

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE NO. 2026(03)**21 APRIL 2026**

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE:

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

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:

Councillor Marnie Doyle

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE

Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), General Manager Asset and Infrastructure Services (Seren McKenzie), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Brett Davey), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), Manager Procurement (Tanya Houwen), Goods and Services Category Manager (Tim Steinhardt), Chief Financial Officer (Christina Binoya), Precinct Director (James Hepburn), Manager, General Counsel (Allison Ferres-MacDonald), Executive Services Manager (Wade Wilson), Chief of Staff, Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Manager Media, Communications and Engagement (Mark Strong), Senior Media Officer (Darrell Giles), Coordinator, Communications (Lucy Stone) and Venue Technician (Harrison Cate)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE**RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

That a leave of absence be granted for Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic for the Finance and Governance Committee of 21 April 2026.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Antonioli

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Paul Tully (Chairperson) delivered the Acknowledgement of Country

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Jacob Madsen informed the meeting that he has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 4 titled Ipswich Trades Hall Parking.

The nature of the declarable conflict of interest is that he was a previous member of the Executive of the Ipswich Trades Hall and Labour Day Committee.

Councillor Jacob Madsen came to the conclusion that because of the nature of the conflict, he will exclude himself from the meeting while this matter is debated and the vote taken.

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE NO. 2026(02) OF 17 MARCH 2026**

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

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

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Antonioli

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

OFFICERS' REPORTS**2. PROCUREMENT: RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD - PROVISION OF COMMERCIAL CLEANING**

This is a report concerning the establishment of contract arrangements with suitably qualified suppliers for the provision of Commercial Cleaning Services across nine (9) Separable Portions to Ipswich City Council, following the completion of Tender 250318-000084(VP465900).

"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 Jim Madden:

Seconded by Councillor Jacob Madsen:

- A. That pursuant to Section 228 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 (Regulation), Council award Tender No. 250318-000084 (VP465900) for the provision of Commercial Cleaning to the suppliers listed as per Confidential Attachment 1 (Recommendation to Award).**
- B. That Council enter into a contractual arrangement with the Suppliers at an approximate purchase price of \$24,000,000 excluding GST over the entire term, being a term of four (4) years, with an option for extension at the discretion of Council (as purchaser), of an additional three (3) years term.**
- 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, to implement Council's decision.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Antoniolli

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

3. 5554 RECONSTRUCTION ADJACENT TO RIVERLINK AND BRADFIELD BRIDGE PROJECT - DRFA FUNDED PROJECT (INCREASED EXPENDITURE)

This is a report concerning increased expenditure under contract 5554 Reconstruction Adjacent to Riverlink and Bradfield Bridge works funded through the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) following multiple events impacting this location in both 2022 and 2024.

The original contract value of \$5,651,735.00 was awarded to Cragcorp Pty Ltd t/as Queensland Bridge and Civil (QBC) with an additional provisional sum of \$2,015,417.28 and an allocated contingency amount of \$876,417.28 to a total value of \$8,543,569.56.

This report is to provide notice the provisional sum and contingency expenditure has now reached \$2,667,722.91 (incl. GST) and will require an additional \$2,184,046.54 in contingency to complete the project with known issues at site and in accordance with the approved funding.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Jim Madden:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

- A. That Council receive and note that contract 5554 Reconstruction Adjacent to Riverlink and Bradfield Bridge works for the value of \$5,651,735.00 and additional provisional sum of \$2,015,417.28 and an allocated contingency amount of \$876,417.28 will be exceeded.**
- B. That Council approve an additional contingency allocation of \$2,200,000.00 to cover potential future variations to ensure completion of works within the required Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) funding timeframes.**
- 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

Councillors:

Tully

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Antonioli

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

ADJOURN MEETINGRECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

That the meeting be adjourned at 9.59 am to reconvene at 10.20 am.

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Tully

Nil

Madsen

Harding

Jonic

Antonioli

Madden

The motion was put and carried.

The meeting reconvened at 10.20 am.

***Councillor Jacob Madsen left the meeting at 10.21 am due to a previously declared interest in Item 4.

At the recommencement of the meeting Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic and Councillor Andrew Antonioli were not present.

Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic and Councillor Andrew Antonioli arrived at 10.22 am.

ADJOURN MEETINGRECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

That the meeting be adjourned at 10.34 am to reconvene at 10.39 am.

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Tully

Nil

Harding

Jonic

Antonioli

Madden

All Councillors except Councillor Jacob Madsen were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

The meeting reconvened at 10.39 am.

4. IPSWICH TRADES HALL PARKING

This is a report concerning a request received from the Ipswich Trades Hall and Labour Day Committee (the **ITH**) for Council to provide it with access to five (5) car parking spaces at no cost on a permanent basis.

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

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Paul Tully:

That a general discussion be held in relation to this matter.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Tully

Harding

Jonic

Antoniolli

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

All Councillors except Councillor Jacob Madsen were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

RECOMMENDATION

A. That Council either:

(i) in accordance with the recommendation set out in this report, approve that council officers proceed in accordance with Option A, or

(ii) approve that council officers proceed in accordance with Option B as set out in this report.

B. If Council gives its approval to proceed in accordance with Option B, that Council be kept informed as to the progress and outcome of that approach.

Mayor Teresa Harding proposed the following motion:

That in accordance with the recommendation set out in this report, approve that council officers proceed in accordance with Option A.

The motion lapsed in the absence of a seconder.

Councillor Andrew Antonioli proposed the following motion:

- A. That Council approve that council officers proceed in accordance with Option B as set out in this report.
- B. That Council be kept informed as to the progress and outcome of that approach.

The Chief Executive Officer recommended the following wording for Recommendation A:

That Council approve that council officers proceed in accordance with Option B as set out in the Options section of the report.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

- A. That Council approve that council officers proceed in accordance with Option B as set out in the Options section of the report.
- B. That Council be kept informed as to the progress and outcome of that approach.

Mayor Teresa Harding proposed the following amendment as Recommendation C:

- C. That the lost casual parking revenue could potentially be \$32,500 per year and that this be recorded in the annual report.

The mover and seconder of the current motion did not agree with the proposed amendment.

***RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Antonioli:

Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

- A. That Council approve that council officers proceed in accordance with Option B as set out in the Options section of the report.**
- B. That Council be kept informed as to the progress and outcome of that approach.**

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

All Councillors except Councillor Jacob Madsen were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

Councillor Jacob Madsen returned to the meeting at 11.14 am.

5. BUDGET AMENDMENT 2025-2026

This is a report concerning proposed amendment of the 2025-2026 budget, submitted in accordance with Section 170(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

That the proposed amended 2025-2026 Budget, including the Long-Term Financial Forecast, the 2025-2026 Revenue Policy, the 2025-2026 Revenue Statement, and the amended Debt Policy, as detailed in Attachments 1, 2, 3 and 4 be adopted.

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

The motion was put and carried.

6. MONTHLY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT MARCH 2026

This is a report concerning Ipswich City Council's (**Council**) financial performance for the period ending 31 March 2026, submitted in accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Paul Tully:
Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

That the report on Council's financial performance for the period ending 31 March 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

Antoniolli

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MATTERS ARISING

Nil

QUESTIONS / GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 9.50 am.

The meeting closed at 11.15 am.

***** Refer Council Ordinary Meeting of 30 April 2026 for amendment**