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Meeting Minutes
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING #13
Wednesday 16th April 2025
New Mapoon Boardroom

Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council

Ordinary Council Meeting #13

To commence at 9.00am

On

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Agenda Item 1. Welcome and Opening of Meeting:

Mayor Poipoi welcomed attendees and opened the meeting at 09:19am with a prayer by Cr Yoelu

Agenda Item 2. Acknowledgement of Country

Mayor Poipoi paid respects on behalf of the Council to the traditional owners of the land upon which the meeting was held and the traditional owners of the Northern Peninsula Area region; and to their elders past, present and emerging.

Agenda Item 3. Present

Mayor & Councillors

Mayor Robert Poi Poi	Mayor	
Cr David Byrne	Division 1	
Cr Mary Yoelu	Division 2 / Deputy Mayor	
Cr Kitty Gebadi	Division 3	(via videoconference)
Cr Bradford Elu	Division 5	
Cr Marlene Bond	Division 4	(via videoconference)

Other Attendees

Lew Rojahn	CEO
Gus Yates	Executive Manager Operations
Romina Nona	Executive Manager Corporate & Finance Services
Wendy Phineasa	Executive Manager Building & Infrastructure
Brett de Chastel	Advisor
Benjamin Schierhuber	Financial Controller
Sabrina Mudu	Senior Executive Assistant (Minute Taker)

Cr Gebadi and Cr Bond has requested to attend the meeting via videoconference. A resolution is required.

Resolution

That Council:

accepts for Cr Gebadi and Cr Bond to attend the meeting via videoconference.

Moved: Cr Yoelu

Vote: 4/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C3.1-16042025

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Agenda Item 4. Apologies
Nil

Agenda Item 5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest
Nil

Agenda Item 6. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolution

That Council:

Notes and confirms the minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held Monday 24th March 2025

Moved: Cr Yoelu

Vote: 6/0

Seconded: Cr Byrne

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Agenda Item 7. Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Action items discussed as per the Action Task List



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Agenda Item 8. Reports

Agenda Item 8.1. Reports back from NPA Audit and Risk Committee

Resolution

That Council:

Note and endorse the minutes of the NPARC Audit and Risk Committee.

Moved: Cr Yoelu

Vote: 6/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C8.1-16042025

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Agenda Item 8.2. Letter of Response from Minister for Transport and Main Roads
Cr Yoelu left the meeting 09:49am

Resolution

That Council:

Note and accepts the letter of response from Minister of Transport and Main Roads and request the Mayor to respond.

Moved: Cr Byrne

Vote: 5/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C8.2-16042025

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Agenda Item 8.3. Risk Management and Risk Management Framework
Cr Yoelu return to meeting 09:51am

Resolution

That Council:

Note the Report and adopt the Risk Management Policy along with the Risk Management Framework and Risk Register in accordance with Sections 164 (1)(a) and (b) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Moved: Cr Yoelu

Vote: 6/0

Seconded: Cr Gebadi

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Agenda Item 8.4. DA2024_0021 Material Change of use, Office Development Airport Road Bamaga.

Resolution

That Council:

Approves the Development Permit for a Material Change of Use of Lot 335 on SP273361 for the development of an Office subject to the conditions set out in the report.

Moved: Cr Gebadi

Vote: 6/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C8.4-16042025

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Agenda Item 8.5. First Nations WiFi Programme

Resolution

That Council:

Note the Report.

