



# **MINUTES**

**Ordinary Council Meeting**

**18 September 2025**

**MINUTES OF BULLOO SHIRE COUNCIL  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 68 DOWLING STREET THARGOMINDAH QUEENSLAND 4492  
ON THURSDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 9:00 AM**

**PRESENT:** Cr John Ferguson (Mayor), Cr Glyn Dare (Deputy Mayor), Cr Russell Ferguson, Cr Maurice Parker

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Tiffany Dare (Chief Executive Officer), Zoe Forge (Minute Taker)

**1 OPENING OF MEETING**

The Mayor welcomed all Councillors and guests and declared the meeting open at 9:16am.

**2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS**

The Bulloo Shire Council acknowledges the traditional owners of the land on which the meeting is being held, and pay respects to their elders, past and present.

**3 ATTENDANCE INCLUDING APOLOGIES**

Apologies – Cr Stewart Morton

**4 CONDOLENCES**

Nil

**5 DECLARATION OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

- Pursuant to section 172 of the Local Government Act 2009, a councillor who has a material personal interest in an issue to be considered at a meeting of the local government, or any of its committees
  - (a) must disclose the interest to the meeting; and
  - (b) must not be present at or take part in the meeting while the issue is being considered or voted on.
- A councillor who is barred from a meeting under subsection (1) must not be in the chamber where the meeting is being conducted, including any area set apart for the public.

Councillor	COI	Meeting Item
Cr Glyn Dare	T2025-2026-201 Flood Damaged Roads Restoration – Innamincka Road Sealed Road Repairs	14.13

**6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**6.1 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING - 28 AUGUST 2025**

**RESOLUTION 2025/161**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 28 August 2025 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

Nil

**8 RECEPTION OF PETITIONS**

Nil

**9 NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nil

**10 RESCISSION MOTIONS**

Nil

**11 MAYORAL REPORTS**

**11.1 MAYORS REPORT**

**RESOLUTION 2025/162**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council receive and note the Mayors Report for the month of August 2025.

**CARRIED**

**12 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS**

**12.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT**

**RESOLUTION 2025/163**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council receive and note the Chief Executive Officer's report for the month of August 2025.

**CARRIED**

**13 COMMITTEE AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES & BUSINESS ARISING**

Nil

**14 GENERAL BUSINESS & MATTERS FOR NOTING REPORTS**

**14.1 HUNGERFORD SPORTS ASSOCIATION - REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES FOR PLANT HIRE**

**RESOLUTION 2025/164**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council

- a) approve the request from the Hungerford Sports Association and waive the plant hire fees for the use of the Council water truck at the Horse and Motorbike Gymkhana and Enduro event, subject to the plant not being required for operational works during that period;
- b) require the Association to be responsible for the collection of the water truck from the Thargomindah Depot on Friday, 3 October 2025, and its return on Monday, 6 October 2025; and
- c) require the Association to provide a copy of the driver's license to Council prior to the collection of the plant.

**CARRIED**

**14.2 HUNGERFORD SPORTS ASSOCIATION - COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION**

**RESOLUTION 2025/165**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council approves the allocation of \$5,000 to the Hungerford Sports Association under the Community Grants Program to support the delivery of the Hungerford Sports Horse and Motorbike Gymkhana in October 2025.

**CARRIED**

***Adjournment***

*Council adjourned for morning tea at 9:55am.*

*Council recommenced the meeting at 10:05am.*

**14.3 SAFER LOCAL ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE (SLRIP) PROGRAM****RESOLUTION 2025/166**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Maurice Parker

That Council submit an application for funding under Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program for Warri Gate Road Stage 3.

**CARRIED**

**Attendance**

Tasha O'Shannessy, Acting Admin & Finance Manager, entered the meeting at 10:09am.

**14.4 ADMIN & FINANCE REPORT****RESOLUTION 2025/167**

Moved: Cr Maurice Parker

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council receive and note the Administration & Finance Services Report for August 2025.

**CARRIED**

**14.5 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT****RESOLUTION 2025/168**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council adopt the Financial Performance Report for period ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025 in accordance with Section 204 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*.

**CARRIED**

**14.6 ASSET INDEXATION REPORT 2025****RESOLUTION 2025/169**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Maurice Parker

That indices increases for Buildings and Other Structures be applied as at 30 June 2025 in Council's financial records.

**CARRIED**

**14.7 ASSET IMPAIRMENT AND WRITE-OFF 30 JUNE 2025****RESOLUTION 2025/170**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That impairment and write off losses totalling \$4,216,335 are recognised in Councils financial records as at 30 June 2025.

**CARRIED**

**Attendance**

Tasha O'Shannessy left the meeting at 10:48am.

Tamie Warner, Community, Culture & Places Manager, entered the meeting at 10:49am.

**14.8 COMMUNITY, CULTURE & PLACES REPORT****RESOLUTION 2025/171**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council receive and note the Community, Culture & Places report for the month of August 2025.

**CARRIED**

**14.9 OUTBACK QUEENSLAND TOURISM ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP****RESOLUTION 2025/172**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council resolves to withdraw Bulloo Shire Council's membership from the Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA) and formally notify the OQTA of this decision.

**CARRIED**

**Attendance**

Tamie Warner left the meeting at 11:15am.

Donna Hobbs, Rural & Town Services Manager, entered the meeting at 11:17am.

**14.10 RURAL & TOWN SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT****RESOLUTION 2025/173**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Maurice Parker

That Council receive and note the Rural Services Department Report for August 2025.

**CARRIED**

**14.11 T2025-2026-102 INVASIVE PLANT & ANIMAL SERVICES****RESOLUTION 2025/174**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council award T2025-2026-102 Invasive Plant & Animal Services to Invasive Plant and Animal Service Pty Ltd for a two-year period, commencing 1 October 2025.

**CARRIED**

**Attendance**

Donna Hobbs left the meeting at 11:38am.

**14.12 OPERATIONAL SERVICES REPORT****RESOLUTION 2025/175**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Maurice Parker

That

- a) Council receive and note the Operational Services Report for August 2025, and
- b) the Engineer obtain quotes for remedial works on all Urgent and High Urgency items identified in the Ballera Copper Creek Bridge Inspection Report, and report back to Council with recommendations and cost estimates for consideration.

**CARRIED**

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST – 14.13**

I, Councillor Glyn Dare, inform the meeting that I have a Prescribed Conflict of Interest as a result of Item 14.13 'T2025-2026-201 Flood Damaged Roads Restoration – Innamincka Road Sealed Road Repairs' due to my working relationship with one of the Tenderers – Purcell Civil & Construction. As a result of my conflict of interest, I will now leave the meeting room while the matter is considered and voted on.

Cr Dare left the meeting at 11:51 am.

**14.13 T2025-2026-201 FLOOD DAMAGED ROADS RESTORATION - INNAMINCKA ROAD SEALED ROAD REPAIRS**

**RESOLUTION 2025/176**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Maurice Parker

That Council:

- a) accepts the schedule of rates tender submitted by SC and KG Bowen for the sum of \$601,428.75 excluding GST to complete T2025-2026-201 Flood Damaged Roads Restoration – Innamincka Road – Sealed Road Repairs contract; and
- b) authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal the contract in the form proposed.

**CARRIED**

Cr Glyn Dare returned to the meeting at 11:58 am.

**15 LATE ITEMS**

**15.1 ASSISTANCE WITH ELECTRICITY COSTS FOR TENANTS IN TEMPORARY CARAVANS ON COUNCIL-OWNED PROPERTIES**

**RESOLUTION 2025/177**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council

- 1. Requests that all affected tenants provide Council with copies of their monthly electricity bills for the duration of the restoration works;
- 2. Agrees to defer any decision regarding reimbursement for electricity usage until all restoration and cleaning works are complete, and accurate reconciliation of related costs can be undertaken; and
- 3. Receives a further report upon completion of the restoration works to determine the final approach to any tenant reimbursements based on reconciled electricity usage and restoration costs.

**CARRIED**



## 15.2 USE OF RODEO GROUNDS ARENA FOR MOTORBIKE SPORTS

### RESOLUTION 2025/178

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council approve the request from the Thargomindah Sporting Club to use the arena for motorbike sport activities, on the condition that no water is applied to the arena—including for dust suppression—and that the arena is restored to its original condition following the event.

**CARRIED**

## 16 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil

## 17 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held 16 October 2025.

## 18 CLOSURE

The Meeting closed at 12:06pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 October 2025.

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**CHAIRPERSON**