



# UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

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GENERAL MEETING OF  
ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL  
HELD  
ST GEORGE STREET, GEORGETOWN  
ON SATURDAY 20 OCTOBER 2018,  
COMMENCING AT 8.00AM

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**ATTENDANCE**

Crs W Devlin, W Attwood, T Barnes\*, W Bethel & T Gallagher

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

Mr Norm Garsden, Chief Executive Officer  
Mr David Munro, Director of Corporate and Community Services

\* Cr Barnes attended the meeting via a teleconference, pursuant to section 276 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and Council resolution No. 2017GM2193.

**GALLERY**

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 8:00am and welcomed all in attendance.

There was no one in the gallery.

**WELCOME TO COUNTRY**

***We respectfully acknowledge the Ewamian People - the traditional custodians of this land where we meet for the General Meeting. We pay our respects to the Ewamian People, especially the Elders, past and present and acknowledge their traditional customs and lores and recognize their continuing connection to this Country.***

***We look forward to a long and continuing relationship with the Ewamian People and value any opportunities in strengthening relationships and partnerships through collaboration by respecting their Country.***

**DECLARATIONS**

Cr Attwood declared a material personal interest regarding the Deputation with Powerlink as this project has a direct relationship with the Genex Power renewable energy projects. Cr Attwood has shares in Genex Pty Ltd.

Cr Gallagher declared a conflict of interest regarding Item GMCCS7.

Cr Bethel declared a material personal interest regarding Item GMCCS7.

**APOLOGIES AND CONDOLENCES**

Council was unaware of any condolences.

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

**General Meeting – Wednesday 19 September 2018**

**RESOLUTION:**

*That the Minutes of the General Council Meeting held at Georgetown on Wednesday 19 September 2018 be confirmed.*

**MOVED: Cr Attwood**

**SECONDED: Cr Gallagher**

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2452**  
**5/0**

**Business arising from Minutes – Wednesday 19 September 2018**

Cr Devlin would like to raise the Einasleigh Common Tender which will be further discussed in General Business

**DEPUTATION**

Deputation lead by Powerlink's General Manager Community and Delivery Services Colin Langton regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment Report (EAR) for Genex's Kidston Connection project.

Powerlink has been engaged by Genex Power Limited (Genex) to undertake a range of activities to investigate a potential 275kV high voltage electricity transmission line connection and associated substations to connect Genex's renewable energy generation project at Kidston to the national electricity grid.

Powerlink has gathered information for the Draft Environmental Assessment Report (EAR) for the proposed connection project. This information has been collected by engaging with landholders and stakeholders to understand likely property impacts and identify mitigation measures, as well as undertaking environmental and technical assessments.

The Draft EAR has been prepared by environmental specialists AECOM. Its development was guided by the Terms of Reference which was finalised after a public submission process in May 2018.

The Draft EAR for the Genex Kidston Connection Project was released on 28 September 2018.

Public submissions on the Draft EAR can be made to the Planning Minister by Friday 2 November 2018 and must be lodged to the Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDMIP).

Community information drop-in days are being held to discuss the Draft EAR and the proposed connection project.

**INFORMATION BULLETIN**

Discussions regarding reports from the Chief Executive Officer, Corporate and Community Services, Engineering Services, Childcare Centre and the Terrestrial Centre and the Action Taken List from previous General Meetings.

**Business arising from the Information Bulletin**

Cr Gallagher wanted to know the progress of the proposed Street Scapping project for St George Street.

- *It was advised that the preliminary street scapping plans have been sent to the Department of Transport & Main Roads for approval and comment.*

**CONSIDERATION OF OPEN REPORTS**

**GMES1.**

NDRRA Severe Tropical Cyclone NORA

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The submission has been completed for the Severe Tropical Cyclone NORA Event and associated heavy rainfall and flooding that occurred on the 24 – 29 March 2018*

*The submission has been presented as Submission 1 and Submission 2 which both submissions have been approved.*

*Submission 1 has been accepted for a total of \$11,787,531.00*

*Submission 2 has been accepted for a total of \$7,571,612.49*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council note and receive the Officers report.*

**MOVED:** Cr Barnes

**SECONDED:** Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2453**  
**5/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

That Council is acknowledging the 2018 NDRRA approval and the proposed schedule of works.

**MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST**

Cr Bethel declared that he has a Material Personal Interest in Item GMES2 as Cr Bethel has performed works (as a contractor) with this entity in the past and may offer his services (as a contractor) in the future to this entity. Cr Bethel was not to be present during discussions on GMES2 and furthermore Cr Bethel did not vote on this matter.

