

## CITY OF PALMERSTON

**Minutes of Council Meeting  
held in Council Chambers  
Civic Plaza, Palmerston  
on Tuesday 17 October 2017 at 6.30pm.**

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Mark Blackburn  
Official Manager

*Any member of Council who may have a conflict of interest, or a possible conflict of interest in regard to any item of business to be discussed at a Council meeting or a Committee meeting should declare that conflict of interest to enable Council to manage the conflict and resolve it in accordance with its obligations under the Local Government Act and its policies regarding the same.*

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### Acknowledgement of Traditional Ownership

*I respectfully acknowledge the past and present Traditional Custodians of this land on which we are meeting, the Larrakia people. It is a privilege to be standing on Larrakia country.*

## 1 PRESENT

Elected Members:	Mark Blackburn, Official Manager
Staff:	Mark Spangler, Chief Executive Officer Chris Kelly, Director of Corporate Services Jan Peters, Director of Community Services Malcolm Jones, Acting Director of Technical Services Shane Nankivell, Finance Manager Diana Leeder, Executive Support Officer Alyce Breed, Minute Secretary
Gallery:	3 members of the public

## 2 APOLOGIES

Nil.

## 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 3 October 2017 pages 9417 to 9425, be confirmed.
2. THAT the Confidential minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 3 October 2017 pages 339 to 340, be confirmed.

CARRIED 8/2914 - 17/10/2017

**4 OFFICIAL MANAGER REPORT**

M8-4

THAT Council receives Report Number M8-4.

CARRIED 8/2915 – 17/10/2017

**5 REPORT OF DELEGATES**

Nil.

**6 QUESTIONS (WITHOUT DEBATE) FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

Nil.

**7 QUESTIONS (WITHOUT DEBATE) FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN**

Nil.

**8 PETITIONS**

Nil.

**9 DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

Nil.

**10 CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

Nil.

**11 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**11.1 Governance and Organisation**

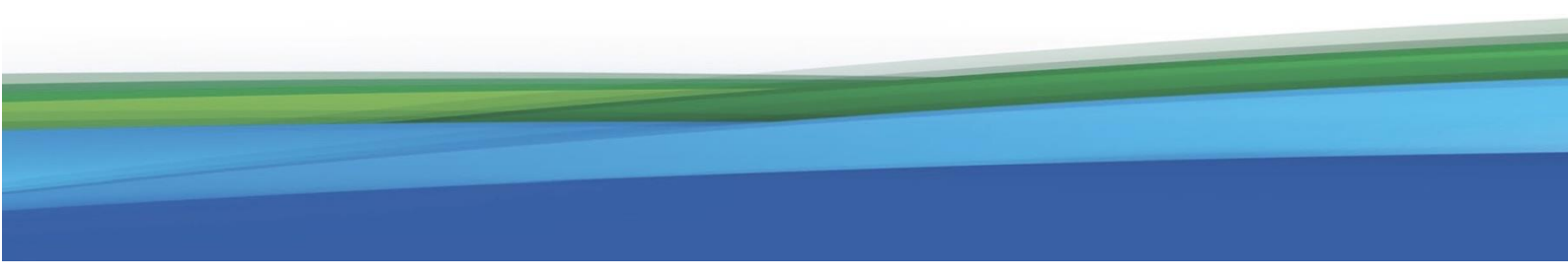
Nil.

**11.2 Economic Development and Infrastructure**

Nil.

**11.3 Community Culture and Environment**

Nil.



## 12 INFORMATION AGENDA

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### 12.1 Items for Exclusion

Nil.

### 12.2 Receipt of Information Reports

THAT the information items contained within the Information Agenda, be received.

CARRIED 8/2916 – 17/10/2017

## 13 DEBATE AGENDA

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### 13.1 Officer Reports

#### 13.1.1 Financial Support – Save the Children Australia 8/1328

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1328.
2. THAT Council approve a grant to Save The Children Australia of \$2,550.00

CARRIED 8/2917 – 17/10/2017

#### 13.1.2 Christmas and New Year Council Meeting Dates 2017/2018 8/1330

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1330.
2. THAT the December 2017 meeting of Council be held on Tuesday 12 December 2017 and the January 2018 meeting of Council be held on 30 January 2018 in lieu of the currently scheduled monthly meetings.
3. THAT a public notice be provided for the changes to the meeting dates.

