

**Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council
held at the Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council Boardroom
on 31st July 2017**

MEETING RE-SCHEDULED

At the scheduled commencement time of 10:15am and in the absence of all Councillors as previously agreed, the Chief Executive Officer adjourned the meeting to 11:00am in accordance with Section 261 (2) (c) of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*.

1. OPENING BUSINESS

The Mayor officially opened the meeting at 11:00am

2. ATTENDANCE

Elected Members

Mayor Edric Walden
Cr Jason Ned
Cr Scharrayne Foster

Staff

Lothar Siebert – Chief Executive Officer
Garry Jeffries – Director of Engineering
Richard Kelly – Director of Corporate Services
Juanita Holden – Governance and Grants Officer
Kevin McFarlene – Acting Finance Manager (Teleconference from 11:12am)

3. APOLOGIES WITH OR WITHOUT

No Apologies or requests for leave were received.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

N/A

5. CEO REPORT

Agenda Reference:	5.01
Title:	Financial Statements 2015-2016

Executive Summary – Council's General-Purpose Statements for 2015-2016 Financial Year are provided.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the General-Purpose Statements for 2015-2016, as presented.

Resolution No SM1-07/17

Moved Cr Edric Walden

Seconded Cr Jason Ned

That Council adopt the General-Purpose Statements for the 2015-2016 financial year as presented. **Carried**

Agenda Reference:	5.02
Title:	Annual Report 2015-2016

Executive Summary – The Annual Report reflects on the achievements of the Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council and shares with the Community the challenges, opportunities and plans for the future. Doomadgee Aboriginal is proud to reflect on these achievements.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the Annual Report 2015-2016 as presented.

Resolution No SM2-07/17

Moved Cr Jason Ned

Seconded Cr Scharrayne Foster

That Council adopt the Annual Report 2015-2016 as presented.

Carried

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6. GOVERNANCE REPORT

Agenda Reference: **6.01**
Title: **Operational Plan 2017-2018**

Executive Summary – Under Section 104 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and Section 174-175 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*, the Local Government must prepare and adopt an Annual Operational Plan consistent with its budget.

Recommendation:
That Council adopt the 2017-2018 Operational Plan, as presented.

Resolution No SM3-07/17
Moved Cr Edric Walden
Seconded Cr Jason Ned
That Council adopt the 2017-2018 Operational Plan as presented. **Carried**

Attendance:
Richard Kelly left the meeting at 11:09am and returned at 11:11am

Attendance:
Andrew Cunningham entered the meeting at 11:11am and left at 11:11am

Attendance:
Brendan Karkadoo entered the meeting at 11:11am and left at 11:11am

Attendance:
Kevin McFarlene joined the meeting by Teleconference at 11:12am

7. FINANCE REPORT

Agenda Reference: **7.01**
Title: **Budget Financial Statements**

Executive Summary – That in accordance with Section 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Council budget must contain certain statements which must be prepared on an accrual basis. The statutory statements include all budget allocation for the financial period, including:

- Statement of Comprehensive Income
- Statement of Financial Position
- Statement of Cash Flows
- Statement of Changes in Equity

Recommendation:
That Council adopt the Budget Financial Statements, as presented, representing the Original Budget for the year end 30 June 2018, 30 June 2019 and 30 June 2020, which have been prepared on an accrual basis.

Resolution No SM4-07/17
Moved Cr Edric Walden
Seconded Cr Jason Ned
That Council adopt the Budget Financial Statements as presented. **Carried**

Attendance:
Kevin McFarlene left the meeting by Teleconference at 11:15am

Agenda Reference: **7.02**
Title: **Long Term Financial Forecast**

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Executive Summary – That in accordance with Section 169(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a Local government is required to develop and adopt a Long Term Financial Forecast.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the Ten Year Financial Forecast to June 2027 as presented.

Resolution No SM5-07/17

Moved Cr Edric Walden

Seconded Cr Jason Ned

That Council adopt Long Term Financial Forecast as presented.

Carried

Agenda Reference: **7.03**

Title: **Measures of Financial Sustainability**

Executive Summary – That in accordance with Section 169(4) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Council budget must contain each of the relevant measures of financial sustainability for the current financial year and the next 9 years.

Indicator	Council's Calculated Ratio 2017/2018
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Asset Sustainability	124.4%
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Net Financial Liabilities Ratio	-69.3%
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Operating Surplus Ratio	9.3%
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Recommendation:

That Council note the information provided in the measures of Financial Sustainability.

Noted

Attendance:

Cr Scharrayne Foster left the meeting at 11:24am and returned at 11:26am. It is to be noted that quorum was lost and discussion ceased until Cr Foster re-entered the meeting and quorum was reached.

Agenda Reference: **7.04**

Title: **Revenue Policy**

Executive Summary – That in accordance with Section 193 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Local Government must prepare and adopt a Revenue Policy Annually.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the Revenue Policy, as presented.

Resolution No SM6-07/17

Moved Cr Edric Walden

Seconded Cr Jason Ned

That Council adopt the Revenue Policy as presented .

Carried

Agenda Reference: **7.05**

Title: **Debt Policy**

Executive Summary – That in accordance with Section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Local government must prepare and adopt a Debt Policy for each financial year.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the Debt Policy, as presented.

Resolution No SM7-07/17

Moved Cr Scharrayne Foster

Seconded Cr Edric Walden

That Council adopt the Debt Policy as presented .

Carried

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Agenda Reference:	7.06
Title:	Investment Policy

Executive Summary – That in accordance with Section 191 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Local government must prepare and adopt an Investment Policy.

Recommendation: That Council adopt the Investment Policy, as presented.

Resolution No SM8-07/17 Moved Cr Edric Walden Seconded Cr Jason Ned That Council adopt the Investment Policy as presented.	Carried
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Agenda Reference:	7.07
Title:	Revenue Statement

Executive Summary – That in accordance with the budget requirements contained in Section 169(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council budget for the financial year must include a Revenue Statement prepared in accordance with S172 of the same regulation.

Recommendation: That Council adopt the Revenue Statement 2017-2018, as presented.

Resolution No SM9-07/17 Moved Cr Jason Ned Seconded Cr Edric Walden That Council adopt the Revenue Statement as presented.	Carried
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Agenda Reference:	7.08
Title:	Interest on Charges

Executive Summary – That in accordance with Section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Interest is payable on overdue charges. A local government must resolve the rate of interest payable on overdue charges, and must apply it equally.

Recommendation: That Council fix the interest for overdue charges at 11 per cent (11%) per annum Compound Interest, calculated on daily rests be hereby made and levied on charges that are 30 days overdue.
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Resolution No SM10-07/17 Moved Cr Jason Ned Seconded Cr Edric Walden That Council adopt the Interest on Charges at 11% per annum as presented.	Carried
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Agenda Reference:	7.09
Title:	Rates and Charges – As a percentage of Last Period

Executive Summary – That in accordance with Section 169(6) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the budget must include the total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the utility charges levied in the previous budget.

Summary of Increases	2017/2018 From 2016/2017
Garbage Collection	1.8%
Cleansing Charges	1.8%
Water Charges	1.8%
Sewerage Charges	1.8%

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Recommendation:

That Council note the schedule of percentage increases of utility charges as set out above.

Noted

Agenda Reference: **7.10**

Title: **Cost Recoveries - Fees and Charges**

Executive Summary – That in accordance with Section 97 of the *Local Government Act, 2009*, Council may fix a cost recovery fee under a Local Law or Resolution. There are a number of fees and charges that Council charges and the attached schedule provide a listing of the cost recovery fees and the commercial fees and charges.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the attached schedule of Cost Recovery and Commercial Fees and Charges for the 2017-2018 Financial year as presented.

Resolution No SM11-07/17

Moved Cr Jason Ned

Seconded Cr Edric Walden

That Council adopt the attached Schedule of Cost Recovery and Commercial Fees and Charges for the 2017-2018 Financial year as presented. **Carried**

Agenda Reference: **7.11**

Title: **Capital Works Schedule**

Executive Summary – Capital Works Schedule for the 2017-2018 Financial Year

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the attached Capital Works Budget for the 2017-2018 Financial year as presented.

Resolution No SM12-07/17

Moved Cr Edric Walden

Seconded Cr Jason Ned

That Council adopt the Capital Works Schedule as presented. **Carried**

Agenda Reference: **7.12**

Title: **Organisational Structure**

Executive Summary – Organisation Structure as per Budget for 2017/2018 financial year.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt Organisational Structure to reflect the 2017-2018 Budget as presented.

Resolution No SM13-07/17

Moved Cr Edric Walden

Seconded Cr Jason Ned

That Council adopt the Organisational Structure to reflect the 2017-2018 Budget as presented. **Carried**

The Meeting Closed: 12:25pm

Cr Edric Walden
Mayor
Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council