

**SHIRE OF EAST PILBARA
ORDINARY MEETING
30 May 2025**



Minutes to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Council Meeting on 27 June 2025.

I hereby certify that these Minutes are a true and correct record as confirmed by Council at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 27 June 2025

Presiding Member's Signature

Date

27/06/2025

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The President declared the Shire of East Pilbara Council Meeting of 30 May 2025 open at 10:30 am at the Newman Council Chambers.

The President acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the land on which the Council met, the Nyiyaparli People and their continuing connection to the land, waters, and community. The Council also recognized the Martu People as the Custodians of Jigalong, which lies within Nyiyaparli Country, and paid respects to their Elders, past, present, and emerging.

All attendees were requested to turn off and refrain from using mobile phones for the duration of the meeting. However, tablets and laptops were permitted for accessing agenda items.

Attendees were informed that the meeting was being live-streamed and audio-recorded, accessible to the public and media. Council Members were reminded to refrain from making defamatory statements.

Members of the public were advised that any application lodged with the Shire of East Pilbara should be confirmed in writing, with reliance placed only on the official written outcome and associated conditions provided by the Shire.

2 ATTENDANCE BY ELECTRONIC MEANS

No requests to attend via an electronic platform were received from Councillors for the 30 May 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting.

3 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 ATTENDANCES

Council Members

Anthony Middleton

Shire President

Cr Wendy McWhirter-Brooks

Deputy Shire President / Councillor

Cr Lee Anderson

Councillor

Cr Peta Baer

Councillor

Cr David Evrett

Councillor

Cr David Kular	Councillor
Cr Annabell Landy	Councillor
Cr Lou Lockyer	Councillor
Cr Milton Chapman	Councillor

Executive Team

Steven Harding	Chief Executive Officer
Nicole O'Neill	Director Community Experience
Etienne Vorster	Director Infrastructure Services
Emil Moul	Acting Director Corporate Services
Robert Paull	Director Regulatory Services

Shire Officers

Joshua Brown	Manager Governance, Risk and Procurement
Sally Fry	Governance Administration Officer (<i>MS Teams</i>)
Teshin Ali	Governance Administration Officer (<i>MS Teams</i>)

Public Gallery

Lexie Baer and Students from South Newman Primary School and the Newman Scout Group
Lance Coppin
Weldon Percy
Jennifer Paull
Andrew Alexander
Richard Grattle
Joe Paull
Bron Christensen
Jo Williams

3.2 APOLOGIES

Nil

3.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

5 DECLARATIONS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO HAVE GIVEN DUE CONSIDERATION TO ALL MATTERS CONTAINED IN THE BUSINESS PAPER BEFORE THE MEETING

The following declarations were made by the below listed Council Members:

"I have given due consideration to all matters that are contained in the Business Papers before this meeting."

Anthony Middleton	Shire President
Cr Wendy McWhirter-Brooks	Deputy Shire President / Councillor
Cr Lee Anderson	Councillor
Cr Peta Baer	Councillor
Cr David Evrett	Councillor
Cr David Kular	Councillor
Cr Annabell Landy	Councillor
Cr Lou Lockyer	Councillor
Cr Milton Chapman	Councillor

6 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

7 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

South Newman Primary School, and the Newman Scout Group

A request was received to address this Council Meeting from Year Three Students from South Newman Primary School, and the Newman Scout Group, led by 8 year old Miss Lexie Baer.

Their questions related to the subject of lighting in Parks in the Shire. In particular, the park located at the end of Jabbarup Crescent which currently has no lighting installed and is outdated and underutilised. This group advocated for all playgrounds in Newman to be illuminated with adequate lighting and that consideration be given to consulting with the children on future playground upgrades obtaining their feedback and suggestions on what equipment they would like to see that isn't currently present in Newman.

The CEO and Council acknowledged and thanked Lexie and the cohort for attending and assured the requests had been heard and that consideration will given to all of the points raised and the Administration will endeavor to accommodate.

Please click [here](#) to view Lexie Baer's full speech to Council

Road Maintenance Issues - Local Pastoralists - Questions received from:

Lance Coppin, Jo Williams, Weldon Percy, Jennifer Paull, Joe Paull, Andrew Alexander, Bron Christensen and Richard Grattle.

The group collectively raised concerns about local road maintenance issues, stating that these were significantly affecting their operations and business.

A comprehensive transcript of the questions, discussions, and responses from the Administration is available in the recording of this meeting, which can be accessed on the Shire Website.

