



DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL

SPECIAL (BUDGET) COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

Tuesday 16 June 2026

ENSURING EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNANCE
ACCOUNTABLE AND TRANSPARENT DECISION-MAKING
INCLUSIVE ENGAGEMENT, PLANNING AND PARTNERSHIPS
CELEBRATING OUR COMMUNITIES

DOUGLAS
SHIRE COUNCIL

Scott Osman
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



A **Special Budget Meeting** of the Douglas Shire Council will be held on **Tuesday 16 June 2026** at **9:00a.m.** at the Council Chambers, 64-66 Front Street, Mossman, and the attendance of each Councillor is requested.

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'ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY'

'I would like to acknowledge the Kuku Yalanji people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land on which we meet today. I would also like to pay respect to their Elders both past, present and emerging and extend that respect to other Indigenous Australians who may be listening or watching our meeting this morning'.

1. *Attendance and Apologies*
2. *Conflict of Interest*
3. *Agenda Items as Listed*

SCOTT OSMAN

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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