

**MINUTES**

**Special Council Meeting**

**Tuesday 30 April 2024**

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# **Declaration of Opening**

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 5.40pm and drew attention to the disclaimer on page 2 and advised that the meeting was livestreamed and recorded.

# **Present** **and** **Apologies** **and** **Leave** **of** **Absence** (**Previously** **Approved**)

**Councillors**

Mayor F E M Argyle (Presiding Member)

Councillor B Brackenridge Melvista Ward

Councillor R A Coghlan Melvista Ward

Councillor H Amiry Coastal Districts Ward

Councillor K A Smyth Coastal Districts Ward

Councillor F J O Bennett Dalkeith Ward

Councillor N R Youngman Dalkeith Ward

Councillor B G Hodsdon Hollywood Ward

**Staff** Mr Michael Cole Director Corporate Services

Ms Emma Bock Executive Officer

**Consultant** Mr Andrew Hammond HW Advisory

Ms Emily Bulloch Beilby, Downing Teal

**Public Gallery** There were no members of the public present or online.

**Press** Nil.

**Leave of Absence** Councillor L J McManus Hollywood Ward

**(Previously Approved)**

**Apologies** Nil.

# **Public** **Question** **Time**

Nil.

# **Address by Members** **of** **the** **Public**

Nil.

Closure of Meeting to the Public

Moved – Councillor Smyth

Seconded – Councillor Brackenridge

**That the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with Section 5.23 (a) of the**

**Local Government Act 1995 to allow confidential discussion on the following Items.**

**CARIED 6/3**

**(Against: Crs. McManus, Youngman, Bennett)**

The meeting was closed to the public at 5.41 pm.

# **Disclosures of Financial Interest**

The Presiding Member reminded Council Members and Staff of the requirements of Section 5.65 of the Local Government Act to disclose any interest during the meeting when the matter is discussed.

There were no disclosures of financial interest.

# **Disclosures of Interest Affecting Impartiality**

The Presiding Member reminded Council Members and Staff of the requirements of Council’s Code of Conduct in accordance with Section 5.103 of the Local Government Act.

Confidential declarations to be made behind closed doors during the Confidential items.

# **Declaration by Members That They Have Not Given Due Consideration to Papers**

Nil.

# **Divisional Reports**

## **CEO13.04.24 – Confidential Report from the Chief Executive Officer Recruitment Committee**

Confidential attachments circulated separately to Council Members.

Moved – Mayor Argyle

Seconded – Deputy Mayor Smyth

**That the Recommendation be adopted.**

(Printed below for ease of reference)

**Council Resolution**

**That the Confidential Recommendation be adopted and the name of the selected Candidate remain confidential until the contract is executed.**

**CARRIED 5/4**

**(Against: Crs. Bennett, Hodson, McManus, Youngman)**

# **Declaration of Closure**

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 6.36 pm.