8 PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Following the questions received in Item 7, the Council received a request for a Deputation from Mr Lance Coppin. Acting as a representative of local pastoralists, Mr Coppin delivered a verbal presentation to the Council, highlighting concerns regarding local road maintenance issues and the recent repeal of the Pastoral Stations Road and Airstrip Designation and Maintenance Policy.

His speech was impassioned, urging the Council and relevant sections of the Administration to take action and respond to these pressing issues.

Mr Coppin's full address can be viewed in the recording of this meeting, available on the Shire website.

On behalf of the Council, the Shire President thanked Mr Coppin for his presentation.

9 APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Applications for Leave of Absences for the **27 June 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting** were requested from:

Cr Anderson

Cr Kular

Cr Baer

Cr Lockyer

As a result of these requests the following motion was passed:

COUNCIL DECISION

Moved: Cr Evrett

Seconded: Cr McWhirter - Brooks

That Leave of Absences for:

- **Cr Anderson**
- **Cr David Kular**

- Cr Peta Baer
- Cr Lou Lockyer

for the Ordinary Council Meeting of 27 June 2025 be granted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 8/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Lockyer

Against: Nil

Cr Annabell Landy left the Chamber at 11.28am and was absent for the vote of this item.

10 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 150)

Moved: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

Seconded: Cr Kular

That the Ordinary and Confidential Minutes of the Council meeting held on 2 May 2025 as published on the Shire Website and Councillor Portal be confirmed as true and correct records of proceedings.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 7/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

Councillor Annabell Landy left the Chamber at 11:28 am and was absent for the vote on this item. Cr Peta Baer left the Chamber at 11:30 am and was also absent for the vote. Cr Landy returned to the Chamber at 11:31 am, followed by Cr Baer at 11:33 am.

11 MEMBERS REPORTS

Please follow the below link for access to the Member Report provided by Cr Wendy McWhirter-Brooks.

Cr McWhirter-Brooks - Member Report May 2025

12 OFFICER REPORTS

12.1 DIRECTORATE - EXECUTIVE

12.1.1 CONDUCT OF 2025 ORDINARY LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 151)

Moved: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

Seconded: Cr Anderson

That Council:

1. Declares, in accordance with section 4.20(4) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the Electoral Commissioner to be responsible for the conduct of the 2025 ordinary election, together with any other elections or polls which may be required;
2. Decides, in accordance with section 4.61(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, that the method for conducting the election will be as a Postal election.

That Council:

1. Notes the support of the WA Electoral Commission for the Shire to provide the facility for electors in locations outside of Newman to seek replacement election packages, with the Returning Officer to travel to locations including, but not limited to Jigalong, Kirriwukurra, Kunawarritji, Marble Bar, Nullagine, Parnngurr, Punmu and Warralong; and
2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to design and undertake an evaluation of election performance.

**CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For:

Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against:

None

12.1.2 IN KIND SUPPORT GRANT APPLICATION - NEWMAN CLAY TARGET GUN CLUB

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 152)

Moved: Cr Baer

Seconded: Cr Everett

That Council:

1. Approves the In Kind Support Grant Application from the Newman Clay Target Gun Club;
2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to enter an In Kind Support Funding Agreement and approve an In-Kind Support payment up to and not exceeding the amount of \$5,961.75;
3. Supports the Newman Clay Target Gun Club to develop a Waste Management Plan as a risk management mitigation action.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

Cr Peta Baer proposed an amendment to the original Officers Recommendation to include Point 3, as outlined in the substantive recommendation above. The amendment was carried with the agreement of both the Mover and Seconder.

12.1.3 POLICY REVIEW - REGIONAL PRICE PREFERENCE POLICY

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 153)

Moved: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

Seconded: Cr Anderson

That Council accepts the review of and adopts the Regional Price Preference Policy as Appendix 1 to this report.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

12.1.4 POLICY REVIEW - USE OF THE PRESIDENTIAL CHAIN POLICY

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 154)

Moved: Cr Baer

Seconded: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

That Council accepts the review of the Use of the Presidential Chain Policy and adopts the renamed Use of the Presidential Chains of Office Policy as Appendix 1 to this report.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

12.1.5 STATUS OF COUNCIL DECISIONS

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 155)

Moved: Cr Baer

Seconded: Cr Lockyer

That Council notes the report.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

12.2 DIRECTORATE - CORPORATE SERVICES

12.2.1 BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31ST MARCH 2025 ARISING FROM THE APRIL 2025 FINANCIAL QUARTERLY REVIEW

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 156)

