

COUNCILLOR BRIEFING AND WORKSHOP SESSION MEETING NO. 2024(11)

29 OCTOBER 2024

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Teresa Harding; Councillors Pye Augustine, Paul Tully (via teams), Marnie Doyle, Andrew Antonioli and Jim Madden

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:

Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic and Councillor Jacob Madsen

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Environment and Sustainability (Kaye Cavanagh), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Brett Davey), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), General Manager Asset and Infrastructure Services (Matt Anderson), Chief of Staff- Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Manager Infrastructure Strategy (Tony Dileo), Resource Recovery Manager (David McAlister), Senior Strategy Officer – Resource Recovery (Jasmine Ding), ERP Program Manager (Gerard Nelson), City Design Manager (Nathan Rule), Team Coordinator – Cultural Heritage (Tanya Jen), Principal Officer – Asset Governance (Erin Goetz), Asset Manager (Alvin Valle) and Corporate Governance Manager (Shasha Engbritsen)

EXTERNAL ATTENDANCE:

Positive Solutions (David Fishel), Extent Heritage (Jacqueline Pearce and Jessica Heidrich)

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

OFFICERS' REPORTS

1. **RESOURCE RECOVERY - RESOURCE RECOVERY STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN REVIEW**

The attached paper is a summary of the City of Ipswich Resource Recovery Strategy 2021-2031 (Strategy) and Resource Recovery Implementation Plan (Plan)

review. The Strategy review is a regulatory requirement of the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011*.

The report summarises achievements against the Strategy targets during 2021-2022 to 2023-2024, reviews and updates the Strategy with considerations of challenges and opportunities and outlines changes to strategies and actions to be taken in the next three years.

It is recommended that four (4) pillars to deliver the Strategy are:

- Divert organic waste from landfill
- Optimise the City's co-mingled recycling service
- Support innovative business initiatives that deliver circular economy outcomes
- Have fit-for purpose waste and resource recovery infrastructure that meets the needs of a growing city.

Post discussion with ELT it is proposed to take this report to a Council briefing session. The next Resource Recovery Strategy review will be carried out in three (3) years.

MATTERS ARISING:

Councillors in attendance noted and discussed the updated information presented on the Resource Recovery Strategy and Implementation Plan Review.

2. IVOLVE PROJECT UPDATE

The iVolve Program is progressing with effective establishment of the ElevateHR (Human Resources) and ElevateAWM (Assets and Works Management) Projects. Procurement and detailed planning is underway for both projects.

MATTERS ARISING:

Councillors in attendance noted and discussed the update presented on the iVolve Project.

3. HIGHER RISK SEVERE WEATHER SEASON

This report concerns the 2024-2025 Higher Risk Severe Weather Season (HRSW). It will provide an update on the current forecasts and the Queensland Disaster Management Arrangements (QDMA) related to Councillors, using the Councillor Toolkit.

MATTERS ARISING:

Councillors in attendance noted the information presented on the Higher Risk Severe Weather Season report.

4. DRAFT IPSWICH HERITAGE PLAN 2024-2029 PART 1 IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL HERITAGE ASSETS

A Draft Ipswich Heritage Plan has been prepared to guide Council's management of its heritage assets in a cohesive and practical manner. These assets include built heritage, place making, digital assets, social history and education programs (tangible and non-tangible heritage). The draft plan also recognises the importance of cyclic maintenance and includes an implementation plan. The plan also includes recommendations for resourcing, including the establishment of a specialised heritage unit.

MATTERS ARISING:

Councillors in attendance noted and discussed the information presented on the Draft Ipswich Heritage Plan 2024-2029 Part 1 Ipswich City Council Heritage Assets.

Councillors queried adding QR codes to buildings. General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services to work with consultants and provide advice to Councillors.

5. ASSET MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW

This report and presentation will provide an overview to asset management at council.

General asset management awareness and an understanding of the council's role and responsibilities is required to support the adoption of new Asset Management Plans in mid-2025.

MATTERS ARISING:

Councillors in attendance noted and discussed the information presented on the Asset Management Overview.

A request was made for information on the number of street sweepers that Council owns, as well as the locations of operation.

Action: Provide information to all Councillors on Council's street sweeping operational service.

6. HUMAN RIGHTS TRAINING

Council is required to comply with the *Human Rights Act 2019 (HRA)* when acting or making decisions. This includes decisions made by Council resolution. It is important for councillors to understand their obligations under the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

MATTERS ARISING:

Councillors in attendance noted and discussed the report on the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

Councillors queried the human rights assessment if council makes a different decision to that recommended by the relevant officer.

Action: Corporate Governance Manager to obtain advice on this matter and provide a response to the Councillors.

Attachments

1. Presentation - Human Rights Act Councillor Training
 2. Human Rights Impact Assessment Checklist
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PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 9.37 am.

Mayor Teresa Harding arrived at the meeting at 9.52 am.

The meeting adjourned at 10.30 am.

The meeting reconvened at 10.47 am with all councillors in attendance except Councillor Marnie Doyle.

Councillor Marnie Doyle returned to the meeting at 11.21 am.

Mayor Teresa Harding left the meeting at 11.41 am.

Mayor Teresa Harding returned to the meeting at 11.45 am.

Councillor Andrew Antonioli left the meeting at 11.53 am.

Councillor Marnie Doyle left the meeting at 11.56 am.

Councillor Andrew Antonioli returned to the meeting at 11.56 am.

Councillor Marnie Doyle returned to the meeting at 12.03 pm.

The meeting closed at 12.18 pm.
