



MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

Thursday, 21 May 2026

**MINUTES OF MAPOON ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE MAPOON ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON THURSDAY, 21 MAY 2026 AT 10AM**

PRESENT: Cr Ronaldo Guivarra, Cr Justina Reid, Cr Linda McLachlan, Cr Sheree Jia, Cr Janelle Ling, Chief Executive Officer Chad King

IN ATTENDANCE: Sioux Campbell LGAQ, Robert Blake LGAQ, Steve Dunstone Rio Tinto, Nick Preece Rio Tinto, Colin Wakefield

1 OPEN MEETING

10.05am

2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE AND APOLOGIES

Nil

3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND COUNCILLOR OBLIGATIONS

Chapter 5B of the Local Government Act 2009 (the Act) requires Councillors to declare a Prescribed or Declarable Conflict of Interest. The Declaration is to be made in writing to the Chief Executive Officer, before the Ordinary Meeting of Council.

DECLARABLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to Sections 150EN - 150ET of the Local Government Act 2009, no Declarable Conflict of Interests were made relating to this meeting.

PRESCRIBED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to Sections 150EG - 150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, no Prescribed Conflict of Interest were made relating to this meeting.

REGISTERS OF INTEREST

Councillors were reminded of their obligation to keep their Registers of Interests and Related Parties Disclosures updated.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**4.1 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 16 APRIL 2026****RESOLUTION C033/26**

Moved: Cr Ronaldo Guivarra

Seconded: Cr Sheree Jia

1. That the Minutes of the Council held on 16 April 2026 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

CARRIED

Cr Justina Reid and Cr Janelle arrived 10.09am

5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

NIL

6 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Robert Blake and Sioux Campbell left meeting 10.13am

RESOLUTION C034/26

Moved: Cr Sheree Jia

Seconded: Cr Janelle Ling

That Council move into closed meeting

CARRIED

RESOLUTION C035/26

Moved: Cr Ronaldo Guivarra

Seconded: Cr Sheree Jia

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 2012:

6.1 Approval of Payment for Ranger Barge

That Council approve the purchase of a new barge up to a value of \$115,000 ex GST and delegate to the Chief Executive Officer to finalise the purchase.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION C036/26

Moved: Cr Janelle Ling

Seconded: Cr Linda McLachlan

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED

Robert Blake and Sioux Campbell returned to the meeting 10.17am

7 MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Date	Meeting
13/04/26	Extraordinary Cairns DDMG meeting EX TC Maila 13 04 2026
14/04/26	Statue Unveiling Preparations
14/04/26	Pre-Council Briefing
15/04/26	Meeting - Defence Exercise Austral Shield 2026
16/04/26	Trustee Meeting – Information session with Preston Law
20/04/26	Accord Monthly Meeting
22/04/26	Apunipima – Community Health Gathering
23/04/26	Apunipima – Health Action Team Meeting
24/04/26	WCC – ANZAC Service
25/04/26	ANZAC Service
29/04/26	Indigenous Leaders Forum
30/04/26	Indigenous Leaders Forum
06/05/26	Metro Mining Opening
06/04/26	WCCCA Board Meeting
07/05/26	QPS Mayors Working Group
07/05/26	Fuel Crisis Economic Update for Councils
08/05/26	Cape York Regional Package Taskforce
12/05/26	Queensland Climate Resilience Committee Panel
13/05/26	TCICA Meeting

RESOLUTION C037/26

Moved: Cr Linda McLachlan

Seconded: Cr Justina Reid

That Mayors report noted.

CARRIED

8 OPERATIONAL REPORTS

Colin Wakefield 10.18am entered

8.1 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT MAY 2026**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

Pursuant to meet Council's legislative requirements under section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the finance report must be prepared each month and be presented to Council on its financial performance for the period

RESOLUTION C038/26

Moved: Cr Sheree Jia

Seconded: Cr Linda McLachlan

That Council endorses the report for the period April 2026.

CARRIED

Colin Wakefield 10.31am

At 10:32 am, Cr Sheree Jia left the meeting.

At 10:34 am, Cr Sheree Jia returned to the meeting.

Steve Dunstone and Nick Preece entered the meeting 10.32am

At 11:36 am, Cr Sheree Jia left the meeting.

At 11:38 am, Cr Sheree Jia returned to the meeting.

9.2 RIO TINTO UPDATE**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

For Rio Tinto to brief Council on its current and planned operations, and to identify any impacts, benefits, or opportunities arising for the Mapoon community.

RESOLUTION C039/26

Moved: Cr Janelle Ling

Seconded: Cr Justina Reid

That the report of Rio Tinto be received and noted.

CARRIED

Steve Dunstone and Nick Preece left the meeting 11.38am

Break for lunch 11.38am

Returned from lunch 12.19pm

8.2 REVENUE POLICY - ANNUAL REVIEW**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council adoption of the revenue policy, this is a statutory document which is required as a part of our annual business process.

RESOLUTION C040/26

Moved: Cr Ronaldo Guivarra

Seconded: Cr Janelle Ling

That Council adopts the Revenue Policy in accordance with Section 193 (3) of the Local Government Regulations 2012.

CARRIED

At 12:22 pm, Cr Linda McLachlan left the meeting.

At 12:23 pm, Cr Linda McLachlan returned to the meeting.

8.3 QUARTERLY REPORT - COMMUNITY SERVICES**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

Present to the council a report program performance and operational actions for the period February to April 2026.

RESOLUTION C041/26

Moved: Cr Janelle Ling

Seconded: Cr Sheree Jia

That the report be tabled and accepted as read.

CARRIED**9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS****9.1 MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO REVIEW AND ALLOCATION****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To assign Councillor Janelle Ling with a Councillor portfolio following her appointment to Council.

RESOLUTION C042/26

Moved: Cr Sheree Jia

Seconded: Cr Justina Reid

That Council resolves to assign Councillor Janelle Ling with the portfolio formally held by Councillor Pitt.

CARRIED**10 CORRESPONDENCE IN**

Nil

11 CORRESPONDENCE OUT

Nil

12 NEXT MEETING DATE

Proposed date for next meeting: 18 June 2026

13 CLOSE MEETING

The Meeting closed at 12.52pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 June 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON