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Minutes

Special Meeting of Council

Tuesday, 6 May 2025 – 9:00am

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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Special Council Meeting - Minutes

Tuesday, 6 May 2025

Scheduled Meeting Time: 9:00 am

Meeting Opened: 9:01 am

Present: Councillors Rhys Beattie (Mayor), Wendy McLennan, Jan Hughes, Vincent Teichmann, Nick Bicanic, Edwina Powell, Kahlia Simmons, Mervyn Chilcott

General Manager: John Marik, Director – Corporate Services: Lauren Tolputt, Director – Infrastructure: Kerry Sacilotto, Executive Assistant: Sarah Forsyth

Apologies: Councillor James Cashion

Acknowledgement of Country

Dorset Council acknowledges the deep history and culture of the First People who were the traditional owners of the lands and waterways where we live and work. We acknowledge the clans-people who lived here for over a thousand generations on the Country where Dorset is built and throughout the area we know as the north east region.

Dorset Council acknowledge the present-day Aboriginal custodians and the inclusive contribution they make to the social, cultural and economic essence of the municipality.

PROCEDURAL ITEM

Item 72/2025 Declaration of an Interest of a Councillor or Close Associate

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* and the Local Government Code of Conduct for Tasmanian councillors, Councillors are requested to indicate whether any have or are likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary interest or pecuniary detriment) or conflict of interest in any item on the Agenda.

INTEREST DECLARED

Nil

ITEM FOR DECISION

Item 73/2025

Election | Deputy Mayor

Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik

Ref: DOC/25/5370

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to record the election for the office of Deputy Mayor.

Recommendation

1. That Council note that nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor were received from Councillors _____;
2. That at the Special Council Meeting held on 6 May 2025, the General Manager declared that Councillor _____ be elected as Deputy Mayor for the remainder of the elected term, in accordance with the process outlined in the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015*; and
3. That Council authorises that the ballot papers (if a ballot is required) for the Deputy Mayor position be destroyed.

Nominations closed at 12 noon Monday, 5 May 2025 with nominations received from Councillor Jan Hughes, Councillor Edwina Powell and Councillor Vincent Teichmann.

A secret ballot was conducted with the 8 councillors present indicating their preference in writing.

After review by the Executive Assistant and Director – Corporate Services of votes received, the following results were read by the General Manager:

Round 1

Councillor	Votes Received
Councillor Hughes	3
Councillor Powell	3
Councillor Teichmann	2

Councillor Teichmann was excluded

A second secret ballot was conducted with the 8 councillors present indicating their preference in writing.

After review by the Executive Assistant and Director – Corporate Services of votes received, the following results were read by the General Manager:

Round 2

Councillor	Votes Received
Councillor Hughes	3
Councillor Powell	5

Councillor Powell successful in the secret ballot.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Chilcott | SECONDED: Cr McLennan

1. That Council note that nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor were received from Councillors Jan Hughes, Edwina Powell and Vincent Teichmann;
2. That at the Special Council Meeting held on 6 May 2025, the General Manager declared that Councillor Edwina Powell be elected as Deputy Mayor for the remainder of the elected term, in accordance with the process outlined in the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015*; and
3. That Council authorises that the ballot papers (if a ballot is required) for the Deputy Mayor position be destroyed.

Time Meeting Closed: 9:20 am

Minutes Confirmed: 19 May 2025

Minute No: 81/2025



Mayor