



**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE**  
**ON 19 MAY 2026**  
**COMMENCING AT 6:00 PM**

## **1 INTRODUCTION**

### **ATTENDANCE**

Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy (6.22pm), Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Acting Chief Executive Officer (Sharp), Director Development Services, Director Community, Recreation & Cultural Services, Director Technical Services, Manager Corporate Governance, Governance Officer (Robinson), Governance Officer (Maley), Manager Communications & Engagement

### **1.1 APOLOGIES**

**RESOLVED - 26/231**

**Cr J Whitton/Cr J Stedman**

That an apology be accepted from Cr McDonell and that Council grant them a leave of absence from the Council Meeting of Orange City Council on 19 May 2026.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr K Duffy, Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**RESOLVED - 26/232**

**Cr S Peterson/Cr M Ruddy**

That an apology be accepted from Cr Power and that Council grant them a leave of absence from the Council Meeting on 19 May 2026

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr K Duffy, Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

### **1.2 LIVESTREAMING AND RECORDING**

The Mayor advised that the meeting was being livestreamed and recorded.

### **1.3 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Cr Mallard conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

### **1.4 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

Cr Peterson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in Closed item 6.1 - Lease Hangar Part F Orange Airport, as the applicant is known to him.

Cr Whitton declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in Closed item 6.6 - Tender 4502-1 - Orange Sports Precinct - Field Lighting as a tenderer is known to him.

### **1.5 OPENING PRAYER**

Cr Peterson led the Council in prayer.

#### **RESOLVED - 26/233**

**Cr T Greenhalgh/Cr J Stedman**

That the following late items be permitted to be considered at the Council Meeting of 19 May 2026:

- Item 6.6 - Lighting Options - Tender F4502-1 - Orange Sports Precinct - Field Lighting
- Item 6.7 - Tender F4502-1 - Orange Sports Precinct - Field Lighting

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr K Duffy, Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**THE MAYOR DECLARED THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE OPEN FORUM AT 6.06PM**

**Notice of Motion Item 4.1 – Cook Park Plan of Management and Cook Park Aviary**

- Michael Garrity

**THE MAYOR DECLARED THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL RESUMED AT 6.13PM**

## **2 MAYORAL MINUTES**

Nil.

**3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING****RESOLVED - 26/234****Cr D Mallard/Cr F Kinghorne**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Orange City Council held on 5 May 2026 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Council meeting held on 5 May 2026.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr K Duffy, Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

*\*Cr Duffy arrived at the meeting with the time being 6.22pm\**

**4 NOTICES OF MOTION/NOTICES OF RESCISSION****4.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - COOK PARK PLAN OF MANAGEMENT AND COOK PARK AVIARY**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/895

**RESOLVED - 26/235****Cr M Ruddy/Cr D Mallard**

That Council:

- 1 Note that the Cook Park Plan of Management was deferred in 2025 and has not been brought back to Council for consideration.
- 2 Request a report within 8 weeks on the current condition and management of the Cook Park aviary including:
  - a. An independent animal welfare assessment
  - b. Infrastructure condition and compliance with contemporary standards
  - c. Current operational and maintenance requirements
- 3 Undertake a structured community consultation process for a minimum of 28 days, to commence following the completion of the report, to inform the future of the aviary, including consideration of:
  - a. Retention and upgrade
  - b. Relocation or alternative use
  - c. Decommissioning and replacement with open public space
- 4 Receive a further report within 4 weeks of the close of consultation, outlining:
  - a. Findings from the assessment
  - b. Community feedback
  - c. Options and recommendations for Council determination.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE****Cr T Mileto**

Cr Mileto asked what the licence requirements with DPIE are in regards to the Aviary at Cook Park.

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE****Cr F Kinghorne**

Cr Kinghorne asked what consultation we have had with the Bird Associations and Bird Committees.

Cr Kinghorne asked why are we opposed to members of the Bird Committees assisting.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised we cannot remove work/positions from staff and give them to volunteers, as conditions of the Act.*

Cr Kinghorne asked if we would be in breach if we consulted with bird experts regarding the Aviary.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised there would be no breach, unless paid staff roles were replaced by contractors or volunteers. All actions required by DPIE have been completed, apart from some painting.*

Cr Duffy questioned the difference between the Aviary run by Council Staff, and the Conservatorium using a Council building but not employing Council Staff, can Induction Course can be conducted for Volunteers, what has changed in the process since the drought in 2018 and why Councillors were not advised about incidents such as a rat in the Aviary.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that Council does not currently employ any staff to work at the Conservatorium, therefore no jobs have been taken away from Council Staff, an inducted volunteers would still mean that the volunteers would take work away from paid members of staff, she is not privy to what happened in 2018, but routine inspections are carried out, Council staff bring Strategic matters to Council, and minor operational matters like vermin are dealt with by staff.*

Cr Judge noted in 2023 that Council resolved that the Aviary be retained and further consultation occur, and asked what has been done since then to maintain and improve it.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that if the motion were successful these details would be included in the report.*

Cr Greenhalgh asked what does an Independent Animal welfare assessment entail and cost.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that the motion was written by a Councillor and that it is interpreted that if the motion is passed, Council will source a suitable organisation.*

Cr Greenhalgh asked what support and training are we giving to staff to care for these birds.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that our employees receive the appropriate training to care for the birds in the aviary. Some of the birds are elderly and are now flightless, hence the seed on the ground. As we regularly pass our audits, that confirms that we are providing the correct care for the needs of the birds.*

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE****Cr K Duffy**

Cr Duffy asked what money had been spent on the Cook Park Aviary over the last three years.

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE****Cr K Duffy**

Cr Duffy asked what the reasons were to recommend the removal of the Cook Park Aviary that Council rejected.

**5 GENERAL REPORTS**
**5.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM POLICY COMMITTEE MEETINGS 5 MAY 2026**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/340

**RESOLVED - 26/236**
**Cr J Whitton/Cr D Mallard**

- 1 That the Minutes of the Environmental Sustainability Policy Committee at its meeting held on 5 May 2026 be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.
- 2 That the Minutes of the Finance Policy Committee at its meeting held on 5 May 2026 be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.
- 3 That the Minutes of the Infrastructure Policy Committee at its meeting held on 5 May 2026 be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.
- 4 That the Minutes of the Recreation & Culture Policy Committee at its meeting held on 5 May 2026 be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.
- 5 That the Minutes of the Services Policy Committee at its meeting held on 5 May 2026 be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.
- 6 That the Minutes of the Regional & Economic Development Policy Committee at its meeting held on 5 May 2026 be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**5.2 COUNCIL MEETING COMMENCEMENT & CONCLUSION TIMES - 3-MONTH REVIEW**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/720

**MOTION**
**Cr D Mallard/Cr M Ruddy**

That Council resolves:

- 1 That ordinary Council meetings commence at 6pm on a permanent basis, and
- 2 That the scheduled meeting finish time be 9.30pm on a permanent basis, unless otherwise resolved during a meeting.
- 3 That Strategic Policy ST02 – Code of Meeting Practice be updated in accordance with the resolution.

**AMENDMENT**
**Cr K Duffy/Cr T Greenhalgh**

That Council resolves:

- 1 That ordinary Council meetings commence at 6.30pm on a permanent basis, and
- 2 That the scheduled meeting finish time be 9.30pm on a permanent basis, unless otherwise resolved during a meeting.
- 3 That Strategic Policy ST02 – Code of Meeting Practice be updated in accordance with the resolution.

For: Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr Whitton

Against: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr D Mallard, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**THE AMENDMENT ON BEING PUT WAS LOST**

**THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS CARRIED****RESOLVED - 26/237****Cr D Mallard/Cr M Ruddy**

That Council resolves:

- 1 That ordinary Council meetings commence at 6pm on a permanent basis, and
- 2 That the scheduled meeting finish time be 9.30pm on a permanent basis, unless otherwise resolved during a meeting.
- 3 That Strategic Policy ST02 – Code of Meeting Practice be updated in accordance with the resolution.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Cr Duffy, Cr Judge, Cr Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor)

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**5.3 ALGWA CONFERENCE 2026 - POST CONFERENCE REPORT**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/630

**RESOLVED - 26/238****Cr D Mallard/Cr S Peterson**

That the report by the Executive Support Officer on the NSW ALGWA Conference 2026 – Post Conference Report be noted.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**5.4 DRAFT DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN 2026-2030**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/897

**RESOLVED - 26/239****Cr S Peterson/Cr M Ruddy**

That Council place the Blayney Cabonne Orange Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2026-2030 on exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

Cr Peterson asked if Council previously hosted a student from Anson Street School for work experience.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that Anson Street School regularly attends our Work Experience and Trainee programs which have been very successful. She advised that conversations will continue with Anson Street School on how to strengthen relationships.*

Cr Peterson noted that requests have been made for a chamber screen to display key texts. Could this be explored to improve accessibility in line with the Disability Inclusion Action?

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that Council supports staff and Councillor needs and have a hearing loop in the chamber already available. A screen would be considered if a future need arises.*

**5.5 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT (QBRS) - QUARTER 3 2025/2026**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/947

**RESOLVED - 26/240****Cr D Mallard/Cr F Kinghorne**

That Council resolves:

- 1 That the information provided in the report on the Quarterly Budget Review Report for Q3 (January – March 2026) be acknowledged.
- 2 To adopt the variations in the consolidated overall operating improvement to Council arising from the Q3 Quarterly Budget Review, in the amount of \$273,000 surplus (Operational Budget) and \$1,379,000 surplus (Capital Budget).
- 3 That the Statement of the Responsible Accounting Officer stating that Council is in a satisfactory financial position having regard to the changes contained herewith to the original budget, be noted.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

Cr Peterson noted on Page 75 that the QBRS projects a \$4.3M loss, \$1.3M is from asset disposals. He asked how is the remaining ~\$3M is explained and why do the general fund variations not reconcile with the reported \$3.5M deficit.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that the extra \$3M is covered in detail in the Q1 and Q2 QBRS and confirmed the variation for the current financial quarter is \$238K.*

Cr Peterson asked from page 79, how can the general fund be positive year-to-date given a balanced budget and multiple negative variations?

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that this is due to the depreciation charges for the full year not yet posted. These will be posted in the coming weeks as we approach the end of financial year.*

Cr Peterson asked, from Page 91, what the \$16M in approved negative allocations listed as “other” refers to.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that this is from a prior period and that the detail is listed in the previous QBRS.*

Cr Peterson asked overall, are we effectively using funds for operations instead of infrastructure renewal or is this an unavoidable result of managing \$2.2B in assets?

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer noted this is a challenge that all Local Governments are facing, particularly in rural areas we have a large amount of infrastructure to be maintained. She advised that Council will be reviewing our Infrastructure and Service agreements.*

**5.6 STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS - APRIL 2026**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/875

**RESOLVED - 26/241****Cr J Stedman/Cr S Peterson**

That Council resolves to:

- 1 Note the Statement of Investments for the period April 2026.
- 2 Adopt the certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**5.7 AUDIT, RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2025/2477

**RESOLVED - 26/242****Cr F Kinghorne/Cr D Mallard**

The Council engage a suitably qualified external assessor or peer to undertake the Audit Risk &amp; Improvement Committee Term Review.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

Cr Kinghorne asked how Councillors can provide feedback if they are not a member and can be excluded from part of an ARIC meeting, then they have not been able to view the performance in these circumstances.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that the two Councillors are non-voting members, but are welcome to speak to the chair and members to get their feedback.*

Cr Whitton noted he found the concept of the Councillors being excluded difficult to understand.

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer responded that it was a personnel matter, not appropriate to be discussed with Councillors and that this was a decision of the Chairperson.*

Cr Duffy asked how we make the selection of the External Assessor?

*The Acting Chief Executive Officer responded that this is a new criteria we will assess the criteria to find a suitably qualified Assessor if the motion is carried.*

**5.8 RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/969

**RESOLVED - 26/243****Cr M Ruddy/Cr F Kinghorne**

That the information contained in the report on responses to Questions Taken on Notice be acknowledged.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

*\*Cr Ruddy acknowledged and congratulated Orange City Council winning multiple awards at the 2026 National Tidy Towns in Launceston, Tasmania over the weekend\**

**6 CLOSED MEETING**

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, in the opinion of the Chief Executive Officer, the following business is of a kind as referred to in Section 10A(2) of the Act, and should be dealt with in a Confidential Session of the Council meeting closed to the press and public.

In response to a question from the Mayor, the Acting Chief Executive Officer advised that no written submissions had been received relating to any item listed for consideration by the Closed Meeting of Council.

The Mayor extended an invitation to any member of the public present at the meeting to make a presentation to the Council as to whether the meeting should be closed for a particular item.

**RESOLVED - 26/244****Cr F Kinghorne/Cr T Greenhalgh**

That Council adjourn into a Closed Meeting and members of the press and public be excluded from the Closed Meeting, and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Meeting be withheld unless declassified by separate resolution. This action is taken in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as the items listed come within the following provisions:

**6.1 Lease Hangar Part Site F Orange Airport**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under the provisions of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to (d)(i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

**6.2 2026 Write Off Bad Debt**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under the provisions of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to (b) the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer.

**6.3 Minutes of the Audit Risk & Improvement Committee 18 and 25 March 2026**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under the provisions of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to (f) matters affecting the security of the Council, Councillors, Council staff or Council property.

**6.4 Nominations of Councillor Attendance - 75th Anniversary ALGWA National Conference 2026**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under the provisions of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to (f) matters affecting the security of the Council, Councillors, Council staff or Council property.

**6.5 Nominations for Councillor Attendance - 2026 LGNSW Water Management Conference**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under the provisions of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to (f) matters affecting the security of the Council, Councillors, Council staff or Council property.

**6.6 Lighting Options - Tender F4502-1 - Orange Sports Precinct - Field Lighting**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under the provisions of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to (d)i commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

**6.7 Tender F4502-1 - Orange Sports Precinct - Field Lighting**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under the provisions of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonnell, Cr G Power

The Mayor declared the Ordinary Meeting of Council adjourned for the conduct of the Closed Meeting at 7.16pm

The Mayor declared the Ordinary Meeting of Council resumed at 8.05pm.

## **7 RESOLUTIONS FROM CLOSED MEETING**

The Acting Chief Executive Officer read out the following resolutions made in the Closed Meeting of Council.

### **6.1 LEASE HANGAR PART SITE F ORANGE AIRPORT**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/668

*Cr Peterson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in this item, left the meeting with the time being 7.18pm and did not participate in discussion or voting on this item.*

#### **RESOLVED - 26/245**

**Cr D Mallard/Cr T Greenhalgh**

- 1 That Council enter into a lease of part Hangar F for a term of five years with one five year option.
- 2 That approval be granted for the use of the Common Seal on any necessary documentation required.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

*\*Cr Peterson returned to the meeting with the time being 7.18pm\**

### **6.2 2026 WRITE OFF BAD DEBT**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/704

#### **RESOLVED - 26/246**

**Cr F Kinghorne/Cr S Peterson**

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to write off bad debt totalling \$30,189.36 which cannot be recovered.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**6.3 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE 18 AND 25 MARCH 2026**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/793

**RESOLVED - 26/247****Cr M Ruddy/Cr D Mallard**

That Council resolves:

- 1 That Council acknowledge the reports presented to the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee at its meeting held 18 March 2026 and the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee at its Extraordinary meeting held 25 March 2026.
- 2 That the minutes of the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee from its meeting held on 18 March 2026 and the Extraordinary Meeting held on 25 March 2026 be adopted.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**6.4 NOMINATIONS OF COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE - 75TH ANNIVERSARY ALGWA NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2026**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/842

**RESOLVED - 26/248****Cr M Ruddy/Cr D Mallard**

That Council nominate three Councillors to attend the 75th Anniversary ALGWA National Conference to be held at Manly Pacific Hotel 20-22 August 2026.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**6.5 NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE - 2026 LGNSW WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/896

**RESOLVED - 26/249****Cr M Ruddy/Cr J Stedman**

That Council nominated up to 4 Councillors to attend the 2026 Water Management Conference Wednesday 2 September 2026 – Friday 4 September 2026 in Ballina.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**6.6 LIGHTING OPTIONS - TENDER F4502-1 - ORANGE SPORTS PRECINCT - FIELD LIGHTING**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/965

**RESOLVED - 26/250****Cr J Stedman/Cr D Mallard**

That Council consider the options analysis presented in this report when considering the award of the Tender F4502-1 - Orange Sports Precinct - Field Lighting which was deferred at the Council meeting held on 21 April 2026.

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**Item 6.7 - Tender 4502-1 - Orange Sporting Precinct - Field Lighting is pending review and has not yet been confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Closed Council meeting held on 19 May 2026.**

**6.7 TENDER F4502-1 - ORANGE SPORTS PRECINCT - FIELD LIGHTING**

TRIM REFERENCE: 2026/993

**RESOLVED - 26/251****Cr J Whitton/Cr T Greenhalgh**

- 1 That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to enter into a contract with Zauner Constructions for Option 2 (1400 Lux) of \$3,978,651 (excl. GST) subject to a satisfactory financial check.
- 2 That the use of the common seal of Council be authorised for use on the associated contractual documents.

**A NOTICE OF RESCISSION WAS LODGED ON THIS ITEM FOLLOWING THE MEETING TO BE DETERMINED AT THE COUNCIL MEETING OF 2 JUNE 2026.**

**THE RESCISSION MOTION WAS CARRIED AND THE RESOLUTION RESCINDED ON 2 JUNE 2026.**

For: Cr T Mileto (Mayor), Cr T Greenhalgh (Deputy Mayor), Cr K Duffy, Cr G Judge, Cr M Ruddy, Cr J Stedman, Cr J Whitton

Against: Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr S Peterson

Absent: Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.08PM**

This is Page Number 13 and the Final Page of the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Orange City Council held on 19 May 2026.