

Annual Electors Meeting Notice of Meeting | 6th February 2024

Dear Councillors

I respectfully advise that the ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING will be held in the Town Hall, Jennaberring Road, Quairading, WA on 6th February 2024 commencing at 6.00pm

MEETING AGENDA ATTACHED

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Natalie Ness

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Date: 02 February 2024

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SHIRE OF QUAIRADING

Annual Electors Meeting

ITEM 1 OPENING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair	person o	pened the	Meeting at	pm
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"Before we start our meeting, I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Noongar/Ballardong land. We pay respect to the original custodians of the land...past, present and future. I welcome you all here today for this meeting."

ITEM 2 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Councillors

Cr JN Haythornthwaite Shire President

Cr TJ Stacey Deputy Shire President

Cr RC Faltyn Cr JC Hayes Cr JR Hippisley Cr PD Smith

Council Officers

Ms NJ Ness Chief Executive Officer

Ms T Brown Executive Manager, Corporate Services
Ms SE Caporn Executive Manager, Works & Services

Ms J Green Acting Executive Manager Economic Development

Electors in attendance

Mrs Marian Kevill

Mr Graeme Ellis

Ms Kay Fraser

Mr John Hards

Ms Cynthia Dann

Ms Donna Bunce

Mr Philip Winmar

Mrs Lyn Whyte

Mr David Whyte

Mr Lindsay Greenwood

Mr Garry Taylor

Ms Wendy Hayward

Mrs Janet Hall

Mr Geoffrey Hall

Apologies

Cr Becky Cowcill

Ms M Haeusler

ITEM 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Confirmation of Minutes: Annual Electors Meeting – 27 April 2023

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting held on the 27 April 2023 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

BUSINESS ARISING

ITEM 4 GOVERNANCE

4.1 2022/2023 Annual Report

Responsible Officer Natalie Ness, Chief Executive Officer

Reporting Officer Marion Haeusler, Executive Officer

Attachments Nil

Voting Requirements Simple Majority

Disclosure of Interest Reporting Officer:

Responsible Officer:

RECOMMENDATION

That the Annual Report for the Financial Year ended 30th June 2023, be received.

The 2022/2023 Annual Report includes the following: -

OVERVIEW

2022/2023 Annual Report

Our Shire at a glance

A year in review – From the Shire President

A year in review – From the CEO

COUNCIL

Our Council - Elected Members

Council Allowances & Fees

Our Leadership & People

Community Events

Works & Services Update

Emergency Management Update

Strategic & Community Projects

Community Development Update

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Strategic Community Plan 2021 - 2031

Future planning

Our communities vision for the future

Corporate Business Plan 2023 - 2027

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GOVERNANCE

Planning and Reporting – Compliance

Financial Statements

The 2022/2023 Annual Report was formally received by Council at its Ordinary Meeting on Thursday 14th December 2023, Resolution 134-23/24.

4.2 Questions on Annual Report

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ITEM 5 GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 Questions with Notice

Questions from Graeme Ellis

As attached.

Question from Garry Taylor, Lindsay Greenwood, Lyn and David Whyte and Mariane Kevill

Please update on the Medical Practice, including staffing, wait times, hospital visits, rumours of privatisation and lack of updates to the community.

Questions from Wendy Hayward

When is the next mobile Centrelink office in Quairading?

Update on Western Power outages.

What is the plan for attracting tourism?

Are there any Buildings that could be leased cheaply to Businesses or Not-for-Profits?

Is there a plan for a by-pass for heavy vehicles?

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Questions to Shire of Quairading Councillors 6th February

- Any plans for Macleay Park please? It is an eyesore and in an unsafe condition.
 After one of the storms in early January a branch had fallen at the corner of Jennaberring Rd and Forrest St. The branch is still there hanging at a 45degree angle off the main trunk.
- Along with the above it seems to me that the eastern end of Quairading heading
 east from the shire offices is being neglected from being beautified. I thought we
 wanted tourists to stop/stay/enjoy our town as well as spend some dollars but
 coming from that direction our town does not look appealing at all.
- The trees along Jennaberring Road require trimming so people are able to walk along the footpaths unobstructed from the low hanging tree branches and leaves.
- The statement 3) does apply to other streets in town as well.
- Where is the street sweeper and why haven't all the streets been kept clean on a regular basis?
- Footpaths in some areas are in a disgusting state (as in unsafe) or not in existence. I understand tree roots are a big problem. For the elderly who walk around town they need decent flat walkways please!
- Has the council been advised of any updates on when our power will become more reliable?
- I congratulate the council for the initiative of reducing the price of blocks at the Cuneata Rise.
- With that in mind, now Quairading needs better facilities and infrastructure to attract larger businesses to bring opportunities for employment. Quairading is a centrally located town that should be able to have businesses to actively service towns outside and beyond.
- Has the Quairading Shire any knowledge of what will become of the railway line from York to Bruce Rock?
- Is the Quairading Shire in contact with main roads and politicians to get the major roads fixed (not Band-Aid fixes like they are doing towards York)? Is the government waiting on a certain number of deaths on the York to Quairading road before they will fix properly and now, not in twenty five years?
- I had a visitor who was house sitting asking if there were any snake handlers in town, so I called the afterhours shire number 0429 451 001at 8.20 PM to find a snake handler and went to message bank. Before this, I called "The Community Emergency Services Manager" at 8.06pm and was told he was only a fire officer! He did try the works assistant manager with no luck. The directory should state that the above is "Fire Emergency Services Manager"!! I also called the ranger services from the website but no luck there either! There is nothing on the shires website to assist in this type of problem! Can there be more direction if this problem arises again, please?

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5.2 Proposed Motions

Motions proposed by Marian Kevill

MOTION 1

That the Quairading Shire obtain services of admin staff for the Medical Practice immediately.

MOTION 2

That the Quairading Shire obtain housing for workers in Quairading.

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5.3 Consideration of other General Business

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ITEM 6 NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Annual Electors Meeting is scheduled to take place on commencing at in the Council Chambers, 10 Jennaberring Road, Quairading, WA.

ITEM 7 CLOSURE

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