



City of **Ipswich**

AGENDA

COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, 23 March 2023
at 9.00 am

Council Chambers, Level 8
1 Nicholas Street, Ipswich

SONIA COOPER
Chief Executive Officer

BUSINESS

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That Council convey condolences, on behalf of the citizens of the City of Ipswich, to the family of the late Jeffrey Walter Collins who passed away on 17 February 2023.

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UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING

23 FEBRUARY 2023

Held in the Council Chambers, Administration Building
1 Nicholas Street, Ipswich

The meeting commenced at 9.01 am

ATTENDANCE AT COMMENCEMENT	Mayor Teresa Harding (Chairperson); Councillors Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen, Sheila Ireland, Paul Tully, Marnie Doyle, Andrew Fechner, Kate Kunzelmann, Russell Milligan and Nicole Jonic
WELCOME TO COUNTRY	Aunty Jill Davidson (Yuggera elder) delivered the Welcome to Country
OPENING PRAYER	Pastor Peter Clarke – Beacon Community Baptist Church
APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE	Nil
5. CONDOLENCES	Nil
6. TRIBUTES	Nil
7. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS	Nil
8. PRESENTATIONS AND DEPUTATIONS	Presentation of Employee Support Award to Ipswich City Council on behalf of the Australian Defence Force Attachments 1. Presentation speech for Australian Defence Force Employee Support Award
9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	Nil
10. MATTER OF PUBLIC INTEREST	Mayor Teresa Harding: One Year on from the Flood Attachments 1. One Year on from the Flood

**11. DECLARATIONS
OF INTEREST IN
MATTERS ON THE
AGENDA**

COUNCILLOR
ANDREW FECHNER

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Andrew Fechner informed the meeting that he has a declarable conflict of interest in the following item:

- Item 15.6 titled Ipswich Central Redevelopment Committee's Report

The nature of the interest is that Councillor Fechner stands to gain a benefit or suffer a loss due to his business interest in both A1A Events Pty Ltd and Bar Heisenberg Pty Ltd which is located in the top of town at 164 Brisbane Street, Ipswich.

Councillor Andrew Fechner advised that he will leave the meeting room (including any area set aside for the public) while this matter is being discussed and voted on.

COUNCILLOR JACOB
MADSEN

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen informed the meeting that he has a declarable conflict of interest in the following item:

- Item 15.6 titled Ipswich Central Redevelopment Committee's Report

The nature of the interest is that Councillor Madsen is a member of the Ipswich Trades Hall and Labour Day Committee Executive which manages the Ipswich Trades Hall which is adjacent to the CBD redevelopment works that Council is undergoing.

Councillor Madsen advised that he will leave the meeting room (including any area set aside for the public) while this matter is being discussed and voted on.

COUNCILLOR JACOB
MADSEN

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen informed the meeting that he has a declarable conflict of interest in the following item:

- Item 14.2 titled Suspected Inappropriate Conduct of a Councillor

The nature of the interest is that Councillor Madsen is the subject councillor referred to in this report.

Councillor Jacob Madsen advised that he will leave the meeting room (including any area set aside for the public) while this matter is being discussed and voted on.

COUNCILLOR PAUL
TULLY

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Paul Tully informed the meeting that he has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 3 of Item 15.1 titled Warrill Park Lawn Cemetery – Master Plan Report.

The nature of the interest is that Councillor Tully is a Trustee of the Goodna Cemetery Trust appointed by the State Government.

Councillor Paul Tully invited the other councillors to determine if he can continue to participate in the decision process.

It was moved by Mayor Teresa Harding and seconded by Councillor Sheila Ireland that Councillor Paul Tully does not have a declarable conflict of interest in the matter because there is no personal or financial benefit to the councillor and therefore a reasonable person would trust that the final decision is made in the public interest.

The eligible councillors present at the meeting decided that Councillor Paul Tully may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter.

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Harding

Nil

Madsen

Ireland

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

Councillor Tully did not take part in the vote on this matter.

The motion was put and carried.

12. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

12.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Russell Milligan:

**That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on
19 January 2023 be confirmed.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Harding	Nil
Madsen	
Ireland	
Tully	
Doyle	
Fechner	
Kunzelmann	
Milligan	
Jonic	

The motion was put and carried.

13. MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

14. BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

14.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION (17522/2021/PDA) RECOMMENDATION - PROPOSED COMMUNITY USE (CHILD CARE CENTRE) AT 7001 GRAMPIAN DRIVE, DEEBING HEIGHTS

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

- A. That Council approve Development Application No. 17522/2021/PDA, being the Material Change of Use for Community Use (Child Care Centre), subject to conditions as contained in Attachment 2 of this report.

Statement of Reasons

Council has reached its position having regard to the confirmation that the Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships (DSDSATSIP) are satisfied that cultural heritage matters have been addressed through the obligations under the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003. The Queensland Police Service (QPS) Report has confirmed the results of the analysis of the bone fragments found near the subject site were of non-human origin and the advice from Economic Development Queensland (EDQ) that they have considered the

assessment of cultural heritage matters and they are satisfied that matters relating to cultural heritage have been appropriately addressed. This has been reflected in the following correspondence.

- The Correspondence dated 18 November 2022 from the Assistant Commissioner, Queensland Police Service.
- The Correspondence dated 16 December 2022 from the Minister for Economic Development Queensland.
- The Correspondence dated 22 December 2022 from the Executive Director Planning Services of Economic Development Queensland.

The motion lapsed for want of a seconder.

SUSPENSION OF MEETING PROCEDURES

In accordance with section 10.2.1 and 10.2.2 of Council's Meeting Procedures Policy Mayor Harding moved a procedural motion to suspend meeting procedures to allow debate on Item 14.1.

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Sheila Ireland:

That the provision of these meeting procedures be suspended, as is necessary, for the purpose of discussion on Item 14.1 - Development Application (17522/2021/PDA) Recommendation - Proposed Community Use (Child Care Centre) at 7001 Grampian Drive, Deebing Heights.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

Councillor Paul Tully foreshadowed that he would move the following alternate motion in relation to Item 14.1:

- A. That the email letter from Aunty Kris Bunda (Yowie) to the Mayor and other Councillors on 22 February 2023 regarding the proposed Development Application 7001 Grampian Drive, Deebing Heights be formally received and tabled.
- B. That as the application cannot be refused at this stage under the advice from the Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, the matter be referred back to the Minister for his decision for the following reasons:
- (1) There have been 163 objections to the proposed development.
 - (2) The competing First Nations' claims in relation to the property and adjacent land cannot be properly assessed with the sole resources of the Ipswich City Council and having regard to the fact that no final native title determination has been made in respect of the area.
 - (3) The Queensland Police Report of 10 August 2022, which was conducted from photographs and not a physical examination of the skeletal remains, indicates that all except 4 of the bones and bone fragments were assessed as of non-human origin but no final assessment of those 4 remaining bones and bone fragments has ever been made.
 - (4) That Professor David Lambert from Griffith University has confirmed that "the only way to be absolutely sure about the origins of such remains is to sequence their genomic DNA".
 - (5) That First Nations' oral history is that there was a massacre on and/or near the development site adjacent to the former Deebing Creek Aboriginal Mission and cemetery, and that "there is more than a reasonable likelihood that human remains and/or artefacts are on the development site", according to the formal submission opposing the development tabled at the meeting of Council on 23 February 2023.
 - (6) That appropriate State Government consultation occur with the First Nations' people associated with this site to ensure proper cultural consultation occurs including

Ground Penetrating Radar to establish the nature and extent of burials on or near the site including the examination of “anomalies” previously identified during earlier tests.

- C. That the submission from Aunty Kris Bunda (Yowie) be included in the reference back to the Minister.

**RESUMPTION OF
MEETING
PROCEDURES**

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Paul Tully:

That provision of these meeting procedures be resumed to continue with the order of business.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

**14.1
DEVELOPMENT
APPLICATION
(17522/2021/PDA)
RECOMMENDATION -
PROPOSED
COMMUNITY USE
(CHILD CARE CENTRE)
AT 7001 GRAMPIAN
DRIVE, DEEBING
HEIGHTS**

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:
Seconded by Councillor Nicole Jonic:

- A. That the email letter from Aunty Kris Bunda (Yowie) to the Mayor and other Councillors on 22 February 2023 regarding the proposed Development Application 7001 Grampian Drive, Deebing Heights be formally received and tabled.
- B. That as the application cannot be refused at this stage under the advice from the Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, the matter be referred back to the Minister for his decision for the following reasons:
- (1) There have been 163 objections to the proposed development.
 - (2) The competing First Nations’ claims in relation to the property and adjacent land cannot be properly assessed with the sole resources of the Ipswich City

Council and having regard to the fact that no final native title determination has been made in respect of the area.

- (3) The Queensland Police Report of 10 August 2022, which was conducted from photographs and not a physical examination of the skeletal remains, indicates that all except 4 of the bones and bone fragments were assessed as of non-human origin but no final assessment of those 4 remaining bones and bone fragments has ever been made.
 - (4) That Professor David Lambert from Griffith University has confirmed that “the only way to be absolutely sure about the origins of such remains is to sequence their genomic DNA”.
 - (5) That First Nations’ oral history is that there was a massacre on and/or near the development site adjacent to the former Deebing Creek Aboriginal Mission and cemetery, and that “there is more than a reasonable likelihood that human remains and/or artefacts are on the development site”, according to the formal submission opposing the development tabled at the meeting of Council on 23 February 2023.
 - (6) That appropriate State Government consultation occur with the First Nations’ people associated with this site to ensure proper cultural consultation occurs including Ground Penetrating Radar to establish the nature and extent of burials on or near the site including the examination of “anomalies” previously identified during earlier tests.
- C. That the submission from Aunty Kris Bunda (Yowie) be included in the reference back to the Minister.

Councillor Andrew Fechner proposed the following supplementary motion:

That unlike any other location within the Ripley Valley PDA, the Deebing Creek Mission and its surrounds is an important and sacred place with extra legislative and governance layers, namely the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003* and the agreed Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) which need to be fully and appropriately assessed in an open and transparent manner which

adequately reflects and addresses the extensive community concerns.

Councillor Paul Tully proposed that the supplementary motion be included as reason No. 7 in the formal motion.

The seconder of the original motion agreed to the proposed supplementary motion and of its inclusion as reason No. 7.

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Nicole Jonic:

- A. That the email letter from Aunty Kris Bunda (Yowie) to the Mayor and other Councillors on 22 February 2023 regarding the proposed Development Application 7001 Grampian Drive, Deebling Heights be formally received and tabled.**

- B. That as the application cannot be refused at this stage under the advice from the Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, the matter be referred back to the Minister for his decision for the following reasons:**
 - (1) There have been 163 objections to the proposed development.**

 - (2) The competing First Nations' claims in relation to the property and adjacent land cannot be properly assessed with the sole resources of the Ipswich City Council and having regard to the fact that no final native title determination has been made in respect of the area.**

 - (3) The Queensland Police Report of 10 August 2022, which was conducted from photographs and not a physical examination of the skeletal remains, indicates that all except 4 of the bones and bone fragments were assessed as of non-human origin but no final assessment of those 4 remaining bones and bone fragments has ever been made.**

 - (4) That Professor David Lambert from Griffith University has confirmed that "the only way to be absolutely sure about the origins of such remains is to sequence their genomic DNA".**

- (5) That First Nations' oral history is that there was a massacre on and/or near the development site adjacent to the former Deebing Creek Aboriginal Mission and cemetery, and that "there is more than a reasonable likelihood that human remains and/or artefacts are on the development site", according to the formal submission opposing the development tabled at the meeting of Council on 23 February 2023.
- (6) That appropriate State Government consultation occur with the First Nations' people associated with this site to ensure proper cultural consultation occurs including Ground Penetrating Radar to establish the nature and extent of burials on or near the site including the examination of "anomalies" previously identified during earlier tests.
- (7) That unlike any other location within the Ripley Valley PDA, the Deebing Creek Mission and its surrounds is an important and sacred place with extra legislative and governance layers, namely the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003* and the agreed Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) which need to be fully and appropriately assessed in an open and transparent manner which adequately reflects and addresses the extensive community concerns.

C. That the submission from Aunty Kris Bunda (Yowie) be included in the reference back to the Minister.

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Harding

Nil

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

ADJOURN MEETING

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

That the meeting be adjourned at 9.47 am to reconvene at 10.20 am.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

The meeting reconvened at 10.20 am.

14. BUSINESS OUTSTANDING – CONDUCT MATTERS

At 10.21 am Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen left the meeting room due to a previously declared interest in Item 14.2.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

MAYOR TERESA HARDING

In accordance with section 150EW of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Andrew Fechner informed the Chairperson he believes Mayor Teresa Harding (Chairperson) has a declarable Conflict of Interest in Item 14.2 titled Suspected Inappropriate Conduct of a Councillor because Mayor Harding was an aggrieved party to the complaint.

Councillors sought clarification from Mayor Harding as to whether she believes she has a declarable Conflict of Interest in the matter.

Mayor Teresa Harding clarified that she believes that she does not have a personal Interest in the matter and tabled advice from the Department of Local Government in support of this.

Mayor Harding declared that in accordance with section 150EZ of the *Local Government Act 2009* she did not discuss or influence the other councillors in relation to this matter.

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:
Seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

That Council determines that Mayor Harding has a declarable conflict of interest in relation to Item 14.2 titled “Suspected Inappropriate Conduct of a Councillor” because of her substantial prior involvement in the matter and that in accordance with Section 150ES(3)(a)(ii) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, the Mayor must not participate in the decision and must leave the meeting in relation to such matter because a reasonable person may believe that the final decision may not be made in the public interest.

The reasons for such decision are:

1. Sections 150P and 150R of the Local Government Act 2009 (the Act) require Councillors in certain circumstances to refer or notify certain matters to the Office of the Independent Assessor; however, as this matter was specifically referred to the OIA as a “complaint”, it must have been under Section 150O of the Act which does not require mandatory reporting.
2. Even if mandatory reporting was required, the Mayor was the “aggrieved party” in this matter, the outcome of which could specifically benefit the Mayor in the future.
3. This is encompassed in the departmental advice to the Mayor on the 14th of February 2023 as follows:

“If, however, a councillor refers or notifies conduct of a councillor which is about conduct that was towards the referring councillor, then that referring councillor not only has a personal interest in the outcome of a matter, but may also be a relevant witness in the matter.”

“It is a matter for Council to determine, but it is recommended that both a subject councillor in an inappropriate conduct matter, and a notifier or referrer that also has a personal interest in relation to the matter, should leave the room and not be present

for the discussion or decision in relation to the matter (including dealing with conflict of interest in relation to the matter).”

4. The complaint specified what penalty should be imposed on Cr Madsen which demonstrates a clear and personal interest in the final outcome of this matter.

In all of the circumstances, the personal interest of the Mayor in this matter and its outcome is considered to be quite substantial and clearly requiring this determination.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

All Councillors except Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen were present when the vote was taken.

Mayor Teresa Harding did not take part in the vote on this matter.

Attachments

1. Information tabled by Mayor Harding relating to declaration of interest

At 10.38 am Mayor Teresa Harding left the meeting room.

**ASSUMING THE
CHAIR**

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

That Councillor Russell Milligan assume the Chair in the Chairperson's (Mayor Teresa Harding) absence.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

All Councillors except Mayor Teresa Harding and Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen were present when the vote was taken.

Councillor Russell Milligan assumed the Chair at 10.33 am.

**DECLARATION OF
INTEREST**

COUNCILLOR NICOLE
JONIC

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Nicole Jonic informed the meeting that she has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 14.2 titled Suspected Inappropriate Conduct of a Councillor.

The nature of the interest is that Councillor Jonic had discussions with Councillor Madsen in relation to the generalities of the unfairness she has felt in relation to complaints made against her as well.

Councillor Nicole Jonic invited the other councillors to determine if she can continue to participate in the decision process.

It was moved by Councillor Paul Tully and seconded by Councillor Sheila Ireland that having regard to the nature of the discussions of a general nature rather than the specifics of the matter before Council today, Councillor Jonic be permitted to remain in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter.

The eligible councillors present at the meeting decided that Councillor Nicole Jonic may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

All Councillors except Mayor Teresa Harding and Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

Councillor Jonic did not take part in the vote on the matter.

**DECLARATION OF
INTEREST**

COUNCILLOR SHEILA
IRELAND

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Sheila Ireland informed the meeting that she has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 14.2 titled Suspected Inappropriate Conduct of a Councillor.

The nature of the interest is that in relation to Item 14.2, Councillor Sheila Ireland and Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen were both in the photos and made comments and she was not aware that the OIA had two complaints against her until receiving a letter from the OIA to say that the complaints against Councillor Ireland had been dismissed as she didn't mention Council or funding.

Councillor Sheila Ireland invited the other councillors to determine if she can continue to participate in the decision process.

It was moved by Councillor Paul Tully and seconded by Councillor Nicole Jonic that Councillor Sheila Ireland does not have a declarable conflict of interest in the matter because there is no personal or financial benefit to the councillor and therefore a reasonable person would trust that the final decision is made in the public interest.

Councillor Tully clarified further that even though at one point issues coalesced between Councillor Jacob Madsen and Councillor Sheila Ireland, Councillor Sheila Ireland has been separated from this by a clear decision from the OIA that Councillor Sheila Ireland hasn't transgressed anything.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

All Councillors except Mayor Teresa Harding and Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

Councillor Ireland did not take part in the vote on this matter.

**14.2
SUSPECTED
INAPPROPRIATE**

- A. That the suspected inappropriate conduct of Councillor Jacob Madsen be handled in a way determined by the Council.

**CONDUCT OF A
COUNCILLOR**

- B. That once determined, the reasons for the decision of the Council be included in the resolution.

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Nicole Jonic:

That Council, having considered the matter regarding Councillor Madsen referred from the Office of the Independent Assessor (OIA) to the Council's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) on 21 December 2022, decides as follows:

- 1. In accordance with Section 150AF(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009* (the Act), the Council decides that the matter should be investigated on the basis of the information which has been provided to Councillors in respect of this matter.**
- 2. In accordance with Section 150AF(3) of the Act, the reason for such decision is that given the nature and circumstances of the two complaints or information to the OIA in respect of such matter, the Council considers that it has sufficient information to properly decide the matter, without prejudice to the rights of Councillor Madsen or any other person.**

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Ireland

Nil

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

All Councillors except Mayor Teresa Harding and Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Nicole Jonic:

That having investigated such matter, and in accordance with section 150AG(1)(a) of the *Local Government Act 2009* (the Act), the Council decides that Councillor Madsen

has not engaged in inappropriate conduct on the following grounds (a) to (f):

- (a) That Councillor Madsen had the right to make the reported comments in accordance with Section 21 of the *Human Rights Act 2019* which states:

"21 Freedom of expression

- (1) *Every person has the right to hold an opinion without interference.*
- (2) *Every person has the right to freedom of expression which includes the freedom to seek, receive and impart information and ideas of all kinds, whether within or outside Queensland and whether -*
- a) *orally; or*
 - b) *in writing; or*
 - c) *in print; or*
 - d) *by way of art; or*
 - e) *in another medium chosen by the person."*

Such right is acknowledged in Section 5 of Council's Media and Corporate Communications Policy (Media Policy) which states:

"Human Rights Commitment

Ipswich City Council (Council) has considered the human rights protected under the Human Rights Act 2019 (Qld) when adopting and/or amending this policy. When applying this policy, Council will act and make decisions in a way that is compatible with human rights and give proper consideration to a human right relevant to the decision in accordance with the Human Rights Act 2019 (Qld)."

- (b) That Councillor Madsen was speaking in his proper divisional role and his statutory citywide councillor role having regard to Sections 12(1) and 12(6) of the Act which state:

- (1) *"A councillor must represent the current and future interests of the residents of the local government area."*
- (6) *"When performing a responsibility, a councillor must serve the overall public interest of the whole local government area."*

- (c) That Councillor Madsen's comments were consistent with Paragraph 8 of Section 2 "Purpose and Principles" of the Media Policy which states inter alia:

"The purpose of this policy is to ensure Councillors have fair and equitable opportunity to engage with the community about divisional, committee and other

community matters through Council's external communication networks, recognising the citywide role and responsibilities of all Councillors under section 12 of the Local Government Act 2009."

- (d) That the comments made by Councillor Madsen were permitted pursuant to Paragraph 6 of Section 6 "Scope" of the Media Policy, which states, inter alia:

"This policy does not preclude Councillors from making their own statements or comments which may conflict with Council's position...ensuring that their comments are not portrayed by them as the official view of Council."

Councillor Madsen's comments did not conflict with any Council position – indeed they supported it – nor did he attempt to portray them as the official view of Council except insofar as they were previously authorised by Council.

Councillor Madsen's comments related to planned 2 bridge upgrades situated in his Division 1 which were not citywide projects.

The letter from the Office of the Independent Assessor (OIA) of 21 December 2022 to the CEO states that the "relevant committee for federal funding for bridge upgrades... is "alleged to be the Growth, Infrastructure and Waste (GIW) Committee" but there is nothing in the adopted "Terms of Reference" of the GIW Committee which states that this is correct.

In the OIA letter, it is further "alleged Councillor Madsen should have referred any request for a media statement to the ICCs Media Team" but there is nothing in the Media Policy which requires this.

The OIA letter further states:

"Councillor Madsen has asserted that the appropriate committee for grants is the Governance and Transparency Committee according to its delegated authority and refers to the 30 June ICC Media Report which was already in the public domain." – See Paragraph (f) below.

His comments in Ipswich News Today of 14 October 2022 and the Ipswich Tribune of 21 October 2022 simply repeat official statements in June 2022 and reflect the inherent right of Councillors to provide factual information to the media and the public about any decision already made by Council.

Any other interpretation would prevent an individual Councillor, except the Mayor and relevant Committee chairperson, from ever publicly disclosing a Council decision or resolution of any kind even it were in the official Minutes of the Council and/or in the public domain.

The official Council Media Statement of 30 June 2022 headed "*Division 1 highlights: Urban and rural areas reap benefits in 2022-2023 Budget*" stated inter alia the following singular comment from Councillor Madsen:

"The rural road network in Division 1 is also set to benefit from several projects. This includes more than \$4.6 million towards timber bridge replacements at Calvert and Ebenezer and \$150,000 to design an upgrade to Grandchester - Mt Mort Road."

As reported in *Ipswich News Today* on 14 October 2022 and *Local Ipswich News* on 21 October 2022, Councillor Madsen made the following comment:

"The Ipswich City Council 2022-23 Budget included more than \$4.6 million in council funding for these essential upgrades and this Federal Government contribution will ensure the projects can go ahead," he said.

Unequivocally, Councillor Madsen was simply repeating his approved comment of 30 June 2022 which related to his Division 1 which the OIA accepts as within the scope of the Media Policy.

Preventing a Councillor from simply stating or repeating details of a decision already made by Council would be a bizarre and unintended interpretation of the Council Media Policy.

(e) That, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Media Policy, the comments made by Councillor Madsen were at all times completely protected by the over-arching provisions of Paragraph 7 of Section 6 of the Media Policy which state:

"Nothing in the policy shall be interpreted as affecting the right of individual Councillors to raise or comment on issues of public importance or significance to them and to

Speak about such matters as elected representatives of the local community or in some other capacity".

In this regard, Council re-states its policy objective of Paragraph 7 of Section 6 of the Media Policy of recognising the fundamental and overriding right of all Councillors to speak publicly on any issue of *"public importance or significance to them"*, irrespective of any other provision in the Media Policy. This clause was inserted in the revised Media Policy on 10 March 2022 to reflect the overriding democratic right of all Councillors to make comments completely free of the strictures of the Media Policy, thus reflecting the fundamental right of elected members to speak publicly on matters relating to their community.

Paragraph 7 of Section 6 of the Media Policy clearly allows any Councillor to work collaboratively and publicly with State and Federal Members in relation to matters of mutual interest and importance in their communities.

(f) The comments by Councillor Madsen, the Chairperson of the Governance and Transparency Committee, were at all times also authorised by Paragraph 1 of Section 7.3.4 of the Media Policy which states:

"The relevant standing committee Chairperson will be the Lead Spokesperson on matters arising from their committee portfolio to the extent that these are consistent with the responsibilities outlined in the Committee Terms of Reference document."

Such Terms of Reference adopted on 9 December 2021 stated in Section 3 "Responsibilities" of the Committee included, inter alia:

"Grant Management".

Councillor Madsen also complied with Paragraph 5 of Section 7.3.4 of the Media Policy which states:

"Where a committee matter relates to an issue, initiative or activity principally within or affecting a particular division, the Councillors representing that division will also be Designated Spokespersons."

B. That the CEO utilise Council's decision in this matter as a guide to the intended operation of the Council Media Policy based on the issues considered and decided by this Council resolution.

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Ireland

Nil

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

All Councillors except Mayor Teresa Harding and Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

At 11.07 am Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen returned to the meeting room.

At 11.08 am Mayor Teresa Harding returned to the meeting room and assumed the Chair.

ADJOURN MEETING

Moved by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That the meeting be adjourned at 11.08 am to reconvene at 11.18 am.

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Harding

Nil

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

The meeting reconvened at 11.21 am.

15. RECEPTION AND CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

15.1

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Paul Tully:

**REPORT OF GROWTH
INFRASTRUCTURE
AND WASTE
COMMITTEE NO.
2023(01) OF 9
FEBRUARY 2023**

**That Council adopt the report of the Growth
Infrastructure and Waste Committee No. 2023(01) of
9 February 2023.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

This block motion adopts all items of the Growth, Infrastructure and Waste Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023, as listed below, as resolutions of Council:

**GROWTH
INFRASTRUCTURE
AND WASTE
COMMITTEE – ITEM 1**

RESPONSE TO
PETITION: REQUEST
FOR SOUND BARRIER
- REDBANK
MOTORWAY
INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

- A. That the report be received and noted.**
- B. That an update be provided to Councillors in six months.**

**GROWTH
INFRASTRUCTURE
AND WASTE
COMMITTEE – ITEM 2**

CONFIRMATION OF
MINUTES OF THE
GROWTH
INFRASTRUCTURE
AND WASTE
COMMITTEE NO.
2022(11) OF 29
NOVEMBER 2022

**That the Minutes of the Growth, Infrastructure and Waste
Committee held on 29 November 2022 be confirmed.**

**GROWTH
INFRASTRUCTURE
AND WASTE
COMMITTEE – ITEM 3**

WARRILL PARK LAWN
CEMETERY - MASTER
PLAN REPORT

- A. That the Master Plan for the Warrill Park Lawn Cemetery presented to the Council Ordinary Meeting on 19 February 2013 be revised and updated.
- B. That the revised Concept Master Plan for the Warrill Park Lawn Cemetery be presented to a future meeting of the Growth and Infrastructure and Waste Committee.

**GROWTH
INFRASTRUCTURE
AND WASTE
COMMITTEE – ITEM 4**

REGIONAL PLANNING
INTERESTS ACT 2014 -
APPLICATION 22/009 -
AUSTRAL BRICKS - MT
WALKER - REQUEST
FOR COMMENTS

That Council provide the response to Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning as set out in Attachment 1.

**GROWTH
INFRASTRUCTURE
AND WASTE
COMMITTEE – ITEM 5**

EXERCISE OF
DELEGATION REPORT

That the Exercise of Delegation report for the period 15 November 2022 to 24 January 2023., be received and the contents noted.

**GROWTH
INFRASTRUCTURE
AND WASTE
COMMITTEE – ITEM 6**

PLANNING AND
ENVIRONMENT
COURT ACTION
STATUS REPORT

That the Planning and Environment Court Action status report be received and the contents noted.

**GROWTH
INFRASTRUCTURE
AND WASTE
COMMITTEE – ITEM 7**

INFRASTRUCTURE
AND ENVIRONMENT
DEPARTMENT
CAPITAL DELIVERY
REPORT DECEMBER
2022

That the capital delivery report for the month of December 2022, be received and the contents noted.

**GROWTH
INFRASTRUCTURE
AND WASTE
COMMITTEE – ITEM 8**

DEVELOPMENT
APPLICATION
(17522/2021/PDA)
RECOMMENDATION -
PROPOSED
COMMUNITY USE
(CHILD CARE CENTRE)
AT 7001 GRAMPIAN
DRIVE, DEEBING
HEIGHTS

That Item 8 titled ‘Development Application (17522/2021/PDA) Recommendation - Proposed Community Use (Child Care Centre) at 7001 Grampian Drive, Deebing Heights’ be referred to the Council Ordinary meeting scheduled for 23 February 2023.

**15.2
REPORT OF
GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE NO.
2023(01) OF 9
FEBRUARY 2023**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen:
Seconded by Councillor Russell Milligan:

That Council adopt the report of the Governance and Transparency Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding
Madsen
Ireland
Tully
Doyle
Fechner
Kunzelmann
Milligan
Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

This block motion adopts all items of the Governance and Transparency Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023, as listed below, as resolutions of Council:

**GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 1**

CONFIRMATION OF
MINUTES OF THE
GOVERNANCE AND

That the Minutes of the Governance and Transparency Committee held on 29 November 2022 be confirmed.

TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE NO.
2022(11) OF 29
NOVEMBER 2022

**GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 2**

QUARTER 2 -
OPERATIONAL PLAN
2022-2023
QUARTERLY
PERFORMANCE

That the Quarter 2 Operational Plan 2022-2023 Quarterly Performance report be received and noted.

**GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 3**

QUARTERLY REPORT
TO THE DEPARTMENT
OF STATE
DEVELOPMENT,
INFRASTRUCTURE,
LOCAL GOVERNMENT
AND PLANNING

That the Committee endorse the draft letter to the Director-General (DSDILGP) containing the quarterly update for October to December 2022 as set out in Attachment 1.

**GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 4**

UPDATE TO
COUNCIL'S MEETING
CONDUCT POLICY,
MEETING
PROCEDURES POLICY
AND PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION
POLICY

- A. That the updated policy titled 'Meeting Conduct' as outlined in Attachment 3, be adopted.**
- B. That the updated policy titled 'Meeting Procedures' as outlined in Attachment 6, be adopted.**
- C. That the updated policy titled 'Public Participation at Ordinary Council Meetings' as outlined in Attachment 9 and the revised 'Public Participation Application Form' as outlined in Attachment 11, be adopted.**

**GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 5**

DISPOSAL OF
INTEREST IN LAND
FOR EASEMENT
PURPOSES OVER PART
OF 1 HAIG STREET,
BRASSALL

- A. That Council resolve pursuant to section 236(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (the Regulation) that the exemption referred to in section 236(1)(c)(iv) of the Regulation applies for the disposal of the easement interest of part of 1 Haig Street, Brassall, described as Lot 4 on RP8227 ("the Land"), by way of a new easement arrangement for sewerage purposes between Council and Urban Utilities.**
- B. That pursuant to s257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009* Council resolve to delegate the power to the Chief**

Executive Officer to be authorised to negotiate and finalise the terms of the proposed easement as detailed in Recommendation A of this report and to do any other acts necessary to implement Council's decision.

**GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 6**

PROCUREMENT:
RATES MODELLING
SOFTWARE (EASYREV)
MAINTENANCE AND
SUPPORT
AGREEMENT -
EXTENSION TO
CONTRACT 12472

- A. That pursuant to Section 235(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that the exception applies because of the specialised nature of the services that are sought and it would be impractical and disadvantageous to invite quotes for the provision of the Rates Modelling Software (EasyRev) maintenance and support.
- B. That Council enter into a contractual arrangement (Council file reference number 12472) with Harbour Software Pty Ltd, at an approximate purchase price of \$24,000.00 (excluding GST) over the entire term, being an initial term of one (1) year, with options for extension at the discretion of Council (as purchaser), of an additional two (2) X one (1) year terms.

**GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 7**

PROCUREMENT:
SUPPLY OF UNBOUND
PAVEMENT MATERIAL
FOR MAINTENANCE
OF COUNCIL'S
UNSEALED ROADS

- A. That Council vary the contractual arrangement with CW & EJ Russell for an additional approximate purchase price of \$3,000,000 excluding GST over the entire term of up to three (3) years, being an initial term of one (1) year, with options for extension at the discretion of Council (as purchaser), for an additional two (2) x one (1) year terms.
- B. That pursuant to Section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council resolve to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to take "contractual action" pursuant to section 238 of the Regulation, in order to implement Council's decision.

**GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 8**

PROCUREMENT:
CUSTOMER
EXPERIENCE
MATURITY
ASSESSMENT

- A. That pursuant to Section 235(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that the exception applies because of the specialised nature of the services that are sought and it would be impractical to invite quotes for the provision of the annual Customer Experience Maturity Assessment.
- B. That Council enter into a contractual arrangement (Council file reference number 19806) with Ipsos Pty Ltd, at an approximate purchase price of \$70,000 excluding GST over the entire term, being an initial term of one (1) year with options for extension at the discretion of

**GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 9**

PROCUREMENT:
WASTE
MANAGEMENT
SOFTWARE SOLUTION
CONTRACTS 12759
AND 14024

Council (as purchaser), of an additional two (2) X one (1) year terms.

- A. That pursuant to Section 235(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that the exception applies as it is satisfied that there is only one supplier who is reasonably available for the ongoing provision of the transfer stations operations system and related ancillary items provided by Mandalay Technologies Pty Ltd (Mandalay).
- B. That the contractual arrangement 14024 with Mandalay for the transfer stations operations system and related ancillary items be extended for a further optional period(s) until 30 June 2026 at an approximate value of \$77,281.00 + GST over the additional term (increasing the approximated contract value to \$255,000.00 + GST over the entire extended term of the contract if all options are utilised).
- C. That Council enter into a Deed of Variation with Mandalay to appropriately amend the existing contractual arrangement.
- D. That pursuant to Section 235(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that the exception applies as it is satisfied that there is only one supplier who is reasonably available for the ongoing provision of the waste collection vehicle operations system and related ancillary items provided by 3 Logix Pty Ltd (3 Logix).
- E. That the contractual arrangement 12759 with 3 Logix for the waste collection vehicle operations system and related ancillary items for a further optional period(s) until 30 June 2026 at an approximate value of \$309,355.00 + GST over the additional term (increasing the approximated contract value to \$2,160,000.00 + GST over the entire extended term of the contract if all options are utilised).
- F. That Council enter into a Deed of Variation with 3 Logix to appropriately amend the existing contractual arrangement.
- G. That pursuant to Section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council resolve to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to take “contractual

action” pursuant to section 238 of the Regulation, in order to implement Council’s decision.

**GOVERNANCE AND
TRANSPARENCY
COMMITTEE – ITEM
10**

PROCUREMENT: DISC
PROFILE SOLUTION

- A.** That pursuant to Section 235(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that the exception applies as it is satisfied that INTEGRO is the only supplier reasonably available to provide the John Wiley & Sons Everything DiSC assessment tool through INTEGRO for the current DiSC system for the following reason:
- 1.** As the current DiSC profile system is under an arrangement between the John Wiley & Sons and INTEGRO which has established a sole supplier arrangement for the DiSC John Wiley & Sons Everything DiSc profile system.
- B.** That Council enter into a contractual arrangement with INTEGRO for the provision of the DiSC profile system for a period of one (1) year with the option to extend for an additional two (2) years.

**15.3
REPORT OF
ECONOMIC AND
INDUSTRY
DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE NO.
2023(01) OF 9
FEBRUARY 2023**

Moved by Councillor Nicole Jonic:
Seconded by Councillor Sheila Ireland:

That Council adopt the report of the Economic and Industry Development Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023.

AFFIRMATIVE
Councillors:
Harding
Madsen
Ireland
Tully
Doyle
Fechner
Kunzelmann
Milligan
Jonic

NEGATIVE
Councillors:
Nil

The motion was put and carried.

This block motion adopts all items of the Economic and Industry Development Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023, as listed below, as resolutions of Council:

**ECONOMIC AND
INDUSTRY
DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE – ITEM 1**

CONFIRMATION OF
MINUTES OF THE
ECONOMIC AND
INDUSTRY
DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE NO.
2022(11) OF 29
NOVEMBER 2022

That the Minutes of the Economic and Industry Development Committee held on 29 November 2022 be confirmed.

**ECONOMIC AND
INDUSTRY
DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE – ITEM 2**

EVENT SPONSORSHIP
- IPSWICH CUP 2023

That the Ipswich Turf Club receive \$20,000 excl. GST in financial support.

**ECONOMIC AND
INDUSTRY
DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE – ITEM 3**

QUARTERLY EVENT
SPONSORSHIP AND
TICKET ALLOCATION
REPORT

- A. That Council receive and note that the following event sponsorship allocations during the 1 October 2022 to 31 December 2022 period:**

Event Sponsorship under \$15,000 (excl. GST) approved by the General Manager, Community, Culture and Economic Development:

- **Australian Skateboarding Community Initiative Pty. Ltd. receive \$10,000 (excl. GST) in cash support for the 2023 Eastern Rumble.**
- **Queensland Basketball Inc. receive \$7,000 (excl. GST) in cash support for the 2023 Basketball Qld U12 Girls State Championship.**

- B. That Council receive and note that there were no event sponsorship ticket allocations made during the 1 October 2022 to 31 December 2022 period.**

**ECONOMIC AND
INDUSTRY
DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE – ITEM 4**

That the Ipswich City Council 2023 – 2024 Federal Budget Pre-Budget Submission be received and the contents noted.

IPSWICH CITY
COUNCIL FEDERAL
BUDGET SUBMISSION

**15.4
REPORT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND
SUSTAINABILITY
COMMITTEE NO.
2023(01) OF 9
FEBRUARY 2023**

Moved by Councillor Russell Milligan:
Seconded by Councillor Sheila Ireland:

That Council adopt the report of the Environment and Sustainability Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Harding	Nil
Madsen	
Ireland	
Tully	
Doyle	
Fechner	
Kunzelmann	
Milligan	
Jonic	

The motion was put and carried.

This block motion adopts all items of the Environment and Sustainability Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023, as listed below, as resolutions of Council:

**ENVIRONMENT AND
SUSTAINABILITY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 1**

UPDATE - NOTICE OF
MOTION TO REQUEST
WHITE ROCK SPRING
MOUNTAIN
CONSERVATION
ESTATE TO BE
DEDICATED AS A
NATIONAL PARK

- A. That Council support continued discussion with Queensland Parks and Wildlife Services, Department of Environment and Science around alternative locations, rather than pursue the dedication of White Rock – Spring Mountain Conservation Estate as a National Park.**
- B. That an update be brought to the May 2023 Environment and Sustainability committee.**

**ENVIRONMENT AND
SUSTAINABILITY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 2**

UPDATE -
ENGAGEMENT

- A. That a draft Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Engagement Guide be developed and presented at a future Environment and Sustainability Committee for endorsement, following relevant stakeholder engagement.**

PLANNING -
ABORIGINAL AND
TORRES STRAIT
ISLANDER
ENGAGEMENT GUIDE

- B. That the matter of establishing a Traditional Owners Reference Group, referred to the Environment and Sustainability Committee for further consideration by Council on the 16 September 2021, be considered following the adoption of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Engagement Guide.**

**ENVIRONMENT AND
SUSTAINABILITY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 3**

That the Minutes of the Environment and Sustainability Committee held on 29 November 2022 be confirmed.

CONFIRMATION OF
MINUTES OF THE
ENVIRONMENT AND
SUSTAINABILITY
COMMITTEE NO.
2022(11) OF 29
NOVEMBER 2022

**ENVIRONMENT AND
SUSTAINABILITY
COMMITTEE – ITEM 4**

- A. That the updated City of Ipswich Local Disaster Management Plan provided as Attachment 2 be approved.**
- B. That the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Mayor, be authorised to make amendments based on feedback from members of the Local Disaster Management Group, who form part of the governance arrangements for adopting this plan.**

REVIEW OF THE
LOCAL DISASTER
MANAGEMENT PLAN

**15.5
REPORT OF
COMMUNITY,
CULTURE, ARTS AND
SPORT COMMITTEE
NO. 2023(01) OF 9
FEBRUARY 2023**

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That Council adopt the report of the Community, Culture, Arts and Sport Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023.

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Harding

Nil

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

This block motion adopts all items of the Community, Culture, Arts and Sport Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023, as listed below, as resolutions of Council:

**COMMUNITY,
CULTURE, ARTS AND
SPORT COMMITTEE –
ITEM 1**

CONFIRMATION OF
MINUTES OF THE
COMMUNITY,
CULTURE, ARTS AND
SPORT COMMITTEE
NO. 2022(11) OF 29
NOVEMBER 2022

That the Minutes of the Community, Culture, Arts and Sport Committee held on 29 November 2022 be confirmed.

**COMMUNITY,
CULTURE, ARTS AND
SPORT COMMITTEE –
ITEM 2**

ACTIVE IPSWICH
STRATEGY 2031
ANNUAL REPORT
CARD

- A. **That the report concerning the first-year review of the Active Ipswich Strategy 2031 implementation be received and the contents noted.**
- B. **That the Councillor representation be amended to reflect the revised arrangements for the Active Ipswich Strategy 2031 noting this is a change from Healthy Active City Alliance to West Moreton Obesity Advisory Group.**

**COMMUNITY,
CULTURE, ARTS AND
SPORT COMMITTEE –
ITEM 3**

IPSWICH LIBRARIES
ANNUAL REPORT
CARD

That the report concerning Ipswich Libraries Annual Report Card be received and the contents noted.

**COMMUNITY,
CULTURE, ARTS AND
SPORT COMMITTEE –
ITEM 4**

COMMUNITY
FUNDING AND
SUPPORT
ALLOCATIONS STATUS
REPORT -
1 OCTOBER TO 31
DECEMBER 2022

That the report concerning the allocation of Council's Community Funding and Support Programs from 1 October to 31 December 2022 be received and the contents noted.

**COMMUNITY,
CULTURE, ARTS AND
SPORT COMMITTEE –
ITEM 5**

That the 31 December 2022 quarterly report concerning Council’s Customer Experience program of work be received and the contents noted.

CUSTOMER
EXPERIENCE
PROGRAM
QUARTERLY REPORT -
DECEMBER 2022

At 11.27am Councillors Andrew Fechner and Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen left the meeting room due to a previously declared interest in the matter.

**15.6
REPORT OF IPSWICH
CENTRAL
REDEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE NO.
2023(01) OF 9
FEBRUARY 2023**

Moved by Councillor Marnie Doyle:
Seconded by Councillor Sheila Ireland:

That Council adopt the report of the Ipswich Central Redevelopment Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding
Ireland
Tully
Doyle
Kunzelmann
Milligan
Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

All Councillors except Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen and Councillor Andrew Fechner were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

This block motion adopts all items of the Ipswich Central Redevelopment Committee No. 2023(01) of 9 February 2023, as listed below, as resolutions of Council:

**IPSWICH CENTRAL
REDEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE – ITEM 1**

That the Minutes of the Ipswich Central Redevelopment Committee held on 29 November 2022 be confirmed.

CONFIRMATION OF
MINUTES OF THE
IPSWICH CENTRAL
REDEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE NO.

2022(11) OF 29
NOVEMBER 2022

**IPSWICH CENTRAL
REDEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE – ITEM 2**

NICHOLAS STREET
PRECINCT - BRAND
AND ACTIVATION
MANAGER REPORT -
JANUARY 2023

**That the Nicholas Street Precinct Communications,
Engagement and Events Monthly Report be received and
the contents noted.**

**IPSWICH CENTRAL
REDEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE – ITEM 3**

NICHOLAS STREET
PRECINCT - RETAIL
SUB-PROJECT
STEERING
COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 2022

**That the December 2022 Retail Sub-Project Steering
Committee Report be received and the contents noted.**

At 11.28 am Councillors Andrew Fechner and Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen returned to the meeting room.

16. OFFICERS' REPORTS

**16.1
CEO
ORGANISATIONAL
PERFORMANCE
REPORT FOR
JANUARY 2023**

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

**That the Chief Executive Officer Organisational
Performance Report for the month of January 2023 be
received and the contents noted.**

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Harding

Nil

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

**16.2
PROCUREMENT:
ORACLE LICENCES
FOR INVOLVE**

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

- A. That pursuant to Section 235(f) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council utilise government agency contractual arrangement ICTSS.1102 by State of Queensland (acting through the Department of Communities Housing and Digital Economy) for the provision of Oracle Products and Services (Council file reference number 18396), with Oracle Corporation Australia Pty Ltd (Supplier) who is a party to the government agency contractual arrangement.**
- B. That under the government agency contractual arrangement with the Supplier, the approximate purchase price is \$5,009,777.30 excluding GST over the entire term, the end date of the initial term being 26 February 2026, with current options for extension at the discretion of Department of Communities Housing and Digital Economy and/or Ipswich City Council of an additional two (2) X one (1) year terms.**
- C. That Council may enter into ancillary contractual arrangements with the supplier, as allowed by the government agency contractual arrangement.**
- D. That pursuant to Section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council resolve to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to take “*contractual action*” pursuant to section 238 of the Regulation, in order to implement Council’s decision.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

**16.3
MONTHLY FINANCIAL
PERFORMANCE
REPORT - JANUARY
2023**

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Sheila Ireland:

That the report on Council’s financial performance for the period ending 31 January 2023, submitted in accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, be considered and noted by Council.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

**16.4
PROCUREMENT:
20067 PARKS AND
FACILITIES - FLOOD
DAMAGED ASSETS
RECONSTRUCTION
PROJECT**

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

- A. That pursuant to Section 228 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council award Tender No. 20067 for the delivery of Parks and Facilities Flood Damaged Assets Reconstruction Project to H & G Contractors Pty Ltd (Supplier).**
- B. That Council enter into a contractual arrangement with the Supplier at an approximate purchase price of \$6,089,711.75 excluding GST.**
- C. That pursuant to Section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council resolve to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to take “*contractual action*” pursuant to section 238 of the Regulation, in order to implement Council’s decision.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Madsen

Ireland

Tully

Doyle

Fechner

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

Kunzelmann
Milligan
Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

**8. NOTICES OF
MOTION**

Nil

**9. QUESTIONS ON
NOTICE**

Nil

MEETING CLOSED

The meeting closed at 11.33 am.

“These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next scheduled Council Ordinary Meeting”

Mayor Harding presentation message for Australia Defence Force Employee Support Award to Ipswich City Council

Council Ordinary Meeting 23 February

I am very pleased to be able to present to Council the Australian Defence Force Employee Support Award.

The award recognises employers that are committed to supporting reservists in their workplace.

Together with their full-time colleagues, reservists make an enormous contribution to the nation's security and make a significant impact on assisting communities like ours during disasters.

During the rain event this time last year, Works and Field Services Branch - Maintenance Planning Technical Officer Jason Claassen was called to serve with Operation Flood Assist 2022.

Here at Council, Jason is part of the team that plans the maintenance works within our roads and drainage network. Jason is also a Corporal in the Army's Royal Australian Corps of Engineers, 11th Engineer Regiment, 104 Construction Squadron (Greenbank and Ipswich).

When Jason pulls on his Army uniform, he works as a plant operator and this specialised skill is often required during a disaster.

Last year, Jason's unit called to ask for his assistance for the flood clean-up effort around South East Queensland.

With one day's notice, Council released Jason for three weeks to help those desperately in need.

He started in Goodna where he removed damaged furniture and flood waste from homes, loading waste trucks.

He was then required in Rocklea where he used an excavator, front end loader and skid steer loader to remove tons of rotting frozen food from the warehouse after the stock was damaged because of power outages.

The valuable experience and skills he learned in the Army are also transferrable to his job here at Council.

I would also like to acknowledge Jason's colleagues who support him by backfilling the roster while he was completing his Reserve commitments.

As a garrison city we are keenly aware of the important role Defence plays in our community and we are proud to be able to support Defence Force members who are asked to contribute to the community, often at short notice, when they need it most.

Matter of Public Interest – One Year On From Flood

Ordinary Council Meeting 24 February 2023

One year ago, the 80-year highest February rainfall record was broken as 657mm of rain fell on Ipswich. More than 600 dwellings and 300 businesses were inundated, livestock was lost and livelihoods were ruined.

This heavy rainfall across the Ipswich region through the period of 22 February to 9 March, led to significant river and creek level rises along smaller creeks and tributaries, leading to extensive and significant flooding across Ipswich and surrounds.

In real terms, families were forced to move out of their homes and find accommodation with friends or family or in some cases leave Ipswich altogether. Businesses were forced to close or move, with more than 200 jobs lost – leaving a \$12.25 million hole in our local economy.

The Insurance Council of Australia received claims to the value of \$127.2 million and Ipswich residents were provided with grant assistance directly to the value of \$6.2 million.

This February 2022 rain event, soon followed by another in May, has been devastating to our community.

The immediate priority for many was the safety and welfare of their family, friends and neighbours and as a council, our priority was to coordinate the disaster response and then to help our community recover.

We joined with other government and community partners to open an evacuation centre, two places of refuge and two recovery hubs.

During the flood, around 400 people took refuge in council's evacuation centre – a place of safety, support and shelter for not only Ipswich residents but those from nearby Lockyer Valley, Somerset and west of Brisbane.

Council poured all resources into collecting flood waste from kerbsides including engaging an external contractor only days after the flood and accepted the offer of support by the Australian Defence Force.

More than 6,000 tonnes of waste was delivered to landfill, three times more than usual. There were 4,776 visits to Riverview and Rosewood Recycle and Refuse Centres, supported by council's offer to dispose of flood-related waste for free.

Council's field crews were on the ground restoring roads, filling about 3,000 potholes as the water receded while reopening more than 100 roads and bridges.

Long after the news crews left, we are still rebuilding the city and we have not lost sight of what is important to our community. We see you just 'getting on with it'. We see you rebuilding your lives, we know you are frustrated at times with insurers, builders and government.

We have listened to what you are telling us you need, and we are doing our best, with the resources we have.

We are building back better. We are buying back homes. We are redesigning open spaces to minimise the cost of damage when the next flood comes.

We are addressing each of the recommendations made in the Ipswich Integrated Catchment Plan and council's 2022 Flood Review.

The Federal and State Governments also reacted quickly with the \$741 million Resilient Homes Fund and the first homes to be bought back in the state were here in Goodna.

To date, 536 people have applied to the fund in Ipswich, with 239 of those for a voluntary buy-back. Of those, 27 have now settled and six homes have been demolished and more will follow in coming months.

There have been 98 homes register for raising and 104 for a resilient retrofit.

Rates relief was offered to hundreds of flood-impacted residents and businesses as part of Council's flood assistance package, with around \$357,000 provided in rates relief to date.

The total spend on the city's flood recovery as of 31 January 2023 is \$24 million. And, as we recover, we are also building back better and more flood resilient for next time.

We replaced the flood gauges that were destroyed but built the platforms 1.5 metres higher.

We have established a real-time flood monitoring camera network to keep our community, and disaster responders, better informed.

There have been improvements made to the Disaster Dashboard.

We conducted preparedness training with both Council, community centres and other agencies and networks to build everyone's capabilities. We are better resourced and equipped for both disaster response and recovery.

We have provided improved education to the community so they may be flood ready. We worked specifically with the disabled in mind and those who speak a different language.

With our major parks, Colleges Crossing and Riverheart parklands, we simply did not replace like for like. We are investing in redesigns to ensure we don't continue to pour millions of dollars into areas on floodplains that will be impacted in the future.

Because what we do know is there will be another flood and another one after that.

Council continues rebuilding with more than 300 community assets damaged by flooding. These include 169 sections of gravel road, 13 sporting clubs, community facilities and parks.

More than one third of recovery projects have now been completed, 143 out of 413.

As we enter the long-term recovery phase of restoring, rebuilding and reshaping our community, we are restoring our waterways and habitats with more than 5 tonnes of plastics, pallets, tyres and metal sheeting recovered from our rivers to date.

We anticipate another two years of work before our city can be considered 'rebuilt'.

On the anniversary of the flood, council continues to drive our recovery forward. The community can have confidence that we are rebuilding our city with sustainability, resilience and most importantly, the wellbeing of our community, as our focus.

Teresa Harding

From: Bronwyn Blagoev
Sent: Tuesday, 14 February 2023 12:18 PM
To: Mayor of Ipswich
Subject: CONFIDENTIAL Request for advice

Categories: [REDACTED]

Dear Mayor Harding

Thank you for your query regarding possible conflicts of interest in relation to referrals of suspected inappropriate conduct.

As you are aware, the *Local Government Act 2009* (the Act) provides that a councillor has an obligation to inform the Office of the Independent Assessor (OIA) about suspected improper conduct by another councillor.

The Act provides two relevant sections:

- Section 150P of the Act requires that when a local government entity (councillor) "receives a complaint about the conduct of a councillor", they must "refer the complaint to the assessor".
- Section 150R of the Act requires that if a local government official (councillor) "becomes aware of information indicating a councillor may have engaged in conduct...the local government official must give the assessor a notice about the councillor's conduct".

A councillor who refers or notifies a matter will only have a conflict of interest in the matter if they also have some further personal involvement in the matter. For example, if a councillor refers to or notifies the OIA about another councillor's alleged inappropriate conduct towards a council employee - then the referring councillor should not be considered to have a conflict of interest in the matter. The referring councillor has a statutory obligation to report and the threshold for reporting is low.

If, however, a councillor refers or notifies conduct of a councillor which is about conduct that was towards the referring councillor, then that referring councillor not only has a personal interest in the outcome of a matter, but may also be a relevant witness in the matter.

This means that if a councillor refers a complaint to the OIA under a statutory obligation, this of itself does not necessarily create a conflict of interest for the councillor in relation to deciding the matter of inappropriate conduct. In such cases, the councillor will generally have no personal interest in the complaint submitted to the OIA. However, a referring councillor should carefully consider all the circumstances and decide whether or not they should declare a declarable conflict of interest when the matter comes before the council.

Where, a councillor is a referrer or notifier of improper councillor conduct but does not have a personal interest in relation to the matter then: -

- A councillor is not required to declare a declarable conflict of interest; and
- Should not be excluded from participating in the matter following a suspected conflict of interest being reported under section 150EW of the Act.

In this particular case you have advised you became aware of possible improper conduct (being a breach of the Ipswich City Council's Media and Corporate Communication Policy) after the matter was brought to your attention by other people. It has been alleged that Councillor Madsen and [REDACTED] breached the council's Media and Corporate Communications Policy when they participated in joint formal media about bridge updates with the federal government representative and the two councillors would have been seen to be the council spokespersons.

As I understand the matter, under the council's policy, where it involves any position of the council, the spokesperson for council will be the Chair and Deputy Chair of the relevant committee. The relevant committee for

federal funding for bridge upgrades (in this case the council applied for the grant) is the Growth, Infrastructure and Waste Committee. You are the chair and Councillor Tully is the deputy chair of the Growth, Infrastructure and Waste Committee.

On the information provided, it is the department's view that you would not have a personal interest in this matter. It appears on the information before the department, that you sent the matter to the OIA as per your statutory obligation under the Act and your only interest in the matter has arisen through your role in council. Therefore, your interest in this matter is **not** a personal interest. This means, in the department's view, you do not have a declarable conflict of interest in the inappropriate conduct matter when it comes before council.

It is a matter for council to determine, but it is recommended that both a subject councillor in an inappropriate conduct matter, and a notifier or referrer *that also has a personal interest* in relation to the matter; should leave the room and not be present for the discussion or decision in relation to the matter (including dealing with conflicts of interest in relation to the matter).

It is also suggested that when a councillor is referring a matter to the OIA, that they provide some context as to the referral of the matter to the OIA whether the referring councillor does or does not have a personal interest in the matter. This may assist if the matter is referred back to the council as possible inappropriate conduct.

The information provided above is the department's view based on the information it has before it. You may wish to seek your own independent legal advice on this matter.

Kind Regards



Bronwyn Blagoev

Executive Director
Strategy and Service Delivery
Department of State Development, Infrastructure,
Local Government and Planning'
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From: Teresa Harding
Sent: Thursday, 9 February 2023 8:00 PM
To: Bronwyn Blagoev
≥ **Subject:** CONFIDENTIAL Request for advice

Bronwyn,

Thank you for taking my call yesterday.

I seek your advice regarding a suspected inappropriate conduct matter coming to Council on 23 Feb 2023 and whether I have a declared conflict of interest.

In this matter I am the complainant. I received two verbal complaints about the media coverage that the divisional councillors did with the Australian Government Bridge Renewal Program, which is a 50/50 funding arrangement with council. I then sought advice from the A/General Manager, Coordination and Performance who is the Media and Corporate Communication Policy owner. The A/GM responded (see the email I attached to the OIA complaint, Attachment 1):

“Had the Communications and Engagement Branch assessed a request for coverage under the media policy, its initial assessment would have been that delegated spokespeople were:

- o Mayor Harding and Cr Tully, as the chair and deputy chair of the Growth, Infrastructure and Waste Committee (7.3.4)
- o Cr Madsen and [REDACTED] as councillors representing a division where committee matter relate to an issue, initiative or activity principally within or affecting a particular division”

And:

“However, in the context of the whole release and subsequent media articles, it is likely that they would be taken as representing the official position of council especially given that the media release states it’s a joint release from the Federal Government and Ipswich City Council (Deputy Mayor/Divisional Councillors). Its from this joint media release (by the local Federal member) that was the catalyst for the two media articles referenced in your initial email below.”

With the advice that Cr Madsen was not the delegated spokesperson as per Council’s Media and Corporate Communication Policy, this was a suspected breach of *LGA s150K (1)(b) What is inappropriate conduct* and under *LGA s150R Local government official must notify assessor about particular conduct* and the Qld Councillor Code of Conduct, I was obligated to submit a complaint on 1 Dec 22, Attachment 1.

I subsequently found out that council did not invite, advise or liaise with the federal Dept of Infrastructure that publicity would be conducted and thereby breaching the signed Project Agreement. The Agreement was specific that events and publicity must be done directly through the Dept not the local MP, Attachment 2.

My query is, do I have a declarable conflict of interest?

It was my duty as per the Act to report the matter once I received the advice from the A/GM. I note that the Act gives me zero discretion if a local government policy has been contravened. I did not even think to make a complaint until I received two verbal complaints about the media coverage.

As for “personal interest” and “public interest”, my only personal interest is that I would have been on the media statement along with Crs Tully, Madsen and Ireland instead of it just being Crs Madsen and Ireland.

As for “public interest”, the view I shared with the CEO when we communicated for the first time after the OIA correspondence arrived on 16 Jan 23 (the CEO was on leave when the OIA corro was received 21 Dec 22), was for this matter to be resolved by early resolution, working with the subject councillor to remind them to follow the media policy. It was my personal opinion that this was a minor matter and did not warrant going to a full Council meeting.

Advice from council’s Executive Services Branch today

This afternoon council’s Executive Services Branch issued advice that the complainant has a declared conflict of interest, Attachment 3.

Attachments:

1. CONFIDENTIAL Complaint against Cr Madsen and [REDACTED] – Pls note the matter against [REDACTED] was dismissed, 1 Dec 22
2. FOR NOTING: Info Request – Bridges Renewal Program, 22 Dec 22
3. Councillor Briefing Note – Handling a referral of suspected Inappropriate Conduct from the OIA, 9 Feb 23

Thank you for taking the time to receive this request.

Kind regards, Teresa



Mayor Teresa Harding

Ipswich City Council

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Ipswich City Council respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners as custodians of the land and waters we share. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging, as the keepers of the traditions, customs, cultures and stories of proud peoples.

A banner for the Riverview Recycling and Refuse Centre. The left side has a green background with white text: 'RIVERVIEW RECYCLING AND REFUSE CENTRE', 'Extended opening hours for summer', '7.00 am – 5.00 pm | 1 December 2022 – 28 February 2023', and 'IPSWICH WASTE SERVICES'. The right side features an illustration of a recycling truck with a chair, a table, and a bicycle inside its bed.

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ITEM: 14.1

SUBJECT: 150TH IPSWICH SHOW - SIGNATURE PARTNER PROPOSAL

AUTHOR: GENERAL MANAGER, COMMUNITY, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DATE: 13 MARCH 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a report concerning an opportunity for Council to be the one-off Signature Partner of the 150th Ipswich Show taking place on 19, 20 and 21 May 2023.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That Council consider a one-off \$100,000 (ex GST) investment as the Signature Partner of the 150th Ipswich Show taking place on 19, 20 and 21 May 2023.

RELATED PARTIES

Ipswich Show Society Board and Executive

- Darren Zanow – President
- Paul Casos – Vice President
- Jillian Pattinson – Treasurer
- Christopher Raymont – Treasurer
- Denise Hanley – Committee Member
- Andrew Cooper – Committee Member
- Theo Woollett – Committee Member
- Keith Lewis – Executive
- Laurie Mundt – Executive
- Rita Wilson – Executive
- Jim Yates – Executive
- Russell Haag – Executive
- Jacqui Thomas – Chief Operating Officer

The General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (GM CCED) reviewed the proposal and has authored this report and its recommendation for transparent Committee and Council deliberation and decision making.

The GM CCED has previously contracted the former Ipswich Events Corporation of which Paul Casos was Executive Chairman (2015 to 2018).

The GM CCED has previously been the General Manager (Chief Operating Officer) of the Ipswich City Council Department in which Denise Hanley (2019 to 2021) and Laurie Mundt (2015 to 2016) once worked.

The GM CCED has not discussed the proposal or this report with any of these related parties.

The GM CCED has previously been the General Manager (Chief Operating Officer) of the Ipswich City Council Department in which Jacqui Thomas (Chief Operating Officer, Ipswich Show Society) once worked (2018 to 2019).

The GM CCED advised Jacqui Thomas that the Signature Partnership Proposal for the 150th Ipswich Show would not likely receive a significant increase in funding compared to the standard allocation of previous years due to qualitative benefits which would not be measured as part of the standard Major Community Event Sponsorship criteria (this is explained further in this report). The GM CCED advised Jacqui Thomas that the Show Society could submit for the standard Major Community Event Sponsorship, or they could make a special proposal direct to the CEO which would be presented to Committee and Council for transparent deliberation and decision making.

IFUTURE THEME

Safe, Inclusive and Creative

PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

First held in 1873 the Ipswich Show is a celebration of Australian Culture, from rural traditions to modern lifestyles, providing a unique experience, which is as popular today as ever. The Show has provided opportunities to reflect on the values and aspirations of the Ipswich community; celebrate achievement ranging from excellence in cattle breeding to the beauty of a delicate piece of embroidery; showcase our local talent and emerging artists and provided a place of both education and entertainment. Since its inception the Ipswich Show has grown from a small country fair to one of the largest regional shows on the Queensland Agricultural Show Calendar, attracting over 25,000 visitors.

In 2023, the Ipswich Show will celebrate its 150th anniversary and will host a significant program of historic and contemporary events and celebrations to mark the occasion. The entertainment program will celebrate long-established traditions, whilst creating a contemporary experience that will appeal to both loyal patrons and first-time visitors. To deliver this significantly expanded program the entertainment budget will be increased by 40% on last year's budget.

The Ipswich Showgrounds entertainment site will expand its footprint to incorporate the adjoining land, parallel to Warwick Road. This is to allow for an increased and dedicated Animal Precinct which will be home to farm and native animals and include demonstrations including sheep shearing, cow milking and sheepdog trials. A new Historical Precinct will allow visitors to explore and engage with heritage demonstrations, exhibitions, displays and entertainment. Agricultural shows are steeped in rural food heritage and the new Paddock to Plate zone will showcase the incredible diversity of local producers, farmers, growers, winemakers and distillers within South East Queensland and their contribution to the wider society. The new Lifestyle Stage will complement the Paddock to Plate zone and provide a series of demonstrations. Additionally, to provide a unique and differentiated experience enhanced styling, decor and theming throughout the site will transform the space creating a memorable event to mark the 150th Anniversary.

The Ipswich Show Society has presented Council with an opportunity to expand its traditional annual support with an increased range of benefits. Attachment A is the 2023 Signature Partnership Proposal provided to Council by the Ipswich Show Society, it details the increased program (page 6 to 11) and the increased Signature Partner benefits (pages 19 and 20).

On consideration of the material benefits to Council, the recognition of a significantly increased event program and the principle of celebrating and supporting a milestone 150th Ipswich Show – it is reasonable for Committee and Council to consider the requested investment of \$100,000 (ex GST).

This is more than double the standard Major Community Event Sponsorship allocation assumed and provided to the Ipswich Show each year – if approved the estimated \$60,000 to \$65,000 funding gap will need to be found from 2022-2023 financial year savings.

