

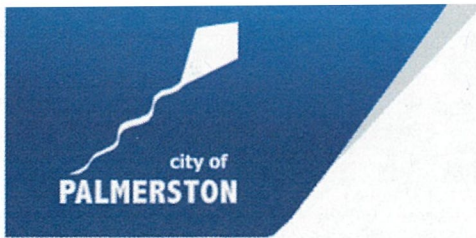
The top of the page features a horizontal banner. On the left, the City of Palmerston logo is displayed, including the text 'city of PALMERSTON' and the slogan 'A Place for People'. The background of the banner is a stylized illustration. On the left, silhouettes of people are shown in a park-like setting, with one person holding a kite. In the center, there is a body of water. On the right, two vibrant, colorful birds (likely bee-eaters) are perched on a branch, set against a bright yellow and orange background with abstract patterns.

city of
PALMERSTON
'A Place for People'

MINUTES

1st Ordinary Council Meeting Tuesday 3 October 2023

The Ordinary Meeting of the City of Palmerston held in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston, NT 0830



A Place for People

Minutes of Council Meeting
held in Council Chambers
Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston
on Tuesday 3 October 2023 at 5:30pm.

PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell (Chair)
Deputy Mayor Danielle Eveleigh
Councillor Amber Garden
Councillor Ben Giesecke
Councillor Damian Hale
Councillor Lucy Morrison (*Via Audio/Audiovisual*)
Councillor Mark Fraser
Councillor Sarah Henderson

STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli
Acting General Manager People and Place, Emma Blight
General Manager Infrastructure, Nadine Nilon
General Manager Finance and Governance, Wati Kerta
General Manager Community, Kylie Darley
Minute Secretary, Jodi Holden

GALLERY

One member of the public

Initials: 

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

City of Palmerston acknowledges the Larrakia people as the Traditional Custodians of the Palmerston region. We pay our respects to the Elders past, present and future leaders and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

2 OPENING OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5.30pm.

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Apologies

Nil

3.2 Leave of Absence Previously Granted

THAT it be noted Councillor Morrison will be on leave of absence as previously granted on 20 September 2023, for the period of 2 October to 5 October 2023 inclusive.

3.3 Leave of Absence Request

Moved: Councillor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Morrison for 2 October to 5 October 2023 inclusive be received and noted.
2. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Hale for 30 September to 2 October 2023 inclusive be received and noted.
3. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Hale for 4 October to 10 October 2023 inclusive be received and noted.
4. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Henderson for 10 October to 15 October 2023 inclusive be received and noted.
5. THAT the leave of absence received from Mayor Pascoe-Bell for 10 October to 14 October 2023 inclusive be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1027 - 3/10/2023

4 REQUEST FOR AUDIO/AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING

Moved: Councillor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Hale

THAT Council note Councillor Morrison the request is attending via Audio/Audiovisual Conferencing who will be physically prevented from attending a meeting on 3 October 2023 due to being a greater distance than 100km from the appointed place of meeting and

approval has been granted by the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the City of Palmerston Audio/Audiovisual Policy.

CARRIED 10/1028 - 3/10/2023

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

5.1 Elected Members

Nil

5.2 Staff

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Deputy Mayor Eveleigh

Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 19 September 2023 pages 11136 to 11144 be confirmed.

CARRIED 10/1029 - 3/10/2023

6.2 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Nil

7 MAYORAL REPORT

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell

Seconded: Councillor Garden

THAT Report entitled Mayoral Update Report - September 2023 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1030 - 3/10/2023

8 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS)

Nil

10 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

10.1 Moving Confidential Items into Open

Nil

Initials:



10.2 Moving Open Items into Confidential

Nil

10.3 Confidential Items

Moved: Councillor Garden
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Eveleigh

THAT pursuant to Section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following confidential items:

Item	Confidential Category	Confidential Clause
25.2.1	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i> , which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

CARRIED 10/1031 - 3/10/2023

11 PETITIONS

Nil

12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

13 OFFICER REPORTS

13.1 Action Reports

13.1.1 Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee Minutes - 25 September 2023

