



MINUTES

**Special Meeting of Council
Held on Monday 30 June 2025**

Katherine Town Council Library, Conference Room
1st Floor Randazzo Building, Katherine Terrace, Katherine NT 0850



1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the first nations people of the Katherine township and surrounding council communities. We recognise the first nations culture as one of the longest surviving cultures in the world and we pay our respects to Elders both past, present and future.

2 OPENING PRAYER

Grant O God to this Council wisdom, understanding and sincerity of purpose in the Governance of this Municipality. Amen

3 OPENING OF THE MEETING

Mayor Clark declared the Special Meeting of Council - 30 June 2025 open at 12:03 pm.

4 ATTENDANCE

4.1 PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS

- Mayor Elisabeth Clark (Chair)
- Deputy Mayor Denis Coburn
- Councillor Maddy Bower - via video conference
- Councillor Amanda Kingdon
- Councillor Peter McDougall - via video conference
- Councillor Jeremy Trembath

OFFICERS

- Amanda Haigh – Manager Governance and Risk - Minute Taker

GUEST - Cassandra Emmett, HWL Absworth

4.2 APOLOGIES

Mayor noted the apology of Councillor Mott.

4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Chair reminded members of their responsibility to declare any conflicts of interest.

Nil conflicts declared.

6 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

7 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

The open meeting was declared closed to the public at 12:05 pm.

Moved: Mayor Clark; **Seconded:** Deputy Mayor Coburn

Members, pursuant with Section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* gives power to the council to close a meeting to the public to discuss the following confidential items, in relation to matters referred to in regulations 51 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*. This means that all members of the public are now asked to leave the Council Chambers.

I now move a motion to close the meeting to public.

Your Worship, I wish to second that the meeting be closed to public.

8 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

8.1 MAYORAL REPORT - COMPLIANCE REVIEW - CONFIDENTIAL

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> .
Sub-clause and Reason:	(a) information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.

Section Under the Act	The grounds on which part of the Council or Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> .
Sub-clause and Reason:	(d) information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

9 RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING

The open meeting resumed at 1:24 pm.

10 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

The Special Meeting of Council - 30 June 2025 was declared closed at 1:25 pm.