

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CLARENCE CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BLIGH STREET, ROSNY PARK, ON MONDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2022

HOURLY CALLED: 7.00pm

Prior to commencement of the meeting, all councillors completed their Declarations of Office in accordance with Regulation 40 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2015.

PRESENT: The meeting commenced at 7.53pm with the Mayor (Cr B A Blomeley) in the Chair and with Councillors:

H Chong
J Darko
E Goyne
D Hulme
B Hunter
R H James
W Kennedy
T Mulder
A Ritchie
J Walker
B Warren; present.

1. APOLOGIES Nil

ORDER OF BUSINESS Items 1 – 11

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Executive Officer
(Mr I Nelson)

Group Manager Engineering Services
(Mr R Graham)

Manager City Planning
(Mr R Lovell)

Chief Financial Officer
(Ms J Murrell)

Acting Manager Health and Community Well-being
(Ms T Cockburn)

Manager Communication and Strategic Development
(Mr C Paske)

Executive Officer to the Chief Executive Officer
(Ms J Ellis)

Acting Manager Regulatory Services
(Mr R Brennan)

The Meeting closed at 8.11pm.

COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2022

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1A. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor:

- made the following statement:

“I acknowledge the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, and pay respect to elders, past and present”.

- recited the Council prayer; and
- advised the Meeting and members of the public that Council Meetings, not including Closed Meeting, are livestreamed, audio-visually recorded and published to Council’s website. The meeting is not protected by privilege. A link to the Agenda is available via Council’s website.

1B. CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION – 1 NOVEMBER 2022

As provided by Section 304 of the Local Government Act 1993 the Returning Officer for Clarence, Mr Peter Moore, has completed the Certificate of Election for the Clarence City Council Elections held on 25 October 2022. The Chief Executive Officer tabled the Certificate of Election (refer attached).

The Mayor acknowledged the service to Council and the Clarence Community of former Aldermen Sharyn von Bertouch and John Peers and advised that it is proposed to give more formal recognition at the next council meeting.

1C. ELECTED MEMBERS’ DECLARATIONS

In accordance with the provisions of Section 321 of the Local Government Act 1993, the Chief Executive Officer confirmed the completion of Declarations by the successful candidates at the 25 October 2022 Elections and the Council acknowledged the Declarations at the Meeting.

2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Refer to cover page.



2022 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

Certificate of Election

Clarence City Council

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 I have declared the following candidates elected to the positions shown below.

12 Councillors

Elected for a period of 4 years

Tony MULDER
Brendan BLOMELEY
Heather CHONG
Allison RITCHIE
Wendy KENNEDY
Beth WARREN
Bree HUNTER
Jade DARKO
Daniel HULME
Richard JAMES
James WALKER
Emma GOYNE

Mayor

Elected for a period of 4 years

Brendan BLOMELEY

Deputy Mayor

Elected for a period of 4 years

Allison RITCHIE

Peter Moore RETURNING OFFICER

1 November 2022

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS OF COUNCILLORS OR CLOSE ASSOCIATE

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 and Council's adopted Code of Conduct, the Mayor requests Councillors to indicate whether they have, or are likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary benefits or pecuniary detriment) or conflict of interest in any item on the Agenda.

INTEREST DECLARED: **NIL**

4. OMNIBUS ITEMS

4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17 October 2022, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed.

Decision: **MOVED** Cr Mulder **SECONDED** Cr Kennedy

“That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17 October 2022, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed”.

