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Ipswich**

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CONDOLENCE MOTION – COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING 30 JULY 2025

Margaret Mary Madeline Doran was born in Ipswich on the 15th April 1935 and died after a short illness in St Andrew's Hospital Ipswich on the 25th June 2025.

She was a proud Teacher Librarian and active member of the Queensland Teachers' Union. Margie dedicated her life to public education, social justice and the Labor movement. Margie's unwavering commitment, quiet strength and generous spirit inspired so many of us. She loved nothing better than to support on a polling booth and her last stint was on the Jennifer Howard 2024 campaign as well as being on my local council campaign.

I would like to extend my sincere condolences to her beloved family. Her sister, Patricia, her brother-in-law, Ian; nieces Clare and Kathryn, Nephew Tom and great niece and nephew William and Millie.

I would like to acknowledge the superior care St Andrew's Hospital gave Margie on her short stay. To the Doctors, Specialist, Nurses and Hospital staff, thank for your support by making Margie's last days comfortable.

Father Stephen Bliss paid special mention of Margie's undying faith in the Catholic Church which was evident by his poignant words.

I would like to close by using Margie's words when she respected someone; she would say, "You are just Marvellous".

Margie Doran, You are just marvellous.

Rest in Peace Margie.

CONDOLENCE MOTION – MAUREEN WILLIAMS – COUNCIL ORDINARY 30 JULY 2025

I move that Ipswich City Council place on the record its sincere condolences on the passing of Maureen Ann Williams on 1 July 2025.

Maureen Williams was a cherished member of the Ipswich community.

Born on the 30th October 1936, Maureen and her late husband John Williams, known fondly in the Ipswich community as Big John, raised their family of eight children in Ipswich, having moved from Roma to call the City of Ipswich home.

Together, Maureen and John purchased the Commercial Hotel on Ellenborough Street, Ipswich. Under their stewardship over several decades, the hotel became a welcoming and warm place for the local community to gather, share a meal, and enjoy fellowship. Each Friday night, the Commercial Hotel would serve up home cooked meals to the local community including the St Mary's Catholic Parish Priests and teaching staff from St Mary's and St Edmunds Catholic Colleges.

Their hospitality extended beyond the pub's doors, as they opened their home to many male boarders over the years, treating each as part of the family. A guest house to male members of our community, some of which had fallen on hard times or lacked family support, found a safe, friendly and warm home with the Williams family, a wholistic model that our current day social housing providers aspire to.

Maureen was deeply involved in the Ipswich Catholic Community, particularly at St Mary's Parish, contributing significantly to the spiritual and social fabric of our local area.

Fondly remembered for her impeccable and stylish dress sense, Maureen enjoyed her Saturday morning routine of walking from the Commercial Hotel through Bottle Alley to the Ipswich train station, heading into Brisbane to shop. Despite her quiet and reserved nature, Maureen was always ready to lend a helping hand to those in need.

I acknowledge Maureen Williams' lasting contribution of friendship, support and service to the Ipswich community and extend my heartfelt sympathy to her family, friends, and all who knew her.

CONDOLENCE MOTION – COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING 30 JULY 2025

Liza Sandoy Tully was born in the Philippines on the 4th August 1965 and passed away peacefully at the Mater Private Hospital at South Brisbane on 22 July 2025.

She came to Australia after marrying Paul in Metro Manila in June 1998.

Liza was married to Paul for 27 years and was the mother of John Paul, 26 and James, 23.

Liza became involved across Ipswich over almost three decades with the Filipino community, schools, the church and numerous community organisations. She worked at the Salvation Army at Riverview and was loved by all.

She is best known to many for helping flood victims in 2011, even though the Tully family lost their own home at Goodna in the flood. Liza also helped many flood victims in 2022.

Over the years, she also quietly took into her home victims of domestic violence, sometimes for long periods, but never sought any accolades or recognition for this.

Two years ago, Liza's health started to slowly deteriorate but she remained bright and optimistic, always speaking kindly about others. She never complained about her illness.

Liza was always smiling, caring, understanding, considerate and generous to all whom she met in the community.