CARRIED 8/2918 – 17/10/2017

#### 13.1.3 Council Offices, Palmerston Library and Recreation Centre Closure – Christmas and New Year's 2017/2018 8/1331

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1331.
2. THAT Council approves the altered Palmerston Library customer service hours for Friday 22 December 2017 from the current customer service hours of 12 noon to 8pm, to 10am to 3pm.
3. THAT Council approves the altered Palmerston Recreation Centre customer service hours for Friday 22 December 2017 from the current customer service hours of 8:15am to 5pm to the proposed 8:15am to 3pm.

**13.1.3 Council Offices, Palmerston Library and Recreation Centre Closure – Christmas and New Year's 2017/2018 (continued) 8/1331**

4. THAT Council approves the closure of the Palmerston Library and Recreation Centre for the Christmas period from and inclusive of Saturday 23 December, re-opening Wednesday 27 December 2017.
5. THAT Council approves the closure of the Palmerston Library and Recreation Centre for the New Year's period from and inclusive of Saturday 30 December 2017, re-opening Tuesday 2 January 2018.
6. THAT a public notice be provided for the changes to the operating hours of Council offices for the Christmas and New Year's period.

**CARRIED 8/2919 – 17/10/2017**

**13.1.4 Archer Landfill Fire – 4 September 2017 8/1332**

THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1332.

**CARRIED 8/2920 – 17/10/2017**

**13.1.5 Affixation of Common Seal – Variation to Crown Lease Term over Lot 4302 Town of Palmerston 8/1333**

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1333.
2. THAT the Official Manager and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to sign and seal the Variation of Crown Lease for Crown Lease Term (CLT) 2255 over Lot 4302 Town of Palmerston.

**CARRIED 8/2921 – 17/10/2017**

**13.1.6 Development Application – Lot 9550 (104) Bonson Terrace, Moulden 8/1334**

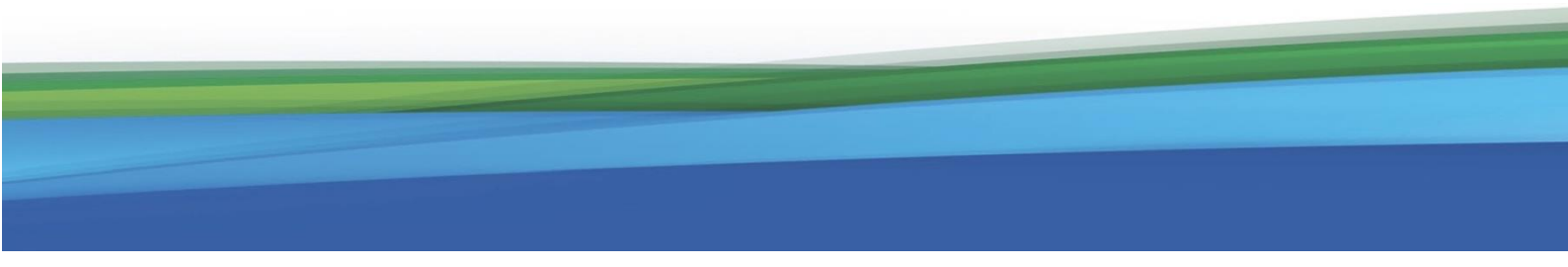
1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1334.
2. THAT Council endorses Attachment A to report Number 8/1334.

**CARRIED 8/2922 – 17/10/2017**

**13.1.7 Financial Report for the Month of September 2017 8/1335**

THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1335.

