



Victoria Daly
REGIONAL COUNCIL

AGENDA

**SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY 20 DECEMBER 2022
AT 12:00 PM
AT THE REGIONAL OFFICE - KATHERINE
29 CRAWFORD STREET, KATHERINE EAST NT 0850**

COUNCILLORS

Mayor Brian Pedwell - Walangeri Ward
Deputy Mayor Andrew McTaggart – Milngin Ward
Councillor Yvette Williams - Pine Creek Ward
Councillor Georgina Macleod - Daguragu Ward
Councillor Shirley Garlett - Timber Creek Ward

Chief Executive Officer

Brian Hylands



Our Vision

Council's vision for the Victoria Daly region is ***"Moving Forward Together"***, becoming a well respected and recognised leader within Australia's Local Government. Council aims to work towards developing a broad range of strategies that will help shape its vision for the region through excellent service delivery and community engagement; assisting to build one of the most sustainable, vibrant and diverse regions in Australia. The Council strives to form partnerships that ensure strategic goals are met.

Our Values

The key core values and principles that are integral in achieving our vision are Respect, Integrity, Honesty, Openness and Equality

Our Goals

The Council aims toward ensuring all communities are strong, safe and healthy; abundant with respect for culture and heritage. The Council aspires to provide good governance, leadership and advocacy and work towards building a strong regional economy by promoting local employment and high quality services within financial resources. The Council is also striving towards maintaining and developing Council assets, natural resources and country.



The Council strives to foster partnerships that will deliver our strategic goals. Council's goals for 2020-2021 are –

- **Quality Leadership**

Provide proactive leadership with transparent and accountable governance

- **Financial Sustainability**

Enhance the Council's financial sustainability to enable quality services and assets across the region

- **Invest in our people**

Grow our people through investment in training, skills recognition and developing regional opportunities for employment

- **Infrastructure**

Continually improve Council's assets and infrastructure through good forward planning

- **Systems**

Improve the operating systems, policies and procedures

- **Liveability**

Enhance the liveability of our communities and our regional lifestyle



Schedule 1 - Code of conduct Local Government Act 2019 **section 119**

- 1 Honesty and integrity** A member must act honestly and with integrity in performing official functions.
- 2 Care and diligence** A member must act with reasonable care and diligence in performing official functions.
- 3 Courtesy** A member must act with courtesy towards other members, council staff, electors and members of the public.
- 4 Prohibition on bullying** A member must not bully another person in the course of performing official functions.
- 5 Conduct towards council staff** A member must not direct, reprimand, or interfere in the management of, council staff.
- 6 Respect for cultural diversity and culture**
 - 6.1 A member must respect cultural diversity and must not therefore discriminate against others, or the opinions of others, on the ground of their cultural background.
 - 6.2 A member must act with respect for cultural beliefs and practices in relation to other members, council staff, electors and members of the public.
- 7 Conflict of interest**
 - 7.1 A member must avoid any conflict of interest, whether actual or perceived, when undertaking official functions and responsibilities.
 - 7.2 If a conflict of interest exists, the member must comply with any statutory obligations of disclosure.
- 8 Respect for confidences**
 - 8.1 A member must respect the confidentiality of information obtained in confidence in the member's official capacity.
 - 8.2 A member must not make improper use of confidential information obtained in an official capacity to gain a private benefit or to cause harm to another.
- 9 Gifts**
 - 9.1 A member must not solicit, encourage or accept gifts or private benefits from any person who might have an interest in obtaining a benefit from the council.
 - 9.2 A member must not accept a gift from a person that is given in relation to the person's interest in obtaining a benefit from the council.
- 10 Accountability** A member must be prepared at all times to account for the member's performance as a member and the member's use of council resources.
- 11 Interests of municipality, region or shire to be paramount**
 - 11.1 A member must act in what the member genuinely believes to be the best interests of the municipality, region or shire.
 - 11.2 In particular, a member must seek to ensure that the member's decisions and actions are based on an honest, reasonable and properly informed judgment about what best advances the best interests of the municipality, region or shire.
- 12 Training** A member must undertake relevant training in good faith.



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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'B. Hylands', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Brian Hylands
Chief Executive Officer



Purpose of Council meetings

(1) Council holds scheduled meetings and, when required, unscheduled meetings to conduct the business of Council.

(2) Council is committed to transparency in decision making and, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2020, Council and Delegated Committee meetings are open to the public and the community are able to attend. (

3) Meetings will only be closed to members of the public, in accordance with section 66 of the Act, if: (a) there are clear reasons for particular matters to remain confidential; or (b) a meeting is required to be closed for security reasons; or (c) it is necessary to enable the meeting to proceed in an ordinary manner.

(4) A meeting closed to the public for the reasons outlined in sub-rule 3(b) or 3(c) will continue to be livestreamed. In the event a livestream is not available: (a) the meeting may be adjourned; or (b) a recording of the proceedings may be available on the Council website.



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1. Present

2. Apologies

Nil

3. Presentations - Deputations - Petitions

4. Public Question Time

5. Disclosure of Interest - Councillors and Staff

Under the Act – something here about Disclosure of interests and when they need to be declared



6. Reports to Council

6.1. Reports for Council Decision

7. Confidential

7.0. Warnkurr Club

Status 51(1)(c)(i) - *This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(c)(i) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person*

THAT pursuant to *section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda.

Nil