Cr Bethel dealt with this material personal interest by leaving the meeting at 9.02am while this matter was discussed and returned to the meeting after voting at 9.14am.

***Cr Bethel left the meeting at 9.02***

***Cr Bethel returned to the meeting at 9.14***

**GMES2.**

REOPENING OF MINE

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*Consolidated Tin Mines Limited contacted Council to put forward a proposal for a feasibility study on mining the Kaiser Bill copper deposit located about 6 km west of Einasleigh. They are hoping to have the mining lease granted next year and be operational by the end of 2019.*

*They are planning for a 1.5 million tonnes per annum mining rate, and with the ore sorting process on site, trucking approximately 500,000 tonnes to Mt Garnet per year. This equates to roughly 1400 tonnes per day, or 16 four-trailer trucks. (32 B-doubles)*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council notes and receives the officers report and furthermore that Council request the Chief Executive Officer to follow up the proposed mine with the proponent.*

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2454**  
**4/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

With the increase of traffic due to the extraction of ore from the mine this operation will have a big impact on Council, community, tourists, and the road network.

Council roads that will be affected are mainly bitumen except for Einasleigh Road (bridge to short cut road) the bitumen roads themselves will deteriorate at a normal rate, however these roads are narrow and shoulder and road edges will deteriorate prematurely.

Gravel roads (Council and Main Roads) will deteriorate quicker than normal and will probably require a minimum of 4 visits per year for maintenance. (Heavy Formation Grading).

**GMCCS1.**

Financial Performance (Actual v Budget) for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*It is a statutory requirement under Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 that the Chief Executive Officer must present a Financial Report of its accounts to the Local Government at least monthly.*

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Resolve to adopt the monthly Financial Report which incorporates the monthly statutory financial statements (Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position & Statement of Cashflows) pursuant to and in accordance with Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the period ending 30 September 2018.*

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2455**  
**5/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 states that the Chief Executive Officer must present a Financial Report of its accounts to the Local Government and furthermore that the financial statements must

be presented if the local government holds its ordinary meetings monthly or less frequently to each meeting and the Financial Report presented to a meeting must be for the period of the financial year up to a day as near as practicable to the end of the previous month.

**GMCCS2.**

Adoption of Etheridge Shire Council's Annual Report for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and the adoption of Etheridge Shire Council's Audited Financial Statements for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*Each year, Etheridge Shire Council produces an annual report. This is a legal requirement, but we also appreciate the opportunity to provide a report to our community on our performance against our corporate and operational plans. It also gives us a chance to highlight our achievements and outline how we are addressing challenges in the Etheridge Shire.*

*The Annual Report is the major accountability tool in Council's corporate governance framework providing non-financial and financial information to assess the efficiency, effectiveness and economy of our operations*

*The information in this report demonstrates accountability to stakeholders, who include residents and ratepayers, staff, councillors, investors, community groups, government departments and other interested parties*

*This report incorporates audited financial statements for the period 1 July 2017, to 30 June 2018.*

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Adopt the Annual Report for Etheridge Shire Council for the financial year ending 30 June 2018, pursuant to Section 182(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 and furthermore that Council acknowledges the work of the Director Corporate & Community Services and staff for the compiling of the 2017/18 Annual Report.*

**MOVED: Cr Barnes**

**SECONDED: Cr Gallagher**

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2456**  
**5/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

It is a legislative requirement under S.182 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 that a local government must prepare an annual report for each financial year and in addition, must adopt its annual report within one (1) month after the day the auditor general gives the auditors general audit report about the local governments financial statements for the financial year to the local government.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Council adjourns for morning tea at 9.40am.

**RESUMPTION**

Council resumed the meeting at 9.48am.

**GMCCS3.**

Final Audit Report for the financial year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The 2017/18 audit for Etheridge Shire Council has been completed as at 18<sup>th</sup> September 2018 with Council receiving its final audit report on the 26<sup>th</sup> September 2018.*

*The Audit involves a detailed assessment of the controls that are currently being utilised within the operation of Council Governance, IT, Stores, Policies, Minutes, Payroll, Rates, Human Resources, Procurement, Revenue & Expenditure, Grants & Subsidies, Internal Controls and Risk and identify any weaknesses which may pose a risk to Council or which may affect the operations of Council. In addition to the above matters, the auditors also undertake a detailed analysis of Councils financial statements to ensure that they have been prepared in accordance with the requirements contained within the Local Government Act & Regulations and in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations and other authoritative pronouncements issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board.*

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Receives and notes the contents of the 2017/2018 Final Audit Report from the Auditor-General and furthermore that Council congratulate the staff directly involved with the audit and the preparation of the financial statements for an excellent result.*

MOVED: Cr Gallagher

SECONDED: Cr Attwood

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2457**  
**5/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

It is a requirement under S.212 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 that a local government must prepare a set of financial statements for the financial year and must be presented to the auditor general for auditing.

**GMCCS4.**

Internal Audit – Plant Management

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*In accordance with and pursuant to S.207 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 it clearly states that each local government must establish an efficient and effective internal audit function.*

*The role of internal audit is to provide independent assurance that an organisation's risk management, governance and internal control processes are operating effectively.*

*Council's Internal Auditor has completed their audit on Council's Plant Management and has provided Council with their audit findings. Council has provided the Auditor with Management Responses to areas identified within the internal audit for improvement.*

*This report details the findings of the audit and also identifies areas for improvement.*

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Resolve to endorse the Internal Auditors Report on Etheridge Shire Councils Plant Management Framework and furthermore that Council endorse Management's response to the areas of concern and the actions that will be taken by Management to implement the Improvement Plan.*

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2458**  
**5/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

Governance is an important concept and impacts on council as a whole and on all sectors of the community. The practice of good governance is increasingly seen as critical for ensuring that:

- the organisation meets legal and ethical compliance
- decisions are made in the interests of stakeholders
- the organisation behaves as a good corporate citizen should.

Good governance encompasses authority, accountability, stewardship, leadership, direction and control. It allows our council to evaluate, direct and monitors its activities.

**GMCCS5.**

Etheridge Enterprise

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*Generally, a Council embarking on an enterprise involving commercial risk will seek to limit its financial risk by forming a standard limited liability (“Pty Ltd”) company under the Corporations Act, and limiting its exposure to the share capital agreed and any loan funds provided.*

*Council can proceed with an application to ASIC for the registration of Etheridge Enterprise once the board has been chosen.*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council requests the Chief Executive Officer to contact the applicants regarding the expectations of being a Director on Etheridge Enterprise Pty Ltd.*

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2459**  
**5/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

Advertising for Directors has attracted the interest of a range of people with diverse experience and relevant skills to drive the activities of the enterprise successfully.

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

**MOTION:**

*That Council suspends standing orders at 10.26am.*

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2460**  
**5/0**



**CLOSURE OF MEETING**

**MOTION:**

*That in accordance with Section 275(1) (d), (e) and (h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following matters;*

- *Gilbert River Irrigation Scheme – Governance Structure*
- *Supply and Delivery of Used Prime Mover*
- *Interest on Rates*
- *Request for Payment Plan (Rates)*
- *Etheridge Shire Council Enterprise Bargaining Agreement.*

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2461**  
**5/0**

**RESUMPTION OF MEETING**

**MOTION:**

*That Council re-open the meeting to the public at 11.27am.*

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Bethel

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2462**  
**5/0**

**CONSIDERATION OF CLOSED SESSION REPORTS**

***MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST***

Cr Bethel declared that he has a material personal interest (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) in Item GMCCS7 as an owner of land within the Gilbert River Irrigation Precinct, as he stands to gain a benefit or suffer a loss depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter

He dealt with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting at 10:27am while this matter was discussed. Cr Bethel returned to the closed session of the meeting after the discussion of Item GMCCS7 at 10.45am. Cr Bethel did not vote on this matter.

***CONFLICT OF INTEREST***

Cr Gallagher declared that he may have a conflict of interest (as defined the Local Government Act 2009, section 175D) in Item GMCCS7 as family members own land within the Gilbert River Irrigation Precinct. Cr Gallagher determined that this personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead him to making a decision on the matter that is contrary to the public interest and advised that he will best perform his responsibility of serving the overall public interest of the whole of the Council's area by participating in the discussion and voting on this matter. However, he acknowledged that the remaining councillors must now determine, pursuant to section 175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009: -

(a) Whether he has a real conflict of interest in this matter or a perceived conflict of interest in this matter; and

(b) If so, whether: -

- i. he must leave the meeting while this matter is discussed or voted on; or
- ii. he may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter:

**RESOLUTION**

*That Councillor Gallagher has a perceived conflict of interest in the matter and, notwithstanding the conflict, Councillor Gallagher may participate in the matter, discuss and vote upon it.*

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2463**  
**3/0**

**GMCCS7.**

**Gilbert River Irrigation Scheme – Governance Structure**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*Following the approval and funding (maximum of \$2,003,000, ex GST / \$2,203,300, incl GST) of a detailed business case for the Gilbert River Irrigation Scheme, Council should consider the governance arrangements to ensure that the project achieves its objectives.*

*Attachment 1 shows the proposed governance structure diagrammatically, whilst Attachments 2 and 3 are the draft Terms of Reference for the Project Control Committee and Technical Advisory Committee.*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council:*

- *Endorse the proposed governance structure to support the Gilbert River Irrigation Scheme Business Case;*
- *Approve the formation of the Project Control Committee and Technical Advisory Committee in accordance with the draft Terms of Reference; and*
- *Note the requirements contained in the Funding Conditions.*

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2464**  
**4/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

To ensure that the Business Case for the Gilbert River Irrigation Scheme is developed in such a way that it will satisfy the requirements of the State Government; Building Queensland guidelines; and future approval processes, Council need to ensure that expertise in a range of areas is available for input into the project. The proposed governance structure is one way to achieve this.

*The Director Corporate & Community Services, Mr. David Munro left the meeting at 10.44am  
The Director Corporate & Community Services, Mr. David Munro returned to the meeting at 10.45am*

*Mayor Devlin left the meeting at 10.44am  
Mayor Devlin returned to the meeting at 10.46am*

**GMES3.**

**Supply and Delivery of Used Prime Mover**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The 2018/19 budget provides for the procurement of a used Prime Mover. In accordance with relevant legislation and the Etheridge Shire Council Procurement Policy, Quotations for this item of plant were invited in September and closed on 6th October 2018. A Quotation evaluation process has been completed and the details of each quote are provided in this report.*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to attend an Auction to purchase a second hand late model prime mover.*

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2465**  
**5/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

The decision to buy this prime mover is based on the requirement the council has to be able to float equipment from the worksites to the workshop for repairs and to also return them once completed. The unit that has been recommended has to have sufficient power to be able to pull a fully loaded float up and over the ranges with in the shire and when required in and out of Cairns and Townsville, along with being able to negotiate the dirt roads around the shire..

**GMCCS8.**

Interest on Rate

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*In accordance with section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 Council: -*

- 1. must make and levy general rates (which includes determining differential general rates and minimum general rates); and*
- 2. may also levy separate rates and charges. special rates and charges and utility charges to assist in funding the operation and maintenance of Council services and facilities.*

*Where possible, Council will endeavour to base all rates and charges on a full cost recovery basis.*

*Council will exercise its rate recovery powers in order to reduce the overall rate burden on ratepayers. It will be guided by the principles of:*

- transparency by making clear the obligations of ratepayers and the processes used by Council in assisting them meet their financial obligations*
- making the processes used to recover outstanding rates and charges clear, simple to administer and cost effective*
- equity by having regard to providing the same treatment for ratepayers with similar circumstances*
- flexibility by responding where necessary to changes in the local economy.*

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Resolve to waive the accumulated penalty interest from 11 September 2018 to 20 October 2018 amounting to \$398.82 against assessment number 00452-11347-000.*

MOVED: Cr Barnes

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2466**  
**5/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

The amount of the outstanding Rate Arrears has been paid as at 10 September 2018 in accordance with the 2018/19 Rates Notice plus all accumulated penalty interest.

**GMCCS9.**

Request for Payment Plan (Rates)

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*Within Councils 2018/19 Revenue Statement, Council will allow payments by installment where it will benefit both the individual and assist with the collection of overdue rates and charges.*

*Installment plans shall be based on ability to pay and if possible full recovery within a specified period.*

*The acceptance of a request to pay by installment shall not be considered a 'Formal Payment Arrangement' and interest will continue to accrue at the rate determined in the policy statement. Council shall also retain the right to take legal action to recover outstanding rates (arrears) if deemed necessary.*

*Council has received correspondence from a rate payer seeking Councils assistance to enter into a formal payment plan to pay down their rates arrears over a 12 month period by paying 4 equal payments.*

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Resolve to enter into a formal payment plan with the owners of the following rating assessments 00385-00880; 00451-21337; 00405-01313; 00420-11644; 00433-03548; 00405-30203; 00433-30193; 00433-30195; 00433-30196; 00433-30197; 00433-30201 and furthermore that Council freeze the penalty interest against the said assessments from 1st November 2018 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 and furthermore the arrears are to be cleared by the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 and furthermore that if there is any breakdown in the agreed payments, then Council will enact its powers under the Local Government Act 2009 and Local Government Regulation 2012 to recover its rates and charges.*

MOVED: Cr Gallagher

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2467**  
**5/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

Within Councils 2018/19 Revenue Statement, Council will allow payments by installment where it will benefit both the individual and assist with the collection of overdue rates and charges.