It is suggested that (if approved) this be considered as an extraordinary partnership investment in support and celebration of the milestone 150th Ipswich Show and not an expected annual funding allocation for future years of the Ipswich Show.

It is important to note that this proposal has not been processed through the usual Major Community Event Sponsorship procedure. This is a non-standard partnership proposal that was received by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer with qualitative benefits which would not be measured as part of the standard Major Community Event Sponsorship criteria. The proposal has been transferred into this report for Committee and Council consideration by the General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer. It was deemed appropriate for a report to be formed by the GM CCED and provided to Committee and Council for transparent deliberation and decision making.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

This report and its recommendations are consistent with the following legislative provisions:
Not Applicable

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no discernible policy implications associated with this report and its recommendation.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no discernible risk management implications associated with this report and its recommendation.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Over the past five years Council has provided between \$30,000 and \$45,000 in funding support to the annual Ipswich Show. For the 2022-2023 financial year a similar amount had been assumed but not yet expended. Based on the \$100,000 Signature Partnership proposal received from the Show Society, this would leave a gap of approximately \$60,000 to \$65,000 which will need to be found in 2022-2023 financial year savings.

COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION

No community consultation has been conducted.

The Signature Partnership Proposal received by the Office of the CEO from the Ipswich Show Society has been transferred into this report by the General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer for the transparent deliberation and decision making of Committee and Council.

CONCLUSION

In 2023, the Ipswich Show will celebrate its 150th anniversary and will host a significant program of historic and contemporary events and celebrations to mark the occasion.

The Ipswich Show Society has presented Council with an opportunity to expand its traditional annual support with an increased range of benefits as a Signature Partner.

The Proposal has been provided for consideration of Committee and Council.

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS	
OTHER DECISION	
(a) What is the Act/Decision being made?	That Council consider a one-off \$100,000 (ex GST) investment as the Signature Partner of the 150 th Ipswich Show taking place on 19, 20 and 21 May 2023.
(b) What human rights are affected?	No Human Rights are affected by this decision. This is because the Sponsorship would be going to a company delivering an event to the City of Ipswich.
(c) How are the human rights limited?	Not applicable.

(d) Is there a good reason for limiting the relevant rights? Is the limitation fair and reasonable?	Not applicable.
(e) Conclusion	The decision is consistent with human rights.

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

1.	Ipswich Show 2023 Signature Partnership Proposal ↓ 
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Ben Pole

GENERAL MANAGER, COMMUNITY, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Sonia Cooper

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

“Together, we proudly enhance the quality of life for our community”



Ipswich Show

Celebrating 150 years

PARTNERSHIP PROPOSAL
PRESENTED BY IPSWICH SHOW SOCIETY

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FIRSTLY

THANK YOU

FOR CONSIDERING US!

Ipswich Show will celebrate its 150th Anniversary with an extraordinary 3-day event program spanning a vibrant array of animals and agriculture, spectacular live entertainment, thrilling carnivals, informative demonstrations, exhibits, music and dance on the 19th, 20th & 21st May 2023.

Ipswich Show Society is proud to deliver a program that truly reflects this region's colourful characters and the agricultural, pastoral, horticultural and industrial wealth of the district. We strive to deliver our community an exceptional event, focusing the spotlight on the amazing talent in our region, with a program that promises to inspire and entertain.

We are extremely pleased to welcome back the annual highlights, namely the opening Grand Parade, quality centre ring entertainment, fireworks displays and an extensive array of attractions and amusements as well as some new events to grace this year's program.

As we count down to the 2023 Ipswich Show, it is with great pleasure that we offer your organisation a valuable opportunity to join with us in becoming an event partner and sponsor of the Ipswich Show 2023.

The details of the partnership package and their benefits are outlined in the following document.

We greatly appreciate your consideration of our proposal.

Darren Zanow
PRESIDENT



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OUR STORY

... SO FAR

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In 2023, the Ipswich Show will celebrate its 150th anniversary and will host a significant program of events and celebrations to mark this historic occasion with gates opening on Friday 19th May through to Sunday 21st May 2023. An extensive array of attractions, amusements and wholesome family entertainment are planned for the Show over the three days to mark this historic occasion. The event will attract legacy members and past patrons of the Society from across the nation, back to their hometown of Ipswich for this historic celebration.

In short, Ipswich Show aims to:

- Promote, raise awareness and build appreciation of the agricultural, pastoral, horticultural and industrial wealth of the region
- High level of community engagement through participation and attendance
- Create an event that builds community identity, pride and sense of place
- Nurture creativity in the region by providing a 'stage' to showcase our talent
- Create a vibrant and engaging community atmosphere for people of all ages and abilities to enjoy
- Develop skills and provide learning opportunities for our volunteers
- Attract intra and interstate visitors to the region with an overall attendance of 27 000+
- Continue to deliver and grow the existing program within a continuous improvement framework

2023 PROGRAM

In 2023, the Ipswich Show will celebrate its 150th anniversary and will host a significant program of historic and contemporary events and celebrations to mark this historic occasion. The entertainment program will celebrate our long-established traditions, whilst creating a contemporary experience that will appeal to our loyal patronage and first time visitors. To deliver this significantly expanded program the entertainment budget will be increased by 40% on last year's budget.

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Main Arena

The Main Arena is the heart of the Ipswich Show, presenting a jam-packed entertainment program across the three days. Prestigious equestrian events are held daily including showjumping, dressage and showing. Lunchtime entertainment including Hot Wheels Stunt Team and children's character shows will delight visitors daily.

The focal point of the 150 celebrations will occur each evening in the Main Arena as we present a Tribute Show featuring



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spectacular entertainment and non-stop action. The public will journey back in time as we welcome death-defying stunt performances of shows gone by, the heart-stirring drama of the stockman's ride, historic vehicles, dazzling acrobatic displays, stunt bikes, mechanical madness, and a Fireworks Display with a cascade of colour as we pay tribute to our 150 years.

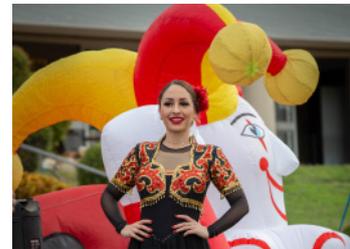


Grand Parade

Our Grand Parade will celebrate our 150 years, honouring our past, sharing stories, reflecting on our traditions, and commemorating this iconic annual community event.

Featuring a mix of colourful characters from bygone era, marching bands, heritage vehicles, animals, whip crackers and performers, the Grand Parade will run for approximately 30 minutes celebrating our proud local community and entertaining visitors.

Held on Friday, the Parade travels around the Main Arena and is followed by the Official Opening of the 2023 Ipswich Show.



Historical Precinct

In 2023 Ipswich Show will extend its footprint to present a Historical Precinct and larger Animal Precinct.

The Historical Precinct will allow visitors to experience and learn through demonstrations, workshops and shows. The Precinct will include exhibits of private and public paraphernalia collections, vintage car displays, whip cracking, wood chopping, actors in period garb, vintage machinery and engine displays and traditional games including skipping, and hacky sacks for children participation. Favourites such as blacksmithing, damper making and woodworking, leather crafting and bee-keeping will share their knowledge and skills to the wider community.



Passionate poets from the aspiring to the experienced will belt out established bush ballads to original work in our Bush Poetry

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Competition, held daily. On Sunday, the Ipswich Show will host a Bush Poets Brunch with professional poets entertaining and enthralling visitors with stories about people, places and situations.



A 150th Anniversary Exhibition featuring a photographic display, Ipswich Show paraphernalia, newspaper clippings and stories of memorable occasions will be available for public viewing.

Lifestyle Stage

Sit back, relax and learn. An inspiring program of talks and demonstrations will take place each day at the Ipswich Show Lifestyle Stage. Offering a full program covering a vast array of topics including cooking, gardening and permaculture, bee keeping, sustainability building, Australian wildlife, and health and wellbeing. Combining a line-up of special guest speakers, the Lifestyle Stage aims to educate, inspire and entertain.



Community Stage

Bursting with high-kicking, show-stopping, jaw-dropping fun – the Community Stage is a buzzing and dynamic hub for performers of all kinds. Showcasing a diverse range of local talent and performers– presenting a fun, family-friendly range of entertainment from 10:00 am to 5.30 pm every day. The Community Stage shines the spotlight on young and emerging artists, providing them a stage to showcase their talent.



Animal Precinct

From cute and cuddly animals to commercial cattle and show jumping horses, animals and agriculture are an essential part of the Ipswich Show and a massive drawcard every year. In 2023 we will present our biggest ever animal nursery featuring new animal experiences.



Visitors of all ages love the chance to cuddle, pat and feed animals as they roam freely in the nursery waiting to be spoilt. The Animal

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Nursery is a must-visit for everyone, in fact, for most families, it's at the top of their to do list when they visit the Ipswich Show.



Our Animal Boulevard is a row of separate pavilions that feature all sorts of animals and exhibits including geese and turkeys, camels, miniature goats, sheep, miniature donkeys, Alpaca's, Clydesdales, water buffalo calves and giant rabbits to name a few. Cradle-a-chick allows visitors to watch a chicken hatch, learn about chickens and eggs and hold a newly hatched chick.



Education through interaction at our Milking Barn! In a unique, educational and fun experience Ipswich Show visitors will learn about the dairy industry, past, present and future. Attendees will learn about dairy farms as a managed environment and the ways in which the industry is innovative and produces food in a sustainable way. Demonstrations will show how a cow is milked both by machine and hand and how milk is separated into its components using traditional techniques and explain how dairy products are designed, produced and distributed to their final consumer.



Sheep Shearing is one of the most celebrated activities in Australian agricultural history and an iconic part of our cultural legacy. Visitors can watch professional sheep shearing in action every day of the show.



Our working dog demonstrations highlight the incredible skills and history of Sheepdogs which have been part of Australian pastoral past for well over 100 years. Flyball, Dog Agility and K'gari Dog Circuit Competitions are also held across the three days.



Our Australia Wildlife Show offers close up wildlife experiences with Native Animals including reptiles, birds, mammals and amphibians creating lasting memories and inspiring people to take an interest in the natural world.



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While it may make for an unusual sight, pig racing is among the many highlights of the Ipswich Show and is back by popular demand in 2023. With their sparkly vests and agile moves, these performers will be ready to entertain and work the crowd throughout the long weekend.



And finally, our livestock and animal competitions including Stud and Prime Cattle, Poultry, Waterfowl, Pigeons, thoroughbred show Horses, Cavies and Birds allow our visitors to get up close and personal.

The Green

Our entertainment precinct will be held on The Green positioned in the centre of the Ipswich Showground site and will feature Australia's strongest men and women competitions, circus acts, line dancing hoedowns, arm wrestling, stock whip challenge, stunt acts and roving entertainment throughout the three day event.



Paddock to Plate

Held in the Event Centre the Paddock to Plate showcases the incredible producers, farmers, growers, winemakers and distillers within South East Queensland. Paddock to Plate will feature over 15 producers from all corners of the region, who will come together to share their wares, their passion and their knowledge.



Offering an array of culinary delights that will send your taste buds to heaven, Paddock to Plate aims to showcase the finest regional farmers, artisans, food producers, wine growers and highlight the importance of quality local produce.



Exhibition Hall

The Ipswich Show runs an extensive Competition Schedule providing a platform for local community involvement and participation. Each year the show attracts over 6000 entries and showcases the wealth of talent in our community. Competitions



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include Fine Art, Photography, Ceramics, Art in Bark, Wine, Woodcraft, Home Cooking, Schoolwork, Apiculture, Farm Produce, Preserves, Horticulture, Patchworking, Needlework, Scrapbooking Fruit, Veg and Eggs, and Hand Embroidery.



Showbag and Trade Pavilion

For so many, visiting the Ipswich Show and heading to the Showbag and Trade Pavilion to grab a showbag is the highlight of the event. The thrill of traversing the showbag pavilion and choosing a showbag is the very epitome of the Ipswich Show, making the Showbag and Trade Pavilion one of the busiest places to be. Complimented with an array of exhibitors including home, lifestyle, government and gifts, the Show provides opportunities for local businesses, services, and community groups to exhibit and connect with our community with over 140 sites secured in 2022. Approximately 10% of sites in 2021 provided volunteering and fundraising opportunities for a not-for-profit organisation at a discounted rate or free of charge.



Side Show Alley

The Ipswich Show is not complete without the atmosphere of sideshow alley, the home of carnival attractions and sideshow games. Sideshow Alley provides hours of entertainment with an abundance of rides to suit all ages and levels of thrill-seeking.

Ipswich Show Society is working with the Showmen's Guild of Queensland, to secure vintage amusement rides from bygone era including the oldest Merry-go Round in Australia.





OUR AUDIENCE

In 2021 the Ipswich Show attracted 27 020 individuals with 33 354 attendance over the whole event.

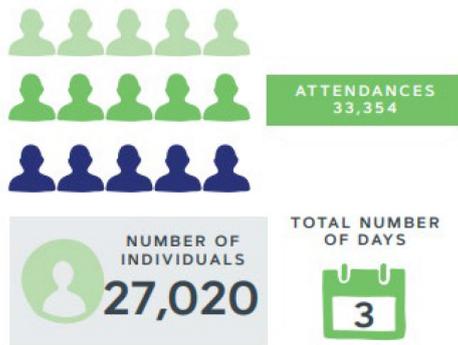
Of these attendees, 6,456 were visitors to Ipswich, with 6,333 visitors attending from other parts of Queensland and 116 visitors attending from interstate.

The Ipswich Show was responsible for generating 971 visitor nights in Queensland. These nights were generated by Queenslanders (from outside of Ipswich – 577) and interstate visitors (309).

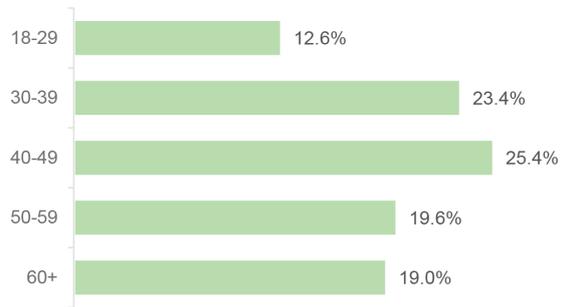
In total, \$888,656 was spent by visitors to Ipswich and the event organiser because of the Ipswich Show. The clear majority of this spending was made by intrastate visitors who contributed over \$695k in direct and incremental expenditure.

* 2022 Ipswich Show was significantly impacted by inclement weather.

ATTENDEES



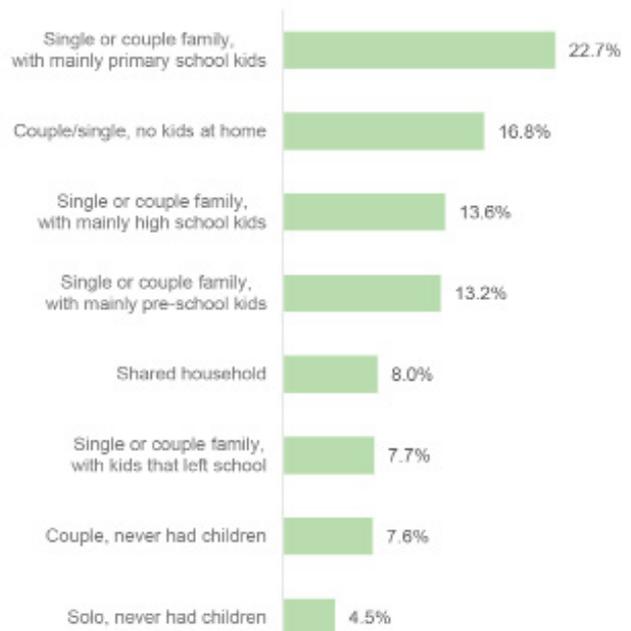
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VISITOR ORIGINS



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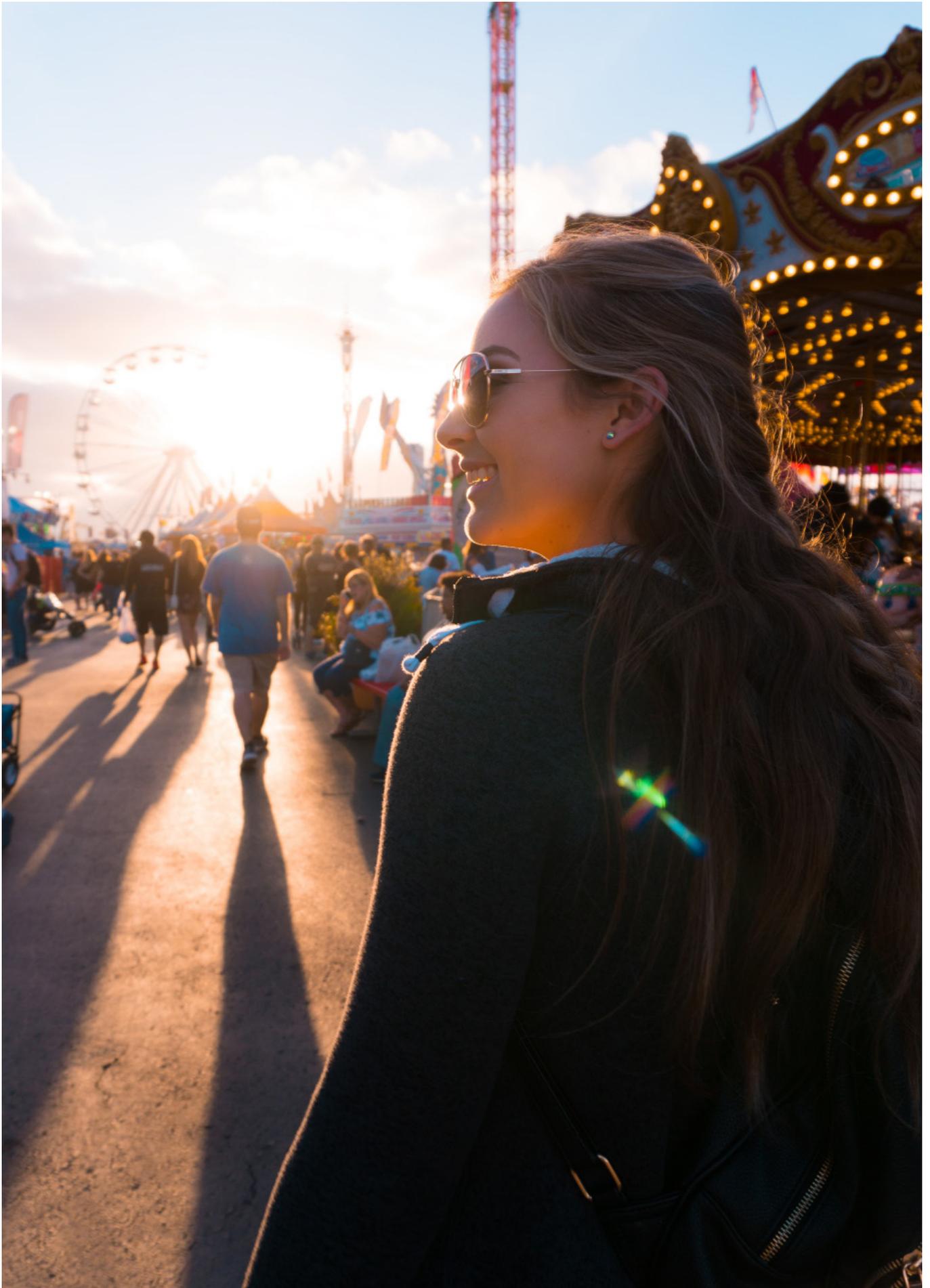


When asked why attendees rated the Ipswich Show a 9 or 10, the most common theme was it was a great/fun/the best show/day out. This was followed by comments relating to it being a family friendly event.

Attendees described the event using many different adjectives such as, good, fun, great, enjoyable, awesome and excellent. Attendees were quite pleased with the overall event.

The next highest scoring statement was, “my visit to this event has enhanced my image of Ipswich as a destination”, followed by “the Ipswich Show enabled me to interact with and meet members of the host community”.

* EVENT RESEARCH AND FINDINGS CONDUCTED BY IER MAY 2021



WHY PARTNER WITH US?

Ipswich Show Partnership Opportunities offer brands and organisations the chance to connect with a highly engaged local community, as well as the broader market of visitors to the region. Our goal is to meet your needs and deliver maximum return on investment from your partnership, be it brand visibility, community engagement and/or sales generation.

The Ipswich Show allows Partners to:

- Enhance corporate image and profile
- Generate community goodwill by way of community event association
- Generate brand awareness
- Direct access to both target audience and potential and emerging markets
- Opportunity to showcase products and services

Partnership Opportunities with the Ipswich Show include, but are not limited to:

- Naming rights to a Precinct, Pavilion or Performance
- Activation Space
- Television Commercial (TVC) played on the super screens across site
- Promotion in the Ipswich Show Electronic Direct Mail (EDM)
- Signage Opportunities throughout the event site
- Compere Acknowledgement
- Recognition on the Ipswich Show website
- Recognition on the Ipswich Show Social Media platforms
- Hospitality inclusion and tickets to the show

Without the support of our wonderful sponsors, the Ipswich Show Society would not be able to bring the most iconic annual event in the region to our community.

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MEDIA REACH

Partnership with the Ipswich Show provides you with the opportunity to reach thousands of people not only at the event, but via a strong tailored marketing campaign in the lead up, during and after the event. We implement a strategic marketing campaign to extend our reach within and beyond the region. In 2023 our marketing spend will be increased by 40% and include a mix of both traditional media inclusive of print, radio, television and billboard advertising and digital media inclusive of social media and the Ipswich Show website. Our 2023 Marketing Campaign will include:

OFFICIAL FLYER with a circulation of 155,000 delivered to homes and businesses within Ipswich, West Moreton and western suburbs of Brisbane regions.

WEBSITE. The Ipswich Show website is where many attendees look first to find information regarding the Show. In 2023 the website will have a complete redesign making it easier to navigate and featuring a mobile responsive design.

SOCIAL MEDIA a series of boosted posts will promote and create excitement around the Ipswich Show to an extended market.

EMAIL MARKETING will engage both existing and new customers through a coordinated marketing plan.

PRINT ADVERTISING in local and metropolitan newspapers, including dedicated event advertisements and features in local print media.

ONLINE ADVERTISING will be run across online lifestyle and What's On websites, with a mix of advertising and editorial, seamlessly linking to the Ipswich Show's website and social media channels for additional event information.

RADIO ADVERTISING will run across local radio stations in the weeks leading up to the Ipswich Show.

SIGNAGE, POSTERS AND BILLBOARDS will be used throughout Ipswich City Centre and its surrounding suburbs.

TV ADVERTISING to air on Nine Queensland. Nine Queensland has an ongoing partnership with the Ipswich Show.

Ipswich Show Society will work alongside news media to deliver exciting and engaging editorial content across newspaper print, online, radio and television news outlets. The Ipswich Show receives significant coverage and exposure which maximises the appeal, attendance, and success of the event.



IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL SIGNATURE PARTNER



Ipswich City Council will receive premium positioning of the Company logo on all marketing collateral, with the highest level of brand exposure across all events of the Show with an exclusive Signature site for promotional activities during the three (3) days of the event.

This is a unique offer to be a part of a historic event of Ipswich City and the Queensland Agricultural Show circuit with maximum brand alignment opportunities across the entire 2023 event program as outlined in this proposal. Your brand will become a part of the historical record, presented across promotional memorabilia for this one auspicious year of celebration.

BENEFITS

Signature Partner of the Ipswich Show 2023 | 150th Anniversary

MEDIA AND MARKETING

Logo acknowledgement on 400 x A3 Ipswich Show posters

Logo acknowledgement on Ipswich Show press advertisement

Logo acknowledgement on TVC of the Ipswich Show broadcast media

Logo acknowledgement on Flyer Program (155 000 produced) distributed to households within Ipswich, West Moreton and western suburbs of Brisbane.

Logo acknowledgement on Bishopp billboard advertisement

Logo acknowledgement on Ipswich Show website with hyperlink to the company website

Logo acknowledgement on all pages within Ipswich Show online program

Company and logo acknowledgement on Ipswich Show EDMs (circulation approx. 20 000)

Logo acknowledgement on onsite and online tickets

Logo acknowledgement on online Ipswich Show ticket registration page

Logo acknowledgement on Ipswich Show ticket delivery email

Logo acknowledgement on online ticket completion page with hyperlink to company website

SMS Company message to ticket holders sent two days prior to event

Social Media Partnership announcement

Company name acknowledgement across Social Media (20 mentions)

Full page advert on printable schedules (Supplied by Partner)

Logo acknowledgement on printable schedules

Logo acknowledgement on Thank You certificate

Logo acknowledgement on Ipswich Show e-mail signature

Company acknowledgement on media releases

BRAND ALIGNMENT

Logo acknowledgement on the "All Partners" and "Signature and Major" corporate pull up banner positioned at corporate functions

Logo acknowledgement on the "All Partners" and "Signature and Major" Main Gate signage

Opportunity for the Mayor to address audience in Main Arena

Opportunity for Mayor to attend and address audience at Official Opening

Multimedia screen advertisements (30 sec TVC) on-screen in Main Arena played 10 times throughout each day. (Developed and supplied by Partner)

Logo acknowledgement on-screen in Main Arena on all days of the event

Rental of billboard signage in Main Arena (Supplied and installed by Partner). Expiry Date: 1/03/24

Opportunity to present promotional material at the Ipswich Show Information Booth

Compere acknowledgement on all stages throughout the site

Opportunity to place 20 Promotional Banners throughout event site (Supplied by Partner) Preferably teardrop flags or banner.

Logo acknowledgement on e-invitations for the President's Lunch, Fine Arts Awards, Cattleman's Dinner, Sponsor's Lounge and Thank You Function

Logo acknowledgement on all stage signage and What's On signage throughout the event site

Complimentary Sites in the Main Pavilion over the three days of the show including:
2.4m x 6m (Premium Site)
6m x 3m
Two 3m x 3m sites

CORPORATE NETWORKING

Invitation for six delegates to President's Official Show Opening Function

Thirty complimentary one day passes

Invitation for six delegates in the Sponsor's Lounge across three days

Invitation for six delegates to the President's Thank You Function

INVESTMENT \$100 000.00 +GST





Thank you for your
consideration of our proposal.

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GROWTH INFRASTRUCTURE AND WASTE COMMITTEE NO. 2023(02)**9 MARCH 2023**

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE: Mayor Teresa Harding (Chairperson); Councillors Paul Tully (Deputy Chairperson), Sheila Ireland, Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen, Marnie Doyle, Andrew Fechner, Kate Kunzelmann, Russell Milligan and Nicole Jonic

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES: Nil

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Peter Tabulo), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), Acting General Manager Coordination and Performance (Wade Wilson), Manager, Asset Services (Brett McGrath), Project Lead Asset Management (Erin Goetz), Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Environment (Graeme Martin), Manager, City Design (Brett Davey), Development Assessment Manager East (Tim Foote), Treasury Accounting Manager (Paul Mollenhauer), Senior Property Officer Tenure (Kerry Perrett), Chief of Staff, Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Manager, Development Planning (Anthony Bowles), Strategic Advisor – Strategic Directions (Shaun Nell), Senior Communications and Policy Officer (Jodie Richter), Senior Media Officer (Darrell Giles), Senior Media Officer (Lucy Stone) and Theatre Technician (Harrison Cate)

WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mayor Teresa Harding (Chairperson) delivered the Acknowledgement of Country

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Nicole Jonic informed the meeting that she has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 7 titled Development Application – 6610/2022/MCU – Recommendation – Parmac Property Investments Pty Ltd – Fast Food Premises (KFC) at Goodna.

The nature of the interest is that Councillor Jonic, along with other members of her family, hold property in Goodna and have been approached by the applicant, Parmac Property Investments Pty Ltd, in the past relating to these holdings.

Councillor Nicole Jonic came to the conclusion that because of the nature of the conflict, she will exclude herself from the meeting while this matter is debated and the vote taken.

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

MATTERS FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE GROWTH INFRASTRUCTURE AND WASTE COMMITTEE NO. 2023(01) OF 9 FEBRUARY 2023**

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

That the Minutes of the Growth, Infrastructure and Waste Committee held on 9 February 2023 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Tully

Ireland

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen arrived at the meeting at 9.04 am.

OFFICERS' REPORTS**2. REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTERESTS (EOI) - LEASE OF LAND TO COMMUNITY GROUP/S**

This is a report concerning proposed Expression of Interest (EOI) for three parcels of land dedicated to Council for Community Use under the Springfield Infrastructure Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Nicole Jonic:

That Council endorse the development of an Expression of Interest (EOI) for the three parcels of land in Springfield, Spring Mountain and Augustine Heights which are dedicated to Council for Community Use under the Springfield Infrastructure Plan.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Tully

Ireland

Madsen

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

3. REVISED INFRASTRUCTURE ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY

This is a report concerning the new proposed Infrastructure Asset Management Policy as an outcome of the Effective Asset Management Project (EAM).

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That the updated policy titled 'Infrastructure Asset Management Policy' as outlined in Attachment 3, be adopted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Tully

Ireland

Madsen

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

4. INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT CAPITAL DELIVERY REPORT
JANUARY 2023

This is a report concerning the performance of the capital delivery by the Infrastructure and Environment Department for the month of January 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That the capital delivery report for the month of January 2023, be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Tully

Ireland

Madsen

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

At this point during the meeting, Councillor Nicole Jonic declared a conflict of interest in relation to Item 7.

5. EXERCISE OF DELEGATION REPORT

This is a report concerning applications that have been determined by delegated authority for the period 24 January 2023 to 21 February 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That the Exercise of Delegation report for the period 24 January 2023 to 21 February 2023, be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Tully

Ireland

Madsen

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

6. PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COURT ACTION STATUS REPORT

This is a report concerning a status update with respect to current court actions associated with development planning applications.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That the Planning and Environment Court Action status report be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Tully

Ireland

Madsen

Doyle

Fechner

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

Kunzelmann
Milligan
Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

MATTERS RESOLVED UNDER DELEGATION

(in accordance with section 257(1)(c) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, the Growth, Infrastructure and Waste Committee has been delegated power to make decisions on behalf of Council for decisions made under the *Planning Act 2016* and the *Economic Development Act 2012*)

Councillor Nicole Jonic left the meeting at 9.22 am due to a previously declared interest in Item 7.

7. **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION - 6610/2022/MCU - RECOMMENDATION - PARMAC PROPERTY INVESTMENTS PTY LTD - FAST FOOD PREMISES (KFC) AT GOODNA**

This is a report concerning a change representations request to amend the approved Business Use (Fast Food Premises) at 16 Queen Street, Goodna. The application seeks amendments to the approved plans for the development and amendments to a number of the conditions of approval.

The change representations request is recommended to be approved in part.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

That the Growth, Infrastructure and Waste Committee resolve to approve, in part, the representations to change development application no. 6610/2022/MCU subject to conditions as contained in Attachment 1 of this report.

Councillor Paul Tully proposed the following amendment to the recommendation:

That the following words be added after the word “approval” at the end of the motion:

“subject to the following variations in Attachment 1 of the Report:

5(c)(i) on Page 132 of the Report: That the words “(either within Goodna, or a Character Zone)” remain as part of the condition.

5(c)(ii) on Page 132 of the Report: That the words “(prepared by a suitably qualified Heritage consultant)” remain as part of the condition.

The reason for these changes are:

- (i) That the preservation of the dwelling in Goodna or in a Character Zone in the City of Ipswich is essential to ensure that the location of the new site is appropriate and to ensure that it is restored as far as possible and retains or enhances its original streetscape presence and overall setting; and*
- (ii) That it is essential in relation to this sensitive heritage matter that the proposed report be prepared by a suitably qualified Heritage consultant.*

21(a) on Page 140 of the Report - That the condition be amended to read:

“The applicant must provide a detailed design for frontage street works (upgrading the existing footpath to a 2.5m footpath) in accordance with Section 1.1.4 (5) of Planning Scheme Policy 3 and Council’s Standard Drawing SR.19.”

The reason for this change is that a 2.5m wide footpath “is required in accordance with Council’s road standard/class (sub-arterial) for Queen Street” as stated on Page 115 of the Report.

