

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL HELD  
AT THE DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 64-66 FRONT STREET, MOSSMAN ON  
FRIDAY, 22 JANUARY 2016, COMMENCING AT 2.00PM

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**1. PRESENT**

Cr Julia Leu (via teleconference), Cr Abigail Noli, Cr David Carey Cr Bruce Clarke, Cr Terry Melchert, Linda Cardew (Chief Executive Officer), Darryl Crees (General Manager Corporate Services), Tracey Crouch (Acting Manager Governance), Greg McLean (Communications/Events Officer) and Nicole Barton (Acting Minutes Officer).

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Cr Noli, Acting Chair, acknowledged the Kuku Yalanji people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land and paid respect to their Elders both past and present and extended that respect to other Indigenous Australians present.

**3. AGENDA ITEMS AS LISTED**

**3.1 MAYOR TO ATTEND MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Nevinia Davenport, Executive Assistant

**Moved** Cr Carey

**Seconded** Cr Clarke

*“That Council resolves to allow Mayor Leu to attend this Special Council Meeting via teleconference.”*

**Carried** unanimously.

**ATTENDANCE**

Cr Julia Leu attended the meeting at 2.02 pm and took the Chair.

**APOLOGIES**

Nil.

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

Cr Carey declared a perceived conflict of interest in item 4.1 as his partner, Roisin Allen, is the nominator of one of the nominees, however he has considered his position and is firmly of the opinion that he can participate in the debate and vote on this matter in the public interest.

**4. CLOSED SESSION**

**Moved** Cr Carey

**Seconded** Cr Clarke

*"That Council resolves to move into Closed Session to discuss the following matters:*

- 4.1 *Prejudicial Matter S275(1) (H) Local Government Regulation 2012 – Australia Day Awards 2016"*

**Carried** unanimously.

**OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

**Moved** Cr Noli

**Seconded** Cr Carey

*"That Council resolves to move out of Closed Session."*

**Carried** unanimously.

**4.1. PREJUDICIAL MATTER S275 (1) (H) LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
REGULATION 2012 - AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS 2016**

Greg McLean Communications/Events Officer

**Moved** Cr Carey

**Seconded** Cr Clarke

*"That Council:*

1. *select a nominee from the Volunteer of the Year category to receive an Australia Day Award for 2016:*
  - o *Volunteer of the Year: V1; and*
2. *delegate authority to the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 to finalise any minor amendments in relation to administering the Australia Day Awards for 2016."*

**Carried** unanimously.

**CLOSURE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 2.11 pm.

**CONFIRMED THIS 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2016**

  
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MAYOR/CHAIR