



MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, BESWICK LOCAL  
AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM COUNCIL SERVICE  
DELIVERY CENTRE, BESWICK  
ON TUESDAY, 19 JULY 2022 AT 10:00AM

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**1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS**

**1.1 Members**

- Councillor Selina ASHLEY;
- Trepina BUSH; and
- Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY.

**1.2 Staff**

- Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer (via videoconference);
- Debbie BRANSON, Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer (via teleconference);
- Dave HERON, Acting General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability;
- Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator (minute taker);
- Rebecca LINN, Information Integrity Officer;
- Michael McFARLANE, Senior Projects Coordinator;
- Rodney HOFFMAN, Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer; and
- Lachlan THOMAS, Regional Community Safety Coordinator

**1.3 Guests**

- Mayor JACK (Chairperson);
- Anne-Marie RYAN, Beswick Community Resident;
- William BRIDGEMAN, Department of Chief Minister & Cabinet.

**2 MEETING OPENED**

The Beswick Local Authority Meeting opened at 10:27am as a **PROVISIONAL** meeting. The Chairperson welcomed members, staff and guests to the meeting and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

**3 WELCOME TO COUNTRY**

#### **4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

##### **4.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

*BES P-11/2022* (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority notes the absence with no tendered apologies from Local Authority Members Raelene BULUMBARA and Eddie KENNEDY.

#### **5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Nil.

#### **6 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at this Beswick Local Authority Meeting.

#### **7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

##### **7.1 BESWICK LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING PREVIOUS MINUTES**

*BES P-12/2022* (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority confirms the minutes from the meeting held on 17 January 2022 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of the meetings decisions and proceedings.

*Councillor Selina ASHLEY joined the meeting, the time being 10:34am.*

#### **8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

##### **8.1 ACTION LIST**

*BES P-13/2022* (Selina ASHLEY/Trepina BUSH) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Action List.

#### **9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS**

- Beswick Local Authority Memberships

#### **10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

#### **11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

#### **12 OPERATIONAL REPORTS**

Nil.

#### **13 GENERAL BUSINESS**

##### **13.1 STRONGER FUTURES ACT SUNSETTING**

*BES P-14/2022* (Selina ASHLEY/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Stronger Futures Act Sunsetting report.

### **13.2 BIG RIVERS REGION LIVEABILITY SURVEY REPORT 2022**

*BES P-15/2022* (Selina ASHLEY/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receive and note the Big Rivers Region Liveability Survey Report 2022 presented by a representative from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet.

### **13.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER ATTENDANCE REPORT**

*BES P-16/2022* (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Member Attendance.

### **13.4 ELECTING A CHAIRPERSON**

*BES P-17/2022* (Trepina BUSH/Selina ASHLEY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority appoints Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY as Chairperson for the period of six (6) months

### **13.5 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT**

*BES P-18/2022* (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member report.

### **13.6 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 01.07.2021 - 31.5.2022**

*BES P-19/2022* (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Financial (Expenditure) Report for the period July 2021 to May 2022.

### **13.7 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUND UPDATE**

*BES P -20/2022* (Trepina BUSH/Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Project Fund Update Report.

### **13.8 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT**

*BES P-21/2022* (Selina ASHLEY/Trepina BUSH) **CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Council Services Report; and
- (b) requests the Chief Executive Officer write a letter to Power and Water and Telstra regarding the number of power outages and Telstra service interruptions and submit a report back to the 10 October 2022 Beswick Local Authority Meeting.

## **14 OTHER BUSINESS**

### **14.1 BESWICK LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIPS**

The Beswick Local Authority discussed the constant lack of Quorum. The Governance Engagement Coordinator advised that only one (1) new nomination had been received to fill the two (2) vacancies and encouraged the reapplication from previous chairperson and Local Authority Member Anne-Marie RYAN. The issue of member attendance will be discussed further at the next Beswick Local Authority Meeting, scheduled for 10 October 2022.

## 15 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

### MOVE TO CONFIDENTIAL

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 was closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda:-

**15.1 Local Government Representation (Electoral) Reviews 2022** - *The report will be conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s 51(1)(c)(i) (c)(ii) (c)(iii) (c)(iv) (e).*

*The meeting moved to the Confidential Items at 11:33am.*

### 15.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATION (ELECTORAL) REVIEWS 2022

BES P-22/2022

(Selina ASHLEY/Trephina BUSH)

**CARRIED**

That the Beswick Local Authority:

- a) receives and notes the report in relation to the Local Government Representation Reviews 2022 and provides feedback to Council; and
- b) moves the motion to the open section.

### RETURN TO OPEN

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 was re-opened to the public.

*The meeting re-opened to the public at 11:48am.*

## 15 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 12:01 pm.

This page and the proceeding pages are the Minutes of the Beswick Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 19 July 2022 and confirmed Monday, 10 October 2022.

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Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY Chairperson  
Confirmed on Monday, 10 October 2022