CARRIED

FOR

Cr Blomeley
Cr Chong
Cr Darko
Cr Goyne
Cr Hulme
Cr Hunter
Cr James
Cr Kennedy
Cr Mulder
Cr Walker
Cr Warren

AGAINST

Cr Ritchie (abstained)

4.2 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATION

The Mayor reported on the following meetings and attendances since the last Council Meeting:

Mayor Brendan Blomeley

24 October: The ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022 Games;
27 October: Win News TV Interview;
7HOFM Radio Interview;
3 November: Chambroad Kangaroo Bay Development Briefing;
3 November: Business Eastern Shore – City of Clarence Business Excellence and Service Awards; and
5 November: Clarence Jazz Festival Launch

Former Mayor Doug Chipman

18 October: The ICC Men's T20 World Cup Team Welcome;
19 October: The ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022 Games;
20 October: 2022 Royal Hobart Show President's Luncheon;
Networking Event to Welcome the Scottish T20 Squad;
24 October: The ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022 Games.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATION /contd...

Former Deputy Mayor Heather Chong (on behalf of former Mayor)

23 October: The ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022 Games.

Former Alderman Dean Ewington (on behalf of former Mayor)

19 October: The ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022 Games.

4.3 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS

In addition to the Councillor's Meeting Briefing (workshop) conducted on Friday immediately preceding the Council Meeting the following workshops were conducted by Council since its last ordinary Council Meeting:

No workshops were conducted by council since its last ordinary council meeting.

4.4. TABLING OF PETITIONS

Nil

4.5 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

This agenda item is listed to facilitate the receipt of both informal and formal reporting from various outside bodies upon which Council has a representative involvement.

REPORTS FROM SINGLE AND JOINT AUTHORITIES

Provision is made for reports from Single and Joint Authorities if required.

Council is a participant in the following Single and Joint Authorities. These Authorities are required to provide quarterly reports to participating Councils, and these will be listed under this segment as and when received.

- **COPPING REFUSE DISPOSAL SITE JOINT AUTHORITY**
Representatives:

Quarterly Reports

September Quarterly Report pending

Representative Reporting

- **TASWATER CORPORATION**
- **GREATER HOBART COMMITTEE**

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVE BODIES

RICHMOND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- Cr Chong tabled the Minutes of a Meeting held on 21 September 2022.

EVENTS SPECIAL COMMITTEE

- Cr Chong tabled the draft Minutes of a Meeting held on 13 October 2022.

HOWRAH COMMUNITY CENTRE

- Cr James tabled the Minutes of a Meeting held on 27 October 2022.

4.6 WEEKLY BRIEFING REPORTS

The Weekly Briefing Reports of 17, 24 and 31 October 2022 have been circulated to Councillors.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information contained in the Weekly Briefing Reports of 17, 24 and 31 October 2022 be noted.

Decision: **MOVED** Cr Hunter **SECONDED** Cr Warren

“That the Recommendation be adopted”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Public question time at ordinary Council meetings will not exceed 15 minutes. An individual may ask questions at the meeting. Questions may be submitted to Council in writing on the Friday 10 days before the meeting or may be raised from the Public Gallery during this segment of the meeting.

The Chairman may request a Councillor or Council officer to answer a question. No debate is permitted on any questions or answers. Questions and answers are to be kept as brief as possible.

5.1 PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

(Seven days before an ordinary Meeting, a member of the public may give written notice to the Chief Executive Officer of a question to be asked at the meeting). A maximum of two questions may be submitted in writing before the meeting.

Nil.

5.2 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The Mayor may address Questions on Notice submitted by members of the public.

Nil.

5.3 ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

The Chief Executive Officer provides the following answer to Question taken on Notice from members of the public at previous Council Meetings.

At Council's Meeting of 17 October Victor Marsh of Bellerive asked the following question.

CONCERT NOISE COMING FROM BLUNDSTONE ARENA**QUESTION**

An elderly resident Cath Hyland who lives at the bottom of King Street rang me at 6.20pm tonight. She was very distressed about the concert noise coming from the arena. She said her house was vibrating, she wears a hearing aid and couldn't hear her television properly. My question is, has the council any authority to limit the amount of noise caused by music being played at the T20 World Cup?

