

Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands

AGENDA

Special Meeting of Council Wednesday, 24 September 2025

I hereby give notice that an Special Meeting of Council will be held on

Date: Wednesday, 24 September 2025

Time: 4:00pm

Location: Council Chambers

Shire Administration

Building Lot 256 Jalan Bunga Melati

Home Island

Ibrahim Macrae

Acting Chief Executive Officer

Disclaimer

Members of the public should note that in any discussion regarding any planning or other application that any statement or intimation of approval made by any member or officer of the Shire during the course of any meeting is not intended to be and is not to be taken as notice of approval from the Shire. No action should be taken on any item discussed at a Council meeting prior to written advice on the resolution of the Council being received. Any plans or documents contained in this document may be subject to copyright law provisions (Copyright Act 1968, as amended) and the express permission of the copyright owner(s) should be sought prior to the reproduction.

OUR VALUES

Service

Provide the best service we can.

We serve the community and each other.

Accountability

We take responsibility for our own actions.

We do what we say we will do.

Mistakes are an opportunity to learn.

Support

We support our team and our community.

Look for opportunities to help each other.

Respect

We respect and value others.

Our interactions are always respectful towards others.

Integrity

We will be honest and transparent with all our dealings.

Maintain confidentiality.

Trust each other.

Achievement

Being proactive and enabling the outcomes.

Be creative and think outside the square.

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- 1 OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENTS OF VISITORS**
- 2 ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**
- 3 RESPONSES TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**
- 4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS TIME**

In accordance with section 5.24(1) (a) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, time is allocated for questions to be raised by members of the public, as follows:

(1) The minimum time to be allocated for the asking of and responding to questions raised by members of the public at ordinary meetings of councils and meetings referred to in regulation 5 is 15 minutes.

(2) Once all the questions raised by members of the public have been asked and responded to at a meeting referred to in sub regulation (1), nothing in these regulations prevents the unused part of the minimum question time period from being used for other matters.

Pursuant to regulation 7(4) (a) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*, questions from the public must relate to a matter affecting the local government.

In accordance with section 5.25 (1)(f) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* regulation 11(e) a summary of each question raised by members of the public at the meeting and a summary of the response to the question will be included in the minutes of the meeting.

Where a question is taken on notice at the meeting, a summary of the response to the question will be included in the agenda for the following Council meeting.

5 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The *Local Government Act 1995* (Section 2.25) provides that a Council may, by resolution, grant leave of absence to a member for Ordinary Council Meetings. A member who is absent, without first obtaining leave of the Council, throughout three consecutive Ordinary meetings of the Council is disqualified from continuing his or her membership of the Council. Disqualification from membership of the Council for failure to attend Ordinary Meetings of the Council will be avoided so long as the Council grants leave prior to the member being absent. The leave cannot be granted retrospectively. An apology for non-attendance at a meeting is not an application for leave of absence.

6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillors are to complete a Disclosure of Interest Form for each item they are required to disclose an interest in. The Form should be given to the Presiding Member before the meeting commences. After the meeting, the Form is to be provided to the Governance and Risk Coordinator for inclusion in the Disclosures Register.

7 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE WITH LEAVE OF COUNCIL**8 MATTERS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS****OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

THAT COUNCIL CONSIDERS THE CONFIDENTIAL REPORT(S) LISTED BELOW IN A MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 275 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995:

8.1 CEO RECRUITMENT - AMENDED EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

THIS MATTER IS CONSIDERED TO BE CONFIDENTIAL UNDER SECTION 5.23(2) - (A), (B) AND (C) OF THE *LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT*, AND THE COUNCIL IS SATISFIED THAT DISCUSSION OF THIS MATTER IN AN OPEN MEETING WOULD, ON BALANCE, BE CONTRARY TO THE PUBLIC INTEREST AS IT DEALS WITH (A MATTER AFFECTING AN EMPLOYEE OR EMPLOYEES), (THE PERSONAL AFFAIRS OF ANY PERSON) AND (A CONTRACT ENTERED INTO, OR WHICH MAY BE ENTERED INTO, BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND WHICH RELATES TO A MATTER TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING).

**9 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY
DECISION OF MEETING****10 DECISIONS MADE WHILE MEETING WAS CLOSED TO THE
PUBLIC****11 CLOSE OF MEETING**