



*Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council*

# April Council Meeting Minutes

26 April 2023, 10:22 AM – 1:00 PM

Kowanyama Chambers and Cairns Boardroom

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## *Present*

### **Councillors**

**Kowanyama Boardroom** Mayor Robbie Sands  
Deputy Mayor C  
Cr. David Jack  
Cr. Teddy Bernard  
Cr. Jacob Elroy Josiah

### **Executive**

**Cairns Boardroom** Joe Cristaldi, Executive Manager Corporate and Financial Services  
Chris McLaughlin, Acting Manager Governance  
Danae Maltby, Governance Officer

**Kowanyama Boardroom** Kevin Bell, Chief Executive Officer (CEO)  
Trent Marshall, Executive Manager Roads, Infrastructure and Essential Services

**Via Teleconference** Ani Seruvatu, Executive Manager Community Services and Cultural Heritage

## *Condolences*

NIL

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## **1. Opening/Welcome**

Mayor Robbie Sands welcomed Councillors and Executive's to the April Council Meeting.

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## **2. Declarable Conflicts of Interest**

Cr Jack declared a Conflict of Interest for the "Tenancy Renewal" Agenda Report.

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## **3. Previous Minutes**

### **RESOLUTION: Minutes (March Ordinary Council Meeting)**

Minutes from the March Ordinary Council Meeting 22 March 2023 to be adopted as true and accurate.

Moved: Cr. Cameron Josiah  
Seconded: Cr. Jacob Elroy Josiah

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**CARRIED****RESOLUTION: Minutes (March Special Council Meeting)**

Minutes from the March Special Council Meeting 30 March 2023 to be adopted as true and accurate.

Moved: Cr. Robbie Sands

Seconded: Cr. Teddy Bernard

**CARRIED**

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**4. Action Items**

Action Items register was noted and tabled. All items progressing.

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**5. Reports****5.1. Chief Executive Officer****5.1.1. Information Report**

- Phase 1 – Suicidal Prevention Plan
- Finalised the position of Finance Manager – Nicola Strutt
- Childcare – planning & modelling
- Freight Issues – resolved with Australia Post
- RISE – transitions into Council workforce
- PBS Meeting – re: 24JAA and cyclone vault

**Cr. Teddy Bernard left the meeting room at 10:29 AM and returned at 10:37 AM.**

Letter from State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (Complaints Management).  
Training confirmed for Councillors on 14 June 2023.

No changes just a reminder to Councillors to progress complaints through Council.

**5.2. Executive Manager Corporate and Financial Services****5.2.1. Information Report: Finance and Governance**

- Finance Information Report: Presented by Joe Cristaldi – noted and tabled.
- Governance Information Report: Presented by Chris McLaughlin – noted and tabled.

**Cr. Cameron Josiah left the meeting room at 10:44 AM and returned at 10:49 AM.**

- Human Resources Update: Presented by Joe Cristaldi – noted and tabled.

**Action Item: EMCSF to prepare breakdown of total Council staff (Permanent/Part Time/Casual) at next Council Meeting.**

## 5.2.2. Agenda Reports

### a. Concession: Airport Landing Fees

#### RESOLUTION: Concession – Airport Landing Fees

That Council resolves to waive all landing fees applicable to 18fifty Group and Learn 2 Fly at the Kowanyama Airport for the period 27 April to 4 May in support of local Indigenous Kowanyama constituents being involved in a learn to fly aviation program.

Moved: Cr. Robbie Sands

Seconded: Cr. David Jack

**CARRIED**

- 4 x Councillors in Favour
- 1 x Councillor Against (Cr. Teddy Bernard)

### b. Policies and Procedures

- Travel and Accommodation
- Concession Policy
- Right to Information Policy
- Information Privacy Policy

#### RESOLUTION: Policies and Procedures

That Council adopts the Policy and Procedures as presented.

Moved: Cr. Robbie Sands

Seconded: Cr. Teddy Bernard

**CARRIED**

**Ani Seruvatu left the meeting room at 11:24 AM and returned at 11:28 AM.**

### c. Freight Tender

#### RESOLUTION: Freight Tender

That Council award Tender KASC-2023\_002 (Freight Services) to Tuxworth and Woods Mossman Carriers Pty Ltd (ABN 71 010 709 056) for an initial period of two (2) years, with a further option period of one (1) year (at Council's sole discretion), with a total contract price likely to exceed \$200,000 (GST Excl).

Moved: Cr. Jacob Elroy Josiah

Seconded: Cr. Cameron Josiah

**CARRIED**

Danae Maltby left the meeting room at 11:31 AM and returned at 11:34 AM.

d. **Audit & Risk Committee: Chair**

**RESOLUTION: Audit & Risk Committee – Chair**

That Council appoints John Andrejic as Member and Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee, commencing 1 June 2023 for a 4-year term ending 31 May 2027.

Moved: Cr. Cameron Josiah

Seconded: Cr. Robbie Sands

**CARRIED**

Action Item: EMCFS to prepare/draft a thank you letter to Cam Charlton for Mayor.

Short Break: 11:35 AM – 11:54 AM

Cr. David Jack left the meeting room due to Conflict of Interest for next Agenda Item.

e. **Cr. Jack Tenancy Renewal (21B Tulathulum Street)**

**RESOLUTION: Cr. Jack Tenancy Renewal (21B Tulathulum Street)**

That Council resolves to extend Cr Jack's General Tenancy Agreement at Lot 21B Tulathulum Street, Kowanyama to 31 March 2024 on otherwise identical terms to the General Tenancy Agreement dated 21 June 2022.

Moved: Cr. Jacob Elroy Josiah

Seconded: Cr. Cameron Josiah

**CARRIED**

Cr. David Jack returned to the meeting room at 11:52 AM.

- Mayor Robbie Sands informed Cr. Jack of the extension of lease until 31 March 2023.

f. **Lot 81 & 89 Subdivision: Development Application**

**RESOLUTION: Lot 81 & 98 Subdivision – Development Applications**

That Council (in its capacity as Local Authority) resolves to approve (subject to conditions presented), the Development Application lodged with Council for:

- Reconfiguring a lot (2 into 24 lots) and internal cul-de-sac road (off Karrenganang Street) over two stages at Chapman Road and Karrenganang Street Kowanyama on Lots 81 and 98 on SP272069; and
- Operational Works over two stages at Chapman Road and Karrenganang Street Kowanyama on Lots 81, 84 and 98 on SP272069.

Moved: Cr. David Jack

Seconded: Cr. Teddy Bernard

**CARRIED**

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Kevin Bell left the meeting room at 12:05 PM and returned at 12:07 PM.

### 5.3. Executive Manager Roads, Infrastructure and Essential Services

#### 5.3.1. Information Report

Trent Marshall presented EMRIES information report to Council. Report was noted and tabled.

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Trent Marshall left the meeting at 12:30 PM.

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Cr. Jacob Elroy Josiah left meeting room at 12:20 PM and returned at 12:22 PM.

### 5.4. Executive Manager Community Services and Cultural Heritage

#### 5.4.1. Information Report

Ani Seruvatu presented EMCS&CH information report to Council. Report was noted and tabled.

#### 5.4.2. Agenda Reports

##### a. Sole Supplier: Deadly Choices

###### RESOLUTION: Sole Supplier – Deadly Choices

That pursuant to section 235(a) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 (Qld), Council resolves to engage Institute of Urban Indigenous Health Ltd trading as Deadly Choices (ABN 32 140 019 290) as supplier to deliver the 'Sly Grog Go Away' project for in the total sum of \$299,880 (GST Excl), as there is only 1 supplier reasonably available to perform the specialised services.

Moved: Cr. Teddy Bernard

Seconded: Cr. Cameron Josiah

**CARRIED**

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## 6. General Business

- Overview of new Council website presented by Harriet Lange.
- Cr Teddy Bernard – disability access to Skytrans plane.
- Cr Cameron Josiah – fencing of houses – Community Safety Plan (Audit).

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Meeting Closed: 1:00 PM

## 7. Trustee Meeting

**RESOLUTION: Open Trustee Meeting at 1:00 PM.**

Moved: Cr. Teddy Bernard  
Seconded: Cr. Jacob Elroy Josiah

**CARRIED**

### 7.1. Trustee Report

Chris McLaughlin presented Trustee report to Council – Lot 81/98 Subdivision

**RESOLUTION: Lot 81/98 Subdivision**

That pursuant to section 97 of the Aboriginal Land Act 1991 (Qld), the Council (in its capacity as Trustee of the Deed of Grant in Trust) resolves to approve the following proposed improvements to land (and acts incidental thereto):

- i. Reconfiguring a lot (2 into 24 lots) and internal cul-de-sac road (off Karrenganang Street) over two stages at Chapman Road and Karrenganang Street Kowanyama on Lots 81 and 98 on SP272069; and
- ii. Operational Works over two stages at Chapman Road and Karrenganang Street Kowanyama on Lots 81, 84 and 98 on SP272069.

Moved: Cr. Cameron Josiah  
Seconded: Cr. Jacob Elroy Josiah

**CARRIED**

**Trustee Meeting Closed: 1:07 PM**