



**Council Special Meeting held:
31st March, 2016**

Council Minutes of Special Meeting
held in the Council Chambers

Day 1. 31st March 2016

Attendance

Councillor	Aileen Addo
Councillor	Brendan Brown
Councillor	Margaret Mara
Councillor	Peter Guivarra
Councillor	Pauline Smith

Staff

Chief Executive Officer	Leon Yeatman
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11:40 1. Meeting opened and welcome

Mayor welcomed the councillors and staff to the meeting. She acknowledged the requirements as outlined in the Local Government Act 2009 (S175(1) and Local Government Regulations 2012 (s256) pertaining to the post-election meeting which will incorporate the date for the next meeting and the swearing in of councillors as an outcome of the 2016 Local Government Election process.

11:45 2. Declaration to office and Deputy Mayor

175 Post-election meetings

(2) The local government must, by resolution, appoint a deputy mayor from its councillors (other than the mayor)—

- (a) at that meeting; and
- (b) at the first meeting after the office of the councillor who is the deputy mayor becomes vacant.

Mayor stated preference for the role of deputy to be a role for the term of office as opposed to the rotational arrangement applied in the last council. Current perception is the rotational arrangement tokenised the role and there were limited opportunities for the Deputy role within 12 months. CEO reiterated the equity factor in offering each councillor time in the position – this was acknowledged but new councillors noted their own personal commitments that would not fit with the role.

Views support a designated Deputy Mayor arrangement and this being confirmed for the new term of council.

<u>Resolution 01.</u> <u>31/03/16</u>	<i>Council resolve to appoint Cr Peter Guivarra as the Deputy Mayor for the term of this council. The rules as prescribed in the Local Government Act section 175 will apply in the event this changes:</i>	
<u>Motion</u>	<i>Proposed: Councillor Smith Seconded: Councillor Brown</i>	<i>Motion Carried</i>

The Mayor led the councillors through the declaration process. Each councillor swore on the bible their declaration and this was witnessed by the CEO.

12.20

3. Next meeting

The next meeting of the council will be held on Tuesday 12th April 2016, commencing at 09:00am.

12:40

4. Meeting Closed

Mayor thanked everyone for the attendance and declared the meeting closed.