



Notice is given of a Special Meeting of Council to be held on:

Date: Tuesday, 8 November 2022
Time: 3.00 pm
**Location: Loddon Shire Council Chambers,
Wedderburn**

AGENDA

Special Council Meeting

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1 OPENING AFFIRMATION

“We, the Councillors of the Loddon Shire, declare that we will carry out our duties in the best interests of the community, and through collective leadership will maintain the highest standards of good governance.”

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

“The Loddon Shire Council acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we are gathered and pays its respects to their Elders both past and present.”

3 APOLOGIES**4 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

5 MAYORAL REPORT

5.1 MAYORAL REPORT

File Number: FOL/19/126475
Author: Lisa Clue, Manager Governance
Authoriser: Lincoln Fitzgerald, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Mayoral Report for 2021/2022.

REPORT

The Chief Executive Officer will invite the outgoing Mayor, Cr Dan Straub to report on his term of office in 2021/22.

6 DECISION REPORTS**6.1 MAYORAL TERM - 2022/23**

File Number: FOL/19/126475
Author: Lisa Clue, Manager Governance
Authoriser: Lincoln Fitzgerald, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That Council confirms that the Mayoral term for 2022/23 be for a period of one year.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There is no conflict of interest for any Council staff member involved in the preparation of this report, or involved in the subject matter of the report.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION

At its meeting on 9 November 2021, Council resolved that the (2021/22) Mayor be elected for a term of one year.

BACKGROUND

Section 26(3) of the Local Government Act 2020, states that before a Mayor is elected, the Council must determine by resolution whether the Mayor is to be elected for a one year or a two year term.

The past practice has been to elect the Mayor for a one-year term. There is no limitation on Council re-electing the same person as Mayor during the Council term.

ISSUES/DISCUSSION

Nil

COST/BENEFITS

There are minimal administrative costs associated with the election or re-election of a Mayor.

RISK ANALYSIS

Not applicable

CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT

Not applicable

6.2 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR 2022/23

File Number: FOL/19/126475
Author: Lisa Clue, Manager Governance
Authoriser: Lincoln Fitzgerald, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That Council elect a Councillor to be Mayor of the Loddon Shire for the 2022/23 year.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There is no conflict of interest for any Council staff member involved in the preparation of this report, or involved in the subject matter of the report.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION

The 2022/23 Mayor Elect was discussed in the Confidential Council Meeting held on Tuesday 25 October 2022.

BACKGROUND

The Local Government Act 2020 requires a Mayor to be elected on a day that is as close to the end of the current Mayor's term as is reasonably practicable.

At a Special Council meeting on Thursday 9 November 2021, Cr Straub was elected Mayor for a one year term.

ISSUES/DISCUSSION

In accordance with Council's Governance Rules, the Chief Executive Officer will be the temporary Chairperson for the election of the Mayor.

The Chief Executive Officer will call for nominations for the position of Mayor of the Loddon Shire Council for 2022/23. If multiple candidates nominate, an election process will be conducted.

The elected Mayor may take the opportunity to give an acceptance speech.

COST/BENEFITS

The Councillor Expenses and Support Policy, details claimable expenses for Councillors and the provision of Mayoral vehicle.

RISK ANALYSIS

Not applicable

CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT

No applicable

6.3 APPOINTMENT OF ACTING MAYOR

File Number: FOL/19/126475
Author: Lisa Clue, Manager Governance
Authoriser: Lincoln Fitzgerald, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That Council appoint an Acting Mayor when required in accordance with section 20B of the Local Government Act 2020.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There is no conflict of interest for any Council staff member involved in the preparation of this report, or involved in the subject matter of the report.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION

At the Special Meeting held on 9 November 2021, Council chose to appoint an Acting Mayor as required.

BACKGROUND

Loddon Shire Council historically has chosen to appoint an Acting Mayor as required, instead of appointing an individual Councillor as Deputy Mayor.

ISSUES/DISCUSSION

As it has done previously, Council may resolve to appoint an Acting Mayor as required in accordance with section 20B of the Local Government Act 2020 (the Act). Alternatively, Council may establish an office of Deputy Mayor in accordance with section 20A of the Act and Council's Governance Rules.