During discussion of the proposed amendment, Councillor Paul Tully agreed to the removal of 5(c)(ii) and the reason for 5(c)(ii) from the motion.

The mover and seconder of the original motion agreed to the proposed amendment.

DECISION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

That the Growth, Infrastructure and Waste Committee resolve to approve, in part, the representations to change development application no. 6610/2022/MCU subject to conditions as contained in Attachment 1 of this report subject to the following variations in Attachment 1 of the Report:

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AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Harding

Nil

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Milligan

All Councillors except Councillor Nicole Jonic were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

Councillor Nicole Jonic returned to the meeting at 9.47 am.

8. NEW IPSWICH PLANNING SCHEME (DRAFT) - STAGE 1: PLANNING SCHEME PREPARATION AND STAGE 2: PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

At its meeting of 28 July 2022 Council endorsed the draft new Ipswich Planning Scheme and draft Planning Scheme Policies (Ipswich Plan 2024 (Draft)) and the progression of the draft scheme to first State Interest Review in accordance with the provisions of the *Planning Act 2016*, the *Planning Regulation 2017* and the *Minister’s Guidelines and Rules 2020*.

This report is intended to facilitate Council’s endorsement of a revised draft of the Ipswich Plan 2024 (Draft) to enable completion of the first state interest review.

The preparation of the *Ipswich Plan 2024 (Draft)* has included:

- Public consultation on the Statement of Proposals (including a draft Strategic Framework) in 2019 including a review of public submissions and preparation of a consultation report used to guide the policy direction and drafting of the new planning scheme;

- Numerous workshops and briefing sessions with the Mayor & Councillors from April 2020 to February 2023;
- Preparation of detailed studies on key issues to inform the preparation of the draft planning scheme including-
 - a. Flooding;
 - b. Bushfire;
 - c. Mining;
 - d. Biodiversity;
 - e. Commercial and retail supply and hierarchy;
 - f. Industrial land supply;
 - g. Housing range, supply and availability;
- Submission of the draft new planning scheme and draft planning scheme policies to the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning for Review in July 2022;
- In September 2022, the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning provided a request for further information and a pause notice and information request (Information Notice) to Council, to permit the opportunity for a range of issues to be discussed and addressed; and
- Continued engagement with the Department of State Development , Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (DSDILGP) to address questions and issues arising from the state interest review.

This report is intended to address the Information Notice and associated comments from the DSDILGP received during the first phase of the State Interest Review through a revised *Ipswich Plan 2024* (Draft). This will permit the completion of the first State Interest Review and allow progression to public consultation as soon as possible. If all steps proceed as expected, public consultation of the (*Ipswich Plan 2024* (Draft)) is anticipated to commence in April 2023.

A new Local Government Infrastructure Plan will form part of the (*Ipswich Plan 2024* (Draft)). It is currently under preparation and will follow a different process to obtain state government approval for consultation. It is anticipated that this will be submitted to Council for endorsement in the coming weeks.

“The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(i) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.”

DECISION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

- A. That Council endorse the revised *Ipswich Plan 2024 (Draft)* and draft Planning Scheme Policies as contained in Attachments 4 to 12 for the purpose of the continuation of the first state interest review.**
- B. That following receipt of the Chief Executive's (DSDILGP) endorsement of the *Ipswich Plan 2024 (Draft)*, the Chief Executive Officer (ICC) undertake steps to comply with any conditions of the Chief Executive's endorsement and undertake the necessary steps to commence the public consultation of the *draft planning scheme and planning scheme policies*.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Tully

Ireland

Madsen

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

MATTER FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**NOTICES OF MOTION**

9. **NOTICE OF MOTION - UPGRADE OF MEMORIAL HONOURING THE LIFE OF DEIDRE KENNEDY**

This is a joint notice of motion submitted by Mayor Teresa Harding and Division 3 Councillors (Councillors Marnie Doyle and Andrew Fechner) proposing an upgrade to the memorial currently located near Bill Paterson Oval, Limestone Park which honours the life of Deidre Kennedy.

On the night of 13 April 1973, 17-month-old Deidre Kennedy was abducted from her Ipswich home and murdered. It was a crime that shook the nation and sent a wave of fear and despair across Ipswich.

Almost 50 years on, this joint Notice of Motion proposes to upgrade the existing memorial plaque which is currently attached to a rotunda in Limestone Park.

The scale and location of the existing memorial plaque does not adequately represent the significance of this sad moment in Ipswich's history. In its current position, the Kennedy family, friends and residents are unable to leave fitting tributes and floral arrangements to celebrate and honour Deidre's life.

Therefore, Mayor Teresa Harding and Division 3 Councillors Marnie Doyle and Andrew Fechner are seeking Council's support to upgrade the current plaque, reattach it to a sandstone block or similar base, and relocate it to the neighbouring garden bed.

It is hoped this would serve as an appropriate and longstanding memorial of Deidre Kennedy's life, creating a suitable place for Deidre's family to come together with the community on the upcoming 50th anniversary on Thursday 13 April 2023.

This proposal is supported by the Kennedy family, who would welcome Council's ongoing support in ensuring Deidre's memory will never be forgotten.

Image 1: Existing memorial memorial



Image 2: Example of upgraded memorial



Mayor Teresa Harding and Councillors Marnie Doyle and Andrew Fechner gave notice of their intention to move the following motion at the Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee Meeting of 9 March 2023:

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That Council upgrade the current memorial honouring Deidre Kennedy's life, currently located at Bill Paterson Oval, Limestone Park and resolve to:

- a) Upgrade the existing plaque to a large brass/bronze plaque or similar, with the design and inscription of the new plaque to be confirmed by Mayor

Harding and Councillors Marnie Doyle and Andrew Fechner, on behalf of the Kennedy family.

- b) Relocate the new memorial plaque to the garden bed adjacent to the existing plaque, mounted on a sandstone base.
- c) To have these works completed before 13 April 2023.
- d) Report back to the GIW Committee, following 13 April 2023, on the cost and timeline for any additional embellishments the Kennedy family proposes for this site, for Council's consideration.

Councillor Paul Tully proposed the following amendment to the motion:

That Deidre Kennedy's full name be included in the memorial.

That the word relocate in b) be amended to locate.

The mover and seconder of the original motion agreed to the amendment of b) only.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That Council upgrade the current memorial honouring Deidre Kennedy's life, currently located at Bill Paterson Oval, Limestone Park and resolve to:

- a) **Upgrade the existing plaque to a large brass/bronze plaque or similar, with the design and inscription of the new plaque to be confirmed by Mayor Harding and Councillors Marnie Doyle and Andrew Fechner, on behalf of the Kennedy family.**
- b) **locate the new memorial plaque to the garden bed adjacent to the existing plaque, mounted on a sandstone base.**
- c) **To have these works completed before 13 April 2023.**
- d) **Report back to the GIW Committee, following 13 April 2023, on the cost and timeline for any additional embellishments the Kennedy family proposes for this site, for Council's consideration.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Tully

Ireland

Madsen

Doyle

Fechner

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

Kunzelmann
Milligan
Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

MATTERS ARISING

Nil

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 9.00 am.

ADJOURN MEETING

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding

That the meeting be adjourned at 9.59 am to reconvene at 10.30 am.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

Tully

Ireland

Doyle

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

The motion was put and carried.

The meeting reconvened at 10.01 am

The meeting closed at 10.01 am.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding

That an adjournment occur until 10.30 am.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Harding

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Tully
Ireland
Doyle
Fechner
Kunzelmann
Milligan
Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

GOVERNANCE AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE NO. 2023(02)**9 MARCH 2023**

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE: Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen (Chairperson); Councillors Russell Milligan (Deputy Chairperson), Mayor Teresa Harding, Marnie Doyle, Kate Kunzelmann and Nicole Jonic

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES: Nil

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), General Manager Community Cultural and Economic Development Manager (Ben Pole), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Peter Tabulo), Acting General Manager Coordination and Performance (Wade Wilson), Strategic Advisor Strategic Directions (Shaun Nell), Manager City Design (Brett Davey), Manager, Environment and Sustainability (Kaye Cavanagh), Program Manager Flood Resilient Homes (Melanie de Kleyn), Senior Property Officer Tenure (Kerry Perrett), Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Environment (Graeme Martin), Treasury Accounting Manager (Paul Mollenhauer), Acting Manager Procurement (Ross Muller), Acting Property Services Manager (Alicia Rieck), Chief of Staff Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Senior Communications and Policy Officer (Jodie Richter) and Theatre Technician (Harrison Cate)

WELCOME TO COUNTRY/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen (Chairperson) delivered the Acknowledgement of Country

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen informed the meeting that he has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 6 titled Procurement: Forbury Commercial modelling software for Nicholas Street Precinct.

The nature of the declarable conflict of interest is that Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen is a member of the Ipswich Trades Hall and Labour Day Committee Executive which manages the Ipswich Trades Hall which is adjacent to the CBD redevelopment works that Council is undergoing.

Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen came to the conclusion that because of the nature of the conflict, he will exclude himself from the meeting while this matter is debated and the vote taken.

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE GOVERNANCE AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE NO. 2023(01) OF 9 FEBRUARY 2023**

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Russell Milligan:
Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That the Minutes of the Governance and Transparency Committee held on 9 February 2023 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

2. **PROPOSED ORGANISATIONAL RESTRUCTURE**

This is a report concerning the proposed restructure of Ipswich City Council's current organisational structure. The organisational changes are aimed at:

- Improving the organisation's ability to meet current and future opportunities and challenges for the community, especially within the areas of environment and sustainability.

- Reducing the overall scale and complexity of the current Infrastructure and Environment Department (IED).
- Realigning the functions performed by the Coordination and Performance Department (CPD). CPD is an essential but small department that, by virtue of scale and size, doesn't warrant being a department.

Section 196 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2009* provides that '*a local government must, by resolution, adopt an organisational structure that is appropriate to the performance of the local government's responsibilities*'.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Russell Milligan:

- A. That Council approve the current Infrastructure and Environment Department be changed by the separation of the current Environment and Sustainability Branch to become a new Environment and Sustainability Department.**
- B. That Council approve that the Coordination and Performance Department ceases to be a department and that the following relocations of function occur:**
- (a) Media, Communications and Engagement Branch to the Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department;**
 - (b) Performance Branch into a newly titled Branch, 'Strategy and Performance' within the Office of the Chief Executive; and**
 - (c) Executive Services to the Office of the Chief Executive with a direct reporting relationship to the Chief Executive Officer.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

Attachments

1. Updated proposed organisation structure - department breakdown

3. CONCESSION FOR GENERAL RATES - 297-347 ALPERS ROAD, MOUNT MORT QLD 4340

This is a report concerning a request for a concession for general rates from The Queensland Trust for Nature for 297-347 Alpers Road, Mount Mort QLD 4340.

“The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(d) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.”

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Marnie Doyle:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That having satisfied the criteria in s120 of the of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as well as the Rates Concession Policy, the property at 297-347 Alpers Road, Mount Mort QLD 4340, be granted a 100% concession on the differential general rate from the 30 August 2022, being the date of application.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

4. CONCESSION FOR GENERAL RATES - VARIOUS PROPERTIES

This is a report concerning a request for a concession for general rates from Cherish the Environment Foundation Limited (**Cherish**) for 11 properties.

“The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(d) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.”

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:
Seconded by Councillor Russell Milligan:

That having satisfied the criteria in s120 of the of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as well as the Rates Concession Policy, the properties in Table 1 be granted a 100% concession on the differential general rate from the 11 November 2022, being the date of application.

Table 1

PROPERTY LOCATION
605-623 Ipswich Rosewood Road, JEEBROPILLY QLD 4340
19 McGearys Road, THAGOONA QLD 4306
26 McGearys Road, THAGOONA QLD 4306
66 McGearys Road, THAGOONA QLD 4306
99999 McGearys Road, THAGOONA QLD 4306
81 McGearys Road, THAGOONA QLD 4306
59 McGearys Road, THAGOONA QLD 4306
Lot 155 Underground, UNDERGROUND LAND QLD 4305
528-530 Woolshed Creek Road, WOOLSHED QLD 4340
795-851 Rosewood Laidley Road, CALVERT QLD 4340
82-200 G Hines Road, MUTDAPILLY QLD 4307

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

5. PROCUREMENT - CONTRACT 16589 LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN ADVISORY AND COORDINATION SERVICES

This is a report concerning the recommendation to approve the continuation of contract #16589 for the provision of Local Government Infrastructure Plan Professional Advisory and Coordination Services, with Morgan Wilson Planning Consultant until 29 February 2024 with one (1) x twelve (12) month optional extension, at an estimated total contract cost between \$300,000 and \$400,000 (ex GST), without inviting tenders.

Section 235(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* allows a local government to enter into a large sized contractual arrangement, if the local government resolves that the services provided are of a specialised nature and it would be impractical to invite tenders.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Russell Milligan:

Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

- A. That pursuant to Section 235(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that the exception applies because of the specialised nature of the services that are sought and it would be impractical to invite tenders for the provision of Local Government Infrastructure Plan Professional Advisory and Coordination Services.**
- B. That Council continue the contractual arrangement (Council file reference number 16589) with Morgan Wilson Planning Consultant, at an estimated cost between \$300,000 to \$400,000 excluding GST over the entire term, being a term of two (2) years nine (9) months, with an option for extension at the discretion of Council (as purchaser), of an additional one (1) X twelve (12) month term.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen left the meeting at 10.39 am due to a previously declared interest in Item 6 and invited the Deputy Chairperson, Councillor Russell Milligan to assume the Chair.

At 10.39 am Councillor Russell Milligan assumed the Chair.

6. PROCUREMENT: FORBURY COMMERCIAL MODELLING SOFTWARE FOR NICHOLAS STREET PRECINCT

This is a report seeking a resolution by Council to continue contract 16657 with the existing supplier Forbury Property Valuation Solutions (AUS) Pty Ltd (Forbury) for the seamless continuity of the commercial modelling capability that is critical to the management and strategy of the Nicholas Street Precinct. The contract is for the Software as a Service (SaaS) subscription to the Forbury commercial modelling software product suite.

A Council resolution that the exception under section 235(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* applies as the models developed for Council are not transferrable to any other third-party software, which means that the incumbent software supplier is the only supplier who is reasonably available to continue providing the software necessary for access to the modelling.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

- A. That pursuant to Section 235(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that the exception applies as it is satisfied that there is only one supplier who is reasonably available for the ongoing provision of the commercial modelling software in use for the Nicholas Street Precinct.**
- B. That the contractual arrangement 16657 with Forbury Property Valuation Solutions (AUS) Pty Ltd (Supplier) for the annual subscription of the commercial modelling software used for the Nicholas Street Precinct be continued as required for up to a further five (5) years at an approximate value of \$47,000.00 + GST over the entire term of the contract if the subscription is continued for all five (5) additional years.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

All Councillors except Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

The Chairperson, Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen returned to the meeting at 10.41 am and resumed the Chair.

7. PROCUREMENT - 20144 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT WORKS - HIDDENVALE RD, CALVERT

This is a report concerning the recommendation to award Tender 20144 Bridge Replacement Works – Hiddenvale Rd, Calvert and to seek Council’s approval to enter into a contract with the nominated supplier as per confidential Attachment 2 to undertake the bridge replacement works on Hiddenvale Rd, Calvert.

After an open market request for tender process, an evaluation panel has recommended one supplier for the bridge replacement works as set out in Recommendation B below. The recommendation provides Council with a company located in an adjacent local government area. The recommendation has been determined by the evaluation panel to offer Council the best value for money.

If Council is satisfied with the nominated supplier, the name of the supplier will be included in the Council’s resolution at Recommendation B.

“The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(g) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.”

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Russell Milligan:

Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

- A. That pursuant to Section 228 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council award Tender No. 20144 Bridge Replacement Works – Hiddenvale Road, Calvert.**
- B. That Council enter into a contractual arrangement with the Supplier for the lump sum amount of three million five hundred and seventy-three thousand five hundred and fifty-five dollars and nine cents (\$3,573,555.09) excluding GST and the contingency amount as listed in confidential Attachment 2.**
- C. That pursuant to Section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council resolve to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to take “*contractual action*” pursuant to section 238 of the Regulation, in order to implement Council’s decision.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

Kunzelmann
Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

8. PROCUREMENT - EOI - BRASSALL BIKEWAY STAGE 6B

This is a report concerning the final design piece in completing the Bikeway, known as Stage 6B, design options for a commuter bikeway connection from the existing Brassall Bikeway to the Bradfield Bridge.

Council is seeking to invite Expressions of Interest to identify suppliers who can demonstrate their capability to undertake a contract of this nature and invite applicants to participate in a tendering process, leading to the formation and award of a design contract only. The construction contract will be a separate process.

“The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(g) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.”

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

- A. That pursuant to Section 228(3)(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that it would be in the public interest to invite expressions of interest before inviting written tenders for the provision of Design Consultancy Services.**
- B. That pursuant to Section 228(3)(b) of the Regulation, Council’s reasons for making such resolution are that:**
- (i) it will allow Council to canvas the market for information and generate interest from the market to capture a larger pool of suppliers, gauge interest and availability to tender for the contract by inviting Expressions of Interest;**
 - (ii) elicit information from suppliers that demonstrates their capability to undertake a contract of this nature and provide their initial thoughts on how the commuter bikeway connection could be developed;**
 - (iii) to shortlist and recommend applicants to participate in a tendering process, seeking more detailed information around their capacity to undertake a contract of this nature and a fee for the delivery of the defined scope of service.**

AFFIRMATIVE
Councillors:

NEGATIVE
Councillors:

Madsen Nil
Milligan
Harding
Doyle
Kunzelmann
Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

9. PROCUREMENT - WHAT BIN DAY APP SUBSCRIPTION FOR IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL AND SOMERSET REGIONAL COUNCIL

This is a report seeking Council Resolution by Ipswich City Council (ICC) to undertake a direct engagement with Socket Software Pty Ltd (Socket Software). It is proposed, to enter into a new contract with Socket Software combining the two current contracts for ICC and Somerset Regional Council's (SRC) "What Bin Day" Mobile App Licences for a further six (6) years (3+3) as Council have a contract with Somerset Regional Council to provide this service on their behalf for a total of seven (7) years. The What Bin Day App is an App that can be downloaded on mobile phones to allow Ipswich and Somerset residents to identify which bin goes out on what day for collection. The ICC contract has been in place for some years and last year Council took on the management of Somerset Regional Council's requirements for this application. The current contracts expire on 02 June 2023. The total contract value for the six (6) year term based on a 3+3 arrangement, is approximately \$82,890.00 ex GST.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Nicole Jonic:
Seconded by Councillor Russell Milligan:

- A. That pursuant to Section 235(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that the exception applies because of the specialised nature of the services that are sought and it would be impractical and disadvantageous to invite quotes OR tenders for the provision of What Bin Day Mobile App Licences.**
- B. That Council enter into a contractual arrangement (Council file reference number 19849) with Socket Software Pty Ltd, at an approximate purchase price of \$83,000.00 excluding GST over the entire term, being an initial term of three (3) years, with options for extension at the discretion of Council (as purchaser), of an additional one (1) x three (3) year term.**
- C. That pursuant to Section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council resolve to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to take "contractual action" pursuant to section 238 of the Regulation, in order to implement Council's decision.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Madsen	Nil
Milligan	
Harding	
Doyle	
Kunzelmann	
Jonic	

The motion was put and carried.

10. AMENDMENT TO COMMITTEE REPORTS DATED 13 OCTOBER 2022 AND 10 NOVEMBER 2022 REGARDING FLOOD RESILIENT HOMES FUND - VOLUNTARY HOME BUY BACK PROPOSED PROPERTY AQUISITION

This is a report concerning an amendment to the proposed acquisition of two properties, as detailed in the Confidential Attachments 1 and 2 by Ipswich City Council, as part of the voluntary home buyback program.

This initiative gets its funding from the jointly funded Commonwealth and Queensland Governments Resilient Homes Fund under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

“The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(h) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.”

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Russell Milligan:
Seconded by Councillor Nicole Jonic:

- A. **That Council resolve to amend a property description in its previous decision (Item No. 7 of the Governance and Transparency Committee No. 2022 (10) adopted as recommendation A, at the Council Ordinary meeting of 24 November 2022) as highlighted in Confidential Attachment 1 for the purpose of the voluntary home buy-back program.**
- B. **That Council resolve to amend a property description in its previous decision (Item No. 8 of the Governance and Transparency Committee No. 2022 (09) adopted as recommendation A, at the Council Ordinary meeting of 27 October 2022) as highlighted in Confidential Attachment 2 for the purpose of the voluntary home buy-back program.**
- C. **That Council resolve to authorise the Chief Executive Officer to take the necessary action in order to implement Council’s decision, including but not limited to making, amending and discharging the contractual arrangement/s.**

D. That Council be kept informed as to the progress and outcome of the purchases.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Madsen	Nil
Milligan	
Harding	
Doyle	
Kunzelmann	
Jonic	

The motion was put and carried.

11. FLOOD RECOVERY RESILIENT HOMES FUND - VOLUNTARY HOME BUY BACK PROPOSED PROPERTY ACQUISITION

This is a report concerning the proposed acquisition of various residential properties by Ipswich City Council for the purposes of the voluntary home buy-back program. This initiative gets its funding from the jointly funded Commonwealth and Queensland Governments Resilient Homes Fund under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

“The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(h) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.”

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Nicole Jonic:
Seconded by Councillor Russell Milligan:

- A. That Council resolve to purchase the properties listed in Confidential Attachment 1 for the purposes of the voluntary home buy-back program.**
- B. That Council resolve to authorise the Chief Executive Officer to take the necessary action in order to implement Council’s decision, including but not limited to making, amending and discharging the contractual arrangement/s.**
- C. That Council be kept informed as to the progress and the outcome of the purchases.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Madsen	Nil
Milligan	
Harding	

Doyle
Kunzelmann
Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

12. DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL FREEHOLD LAND - BULK DECISION FOR 649 LOTS IDENTIFIED AS ACCESS RESTRICTION STRIPS WITHIN THE IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

This is a report concerning the disposal for road purpose of all Council freehold lots throughout the Ipswich City Council local government area that are identified as Access Restriction Strips, as outlined in the spreadsheet attached to this report.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Nicole Jonic:

Seconded by Councillor Russell Milligan:

- A. **That Council declare surplus to Council requirements and available for disposal for road purpose, all lots identified as Access Restriction Strips (ARS) within the Ipswich City Council local government area, more particularly described by lot on plan in the spreadsheet in Attachment 1.**
- B. **That pursuant to section 236(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that the exception at section 236(1)(b)(i) of the Regulation applies to the disposal of, for road purpose, the ARSs in the spreadsheet in Attachment 1, because the State of Queensland (represented by the Department of Resources) (DoR) is a government agency.**
- C. **That Council only effect the disposal of the ARSs in the spreadsheet in Attachment 1, in the event that a development application is made that requires the disposal of an ARS for road purpose or in the event that an application is made to Council requesting an ARS be opened as road.**
- D. **That Council note that as disposals occur, lot on plan descriptions for the ARSs can be reconfigured or changed if an ARS is partially disposed of. Recommendations A and B include any reconfiguration or change to the lot on plan descriptions for the ARSs contained in Attachment 1.**
- E. **That pursuant to section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council resolve to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer, the power to take “contractual action” pursuant to section 238 of the Regulation, in order to implement Council’s decision.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Madsen	Harding
Milligan	
Doyle	
Kunzelmann	
Jonic	

The motion was put and carried.

13. REPEAL OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECISION AND PROPOSED NEW TRUSTEE LEASE OVER 254 BRISBANE ROAD, BUNDAMBA TO IPSWICH KNIGHTS SOCCER CLUB INC.

This is a report concerning the repeal of a previous decision of the City Management, Finance and Community Engagement Committee, Item No. 17 on the 16 February 2018, and adopted at the Ordinary meeting of 27 February 2018. The decision concerned an extension of a trustee lease to Ipswich Knights Soccer Club Inc. (**Knights**) over land located at 254 Brisbane Road, Bundamba, (more properly described as Lot A in Lot 507 on SL6935 on SL230112). The commencement date specified in the decision has since passed and the repeal of Recommendation C of the previous Council decision is required to resolve the updated commencement date.

In return for the extension of this trustee lease, the Knights (together with the West Moreton Darts Association Inc. (**Darts**), who own the land with the Knights as joint tenants) entered into a 10 year lease with Council for a peppercorn rent over part of the freehold land located at 66 Riverview Road, Riverview (**the Riverview land**) and described as part of Lot 8 on RP22349. The purpose of the lease at Riverview for Council is to facilitate the provision of additional sporting infrastructure in the Riverview area.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

- A. That Council repeal its previous decision, contained in recommendation C, Item No. 17 of the City Management, Finance and Community Engagement Committee report, on the 16 February 2018 (attachment A to this report) and adopted at the ordinary council meeting on 27 February 2018.**
- B. That pursuant to section 236(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council as Trustee for the State of Queensland resolve that the exception at section 236(1)(b)(ii) of the Regulation applies to the disposal of leasehold interest in land at 254 Brisbane Road, Booval, more particularly described as part of Lot A in Lot 507 on SL6935 on SL230112, because Ipswich**

Knights Soccer Club Inc. (Trustee Lessee) is a community organisation.

- C. That Council enter into a trustee lease (Council file reference number 5265) with the Trustee Lessee:**
- (i) at an annual rent of \$1.00 excluding GST, payable to Council if demanded, and**
 - (ii) for an initial term expiring 28 February 2028, with no options for extension.**
- D. That pursuant to section 64(1) and 64(2) of the *Land Act 1994*, Ministerial approval has been dispensed with (as per Attachment 4 of this report); and the soccer club purpose of the trustee lease is consistent with the purpose of the trust land.**
- E. That pursuant to Section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council resolve to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to take “*contractual action*” pursuant to section 238 of the Regulation, in order to implement Council’s decision.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

14. REPEAL OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECISION AND PROPOSED NEW TELECOMMUNICATIONS LEASE TO TPG TELECOM LIMITED OVER 90-120 JONES ROAD, BELLBIRD PARK

This is a report requesting the repeal of a previous decision of the City Management, Finance and Community Engagement Committee, Item No. 23 on 23 January 2018 and adopted at the Council Ordinary meeting of 30 January 2018 concerning the new lease to Vodafone Network Pty Limited over 90-120 Jones Road, Bellbird Park and that Council now enter a new lease to TPG Telecom Limited.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Nicole Jonic:

Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

- A. That the previous decision of Council, as per Item No. 23 of the City Management, Finance and Community Engagement Committee No. 2018(01) on 23 January 2018 and adopted at the Council Ordinary meeting of 30 January 2018), be repealed.**
- B. That pursuant to section 236(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 (Regulation), Council resolve that the exception at section 236(1)(c)(vi) of the Regulation applies to the disposal of interest in land at 90-120 Jones Road, Bellbird Park, more particularly described as part of Lot 86 and Plan RP115331, for telecommunications purposes because, TPG Telecom Limited is a telecommunications provider, the lease is conditional upon the construction of an all-weather sealed access from Jones Road to the telecommunications facility.**
- C. That Council enter into a lease (Council reference number 2235) with TPG Telecom Limited (Lessee):**
- (i) at a commencing annual rent of \$19,000 excluding GST, payable to Council; and**
 - (ii) for a term of ten (10) years, with no options for extension.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

15. SURRENDER AND ACQUISITION OF DRAINAGE EASEMENTS FOR INF02666 OVER 82 AND 84 GLADSTONE ROAD, COALFALLS

This is a report concerning the proposed surrender of existing Easements A and B in Lot 2 on RP23977 located at 84 Gladstone Road, Coalfalls, and Easement C in Lot 1 on RP90834 located at 82 Gladstone Road Coalfalls, for drainage purpose and the acquisition of a new Easement for drainage purpose to align with the design of the kerb and channel project for Gladstone Road in this location.

“The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(h) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.”

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Russell Milligan:

- A. That Council declare existing Easement C in Lot 1 RP90834 located at 82 Gladstone Road, Coalfalls, surplus to Council requirements and grant consent to the surrender of Easement C.**
- B. That Council declare existing Easements A and B in Lot 2 RP23977 located at 84 Gladstone Road, Coalfalls, surplus to Council requirements and grants its consent to the surrender of Easements A and B.**
- C. That pursuant to Section 6(1) of the *Acquisition of Land Act 1967*, Council as “*constructing authority*” proceed to acquire two (2) new easements alignments for drainage purpose (Council file reference number 5307) being:**
- Part of Lot 1 RP90834 located at 82 Gladstone Road, Coalfalls; and**
- Part of Lot 2 RP23977 located at 84 Gladstone Road, Coalfalls. (New Easements)**
- D. That in the first instance, the method of acquiring the New Easements will be by agreement with the affected person/s in accordance with Division 3, *Acquisition of Land Act 1967*; however, where agreement cannot be reached, or operational timeframes intervene, the method of acquiring the subject easement will be in accordance with Division 2, *Acquisition of Land Act 1967*.**
- E. That Council be kept informed as to the progress and outcome of the acquisition.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

16. INVOLVE PROGRAM QUARTERLY STATUS REPORT

Please note that the attached ARMC report was written on 13 January 2023. The information below provides an update from that date. This report is accurate as at 21 February 2023.

iVolve Program - Final Business Case Amber

The Expression of Interest (EOI) seeking solution proposals from suppliers has completed. The EOI has provided invaluable information to be able to shortlist suppliers and provide more accurate solution costs estimates.

The ICT Steering Committee approved an addendum to the existing business case instead of a full business case update. Using the information from the EOI, the addendum will include a roadmap for the iVolve program articulating the sequencing and timings for future iVolve projects, together with an investment update.

Stage 3 of the iVolve program will close following approval of the business case addendum. Stage 4 of the program, which is more delivery focussed has commenced with the Fusion project initiating.

An updated iVolve governance structure is now in place and active. This structure is scalable to be able to handle multiple iVolve projects running in parallel.

iVolve program - Oracle Fusion project Amber

The Oracle software purchase (covering Finance, Procurement and Fleet) will be put to Council for approval on 23 February 2023. The delivery partner to implement the software will be with the CEO for approval following finalisation of the Oracle Licence purchase.

The project team has been engaged to provide feedback on the delivery partner Statement of Work (SoW) which is now signed off.

A new Project Control Group (PCG) has been formed as part of the governance update. This group is a delivery focussed team consisting of impacted Branch Managers and the Corporate Services General Manager.