Moved: Cr -Byrne

Vote: 6/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

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**Agenda Item 8.6. Tender Assessment Report and Award Tender No. NPARC.0027.2324
New Mapoon Multi-Purpose Facility Improvement. (8.3)**

Cr Yoelu left the meeting 10:21am

Cr Yoelu returned to the meeting 10:22am

Cr Yoelu left the meeting 10:32am

Cr Yoelu returned to the meeting 10:36am

Mayor left the meeting at 10:51am

Break for morning tea 10:52am

Back from morning tea 11:15am

Resolution

That Council:

- A. Note the update report on the New Mapoon Multipurpose Facility Project and recent tender process;
- B. Does not agree that the current Works for Queensland funding should be used to fund any shortfall in the New Mapoon Multipurpose Facility Project;
- C. Utilise the existing WCCCA funding to undertake works that will enable the New Mapoon Multipurpose Facility to be opened for community use;
- D. Apply to the WCCCA, the Ely Trust and other funding agencies for additional funding to enable the full completion of the New Mapoon Multipurpose Facility Project; and
- E. Request the CEO to provide a report to the next meeting of Council which reviews the current Works for Queensland 2024 – 2027 funding priorities.

Moved: Cr -Bond

Vote: 6/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C8.5-16042025

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Agenda Item 8.7 Community Housing Asset Management Plan (8.4)

Resolution

That Council endorse:

- a. The draft Asset Management Plan for Community Housing and

That Council request:

- b. The CEO to arrange a presentation to Councillors on the project prioritisation tool and note the proposed weighting criteria for community housing.

Moved: Cr Yoelu

Vote: 6/0

Seconded: Cr Gebadi

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Agenda Item 9. Managers Reports
Agenda Item 9.1 Parks and Gardens Update
Item 9.2 Umagico Supermarket Update
Item 9.3 Corporate Affairs Update

Resolution

That Council:

1. Note the updates reports to be deferred to May Council Meeting.

Moved: Cr Yoelu

Vote: 6/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C9.1-3-16042025

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Agenda Item 10 Finance
Agenda Item 10.1 Finance Report
Cr Gebadi and Cr Bond left the meeting 12:21pm
Cr Yoelu left the meeting – 12:30pm

Resolution

That Council:

1. Note the Report.

Moved: Cr -Byrne

Vote: 3/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C10.1-16042025

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Agenda Item 10.2 Financial Controller update

Resolution

That Council:

1. Note the Report.

Moved: Cr -Byrne

Vote: 3/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

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Agenda Item 11 Mayor Verbal Report

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That Council:

1. Note the Report.

Moved: Cr Byrne

Vote: 3/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C11-16042025

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Agenda Item 12 CEO Report

Resolution

That Council:

1. Note the Report.

Moved: Cr Byrne

Vote: 3/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C12-16042025

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Agenda Item 13 Presentation from Advisor

Resolution

That Council:

1. Note the Report

Moved: Cr Elu

Vote: 3/0

Seconded: Cr -Byrne

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Lunch break – 13:04pm

Return from Lunch – 13:55pm



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Agenda Item 14 Executive Managers Report

Agenda Item 14.1. Operations – Operations information report

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That Council:

- Note the report

Moved: Cr Byrne

Vote: 3/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C14.1-16042025

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Agenda Item 14.2 Community & Regulatory Service report

Cr Yoelu returned to meeting at 14:32pm

Resolution

That Council:

- Note the Report

Moved: Cr Byrne

Vote: 4/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: C14.2-16042025

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Agenda Item 14.3 Building & Infrastructure

Resolution

That Council:

- Note the Report

Moved: Cr -Byrne

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Seconded: Cr Yoelu

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Agenda Item 14.4. Corporate & Finance

Cr Yoelu left the meeting at 15:30pm

Cr Yoelu returned to the meeting 15:32pm

Resolution

That Council:

- Note the Report

Moved: Cr Yoelu

Vote: 4/0

Seconded: Cr Byrne

Resolution: C14.4-16042025

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Agenda Item 15. General Discussion

- Cr Byrne raised the issue of undertaking a multi-day community meeting in Injinoo to discuss the future of the community.
- Cr Yoelu raised issue of potentially putting forward motions for the LGAQ conference about eligibility rules for standing for Council. Also, revisit the eligibility for a Councillor to be able to hold employment with another Council.

Agenda Item 16. Close of Meeting

Meeting closed at 4:20pm with a prayer by Cr Yoelu.