Moved: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

Seconded: Cr Chapman

That Council pursuant to section 6.8 of the *Local Government Act 1995* adopts the budget amendments listed in Table 1 of the report, arising from the April 2025 Financial Quarterly Review, and transfers the \$6,551,906 surplus to the Future Infrastructure Reserve.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

12.2.2 MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, INSURANCE AND INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2025

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 157)

Moved: Cr Anderson

Seconded: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

That Council adopts the Monthly Financial Statements for the period ending 30 April 2025 of the 2024/2025 financial year included as Appendices 1 and 2 to the report.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

12.2.3 LIST OF ACCOUNTS - MONTH ENDING 30 APRIL 2025

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 158)

Moved: Cr Anderson

Seconded: Cr Chapman

That Council endorses the following payments for the period of 1-30 April 2025, itemised in Confidential Appendix 1:

EFT Payments	\$3,852,812.06
MasterCard	\$10,099.25
Cheque Payments	\$64,776.35
Direct Payments	\$196,518.60

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

12.3 DIRECTORATE - COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

12.3.1 ACTIVATION AND EVENTS STRATEGY 2025-2027

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 159)

Moved: Cr Baer

Seconded: Cr Lockyer

That Council:

- 1. Adopts the Activation and Events Strategy 2025-2027, as per Appendix 1.**
- 2. Notes the Community Engagement report, as per Appendix 2.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

13 COMMITTEE REPORTS

13.1 DIRECTORATE - REGULATORY SERVICES

13.1.1 MINUTES OF THE LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES - MAY 2025

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 160)

Moved: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

Seconded: Cr Anderson

That Council notes the Minutes of the meetings of the Shire of East Pilbara Local Emergency Management Committees held as follows:

- Marble Bar - 7 May 2025;
- Nullagine - 8 May 2025; and
- Newman - 9 May 2025.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

14 MOTIONS FOR WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

15 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS FOR WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

16 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY A DECISION OF COUNCIL

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 165)

Moved: Shire President Middleton

Seconded: Cr Baer

That Council consider items:

16.1 RFT 18-2024/25 - Floodway Construction Skull Springs Road (Separable Portions).

16.2 Award of Tender - RFT 12-2024/25 - ERP Software Replacement.

as new business of an urgent nature in accordance with the *Shire of East Pilbara Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019* in closed session in accordance with section 5.23(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

17 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 166)

Moved: Cr Baer

Seconded: Cr Everett

That the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with section 5.23(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 to consider items:

16.1	RFT 18-2024/25 - Floodway Construction Skull Springs Road (Separable Portions)
16.2	Award of Tender – RFT 12-2024/25 – ERP Software Replacement
17.1.1	Award of Tender - RFT 15-2024/25 - Detailed Design Newman Airport Terminal Expansion
17.1.2	Deed of Assignment - Portion of Reserve 38771 - 'The Edge', Newman
17.2.1	Acceptance of Funding - Nullagine Recreation Facilities

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: Nil

The meeting was closed to the public at 11.49am and live streaming of the meeting was interrupted by Governance Staff at this point.

Reports 16.1 and 16.2 below were approved to be considered by Council in closed session in Item 16 - New Business of an Urgent Nature.

16.1 RFT 18-2024/25 - FLOODWAY CONSTRUCTION SKULL SPRINGS ROAD (SEPARABLE PORTIONS)

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 161)

Moved: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

Seconded: Cr Anderson

That Council:

- 1. Award Tender RFT 18-2024/25 - Floodway Construction Skull Springs Road for both Separable Portions to WA Concrete to a maximum contract value of \$600,000 gst exclusive, noting that this may result in all floodway works across the three SLK locations being completed, or alternatively all works at SLK 19.62 and a substantial portion at SLK 20.71 and 20.92 being completed.**
- 2. Notes that the linear metre rate will be charged out at \$8,143.78 gst exclusive for Separable Portion 1 Works and \$8,060.44 gst exclusive for Separable Portion 2 Works.**
- 3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to approve any minor contract variations during the Contract duration.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

16.2 AWARD OF TENDER - RFT 12-2024/25 - ERP SOFTWARE REPLACEMENT

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 168)

Moved: Cr Baer

Seconded: Cr Evrett

That Council:

1. Awards Tender RFT 12-2024/25 - ERP Software Replacement to Datacom Solutions (AU) Pty Ltd;
2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to finalise the Contract between the Shire of East Pilbara and Datacom Solutions (AU) Pty Ltd, in accordance with the terms included in Confidential Appendix 2;
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to approve any minor contract variations during the Contract duration in accordance with Council's Minor Variations Policy; and
4. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to affix the Common Seal of the Shire of East Pilbara to a Contract between Datacom Solutions (AU) Pty Ltd and the Shire of East Pilbara.
5. Requests the Chief Executive Officer to provide monthly updates to Council on the implementation in the CEO's Monthly Update.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Evrett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

Cr Peta Baer proposed an amendment to the original Officers Recommendation to include Point 5, as outlined in the substantive recommendation above. The amendment was carried with the agreement of both the Mover and Seconder.