Installment plans shall be based on ability to pay and if possible full recovery within a specified period.

**MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST**

Cr Attwood declared that he has a Material Personal Interest in Item GMCCS10 as Cr Attwood has direct family members employed with Council. Cr Attwood did not leave the meeting during the discussion of Item GMCCS10 as there were no discussions regarding any potential or future benefits to employees of Council and furthermore that Cr Attwood abstained from voting on this matter.

**GMCCS10.**

Etheridge Shire Council Enterprise Bargaining Agreement

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*Council's current Enterprise Bargaining Agreement was certified by the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission (QIRC) on 17 January 2013 and was due to expire on 31 August 2015, however, as a result of the State Government Award Modernisation process, it was extended to apply until the new award and new EBA had been finalised. The new Award (Queensland Local Government Industry Award - State 2017) was finalised in 2017 and it is opportune for Council to start thinking about what it would like to achieve through enterprise bargaining for the future.*

*Any new certified agreement must be based on and underpinned by the new award, so now that the award provisions and implications are known, the process to produce an outcome that delivers benefits to the community while being fair and equitable to all staff can commence.*

*When considered in November 2017 (Item no. GMCCS12), Council decided:*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council note and receive the report and furthermore that Council defer its commencement of negotiating a new Enterprise Bargaining Agreement with its employees until after the State Election in the event that there is a change in the Local Government Award.*

MOVED: Cr Gallagher

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2017/GM2192**  
**3/0**

*It was noted that Cr Attwood & Cr Barnes declared a MPI and did not vote on this matter; in that the Councilors' family members are Council employees.*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council notes & receives the Officers Report and furthermore that Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to attend a workshop/seminar with the Local Government Managers Association (Qld) (LGMA) regarding the establishment of new Enterprise Bargaining Agreement (EBA).*

MOVED: Cr Barnes

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2468**  
**4/0**

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

Council has a responsibility to ensure that its staffing arrangements reflect contemporary industrial relations expectations and are relevant to the local environment. Since the introduction of the new award and extension of the existing EBA, a number of anomalies have arisen which pose an industrial risk.

*The Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Norman Garsden left the meeting at 11.36am.*

*The Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Norman Garsden returned to the meeting at 11.46am*

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Cr Gallagher**

- Grid on the Gulf Development Road on the western approach to Mt Surprise. There was a request to place a grid and what is happening with this request?
- *Cr Gallagher was advised that the cost to install the grid to TMR standards was approximately \$250,000.00*
- Requested that the Chief Executive Officer provide direction to the Works Manager to investigate the replacement of old and broken Town Street Signs and furthermore ensure that all streets have a street sign placed on the road.

**Resolution**

***That Council resolves to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to ensure that patching works to Town streets is performed prior to the 2018/19 Town Streets Re-Sealing program and furthermore that town street signs are replaced that need replacing.***

**MOVED: Cr Gallagher**

**SECONDED: Cr Attwood**

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2469**  
**5/0**

- Discussed a letter received from Mr Daniel Bryan requesting that Council form a road to his commercial property located at Creek Street, Georgetown. Cr Gallagher has asked Councillors to look favourable at this request when a report is presented to Council at the next General Meeting in November 2018.

**Cr Barnes**

- Nil

**Cr Bethel**

- Raised the issue of clearing of the Charleston Dam inundation area.

**Cr Attwood**

- Sought advice on the recruitment of a new Director of Engineering?
- *Councillors have indicated that they would like the Chief Executive Officer to go back out to the market for the recruitment of a Director of Engineering Services*

**Cr Devlin**

- Updated Council on the recent delegation to Brisbane with the FNQROC group of Mayors.

**CONCLUSION**

There being no further business the Chair declared the Meeting closed at 12.42pm.

These minutes will be confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the Wednesday 21 November 2018.

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MAYOR

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