



BOULIA
SHIRE COUNCIL

**Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING
of the Boulia Shire Council
held on Friday 22 August 2025
commencing at 10:00 am**

**1 Meeting Opening with the Acknowledgement of
Traditional Owners**

Please note:

In some instances, due to unforeseen circumstances, the sequence of the Ordinary Meeting of Council on the meeting day may vary from the order of the agenda issued. The corresponding meeting minutes will follow the outline of the originally issued agenda, however the resolution numbers noted will be in accordance with the actual sequence of the meeting on the day.

The Mayor opened the meeting at 9.56 am.

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional carers of the land on which Council meets, the 'Pitta Pitta' people, and paid Council's respects to the elders past and present.

The Mayor also acknowledged past and present service personnel.

It has been noted that the Mayor has reminded all Councillors in regards to registration of interests and declaration of contact with or engagement of lobbyists.

2 Present

Councillors: Councillor Eric (Rick) Britton
Councillor Sam Beauchamp
Councillor Jack Neilson
Councillor Jan Norton
Councillor Julie Woodhouse

Officers: Mr Shane Gray (Chief Executive Officer)
Mrs Kaylene Sloman (Director of Corporate & Financial Services)
Mr Gordon Magann (Director of Works and Operations)
Miss Lily Williams (Executive Assistant)

3 Apologies / Leave of Absence

There were no apologies or leaves of absence for this meeting.

4 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest relevant to reports at this meeting.

5 Mayoral Minutes

There were no Mayoral Minutes to be noted at this meeting.

6 Notice of Motion

There were no notices of motions to be noted at this meeting.

7 Request to Address Council in a Public Forum

There were no requests to address the Council.

8 Petitions

There were no petitions presented to Council.

9 Deputations

There were no deputations to Council.

10 Confirmation of Minutes from Previous Meetings

Moved: *Cr Norton*

Seconded: *Cr Neilson*

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 23rd July 2025 be accepted.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.1

Carried

11 Reports

11.1 Works and Operations

TITLE:	Director of Works and Operations July 2025 Report	DOC REF: 11.1.1
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PURPOSE:

To advise Council of relevant activities undertaken through the Works and Operations Directorate.

Moved: *Cr Beauchamp*

Seconded: *Cr Woodhouse*

That the A/Director Works and Operations Report for July 2025 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.2

Carried

TITLE:	Works Manager - July 2025 Report	DOC REF: 11.1.2
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Works Department in line with the Council works program for July 2025.

Moved: *Cr Norton*

Seconded: *Cr Britton*

That Council receive the Works Manager July 2025 Report for information.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.3

Carried

TITLE:	Rural Lands Protection Officer JULY 2025 Report	DOC REF: 11.1.3
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PURPOSE:

To advise Council on current activates relating to weed management, pest control, animal management and stock routes.

Moved: *Cr Neilson*

Seconded: *Cr Britton*

That Council receive the Rural Lands Protection Officer July 2025 Report for information.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.4

Carried

TITLE:	QRA Flood Damage Department July 2025	DOC REF: 11.1.4
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Flood Damage Program for July 2025.

Moved: *Cr Britton*

Seconded: *Cr Neilson*

That the QRA Flood Damage Works Department July 2025 Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.5

Carried

11.2 Office of the Chief Executive

TITLE:	Chief Executive Officers Report July 2025	DOC REF: 11.2.1
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PURPOSE:

To advise Council of relevant activities undertaken through the office of the CEO.

Moved: *Cr Neilson*

Seconded: *Cr Britton*

That the CEO Report for July 2025 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.6

Carried

TITLE:	Boulia Golf Club - Request for support	DOC REF: 11.2.2
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PURPOSE:

To present to Council a request for support made by the Boulia Golf Club.

Moved: ***Cr Norton***

Seconded: ***Cr Woodhouse***

That Council approve the Boulia Golf Club request for monetary support up to the value of \$2000 upon receiving the documented invoices for the purchase of materials to be able to construct a new driving range/practice net at the Boulia Golf Club facility.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.7

Carried

TITLE:	Motions for consideration at 2025 LGAQ Annual Conference	DOC REF: 11.2.3
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PURPOSE:

To seek Council's endorsement of two motions that have been drafted for submission at the 2025 LGAQ Annual Conference.

Moved: ***Cr Neilson***

Seconded: ***Cr Beauchamp***

That Council endorse the following motions:

- Motion 1: Expand Patient Travel Subsidy Scheme to better support patients from rural, remote and discrete Queensland communities
- Motion 2: Transfer of Regionally Significant Roads to State Government Responsibility.

to be submitted for consideration at the 2025 LGAQ Annual Conference.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.8

Carried

11.3 Corporate Services

TITLE:	Financial Report for July 2025	DOC REF: 11.3.1
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PURPOSE:

Financial Summary as at 31st July 2025.

Moved: ***Cr Norton***

Seconded: ***Cr Britton***

That the Financial Report for July 2025 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.9

Carried

11.4 Economic and Community Development

TITLE:	Economic & Community Development Report – July 2025	DOC REF: 11.4.1
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PURPOSE:

To provide Council with an update on the activities associated with the Economic and Community Development roles.

Moved: *Cr Beauchamp*

Seconded: *Cr Britton*

That the Economic and Community Development Report for July 2025 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.10

Carried

TITLE:	Min Min Encounter & Boulia Heritage Complex Report July 2025	DOC REF: 11.4.2
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PURPOSE:

To report on the day-to-day operations of the Min Min Encounter (MME) and Boulia Heritage Complex (BHC) and to promote tourism in the Shire and surrounding region.

Moved: *Cr Neilson*

Seconded: *Cr Britton*

That the Min Min Encounter & Boulia Heritage Complex Report for July 2025 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.11

Carried

The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 12.15 pm.

The meeting resumed at 12.57 pm.

12 Closed Session

There were no Closed Session reports presented to Council.

13 Late Reports

There were two Late Reports presented to Council.

TITLE:	Director of Corporate & Financial Services July 2025	DOC REF: 13.1
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PURPOSE:

To advise Council of the activities of the Director of Corporate and Financial Services.

Moved: *Cr Neilson*

Seconded: *Cr Beauchamp*

That the Director of Corporate and Financial Services July 2025 report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.12

Carried

Gordon Stumbris joined the meeting at 1.25 pm.

TITLE:	Action List Update June 2025	DOC REF: 11.2.2
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PURPOSE:

To present to Council an updated Action List.

Moved: *Cr Norton*

Seconded: *Cr Woodhouse*

That the Action List update for July 2025 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2025/08.13

Carried

14 General Business

Community Hub Media Story - Councillor Woodhouse requested an update on the progress of the Community Hub Media Story. Councillor Woodhouse was advised that once everything for the Community Hub was more set-in place and in the next stage of planning the Media Story will be released.

Stage Two Min Min Encounter - Councillor Woodhouse requested an update for any new information on Stage two of the Min Min Encounter upgrades as mentioned in the last Annual Report. Councillor Woodhouse was advised that the project is still going to happen and will revisit the works during the revision of the Corporate Plan.

15 Meeting Closure

The Mayor closed the meeting at 2.05 pm.

16 Confirmed

Minutes to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council.