

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

Date:	Tuesday, 9 November 2021
Time:	3pm
Location:	Virtual meeting, video live streamed to the public

# AGENDA

# **Special Council Meeting**

# 9 November 2021

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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:	Christine Coombes, Executive and Commercial Services Officer
Authoriser:	Lynne Habner, Manager Executive and Commercial Services
Attachments:	Nil

# RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Mayoral Report for 2019/20.

#### REPORT

The Chief Executive Officer will invite the outgoing Mayor, Cr Neil Beattie to report on his term of office in 2020/21.

# 6 DECISION REPORTS

6.1 TERM OF THE MAYOR			
File Number:	FOL/19/126475		
Author:	Christine Coombes, Executive and Commercial Services Officer		
Authoriser:	Lynne Habner, Manager Executive and Commercial Services		
Attachments:	Nil		

# RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve that the Mayor be elected for a term of one year.

#### CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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

#### PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Nil.

#### 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 term of office of Mayor will commence on 9 November 2021 upon appointment by Council and become vacant at 6:00am on the date of the November 2022 Special Council Meeting to Elect the Mayor.

The past practice has been to elect the Mayor for a one-year term.

#### **ISSUES/DISCUSSION**

Nil

#### **COST/BENEFITS**

There are minimal administration costs occurred in the change of Mayor.

#### **RISK ANALYSIS**

Nil.

#### CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT

Nil.

#### 6.2 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR 2021/22

File Number:	FOL/19/126475
Author:	Christine Coombes, Executive and Commercial Services Officer
Authoriser:	Lynne Habner, Manager Executive and Commercial Services
Attachments:	Nil

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council elect a Councillor to be Mayor of the Loddon Shire 2021/22.

#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

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

#### **PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

The 2021/22 Mayor Elect was discussed in the Confidential Council Meeting held on Tuesday 26 October 2021.

#### BACKGROUND

The Local Government Act 2020, section 26 (4), states, if the Mayor is elected for a 1 year term, the next election of the Mayor must be held on a day to be determined by the Council that is as close to the end of the 1 year term as is reasonably practicable.

Cr Beattie was elected as Mayor on Thursday 19 November 2020.

As per the Loddon Shire Council Governance Rules, the Chief Executive Officer must be the temporary chairperson of a meeting to elect the Mayor.

#### **ISSUES/DISCUSSION**

The Chief Executive Officer will act as 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 2021/22.

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**

Nil

#### CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT

Nil

#### 6.3 APPOINTMENT OF ACTING MAYOR

File Number:	FOL/19/126475
Author:	Christine Coombes, Executive and Commercial Services Officer
Authoriser:	Lynne Habner, Manager Executive and Commercial Services
Attachments:	Nil

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to 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 paper, or involved in the subject matter of the paper.

#### **PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

At the Special Meeting held on 19 November 2020, 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 a Deputy Mayor.

#### **ISSUES/DISCUSSION**

Council can determine whether to establish an office of the Deputy Mayor or appoint an Acting Mayor in accordance with sections 20A, 20B and 21 of the Local Government Act 2020.

#### **COST/BENEFITS**

Nil

#### **RISK ANALYSIS**

Nil

#### CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT

Nil

#### 6.4 COUNCIL REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES

File Number:	FOL/19/126475		
Author:	Christine Coombes, Executive and Commercial Services Officer		
Authoriser:	Lynne Habner, Manager Executive and Commercial Services		
Attachments:	1. Council representation on committees (2021/22)		

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the appointments to committees as listed.

#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

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

#### **PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

Councillors have discussed the list of committee representation as attached at the October 2021 Council Forum and the October 2021 Confidential 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

Nil

#### **RISK ANALYSIS**

Nil

#### CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT

Nil

Boort Aerodrome Community Asset Committee	Cr Beattie
Boort Memorial Hall Community Asset Committee	Boort Ward
Boort Park Community Asset Committee	
Korong Vale Mechanics Hall Community Asset Committee	
Korong Vale Sports Centre Community Asset Committee	7
Little Lake Boort Community Asset Committee	
Yando Public Hall Community Asset Committee	
Campbells Forest Hall Community Asset Committee	Cr Murphy
Inglewood Community Sports Centre Community Asset Committee	Inglewood Ward
Inglewood Community Elderly Persons Units Community Asset Committee	
Inglewood Town Hall Hub Community Asset Committee	7
Jones Eucalyptus Distillery Site Community Asset Committee	7
East Loddon Community Centre Community Asset Committee	Cr Straub
Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall Community Asset Committee	Terricks Ward
Pyramid Hill Swimming Pool Kiosk Community Asset Committee	
Donaldson Park Community Asset Committee	Cr Holt Wedderburn Ward
Wedderburn Community Centre Community Asset Committee	
Wedderburn Engine Park and Market Square Reserve Community	7
Asset Committee	
Wedderburn Mechanics and Literary Institute Hall Community Asset	
Committee	
Hard Hill Reserve Community Asset Committee	7

#### COUNCIL REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES (2021/22)

#### COMMITTEES EXTERNAL TO COUNCIL

Bendigo Regional Tourism Board	Manager Executive and Commercial Services
	Tourism and Marketing Officer
Bendigo Loddon Primary Care Partnership Board	Director Community Wellbeing
Buloke Loddon Gannawarra Health Network	Director Community Wellbeing
Calder Highway Improvement Committee	Cr Murphy
(1 representative, 1 substitute)	Cr Holt (substitute)
Early Years Compact	Manager Community Wellbeing
Loddon Mallee Local Government Waste Forum	Cr Jungwirth
	Assistant Manager Works
L2P Steering Committee	Children and Youth Coordinator
Local Government Womens Charter	Cr Murphy
	Cr Straub (substitute)
	Human Resources Coordinator
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COMMITTEES EXTERNAL TO COUNCIL	
Loddon Campaspe Councils	Mayor Chief Executive Officer
Loddon Campaspe Regional Partnerships	Chief Executive Officer
Loddon Healthy Eating Active Living network	Manager Community Wellbeing Children & Youth Coordinator Wellbeing Officer
Loddon Shire Family Violence Network	Manager Community Wellbeing Wellbeing Officer
Municipal Association of Victoria	Cr Holt
(1 representative, 1 substitute)	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	Director Community Wellbeing
program management group	Manager Community Wellbeing

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

# NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on 23 November 2021 at Wedderburn commencing at 3pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at enter time.

Confirmed this	day of	2021