The pride of her life were her two sons – John Paul who graduated with a Bachelor of Laws Degree and became a lawyer at the age of 22 and James who graduated with a Bachelor of Mathematics in 2022.

Liza's family back home in the Philippines always remained a priority in her life, alongside her Australian family.

Liza was always a tower of strength to Paul over 27 years in both his personal and professional life.

Liza was admitted to the Mater Private Hospital in the early hours of Thursday, 10 July 2025, just a few short hours after she witnessed Queensland win the State of Origin against New South Wales.

That was to be the last night she ever spent with Paul at Augustine Heights – their home for 14 years.

Over the next few days, her health declined, then she rallied and then on Friday, 18 July, Liza slowly entered the last 5 days of her life.

John Paul and James were with her at 2.00 am on Tuesday, 22 July when Liza took her last breath.

Her funeral will be held this Friday at 2.00 pm at Shiloh Church, 72 Redbank Plains Road Goodna.

To Paul, John Paul, James and her extended family in the Philippines, we will always remember Liza as a beautiful daughter, wife, mother and friend to many.

Paul knows that Liza was always my ‘favourite Tully’ in Division 2. It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge that Liza always showed genuine kindness to me and my wife Jacqui. She will be sorely missed by us and by many people across the City of Ipswich.

Liza Sandoy Tully – Rest in Peace.

**2025 LGAQ Annual Conference – Motion Template**

Who is the key contact for this motion? (required)	Ipswich Mayor Teresa Harding
Submitting council (required)	Ipswich City Council
Supporting organisation (if applicable)	N/A
Council resolution # (required)	C2025/00/001 A
Date of council resolution (required)	30/07/2025
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Does this motion have state-wide relevance?	
Title of motion (required)	Acceleration of Warrego and Cunningham Highway upgrades
Motion (required)	<p>That the LGAQ advocates to the State and Federal governments to accelerate upgrades to the Warrego Highway and Cunningham Highway.</p> <p>The already funded upgrades to the Warrego Highway, particularly between Dinmore to Helidon Spa, and upgrades to the Cunningham Highway need to be accelerated to restore their full functionality as the primary freight and commuter link between the south-east and the communities of the Lockyer Valley, Darling Downs, South West Queensland and New South Wales.</p>
What is the desired outcome sought? (required) 200 word limit	<p>The Warrego and Cunningham Highways are among Queensland's busiest, linking Brisbane, Ipswich, Toowoomba, and southern markets. The Warrego's Dinmore to Helidon Spa stretch faces efficiency and safety issues, including fatigue cracks and brittle steel on the Bremer River Bridge, with load and speed limits in place for two years, and the Mount Crosby Road Interchange closure after a 2025 bridge strike. The Cunningham Highway, critical for accessing RAAF Base Amberley—Australia's largest defence force base with over 5,000 personnel—and connecting to New South Wales, requires urgent upgrades to improve freight and commuter safety.</p> <p>In June 2024, \$277 million was committed for the Mount Crosby Road Interchange and \$85 million for Bremer River</p>



	<p>Bridge repairs, with previous allocations made for Cunningham Highway safety upgrades, including key intersections. This motion seeks to accelerate these funded upgrades to both highways to address congestion, safety, and economic risks, ensuring resilience against competing 2032 Games infrastructure priorities.</p> <p>Enhanced highways will support freight networks, defence operations, and regional connectivity for Queensland's communities</p>
<p>Background (required) 350 word limit</p>	<p>The Warrego and Cunningham Highways are Queensland's critical commuter and freight corridors, with the Warrego handling up to 60,000 vehicles daily, 20% heavy vehicles, and the Cunningham serving as the primary access to RAAF Base Amberley, Australia's largest defence force base by personnel, and a key freight link to New South Wales.</p> <p>The Warrego's Dinmore to Helidon Spa stretch faces significant issues, including fatigue cracks and brittle steel in the Bremer River Bridge (westbound) since August 2023, resulting in load limits (42.5-tonne restriction for Class 1 OSOM vehicles) and speed reductions (60 km/h westbound, 70 km/h eastbound). On 16 May 2025, a truck carrying wind turbine parts crashed into the Mount Crosby Road Interchange, closing the Warrego Highway for days and the southbound interchange lane for nearly a month, with a 20 km/h speed limit and 30-tonne weight limit still applied.</p> <p>The Mount Crosby Road Interchange has long experienced significant issues resulting in traffic congestion and safety concerns for the Warrego Highway, particularly during peak periods. These recent incidents have only compounded these issues leading to further delays.</p> <p>The Cunningham Highway faces similar congestion and safety challenges, particularly near Amberley, impacting freight and defence logistics.</p> <p>The Australian and Queensland governments have committed \$277 million for the Mount Crosby Road Interchange, \$85 million for Bremer River Bridge repairs, and \$212.5 million for Cunningham Highway safety upgrades, including key intersections. These incidents highlight the urgent need to accelerate funded upgrades to both highways to ensure safety, efficiency, and resilience, supporting Queensland's freight network and regional economies. This motion seeks to expedite these critical improvements.</p>