ANSWER

Planning permit D-2017/505, for "Consolidation of Permits" at 15 Derwent Street, Bellerive (Bellerive Oval) contains extensive conditions to control the noise level associated with various activities at the oval. In relation to amplified sound, there are permit conditions which address sound time limits, noise levels, sound control arrangements and sound monitoring. The conditions are too extensive to repeat here, however a copy of the permit containing the conditions will be sent to Mr Marsh for his information.

5.4 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

The Chairperson may invite members of the public present to ask questions without notice.

Questions are to relate to the activities of the Council. Questions without notice will be dependent on available time at the meeting.

Council Policy provides that the Chairperson may refuse to allow a question on notice to be listed or refuse to respond to a question put at a meeting without notice that relates to any item listed on the agenda for the Council meeting (note: this ground for refusal is in order to avoid any procedural fairness concerns arising in respect to any matter to be determined on the Council Meeting Agenda.

When dealing with Questions without Notice that require research and a more detailed response the Chairman may require that the question be put on notice and in writing. Wherever possible, answers will be provided at the next ordinary Council Meeting.

6. DEPUTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
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(In accordance with Regulation 38 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 and in accordance with Council Policy, deputation requests are invited to address the Meeting and make statements or deliver reports to Council)

Nil

7 PLANNING AUTHORITY MATTERS

In accordance with Regulation 25 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the Mayor advises that the Council intends to act as a Planning Authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, to deal with the following items:

7.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION PDPLANPMTD-2022/030063 – 28 BURGUNDY ROAD, HOWRAH - 2 MULTIPLE DWELLINGS**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to consider the application made for 2 Multiple Dwellings at 28 Burgundy Road, Howrah.

RELATION TO PLANNING PROVISIONS

The land is zoned General Residential and subject to the Bushfire-prone Areas Code, Flood-prone Hazard Areas Code, Safeguarding of Airports Code, Road and Railway Assets Code, Parking and Sustainable Transport Code and the North Glebe Hill Specific Area Plan under the Tasmanian Planning Scheme - Clarence (the Scheme). In accordance with the Scheme the proposal is a Discretionary development.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

The report on this item details the basis and reasons for the recommendation. Any alternative decision by Council will require a full statement of reasons in order to maintain the integrity of the Planning approval process and to comply with the requirements of the Judicial Review Act and the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

Council is required to exercise a discretion within the statutory 42-day period which expires on 9 November 2022.

CONSULTATION

The proposal was advertised in accordance with statutory requirements and four representations were received raising the following issues:

- Notification procedure;
- Overshadowing impact;
- Loss of privacy;
- Streetscape impact; and
- Parking and traffic impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

A. That the Development Application for 2 Multiple Dwellings at 28 Burgundy Road, Howrah (CI Ref PDPLANPMTD-2022/030063) be approved subject to the following conditions and advice.

1. GEN AP1 – ENDORSED PLANS.
2. Amended plans showing the provision of two separate access points and driveways to service each multiple dwelling must be submitted to and approved by Council's Manager City Planning prior to the commencement of the use/development. The access points must be located and designed to maximise the ability for on-street parking and landscaped areas between the dwelling and the street frontage. When approved, the plans will form part of the permit.

3. The recommendations made within Section 6 of the Flood Report prepared by Flussig Engineers dated 12 September 2022 must be implemented to the satisfaction of Council's Group Manager Engineering Services. Certification and documentation demonstrating compliance with the recommendations made within the report must be submitted prior to the issue of a building permit.
4. Two car parking spaces must be provided on-site for each dwelling plus one visitor park for the use of both dwellings prior to the commencement of the use. Each space, including disabled parking, must be clearly marked and used solely for parking purposes.
5. A 3.6m wide kerb and gutter crossing must be provided to each dwelling and must be constructed in accordance with Standard Drawing TSD-R09. A 3.6m wide sealed access is required to be constructed from the road carriageway to the property boundary for each dwelling to accord with Standard Drawing TSD-R09 (copy available from Council). The driveway may reduce to 3.0m over the remaining length of the driveway for each dwelling. This access must be inspected by Council prior to sealing or pouring new concrete.
6. Following construction, the crossovers must be maintained or repaired by the owner at the owner's expense in accordance with any directions given by Council to the owner.
7. ENG M1 – DESIGNS DA [access, carpark and driveways and service upgrades].
8. ENG A5 – SEALED CAR PARKING.
9. ENG A7 – REDUNDANT CROSSOVER.
10. ENG S1 – INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIR.
11. The development must meet all required Conditions of Approval specified by TasWater notice dated 27 October 2022 (TWDA 2022/01295-CCC).

