council Call for quotes for the trade-in or outright purchase of the Administrative Vehicle, Works Crew Cab Ute and Works Grader Ute with the CEO award the most

advantageous price in conjunction with an email to all Councillors.

# 9.4 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

NIL

#### 10 ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

# 11 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY A DECISION OF THE MEETING

RESO	LUTION					
Move	ed: Cr Geier		Seconde	d: Cr Huxtable		
11/08	3-17 That Council ac	cepts two items of lat	te busines	s.		
						CARRIED 5/0
11.1	GST REVENUE TO	WESTERN AUSTRAL	.IA			
Respo	onsible Officer:	Jamie Criddle, CEG	0			
Autho	or:	Jamie Criddle, CE	0			
File R	eference:					
Disclo	osure of Interest:	Nil				
Attac	hments:	Attachment				
Signa	ture:	Officer		CEO	Jamo	
	Purpose of the Report					
$\boxtimes$	Executive Decision			Legislative Requiren	nent	
	Background					

Request to all Local Governments in Western Australia to write to the Prime Minister of Australia requesting an equal share of the GST for WA.

As per the correspondence the Shire of Plantagenet is requesting all local governments to write to the Prime Minister requesting that Western Australia be given its fair share of the GST Revenue.

No doubt Councillors are well aware that the diminished return of our GST is having a direct impact on all Western Australians, through cost shifting and reducing services and cuts in grant funding due to an ever increasing deficit. This is without a doubt, having and going to have, a long lasting impact on all Local Governments and residents.



Although a campaign such as the above is supported it is questioned if it would be at all successful. It is considered that this sort of approach is a bit "old school" and in reality is the Primes Minister going to read all letters sent by local governments from Western Australia, or will they merely get to his officers and dealt with at an officer level which no doubt we will receive the standard response.

It is considered that a more proactive way that really stands out in the media etc needs to be devised and WALGA should be at the forefront of such action, simply sending letters to the Prime Minister is not going to achieve a result.

ıgust 2017	
Statutory Enviror	nment
Policy Implication	ns
Nil	
Strategic Implicat	tions
Nil	
Financial Implicat	itions
Nil.	
Voting Requirem	nents
Simple Major	rity Absolute Majority
OFFICER RECOMMENDA	ATIONS
	Shire of Plantagenet is requesting all local governments to write to the Prime
requesting that Western /	Australia be given its fair share of the GST Revenue.
RESOLUTION	
Moved: Cr Geier	r Seconded: Cr Corsini
	ouncil support the Shire of Plantagenet is requesting all local governments to we me Minister requesting that Western Australia be given its fair share of t e.
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11.2 CHANGE OF C	ORDINARY MEETING DATE – SEPTEMBER 2017
Describe Officers	Lauria Cristella (CCO
Responsible Officer: Author:	Jamie Criddle, CEO Jamie Criddle, CEO
File Reference:	
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	* ***
Signature:	Nil
Signature.	Officer CEO
Signature.	
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Purpose of the Re	Officer CEO
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Purpose of the Re	Officer CEO

In accordance with Regulation 12(1) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 once a year Council is required to provide local public notice of the date, time and place the Ordinary Council Meetings for the next 12 months are to be held.

The Chief Executive Officer is requesting the following meeting be changed:

#### Thursday 21 September 2017



#### Comment

The date for the September 2017 meeting is currently set as Thursday 21 September 2017. The CEO is requesting the meeting be held in the morning of the 21<sup>st</sup> September as the vast majority of Councillors and Staff will be attending or volunteering at the Tricoli Clearing Sale.



# **Statutory Environment**

Regulation 12(2) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 states that a local government is to give local public notice of any change to the date, time or place of a meeting which has previously been given local public notice under Regulation 12(1).



#### **Policy Implications**

Administration Policy 1.1 – Council Meetings.



**Strategic Implications** 

Nil.



**Financial Implications** 

Nil.



**Voting Requirements** 

Absolute Majority

#### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

In accordance with Regulation 12(2) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, that notice be given that the Ordinary Council Meeting previously scheduled to be held in September, now be held on the same day (21st September 2017, commencing at 9.00am.

## **RESOLUTION**

Moved:

Cr Huxtable

Seconded:

Cr Geier

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In accordance with Regulation 12(2) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, that notice be given that the Ordinary Council Meeting previously scheduled to be held in September, now be held on the same day (21<sup>st</sup> September 2017, only commencing at 9.00am.

# 12 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held on Thursday 21st September 2017 commencing at 9.00am

# **13 MEETING CLOSURE**

There being no further business the Deputy President, Cr Hermon declared the meeting closed at 5.10pm