

MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY  
HELD AT THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE-  
BULMAN  
ON WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL 2026 AT 10:00 AM

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**1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS**

**1.1 Members**

- Councillor John DALYWATER (Chairperson at this meeting);
- Spencer MARTIN (arrived at 10:40 am at Item 12.1) (via audio/video conference);
- Francis MURRY;
- Aiden LINDSAY (arrived at 10:38 am at Item 12.1) (via audio/video conference); and
- Margaret LINDSAY.

**1.2 Staff Members**

- David HURST, Acting Chief Executive Officer (via audio/video conference);
- Tony HOPP, General Manager Community Services and Engagement (via audio/video conference);
- Cristian COMAN, Manager Corporate Compliance (via audio/video conference);
- Alicia MIRANDA, Council Services Manager (via audio/video conference);
- Susan WEDLOCK, Council Services Coordinator;
- Verona DALYWATER, Senior Administration Support officer;
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Engagement Coordinator (minute secretary) (via audio/video conference);

**1.3 Guests**

- Mayor Tony JACK (via audio/video conference); and
- Sharon HEWITT, Census Engagement Manager.

**2 MEETING OPENED**

The Bulman Local Authority Meeting opened at 10:26 am as a **PROVISIONAL** meeting. The meeting later turned into **QUORUM** at 10:40 am. The Chairperson welcomed members, staff and guests to the meeting and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

**INTERIM ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON**

*BUL P/2026-1 (LA Member Margaret Lindsay/LA Member Francis Murry) **CARRIED***

That the Bulman Local Authority appoints Councillor John DALYWATER to Chair this meeting in the absence of Chairperson.

**3 WELCOME TO COUNTRY**

The Chairperson welcomed all persons to the Country.

**4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**4.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence**

*BUL P/2026-2 (LA Member Margaret Lindsay/LA Member Francis Murry) **CARRIED***

That the Bulman Local Authority provisionally accepts not tendered apologies from Selina ASHLEY, Charmain BRINJEN and Shantal MUNDAL noting the impact recent weather events.

**5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Nil.

**6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES****6.1 Bulman Local Authority Meeting Previous Minutes**

**BUL P/2026-3 (Councillor John Dalywater/LA Member Francis Murry) CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday, 16 October 2025 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of those meetings decisions and proceedings.

**BUL Q/2026-7 (LA Member Spencer Martin/LA Member Francis Murry) CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority confirms the minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday, 16 October 2025 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of those meetings decisions and proceedings.

**7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES****7.1 Action List**

**BUL P/2026-4 (LA Member Margaret Lindsay/Councillor John Dalywater) CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Action List; and
- (b) approves the removal of completed items.

**8 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil.

**9 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at this Bulman Local Authority Meeting

**10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

**11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

**12 EXECUTIVE REPORTS****12.1 Local Authority Member Attendance Report**

**BUL P/2026-5 (Councillor John Dalywater/LA Member Spencer Martin) CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Member Attendance Report;
- (b) notes Mayor's concern over the lack attendance of Local Authority Members at previous meeting

**BUL Q/2026-6 (LA Member Francis Murry/LA Member Spencer Martin) CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority move to Confirmation of Previous Minutes.

*Aiden LINDSEY joined the meeting at 10:38 am.*

*Spencer MARTIN joined the meeting at 10:40 am.*

Meeting turned into Quorum at 10:40 am.

**12.2 Town Priorities****BUL Q/2026-8 (LA Member Spencer Martin/LA Member Margaret Lindsay) CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority nominates the following priorities for Council's consideration for the 2026-27 Financial year.

- Cemetery Access;
- Waste Management Facility fencing;
- Aerodrome security, amenity and connectivity;
- Community safety and beautification; and
- Weemol Road development;

**12.3 Elected Member Report****BUL Q/2026-9 (Councillor John Dalywater/LA Member Francis Murry) CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Elected Member Report; and
- (b) requests Council to rescind the membership of Selina ASHLEY and reduce the size by one (1) for a total of eight (8) members.

**13 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT****13.1 Bulman LA February YTD Finance Report****BUL Q/2026-10 (LA Member Spencer Martin/LA Member Aiden Lindsay) CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial (Expenditure) Report for the period 01 July 2025 to 28 February 2026.

**14 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT****14.1 Council Services Manager Report****BUL Q/2026-11 (LA Member Francis Murry/LA Member Spencer Martin) CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Council Services Manager Report

**15 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT****15.1 Bulman Local Authority Projects Report****BUL Q/2026-12 (LA Member Margaret Lindsay/LA Member Spencer Martin) CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update Report;
- (b) allocates \$10,000 of Local Authority Project Funding towards Community barbeque festivities for upcoming event; and
- (c) allocates \$31,400 towards office extension.

**16 DEPUTATIONS**

Sharon HEWITT, Census Engagement Manager made a deputation to the Local Authority pertaining to upcoming (August 2026) Census.

**17 CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 11:30 am

This page and the preceding pages are the Minutes of the Bulman Local Authority Meeting, held on Wednesday, 01 April 2026 and confirmed.

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 Chairperson  
 Confirmed on 03 July 2026