ADVICE

The application was referred to TasNetworks who have advised based on the information provided, the development is not likely to adversely affect TasNetworks' operations. As with any development, consideration should be given to the electrical infrastructure works that may be required to ensure a supply of electricity can be provided. To understand what these requirements may entail, it is recommended the developer contact TasNetworks on 1300 137 008 at their earliest convenience.

- B. That the details and conclusions included in the Associated Report be recorded as the reasons for Council’s decision in respect of this matter.

Decision: **MOVED** Cr Hulme **SECONDED** Cr Walker

“That the Recommendation be adopted”.

Cr Ritchie left the meeting at this stage (8.06pm).

The **MOTION** was **put** and **CARRIED**

FOR	AGAINST
Cr Blomeley	Cr James
Cr Chong	
Cr Darko	
Cr Goyne	
Cr Hulme	
Cr Hunter	
Cr Kennedy	
Cr Mulder	
Cr Walker	
Cr Warren	

Council now concludes its deliberations as a Planning Authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act, 1993.

8. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

8.1 DETERMINATION ON PETITIONS TABLED AT PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

Nil.

8.2 ASSET MANAGEMENT

Nil Items.

8.3 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Nil Items.

8.4 GOVERNANCE

Nil Items.

9. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil.

10. COUNCILLOR'S QUESTION TIME

A Councillor may ask a question with or without notice at Council Meetings. No debate is permitted on any questions or answers.

10.1 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

(Seven days before an ordinary Meeting, a Councillor may give written notice to the Chief Executive Officer of a question in respect of which the Councillor seeks an answer at the meeting).

Nil.

10.2 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil.

10.3 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

Cr Warren

1. Could we have an update on the status of the Rosny Hill development?

ANSWER

(Mr Paske) We are still negotiating a draft lease with the proponents, and we will come back to council when we have made progress on that.

2. Has council considered giving a grace period for payment of rates in a similar way to energy suppliers such as Aurora? I understand that our rates incur a penalty the day they are due whereas most organisations give a week or a couple of weeks' grace, so I just wondered is that something council might like to consider in the future?

ANSWER

(Ms Murrell) We do not have that arrangement in place. We do have a Hardship Policy that can be applied for, and we can consider interest and payment terms under that.

(Mayor) It is something a future council may wish to consider.

(Further information) Council's Rates resolution applies interest from the due date. This means we do not have any formal grace period in place, however as Australia Post is unable to put a receipt date on the files they provide to us, we cannot apply interest after the due date, until all Australia Post files are received. Therefore, in a practical sense, we have a grace period of 4 days until interest is applied to all payments to ensure payments from Australia Post made prior to the due date have been received. If Australia Post can provide us with an accurate payment date this grace period may be removed to match the rating resolution.

Ald James

1. I spent a good hour with the manager of the Clarence Lifestyle Village last week and of course most of us are aware that they have a request for an extension of the urban growth boundary into the area that they purchased along the East Derwent Highway. My question is, where are we at in relation to the Clarence Lifestyle Village request and is there any light on the horizon as to whether the Tasmanian Planning Commission will be considering the application in the foreseeable future?

ANSWER

(Mr Lovell) An application for a planning scheme amendment was received several months ago, we have asked for further information. We have not had that information provided to us so there is no further action we can take or advice we can give. We cannot advise on the likely course of action or what we might recommend to council or what the TPC might say until we receive the information that has been requested.