COST/BENEFITS

Not applicable

RISK ANALYSIS

Not applicable

CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT

Not applicable

6.4 COUNCIL REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES

File Number: FOL/19/126475
Author: Lisa Clue, Manager Governance
Authoriser: Lincoln Fitzgerald, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: 1. Committee Representation 2022/23

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the appointments to committees as attached to this report.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There is no conflict of interest for any Council staff member involved in the preparation of this report, or involved in the subject matter of the report.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Councillors have discussed the list of committee representation as attached at the October 2022 Council Forum and the October 2022 Council Meeting.

BACKGROUND

Council has historically adopted committee representation at the annual Special Meeting to elect the Mayor.

ISSUES/DISCUSSION

These committees are largely advisory or management committees established by Council or external committees on which it is appropriate that Council has representation. Should Council be asked to nominate representatives for any further Committees, nominations may be made at any time of the year.

COST/BENEFITS

Not applicable

RISK ANALYSIS

Not applicable

CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT

Not applicable

COUNCIL REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES (2022/23)

SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL (SECTION 65 COMMUNITY ASSET COMMITTEES)	
Boort Aerodrome Community Asset Committee	Cr Beattie Boort Ward
Boort Memorial Hall Community Asset Committee	
Boort Park Community Asset Committee	
Korong Vale Mechanics Hall Community Asset Committee	
Korong Vale Sports Centre Community Asset Committee	
Little Lake Boort Community Asset Committee	
Yando Public Hall Community Asset Committee	Cr Murphy Inglewood Ward
Campbells Forest Hall Community Asset Committee	
Inglewood Community Elderly Persons Units Community Asset Committee	
Inglewood Community Sports Centre Community Asset Committee	
Inglewood Town Hall Hub Community Asset Committee	Cr Straub Terricks Ward
East Loddon Community Centre Community Asset Committee	
Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall Community Asset Committee	Cr Holt Wedderburn Ward
Donaldson Park Community Asset Committee	
Hard Hill Tourist Reserve Community Asset Committee	
Wedderburn Community Centre Community Asset Committee	
Wedderburn Engine Park and Market Square Reserve Community Asset Committee	
Wedderburn Mechanics and Literary Institute Hall Community Asset Committee	

COMMITTEES EXTERNAL TO COUNCIL	
Bendigo Regional Tourism Board	Manager Tourism and Economic Development Tourism and Marketing Coordinator
Bendigo Loddon Prevention and Population Health Partnership meeting	Director Community Wellbeing
Buloke Loddon Gannawarra Health Network	Director Community Wellbeing
Calder Highway Improvement Committee (1 representative, 1 substitute)	Cr Murphy Cr Holt (substitute)
Early Years Compact	Manager Community Wellbeing
L2P Steering Committee	Manager Community Wellbeing
Local Government Womens Charter	Cr Murphy Cr Straub (substitute) Human Resources Coordinator
Loddon Campaspe Councils	Mayor Chief Executive Officer

COMMITTEES EXTERNAL TO COUNCIL	
Loddon Campaspe Regional Partnerships	Chief Executive Officer
Loddon Healthy Eating Active Living network	Manager Community Wellbeing Healthy Loddon Campaspe Loddon Broker Wellbeing Officer
Loddon Shire Family Violence Network	Manager Community Wellbeing Wellbeing Officer
Municipal Association of Victoria (1 representative, 1 substitute)	Cr Holt Cr Beattie (substitute)
Murray River Group of Councils	Mayor Chief Executive Officer
North Central Goldfields Regional Library (2 representatives: one councillor, one officer)	Cr Straub Chief Executive Officer
North Central Local Learning and Employment Network	Cr Straub
Rail Freight Alliance	Cr Beattie
Rural Councils Victoria	Mayor Chief Executive Officer
Strong Families Strong Children network program management group	Director Community Wellbeing Manager Community Wellbeing

ADVISORY COMMITTEES, STEERING COMMITTEES, ETC	
Audit and Risk Committee (1 substantive, 1 alternate representative)	Cr Holt Cr Beattie (substitute)
Australia Day Committee (1 Councillor representative)	Cr Jungwirth
Central Victorian Greenhouse Alliance	Cr Jungwirth
Healthy Minds Network (1 representative and 1 staff member)	Cr Murphy Director Community Wellbeing
Loddon Campaspe Transport Working Group	Manager Assets and Infrastructure
Municipal Emergency Management Plan Committee (1 representative)	Cr Jungwirth
North Central Catchment Partnership	Director Operations

There being no further business the meeting was closed at [enter time](#).

Confirmed this.....day of..... 2022

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