Moved: Councillor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee Minutes - 25 September 2023 be received and noted.
2. THAT the unconfirmed Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee minutes provided as **Attachment 13.1.1.1** to report entitled Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee Minutes - 25 September 2023 be received and noted.
3. THAT Council endorse the recommendations within the respective minute from the Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee being:

Initials: 

- a. THAT the Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee notes that the expected completion date for Phase 1 of the website will be November 2023.
- b. THAT the tabled correspondence received from Sue Shearer, representative of the Palmerston Regional Business Association, advising of her resignation as a member of the Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee be received and noted.
- c. THAT Council writes to Sue Shearer on behalf of the Committee acknowledging her resignation and expressing its gratitude for her contribution.
- d. THAT Council seeks nominations for the position of Business Association representative on the Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee via a public call for Expressions of Interest.

CARRIED 10/1032 – 3/10/2023

13.1.2 Community Safety Advisory Committee Minutes - 26 September 2023

Moved: Councillor Hale
Seconded: Councillor Garden

1. THAT Report entitled Community Safety Advisory Committee Minutes - 26 September 2023 be received and noted.
2. THAT the unconfirmed Palmerston Community Safety Advisory Committee minutes provided as **Attachment 13.1.2.1** to report entitled Community Safety Advisory Committee Minutes - 26 September 2023 be received and noted.
3. THAT Council endorse the recommendations within the respective minute from the Palmerston Community Safety Advisory Committee being:
 - a. THAT the tabled correspondence received from Sue Shearer, representative of the Palmerston Regional Business Association, advising of her resignation as a member of the Palmerston Community Safety Advisory Committee be received and noted.
 - b. THAT Council writes to Sue Shearer on behalf of the Committee acknowledging her resignation and expressing its gratitude for her contribution.
 - c. THAT Council seeks nominations for the position of Business Association representative on the Palmerston Community Safety Advisory Committee via a public call for Expressions of Interest.

CARRIED 10/1033 – 3/10/2023

13.1.3 Community Benefit Scheme - Arafura Music Collective

Moved: Deputy Mayor Eveleigh
Seconded: Councillor Garden

1. THAT Report entitled Community Benefit Scheme - Arafura Music Collective be received and noted.

Initials:



2. THAT Council approves the grant application of the Arafura Music Collective for \$4,320 to deliver the events Balnba (Rainy Season) Connecting Community Through Music and Mayilem (Knockemdowns) Balance and Harmony at Gray Community Hall.

CARRIED 10/1034 – 3/10/2023

13.2 Receive and Note Reports

13.2.1 Infrastructure Quarterly Report July to September 2023

Moved: Councillor Henderson
Seconded: Councillor Garden

THAT Report entitled Infrastructure Quarterly Report July to September 2023 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1035 – 3/10/2023

13.2.2 Community Quarterly Report July to September 2023

Moved: Deputy Mayor Eveleigh
Seconded: Councillor Hale

THAT Report entitled Community Quarterly Report July to September 2023 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1036 – 3/10/2023

13.2.3 Community Satisfaction Survey 2023

Moved: Councillor Garden
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Eveleigh

THAT Report entitled Community Satisfaction Survey 2023 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1037 – 3/10/2023

14 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 Information

Nil

14.2 Correspondence

Nil

15 REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil

Initials: 

16 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Moved: Deputy Mayor Eveleigh
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

THAT the question asked by Deputy Mayor Eveleigh regarding Recreation Centre EV charging stations repair timing, and the response provided by the General Manager Infrastructure be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1038 - 3/10/2023

17 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

18 NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Moved: Councillor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Hale

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 17 October 2023 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston.

CARRIED 10/1039 - 3/10/2023

19 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Councillor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Hale

THAT pursuant to *section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda.

CARRIED 10/1040 - 3/10/2023

20 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

Nil

The open section of the meeting closed at 6.04pm for the discussion of confidential matters.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 6.08pm.



Chair

Mayor Pascoe-Bell

Print Name

17 October 2023

Date

Initials: _____