

Shire of Quairading



Notice of Meeting

13th February 2018

It is hereby notified for public information that the Annual Electors Meeting of the Shire of Quairading will be held on Tuesday 13th February 2018 in the Lesser Hall, Jennaberring Road, Quairading commencing at 7.00 p.m.

NOTE

The Annual Report for the Year Ended 30th June 2017 is available for collection at the Shire Administration Centre during Business Hours or downloaded from the Website www.quairading.wa.gov.au

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SHIRE OF QUAIRADING

ITEM 1 OPENING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Shire President opened the Meeting at _____ pm.

"Before we start our Meeting, I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Noongar land and we pay respect to the original custodians...past, present and future and welcome you all here today for this Meeting".

ITEM 2 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Councillors

Cr WMF Davies Shire President

Cr B McGuinness Deputy Shire President

Cr LR Brown

Cr Haythornthwaite

Cr J McRae Cr PD Smith

Cr TJ Stacey

Council Officers

Mr GA Fardon Chief Executive Officer

Mr AJ Merillo Deputy Chief Executive Officer Mr A Rourke Manager of Works & Services

Mr RM Bleakley Economic Development Project Officer

Name of Electors in attendance

Apologies

Leave of Absence Previously Granted

Cr Shenton: 1st December 2017 to the 19th March 2018 inclusive.

ITEM 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Confirmation of Minutes – 7th February 2017

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting held on the 7th February 2017 be confirmed as a true and accurate record. (Attached)

SHIRE OF QUAIRADING

ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2017

COMMENCING AT 7.02PM

ITEM 1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Cr B K Caporn Shire President

Cr WMF Davies Deputy Shire President

Cr B McGuinness Cr G J McRae Cr W E Shenton

Cr J N Haythornthwaite

Cr L R Brown Cr G Taylor

Mr G A Fardon Chief Executive Officer

Mr A J Merillo Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Mr T J Newick Manager of Works and Services

Mr R M Bleakley Economic Development Project Officer

Mr D Brown Shire Freeman

Ms J Hayes Mr N Marnham Mr A D Gelmi

Mr J W Haythornthwaite

Mr A McRae Mr D C Richards Mr T Stacey Mrs K Brown Mrs P Caporn

Apologies

Mrs J L Clemens Mr D G Woodcock

"Before we start our Meeting, I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Noongar Land and we pay respect to the original custodians ... past, present and future and welcome you all here today for this Meeting".

Cr Caporn welcomed Shire Freeman Mr Don Brown JP, Members of the Public, Councillors and Staff to the Annual Electors Meeting.

ITEM 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING HELD ON 10TH FEBRUARY 2016

MOVED Mr Richards seconded Cr McRae that the Minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting held on 10th February 2016 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that Meeting.

CARRIED

ITEM 3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Mr Haythornthwaite sought clarification on the length of Roadworks on Bulyee Road. It was confirmed that the length was 3.2km not 4.0km as stated in last year's Minutes.

ITEM 4 RECEIVED AND CONSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2016

MOVED Mr Richards seconded Mr Brown that the Annual Report for the Year Ended 30th June 2016 be received.

CARRIED

The Meeting considered the: -

- Shire President's Report
- Chief Executive Officer's Report
- Annual Financial Statement; and
- Auditor's Report.

Questions on Annual Report

Mr Richards sought an explanation of the Shire President's Report in regard to "Council needing to monitor Services we provide as some of them are tending to blow out of proportion".

Cr Caporn advised Council, along with the Auditor, must continue to monitor the Operating Cost of Services and Facilities provided by Council and cited the large Operating Shortfall in recent times at the Waste and Recycling Facility and the cost of recommended Modifications to the Recycling / Conveyor Plant.

The Chief Executive Officer proceeded to give further detail on the need to monitor and take measures on Council's Operating Surplus Ratio which is in the Negative. Mr Fardon explained that the Useful Life of Council's Assets and Depreciation Rates Used also impacted on the Ration and should be further reviewed.

ITEM 5 GENERAL BUSINESS

Mr McRae

Mr McRae queried the Vehicle Licensing Concessions for Local Government being removed.

Cr Caporn provided information on Lobbying by Council and the WA Local Government Association to retain the Licensing Concessions and not have Stamp Duty imposed on Local Government.

Mr Richards

Mr Richards queried whether there was any appetite on Resource Sharing with neighbouring Councils.

The Chief Executive Officer explained current informal arrangements Council has with the Shires of Cunderdin and Tammin.

Mr Stacey

Mr Stacey questioned what has changed in regard to Recycling.

The Chief Executive Officer and Manager of Works and Services provided information on the Trial at the Waste and Recycling Facility.

Ms Haves

Ms Hayes queried whether Council's Strategic Plan will be reviewed and when?

The Chief Executive Officer responded with Council's actions to date with an External Consultant being engaged to assist Council and the Community on the Major Review of the Strategic Community Plan and further advised that the Community Engagement Process will commence in March 2017.

Mr Marnham

Mr Marnham commented that there was no Verge Bulk Collection offered last year and both the Manager of Works and Services and the Chief Executive Officer commented that given the recent Road Damage it is unlikely that the Verge Collection would be conducted before June 2017.

Manager of Works and Services

The Manager of Works and Services reported on the Works Program / Repairs to be undertaken in the next 2-3 months due to recent Flooding.

Mr Richards

Mr Richards congratulated the Shire President, Councillors and Staff for the preceding 12 months.

ITEM 6 CLOSURE

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman declared the Meeting closed at 7.36pm	There	being no	further	business	to discuss,	the	Chairman	declared	the	Meeting of	closed at	7.36pm.
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Confirmed

3.2 Business Arising

ITEM 4 ANNUAL REPORT

4.1 Adoption of 2016/2017 Annual Report

Recommendation

That the Annual Report for the Financial Year ended 30th June 2017, be received.

4.2 Questions on Annual Report

ITEM 5 CONSIDERATION OF OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM 6 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the Meeting at _____ pm.