



Special Council Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday 8 November 2023

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Minutes of a meeting of the Busselton City Council held in the Council Chambers, Administration Building, Southern Drive, Busselton, on Wednesday 8 November 2023 at 4:30pm.

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1. OFFICIAL OPENING

The meeting opened at 4:30pm.

The Presiding Member welcomed Councillors, staff, guests and members of the public to the Special Council Meeting of 8 November 2023.

The Presiding Member acknowledged the Wadandi and Bibbulmun people as the traditional custodians of this region and paid respects to Elders past and present.

This meeting was audio recorded for minute taking purposes.

2. PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of this meeting is for consideration of a commercial proposal - Busselton Margaret River Airport.

3. ATTENDANCE

PRESIDING MEMBER	MEMBERS
Mayor Phill Cronin	Cr Anne Ryan
	Cr Andrew Macnish
	Cr Jodie Richards
	Cr Kate Cox
	Cr Jarrod Kennedy
	Cr Sue Riccelli
	Cr Mikayla Love

OFFICERS	
Mr Tony Nottle	Chief Executive Officer
Mr Oliver Darby	Director Infrastructure and Environment
Mr Paul Needham	Director Community Planning
Ms Maxine Palmer	Director Economic and Business Development
Mr Ben Whitehill	Manager Legal and Governance
Ms Jennifer May	Manager Airport
Ms Tegan Robertson	Governance and Risk Coordinator

APOLOGIES	
Cr Cherise Woodhams	

MEDIA	
Nil	

PUBLIC	
Nil	

4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

DISCLOSURES OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Nil

DISCLOSURES OF IMPARTIALITY INTEREST

Nil

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

5.1. QUESTION TIME FOR PUBLIC

Nil

6. PRESENTATIONS BY PARTIES WITH AN INTEREST

Nil

7. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

The Presiding Member called on a member to move a motion to close the meeting to the public.

The motion was carried.

COUNCIL DECISION

C2311/159 Moved Cr Anne Ryan, seconded Cr Jodie Richards

That the meeting is closed to members of the public to discuss an item which is confidential under section 5.23(2) (c) of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

CARRIED 8 / 0

FOR: Mayor Phill Cronin Cr Andrew Macnish, Cr Jarrod Kennedy, Cr Anne Ryan, Cr Jodie Richards, Cr Kate Cox, , Cr Sue Riccelli and Cr Mikayla Love

AGAINST: Nil

4:32pm: At this time, the meeting moved into a closed session.

7.1 Route Development - Busselton Margaret River Airport

Strategic Theme:	Key Theme 3: Opportunity 3.4 Develop aviation opportunities at the Busselton Margaret River Airport
Directorate:	Economic and Business Development
Reporting Officer:	Manager Airport – Jennifer May
Authorised By:	Director Economic and Business Development – Maxine Palmer
Nature of Decision:	Contractual: To enter into a contract e.g. a lease or the award of a tender etc.
Voting Requirements:	Absolute Majority
Disclosures of Interest:	No officers preparing this item have an interest to declare
Attachments:	Confidential Attachment 1 [7.1.1 – 1 page]

This item is confidential in accordance with section 5.23(2) (c) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, as it contains information relating to a contract entered into, or which may be entered into, by the local government.

The officer recommendation was moved, there was opposition and debate ensued.

During debate, Cr Riccelli foreshadowed an alternative motion.

COUNCIL DECISION

C2311/160 Moved Mayor Phill Cronin, seconded Cr Mikayla Love

That the Council endorses the officer recommendation outlined in the Officer Comment section of this report.

LOST 0 / 8

FOR: Nil

AGAINST: Mayor Phill Cronin, Cr Andrew Macnish, Cr Jarrod Kennedy, Cr Anne Ryan, Cr Jodie Richards, Cr Kate Cox,, Cr Sue Riccelli and Cr Mikayla Love

With the officer recommendation being lost, Cr Riccelli moved an alternative motion.

COUNCIL DECISION

C2311/161 Moved Cr Sue Riccelli, seconded Cr Kate Cox

That the Council endorses the officer recommendation outlined in confidential attachment 1.

CARRIED 8 / 0

**FOR: Mayor Phill Cronin, Cr Andrew Macnish, Cr Jarrod Kennedy, Cr Anne Ryan,
Cr Jodie Richards, Cr Kate Cox, Cr Sue Riccelli and Cr Mikayla Love**

AGAINST: Nil

BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

Reasons: The amended recommendation sought to address further commercial considerations.

The Presiding Member called on a member to move a motion to re-open the meeting to the public.

The motion was carried.

COUNCIL DECISION

C2311/162 Moved Cr Anne Ryan, seconded Cr Jodie Richards

That the meeting be reopened to the public.

CARRIED 8 / 0

**FOR: Mayor Phill Cronin ,Cr Andrew Macnish, Cr Jarrod Kennedy, Cr Anne Ryan,
Cr Jodie Richards, Cr Kate Cox, , Cr Sue Riccelli and Cr Mikayla Love**

AGAINST: Nil

4:59pm: At this time, the meeting was re-opened to the public. The Presiding Member read the decision to the Gallery.

8. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 5:00pm.

The minutes of the Special Council Meeting held 8 November 2023 were confirmed as a true and correct record on

Date: 13.12.23

Presiding Member:

