

**FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE NO. 2026(02)****17 MARCH 2026**

REPORT

**COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE:**

Councillor Paul Tully (Chairperson); Councillors Jacob Madsen, Mayor Teresa Harding, Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic, Marnie Doyle, Andrew Antonioli, Jim Madden and Pye Augustine (Observer) and David Martin (Observer)

**COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:**

Nil

**OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE:**

Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), General Manager Asset and Infrastructure Services (Seren McKenzie), Manager Procurement (Tanya Houwen), Chief Financial Officer (Christina Binoya), Treasury Accounting Manager (Paul Mollenhauer), Property Services Manager (Alicia Rieck), Director, Ipswich Art Gallery (Claire Sourghes), Manager Media, Communications and Engagement (Mark Strong), Senior Media Officer (Darrell Giles), and Venue Technician (Trent Gray)

**WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Chairperson (Councillor Paul Tully) invited Councillor Jim Madden to deliver 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 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE NO. 2026(01) OF 17 FEBRUARY 2026**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Jim Madden:  
Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

**That the minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 February 2026 be confirmed.**

## AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

## NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

## **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

### 2. **DISPOSAL OF FREEHOLD LAND FOR THE ENERGY QUEENSLAND COMMUNITY BATTERIES PROJECT**

This is a report concerning the disposal of land for new road over part of land in favour of Energex Limited. The disposal will formalise infrastructure located on the land for the Energy Queensland Community Batteries Project.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic:

- A. 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 the following interest in land, because it will be to an adjoining road for Energex Limited, a subsidiary of a government agency.**

	<b>Lot</b>	<b>Plan</b>	<b>Address</b>		<b>Tenure</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>SP230115</b>	<b>100 Cedar Road</b>	<b>Redbank Plains</b>	<b>Freehold</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>SP271741</b>	<b>12 Kevin Mulroney Drive</b>	<b>Flinders View</b>	<b>Freehold</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>903</b>	<b>SP250285</b>	<b>79 Columbia Drive</b>	<b>Bellbird Park</b>	<b>Freehold</b>

**4. 503 SP303143 19 Alesana Drive Bellbird Park Freehold in Trust under instrument**

- B. That Council dispose of the land to road (Council file reference 5616) for a nominal fee of \$5,000 excluding GST, payable to Council.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

**3. DISPOSAL OF EASEMENT OVER COUNCIL LAND TO ENERGEX LIMITED FOR SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY IN WILLOWBANK**

This is a report concerning the disposal of an Easement over Council land in favour of Energex Limited. The Easement will facilitate the installation and maintenance of a padmount transformer within the Ipswich Motorsport Precinct in Willowbank.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Andrew Antoniolli:

Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

- 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)(b)(i) of the Regulation applies for the disposal of interest in Part of Land at 133 Champions Way, Willowbank, more particularly described as Lot 11 on SP328524 (“the Land”), by way of Easement agreement for supply of electricity purpose between Council and Energex Limited.**
- B. That pursuant to Section 257(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 Easements as detailed in Recommendation A, for electricity works purpose.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Tully	Nil
Madsen	
Harding	
Jonic	
Doyle	
Antoniolli	
Madden	

The motion was put and carried.

4. DELEGATION TO THE CEO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF SMALL CONTESTABLE SITE ELECTRICITY

This is a report concerning the supply of electricity for small contestable sites under Local Buy contract LB333 for anticipated period from 1 September 2026 through to 30 August 2029 (3 years) for an approximate cost of \$3.4 million dollars excluding GST. This report is seeking delegation to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to enter into a contract under a Local Buy agreement for the supply of electricity for small contestable sites due to the restricted time frame for consideration and acceptance of an offer related to electricity price.

RECOMMENDATION

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

- A. **That Council utilise LGA Arrangement LB333 – Retail Energy (Electricity and Gas), facilitated by Local Buy Pty Ltd, for the procurement of electricity for Council’s small contestable sites (Council File Reference: 260223-000298).**
- B. **That Council contract with a Supplier who is a party to the LGA Arrangement, for an estimated contract value of \$3.4 million (excl. GST) over a term of approximately 3 years ending 31 August 2029.**
- 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:
Tully	Nil
Madsen	
Harding	
Jonic	

Doyle  
 Antonioli  
 Madden

The motion was put and carried.

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**MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:  
 Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

**That in accordance with section 254J(3)(g) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the meeting move into closed session to discuss Item 5 titled *Procurement – Increase to Contract Value for Ongoing Services*.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Tully	Nil
Madsen	
Harding	
Jonic	
Doyle	
Antonioli	
Madden	

The motion was put and carried.