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Case study/ Example
(optional) 350 word limit

Case Study: Economic risk of current constraints to the Warrego Highway (Dinmore to Helidon Spa)

Case Study: Economic and Strategic Importance of Warrego and Cunningham Highways
The Warrego and Cunningham Highways are vital to Queensland's economy and national freight network. The Warrego, a key east-west corridor, connects primary producers and industries in southern Queensland to the Port of Brisbane, handling \$50 billion in annual trade, including 95% of Queensland's containerized freight and 50% of agricultural exports. It links to Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport and supports drive based tourism to outback regions.

The Cunningham Highway is equally critical, providing direct access to RAAF Base Amberley, Australia's largest defence force base with over 5,000 personnel, and serving as a primary freight route to New South Wales.

The Dinmore to Helidon Spa stretch of the Warrego and the Ipswich to Warwick section of the Cunningham are gateways to south-east Queensland, where congestion and safety issues, like the 2023 Bremer River Bridge restrictions and 2025 Mount Crosby crash, disrupt freight and commuter flows.

These highways connect to key north-south routes to Sydney, Melbourne, and Darwin, and intrastate routes to Rockhampton and Townsville. Ipswich City Council believes accelerating funded upgrades to both highways will benefit numerous Queensland councils, enhancing connectivity, supporting defence operations, and ensuring economic resilience

It is Ipswich City Council's perspective that this motion would seek to benefit a large number of Queensland councils that rely heavily on the Warrego and Cunningham Highways as key connections to Brisbane and South East Queensland more broadly, and we welcome the support of the LGAQ in advocating for the acceleration of these critical upgrades.

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Who is the key contact for this motion? (required)	Paul Mollenhauer - Treasury Accounting Manager
Submitting council (required)	Ipswich City Council
Supporting organisation (if applicable)	N/A
Council resolution # (required)	C2025/00/001 B
Date of council resolution (required)	30/07/2025
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Does this motion have state-wide relevance?	
Title of motion (required)	Implementation of Rates comparison tool.
Motion (required)	<p>That the LGAQ calls on the State Government to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop a website that allows ratepayers to undertake a true comparison of local government rates and charges, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o general rates (incl. differential general rates) o utility charges o special rates and charges o separate rates and charges - Require local governments to submit a range of data and metrics that would allow ratepayers to undertake a true comparison of local government rates and charges, across a range of land uses including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o residential owner occupied o residential non-owner occupied o commercial/retail o industrial/noxious <p>where such data and metrics include but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o number of assessments o total rateable valuations of assessments
What is the desired outcome sought? (required) 200 word limit	This motion does not seek to limit a council's ability to choose its own method or content in relation to budget media, but rather compel councils to contribute to a tool that allows an accurate and fair comparison of rates and charges across local government.

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Background (required) 350 word limit	<i>The rates and charges of local government are difficult to compare on an accurate basis due to variability of rating policies and valuations that apply across local government. Following the adoption of their annual budget each year, most council engage in series of public and media statements to promote their budget, with each council choosing how they communicate any potential rate increases.</i>
Case study/ Example (optional) 350 word limit	<i>The Victorian State Government administers the following website which provides similar functionality across multiple matters related to local governments.</i> https://www.vic.gov.au/know-your-council-comparison-dashboard

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