

5.12. AMENDMENTS TO THE APRIL AND MAY 2017 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETINGS

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolves to:

- 1. amend the date of the Tuesday, 18 April 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting to Wednesday, 26 April 2017 commencing at 10:00am at Council's Administration Office 64-66 Front Street Mossman; and**
- 2. cancel the Tuesday, 9 May 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting.**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Due to an unforeseen commitment, there is a requirement to reschedule the 18 April 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting to a later date. It is proposed that the meeting be rescheduled to Wednesday, 26 April 2017 commencing at 10:00am. If Council agrees with this recommendation, the administration further recommends that the 9 May 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting is cancelled. The subsequent Ordinary Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 30 May 2017. Council will still meet its statutory obligations for Council Meetings by adopting these changes to the meeting schedule.

BACKGROUND

At Council's Ordinary Meeting of 12 April 2016, the schedule of Council Ordinary Meetings for the 2016/17 financial year was adopted in accordance with Section 257 (1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

PROPOSAL

It is proposed to reschedule the 18 April 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting to 26 April 2017 commencing at 10:00am and to cancel the 9 May 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

As the change relates to the dates of already scheduled Council meetings, there are no budgetary implications from this matter.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The change to the meeting schedule will be advertised through all usual media that Council utilises to convey information to the communities. Therefore, any risks associated with the change of meeting schedule will be mitigated.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN, POLICY REFERENCE

This amendment to the schedule of Council's Meetings time is solely an operational matter.

COUNCIL'S ROLE

Council can play a number of different roles in certain circumstances and it is important to be clear about which role is appropriate for a specific purpose or circumstance. The implementation of actions will be a collective effort and Council's involvement will vary from information only through to full responsibility for delivery.

The following areas outline where Council has a clear responsibility to act:

Fully-Responsible Delivering a program or activity for another organisation (usually another level of government).

Regulator Meeting the responsibilities associated with regulating activities through legislation or local law.

CONSULTATION

Internal: Nil

External: This proposal will fall within the "inform" category of Council's Community Engagement Framework. This change of meeting schedule will be advertised through Council's usual means including the Port Douglas & Mossman Gazette, Council's website and notice boards as per section 277 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.