17.1 DIRECTORATE - EXECUTIVE

**17.1.1 AWARD OF TENDER - RFT 15-2024/25 - DETAILED DESIGN NEWMAN
AIRPORT TERMINAL EXPANSION**

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 162)

Moved: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

Seconded: Cr Everett

That Council:

- 1. Awards Tender RFT 15-2024/25 Newman Airport Terminal Expansion Detailed Design to Ashley Halliday Architects Pty Ltd for the contracted price \$2,319,383.50 (GST excl);**
- 2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to finalise the Contract between the Shire of East Pilbara and Ashley Halliday Architects Pty Ltd for the execution of the Contract in full;**
- 3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to approve any minor contract variations during the Contract duration in accordance with Council's Minor Variations Policy;**
- 4. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to apply the Common Seal of the Shire of East Pilbara to a Contract between Ashely Halliday Architects Pty Ltd and the Shire of East Pilbara;**
- 5. Pursuant to section 6.8 of the Local Government Act 1995, adopts a budget amendment, transferring \$500,000 from the Newman Airport Reserve to the Newman Airport Capital Projects Account.**

**CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

**17.1.2 DEED OF ASSIGNMENT - PORTION OF RESERVE 38771 - 'THE EDGE',
NEWMAN**

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 163)

Moved: Cr Kular

Seconded: Cr Everett

That Council:

1. Agrees to the proposed Assignment of the Lease between the Shire of East Pilbara and LMT Chill Investments Pty Ltd to Newman MM Pty Ltd over the Café and Al Fresco dining area (identified in the report), within Reserve 38771, 10 Lee Lane, Newman on the same terms for the remainder of the first term, which expires on 31 August 2025, with an option for one (1) further term of two (2) years exercisable at the discretion of the Lessor;
2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to enter into any minor variations to the Lease over Lease term; and
3. Authorises the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to affix the Common Seal of the Shire of East Pilbara to the Deed of Assignment between the Shire, LMT Chill Investments Pty Ltd and Newman MM Pty Ltd.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For:

Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against:

None

17.2 DIRECTORATE COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

17.2.1 ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING - NULLAGINE RECREATION FACILITIES

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 164)

Moved: Cr Baer

Seconded: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

That Council:

1. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign a Donation Agreement with Atlas Iron Pty Ltd for the amount of \$1,500,000.00 for the purposes of a Nullagine Oval.
2. Requests the Chief Executive Officer prepare a report on the proposed project to create a public oval in Nullagine.
3. Pursuant to section 6.8 of the Local Government Act 1995, adopts the following budget amendment:

Account (New)	Amendment
Atlas Iron Donation (Nullagine Oval) - Revenue	\$1,500,000.00
Atlas Iron Donation (Nullagine Oval) - Expenditure	Expenditure to be approved

**CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

(Resolution No: (2025 / 167)

Moved: Cr Baer

Seconded: Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks

That the meeting return to Open Council in accordance with 5.23(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 at 12.06am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECORD OF VOTE 9/0**

For: Shire President Middleton, Deputy Shire President McWhirter-Brooks, Cr Anderson, Cr Baer, Cr Chapman, Cr Everett, Cr Kular, Cr Landy, Cr Lockyer

Against: None

18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Council Meeting of the Shire of East Pilbara will be held on 27 June 2025 at Nullagine commencing at 10:30am.

In response to the numerous requests for Leave of Absence, as outlined in Item 9 of the Agenda for the 27 June 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting where the adoption of the Shire Budget for the 2025/26 Fiscal Year is scheduled to be tabled, it was acknowledged that the budget's critical importance to Shire operations necessitates review and approval by the full Newman Shire Council. Consequently, it was agreed that a Special Council Meeting be convened to adopt the budget.

The date and time of the Special Council Meeting will be announced across all media platforms.

19 CLOSURE

The Council Meeting of the Shire of East Pilbara held on 30 May 2025 was declared closed by the Presiding Member closed at 12.13pm.

The Presiding Member thanked Council Members and Staff for their attendance.

Please click [here](#) for access to the 30 May 2025 OCM full Agenda and Attachments.