



BOULIA
SHIRE COUNCIL

**Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING
of the Boulia Shire Council
held on Friday 29 June 2026
commencing at 9:00 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 9.06 am.

Mr Michael Chow, Acting Chief Financial Officer, joined the meeting at 9.06 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)
Mr Gordon Magann (A/Director of Works and Operations) (via Teams)
Mrs Tracy Magann (Executive Assistant) (via Teams)
Mrs Nicole Tonkies (Assistant to the CEO)

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 Neilson*

Seconded: *Cr Woodhouse*

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 22nd May 2026 be accepted.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.1

Carried

11 Reports

11.1 Works and Operations

TITLE:	Director of Works and Operations May 2026 Report	DOC REF: 11.1.1
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PURPOSE:

To advise Council of relevant activities undertaken through the Works and Operations Directorate during the May and June period.

Moved: Cr Woodhouse

Seconded: Cr Britton

1. That the A/Director Works and Operations Report for June 2026 be received for information.
2. That Council receives the Development Options Report for the property identified as 55 Herbert Street Boulia for consideration and evaluation of the identified options.
3. That Council receives the Project Plan for the Development Options Report for the property identified as 55 Herbert St proposed Boulia Depot Office project for consideration of the development.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.2

Carried

TITLE:	QRA Flood Damage Report	DOC REF: 11.1.2
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Flood Damage Program for May 2026.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That the QRA Flood Damage Works Department May 2026 Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.3

Carried

13 Late Reports

TITLE:	Development Application DA2026-01: Extractive Industry	DOC REF: 13.1
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PURPOSE: To present to Council a report regarding Development Application DA2026-01, which seeks a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for Extractive Industry for sand extraction (less than 10,000 tonnes per annum) within Segment 162, Parcel 7 Urandangi North Road Reserve (adjoining Lot 3 SP117500).

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That recommendations A, B and C as presented in the late report 13.1 Development Application DA2026-01: Extractive Industry be accepted.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.4

Carried

Mr Anthony Ottoway, Council's Financial Consultant joined the meeting via Teams at 9.57 am.

11.2 Office of the Chief Executive

TITLE:	Chief Executive Officers Report for May 2026	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 Britton*

Seconded: *Cr Woodhouse*

That the CEO Report for May 2026 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.5

Carried

11.3 Corporate Services

PURPOSE:

To provide Council with the financial report for the period ended 31 May 2026

Moved: *Cr Britton*

Seconded: *Cr Norton*

That Council notes the contents of the finance report: operating performance and the capital program performance report for the period ended 31 May 2026.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.6

Carried

The meeting was adjourned for Morning Tea at 10.19 am.

Mr Ottoway left the meeting at 10.19 am.

Mr Chow left the meeting at 10.19 am.

Meeting resumed at 11.01 am.

TITLE:	Action List Update May 2026	DOC REF: 11.2.2
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PURPOSE:

To present to Council an updated Action List.

Moved: *Cr Beauchamp*

Seconded: *Cr Neilson*

That Council receive the Action List update for May 2026 for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.7

Carried

TITLE:	2027 Special Holiday Request - Boulia Camel Races	DOC REF: 11.2.3
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PURPOSE:

To seek Council's support in placing a request for a special holiday in 2027 for the Boulia Camel Races.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Norton

That Council endorse support for an application for a Special Holiday on Monday 19th July 2027 for the Boulia Camels Races Show Holiday.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.8

Carried

Mr Magann and Mrs Magann left the meeting at 11.30 am.
Mr Chow joined the meeting at 11.31 am.

TITLE:	WHS Information Report for May - June 2026	DOC REF: 11.2.5
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of progressions and or issues of concerning regarding WH&S. Ongoing monitoring with projects to ensure correct and completed WHS paperwork is submitted and identify potential hazards and any documentation requirement shortfalls with evidentiary documents held in Magiq and Pulse. Adopt various alerts/updates into regular Toolbox talks and training.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Woodhouse

That the Workplace Health and Safety Report for May 2026 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.9

Carried

11.4 Economic and Community Development

TITLE:	Library Report for May 2026	DOC REF: 11.4.2
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PURPOSE:

To report on the day-to-day operations of the Boulia Shire Library.

Moved: Cr Beauchamp

Seconded: Cr Norton

That Council receive the Library Report for May 2026 for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.10

Carried

TITLE:	Min Min Encounter & Boulia Heritage Complex Report May 2026	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 the May 2026 Council Meeting be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.11

Carried

Mr Ottoway rejoined the meeting via Teams at 11.40 am to discuss the pending budget with the Councillors.

Mr Ottoway left the meeting at 12.37 pm.

Meeting was adjourned for a short break at 12.37 pm.
Meeting resumed at 1.20 pm.

The proposed 2026-2031 Corporate Plan was presented to Council.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

The Council adopted the 2026-2031 Corporate Plan as presented.

Resolution No.: 2026/6.12

Carried

12 Closed Session

There were no late reports presented to Council.

14 General Business

Councillor questions and comments raised during General Business have been noted in the 'Action List' which will be presented at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council.

15 Meeting Closure

The Mayor closed the meeting at 1.58 pm.

16 Confirmed

Minutes confirmed 24th July 2026.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.1