2. Regarding the decision of council in relation to the Seven Mile Beach structure plan which was part of a number of conditions in relation to Regal Court, could we be advised of the current situation in relation to progress and presumably the new council will take some ownership or stewardship of that matter once we have that information to hand?

ANSWER

(Mr Lovell) There is a live appeal on it although it is on hold at the moment, and I cannot add to that however I can provide a weekly briefing report to council on where it is at the moment.

(Further information) Council's lawyers have advised that the delay is due to the appellant applicant who has been granted time to obtain expert engineering reporting.

Ald von Bertouch

1. Where are we at with the Seven Mile Beach local area plan development?

ANSWER

(Mr Lovell) The first major phase is virtually completed in that the community engagement process has been completed and we are waiting for a final report from the consultant to the steering committee. If that request is considered satisfactory by the steering committee and no further work needs to be done, it will go forward to a council workshop and if council is happy with it from there the consultant will proceed with the final major stage which is the plan arising from consultation.

2. Could we be apprised of where the Arm End golf course permit substantial commencement is at? I am aware the key date was 1 October.

ANSWER

(Mr Lovell) The expected expiry date has come and gone however we have received correspondence from the applicant's legal representatives which claims that they have achieved substantial commencement and that they will provide further information to justify that and to seek council's view of that. At the moment we have not received that further information so we are not in a position to consider whether substantial commencement has been achieved however we anticipate that should not be too far away. We are in the hands of the applicant at the moment.

Ald Blomeley

Two weeks ago, I was approached at Bellerive Yacht Club by some elderly residents regarding waste collection, they had a concern because of mobility issues and the bin not been collected. I rang the customer contact line, the manager Mr Steele was not available, but staff member Isabelle took the call very professionally and then escalated it very quickly to Mrs Coleman and I am pleased to say Mr Mayor the next day Mrs Coleman, on her day off as I understand it, went around to see these residents to ensure this matter had been addressed. My question is could the Chief Executive Officer pass on my appreciation and that of the residents who were so impressed by the customer service that Mrs Coleman and her team were able to provide?

Ald Peers

1. I put in an Alderman's request about potholes in Derwent and Church Streets and roads around Blundstone Arena. As the cricket is on an and it is a world cup are we doing anything, or we may have already done it to get those potholes fixed?

ANSWER

(Mr Graham) I can have this reviewed. We can undertake the works, but it has to be well before the matches because of security provisions for each game.

2. Can we congratulate the staff because I had a phone call about the footpath at ANZAC Park and I had two Aldermen requests and the person is extremely happy about what we have done there.

Cr Walker

1. My question relates to the Boulevard site, a more interesting special council planning meeting I don't think I have sat on ever. What is the status after council's non approval then approval by delegation?

ANSWER

The Boulevard site has some similarities to Rosny Hill. We are waiting for a response from Hunter developments, we have provided them with information including a valuation of the site and we are waiting he hear back from them.

Question contd

There is a possibility they might not want to pursue the purchase.

ANSWER

That is hypothetical and I cannot comment.

2. My question is in relation to my motion on notice regarding parking contributions looking at ways and means that parking contributions are required and that there might be a more staggered process for council to be able to get that funding which was a matter that was going to be taken up with the State I believe. Is there any update or progress on that?

ANSWER

The question was taken on notice.

(Further Information) At the meeting of 10 August 2020, Council supported a Notice of Motion to engage with the Planning Policy Unit (PPU) with view to developing a more flexible approach to staging cash-in-lieu contributions for car parking that cannot be provided on-site. Officers subsequently entered into discussion with the PPU and provided relevant background material.

As previously advised in a memo in May 2021, those discussions covered the issues previously raised in workshops with Council, around the constraints on taking cash-in-lieu for car parking via permit conditions. Unfortunately, the PPU advised that it felt that they did not have power or a role in determining the specifics of a council's cash-in-lieu policy or to amend the State Planning Provisions (SPP).

The PPU was satisfied that the SPP gives a "head of power" to take cash-in-lieu and refer to any adopted parking plan, and therefore councils will have discretion to determine the appropriate cash amount based on a variety of issues. While the PPU could not address the constraints around the reasonableness of time frames for cash-in-lieu payments, which had been raised, the PPU did suggest that councils address cash-in-lieu payment arrangements through a parking plan.

As the LPS has been subsequently approved, the preparation of a parking plan has been listed on the relevant officers' work program. Progression is influenced by work on the City Heart project and by the outcome of a current review of the SPP planning controls, by the State Planning Office (formerly the Planning Policy Unit). This review includes the statutory parking and access code controls. However, it is intended that the plan will be developed during 2023 and that this will include a workshop with council.

Ald Ewington

1. My question is in relation to the Bellerive Beach master plan, has internal work started on that or is it still waiting to be commenced?

ANSWER

(Mr Graham) Staff have commenced work on that but I will need to confirm when we are planning to come to the new council at a workshop.

2. Has there been any progress on the steps at Little Howrah Beach?

ANSWER

(Mr Graham) The steps will be completed before the end of this year. It is a possibility that it may be the same contractor that will be constructing the ramp, but I will need to ascertain whether they will be undertaking that individually or at the same time. It certainly has been confirmed to me that the steps will be in before the end of the year.

Cr Kennedy

Following on from a question asked by Ald Peers at the last meeting regarding Pipe Clay Esplanade, the response was that the grader was going to be there at the end of October/early November. Do we actually have a confirmation of date?

ANSWER

(Mr Graham) No but I will check with the crew and advise council.

Further information

Our grader will attend Pipe Clay Esplanade by the end of the week of 7 November 2022.

Cr Mulder

In State and Federal Government there is a very longstanding convention that elected members of parliament and government staff do not receive directors' or sitting fees for serving on government business enterprises or government boards. Does the same apply to councils, the joint authorities, boards, authorities, committees, etc on which we sit on, or the staff sit on?

ANSWER

There is no rule that I am aware of that precludes sitting fees, in fact in a number of councils that occurs for particular boards. There is one that applies for us and that is the sitting fee for the C Cell Director that is on the basis that it applies equally to all those directors.

Question contd

Do you think Mr Mayor that it is appropriate that we have a look at that?

ANSWER

(Mayor) I don't see the need to have a look at that, I think that is a matter for council in the future. I will point out that there have been plenty of precedents for that. I am aware of other councillors on this council who have had other positions on joint authorities or boards that have been entitled to some sitting fees for the jobs that they are doing.

10.4 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

A Councillor may ask a Question without Notice of the Chairman or another Councillor or the Chief Executive Officer. Note: the Chairman may refuse to accept a Question without Notice if it does not relate to the activities of the Council. A person who is asked a Question without Notice may decline to answer the question.

Questions without notice and their answers will be recorded in the following Agenda.

The Chairman may refuse to accept a question if it does not relate to Council's activities.

The Chairman may require a question without notice to be put in writing. The Chairman, a Councillor or the Chief Executive Officer may decline to answer a question without notice.

11. CLOSED MEETING

Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meetings Procedures) Regulations 2015 provides that Council may consider certain sensitive matters in Closed Meeting.

The following matter was listed in the Closed Meeting section of the Council Agenda in accordance with Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

11.1 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

In accordance with Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 the reports in the Closed Meeting section of the Council Agenda were dealt with on the grounds that the detail covered in the reports relates to:

- applications by Councillors for a Leave of Absence;

Note: The decision to move into Closed Meeting requires an absolute majority of Council.

The content of reports and details of the Council decisions in respect to items listed in “Closed Meeting” are to be kept “confidential” and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by the Council.

Decision:	<p>PROCEDURAL MOTION MOVED Cr Chong SECONDED Cr Kennedy</p> <p>“That the Meeting be closed to the public to consider Regulation 15 matters, and that members of the public be required to leave the meeting room”.</p> <p>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>
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The meeting closed at 8.11pm.