

ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2026(05)**21 APRIL 2026**

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE:

Councillor Pye Augustine (Chairperson); Mayor Teresa Harding, Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic (via audio), Councillors Jacob Madsen, Andrew Antonioli, David Martin and Jim Madden

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:

Councillor Marnie Doyle (Deputy Chairperson)

OFFICERS'S ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), General Manager Environment and Sustainability (Kaye Cavanagh), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Brett Davey), Precinct Director – Nicholas Street Precinct (James Hepburn), Chief of Staff – Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Manager Media, Communications and Engagement (Mark Strong), Economic Development Manager (Dan Heenan), Advocacy Lead (Kate Adams), Senior Media Officer (Darrell Giles) and Technical Services Officer (Harrison Cate)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE**RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor David Martin:

That a leave of absence be granted for Councillor Marnie Doyle for the Economic and Cultural Development Committee meeting of 21 April 2026.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Harding

Jonic

Madsen

Antonioli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Pye Augustine (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 ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2026(02) OF 17 MARCH 2026

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

That the minutes of the Economic and Cultural Development Committee held on 17 March 2026 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Harding

Jonic

Madsen

Antonioli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2026(03) OF 26 MARCH 2026

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor David Martin:

That the minutes of the Special Economic and Cultural Development Committee meeting held on 26 March 2026 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Harding

Jonic

Madsen

Antoniolli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2026(04) OF 9 APRIL 2026

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor David Martin:

That the minutes of the Special Economic and Cultural Development Committee meeting held on 9 April 2026 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Harding

Jonic

Madsen

Antoniolli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

4. URBAN PRECINCTS AND PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM – PROGRESS UPDATE

This is a report providing an update on the urban Precincts and Partnerships Program progress outlining activity to date and the key milestones for forthcoming stages.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

That the report providing an update on the urban Precincts and Partnerships Program progress be received and noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Harding

Jonic

Madsen

Antonioli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

5. NICHOLAS STREET PRECINCT - MARCH 2026 NICHOLAS STREET PRECINCT PROJECT CONTROL GROUP

This is a report concerning the March 2026 Nicholas Street Precinct (NSP) Project Control Group (PCG) meeting focussing on the status of the leasing program and the planning, development, delivery and ongoing management of the NSP.

“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 Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

That the March 2026 Nicholas Street Precinct Project Control Group Report be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Harding

Jonic

Antonioli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

The motion was put and carried.

6. REPORT - ADVOCACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE NO. 2026(01) OF 24 MARCH 2026

This is the report of the Advocacy Advisory Committee No. 2026(01) of 24 March 2026.

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

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor David Martin:

That Council adopt the recommendations of the Advocacy Advisory Committee No. 2026(01) of 24 March 2026.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Harding

Jonic

Antoniolli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

The motion was put and carried.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ADVOCACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE NO. 2025(04) OF 8 DECEMBER 2025

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Advocacy Advisory Committee held on 8 December 2025 be confirmed.

2. IPSWICH LEADERS FORUM

This is a report concerning the planning for the Ipswich Leaders Forum in late 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

A. *That the Advocacy Advisory Committee receive and note the progression of the Ipswich Leaders Forum planning.*

B. *That the Advocacy Advisory Committee provide input on the preferred date, guest list and facilitator.*

DISCUSSION

Advocacy Lead, Kate Adams provided an overview on the Ipswich Leaders Forum report and the potential dates for the forum.

Feedback was provided on the potential guest list and once this has been decided a date claimer will be sent out.

Potential facilitators for the forum were discussed.

ACTIONS

1. *Once date claimer is sent, seek feedback on the agenda for the Ipswich Leaders Forum.*
2. *Member for Moggill to be included on the invitees list in light of proposed electoral boundary changes that Karalee/Barellan Point and Chuwar would be part of that electorate.*
3. *GROWING IPSWICH: KEY PRIORITIES FOR INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT*
This is a report concerning the development of a public facing advocacy document Growing Ipswich: Key Priorities for Infrastructure Investment proposed to be launched at the Ipswich Leaders Forum. It includes the format and structure for what the document will include as well as a recommendation for supplementary engagement with community to understand how they prioritise council's key advocacy priorities.

RECOMMENDATION

- A. *That the Advocacy Advisory Committee receive and note the development of the Growing Ipswich: Key Priorities for Infrastructure Investment to be released at the Ipswich Leaders Forum.*
- B. *That the Advocacy Advisory Committee receive and note that community engagement will be conducted through the existing Living in Ipswich annual survey to identify how the community ranks council advocacy priorities.*

DISCUSSION

Mayor Harding invited Councillors to meet with the Advocacy Lead to discuss the key priorities.

ACTION

1. *Advocacy lead to provide a report to a future Advocacy Advisory Committee around August after public consultation has been undertaken.*
4. *TEAM ATTRACTION BROCHURE UPDATE*
This is a report concerning an update on the stakeholder engagement since the Team Attraction Brochure was released in December 2025. The report also includes Training Camp Investment Guidelines and proposed venue additions for a new version of the Team Attraction Brochure.

RECOMMENDATION

- A. *That the Advisory Committee receive and note the stakeholder engagement on the Team Attraction Brochure.*

- B. *That the Advisory Committee receive and note the Training Camp Investment Guidelines and the proposed venue additions to a new version of the Team Attraction Brochure.*

DISCUSSION

It was noted that the Team Attraction brochure is a living document that will be updated as new venues come on line.

The Criterium Track at Raceview was discussed and suggested to be added to the cycling offering so that a review and assessment can be undertaken when other venues are reviewed.

5. ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF QUEENSLAND PROPOSED REDISTRIBUTION

This is a report concerning the Queensland Redistribution Commission's (QRC) proposed redistribution of Queensland state electoral districts.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Advisory Committee note the QRC's proposed redistribution of the state electoral districts and the opportunity to provide objections to the proposals.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MATTERS ARISING

Nil

QUESTIONS / GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 12.42 pm.

The meeting closed at 1.00 pm.