The meeting moved into closed session at 11.04 am.

**MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:  
 Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

**That the meeting move into open session.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Tully	Nil
Madsen	
Harding	
Jonic	
Doyle	
Antonioli	

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Madden

The motion was put and carried.

The meeting moved into open session at 11.09 am.

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5. PROCUREMENT - INCREASE TO CONTRACT VALUE FOR ONGOING SERVICES

This is a report concerning a request for Council endorsement to increase the total contract value for Contract 22700 (the Servicing and Maintenance of Volvo Side-Lift Waste Collection and Compaction Trucks) to accommodate for additional trucks and services, and to standardise maintenance and warranties across this fleet of specialised vehicles to ensure continued service delivery.

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

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

- A. That the contractual arrangement (Council contract 22700) with Volvo Group Australia Pty Ltd (Supplier) for the provision of onsite maintenance and servicing of Volvo waste collection vehicles be varied as follows:**
- (i) That Council approve an increase in expenditure from \$9,300,000.00 to approximately \$12,623,000.00 based on the forecasted spend anticipated at contract expiry as detailed in Attachment 1.**
  - (ii) That the current contract expiry date of 31/05/2032 be extended to 30/06/2035.**
- 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.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

Antonioli  
Madden

The motion was put and carried.

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6. CONCESSION FOR GENERAL RATES

This is a report concerning a request for a concession for general rates for the following properties and owners.

- Community Housing (Qld) Ltd  
- 2 South Station Road, BOOVAL QLD 4304
- Women's Crisis Support Service Incorporated  
- \*\* address withheld \*\*
- West Moreton Migrant Resource Service Inc (Goodna Neighbourhood House)  
- Part Lot 3 Old Ipswich Road, RIVERVIEW QLD 4303.

“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 Jim Madden:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

- A. 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 2 South Station Road, Booval, be granted a 100% concession on the differential general rate and backdated to the relevant date of application.**
- B. 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 \*\* address withheld \*\* (refer confidential attachment), be granted a 100% concession on the differential general rate and backdated to the relevant date of application.**
- C. 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 Part Lot 3 Old Ipswich Road, RIVERVIEW QLD 4303, be granted a 100% concession on the differential general rate and backdated to the relevant date of application.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Tully	Nil
Madsen	
Harding	
Jonic	
Doyle	
Antoniolli	
Madden	

The motion was put and carried.

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7. 2026-2027 FEES AND CHARGES - EARLY APPROVAL FOR IDENTIFIED LICENCES, PERMITS AND RENEWALS

This is a report concerning the fees for animal management, public health, food business and road regulation licences and associated services for the 2026-2027 financial year. It is proposed to adopt this selection of fees and charges ahead of the main budget process for the forthcoming financial year to allow licence, registration and permit renewals to be issued with 30-60 days advanced notice. All other fees will be submitted to Council for approval at the scheduled meeting of 28 May 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Marnie Doyle:  
Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

**That the proposed fees and charges for animal management, public health, food business and road regulation licences and associated services, as detailed in Attachment 1, be adopted with an effective date of 1 July 2026.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Tully	Antoniolli (Abstain)
Madsen	
Harding	
Jonic	
Doyle	
Madden	

The motion was put and carried.

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8. 2024-2025 IPSWICH ARTS FOUNDATION TRUST FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATION LETTER AND CLOSING REPORT

This a report concerning Ipswich City Council's controlled entity, Ipswich Arts Foundation Trust's 2024-2025 annual financial statements.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

Seconded by Councillor Jacob Madsen:

- A. **That the 2024-2025 Ipswich Arts Foundation Trust annual financial statements as detailed in Attachment 1 be received and the contents noted.**
- B. **That the 2024-2025 Ipswich Arts Foundation Trust management representation letter as detailed in Attachment 2 be received and the contents noted.**
- C. **That the 2024-2025 Ipswich Arts Foundation Trust closing report as detailed in Attachment 3 be received and the contents noted.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

9. MONTHLY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT - FEBRUARY 2026

This is a report concerning Ipswich City Council's (**Council**) financial performance for the period ending 28 February 2026, submitted in accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic:

Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

**That the report on Council's financial performance for the period ending 28 February 2026, submitted in accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, be considered and noted by Council.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

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**NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

**MATTERS ARISING**

Nil

**QUESTIONS / GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

**PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS**

The meeting commenced at 10.40 am.

The meeting closed at 11.19 am.

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