Specific staff are in the process of being seconded to the project and this process is progressing to plan with good support from the business areas. A project team kick-off will be held on 23 February 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Russell Milligan:

That the report be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Milligan

Harding

Doyle

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

Kunzelmann
Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MATTERS ARISING

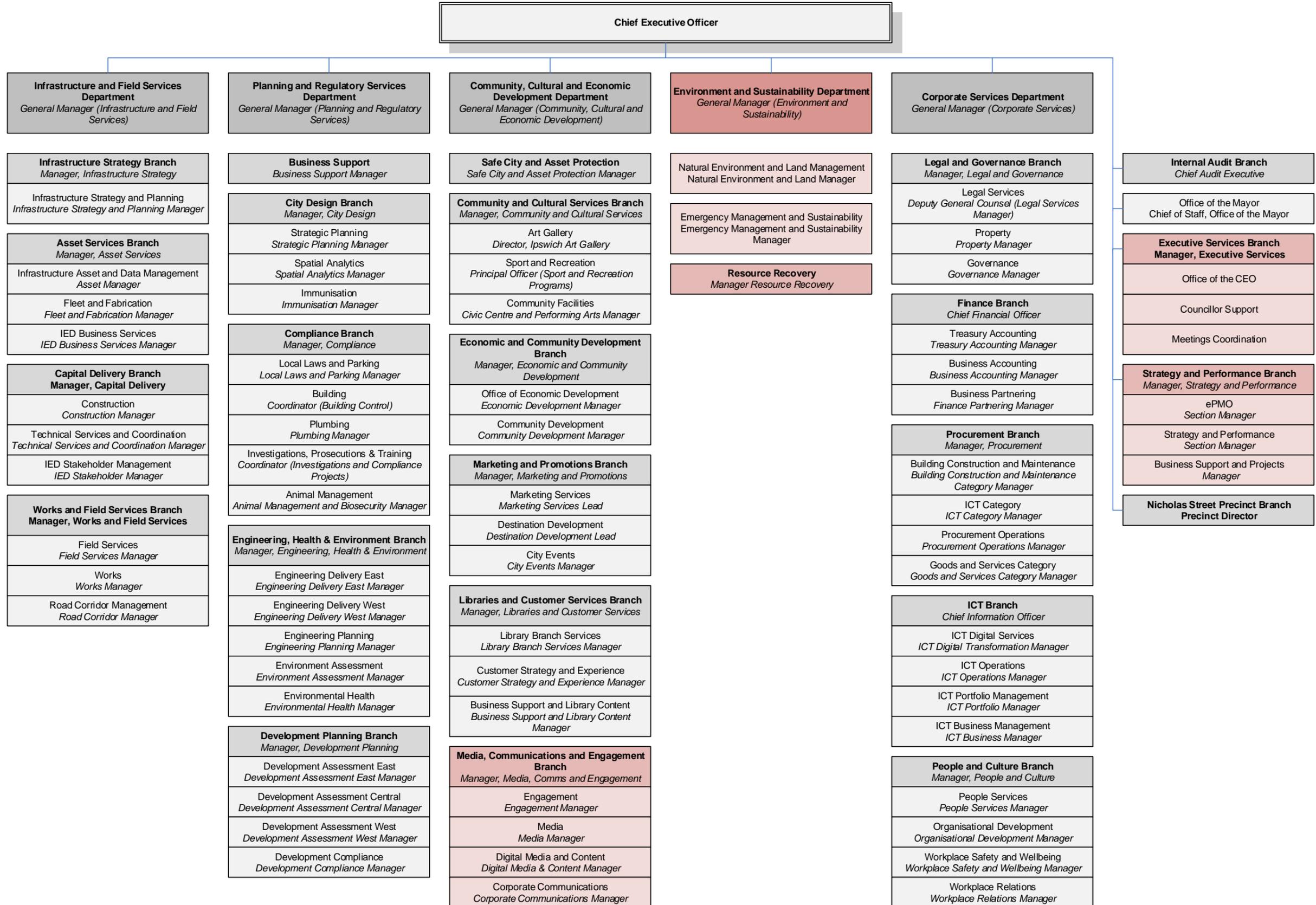
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PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 10.33 am.

The meeting closed at 10.56 am.

IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL ORGANISATION STRUCTURE – PROPOSED CHANGES



TE COMMUNITY, CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORT COMMITTEE NO. 2023(02)**9 MARCH 2023**

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE: Councillor Andrew Fechner (Chairperson); Councillors Kate Kunzelmann (Deputy Chairperson), Mayor Teresa Harding, Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen, Nicole Jonic, Sheila Ireland and Marnie Doyle

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES: Nil

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development Manager (Ben Pole), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Peter Tabulo), Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Environment (Graeme Martin), Acting General Manager Coordination and Performance (Wade Wilson), Chief of Staff – Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Manager Economic and Community Development (Cat Matson), Senior Communications and Policy Officer (Jodie Richter) and Theatre Technician (Harrison Cate)

WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Andrew Fechner (Chairperson) invited Councillor Kate Kunzelmann (Deputy Chairperson) to deliver the Acknowledgement of Country.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Kate Kunzelmann informed the meeting that she has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 2 titled 150th Ipswich Show - Signature Partner Proposal.

The nature of the interest is that Councillor Kunzelmann is an ordinary member of the Ipswich Show Society.

Councillor Kate Kunzelmann invited the other councillors to determine if she can continue to participate in the decision process.

It was moved by Mayor Teresa Harding and seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner that Councillor Kate Kunzelmann does not have a declarable conflict of interest in the matter because there is no personal or financial benefit to the councillor and therefore a reasonable person would trust that the final decision is made in the public interest.

The eligible councillors present at the meeting decided that Councillor Kate Kunzelmann may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Fechner	Nil
Harding	
Madsen	
Jonic	
Ireland	
Doyle	

Councillor Kunzelmann did not take part in the vote on the matter.

The motion was put and carried.

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY, CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORT COMMITTEE NO. 2023(01) OF 9 FEBRUARY 2023**

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That the Minutes of the Community, Culture, Arts and Sport Committee held on 9 February 2023 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Fechner	Nil
Kunzelmann	
Harding	
Madsen	
Jonic	
Ireland	
Doyle	

The motion was put and carried.

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2. 150TH IPSWICH SHOW - SIGNATURE PARTNER PROPOSAL

This is a report concerning an opportunity for Council to be the one-off Signature Partner of the 150th Ipswich Show taking place on 19, 20 and 21 May 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council consider a one-off \$100,000 (ex GST) investment as the Signature Partner of the 150th Ipswich Show taking place on 19, 20 and 21 May 2023.

Councillor Sheila Ireland proposed the following recommendation:

That Item 2 titled 150th Ipswich Show – Signature Partner Proposal be considered at the Council Ordinary meeting scheduled for 23 March 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Sheila Ireland:

Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That Item 2 titled 150th Ipswich Show – Signature Partner Proposal be considered at the Council Ordinary meeting scheduled for 23 March 2023.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Harding

Madsen

Jonic

Ireland

Doyle

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

3. REVISED COUNCILLOR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS POLICY

This is a report seeking Council to adopt the updated 'Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy' managed by Economic and Community Development Branch within the Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That the updated policy titled, ‘Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy’ as detailed in Attachment 3, be adopted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Harding

Madsen

Jonic

Ireland

Doyle

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

4. REVISED COMMUNITY FUNDING AND SUPPORT POLICY

This is a report seeking Council to adopt the ‘Community Funding and Support Policy’ managed by Economic and Community Development Branch within the Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That the updated policy titled, ‘Community Funding and Support Policy’ as detailed in Attachment 3, be adopted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Harding

Madsen

Jonic

Ireland

Doyle

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

5. REVISED CIVIC AND CEREMONIAL EVENTS POLICY

This is a report seeking Council approval to update the existing 'Civic and Ceremonial Events Policy' managed by Marketing and Promotions Branch within the Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
Seconded by Councillor Nicole Jonic:

That the updated policy titled, 'Civic and Ceremonial Events Policy' as detailed in Attachment 3, be adopted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Harding

Madsen

Jonic

Ireland

Doyle

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

That the motion was put and carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MATTERS ARISING

Nil

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 11.11 am.

The meeting closed at 11.28 am.

ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2023(02)**9 MARCH 2023**

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE: Councillor Nicole Jonic (Chairperson); Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen (Deputy Chairperson), Mayor Teresa Harding, Councillors Kate Kunzelmann, Andrew Fechner and Marnie Doyle

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES: Nil

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Peter Tabulo), Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Environment (Graeme Martin), Manager Marketing and Promotions (Carly Gregory), Chief of Staff – Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Senior Communications and Policy Officer (Jodie Richter), Project Manager – Ipswich Central (Erin Marchant), Project Officer, Local Business and Investment (Naomi George), Manager Economic and Community Development (Cat Matson), Project Officer (Courtney Strow) and Theatre Technician (Harrison Cate)

WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Nicole Jonic (Chairperson) delivered the Acknowledgement of Country.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Andrew Fechner informed the meeting that he has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 3 titled Mainstreet Australia Ipswich StreetShow.

The nature of the interest is that Councillor Fechner has business interests in both A1A Events Pty Ltd and Bar Heisenberg Pty Ltd which is located in the top of town at 164 Brisbane Street, Ipswich.

Councillor Andrew Fechner invited the other councillors to determine if he can continue to participate in the decision process.

It was moved by Councillor Nicole Jonic and seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann that Councillor Andrew Fechner does not have a declarable conflict of interest in the matter

because the report is a receive and note report and therefore there is no personal or financial benefit to the councillor and a reasonable person would trust that the final decision is made in the public interest.

The eligible councillors present at the meeting decided that Councillor Andrew Fechner may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Madsen	Nil
Harding	
Kunzelmann	
Jonic	
Doyle	

Councillor Fechner did not take part in the vote on this matter

The motion was put and carried.

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

1. **RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION - EVENT FRIENDLY COUNCIL**

This is a report concerning the Notice of Motion moved at the Economic and Industry Development Committee Meeting of 13 October 2022 that Council evaluate becoming an Event Friendly Council.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:
Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

- A. That Council endorse the development of Pre-Approved Event Precincts in consultation with the Mayor, Chair Economic and Industry Development Committee and relevant Divisional Councillors.**
- B. That Council endorse Entertainment Venue conditions to permit third parties to deliver events within pre-approved entertainment venues.**
- C. That Council endorse the development of an online Event Planning Calendar.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Madsen	Nil
Harding	
Kunzelmann	
Fechner	

Jonic
Doyle

The motion was put and carried.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2023(01) OF 9 FEBRUARY 2023**

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

That the Minutes of the Economic and Industry Development Committee held on 9 February 2023 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Harding

Kunzelmann

Fechner

Jonic

Doyle

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

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3. **MAINSTREET AUSTRALIA IPSWICH STREETSHOW**

This is a report concerning the Mainstreet Australia Ipswich StreetShow event happening in May 2023 for the Ipswich Business community.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Nicole Jonic:
Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That the report concerning the Mainstreet Australia Ipswich StreetShow in May 2023 be received and its contents noted.

During discussion of this item, Councillor Andrew Fechner declared a conflict of interest in the matter.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Madsen	Nil
Fechner	
Harding	
Kunzelmann	
Jonic	
Doyle	

The motion was put and carried.

4. PLANES, TRAINS AND AUTO'S 2023 PROGRAM PREVIEW

This is a report concerning the 2023 Planes, Trains and Auto's Festival program of events. 2023 marks the third year of this festival, and the first to secure Tourism and Events Queensland funding. This year's festival offers an extended program of events and activations across the entire May long-weekend.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That the report concerning the 2023 Planes, Trains and Auto's Festival program of events be received and its contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Madsen	Nil
Harding	
Kunzelmann	
Fechner	
Jonic	
Doyle	

The motion was put and carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MATTERS ARISING

Nil

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 11.39 am.

The meeting closed at 12.04 pm.

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE NO. 2023(02)

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REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE: Councillor Russell Milligan (Chairperson); Mayor Teresa Harding, Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen, Kate Kunzelmann and Andrew Fechner (Deputy Chairperson)

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES: Nil

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Environment (Graeme Martin), Chief of Staff – Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Manager Environment and Sustainability (Kaye Cavanagh), Natural Environment and Land Manager (Phil A Smith) and Theatre Technician (Harrison Cate)

ADJOURN MEETING

Moved by Councillor Russell Milligan

That the meeting be adjourned at 12.15 pm to reconvene at 12.45 pm.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Milligan	Nil
Harding	
Madsen	
Kunzelmann	

The motion was put and carried.

The meeting reconvened at 12.46 pm.

Councillor Andrew Fechner arrived at the meeting at 12.46pm.

WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Russell Milligan (Chairperson) delivered the Acknowledgement of Country.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE NO. 2023(01) OF 9 FEBRUARY 2023**

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That the Minutes of the Environment and Sustainability Committee held on 9 February 2023 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Milligan

Fechner

Harding

Madsen

Kunzelmann

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

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2. **TI TREE BIOENERGY FUNDING - ANNUAL PROGRAM REPORT 2023**

This is a report concerning Ipswich City Council's role in managing and delivering on revenue collected from the Ti Tree Bioenergy facility. Ipswich City Council looks to manage and expend these funds in such a way as to offset social and environmental impacts from the facility and improve amenity and environmental values for the local community through the provision of community proposed projects.

This report highlights progress to date for current and ongoing projects and proposes the list of projects to be developed upon and delivered in the 2023-2024 financial year and beyond.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
 Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That in accordance with the Ti Tree Bioenergy Funding governance arrangements, Council endorse the proposed program of projects for development and delivery in the 2023-2024 financial year.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Milligan

Fechner

Harding

Madsen

Kunzelmann

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

Councillor Russell Milligan (Chairperson) noted that four (4) street names were spelt incorrectly within the officer's report and that an updated officer's report with the correct spelling would be included in the minutes.

Attachments

1. Updated officer's report with correct street names
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3. ENVIROPLAN - ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT 2021-2022

This is a report concerning the Enviroplan Program and Levy Progress Report for the 2021-2022 financial year (Attachment 1). Contained within the report is an overview of project delivery, a financial summary including expenditure and revenue and a number of highlights from the past year which include:

- Completion and opening of the new Denmark Hill upgrades and associated activation campaign.
- Completion and opening of the Kup Murri and new horse trail heads at Harding's Paddock in Flinders-Goolman Conservation Estate.
- Heavy rainfall and flooding had major impact throughout the financial year with many tracks wash out and in need of repair. Restricted access made pest plant and animal control across the Enviroplan estates difficult and limited.
- Investment into the existing and new Enviroplan reserves specifically a focus on compliance and enforcement through "for the love of nature campaign".

This annual report follows on from the last report for the 2020-2021 fiscal period.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
 Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

That the report concerning the Enviroplan Annual Progress Report 2021-2022, be received and noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Milligan

Fechner

Harding

Madsen

Kunzelmann

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

4. STORMWATER QUALITY OFFSET PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT

This is a report concerning the Stormwater Quality Offset Program status from commencement until June 2022. The Annual Report provides of an overview of the program, an assessment of the financial contributions received, project expenditures and the water quality improvement projects delivered. The report includes proposed future changes to the program to improve delivery and conformity to State guidance. A Stormwater Quality Offset Program web page has also been prepared to improve transparency and ensure the annual report is readily accessible to the community.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
 Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

That the Ipswich City Council Stormwater Quality Offset Program Annual Report be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Milligan

Fechner

Harding

Madsen

Kunzelmann

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MATTERS ARISING

Nil

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 12.14 pm.

The meeting closed at 1.07 pm.

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ITEM: 2

SUBJECT: TI TREE BIOENERGY FUNDING - ANNUAL PROGRAM REPORT 2023

AUTHOR: NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND LAND MANAGER

DATE: 31 JANUARY 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a report concerning Ipswich City Council's role in managing and delivering on revenue collected from the Ti Tree Bioenergy facility. Ipswich City Council looks to manage and expend these funds in such a way as to offset social and environmental impacts from the facility and improve amenity and environmental values for the local community through the provision of community proposed projects.

This report highlights progress to date for current and ongoing projects and proposes the list of projects to be developed upon and delivered in the 2023-2024 financial year and beyond.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That in accordance with the Ti Tree Bioenergy Funding governance arrangements, Council endorse the proposed program of projects for development and delivery in the 2023-2024 financial year.

RELATED PARTIES

Ti Tree Bioenergy

Willowbank Action Group

IFUTURE THEME

Natural and Sustainable

PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

As with previous years the development of the proposed Ti Tree Bioenergy project/program list and ongoing projects has been managed entirely under the governance arrangements approved by Council in February 2021 (Attachment 1). This included public consultation to source proposals for suitable community and environmental projects for delivery via 'Shape your Ipswich' throughout August 2022.

Council received 23 correctly submitted proposals from across the Ipswich Local Government Area including a number from members of Willowbank Area Group (WAG) members. Of these 11 were deemed eligible.

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The internal Ti Tree working group then considered the submissions for eligibility against the agreed criteria rated in terms of their priority and the final list was then discussed with the Divisional Councillors and community representatives from WAG in line with the recommended governance process.

Through this process the projects listed in Table 2 have been selected to progress and added to the delivery schedule for either feasibility, design, or delivery over the next 2 financial years (2023-2024 and 2024-2025) alongside a number of longer running on going project and programs from previously years.

Table 1. Progress update on recommended projects for 2022-2023 financial year	
Projects	Progress
Revegetation in Willowbank area (multiple revegetation projects submitted)	Large scale weed removal undertaken and revegetation of native species commenced and under maintenance at George Hatchman and Mack Park. Plantings to enhance/create natural areas and create koala habitat will continue in Mack Family Park, George Hatchman, and the nNew Payne's Road Koala Reserve.
Establishment of new parks and conservation areas and or vegetation buffers in line with proposals.	A Council owned reserve previously purchased for water infrastructure on Payne's Road was identified and selected to create and form a new Community and Koala nature Reserve. This site has been confirmed (via Queensland Government Survey) to be home to an existing Koala Population and will be a buffer from future industry. A works Plan and Budget for the next 3 years has been developed. Works have begun on securing the site.
Continuation of wildlife signage and fauna movement project	Koala/Wildlife warning signs; were located at the approach to the intersection of Wigmore Street & Willowbank Drive & the other at the southern intersection of Willowbank drive & McHales Way. Identification of sites will continue with Transport Planning and the Department of Main Roads to look at fauna crossing infrastructure options.
Footpath Construction for McHales Way to Warrens Court. Investigation into other local footpaths.	McHales Way to Warrens Court Footpath completed. Other local options under investigation including those detailed in the upcoming years project listings.
Wetland and waterway restoration on Bremer River and Warrill Creek.	Works held back due to flood repair, ongoing option analysis of council owned land.

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<p>Partnership with Ipswich Koala Protection Society (IKPS) for potential purchase of property for a Koala Reserve and Koala fodder and investigate the use of local tracking collars.</p>	<p>Support to the value of \$5k provided to IKPS for Koala monitoring apparatus and technology including tracking Cameras.</p> <p>Continued dialog and exploration of options to support the ongoing work of the Ipswich Koala Protection Society in their conservation efforts in and around Collingwood Park and potentially linking in with land in the Ebenezer Willowbank and Purga Koala habitat areas.</p>
<p>Informational Signage</p>	<p>(DEFERED until 2023) Directional and historical interpretation signage at the summit and possible inclusion of indigenous story related to the immediate area around Mack Family Park.</p>
<p>Outdoor Learning</p>	<p>Continuing investigations and feasibility study into the establishment of a local environmental education facility or hub in existing or new reserve within the areas initially suggesting that the current buildings and facilities are not an appropriate for upgrade and that a new purpose built, and designed facility or building would be better suited and value.</p> <p>Proposed sites include Purga Nature Reserve, Grandchester Conservation Estate _ Awaiting Estate Master planning and options/asset review.</p>

<p>Table 2. Proposed projects for the 2023-2024 financial year and beyond</p>	
<p>Projects</p>	<p>Comments</p>
<p>Informational Signage (cont.)</p>	<p>Directional and historical interpretation signage at the summit and possible inclusion of indigenous story related to the immediate area around Mack Family Park.</p>
<p>New Community/Koala Nature Reserve at Payne's road (cont.)</p>	<p>Working through program of works including fences tracks and trails weed control and planting opportunities.</p>

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Wildlife signage and fauna movement project (cont.)	Specific request to look at additional Kangaroo sign on O'Neill's road. Officers continuing to work with TMR on Fauna movement solutions in this area.
Climate & energy efficiency Amberley Girl Guide and Community Hall	Climate & energy efficiency project - Installation of solar panels and solar battery and Air conditioning. Assessment of most efficient options to commence ASAP and installation next year.
Ebenezer Creek Warrill view Lawn Cemetery wildlife corridor and land rehabilitation	Investigate feasibility and land ownership in and around the area and potential mechanisms noting that there is significant area outside of Council tenure.
Koala Conservation – Plantings Fodder Trees Monitoring and Partnership with IKPS	Exploration of options to support the ongoing work of the Ipswich Koala Protection
Natural trail area with walking and cycling track between O'Neill's road Willowbank along Mount Elliot Mine Road to Ipswich-Rosewood Road Amberley	Potentially a complex project to implement due to the variety of tenures. Action is to investigate feasibility and land ownership in and around the area and potential mechanisms noting that there is significant area outside of Council ownership.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

This report and its recommendations are consistent with the following legislative provisions:
Local Government Act 2009

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Decisions made in alignment with adopted Ti Tree governance documentation.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The annual nature of the community engagement leads to an influx of one-off project ideas which require careful consideration, planning design and implementation. This often takes more than one year resulting in a back log of projects. There is a potential risk that through this existing method Council is collecting potential projects at a faster rate than they can be implemented (given the below mentioned resource constraints). As such consideration will be given to the suspension of Community consultation for a period whilst the present list of project and programs is delivered.

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FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Given the assessment criteria and intent of the funding doesn't necessarily align with Councils strategic priorities (specifically on the terms of the eligibility criteria for projects is that it must be 'over and above' or outside any existing planned program) resourcing project delivery is problematic.

In the case of several of the transport projects there was not available resources to support the required investigation, design as strategic priorities are already planned and require immediate resourcing. To this point again consideration should be given to specific Ti Tree project resourcing.

COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION

The community are consulted through the "Shape your Ipswich" website through August 2022 and asked to provide suggestions for relevant projects. The community were also provided with the objectives and intent of the program to guide their submissions.

Many proposed projects were not in line with the intent of the program or fell outside Council's remit, control, or ability.

Those that were eligible, and deliverable were assessed and scored based on the criteria approved in the governance documentation by a cross functional Ti Tree working group committee with representatives from across relevant sections of Council.

Further to the 'Shape your Ipswich' engagement and assessment officers are in contact with the Willowbank community through meetings and correspondence with the Willowbank Area Group (WAG) and the divisional councillors for their feedback on the final list.

The projects and expenditure are published on a half yearly bases on the Ipswich City Council Transparency and Integrity Hub.

CONCLUSION

The annual works program for the Ti Tree Bioenergy fund has been assessed and prioritised and is presented in the above tables for consideration by the committee and Council along with a summary of works to date.

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS	
OTHER DECISION	
(a) What is the Act/Decision being made?	That in accordance with the Ti Tree Bioenergy Funding governance arrangements, Council endorse the proposed program of projects for development and deliver in the 2023-2024 financial year

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AGENDA

9 MARCH 2023

(b) What human rights are affected?	No human rights are affected by this decision
(c) How are the human rights limited?	Not applicable
(d) Is there a good reason for limiting the relevant rights? Is the limitation fair and reasonable?	Not applicable
(e) Conclusion	The decision is consistent with human rights.

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

1.	Council Report 25 Feb 2021 - Ti Tree Bioenergy Payments - Project Development Process and Governance Framework
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Phil A. Smith

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND LAND MANAGER

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Kaye Cavanagh

MANAGER, ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Graeme Martin

ACTING GENERAL MANAGER, INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

“Together, we proudly enhance the quality of life for our community”

IPSWICH CENTRAL REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2023(02)

9 MARCH 2023

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE: Councillor Marnie Doyle (Chairperson); Councillors Mayor Teresa Harding, Kate Kunzelmann, Russell Milligan and Nicole Jonic (Deputy Chairperson)

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES: Nil

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Peter Tabulo), Precinct Director (James Hepburn), Brand and Activation Manager (Karyn Sutton) and Theatre Technician (Harrison Cate)

WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Marnie Doyle (Chairperson) delivered the Acknowledgement of Country.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE IPSWICH CENTRAL REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2023(01) OF 9 FEBRUARY 2023**

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Marnie Doyle:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That the Minutes of the Ipswich Central Redevelopment Committee held on 9 February 2023 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE
Councillors:
Doyle
Harding
Kunzelmann
Milligan

NEGATIVE
Councillors:
Nil

The motion was put and carried.

Councillor Nicole Jonic arrived at the meeting at 1.21 pm.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

2. NICHOLAS STREET PRECINCT - RETAIL SUB-PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE
JANUARY 2023

This is a report concerning the January 2023 Retail Sub-Project Steering Committee focussing on the status of the leasing program and associated developments with the retail component of the Nicholas Street Precinct redevelopment.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Russell Milligan:
Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

That the January 2023 Retail Sub-Project Steering Committee Report be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE
Councillors:
Doyle
Harding
Kunzelmann
Milligan
Jonic

NEGATIVE
Councillors:
Nil

The motion was put and carried.

3. NICHOLAS STREET PRECINCT - BRAND AND ACTIVATION MANAGER REPORT - FEBRUARY 2023

This is a report concerning the brand and activation activity undertaken and planned for the Nicholas Street Precinct in February 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Nicole Jonic:
Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

That the Nicholas Street Precinct Communications, Engagement and Events Monthly Report be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Doyle

Harding

Kunzelmann

Milligan

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MATTERS ARISING

Nil

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 1.19 pm.

The meeting closed at 1.24 pm.

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ITEM: 16.1

SUBJECT: CEO ORGANISATIONAL PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2023

AUTHOR: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

DATE: 27 FEBRUARY 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is for the month of February and summarises organisational performance in the areas of workplace health and safety, progress in delivery of Council's Corporate and Operational Plans, our people and culture, financial management, capital program delivery and significant risks and legal matters.

The organisation continues to remain focused on our ongoing service delivery while ensuring the recovery and rehabilitation of Council's assets within the City that were impacted by the February and May 2022 significant weather events. Recovery and rehabilitation works will continue throughout 2023 and 2024.

The report for this period highlights current significant matters and progress on key performance indicators.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Chief Executive Officer Organisational Performance Report for the month of February 2023 be received and the contents noted.

BACKGROUND

1. Current Significant Matters

Council's Flood Recovery Coordination Program

To date council has spent more than \$24 million on Ipswich's flood recovery, including \$8.7 million on the Voluntary Buy-Back program with six dwellings already demolished in Goodna, and \$8.25 million on emergency response and repairs. Council has 36 executed contracts across Goodna, Tivoli, Wulkuraka, West Ipswich, East Ipswich and Basin Pocket under the Voluntary Home Buy-Back program, allowing the worst hit residents to begin their lives free from flood-prone homes.

More than \$6.5 million has been spent on the reconstruction of roads, parks, drainage, street and sports field lighting, and nearly \$60,000 to collect and dispose of more than six tonnes of waterway rubbish from the floods.

Major parks such as Bob Gamble Park were reopened last year following an extensive clean-up effort, while the damage caused by floodwaters to River Heart Parklands and Colleges Crossing Recreation Reserve has left council with more complex recovery challenges. Community consultation will soon commence on the proposed design concept of the Colleges Crossing Recreation Reserve. Colleges Crossing is also soon to be partially and temporarily reopened to enable the community to re-commence enjoyment of the natural area. A partial reopening date is currently being scheduled once safety risks are addressed. River Heart Parklands will also soon be further re-opened with the exception of the boardwalk structure areas.

Ipswich Libraries

Council's six public library branches welcomed nearly 600,000 visitors last year, with every branch recording an increase in visitor numbers across 2022. In the city centre, the new Ipswich Children's Library recorded 123,575 visitors, a massive 44 percent uptick in popularity from 2021. More than 40,000 families visited the Ipswich Children's Library during the school holidays last year – an average of more than 530 visitors a day.

Ipswich Youth Advisory Council

The next generation of Ipswich leaders have stepped up with fresh ideas at the official launch of the 2023 Youth Advisory Council (IYAC). The 38 young residents met on Monday, 6 February, for their induction and first official meeting. IYAC comprises of young people aged between 13-18 years who come together to have a voice in raising issues and sharing ideas that affect young people in Ipswich. The IYAC members will meet up monthly and participate in a youth conference, sub-meetings and a range of other civic community events. They will also have the chance to meet community leaders from across Ipswich and develop networks with other young leaders.

2. Workplace Health and Safety

There was very good safety performance across council, with the injury and incident rates well below the same time last year.

The **Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR)** is 1.90 which is slightly higher than the month of January (1.43), as successive lost time injuries (LTI's) in September, October and November will continue to influence this average rate. This equates to 1.90 lost time injuries every six (6) months. At the time of writing the State averages for January and February 2023 had not been released. Based on previous averages provided (December 14.83), the Ipswich City Council (ICC) rate is significantly less than the state average and places ICC as one of the best performing Councils in Queensland.

Lost time severity rate is 43.95* which is higher than the month of January (35.70*). One employee will be off work for at least one year. (*Total days lost for each LTI).

3. Update on Corporate/Operational Plans

The Quarterly Performance Report for October - December 2022 (Quarter 2 period) on the 2022-2023 Operational Plan was presented to the February Governance and Transparency Committee.

Plans and the last quarterly report are available for public viewing on council's website:

https://www.ipswich.qld.gov.au/about_council/media/corporate_publications/annual-plan

4. Major Key Performance Indicators

People and Culture

- Council's workforce 'head count' has slightly increased as of 28 February 2023 at 1520 and is shown with 1142 full-time (1,144 in January), 160 part-time (160 in January); 130 casual (127 in January); and 88 contingency (82 in January) staff.
- Turnover rate for February 2023 is currently tracking at 10.08% and has slightly increased (10.03% in January).

Finance

The full financial performance report for February 2023 is a separate report on the Council agenda.

February's financial result has continued the same year to date trend of being ahead of budget. Council's overall net result as at 28 February 2023 (including capital revenues) is less than budget with a net surplus of \$60.1 million compared to the budget of \$61.8 million. Similar to January's result, the operating surplus is \$2.7 million ahead of budget which is driven by greater interest income, greater fees and charges revenue received than budget, and the receipt of QRA flood recovery revenue. The higher revenue is offset by expenditure incurred in the continued flood recovery, the use of contract labour and overtime, and higher prices of goods and services which are impacted by inflation. Some elements of these expenditures are likely to continue for the year and will be considered in budget amendments.

The whole of council capital program spending for the month of February (excluding voluntary home buy back and flood recovery) was \$12.2m below budget, and included underspends in the Nicholas Street Precinct of \$5.0 million and underspends in IED construction program of \$5.9 million.

Capital Delivery Program 2022-2023

A satisfactory performance for the Capital Delivery Program, despite being some \$6 million below budget for the month of February. The deficit includes a late progress payment

submission from Redbank Plains Road and delayed payment of gas service relocation works for Springfield Greenbank Arterial. The full year forecast is now in line with original budget estimates.

5. Risk and Compliance Update

Corporate Risk Register

Council's corporate risk register is reported through Council's Audit and Risk Management Committee which is held every quarter. Council's corporate risk register is reviewed every two months at the Executive Leadership Team (ELT) Risk Committee Meeting. Council's corporate risk register will be reviewed at the ELT Risk Committee meeting to be held on 4 April 2023 with amendments agreed to areas of responsibility, key mitigations and milestone progress. Council's iVolve Project corporate risk will continue to be closely monitored with regular reports to the Executive Leadership Team, Audit and Risk Management Committee and Governance and Transparency Committee through to the Council. Councillors discussed Council's current corporate risks at a workshop on 14 February 2023.

Legal Matters

An overview of all current active court proceedings and all significant legal matters that are not the subject of court proceedings is provided in a Confidential Attachment 2 to this report.

Matters that are not the subject of court proceedings will be considered significant where:

- they concern subject matter of significant public interest/concern; and/or
- where their outcome may present significant financial value/impact for Council; and/or
- where their outcome may set an important precedent for Council.

Generally significant non-court matters will only be reported where they are the subject of dispute and management of that dispute is being administered by Legal Services (as opposed to where Legal Services' involvement is ad-hoc or limited to the provision of internal advice), or where they concern a significant project for Council.

The detail reported in respect of each matter listed has been provided with privacy, confidentiality and legal professional privilege (and the requirement to maintain same) in mind.

6. Current Consultation Matters

Shape your Ipswich is Ipswich City Council's digital engagement platform where Council uses a range of digital techniques to connect with the community and promote any events associated with the consultation project. <https://shapeyouripswich.com.au/>

Projects currently open on Shape Your Ipswich (March 2023):

Project Name	Project Lead (Council Department)	Purpose of engagement
New Ipswich Planning Scheme	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	Informing the community that the consultation process will begin in the first half of 2023 and to learn more about the planning schemes.
Inclusion and Connectedness Plan	Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department	To seek feedback to help inform the Inclusion and Connectedness Plan.
iGO Transport Strategy Review	Infrastructure and Environment Department	A survey and pop up locations to help inform the iGO transport strategy review.
Character Place Nomination	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	To seek nominations from the community on historical character places as part of the Planning Scheme.
Ipswich Central	Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department	Ipswich Central Revitalisation projects, communications, information sharing and public events.
Community Panel	Coordination and Performance Department	Council's community engagement program for future focused policy, strategy, projects and plans.
Community Panel – closed member page	Coordination and Performance Department	The communications and engagement 'hub' for the community panel.
Ipswich Community Panel (ICP) Working Group – closed member page	Coordination and Performance Department	Closed page for community panel working group members coming together to inform Community Panel meetings.
Ipswich Arts Advisory Group - closed members page	Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department	Closed page for information sharing and discussion for the Ipswich Arts Advisory Group.

The Ipswich Heritage Network Group – closed member page	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	Closed page for information sharing and discussion on our city’s heritage, history and conservation.
Habitat Gardens Partnership – closed member page	Infrastructure and Environment Department	Platform for urban property owners to share their thoughts, ideas, successes, learnings and conservation aspirations.

