

**FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE NO. 2025(07)**

**19 AUGUST 2025**

**REPORT**

**COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE:**

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

**COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:**

Nil

**OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE:**

Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Brett Davey), General Manager Asset and Infrastructure Services (Seren McKenzie), Property Services Manager (Alicia Rieck), Senior Media Officer (Darrell Giles), Senior Communications and Policy Officer (Jodie Richter), Chief of Staff – Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Manager Libraries and Customer Services (Samantha Chandler), Goods and Services Category Manager (Tim Steinhardt), Business Support Manager (Nicole Evans) and Venue Technician (Thomas Haag)

**WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Councillor Paul Tully (Chairperson) invited Councillor Jim Madden to deliver the Acknowledgement of Country.

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

Nil

**BUSINESS OUTSTANDING**

**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 1 titled Proposed Disposal of Valuable Non-Current Land Assets.**

## AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

## NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

The meeting moved into closed session at 9.43 am.

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MOVE INTO OPEN SESSIONRECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Antoniolli:

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

The meeting moved into open session at 9:51 am.

## AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

## NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

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1. PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF VALUABLE NON-CURRENT LAND ASSETS

This is a report concerning a recent review of Council's 'Program 43' (Corporate Services Department) land portfolio which has identified land considered surplus to Council's needs and seeks approval from Council to proceed with the disposal of these assets.

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

RECOMMENDATION

- A. That pursuant to Section 228 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council award Tenders for the disposal of land as described in Attachment 1, to the Purchaser(s), or;
- B. That pursuant to section 236(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that an exception at section 236(1) of the Regulation applies to the disposal of land as described in Attachment 1;
- C. That for each sale, Council enter into a contractual arrangement with the Purchaser(s) at an approximate sale price no less than the market value of the land (excluding GST), payable to Council.
- 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.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

**That Item 1 titled Proposed Disposal of Valuable Non-Current Land Assets be deferred for consideration at the September Finance and Governance Committee meeting.**

## AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antonioli

Madden

## NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE NO. 2025(06) OF 22 JULY 2025

**RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Jim Madden:

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic:

**That the minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee held on 22 July 2025 be confirmed.**

**AFFIRMATIVE**

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

**NEGATIVE**

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

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**OFFICERS' REPORTS**

3. DISPOSAL OF EASEMENTS OVER COUNCIL LAND TO ENERGEX LIMITED FOR ELECTRICITY WORKS IN WHITE ROCK

This is a report concerning the disposal of two (2) Easements over Council Program 30 land in favour of Energex Limited. The Easement will facilitate the installation and maintenance of electricity lines supplying newly developed residential areas within White Rock.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Antoniolli:

- 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:**
- (i) 119 Explorers Road, White Rock, more particularly described as Lot 1098 on SP339201; and**

(ii) **1 Wheeler Street, White Rock, more particularly described as Lot 998 on SP339200, (“the Land”), by way of Easement agreements for electricity works 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**

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

**NEGATIVE**

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

**4. REPEAL OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECISIONS FOR PROPOSED ACQUISITIONS OF LAND IN RIPLEY AND FLINDERS VIEW**

This is a report concerning the repeal of two (2) previous Council decisions. Recommendation A relates to a proposed property acquisition for the Ripley and Fischer Road Upgrade project and Recommendation B relates to a proposed strategic land acquisition in Flinders View.

“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 Marnie Doyle:

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic:

- A. That the previous decision of Council, as per Item No. 4 of the Finance and Governance Committee on 18 February 2025 and adopted at the Council Ordinary meeting of 27 February 2025, be repealed.**
- B. That the previous decision of Council, as per Item No. 16.6 adopted at the Council Ordinary meeting of 12 September 2024, be repealed.**

## AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

## NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

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## 5. PROCUREMENT OF LIBRARY RESOURCES

This is a report concerning the establishment of preferred supplier arrangements with four (4) suppliers for the provision of Library Collection Resources to Ipswich City Council.

“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 Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

- A. **That pursuant to Section 233 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council establish Preferred Supplier Arrangements for the provision of Library Collection Resources with the suppliers detailed in Confidential Attachment 1 -VP456168 Recommendation To Award (RTA) - Library Collection Resources (A11711423) of this report.**
- B. **That pursuant to Section 233(8) of the Regulation, Council resolve that it is satisfied that a term longer than two (2) years will result in better value for Council.**
- C. **That under the Preferred Supplier Arrangement, Council’s estimated spend will be \$4.3M excluding GST over the entire five (5) year term, being a term of three (3) years, with options for extension at the discretion of Council (as purchaser), of an additional one (1) year plus one (1) year terms.**
- D. **That Council may enter into a contractual arrangement with any of the suppliers mentioned in confidential Attachment 1.**
- E. **For those individual contractual arrangements that exceed \$2,000,000 excluding GST, 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 in accordance with section 13(3) of the *Local Government Act 2009*.***

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Tully

Nil

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

The motion was put and carried.

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6. MINOR AMENDMENTS TO FEES AND CHARGES - PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

This is a report concerning minor amendments to the 2025-2026 Register of Fees and Charges - Planning and Development section.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

**That the proposed amendments to Fees and Charges for planning and development, as outlined in Attachment 1, be adopted.**

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Tully

Nil

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

The motion was put and carried.

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**7. COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE - ANNUAL REVIEW**

This is a report concerning the annual review and performance evaluation of the ICC Standing Committees Terms of Reference.

**\*\*\*RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic:

**That the revised Ipswich City Council Standing and Advisory Committees Terms of Reference (Attachment 2) be adopted.**

**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

**COMMENCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING****RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:



**That the Community and Sport Committee commence at 10.30 am.**

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

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Tully

Nil

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Doyle

Antoniolli

Madden

The motion was put and carried.

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**PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS**

The meeting commenced at 9.40 am.

The meeting closed at 9.58 am.

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**\*\*\* Refer Council Ordinary Meeting of 28 August 2025 for amendment**