

7.10. PROCUREMENT EXCEPTION LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION SECTION 235(C) - QUEENSLAND MONSOON TROUGH, CYCLONE KOJI, CYCLONE NARELLE, SEVERE WEATHER, 24 DECEMBER 2025 - 24 APRIL 2026

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council retrospectively approve emergency expenditure for Tropical Cyclone Koji, Tropical Low 29U, and Tropical Cyclone Narelle listed in this report under Section 235(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council endorsement of emergency procurement expenditure incurred in response to three (3) significant weather events during 2025/26:

- Tropical Low 29U
- Tropical Cyclone Koji
- Tropical Cyclone Narelle

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATIONS / RESOLUTIONS

At the Ordinary Meeting held on 31 March 2026, it was resolved that Council adopts the revised Procurement General Policy.

REPORT/BACKGROUND

Section 235(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* enables a local government to enter into contractual arrangements without first inviting written quotes or tenders if a genuine emergency exists.

Council responded to three (3) emergency events in 2025/26. Tropical Cyclone Koji, Tropical Low 29U, and Tropical Cyclone Narelle.

Where possible, multiple quotations were sourced, and best practice procurement processes were followed.

The expenditure was undertaken in accordance with the emergency procurement provisions of section 235(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

This provision allows Council to engage suppliers without first inviting written quotations or tenders where a genuine emergency exists and the procurement is necessary to respond to the emergency and protect public safety, infrastructure, or essential services.

While the emergency circumstances required an expedited procurement approach, Council officers sought to obtain multiple quotations where practicable and continued to apply sound procurement principles to achieve value for money and ensure the timely delivery of essential services.

Total emergency procurement expenditure was approximately \$2.04 million, comprising \$1.62 million for Tropical Low 29U, \$43,119 for Tropical Cyclone Koji, and \$376,776 for Tropical Cyclone Narelle.

These procurement activities enabled Council to respond promptly to emerging risks, restore community access, maintain critical infrastructure, and support the recovery and resilience of Douglas Shire communities following these severe weather events.

The majority of this expenditure is expected to be reimbursed through the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA), thereby reducing the financial impact on Council while supporting the delivery of essential recovery works.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Attached is a summary by event of the total value of services procured from each supplier under section 235(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

The total value of services procured from each supplier will often relate to multiple separate contractual engagements.

The majority of services are expected to be claimed under DRFA administered by the QRA.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Strategic Risks:

- Failure to deliver essential services (water, transport, sewerage, waste)
- Disaster Management

Corporate Risks:

- Procurement, Contract and Vendor Management
- Emergency and Incident Response Capability

The strategic and corporate risks identified above are mitigated through the preparation of this report, which provides Council officers with the necessary authority and assurance to respond promptly and appropriately during emergency events while maintaining the delivery of essential services to Douglas Shire communities.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Severe weather events can have significant physical, emotional and economic impacts on Douglas Shire communities. Timely intervention by Council is essential to minimise these impacts, restore critical infrastructure and services, and support community recovery. Without a prompt response, residents may experience prolonged disruption to access, services, and daily activities.

CORPORATE AND OPERATIONAL PLAN

This report has been prepared in accordance with the following:

Corporate Plan 2025-2030 Initiatives:

Theme 4 - Recovery and Resilience

To partner with community to build resilience against natural disasters creating a strong sense of social capital.

4.5 - Undertake effective disaster management (planning, preparedness, response, recovery).

Operational Plan 2026-2027 Actions:

Legislative requirement.

LEGISLATION AND POLICY

- *Local Government Act 2009*
- *Local Government Regulation 2012*
- Procurement Policy

CONSULTATION

Internal:

- Financial Services
- Disaster Management Unit
- Executive Leadership Team

External:

- Not applicable

CONCLUSION

Council undertook emergency procurement activities totaling approximately \$2.04 million, comprising \$1.62 million for Tropical Low 29U, \$43,119 for Tropical Cyclone Koji, and \$376,776 for Tropical Cyclone Narelle using the *Local Government Regulation 2012* section 235(c) procurement exception for procuring when a genuine emergency exists.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Emergency Procurements OCM [7.10.1 - 1 page]

Tropical Low 29U procurements

Activity / Supplier	Value
Counter Disaster Operations	\$ 69,532
Avada Traffic Pty Ltd	
LO-GO Appointments	
Aussie Erosion Pty Ltd	
Conus Business Consultancy Services	
National Safety Signs	
The Newport Corporation Pty Ltd	
Daintree Ferry and Landside Infrastructure works	\$ 893,164
Marrin Pty Ltd	
Carpentaria Contracting	
Hillgrove Industries Pty Ltd	
Londino Project Services Pty Ltd	
Dawsons Engineering (NQ) Pty Ltd	
Coastal Hydraulics and Engineering Pty Ltd	
Doug McCormack Pty Ltd	
Hatfield Electrical Pty Ltd	
Pressure Dynamics Queensland Pty Ltd	
David Treweek DDT Welding And Fabrication	
Hall & Wilcox	
GEO Design Pty Ltd	
Kelly's Crane Hire Pty Ltd	
JTC Fire Inspections	
Bullivants Pty Ltd	
Heidelberg Materials Australia Pty Ltd	
Lanmac Constructions Pty Ltd	
Kennards Hire	
Cairns Hardware	
Mossman Agricultural Services Ltd	
Emergent Works	\$ 344,753
Marrin Pty Ltd	
Mossman Quarries	
Up North Building Pty Ltd	
Ivesy's Bobcat & Mini Excavator Hire	
Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Council	
Ross Andreassen Pty Ltd	
Winsome & Co Pty Ltd	
Ward Plumbing & Gas Pty Ltd	
Far North Queensland Traffic Control P/L	
Judd Fraser Pty Ltd	
Dean Jack Excavations Pty Ltd	
Wes Pashen's Mini Earthmoving	
Central Tree Services Pty Ltd	
Hunter Carpentry & Maintenance	
MPDT Pty Ltd	
Daintree Siesta	
Re-supply	\$ 308,894
Nautilus Aviation Pty Ltd	
SR Coaches Pty Ltd	
Daintree Connection Pty Ltd	
Black Knight Pty Ltd	
Marrin Pty Ltd	
RPS AAP Consulting Pty Ltd	
Nothing Wrong Pty Ltd	
HEH Civil Pty Ltd	
Marano Enterprises Pty Ltd	
Total Tropical Low 29U procurements	\$ 1,616,344

Tropical Cyclone Koji procurements

Supplier	Value
Emergent Works	\$ 43,119
Far North Queensland Traffic Control P/L	
Marrin Pty Ltd	
Mossman Quarries	
Doug McCormack Pty Ltd	
Ivesy's Bobcat & Mini Excavator Hire	
MPDT Pty Ltd	
Wes Pashen's Mini Earthmoving	
Total Tropical Cyclone Koji procurements	\$ 43,119

Tropical Cyclone Narelle procurements

Supplier	Value
Counter Disaster Operations	\$ 1,210
The Newport Corporation Pty Ltd	
Emergent Works	\$ 375,566
Beau-Con Earthworks	
Mossman Quarries	
Ross Andreassen Pty Ltd	
Far North Queensland Traffic Control P/L	
Marrin Pty Ltd	
WJ & JC Bellerio	
Doug McCormack Pty Ltd	
CM Lewandrowski and JJ Lewandrowski	
PK's Jungle Village	
Port Douglas Tree Services Pty Ltd	
Cairns Hardware	
Total Tropical Cyclone Koji procurements	\$ 376,776