Projects (new) that may open in the next month:

Project Name	Project Lead (Council Department)	Purpose of engagement
Colleges Crossing Recreation Reserve Flood Recovery	Coordination and Performance Department	Understand how the space has been used in the past and obtain feedback on the proposed reserve design concept.
Resource Recovery Strategy	Infrastructure and Environment Department	Create awareness of what has been achieved so far under the Resource Recovery Strategy and establishing a centralised ‘hub’ for future Resource Recovery engagements activities.

Project updates February 2023 – closing the loop:

Project Name	Project Lead (Council Department)	Purpose of engagement
Electoral Arrangement Review	Coordination and Performance Department	Updated with the final outcome report from the Change Commission.
Active and Healthy Program (Physical Activity in Ipswich)	Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department	Survey closed and will be used to select Active and Healthy programs for the community.

Community panel activity next month:

- Community Panel Meeting on Inclusion and Connectedness Plan held on 1 March 2023

7. External Funding

A summary of the grant revenue portfolio is provided below:

Funding Type	Total number of Grant projects	Total External Funding Received	Total Cost of Grant funded project/s (inc. Council & other Contributions)
State Government	38	\$20,475,844	\$38,975,628
Federal Government	22	\$20,910,522	\$35,229,067
Other	5	\$559,424	\$1,508,849
Total	65	\$41,945,790	\$75,713,544

The CEO Organisational Performance Report for the month of March 2023 will include additional information on external funding grants in an extra attachment to this report.

8. Council Flood Recovery Coordination

Council is currently working with the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) and other Departments regarding the costs associated with the February and May 2022 flooding and significant rain events.

The following table provides details on the current financial position of the recovery works:

FLOOD SUMMARY - 28 February 2023

	2021-2022	2022-2023	COMBINED
Revenue	-\$ 1,355,459	-\$ 21,522,241	-\$ 22,877,699
Expense	\$ 6,544,262	\$ 22,823,435	\$ 29,367,697
Net Position	\$ 5,188,803	\$ 1,301,194	\$ 6,489,998

	2021-2022	2022-2023	COMBINED
Revenue			
Revenue - Operational	-\$ 1,355,459	-\$ 1,486,782	-\$ 2,842,241
Revenue - Capital	\$ -	-\$ 20,035,459	-\$ 20,035,459
	-\$ 1,355,459	-\$ 21,522,241	-\$ 22,877,699
Expense			
Employee Expense (Excl Labour Contracts)	\$ 1,623,199	\$ 2,036,292	\$ 3,659,491
Labour Contracts	\$ 284,493	\$ 66,910	\$ 351,403
Expense Allocation In/Out	\$ 61,795	-\$ 251	\$ 61,545
Internal Trading Expense	\$ 683,679	\$ 662,691	\$ 1,346,370
Material & Services	\$ 3,882,875	\$ 20,055,431	\$ 23,938,305
Other Expenses	\$ 8,221	\$ 2,363	\$ 10,584
	\$ 6,544,262	\$ 22,823,435	\$ 29,367,697
Net Position	\$ 5,188,803	\$ -	\$ 1,301,195
		\$ -	\$ 6,489,998

COMBINED DATA - Flood Recovery Projects - February Flood Event, May Flood Event, LRRG.
Excludes QRRRF projects (Qld Resilience & Risk Reduction Funding)

The following tables provide an overview of the current status of claims:

Council Flood Recovery Coordination Program Claims					
Funding Source	Claim Details	Status	Requested Amount	Approved Amount	% of Claim Approved
Counter Disaster Operations	Payment advance	Approved	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	100%
Counter Disaster Operations	Claim 1 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$655,195.00	\$655,036.00	99.98%
Counter Disaster Operations	Claim 2 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$668,078.92	\$667,887.10	99.97%
Counter Disaster Operations	Claim 3 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$235,122.69	\$235,122.69	100%
Counter Disaster Operations	Claim 4 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$127,583.88	\$124,573.15	97.64%
Counter Disaster Operations	Claim 5 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$63,788.40	\$63,788.40	100%
Counter Disaster Operations	Claim 6 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$6,438.90	\$6,438.90	100%
Counter Disaster Operations	Claim 1 (May 22)	Approved	\$36,314.27	\$36,264.79	99.86%
Counter Disaster Operations	Claim 2 (May 22)	Approved	\$7,788.00	\$7,788.00	100%

Council Flood Recovery Coordination Program Claims					
Funding Source	Claim Details	Status	Requested Amount	Approved Amount	% of Claim Approved
Emergency Works	Claim 1 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$1,018,271.41	\$1,018,271.41	100%
Emergency Works	Claim 2 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$306,961.51	\$306,390.31	99.81%
Emergency Works	Claim 3 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$129,440.39	\$129,440.39	100%
Emergency Works	Claim 4 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$51,368.09	\$51,368.09	100%
Emergency Works	Claim 5 (Feb 22)	Approved	\$176,152.97	\$176,152.97	100%
Emergency Works	Claim 1 (May 22)	Approved	\$1,108,993.26	\$1,108,993.26	100%
Emergency Works	Claim 2 (May 22)	Approved	\$262,226.28	\$262,226.28	100%
Emergency Works	Claim 3 (May 22)	Approved	\$379,255.87	\$379,255.87	100%
Local Recovery and Resilience Grants	Pre-payment	Approved	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	100%
Stream Total			\$7,232,979.84	\$7,228,997.61	99.94%

Stream 1 Council Asset Recovery Program Claims					
Funding Source	Claim Details	Status	Requested Amount	Approved Amount	% of Claim Approved
Immediate Reconstruction	Romulus Crt Drainage failure	Approved	\$73,945	\$73,945	100%
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Flood Monitoring Gauge Replacement	Approved	\$157,594	\$157,594	100%
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Piepers Road Culvert Reconstruction	Approved	\$13,463	\$13,463	100%
Sport and Recreation Recovery Package	Community and Recreation Facilities	Assessment	\$25,011,602		
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	East Ipswich stormwater outfall	Assessment	\$700,149		
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Erosion repair Bradfield Bridge Nth	Assessment	\$283,159		
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Riverlink Bikeway	Assessment	\$320,559		
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	River Heart (Concrete Path)	Assessment	\$436,819		
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Ash Street Flood Gauge	Approved	\$24,352		
Stream Total			\$27,021,642	\$245,002	

Stream 2 Extraordinary Waste Clean-up

Funding Source	Claim Details	Status	Requested Amount	Approved Amount	% of Claim Approved
Cat D – Waste Clean-up	Claim 1	Assessment	\$40,417		
Cat D – Waste Clean-up	Claim 2	Assessment	\$27,485		
Stream Total			\$67,902		

Stream 3 Environmental Recovery Program Claims					
Funding Source	Claim Details	Status	Requested Amount	Approved Amount	% of Claim Approved
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Ventura Way Bio-Basin	Approved	\$56,164	\$56,164	100%
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Iron pot Creek	Approved	\$27,003	\$27,003	100%
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Nth Ipswich Sinkhole	Approved	\$145,730	\$72,865	50%
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Repair sinkhole in drainage channel Wiley St	Approved	\$23,650	\$23,650	100%
Healthy Land & Water	Woogaroo Creek Reach - Reconnaissance	Approved	\$15,000	\$15,000	100%
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Bio Basins – Bertilia St, Heron Ct, Azure Ct, Elmwood Ct, Magpie Cres	Assessment	\$448,987		
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Robelle Domain Sediment Removal	Assessment	\$3,601,999		
Stream Total			\$4,318,522	\$194,682	

Stream 4 Resilient Homes Fund Claims				
Funding Source	Claim Details	Status	Requested Amount	Approved Amount
Resilient Homes Fund	Advance Payment	Approved	\$60,000,000	\$60,000,000
Stream Total			\$60,000,000	\$60,000,000

9. Council Resolutions

Number of resolutions finalised since last report (14 February 2023): 19

Number of resolutions in progress as at 14 March 2023: 67

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS
RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORT
The recommendation states that the report be received and the contents noted. The decision to receive and note the report does not limit human rights. Therefore, the decision is compatible with human rights.

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

1.	Actions Report for the period 14 February 2023 to 14 March 2023 ↓ 
	CONFIDENTIAL
2.	Legal Services Confidential Attachment for CEO Organisation Performance Report for February 2023

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COMMUNITY, CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORT COMMITTEE

Actions in Progress: 1

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title	Expected Completion Date	Status
Community, Culture, Arts and Sport Committee 17/09/2020	Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department	5	Rosewood Community Centre	30/06/2023	In Progress

COMMUNITY, CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORT COMMITTEE

Actions completed since last report: 1

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title
Community, Culture, Arts and Sport Committee 9/02/2023	Coordination and Performance Department	2	Active Ipswich Strategy 2031 Annual Report Card

COUNCIL

Actions in progress: 22

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title	Expected Completion Date	Status
Council 28/01/2021	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	15.1	Review of Footpath Dining	1/07/2023	In Progress
Council 24/03/2022	Corporate Services Department	16.3	Acquisition of Drainage Easements for INF03896 Tregair Street Newtown	28/06/2024	In Progress
Council 21/04/2022	Coordination and Performance Department	16.2	Appointment of Deputy Mayor	27/04/2023	In Progress
Council 19/05/2022	Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department	17.1	Notice of Motion - Ripley Valley Library	30/06/2023	In Progress
Council 30/06/2022	Coordination and Performance Department	14.1	Community Engagement Report on the Naming of the Bridge on Sinnathamby Boulevard, Springfield Central and the Renaming of Pisasale Drive, Yamanto	30/06/2023	In Progress
Council 14/07/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	6.2	Nicholas Street Precinct - Approval of an Agreement for Lease for Metro B Tenancy 2B05	TBA	In Progress
Council 11/08/2022	Corporate Services Department	6.1	Nicholas Street Precinct - Investment Strategy	30/04/2023	In Progress
Council 25/08/2022	Corporate Services Department	16.2	Brighton Homes Arena, Springfield Central Stadium Project Funding	26/04/2023	In Progress
Council 25/08/2022	Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department	16.2	Brighton Homes Arena, Springfield Central Stadium Project Funding	30/06/2023	In Progress
Council 29/09/2022	Corporate Services Department	16.2	Flood Recovery Resilient Homes Fund - Voluntary Home Buy-Back Proposed Property Acquisition	30/06/2023	In progress
Council 8/12/2022	Corporate Services Department	16.1	Potential Sale of Swifts Sports Club located over part of 95A Brisbane Road, Booval	31/12/2023	In Progress
Council 8/12/2022	Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department	9	Public Participation	31/03/2023	In Progress
Council 19/01/2023	Corporate Services Department	16.5	Procurement - George Alder Tennis Centre	31/07/2023	In Progress

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Meeting	Dept	Item	Title	Expected Completion Date	Status
Council 19/01/2023	Corporate Services Department	16.6	Procurement - Recommendation to Award New Modular Clubhouses for Ironbark Park and Jim Donald Parklands	31/03/2023	In Progress
Council 19/01/2023	Infrastructure and Environment Department	7.1	Petition - Build a playground in Woodend, Ipswich	30/03/2023	In Progress
Council 19/01/2023	Corporate Services Department	16.5	Procurement - George Alder Tennis Centre	31/07/2023	In Progress
Council 19/01/2023	Corporate Services Department	16.6	Procurement - Recommendation to Award New Modular Clubhouses for Ironbark Park and Jim Donald Parklands	31/03/2023	In Progress
Council 19/01/2023	Infrastructure and Environment Department	7.1	Petition - Build a playground in Woodend, Ipswich	30/03/2023	In Progress
Council 23/02/2023	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	14.1	Development Application (17522/2021/PDA) Recommendation - Proposed Community Use (Child Care Centre) at 7001 Grampian Drive, Deebling Heights	27/03/2023	In Progress
Council 23/02/2023	Coordination and Performance Department	14.2	Suspected Inappropriate Conduct of a Councillor	27/03/2023	In Progress
Council 23/02/2023	Coordination and Performance Department	14.2	Suspected Inappropriate Conduct of a Councillor	31/03/2023	In Progress
Council 23/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	16.4	Procurement: 20067 Parks and Facilities - Flood Damaged Assets Reconstruction Project	27/03/2023	In Progress

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Actions completed since last report: 7

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title
Council 27/01/2022	Corporate Services Department	16.7	Procurement - Rosewood Showgrounds Camping Facility
Council 27/01/2022	Corporate Services Department	16.7	Procurement - Rosewood Showgrounds Camping Facility
Council 25/08/2022	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	7.1	Petition – Request for Sound Barrier – Redbank Motorway Industrial Estate
Council 8/12/2022	Corporate Services Department	16.6	Further General Rates Concession for Properties Impacted by the February 2022 Flood Event
Council 19/01/2023	Corporate Services Department	16.2	Disposal of Council Freehold Land - Access Restriction Strip located at Lot 236 Hartog Street, Barellan Point
Council 19/01/2023	Corporate Services Department	16.3	Disposal of Council Freehold Land - Access Restriction Strip located at Lot 504 Berrigan Street, Redbank Plains
Council 23/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	16.2	Procurement: Oracle Licences for iVolve

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ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Actions in progress: 2

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title	Expected Completion Date	Status
Economic and Industry Development Committee 13/10/2022	Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department	2	Notice of Motion - Event Friendly Council	31/03/2023	In progress
Economic and Industry Development Committee 9/02/2023	Community, Cultural and Economic Development Department	2	Event Sponsorship - Ipswich Cup 2023	13/04/2023	In progress

ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Actions completed since last report: Nil

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Actions in progress: 8

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title	Expected Completion Date	Status
Environment and Sustainability Committee 10/02/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	5	Franklin Vale Creek Catchment Restoration Plan 2021-2026	1/06/2023	In progress
Environment and Sustainability Committee 11/08/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	5	Proposal for renewing Resilient Rivers Bremer River Catchment Officer hosted as a Partnership between Scenic Rim and Ipswich City Council	31/03/2023	In progress
Environment and Sustainability Committee 10/11/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	3	Little Liverpool Range Initiative update	TBA	In progress
Environment and Sustainability Committee 10/11/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	5	Healthy Land and Water Network Membership Agreement 2023 - 2025	TBA	In progress
Environment and Sustainability Committee 10/11/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	6	Repeal of the Conservation Estates and Reserves Management Policy	TBA	In progress
Environment and Sustainability Committee 9/02/2023	Infrastructure and Environment Department	1	Update - Notice of Motion to request White Rock Spring Mountain Conservation Estate to be Dedicated as a National Park	26/05/2023	In progress
Environment and Sustainability Committee 9/02/2023	Infrastructure and Environment Department	2	Update - Engagement Planning - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Engagement Guide	01/07/2023	In progress
Environment and Sustainability Committee 9/02/2023	Infrastructure and Environment Department	4	Review of the Local Disaster Management Plan	TBA	In progress

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Actions completed since last report: 1

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title
Environment and Sustainability Committee 29/11/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	5	Response to Mayoral Motion - Review of the February/March 2022 flood event

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GOVERNANCE AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE

Actions in progress: 18

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title	Expected Completion Date	Status
Governance and Transparency Committee 11/02/2021	Corporate Services Department	4	Acquisition of Land for INF02414 Road Purposes Redbank Plains Road Stage 3	31/05/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 11/02/2021	Corporate Services Department	6	Acquisition of Drainage Easements for INF04089 Local Drainage Rehabilitation Project Pryde and Hume Street, Woodend	30/06/2024	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 10/02/2022	Corporate Services Department	7	Acquisition of Land for Road Purposes for INF03875 Keanes Road Rosewood Bridge Replacement	28/04/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 16/06/2022	Corporate Services Department	9	Repeal of Previous Council Decision for Renewal of Lease - Kiosk 1 Karalee Shopping Village, 39 Junction Road, Chuwar - CVS Lane Capital Partners Pty Ltd to Ipswich City Council	28/06/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 14/07/2022	Corporate Services Department	4	Renewal of Lease over 205 Brisbane Street, Ipswich from MAEA Investments Pty Ltd	28/06/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 14/07/2022	Corporate Services Department	5	Acquisition of extinguished easement - Easement B on RP202017 over 15 Nelson St, Bundamba	31/03/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 11/08/2022	Corporate Services Department	5	Proposed New Trustee Lease to Goodna and Districts Rugby League Football Club Inc. over 135 Brisbane Terrace, Goodna	30/04/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 15/09/2022	Corporate Services Department	3	Acquisition of Land for Road Purpose for INF04368 Hunter Street Bus Relocation	31/03/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 13/10/2022	Corporate Services Department	7	Renewal of Expenditure Lease over Shop 3321 and 3322, Redbank Plaza, 1 Collingwood Drive, Redbank	28/04/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 13/10/2022	Corporate Services Department	8	Flood Recovery Resilient Homes Fund - Voluntary Home Buy Back Proposed Property Acquisition	30/06/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 10/11/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	7	Flood Recovery Resilient Homes Fund - Voluntary Home Buy Back Proposed Property Acquisition	TBA	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 10/11/2022	Corporate Services Department	9	Disposal of interest in land for Easements over part of 13B and 15 Haig Street, Brassall for Urban Utilities Sewerage Treatment Plant located at 13 Haig Street, Brassall	29/12/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 29/11/2022	Coordination and Performance Department	1	Response to Council Resolution - Reporting Processes	15/12/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 9/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	10	Procurement: DiSC Profile Solution	13/03/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 9/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	5	Disposal of Interest in Land for Easement Purposes Over Part of 1 Haig Street, Brassall	31/12/2023	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 9/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	6	Procurement: Rates Modelling Software (EasyRev) Maintenance and Support Agreement - Extension to Contract 12472	TBA	In progress
Governance and Transparency Committee 9/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	8	Procurement: Customer Experience Maturity Assessment	30/05/2023	In progress

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Governance and Transparency Committee 9/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	9	Procurement: Waste Management Software Solution Contracts 12759 and 14024	31/03/2023	In progress

GOVERNANCE AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE

Actions completed since last report: 9

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title
Governance and Transparency Committee 15/09/2022	Corporate Services Department	6	Renewal of Lease to Brisbane City Council for the Riverview Asphalt Plant
Governance and Transparency Committee 13/10/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	8	Flood Recovery Resilient Homes Fund - Voluntary Home Buy Back Proposed Property Acquisition
Governance and Transparency Committee 10/11/2022	Corporate Services Department	4	Procurement: Oracle Service Cloud (RightNow) Licence and Support 2023
Governance and Transparency Committee 9/02/2023	Coordination and Performance Department	4	Update to Council's Meeting Conduct Policy, Meeting Procedures Policy and Public Participation Policy
Governance and Transparency Committee 9/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	4	Update to Council's Meeting Conduct Policy, Meeting Procedures Policy and Public Participation Policy
Governance and Transparency Committee 9/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	5	Disposal of Interest in Land for Easement Purposes Over Part of 1 Haig Street, Brassall
Governance and Transparency Committee 9/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	7	Procurement: Supply of Unbound Pavement Material for Maintenance of Council's Unsealed Roads
Governance and Transparency Committee 9/02/2023	Corporate Services Department	7	Procurement: Supply of Unbound Pavement Material for Maintenance of Council's Unsealed Roads
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GROWTH, INFRASTRUCTURE AND WASTE COMMITTEE

Actions in progress: 14

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title	Expected Completion Date	Status
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 10/06/2021	Corporate Services Department	13	Amendment to Acquisition of INF02725 Drainage Easement for Local Drainage Rehabilitation at Arthur Summervilles Road, Karalee	30/06/2024	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 5/08/2021	Corporate Services Department	2	Disposal of Subterranean Land Located at Lots 21 and 22 Ipswich-Rosewood Road, Amberley	29/12/2023	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 4/11/2021	Infrastructure and Environment Department	2	E-Scooters in Ipswich	30/03/2023	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 4/11/2021	Corporate Services Department	5	Acquisition of Drainage Easement INF04249 - 11 Panton Street, Woodend	30/04/2023	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 10/02/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	2	Expanding the Ipswich Bus Network	30/06/2023	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 15/09/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	1	Response to Petition - Leash Free Dog Area, Camira Recreation Park	30/06/2023	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 15/09/2022	Corporate Services Department	2	Redbank Plains Library Additional Community Meeting Space - Response to Notice of Motion	31/03/2023	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 15/09/2022	Corporate Services Department	8	Alternative Road Surfacing Options	31/03/2023	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 15/09/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	8	Alternative Road Surfacing Options	TBA	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 10/11/2022	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	1	Updated Heritage Study to Assist and Inform the New Ipswich Planning Scheme	1/07/2023	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 10/11/2022	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	3	Ipswich General Cemetery Heritage Project Final Concept Design	30/06/2023	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 29/11/2022	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	5	Concept Design Master Plan - Tallegalla Cemetery	30/06/2023	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 9/02/2023	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	1	Response to Petition: Request for Sound Barrier - Redbank Motorway Industrial Estate	TBA	In progress
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 9/02/2023	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	3	Warrill Park Lawn Cemetery - Master Plan Report	30/06/2024	In progress

GROWTH, INFRASTRUCTURE AND WASTE COMMITTEE

Actions completed since last report: 1

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title
Growth Infrastructure and Waste Committee 9/02/2023	Planning and Regulatory Services Department	4	Regional Planning Interests Act 2014- Application 22/009- Austral Bricks- Mt Walker- Request for comments

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IPSWICH CENTRAL REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Actions in progress: 2

Meeting	Dept	Item	Title	Expected Completion Date	Status
Ipswich Central Redevelopment Committee 13/10/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	2	Nicholas Street Precinct - Approval of an Agreement for Lease for Metro B Tenancy 2BK3	30/01/2023	In progress
Ipswich Central Redevelopment Committee 29/11/2022	Infrastructure and Environment Department	6	Procurement - Contract 16456 Program Management Services Variation	16/01/2023	In progress

IPSWICH CENTRAL REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Actions completed since last report: Nil

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SUBJECT: NEW LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN 2024

AUTHOR: SENIOR PLANNING OFFICER (STRATEGIC)

DATE: 10 MARCH 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is intended to facilitate Council's endorsement of the draft Local Government Infrastructure Plan (LGIP 2024) to form part of the proposed new Ipswich Planning Scheme (Ipswich Plan 2024) for the purpose of State review and public notification in accordance with the provisions of the *Planning Act 2016* (the Act), the *Planning Regulation 2017* (the Regulation) and the *Ministers Guidelines and Rules* (MGR).

The preparation of the draft LGIP 2024 has involved:

- early engagement and consultation with Urban Utilities and State agencies on the key planning assumptions;
- targeted community consultation to inform the preparation of the parks and land for community facilities networks;
- numerous workshops and briefing sessions on the key planning assumptions and network planning matters with internal stakeholder and the Council; and
- preparation of detailed studies and updated modelling to inform the preparation of the LGIP 2024, including:
 - a. updated land valuation report;
 - b. demographic and employment analysis report;
 - c. unit rate reviews;
 - d. new Ipswich population modeller;
 - e. new Ipswich strategic traffic model; and
 - f. new Ipswich strategic multi-modal model.

Although the preparation of the LGIP 2024 is being undertaken under a different statutory process to the preparation of the Ipswich Plan 2024, it is expected that they will be completed in unison.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- A. That Council endorse the draft LGIP 2024, including all extrinsic material, to form part of the Ipswich Plan 2024 for the purpose of State review and public consultation.**

- B. That following endorsement from the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, the Chief Executive Officer undertake the necessary actions to enable public consultation of the draft LGIP 2024 in accordance with the *Minister's Guidelines and Rules*, and generally consistent with the integrated community engagement and communications plan prepared for the Ipswich Plan 2024.**
- C. That Council adopt the population projections prepared for the LGIP as the official Council population projection figures.**

RELATED PARTIES

There are no related parties associated with this report.

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PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

Council (under Interim Administration) resolved to prepare a new Ipswich Planning Scheme (Ipswich Plan 2024) in October 2018 and subsequently resolved to prepare a new Local Government Infrastructure Plan (LGIP 2024) in September 2021 to plan for, and ensure, the provision of trunk infrastructure to support growth, development and the needs of the community, consistent with the vision, policies and provisions of the proposed Ipswich Plan 2024.

An LGIP:

- integrates infrastructure planning with the land use planning identified in the local planning scheme;
- provides transparency regarding a local government's intentions for the provision of trunk infrastructure;
- enables a local government to estimate the cost of providing infrastructure to assist its long-term financial planning and asset management;
- ensures that planned trunk infrastructure is efficiently delivered; and
- provides a basis for imposing conditions about infrastructure on development approvals.

The LGIP forms part of a local government's planning scheme and must be prepared in accordance with the Act and the MGR, including the LGIP template, and must include the following mandatory components:

1. planning assumptions including development projections and infrastructure demand projections;
2. priority infrastructure area (PIA);
3. desired standards of service (DSS); and
4. plans for trunk infrastructure (PFTI) including the schedule of works (SOW) model and extrinsic material.

Trunk infrastructure identified in a LGIP must:

1. be provided in a **coordinated, efficient and orderly** way which prioritises urban development in areas where adequate infrastructure exists or can be provided efficiently;
2. be **necessary** to service urban development or an increase in the standard of service;
3. provide an **adequate, but affordable** standard of service to urban development;
4. be the **most cost-effective** means of servicing urban development, having regard to not only the capital cost, but also the maintenance and operating costs of the infrastructure going forward; and
5. reflect a **consistent servicing strategy** across all trunk infrastructure networks.

The proposed LGIP 2024 has addressed and considered these components.

The MGR also requires a local government to undertake a financial sustainability assessment and demonstrate:

1. the ability to fund the trunk infrastructure identified in its LGIP from a combination of sources, including infrastructure charges and rates revenue; and
2. the advancement of the alignment between its LGIP, Asset Management Plan (AMP) and the Long Term Financial Forecast (LTFF), by applying common assumptions about growth, timing of development, revenue and expenditure and by considering the affordability of its LGIP.

The proposed LGIP 2024 includes a Financial Sustainability Review.

The process to prepare an LGIP

The MGR outlines the mandatory steps a local government must follow when making, amending or reviewing an LGIP, with seven (7) stages for making an LGIP:



Stages 1 and 2 (planning and Preparation and First Compliance Check) have now been completed and this report is seeking Council endorsement to proceed to State review and public consultation. The State guidance identifies the following indicative timeframes for making an LGIP, indicating the State review is likely to take approximately 30 business days.

LGIP 2024 has been prepared in parallel with the draft Ipswich Plan 2024 to align infrastructure planning with land use planning in accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Regulation, and the MGR.

Non mandatory targeted engagement for the parks network and the land for community facilities network has been undertaken as outlined in the supporting summary document (refer to Attachment 1 - LGIP 2024 Confidential Supporting Summary Document). The LGIP 2024 is required to be on placed on display for a minimum period of 30 business days for public consultation.

Part 4 – Making an LGIP	
Section 15: Planning and preparation	12 months
Section 16: First compliance check	45 business days
Section 17: State review	30 business days
Sections 18.1 – 18.3: Public consultation	50 business days (Including a 30-business-day statutory consultation period)
Sections 18.4 – 18.9: Consideration of submissions	45 business days
Section 19: Second compliance check	30 business days
Section 20: Minister's consideration	20 business days
Section 21: Adoption	30 business days

Detailed overview of the planning and preparation stage

The proposed LGIP 2024 continues to include three (3) trunk infrastructure networks, being the transport, parks, and land for community facilities networks. Review work is currently underway to consider the future inclusion of a stormwater network.

Urban Utilities (UU) remains responsible for water and sewerage infrastructure planning, charging and delivery, and these networks are not included in the LGIP 2024.

Similarly, infrastructure planning, charging and delivery for the Ripley Valley PDA is the responsibility of Economic Development Queensland (EDQ) and is not included in the LGIP 2024. The planning assumptions include the Ripley Valley PDA projections as prepared for EDQ to ensure the proper consideration of the inter-relationship between servicing development within and outside of the Ripley Valley PDA.

The proposed LGIP 2024 has been prepared in Isovist as Part 6 of the draft Ipswich Plan 2024 and is included in Attachment 2 - LGIP Part 6 and Associated Amendments.

Population and demand assumptions

The planning assumptions form the basis for the LGIP and align expected future land use intensity, and type and pattern of development as envisaged by the planning scheme, to infrastructure planning.

The LGIP must state the assumptions about population and employment growth, and the type, scale, location and timing of development (collectively known as the planning assumptions). The planning assumptions for the proposed LGIP have been developed using residential and employment (non-residential) estimates and projections modelled in the new Ipswich Population Modeller (IPM) with the new planning assumptions based on the new zoning proposed for the Ipswich Plan 2024.

The planning assumptions use an updated base year of 2021 to accord with future ABS census years with projection milestones prepared by five (5) year cohorts to 2046, providing a projection period of 25 years for the LGIP 2024. Projections for ultimate are also included, being the realistic extent of development anticipated to be achieved when all land is fully developed consistent with the Ipswich Plan 2024.

The proposed LGIP 2024 planning assumptions are detailed in the LGIP Extrinsic Material Report - Planning Assumptions, November 2022 (refer to Attachment 3 - LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 1 - Planning Assumptions).

The new planning assumptions were informed by the Ipswich Demographic and Employment Analysis and IPM Input Report, July 2022 (refer to Attachment 4 - LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 6 - Ipswich Demographic and Employment Analysis and IPM Input Report).

The Springfield Structure Plan was retained and reflected in the new IPM, with a special case produced for the Springfield Town Centre to align with the Springfield Town Centre Concept Plan (residential and non-residential).

Finally, a defined priority infrastructure (PIA) area was identified which meets or exceeds the requirements of the MGR.

The following tables provide a summary of the population, dwelling and employment figures as prepared for the new LGIP 2024.

Existing and projected population 2021 to Ultimate

Column 1 Projection Area	Column 2 LGIP Development Type	Column 3 Existing and projected population						
		30 June 2021 (base date)	2026	2031	2036	2041	2046	Ultimate development
Ipswich City (total)	Attached dwelling	20,917	29,094	38,714	53,836	75,213	103,555	188,018
	Detached dwelling	216,633	250,049	289,557	332,172	378,662	430,247	474,140
	Total	237,550	279,144	328,270	386,008	453,875	533,802	662,158

Existing and projected dwellings 2021 to Ultimate

Column 1 Projection Area	Column 2 LGIP Development Type	Column 3 Existing and projected dwellings						
		30 June 2021 (base date)	2026	2031	2036	2041	2046	Ultimate development
Ipswich City (total)	Attached dwelling	11,664	14,723	18,849	25,288	34,625	47,875	88,933
	Detached dwelling	74,917	85,215	98,058	112,098	127,476	144,523	162,381
	Total	86,581	99,938	116,908	137,386	162,101	192,398	251,314

Existing and projected employees 2021 to Ultimate

Column 1 Projection Area	Column 2 LGIP Development Type	Column 3 Existing and projected employees							
		30 June 2021 (base date)	2026	2031	2031	2036	2041	2046	Ultimate development
Ipswich City (total)	Commercial	18,483	21,215	24,478	30,142	36,167	41,967	47,893	97,208
	Community	12,098	15,644	17,921	20,052	22,459	24,387	25,773	29,118
	Industrial	19,003	22,243	25,376	28,893	33,006	37,727	43,445	126,598
	Other	6,328	6,674	6,998	7,322	7,646	7,970	8,078	8,430
	Retail	18,544	22,303	25,268	28,481	31,489	36,864	40,596	57,122
	Total	74,454	88,080	100,042	114,891	130,767	148,914	165,786	318,477

The population and employment figures relied upon to inform the LGIP preparation is further detailed in the supporting summary document (refer to Attachment 1 - LGIP 2024 Confidential Supporting Summary Document).

It is further recommended that the tables included in Part 6 and associated schedules of the draft Ipswich Plan 2024 may be relied upon as the current Ipswich LGA projections for Council publications and projects.

State agencies consultation

An initial briefing session was held with the Planning Group, Planning & Development Services, SEQ West Region from the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning on 10 June 2022.

An LGIP information package was provided on 14 June 2022, consisting of a State briefing document, draft zoning mapping for the proposed Ipswich Plan 2024, draft land use planning assumptions, draft overlay rules, and draft residential growth and employment projections from the base year of 2021 to 2046 and for ultimate.

