



DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL

# ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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# MINUTES

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Tuesday 27 January 2026

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SHIRE COUNCIL

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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## MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 27 JANUARY 2026 COMMENCING AT 10:00A.M.

Mayor Scomazzon opened the meeting at 10:00am by welcoming everyone to the Ordinary Meeting of the Douglas Shire Council being held on 27 January 2026 at the Mossman Council Chambers.

This Ordinary Meeting of Council is being Live Streamed on Council's Website and will also be available for others to watch at a later time.

Mayor Scomazzon acknowledged the Kuku Yalanji people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land on which this meeting is being held and paid respect to their Elders past, present and emerging, and extended that respect to other Indigenous Australians who may be listening or watching this morning.

**DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL**  
**ORDINARY MEETING**  
**TUESDAY 27 JANUARY 2026**  
**10:00 AM**  
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unconfirmed

## **1. ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES**

### **1.1. PRESENT**

Cr Lisa Scomazzon (Mayor), Cr Roy Zammataro (Deputy Mayor), Cr Damian Meadows, Cr Abigail Noli, Cr Michael Rees

### **1.2. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies

### **1.3. OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

S Osman (Chief Executive Officer), M Eastham (General Manager TC Jasper Corporate and Communities), D Langman (Chief Engineer TC Jasper Infrastructure and Recovery), K Wilkinson (Acting Chief Financial Officer), K Williams (Executive Assistant), L Boyd (Mayor & Councillor Support Officer), M Wilson (Senior Media and Communications Officer), L Dowling (Community Engagement Officer)

## **2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST/MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST**

Nil

## **3. DEPUTATIONS**

Nil

## **4. MAYORAL MINUTES**

Nil

## **5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING**

### **5.1. CONFIRM MINUTES - ORDINARY MEETING HELD 9 DECEMBER 2025**

Moved Cr Meadows

Seconded Cr Noli

*That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held Tuesday 9 December 2025 be confirmed.*

Carried Unanimously

## **6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Nil

## 7. OFFICERS REPORTS

### 7.1. MAYORS DIARY FOR DECEMBER 2025

Moved Cr Noli

Seconded Cr Rees

*That Council notes the Mayor's external appointments for the month of December 2025.*

Carried Unanimously

### 7.2. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S DIARY FOR DECEMBER 2025

Moved Cr Rees

Seconded Cr Meadows

*That Council notes the Chief Executive Officer's external calendar appointments for the month of December 2025.*

Carried Unanimously

### 7.3. 2025 DECEMBER FINANCIAL REPORTS

Moved Cr Noli

Seconded Cr Meadows

*That Council note the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Cashflows for December 2025.*

Carried Unanimously

### 7.4. REPORT OF AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1 DECEMBER 2025

Moved Cr Rees

Seconded Cr Meadows

*That Council note the report on the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 1 December 2025.*

Carried Unanimously

## **7.5. WATER AND WASTEWATER CUSTOMER SERVICE STANDARDS 2025-2030**

**Moved** Cr Meadows

**Seconded** Cr Noli

*That Council endorses the updated Water and Wastewater Customer Service Standards 2025 – 2030 within the Douglas Shire.*

**Carried** Unanimously

## **8. NOTICES OF MOTION**

### **8.1. NOTICE OF MOTION - OFFICIAL FLAG FLYING**

**Moved** Cr Rees

**Seconded** Cr Meadows

*Council resolves that, the only flags to be flown by Council on a permanent basis, are to be flown in accordance with the Flags Act 1953 and the Australian National Flag protocols, are as follows:*

- *Australian National Flag;*
- *Queensland State Flag;*
- *Australian Aboriginal Flag; and*
- *Torres Strait Islander Flag*

**An amended motion was put forward.**

**Moved** Cr Noli

**Seconded** Cr Rees

*That the motion be amended to read - That Council:*

1. *Acknowledge that the Australian National Flag, the Queensland State Flag, the Australian Aboriginal Flag, and the Torres Strait Islander Flag remain the primary official flags customarily flown by Council facilities; and*
2. *Endorse the continued flying of these flags in a manner consistent with existing legislation, protocols, and operational practices; and*
3. *Request the Chief Executive Officer to ensure that any internal guidance or ceremonial practices relating to flag display reflect respect for the diverse communities of the Douglas Shire and provide flexibility for temporary or special occasions where appropriate.*

**Carried** Unanimously

**The amended motion became the substantive motion and was put to the vote.**

**Moved** Cr Meadows

**Seconded** Cr Scomazzon

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**Carried** Unanimously

**9. URGENT BUSINESS**

Nil

**10. PETITIONS**

Nil

**11. CLOSED SESSION**

Nil

**12. MEETING CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 10:22am.