**CARRIED 8/2923 – 17/10/2017**



**13.1.8      Summary of Recent Development Applications – September 2017      8/1336**

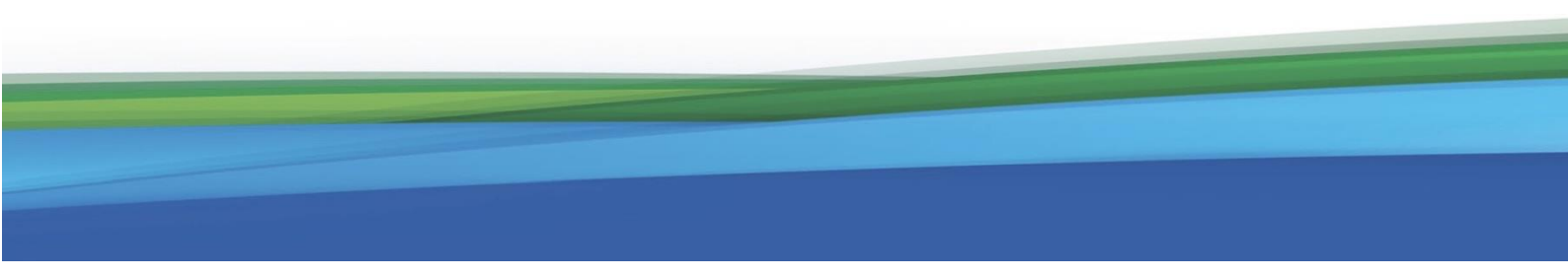
1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1336.
2. THAT Council endorse Attachment A to Report Number 8/1336, Response Letter to PA2017/0395 – DA - Lot 7765, Lot 7766 and Lot 11037 (5,15 and 11) Yarrawonga Road.
3. THAT Council endorse Attachment B to Report Number 8/1336, Response Letter to PA2017/0388 – DA - Lot 8284 (4) Watson Court, Farrar.
4. THAT Council endorse Attachment C to Report Number 8/1336, Response Letter to PA2017/0392 - DA - Lot 12912 (62) Paperbark Crescent, Zuccoli.
5. THAT Council endorse Attachment D to Report Number 8/1336, Response Letter to PA2017/0400 – DA - Lot 12295 (7) Coffey Street, Tivendale.
6. THAT Council endorse Attachment E to Report Number 8/1336, Response Letter to PA2017/0387 – DA - Lot 3392 (26) Broadarrow Circuit, Woodroffe.
7. THAT Council endorse Attachment F to Report Number 8/1336, Response Letter to PA2017/0414 – DA - Residential Subdivision on Lot 14824 to Create 99 Lots.
8. THAT Council endorse Attachment G to Report Number 8/1336, Response Letter to PA2017/0423 – DA - Lot 4250 (512) Stuart Highway, Johnston.
9. THAT Council endorse Attachment H to Report Number 8/1336, Response Letter to PA2017/0398 - DA -Lot 8857 (22) McCourt Road, Yarrawonga.
10. THAT Council endorse Attachment I to Report Number 8/1336, Response Letter to PA2017/0441 – DA - Lot 11946 (3) Russell Street, Durack Heights.

**CARRIED 8/2924 – 17/10/2017**

**13.1.9      Expression of Interest – Marlow Lagoon Land Use Plan      8/1339**

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1339.
2. THAT Council selects Submission 1 to complete the Marlow Lagoon Land Use Plan.
3. THAT a budget of \$30,000 be allocated to the project including community consultation and that this matter be referred to the first budget review 2017/2018.

**CARRIED 8/2925 – 17/10/2017**



13.1.10 Community Benefits Scheme – September 2017

8/1343

THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1343.

CARRIED 8/2926 – 17/10/2017

#### 14 CORRESPONDENCE

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Nil.

#### 15 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

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15.1 Response to Previous Public Questions from Council Meeting held 3 October 2017

8/1345

THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1345.

CARRIED 8/2927 – 17/10/2017

#### 16 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

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*The Official Manager provided and opportunity for members of the gallery to ask questions.*

Ian Abbott

**Q: Ian Abbott of Farrar asked "Has Council questioned the NT Government about why it has not secured the drainage grates along Roystonea Avenue in line with the Coroner's recommendations?"**

*The Official Manager took the question on notice.*

**Q: Ian Abbott of Farrar asked "Are you taking leave over the Christmas period?" (Refers to Official Manager)**

*The Official Manager stated that he had not considered Christmas leave requirements at this time.*

**Q: Ian Abbott of Farrar asked why the 30 January meeting was chosen given that the 23<sup>rd</sup> is the date of the normal Council meeting in January.**

*The Official Manager responded that the change in date for the January Council meeting is not associated with any leave he may take over the Christmas and New Year period, and that staff are well aware of and prepared for the 30 January and 5 February 2018 Council meetings. The Official Manager added that the meeting on 30 January 2018 has been scheduled to enable staff to take a Christmas and New Year's break and return to work with sufficient time to prepare reports for both January and February meetings. The Official Manager stated that he has requested that the Chief Executive Officer maintain a 3month forward meeting report schedule. Through this process, reports to both the meeting on 30 January and 5 February 2018 will be planned.*

**17 OTHER BUSINESS**

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Nil.

**18 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

THAT the meeting be adjourned for approximately 15 minutes.

CARRIED 8/2928 - 17/10/2017

The meeting adjourned at 7:19pm.

**RECONVENED**

THAT the meeting be reconvened.

CARRIED 8/2929 - 17/10/2017

The meeting reconvened at 7:32pm.

**18.1 Confidential Action Report**

8/1327

1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Acting Director of Technical Services, Director of Community Services, Director of Corporate Services, Finance Manager, Executive Support Officer and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report in relation to confidential agenda item 18.1 Confidential Action Report and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:

(e) information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential.

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (e) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

2. THAT Council orders that the report from the Confidential Council Meeting held on 17 October 2017 in relation to item number 18.1 Confidential Action Report remain confidential and not available for public inspection.

**18.2 Financial Hardship Application - 101506**

8/1337

1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Acting Director of Technical Services, Director of Community Services, Director of Corporate Services, Finance Manager, Executive Support Officer and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report in relation to confidential agenda item

18.2 Financial Hardship Application – 101506 and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:

(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (b) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

2. THAT Council orders that the report from the Confidential Council Meeting held on 17 October 2017 in relation to item number 18.2 Financial Hardship Application –101506 the report and associated documents remain confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting or a lesser period as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

### 18.3 City Centre Special Rate

8/1341

1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Acting Director of Technical Services, Director of Community Services, Director of Corporate Services, Finance Manager, Executive Support Officer and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report in relation to confidential agenda item 18.3 City Centre Special Rate and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:

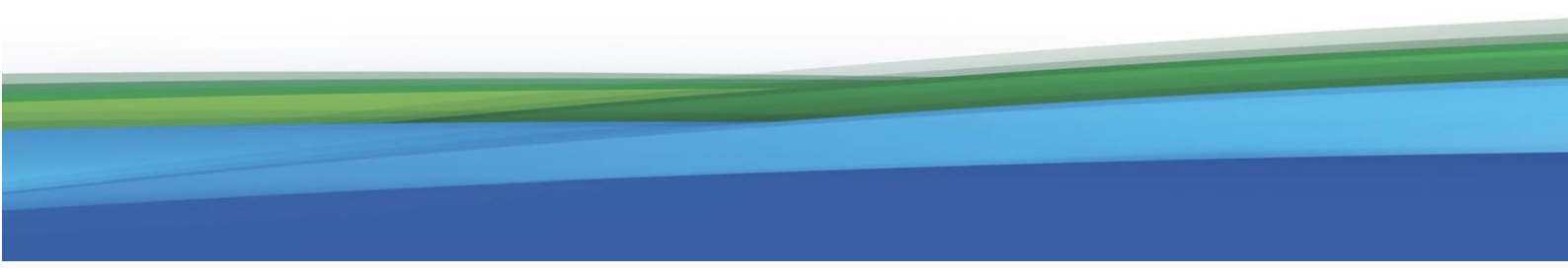
(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (b) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

2. THAT Council orders that the report from the Confidential Council Meeting held on 17 October 2017 in relation to item number 18.3 City Centre Special Rate the report and associated documents remain confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting or a lesser period as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED 8/2930 – 17/10/2017

The meeting moved into the Confidential Session at 7:32pm.





#### 18.4 Moving decisions from the Confidential Session into the Open Session

In accordance with the resolutions of the Council, the following decisions from the Confidential Session are moved into the Open Session:

##### 4.2 Financial Hardship Application - 101506 8/1337

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1337.
2. THAT Council approves remission of interest for the period 28 September 2017 to 30 June 2018 for assessment 101506 under the conditions of the rates concession policy FIN17.
3. THAT the resolutions only come back to the open session.

##### 4.3 City Centre Special Rate 8/1341

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1341.
2. THAT pursuant to Sections 164 and 166 of the Local Government Act Council grants a City Centre Improvement Special Rate (CCISR) concession of 100% to all properties within the City Centre that had a CCISR parking shortfall due to waivers granted by the Development Consent Authority prior to 1 July 2017.
3. THAT the decision only from Report Number 8/1341 be brought back into the open session.

## 19 CLOSURE

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Meeting closed at 7.55pm