A coordinated response was received from the State on the 16 September 2022 advising that Council may use the proposed new planning assumptions for the purposes of preparing the LGIP 2024.

Urban Utilities consultation

Early engagement was also undertaken with Urban Utilities (UU) with an initial LGIP information package for the LGIP 2024 provided on 20 June 2022. Multiple meetings were held with UU leading up to the referral and to work through the information provided, which included a background briefing document, draft zoning mapping for the proposed Ipswich Plan 2024 with the proposed PIA identified, the draft land use planning assumptions, draft overlay rules, and draft residential growth and employment projections from the base year of 2021 to 2046 and for ultimate.

A response was received from UU on the 24 August 2022 supporting the proposed LGIP assumptions and projections in principle.

UU noted the proposed residential growth projections as realistic growth projections that resembled the in-house UU projections for the ICC area. Minor clarification was sought in relation to the Swanbank industrial area and UU highlighted the desire to continue to work collaboratively with Council, including in relation to consultation on the PIA.

Network Planning

The network planning is described in more detail in the supporting summary document (refer to Attachment 1 - LGIP 2024 Confidential Supporting Summary Document). As a summary, the network planning is a product of:

- Identification of anticipated demand (growth)
- Identification of a standard of service (what standards of infrastructure do we aim for)
- Preparation of a network (spatially) to meet the demand at the level of service
- Preparation of a network cost (including land and asset construction).

The key points to note with the network build are:

- New land valuations have also been prepared to inform land acquisition costs.

These have generally increased across the city however this valuation was completed immediately prior to the 2022 flood event. Further review of these valuations may be required in the future.

- The networks have focussed on building a series of community assets to support future growth, seeking assumption where possible. Planned assets have been consolidated where possible.
- Targeted consultation has been undertaken to understand both need and community expectation in the preparation of the land for community facilities networks and the parks networks.
- New transport modelling has been prepared to inform the transport network, which includes attempting to model increased public transport provision and utilisation over time.
- Efforts have been made to improve the efficiency of the infrastructure networks.

The network build also presents some significant challenges in that:

- The network planning has factored the latest construction cost data, including post COVID impacts on construction costs. On average, this has increased network delivery cost by approximately 30%. Further review of these costs may be required in the future.
- These cost increases essentially offset any efficiencies gained in the network build associated with the proposed LGIP.
- The overall cost of the network is therefore greater than the current LGIP.

Schedule of works (SOW) model

The MGR requires the SOW model to be developed consistent with the State template. The proposed SOW model was prepared using the template as the basis for the model and included additional functionality. This involved the preparation of a schedule of works for trunk infrastructure which is used to determine the financial sustainability of the LGIP in a consistent and transparent manner.

This relies upon the network planning discussed above, as well as cost and revenue forecasts. This therefore allows the determination of the efficiency of the network, or in other words the gap between the network cost and the projected revenue.

The following table summarises the overall establishment cost for all Council networks for the LGIP period (as included in the SOW model), excluding the Ripley Valley PDA.

Council Network	Existing Network (current cost)	Future Network (Net Present Value)	Total Network Cost
Transport network	\$1,251,618,553	\$1,005,809,773	\$2,257,428,326
Parks network	\$704,669,199	\$527,619,707	\$1,232,288,906
Land for community facilities network	\$20,995,648	\$15,240,834	\$36,236,483
ICC LGIP totals	\$1,977,283,401	\$1,548,670,314	\$3,525,953,715

The SOW model is an interactive Excel model that is unable to be printed owing to its size (refer to Attachment 5 - LGIP SOW Model). The confidential SOW Model (in excel) has been uploaded separately to the Council portal.

The key challenge associated with the project and the assembled Schedule of Works is the financial sustainability review.

Projected Revenue and Network Costs

The revenue from the LGIP is relatively linear based on the broadly linear population projections and the *Planning Regulation 2017* sets a prescribed charge, which is the maximum infrastructure charge that can be applied to development. Revenue projections are able to be calculated based on the population growth and the infrastructure demand using the prescribed charge.

In addition, the costs of the network can be established using the desired standards of service and translating these to calculate the infrastructure network costs. This LGIP reflects recent price escalations in project costs and land costs and has included a complete network review of the transport, open space and land for community facilities networks. This has included a reduction in the scale and extent of parts of the network (review, removal, consolidation) to focus on determining the necessary infrastructure to service development.

The networks were not developed to match anticipated revenue, rather the LGIP:

- developed a population model to understand expected growth over 25 years, and to ultimate development for the zoning of the Ipswich Plan 2024;
- built and costed an infrastructure network for the 25 years of growth for the city; and
- modelled revenue based on modelled population growth and expected prescribed charges, which has been analysed against historic revenue.

This proposed LGIP includes some of the post COVID impacts on construction of assets. On average, this has increased construction costs by at least 30%.

Also, whilst an attempt to model increased public transport provision and utilisation over time has been undertaken in the Transport modelling, without a clear network and committed improvement plan by the State, the results of the LGIP could be further worsened if there is not commensurate investment in public transport infrastructure.

Financial Sustainability

The financial inputs into the SOW model and financial sustainability review has been prepared as extrinsic material, refer to Attachment 6 - LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 9 - SOW Financial Inputs and Financial Sustainability Review.

Following this comparison of revenue vs network costs, the proposed LGIP presents sustainability ratio of 56%. This is much lower than the current LGIP which has a sustainability ratio of 88%.

In practice, this means that 44% of the infrastructure costs will need to be sourced from revenue outside of the infrastructure contributions collected for development. The sustainability ratio from this exercise is sub-optimal, substantially lower than the present LGIP, and lower in comparison to other LGIP's in SEQ (noting they generally do not reflect and include the current cost spikes). It is recognised that there will be a significant sustainability challenge that will in part need to rely heavily on initiatives to improve sustainability as well as seeking funding sources outside of the collected infrastructure charges to accommodate future growth. The full required network is able to be funded from infrastructure charges, rates and borrowings. However, this will be challenging to finance and balance with other investment and spending priorities.

A combination of ongoing improvements and alternative funding sources will be required to fund the trunk infrastructure reflecting the significant increase in costs for both land and works. This includes:

- adequate increases in infrastructure contributions revenue (the prescribed charge requires review and updating to reflect current pricing);
- rates and grants;
- alternative funding sources for major infrastructure;
- construction efficiency targets;
- further network review; and
- improved alignment between the LTFF, Capital Works Program and the LGIP.

Given the outcome of the proposed LGIP and the critical importance of long term sustainability, it will be important to invest in the consideration of funding sources, improvements and efficiencies as described above and it will be important to continue to work with the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning in its review of the adopted charges regime.

LGIP Compliance with the MGR

The MGR requires a local government to engage an Appointed reviewer at its own cost to undertake two (2) compliance checks when making a new LGIP. These compliance checks are only able to be undertaken by a person or party who holds the specified qualifications and who are included on the Panel of approved LGIP reviewers as specified by the State.

The first compliance check is required to be undertaken at the completion of the planning and preparation stage, prior to referral of the LGIP for State review.

Appointed reviewer

Morgan Wilson was commissioned by Council as the LGIP project coordinator and Appointed reviewer to undertake the compliance reviews as prescribed in the MGR. Morgan Wilson is included on the Panel of approved LGIP reviewers.

The Appointed reviewer is required to comply with the fundamental ethical principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence, due care and professional behaviour when undertaking the compliance check, and must:

- consider whether the proposed LGIP complies with and addresses the requirements of the MGR;
- consider whether the proposed LGIP or amendment is consistent with the regulated requirements;
- evaluate whether each requirement in the Review checklist has been complied with; and
- complete the Review checklist.

Review checklist and Appointed reviewer statement

The completed review checklist and Appointed review statement provide the basis for assessing and detailing the findings of the compliance review of the proposed LGIP 2024 against the statutory legislative requirements.

The review checklist and statement are required to be provided to the Minister as part of the information provided for the State review, and then to be made available during public consultation.

In completing the review, the Appointed reviewer has made the following recommendations:

- Council continue to engage with the State and other relevant bodies to review and amend the regulated infrastructure charges to better reflect the actual cost of trunk infrastructure delivery.
- Council continue to invest in the preparation of strategies to improve the efficiency of trunk infrastructure delivery.
- Council continue with the ongoing review to improve the alignment between the LGIP and the AMP and LTFF.
- Council continue to action the recommendations of the Asset Management Improvement Project.
- Council continue to improve coordination and alignment between capital delivery and the LGIP.

The Appointed reviewer's statement concludes that the LGIP 2024 complies with the LGIP checklist, MGR and legislative requirements, with the Appointed reviewer recommending that the LGIP 2024 should proceed unchanged.

The completed review checklist and Appointed reviewer statement are included in Attachment 7 - LGIP Completed Review Checklist and Appointed Reviewer Statement.

Next steps

State review

Following Council endorsement of the proposed new LGIP 2024 to form part of the Ipswich Plan 2024, the local government must:

1. write to the Minister requesting a State review of the proposed LGIP; and
2. give the Minister the following information:

- i. an electronic copy of the proposed LGIP;
- ii. the SOW model prepared by the local government as part of the LGIP (Excel);
- iii. the Review checklist completed by the Appointed reviewer;
- iv. the completed and signed Appointed reviewer statement; and
- v. the extrinsic material including background studies, reports, and supporting information that informed the preparation of the proposed LGIP.

Based on the indicative State timeframes, the response from the Minister should be received in May 2023.

Public consultation

Following the State review, public consultation will commence. The public consultation is indicatively scheduled to commence in May 2023 to provide sufficient time to review the State response and make any minor changes necessary. This timeframe is subject to the State meeting the indicative timeframes above.

Public consultation must be carried out in accordance with the following requirements:

- for a period of at least 30 days;
- the public notice requirements prescribed under schedule 4 of the MGR; and
- the content, function and calculations of the SOW model, which is part of the LGIP, must be visible and accessible to all stakeholders.

During the consultation period, the local government must:

- place a public notice in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area;
- display a copy of the public notice in an obvious place in each of the local government's offices;
- keep a copy of the proposed LGIP, including the SOW model, extrinsic material referenced in the LGIP and completed Review checklist in each of the local government's offices, available for inspection and purchase; and
- make the public notice and proposed LGIP, including the SOW model, extrinsic material referenced in the LGIP and completed Review checklist available on the local government's website.

Prior to proceeding to the second compliance check and Minister's consideration, the local government must consider every properly made submission received as a result of the consultation undertaken.

A subsequent submission report will be prepared for consideration by Council following public consultation. In the event that major changes to the LGIP are required, resulting in the proposed LGIP being significantly different to the version released for public consultation, the local government must repeat the public consultation process.

It may be possible to align the notification of the LGIP with the notification of the Planning Scheme which is anticipated to be occurring in parallel.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

This report and its recommendations are consistent with the following legislative provisions:
Planning Act 2016
Planning Regulation 2017

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The following plans and strategies were considered and informed the preparation of the LGIP 2024:

- Active Ipswich Strategy – to inform the parks network and transport network preparation
- Arts and Cultural Strategy – to inform the land for community facilities network preparation
- Community Development Strategy – to inform the land for community facilities network preparation
- iGO City of Ipswich Transport Plan – to inform the transport network preparation
- Nature Conservation Strategy – to inform the parks network preparation
- Open Space and Recreation Strategy – to inform the parks network preparation

The LGIP 2024 was also informed and prepared in parallel with the Ipswich Plan 2024. It is noted that a number of these informing plans and strategies are currently under review and will also likely be informed by the work undertaken for the LGIP 2024.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

A risk to Council exists should the program timeline not be adhered to, potentially compromising the delivery of the LGIP 2024 project and the Ipswich Plan 2024. There is also a risk of delay in the provision of the State review decision to proceed to public consultation. A risk register with mitigation measures has been prepared which is being actively monitored and managed.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The costs of preparing the LGIP are included in the 2022-2023 budget and will be considered in the coming 2023-2024 budget.

It is worth noting that the new LGIP has seen the cost of delivering trunk infrastructure rise significantly, which is in keeping with more recent economic conditions. While at the same time Council's ability to fund trunk infrastructure from the State set prescribed infrastructure charges has not reflected this increase.

The financial sustainability of the LGIP is not a simple or singular issue and will require ongoing review. There are multiple steps outlined in this report that speak to the challenges of funding trunk infrastructure for the city into the future, as well as the actions and outcomes that will be sought in addressing the funding gap.

The processes of asset management, capital budget and infrastructure planning are very cyclical, with each separate process needing to inform and be informed by the other two processes.

Closing the LGIP funding gap will also involve improvements to the capital budgeting process through better and clearer identification of trunk infrastructure projects. These will be stepped improvements and will need to be considered over multiple budget development cycles, leading to improved capital prioritisation discussions.

The challenge of funding trunk infrastructure needs to be considered alongside the funding and prioritisation of the Council's other capital programs.

COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION

The Minister's Guideline and Rules required Council to undertake consultation during the preparation of the LGIP 2024 with the relevant state agencies responsible for infrastructure or property, and Urban Utilities as the distributor-retailer responsible for providing water and wastewater services for Ipswich.

State agency referral was commenced on 14 June 2022 through the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning with the provision of an LGIP information package. A coordinated response was received from the State on the 16 September 2022 advising that Council may use the proposed new planning assumptions for the purposes of preparing the LGIP 2024.

Early engagement was also undertaken with Urban Utilities with an initial LGIP information package for the LGIP 2024 provided on 20 June 2022. A response was received from Urban Utilities on the 24 August 2022 supporting the proposed LGIP assumptions and projections in principle and noting the residential growth projections as being realistic.

The proposed LGIP 2024 will require formal public consultation to be undertaken following the State review consistent with the statutory requirements of the Planning Act 2016. As noted above, public consultation will commence once any direction or conditions (if set) by the minister have been addressed.

It is proposed to undertake this consultation generally consistent with the integrated community engagement and communications plan prepared for the Ipswich Plan 2024.

CONCLUSION

It is recommended that Council resolve to endorse the proposed LGIP 2024 for the purposes of first State review and public consultation in accordance with the *Planning Act 2016*.

It is proposed that the LGIP 2024 be publicly notified concurrently with the Ipswich Plan 2024, subject to the timeframe of review by the Minister.

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS	
OTHER DECISION	

(a) What is the Act/Decision being made?	Recommendations A, B and C relate to the endorsement of the proposed LGIP 2024 for State review and public consultation.
(b) What human rights are affected?	The recommendations of this report seek Council to endorse the proposed LGIP 2024 for State review and public consultation in accordance with the <i>Planning Act 2016</i> . The formal statutory public consultation process requires the assessment of public submissions prior to final adoption of the LGIP 2024. A further assessment of human rights will form a component of the final report seeking Council's resolution to formally adopt the LGIP 2024 following the consideration of any submissions received.
(c) How are the human rights limited?	Not applicable.
(d) Is there a good reason for limiting the relevant rights? Is the limitation fair and reasonable?	Not applicable.
(e) Conclusion	The decision is consistent with human rights.

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

	CONFIDENTIAL
1.	LGIP 2024 Confidential Supporting Summary Document
2.	LGIP Part 6 and Associated Amendments (<i>under separate cover</i>)
3.	LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 1 - Planning Assumptions
4.	LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 6 - Ipswich Demographic and Employment Analysis and IPM Input Report
5.	LGIP SOW Model (objective id A8729479)
6.	LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 9 - SOW Financial Inputs and Financial Sustainability Review
7.	LGIP Completed Review Checklist and Appointed Reviewer Statement
8.	LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 8 - Ipswich Industrial Land and Employment Needs Analysis (<i>under separate cover</i>)
9.	LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 7 - Ipswich Retail Strategy Update (<i>under separate cover</i>)
10.	LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 5 - LGIP Land Valuation Study updated
11.	LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 2 - Transport Network
12.	LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 3 - Parks Network
13.	LGIP Extrinsic Material Report 4 - Land for Community Facilities Network

Richard de Vries
SENIOR PLANNING OFFICER (STRATEGIC)

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Brett Davey
MANAGER, CITY DESIGN

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Peter Tabulo
GENERAL MANAGER PLANNING AND REGULATORY SERVICES

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ITEM: 16.3

SUBJECT: MONTHLY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT - FEBRUARY 2023

AUTHOR: FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING MANAGER

DATE: 7 MARCH 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a report concerning Council's financial performance for the period ending 28 February 2023, submitted in accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the report on Council's financial performance for the period ending 28 February 2023, submitted in accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, be considered and noted by Council.

RELATED PARTIES

Not applicable.

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PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

This report outlines the financial results for Ipswich City Council at 28 February 2023.

The total net result (including capital revenue) for Ipswich City Council as at 28 February 2023 is \$60.1 million compared to the year to date (YTD) budget of \$61.8 million.

Council's YTD operating deficit (excluding capital revenue) is approximately \$841k compared to the YTD budget deficit of \$3.6 million.

Overall, capital expenditure including the Nicholas Street Redevelopment YTD but excluding the flood buy-back and flood recovery work is \$15.9 million below budget. Asset donations as at 28 February 2023 are \$20.9 million below the YTD budget.

Revenue

Operating revenue continues to be further ahead of budget and is now \$10.9 million ahead of budget primarily due to additional interest revenue of \$4.3 million as well as additional fees and charges, rates and utilities revenue.

Rates and utilities revenue is ahead of budget due to growth in residential rates, a lower portion of rate payers taking advantage of on time payment discounts than expected and other rates adjustments.

Fees and charges revenue continued to track above budget for February 2023. This is primarily related to Plumbing Town Planning Fees which are ahead of budget by \$1.2 million and waste disposal fees which are \$813k ahead budget.

Total grant revenue, including capital and operating grants, is ahead of budget approximately \$16.5 million. The variance relates to the recognition of \$12.6 million relating to the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme, Road to Recovery capital grant revenue received earlier than budgeted, LCRI 20/21 Phase 1 Grant received this year, which was budgeted in the prior financial year, and the receipt of \$2.5 million relating to flood recovery from the QRA. The above are partially offset by lower financial assistance grant revenue.

Other revenue is tracking ahead of budget for the year which is primarily due to interest revenue being \$4.3 million ahead of budget and profit from the sale of fleet assets (\$492k).

Donated asset and cash contributions revenue is \$17.5 million below the YTD budget which is driven primarily by asset donations being \$20.9 million lower than budget expectations, and partially offset by cash contributions being \$3.5 million above budget.

Expenses

Overall operating expenses are approximately \$8.2 million above the YTD budget.

Employee expenses (including labour contracts) are over budget by \$3.4 million which is mainly due to flood recovery, use of contract labour, overtime, and allowances.

The variance includes \$1.4 million employee expenses related to flood recovery as set out in the table later in the report. Labour contract expenditure is \$1.4 million over budget and overtime is \$1.3 million over budget. Overtime mainly relates to Resource Recovery (associated with truck downtime) and staffing requirements for Works and Field Services.

Materials and services (excluding labour contracts) are over budget \$3.6 million which primarily relates to unbudgeted flood recovery expenses of \$3.5 million and an unallocated efficiency target of \$1.9 million. Flood recovery expenditure will continue to be incurred throughout the year and will be considered as part of a budget amendment. Other variance impacts relate to higher fuel prices, kerbside collection and legal appeals that have been incurred. These overspends are partially offset by lower-than-expected cleaning, security, power, and water costs for the Nicholas Street Precinct.

Other expenses are \$828k over budget which is primarily due to interest expenses being \$422k over budget due to higher interest rates.

Depreciation is over budget YTD and includes increased depreciation expenses as a result of revaluation increments recorded for the Roads, Bridges and Footpaths, Buildings and Structures and Drainage asset classes. These over budget amounts are partially offset by lower than expected capitalised projects and the impact of the change in accounting treatment of software as a service at 30 June 2022.

Flood Recovery

The total operating and capital expenditure on flood recovery since the flood events is \$29.1 million, of which \$22.2 million has been incurred in the 2022-2023 financial year. A breakdown of the flood recovery revenue and expenditure is included in the table below:

	2022-2023 (\$' 000)	Project to date (\$' 000)
Operational funding received from QRA	2,486	2,486
Voluntary Home Buy Back Program Funding	20,000	20,000
Operating expenses incurred		
Employee expenses	1,378	3,471
Materials and services	3,506	7,286
Other	-	649
Total operating expenses incurred	4,884	11,406
Capital expenditure incurred (incl flood buy back)	17,284	17,690
Total expenses incurred	22,168	29,096

Capital revenue of \$20 million relates to funding from the QRA for the Voluntary Home Buy Back Program.

The operational expenditure has been focused on clean up and restoration works across impacted sport and recreational spaces.

The capital expenditure has been primarily in the focused on repairing gravel and sealed road network (\$674k in February).

Of the \$29.1 million incurred as flood recovery, based on a high-level estimate, approximately \$24.1 million is recoverable from the QRA. Further review of the costs continues to be undertaken as part of collating claims to QRA which will provide more clarity of the amount recoverable.

Council has provided detailed submissions to the QRA for reconstruction projects for extraordinary funding (Category D) Community and Recreational Assets Program. These

remain in the assessment phase with QRA at the date of this report. Applications for REPA projects have been lodged with the primary submission to be lodged before the end of March deadline.

Capital Expenditure

The total YTD capital expenditure (including the Nicholas Street Redevelopment but excluding the voluntary home buy back) is \$94.1 million compared to the YTD budget of \$119.6 million.

The Nicholas Street Precinct Redevelopment is tracking under budget by approximately \$10.0 million YTD which has partly been caused by delays including contractor variations.

IED YTD capital expenditure (excluding flood recovery and voluntary home buy back) is \$73.1 million compared to a YTD budget of \$76.2 million. There are a number of underspends across the infrastructure portfolio which include Redbank Plains Stage 3 and Springfield Parkway, sealed and gravel road rehabilitation and strategic parks and sports. These underspends have been partially offset by works carrying over from the 2021-22 financial year in the infrastructure program.

IED are currently forecasting full year capital expenditure (excluding Nicholas Street Precinct Redevelopment and voluntary home buy back) to be \$14.5 million over budget which includes expenditure on projects carried over from 2021-22. Work is currently underway on the likely delivery timing of these and flood recovery projects to confirm forecasts.

Cash Balances

Council's cash and cash equivalents balance as at 28 February 2023 was \$240 million and is higher than forecast as a result of funds received for the Voluntary Home Buy Back Program and Waste Levy.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

This report and its recommendations are consistent with the following legislative provisions:
Local Government Regulation 2012

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council's financial position is managed in accordance with the Financial Management Policy.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The operating result being a \$841k deficit against a budgeted deficit of \$3.6 million is favourable and primarily been driven by greater than expected interest revenue. Expenses remain over budget across numerous categories, and flood expenses are impacting the result as mentioned.

Some of the additional expenditure will be considered as part of a future budget amendment and some relates to timing differences which will resolve as the year continues. The Executive Leadership Team will also continue to monitor and consider the efficiency targets in the adopted budget or any budgetary impacts.

The operational costs of the flood recovery remain an ongoing issue to be monitored and reported. The impacts on the capital expenditure will also be reported, including any constraints on resourcing to complete the capital program alongside the flood recovery.

Regular reporting on labour and labour contracts continues to ensure ongoing management of risk. This includes monitoring of FTEs, vacancies, overtime, annual leave and forecast employee expenses.

The increased monthly depreciation resulting from the revaluation increases to three of Council's major asset classes will be monitored, and the impact on the budget position considered.

In the lead up to the end of financial year, the Finance Branch are preparing to process accounting adjustments which will result in transfers from CAPEX to OPEX, particularly in the ICT area. These adjustments will be noted in the report as they occur.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific implications as a result of this report.

COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION

The contents of this report did not require any community consultation. Analysis and explanations of the variances are undertaken in conjunction with the various departments.

CONCLUSION

Regular reporting and monitoring of expenditure will continue during the financial year as part of Council's regular governance and reporting process.

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS
RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORT
The Recommendation states that the report be received and the contents noted. The decision to receive and note the report does not limit human rights. Therefore, the decision is compatible with human rights.

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

1.	Monthly Financial Performance Report - February 2023  
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Christina Binoya
FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING MANAGER

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Jeffrey Keech

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Matt Smith
GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

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Performance Report

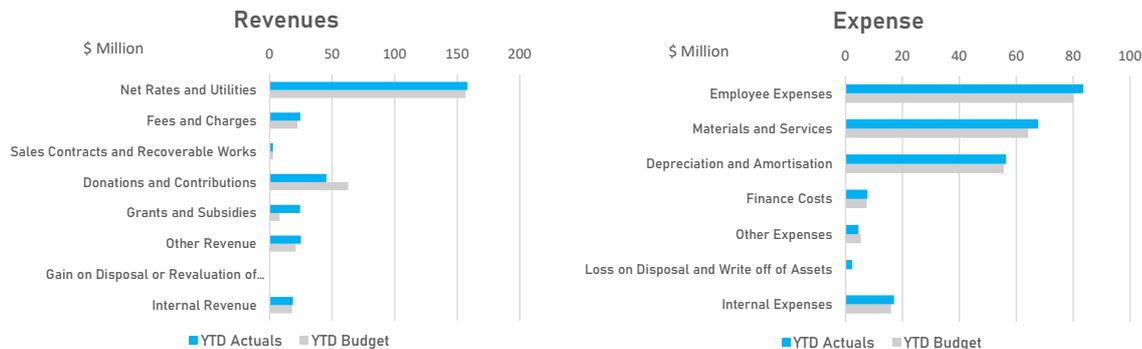
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FINANCIAL EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

FEBRUARY 2023

	YTD				Annual Current Budget \$'000s	Trend from JAN 2023
	Actuals	Current Budget	Variance	Variance		
	\$'000s	\$'000s	\$'000s	%		
Operating Revenue	236,027	225,119	10,908	4.8%	348,544	-
Operating Expense	236,868	228,696	(8,172)	(3.6%)	347,566	-
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(841)	(3,577)	2,736	(76.5%)	978	▼
Capital Revenue	62,856	65,388	(2,532)	(3.9%)	121,326	-
Other Capital Income (Asset disposals)	410	0	410	N/A	0	-
Capital Loss (Asset write-off)	2,276	0	(2,276)	N/A	0	-
Net Result	60,149	61,811	(1,662)	(2.7%)	122,304	-

Construction Program and Asset Purchase	95,038	98,123	3,085	3.1%	187,336	▲
CBD	11,543	21,452	9,908	46.2%	41,607	▲
Donated Assets	26,739	47,684	20,945	43.9%	71,518	▲
Total Capital Expenditure	133,320	167,259	33,939	20.3%	300,461	▲



Net Result

The total Net Result (including capital revenues) for Ipswich City Council as at 28 February 2023 is \$60.1 million compared to the YTD budget of \$61.8 million. Council's operating deficit (excluding capital revenue) is approximately \$841k compared to the YTD budget deficit of \$3.6 million.

Operating revenue is \$10.9 million above the YTD budget

The \$10.9 million variance is made up of: net rates and utilities \$1.7 million over budget, fees and charges \$2.4 million over budget, operational grant revenue \$1.5 million over budget, other revenue \$126k under budget, sales contracts and recoverable works \$114k over budget, interest revenue \$4.2 million over budget, and internal revenue \$1.1 million over budget. These items are discussed further in this report.

Operating expenses are \$8.2 million above the YTD budget

The \$8.2 million variance is made up of: employee expenses including labour contracts \$3.4 million over budget, materials and services \$3.6 million over budget, other expenses \$864k under budget, depreciation and amortisation \$758k over budget, finance costs \$327k over budget, and internal expenses \$976k over budget. These items are discussed further in this report.

Capital Expenditure

Capital expenditure including CBD as at 28 February is \$13 million below the YTD budget. Approximately \$106.6 million has been expended to 28 February compared to the YTD capital expenditure budget of \$119.6 million.

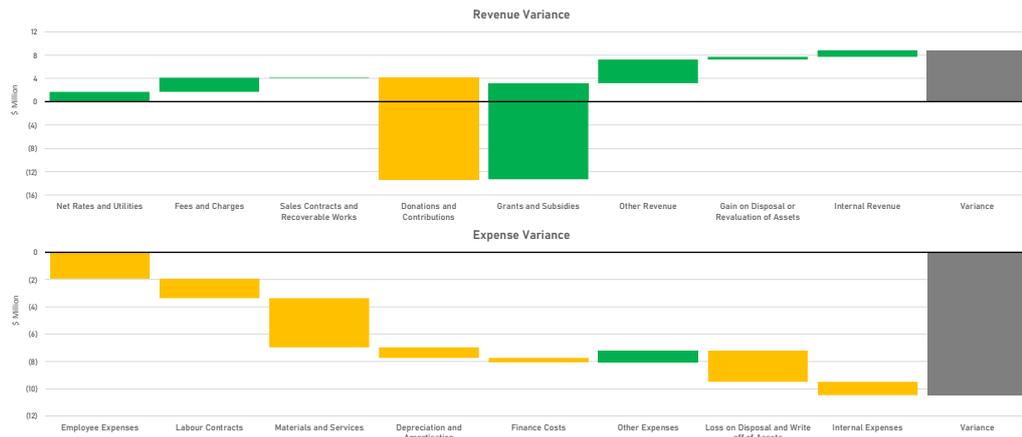
- The Infrastructure Program actual expenditure was below the February monthly budget by approximately \$5.6 million. Actual YTD costs are \$62.3 million compared to the current YTD budget of \$62.2 million.
- CBD redevelopment is approximately \$9.9 million under budget. Actual YTD costs are \$11.5 million compared to the current YTD budget of \$21.5 million.

Asset donations as at 28 February are \$20.9 million under the YTD budget. Approximately \$26.7 million has been recognised to 28 February compared to the YTD donated assets budget of \$47.7 million.

FINANCIAL EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

FEBRUARY 2023

	YTD				Annual			Variance \$'000s by Department						
	Actuals \$'000s	Current Budget \$'000s	Variance \$'000s	Variance %	Current Budget \$'000s	Trend from JAN 2023	Note	EX	CP	CS	CE	IE	IWS	PR
Revenue														
Net rates and utilities charges	158,216	156,524	1,692	1.1%	236,795	▲	1	N/A	N/A	1,621	N/A	25	57	(11)
Fees and charges	24,615	22,197	2,418	10.9%	34,811	▲	2	N/A	N/A	(48)	308	(114)	813	1,459
Government grants and subsidies	24,299	7,850	16,449	209.5%	38,352	▲	3	0	0	(406)	256	16,461	121	17
Internal revenue	18,755	17,628	1,127	6.4%	26,535	▲	4	N/A	N/A	(601)	(18)	570	1,177	0
Other revenue	28,078	23,462	4,616	19.7%	39,121	▲	5	N/A	0	4,473	(16)	202	277	116
Donations and contributions	45,349	62,846	(17,497)	(27.8%)	94,257	▼	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	821	(18,318)	N/A	N/A
Total Revenue	299,312	290,507	8,805	3.0%	469,871	▲		0	0	5,039	1,351	(1,174)	2,445	1,581
Expense														
Employee expenses	80,524	78,585	(1,939)	(2.5%)	120,244	▼	7	(159)	245	(180)	(16)	(935)	(807)	(86)
Labour contracts	3,016	1,578	(1,438)	(91.1%)	2,511	▼	7	(154)	(307)	(123)	303	(1,160)	(31)	35
Materials and services	67,684	64,087	(3,597)	(5.6%)	97,033	▼	8	1,678	83	(1,042)	1,405	(5,236)	324	(810)
Internal expenses	17,021	16,044	(977)	(6.1%)	24,135	▼	9	40	270	8	(22)	(271)	(1,003)	3
Other expenses	14,596	12,836	(1,760)	(13.7%)	19,281	▼	10	(185)	(4)	(180)	108	(1,801)	312	(9)
Depreciation & amortisation	56,324	55,566	(758)	(1.4%)	84,362	▼	11	1,156	(1)	209	100	(2,225)	(6)	10
Total Expenses	239,165	228,696	(10,469)	(4.6%)	347,566	▼		2,376	286	(1,308)	1,878	(11,628)	(1,211)	(857)
Net Result	60,147	61,811	(1,664)	(2.7%)	122,305	▲		2,376	286	3,731	3,229	(12,802)	1,234	724



Revenue

- Rates and utilities are ahead of budget estimations as a result of a greater than expected number of rate payers making payment after the on time payment discount deadline, greater than expected growth in residential rates and other rates adjustments (including Masters ceasing their rating appeal and agreeing to pay outstanding rates).
- Fees and charges are tracking above budget, with the positive variance relating to town planning and development fees (\$1.2 million relating to plumbing fees), and waste disposal fees.
- Grants revenue above budget by \$12.5 million primarily relating to the Voluntary Home Buy Back scheme drawdown for the month of \$12.6 million, a remaining timing difference of \$1.2 million associated with the Road to Recovery grant which will clear in March, LRCI 20/21 Phase 1 of \$1.2 million received however budgeted in the prior financial year, and the receipt of \$2.5m from the QRA relating to flood recovery. This is partially offset by lower Financial Assistance Grant revenue as a portion of the grant was received in the 2021-22 financial year.
- Internal revenue tracking ahead of budget due to Tax Equivalent Revenue and Internal Trading Revenue.
- Other revenue above budget due to additional interest revenue (\$4.2 million) and profit from the disposal of fleet assets, as well as greater than expected revenue from Urban Utilities.
- Donations and Contributions are under budget by \$17.5 million. The variance relates to asset donations being \$20 million under budget which is partially offset by cash contributions being \$3.5 million above budget. Donations and Contributions are developer driven.

