



SHIRE OF MENZIES

Minutes

**OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD ON**

12 OCTOBER 2023

Commencing at 9.00 am

At the Council Chambers
124 Shenton Street, Menzies

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rob Stewart".

**Rob Stewart
Acting Chief Executive Officer**

SPECIAL BUSINESS
Chief Executive Officer Recruitment

Resolution Number 156/23

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Councillor Meeting Information

Shire of Menzies Council Meetings

Elected Members are bound by legislation to act with integrity and make decisions for the whole of the Shire.

Attending meetings

Elected Members have a duty to attend all the Council Meetings to ensure that electors are adequately represented. In recognition of this, under the *Local Government Act 1995* an Elected Member who is absent from three consecutive meetings of the Council without leave being granted by the Council, is automatically disqualified. If a member wishes to be absent for more than six consecutive ordinary meetings, Ministerial approval is necessary as well as the Council approval.

It should be noted that applications for leave of absence are usually supported but must be approved by the Council before, or at, the meeting(s) the Council Member is to be absent from. Leave of absence cannot be approved retrospectively.

Voting at meetings

If an Elected Member is present at a Council Meeting, he or she is required by law to vote on all matters before that meeting unless he or she has a financial interest in the matter. Agendas are delivered to the Elected Members within the required timeframes of the Local Government Act 1995, being a minimum of seventy-two (72) hours prior to the advertised commencement of the meeting. While late items are generally not considered there is provision on the Agenda for items of an urgent nature to be considered.

Councillors are required to give due consideration to all matters contained in the agenda. Without adequate time for reading the agenda, it is extremely difficult for the Elected Members to make effective assessments of issues and provide constructive input to the Council debate and decision making. It is recommended that further information be requested if there is insufficient material available to make an informed decision.

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

Cr S Sudhir requested permission to participate in the meeting by electronic means from Goldfields Highway, Kalgoorlie WA 6430.

Cr I Baird requested permission to participate in the meeting by electronic means from Palace Hotel, 137 Hannan Street, Kalgoorlie WA 6430.

The Shire President was satisfied that Cr S Sudhir and Cr I Baird were in a secure site and allowed their participation in the meeting.

The Shire President declared the meeting open at 9.05am.

2 ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Nil

3 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT

Nil

4 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Councillors: Cr G Dwyer, Shire President
Cr I Baird, Deputy Shire President (joined electronically at 9.05am)
Cr J Dwyer
Cr S Sudhir ((joined electronically at 9.05am)

Staff: Mr R Stewart, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Apologies: Cr P Warner
Cr A Tucker

5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (RELATING TO SPECIAL BUSINESS ONLY)

Nil

