

CONFIRMED MINUTES

WATER AND WASTE STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF
ISAAC REGIONAL COUNCIL

HELD ON
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ATTENDANCE

Cr Simon West, Division Four (Chair)
Mayor Kelly Veava
Cr Vern Russell, Division Two
Cr Rachael Anderson, Division Seven

**COMMITTEE
APOLOGIES**

Cr Viv Coleman, Division Eight

OBSERVERS

Cr Alaina Earl, Division Five

OFFICERS PRESENT

Mr Cale Dendle, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Scott Casey, Director Water and Waste
Mrs Lisa Tonkin, Manager Business Services
Mr Amal Meegahawattage, Manager Planning and Projects
Mr Jason Grandcourt, Manager Waste Services
Mrs Tricia Hughes, Coordinator Executive Support, Office of the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer
Mrs Kristi Thomsen, Executive Assistant, Water and Waste

1. OPENING

The Chair welcomed all in attendance and declared the meeting open at 2.10pm and acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today and paid his respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

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ATTENDANCE

Mayor Kelly Veve and Mr Cale Dendle were not in the meeting room at the commencement of the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCES

A Leave of Absence has been requested from Cr Viv Coleman, Division Eight due to personal leave commitments.

Resolution No.: W&W0510

Moved: Cr Vern Russell

Seconded: Cr Rachel Anderson

That the Water and Waste Standing Committee grants a leave of absence for Cr Viv Coleman.

Carried

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflict of interests declared this meeting.

NOTE:

Council acknowledges that Chapter 5B Councillors' Conflicts of Interest of the Local Government Act 2009 does not apply to a Councillor if the matter to be resolved relates to a corporation or association that arises solely because of a nomination or appointment of the councillor by the local government to be a member of the board of the corporation or association.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of minutes from Water and Waste Standing Committee Meeting of Isaac Regional Council held at Council Chambers, Moranbah, commencing at 1.00pm on Wednesday 17 July 2024.

1. Receives and notes the monthly Water and Waste 2023/2024 Capital Projects Progress Summary Report.

Carried

5.2 Water Quality Investigation Action Plan Update

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the Water Quality Reliability Investigation Action Plan Deliverables following the 2021/22 Christmas Period water quality incidents.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. *Receives and notes the Report for the Water Quality Investigation Action Plan Deliverables.*

Resolution No.: W&W0513

Moved: Cr Anderson

Seconded: Cr Russell

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. Receives and notes the Report for the Water Quality Investigation Action Plan Deliverables.

Carried

5.3 Materials Recycling Facility Processing Expectations and Deviations

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to obtain ongoing approval to procure services for Processing of Recyclables as an exception to the competitive bidding requirements under s235 (a) and (b) of the *Local Government Regulations 2012* for medium or large sized contractual arrangements.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Resolves it is satisfied that there is only one (1) supplier who is reasonably available that requires payment to supply services for processing and recycling of co-mingled recyclable waste due to the absence of other potential providers within reasonable travel distance of the Isaac Region.*
- 2. Resolves that, because of the unique specialised nature of the work involved in operating a Materials Recycling Facility (MRF), it would be impractical or disadvantageous for the local government to invite quotes or tenders for an alternative replacement.*
- 3. Endorses the following exception to enter into medium or large sized contractual arrangements as per s235 of the Local Government Regulations (2012) until 30 June 2024:*

<u>Company</u>	<u>Service provided/engaged for delivery of</u>
<i>Re.Cycle Operations (Mackay) Pty Ltd</i>	<i>Supplier of Services for processing of co-mingled recyclable waste in North Queensland</i>

Resolution No.: W&W0514

Moved: Cr Rachel Anderson **Seconded:** Cr Vern Russell

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. Resolves it is satisfied that there is only one (1) supplier who is reasonably available that requires payment to supply services for processing and recycling of co-mingled recyclable waste due to the absence of other potential providers within reasonable travel distance of the Isaac Region.**
- 2. Resolves that, because of the unique specialised nature of the work involved in operating a Materials Recycling Facility (MRF), it would be impractical or disadvantageous for the local government to invite quotes or tenders for an alternative replacement.**
- 3. Endorses the following exception to enter into medium or large sized contractual arrangements as per s235 of the *Local Government Regulations (2012)* until 30 June 2024:**

<u>Company</u>	<u>Service provided/engaged for delivery of</u>
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Carried

5.4 Moranbah Recycled Water Irrigation Scheme

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council's Environmental Authority (EA) requires that there be no discharge to the environment from Wastewater Treatment Plants (WWTPs) except in Moranbah, under specific circumstances. The failure to prevent unauthorised discharges of recycled water could result in Council facing substantial financial penalties.

In Moranbah, demand for recycled water is currently insufficient to prevent unauthorised discharges of recycled effluent to the environment. The Effluent Reuse Strategy prepared by Blich Tanner in 2023 recommended the construction of additional irrigation and the use of mechanical evaporators as a hybrid solution to meet the dual objectives of providing community benefit and preventing unauthorised discharges to the environment.

This report recommends extension of the recycled water network in Moranbah, construction of additional irrigation and purchase of a mechanical evaporator to help control the effluent level in Council's Effluent Storage Dams and prevent release of recycled water to the environment.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. **Endorses the construction of an extension to the Moranbah Recycled Water Network including:**
 - a. **Separable Portion 1 (SP1) – Sarchedon Drive Recycled Water Main.**
 - b. **Separable Portion 1a (SP1a) – Stage 1a Irrigation Scheme.**
2. **Endorses the purchase of a mechanical evaporator.**

Resolution No.: W&W0515

Moved: Cr Vern Russell

Seconded: Cr Rachel Anderson

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. **Endorses the construction of an extension to the Moranbah Recycled Water Network including:**
 - a. **Separable Portion 1 (SP1) – Sarchedon Drive Recycled Water Main.**
 - b. **Separable Portion 1a (SP1a) – Stage 1a Irrigation Scheme.**
2. **Endorses the purchase of a mechanical evaporator.**

Carried

6. INFORMATION BULLETIN REPORTS

6.1 Water and Waste Information Bulletin – July 2024

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Water and Waste Directorate Information Bulletin for July 2024 is provided for Committee review.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

1. **Notes the Water and Waste Directorate Information Bulletin for July 2024.**

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Resolution No.: W&W0516

Moved: Cr Rachel Anderson

Seconded: Cr Vern Russell

That the Committee:

1. Notes the Water and Waste Directorate Information Bulletin for July 2024.

Carried

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Sale of Anglo-American Assets – Impact on Community Infrastructure

Cr Rachel Anderson enquired about the commitment from Anglo American to set up a Working Group with Isaac Regional Council and Anglo American to discuss and work through the infrastructure impacted by the sale of their assets. Can an update on the timing of this be provided.

ACTION: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

8. CONCLUSION

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 3.13pm.

These minutes will be confirmed by the Committee at the Water and Waste Standing Committee Meeting to be held on Wednesday 18 September 2024 in Moranbah.

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CHAIR

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