Expenses

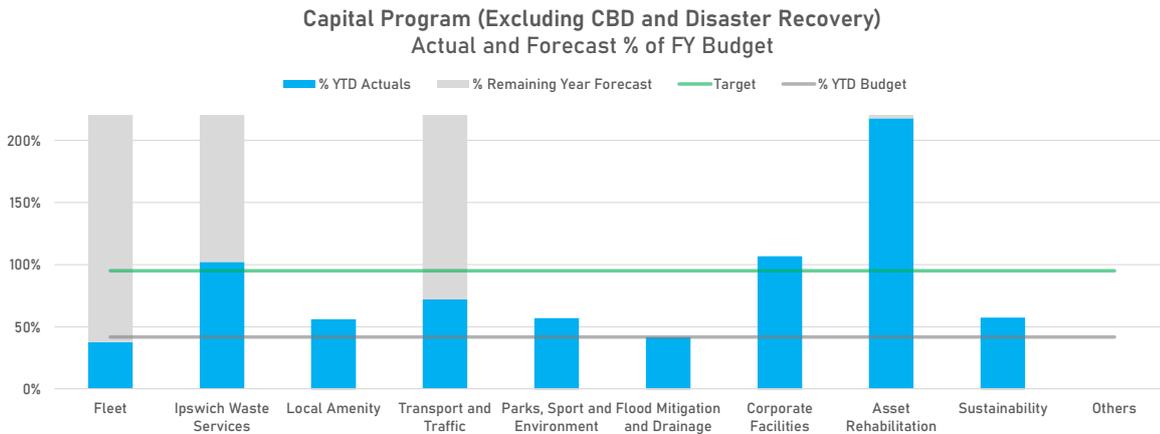
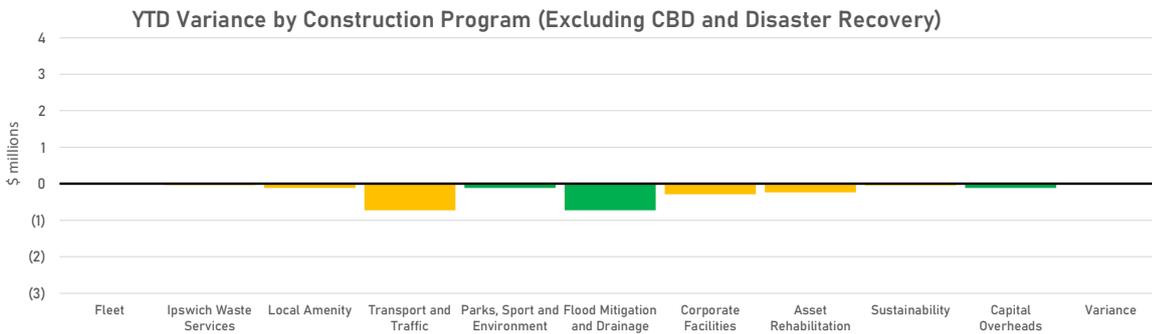
- Employee expenses including labour contracts over budget \$3.4 million. The variance relates to the cost to Council of mowing crews being greater than expected due to contract labour being utilised whilst the recruitment process for internal crews was finalised, backfilling of staff working on flood recovery, additional overtime and EBA increase applied in October greater than budgeted.
- Materials and services (excluding labour contracts) were over budget \$308k for the month bringing the total overspend to \$3.6 million (5.6%) YTD. The overspend relates primarily to unbudgeted flood recovery expenses (\$3.5 million) and the higher than expected cost of fuel (\$696k), in addition to efficiencies savings targets not met across Council (\$2.2 million). This is partially offset by lower than expected cleaning, security, power, water and marketing costs for the Nicholas Street Precinct (\$1.6 million) and various underspends in CCED including a saving in I2S Options Analysis of \$500k.
- Internal expenditure above budget due to internal waste charges relating to flood clean up, and also lower than expected fleet cost recovery indicating under utilisation of assets.
- Other expenses variance primarily to a loss on disposal of assets of \$2.1 million and OTC finance costs being \$427k over budget due to higher than anticipated interest rates. These overspends are partially offset by a \$45k refund of the motor vehicle float from Council's previous insurers and other minor underspends across Council.
- Depreciation is over budget YTD and includes increased depreciation expenses as a result of revaluation increments recorded for the Roads, Bridges and Footpaths, Buildings and Structures and Drainage asset classes which is partially offset by lower than expected capitalised projects and the impact of the change in accounting treatment of software as a service.

FINANCIAL EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

FEBRUARY 2023

Capital

	YTD				Annual	
	Actuals	Current Budget	Variance	Variance	Current Budget	Trend from JAN 2023
	\$'000s	\$'000s	\$'000s	%	\$'000s	
Executive	11,410	21,362	9,951	46.6%	41,517	▲
Corporate Services	3,453	4,380	928	21.2%	10,692	▲
Community, Cultural and Economic Development	1,389	2,521	1,132	44.9%	4,040	-
Infrastructure and Environment	89,963	90,343	380	0.4%	170,921	▼
Planning and Regulatory Services	366	968	602	62.2%	1,773	▲
Net Result	106,581	119,575	12,993	10.9%	228,943	▲



CAPITAL SUMMARY AS AT FEBRUARY 2023									
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Whole of Council									
Construction Program and Asset Purchase	15,711	27,163	11,452	106,581	119,575	12,993	228,943	242,221	
Donated Assets	3,058	5,961	2,902	26,739	47,684	20,945	71,518	71,518	
Executive									
CBD Development	851	5,828	4,977	11,410	21,362	9,951	41,517	42,997	<p>Administration building and Civic Space - \$1.2M underspent YTD: delays with procurement/tendering in a number of "Day 2" construction activities.</p> <p>Commonwealth Hotel - \$1.7M underspent YTD: Delay in execution of construction contract leading to construction program updates/reforecasting. Some FY 22/23 works moved into FY 23/24. Current construction program is indicating a December 2023 finish to major construction works, however this is still being monitored by both ICC and Principal Contractor. February month spend down due to delays in UU application for plumbing approval, impacting delivery of inground works.</p> <p>Retail - \$7.1M underspent YTD: Tulmur Walk & Eats under \$2.8M: mainly delays in execution of lease agreements and ongoing tenancy fitout issues, impacted by delay to Venue/cinema construction program and difficult retail market conditions with a number of tenancy fitouts moving into 2023-24. Venue under \$4.2M: delay in construction contract execution. Further review and discussions of current construction scope/program with all relevant ICC stakeholders. Significant underspend this month due to delay in instruction by ICC to Contractor for variations works, impacting on other construction program activities.</p>
Total Capital Expenditure	851	5,828	4,977	11,410	21,362	9,951	41,517	42,997	
Corporate Services									
Construction Program and Asset Purchase	170	485	315	2,185	2,490	305	5,602	5,103	<p>AWS - \$170k overspent YTD - overspend due to protracted Oracle migration works - activities due to finalise in Mar 2023. Budget reallocation within the ICT portfolio will be required.</p> <p>Objective Upgrade - \$142k overspent YTD - ICTSteerCo approved a continuation to the project on 8 Mar 2023 with further funding to continue delivery of new functionality. Budget reallocation within the ICT portfolio to address YTD overspend and new approved works will be required.</p> <p>Data Governance - \$308k underspent YTD - initial deliverables received and under review.</p> <p>ISMS Implementation - \$144k underspent YTD - under review - components to be delivered within Managed Service Security contract currently being finalised. Some budget is likely to be returned to the funding pool.</p> <p>Enterprise GIS - \$101k underspent YTD - expected underspend this financial year - reapplying for funding within 23/24 for implementation stage of the project.</p> <p>Cyber Security Assurance - \$94k underspent YTD - Pen Test and Annual Incident Response scenario delivered through Managed Services Security contract. Budget is likely to be returned to the funding pool.</p> <p>Work Flow Automation - \$91k underspent YTD - platform has been installed, training complete, and infrastructure being provisioned. Anticipate further expenditure in the coming months.</p> <p>Minor variances across the other ICT projects.</p>
CBD Development - ICT Component	5	0	(5)	133	90	(43)	90	90	
iVolve	116	853	737	1,135	1,800	665	5,000	3,347	EDY forecast has been revised to \$3.347m and the anticipated underspend has been included in future budget proposals. Stage 3 (Final Business Case) closed to further costs as of the end of Feb 2023 and Stage 4 (Implementation) became active as of Mar 2023. The contract with delivery partner Mastek was signed as of 7 Mar 2023 and they will commence working with ICC on 15 Mar 2023 - this work package will continue through to Dec 2023.
Total Capital Expenditure	291	1,338	1,047	3,453	4,380	928	10,692	8,540	

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Community, Cultural and Economic Development									
Construction Program and Asset Purchase	320	211	(109)	1,389	2,521	1,132	4,040	3,735	<p>Library & Customer Service - \$628k underspent YTD: Libraries under \$206k; mainly due to the Logistics Hub fitout with final costs to come in and the Smart Lockers project now forecast towards the end of the financial year. Customer Strategy and Experience under \$422k; ICT works in progress.</p> <p>Community Facilities - \$318k underspent YTD: mainly as a result of delays with North Ipswich Reserve Corporate Centre equipment purchases/upgrades, and postponement of Gallery seating and main stage lighting projects to 2023-24.</p> <p>Art Gallery - \$36k underspent YTD: mainly related to artwork acquisitions, now scheduled later in the financial year, and cabinets/interactives behind affected by unscheduled maintenance issues with the gallery building; offset by essential works on the website redevelopment.</p> <p>Safe City and Asset Protection - \$97k underspent YTD: mainly due to the key system and camera upgrades slightly behind budget schedule and offset by flood recovery and resilience works. Expect these flood related projects to receive external flood recovery funding.</p> <p>Sport and Recreation - \$60k underspent YTD: with Sports club storage currently forecast towards the end of financial year.</p>
Total Capital Expenditure	320	211	(109)	1,389	2,521	1,132	4,040	3,735	

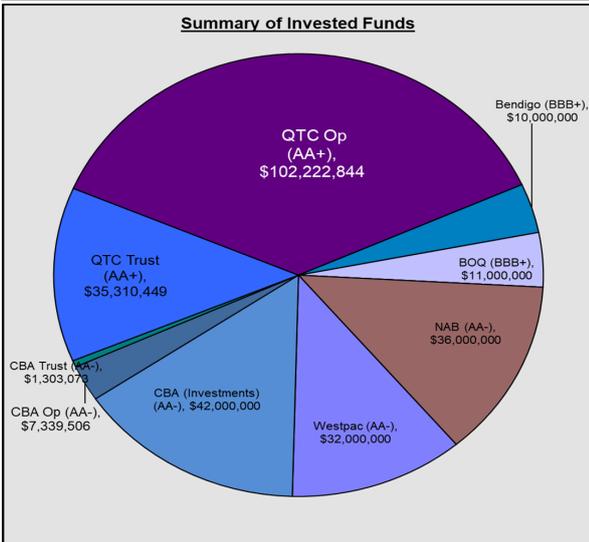
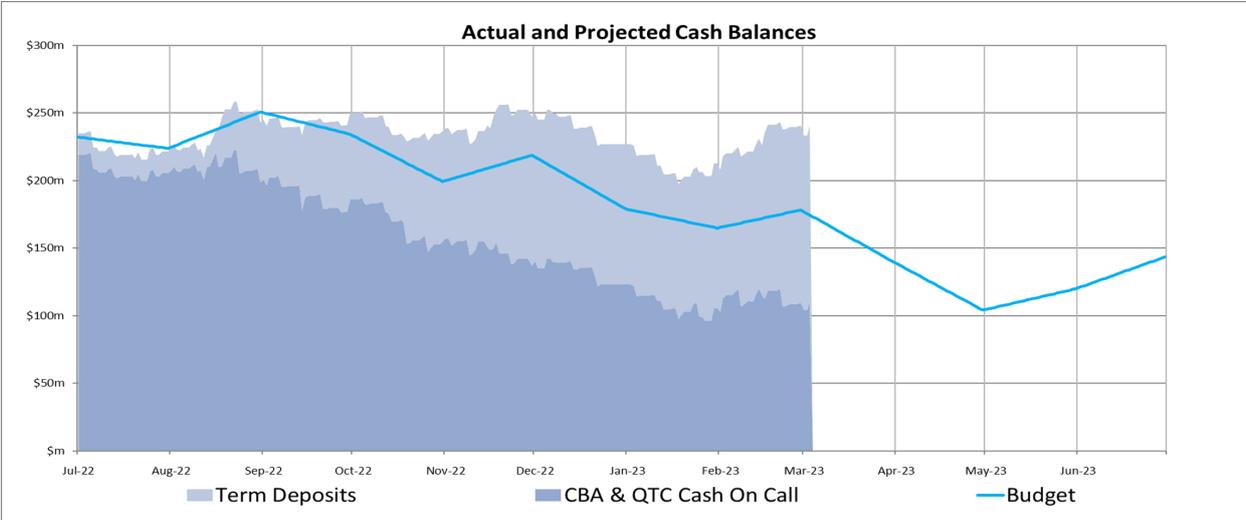
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Infrastructure and Environment									
Infrastructure Program	8,256	13,902	5,646	62,272	62,155	(118)	111,051	113,894	<p>Asset rehabilitation - \$44k overspent YTD: Bridge rehabilitation over \$1M: mainly Old One Mile Bridge projects, Cochrane St - latent ground conditions, & Bundamba Ck Bridge - delayed materials pushed works out from 2021-22, offset by delay in site estab. on Keanes Rd Bridge. Disturbed land management over \$551k: mainly Whitwood Rd Nth. Drainage rehabilitation over \$277k: mainly Pettigrew St, Hayne St & Champions Way, offset by delays on Moores Pocket Rd. Variances are mainly due to works carried over from 2021-22. Sports field rehabilitation under \$638k: mainly Atlantic Dr Sporting Complex upgrade and Sports Field Lighting upgrades. Parks rehabilitation under \$367k: Organic softfall program - delayed in procurement process; Rubber softfall program - scope reduced. Sealed road rehabilitation under \$340k: mainly delays in Settler Way, South Station Rd A, Scenic Rd KR and Johnson St offset by Resurfacing program, Ipswich St, William St & Doyle St KR. Water quality rehabilitation under \$271k: mainly Polaris Dr bio-retention basin. Gravel road rehabilitation under \$226k.</p> <p>Transport and Traffic - \$112k underspent YTD: Strategic transport under \$519k: mainly in Redbank Plains Rd Stg 3 & Springfield Pkwy; offset by works carried over on Queen & Albert Sts traffic signals related to inground services. Sustainable travel under \$356k: Ipswich CBD wayfinding signage & Ipswich City Centre Bikeway Stages 1 & 2, Deebing Creek bikeway Stage 2, and Bus Stop upgrade program. Road safety and operations over \$763k: Pine Mountain Rd project - a change in delivery method for some elements, Signs & Lines, Augusta Parkway tree lighting & Brisbane Terrace Stage 3, offset by Woodcrest College car park lighting project.</p> <p>Parks, Sports & Environment - \$723k underspent YTD: Strategic parks and sports under \$776k: mainly Ironbark Pk CH 22 - expected to carry into 2023-24, and Jim Donald Parklands Footpath - delayed start due to design issues, offset by Jim Donald Parklands Clubhouse - design commenced ahead of budget phasing, and Redbank Plains Rec Res Oval B - completed ahead of schedule. Natural environment/stormwater under \$302k: mainly Woogarook Ck bank stabilisation - delayed start, now scheduled for April/May. Developer funded parks over \$555k: mainly unbudgeted works carried over and variations on Redbank Plains Recreation Reserve Youth Area.</p> <p>Local Amenity - \$727k overspent YTD: Unmaintained gravel roads \$449k over: with significant weather delays and works carried over impacting Waters Rd gravel road upgrade. Kerb & channel \$387k over: mainly due to Alice St project.</p> <p>Flood Mitigation & Drainage - \$289k overspent YTD: Local drainage \$468k over: with expedited delivery of Loder Rd and emergent works project Queens Pk.</p> <p>Corporate Facilities - \$237k overspent YTD: 266 Equipment - Satisfactory YTD result</p>
Equipment	46	10	(36)	237	186	(51)	232	266	266 Equipment - Satisfactory YTD result
Ipswich Central Revitalisation	(0)	0	0	53	65	12	140	268	268 Ipswich Central Revitalisation - \$23k overspent YTD: mainly Brisbane Bell Sts Scramble signals and Parklet projects progressing ahead of budget.
Waste	184	456	272	1,148	2,829	1,681	11,982	9,109	9,109 Resource Recovery - \$1.7M underspent YTD: mainly due to the Materials Recovery Facility with works continuing to determine the progression of the establishment of this new jointly owned local government entity, as well as design and procurement process delays on the Riverview facility, and a delay with solar panel procurement and road upgrade no longer occurring for Rosewood facility upgrade.
Fleet	1,000	1,048	48	9,345	10,912	1,567	17,316	16,004	16,004 Fleet - \$1.6M underspent YTD: mainly due to delayed deliveries of Waste truck replacements and Truck replacement; Waste Trucks Domestic Growth to be deferred and offset by prioritisation of Somerset (Commercial Growth). 2022-23 Truck and Waste truck replacement and other plant orders are anticipated to extend into the next financial year.
Disaster Recovery	922	3,977	3,056	4,387	13,997	9,610	30,000	33,404	33,404 Disaster Recovery - Main spend to date is on Gravel roads reconstruction/rehabilitation.
Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme	3,795	0	(3,795)	12,521	0	(12,521)	0	12,521	12,521 Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme - Emergent in 2022-23 with 31 properties acquired. The program concludes on 30 June 2024 - with a total of 160-180 properties expected to be acquired.
Construction Program and Asset Purchase	0	0	0	0	200	200	200	0	0 Springfield Stadium - No movement YTD.
Total Capital Expenditure	14,203	19,399	5,196	89,963	90,343	380	170,921	185,466	

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Planning and Regulatory Services									
Construction Program and Asset Purchase	46	393	347	366	968	602	1,773	1,483	<p>Cemeteries - \$650k underspent YTD: mainly due to design delays on Warrill Park Cemetery projects and the Ipswich Cemetery internal road upgrade project. Anticipating an underspend on Warrill Park Cemetery Section 3 Expansion, with construction no longer being expedited to meet external grant conditions.</p> <p>Animal Management - \$35k overspent YTD: with Pound facility upgrade works carried over from 2021-22 and delays with commencing Dog Kennels due to flood recovery works required beforehand.</p> <p>Software projects - \$53k overspent YTD: due to Development.i implementation and Infrastructure Charges management system projects carrying over from 2021-22- both projects now complete.</p> <p>Specialist Equipment - \$29k overspent YTD: mainly due to Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) upgrade carried over from 2021-22.</p>
Total Capital Expenditure	46	393	347	366	968	602	1,773	1,483	
Donated Assets									
Coordination and Performance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Corporate Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Community, Cultural and Economic Development	0	3	3	392	47,664	(372)	30	30	
Infrastructure and Environment	3,058	5,958	2,900	26,347	47,664	21,317	71,488	71,488	
Planning and Regulatory Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total Donated Assets	3,058	5,961	2,902	26,739	47,684	20,945	71,518	71,518	

FINANCIAL EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Cash and Investments



Investments and Earnings Summary	Margin	% Return	\$
CBA Operating Account	0.003	3.85%	\$7,339,506
Term Deposit Investments	0.006	4.15%	\$131,000,000
QTC Trust Fund Account	- 0.001	3.49%	\$35,310,449
QTC Operating Account - CBD	- 0.001	3.49%	\$8,234,968
QTC Operating Account - General	- 0.001	3.49%	\$93,987,877
QTC Operating Account - Total	- 0.001	3.49%	\$102,222,844
Total Invested funds (W.Avg return)	0.003	3.81%	\$275,872,800
Total Operating Funds (Ex Trust)	0.003	3.86%	\$240,562,351

Cashflow

Council's cash and cash equivalents balance as at 28 February 2023 was \$240.5 million. Actual cash balance includes \$20 million of unbudgeted funds related to Voluntary Home Buy-Back Program. Council's investments are made in accordance with Council's Investment Policy (adopted as part of the annual budget) with an average return percentage of 3.86%.

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SUBJECT: REPORT - AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2023(01) OF 15
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AUTHOR: MEETINGS COORDINATION MANAGER

DATE: 3 MARCH 2023

INTRODUCTION

This is the report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee No. 2023(01) of 15 February 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee No. 2023(01) of 15 February 2023 be received, the contents noted and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

1.	Audit and Risk Management Committee Report No. 2023(01) of 15 February 2023  
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REPORT

<u>MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE:</u>	Robert Jones (External Member and Chairperson); External Members Dr Annette Quayle and Martin Power, Councillors Marnie Doyle and Kate Kunzelmann
<u>MEMBER'S APOLOGIES:</u>	Nil
<u>OTHER ATTENDANCE:</u>	Queensland Audit Office Attendance (Dale Hassell) and (Lisa Fraser), Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), Chief Audit Executive (Freddy Beck), Chief Information Officer (Sylvia Swalling), Strategic Directions – Strategic Advisor (Shaun Nell), Manager, Asset Services (Brett McGrath), Project Lead Asset Management (Erin Goetz), Asset Manager (Alvin Valle), Manager, Legal and Governance (General Counsel)(Tony Dunleavy)
<u>OTHER APOLOGIES:</u>	Principal Risk and Compliance Specialist (Graham McGinniskin)

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2022(06) OF 16 NOVEMBER 2022

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Audit and Risk Management Committee held on 16 November 2022 be confirmed.

- 1A. CEO UPDATE REPORT

Sonia Cooper (Chief Executive Officer) provided a verbal update to the committee on the following matters:

- Department structure

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- CEO Performance Agreement for 2023

RECOMMENDATION

That the CEO verbal update be received and noted and that a copy of the CEO Performance Agreement for 2023 be included in the Audit and Risk Management Committee library for reference.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

2. INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE

This is a report concerning Council's insurance statistics for the period 1 October 2022 to 31 December 2022 and an update on Council's risk management.

"The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(e) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*."

RECOMMENDATION

That the report on Council's insurance statistics for the period 1 October 2022 to 31 December 2022 and the update on risk management be received and the contents noted.

DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed the following matters

- Nicholas Street – vehicular access legal advice
- Non-disclosure notice for Orien Lagoon
- Legal matters and financial exposure
- Schedule for Business Continuity Plan

ACTION

That the General Manager Corporate Services provide an update to the Audit and Risk Management Committee in relation to the testing of the Business Continuity Plan ie; annually, biennially etc.

PRESENTATION - FRAUD AND CORRUPTION CONTROL PLAN AND RISK REGSITER

In the absence of the Principal Risk and Compliance Specialist, the General Manager Corporate Services provided a presentation on the Fraud and Corruption Control Plan and Risk Register.

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RECOMMENDATION

That the presentation be received and noted.

DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed the following matters:

- Current risk level for Council in terms of fraud and corruption
- Fraud and Corruption training for employees
- The monitoring and reporting of Councillor expenses
- Corporate Risk Register rating for Fraud and corruption. The Committee Chair highlighted the inconsistency in the current rating and asked that it be considered at the next Risk Committee of Council.

ACTION

That the General Manager Corporate Services investigate the following matter relating to Fraud and Corruption in the Corporate Risk Register and report back to the Audit and Risk Management Committee:

- **Current Risk Rating is high and Target Risk Rating is medium however the appetite is zero and this rating is not representative of the discussion held at the Audit and Risk Management Committee.**

2B. **PRESENTATION - SECURITY STRATEGY AND ROAD MAP INCLUDING ASSURANCE PLAN**

The Chief Information Officer provided a presentation on the Security Strategy and Road Map highlighting the roadmap of initiatives planned with key alignment themes.

RECOMMENDATION

That the presentation be received and noted.

DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed the following matters:

- Assurance Plan – inclusions and responsibility
- Cyber Maturity Assessment – benchmark against other local governments in the state
- Incident Management and response planning
- Identification of key assets and risks associated with these

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- Security training - participation and completion rates

ACTION

- A. That the General Manager Corporate Services provide a report/presentation to a future meeting of the Audit and Risk Management Committee in relation to incident management and response planning in particular what the response plan includes and who has responsibility for decision making.**
- B. That the General Manager Corporate Services provide an outline for members of the Audit and Risk Management Committee on the identification of 'key digital assets' and the security controls and risk mitigation relating to these 'key assets'.**

3. IVOLVE PROGRAM (STAGE 3) UPDATE

This report provides two status updates. One for the iVolve program and one for the Oracle Fusion project (which is part of the iVolve program).

RECOMMENDATION

That the iVolve Program (Stage 3) Update report be received and the contents noted.

DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed the following matters:

- Governance structure in IT
- Strategic Advisor role in procurement related activities
- Budget implications given the status of the project
- EOI for Oracle Licences for iVolve

ACTION

That the General Manager Corporate Services organise for a presentation to the Audit and Risk Management Committee, prior to the completion of the financial statements, to give members a better understanding of capital investments and budgeted operational costs and what is being disclosed in terms of commitments for the iVolve project.

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4. ENTERPRISE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT OFFICE - PERFORMANCE REPORT
OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2022

This is a report on the progress of the delivery of strategic work identified within the 2022-2023 portfolio of work for Council's Enterprise Program Management Office (ePMO) for the October to December 2022 quarter.

RECOMMENDATION

That the progress report for the Enterprise Program Management Office be received and the contents noted.

5. PEOPLE AND CULTURE STRATEGY UPDATE REPORT

This is a report providing an update on the People and Culture Strategy, highlighting key achievements and progress towards the desired objectives, and includes additional information as requested by the Audit and Risk Management Committee (ARMC) at the November 2022 meeting relating to Workplace Health and Safety liability for officers and others within Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit and Risk Management Committee note the information contained within the report.

DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed the following matters:

- Requirement for a quarterly People and Culture Strategy Update – now not required with the Strategy well under way however a report on training, performance, staff survey results etc from time to time to still be submitted
 - Requirement for a Workplace Health and Safety Quarterly Report – still required as a dashboard report for noting
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6. QUEENSLAND AUDIT OFFICE - BRIEFING PAPER AND 2023 EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN

This is a report attaching a briefing paper and 2023 External Audit Plan for Ipswich City Council from Queensland Audit Office.

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RECOMMENDATION

That the briefing paper and 2023 External Audit Plan for Ipswich City Council be received and noted.

DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed the following matters:

- Data analytics presentation to the Audit and Risk Management Committee last year and how extensively this will be used in the audit this year.
- Reconciliation of the Physical Asset Register and Financial Asset Register

7. INTERNAL AUDIT BRANCH ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 7 NOVEMBER 2022 TO 6 FEBRUARY 2023

This is a report concerning the activities of Internal Audit undertaken during the above-mentioned period and the current status of these activities.

“The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(i) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.”

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and the recommendations in Attachments 3, 4 and 5, be considered finalised and archived.

DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed the following matters:

- Monitoring of audit recommendations in Infrastructure and Environment Department with the departure of General Manager and appointment of an Acting General Manager
- Internal controls and issues relating to timesheet accuracies
- Internal Audit Recommendations – responses to recommendations need to be clear and transparent. Where there is a disagreement with the internal audit recommendation this needs to be resolved if possible or reported if agreement can't be reached.

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8. DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN FOR 2023 FOR THE AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND SELF-ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

This is a report concerning the Audit and Risk Management Committee (ARMC) Annual Plan for 2023 and includes the Chairman's report and the Self-Assessment Summary.

RECOMMENDATION

- A. **That the Audit and Risk Management Committee Chairman's Report and Self-Assessment Summary be noted.**
- B. **That the draft Audit and Risk Management Committee Annual Plan for 2023 be adopted.**
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9. TAX RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2022

This is a report concerning taxation risk management issues for the year ended 31 December 2022. This report is provided annually as an update on taxation risk.

Council has approximately \$47 million of tax risk per annum with Goods and Services Tax (GST) of approximately \$18 million and Pay As You Go Withholding (PAYGW) of approximately \$28 million. The balance of the tax risk is represented by Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Fuel Tax Credits (FTC) of approximately \$100,000 and \$350,000 per annum respectively.

Council is a full participant in the Australian taxation system and has not been the focus of any audit activity from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) during the year. Council is a low-risk taxpayer under the ATO's risk differentiation framework. Council's overall tax risk remains low.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and contents noted.

10. ICT STEERING COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORT

The ICT Steering Committee provides oversight for the Information and Communications Technology Portfolio.

This report provides an update to the Audit and Risk Management Committee on the key matters pertaining to risks and issues considered by the ICT Steering Committee for September, November and December 2022.

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RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and the contents noted.

11. CYBER SECURITY UPDATE

The Audit and Risk Management Committee has requested a standing agenda item, to provide a quarterly update on the current activities and actions being taken by Council to manage cyber security.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Cyber Security Update report be received and noted by the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

12. ASSET MANAGEMENT - RISKS AND EFFECTIVE ASSET MANAGEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

This is a report concerning an update on the Effective Asset Management (EAM) – Stage 3 project and current asset management risks. It also addresses the proposed activities regarding council self-assessment for asset management maturity.

Work has been continuing on the key elements to establish the governance arrangements for asset management in council.

RECOMMENDATION

That the update report titled ‘Asset Management – Risks and Effective Asset Management’, be received and noted.

DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed the following matters:

- Introduction of Project Lead and Asset Manager for Asset Management
- The roles and responsibilities of the Data Asset Manager Position
- RACI matrix model go live date of June 30 2023
- Development and implementation of Asset Management Plan and system in conjunction with iVolve
- Physical Asset Register and Financial Asset Register and process for dealing with differences
- Process to ensure completeness and accuracy of assets

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ACTION

That the Manager, Asset Services provide a presentation to a future meeting of the Audit and Risk Management Committee on the process to ensure completeness and accuracy of assets.

13. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 31 May 2023.

14. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

15. PRIVATE SESSION OF MEMBER (IF REQUIRED)

Rob Jones (Chairperson) requested time with members to discuss audit related matters.

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 9.30 am.

Members only session commenced at 12.07 pm.

The meeting closed at 12.18 pm.

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ITEM: 17.1
FROM: COUNCILLOR PAUL TULLY
RE: NOTICE OF MOTION - IPSWICH WASTE SERVICES
DATE: 15 MARCH 2023

This is a notice of motion submitted by Councillor Paul Tully concerning Ipswich Waste Services.

Councillor Paul Tully gave notice of his intention to move the following motion at the Council Meeting of 23 March 2023:

MOTION

A. That having regard to:

- the economic success and strong financial position of Ipswich Waste Services;
- the valuable human resource of Ipswich Waste Services' workers substantially benefitting the people of Ipswich and the Ipswich City Council;
- Ipswich Waste Services' ongoing extensive business focus including the delivery of key community services to the City of Ipswich and Somerset Regional Council; and
- the operational social benefits and financial efficiencies of a council operating its own waste services,

Ipswich City Council publicly declares that Ipswich Waste Services is "Not For Sale".

B. That Council officers take no action to investigate, evaluate, progress or consider any action contrary to this resolution unless and until this resolution is ever repealed.