



STATUTORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – 6 NOVEMBER 2019 WEST WIMMERA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD: Wednesday 6 November 2019

LOCATION: West Wimmera Shire Council Chamber
49 Elizabeth Street, Edenhope

COMMENCEMENT: 9:00am

IN ATTENDANCE:	
Councillors	Senior Management Group
Bruce Meyer, Mayor Trevor Domaschenz Richard Hicks Tom Houlihan Jodie Pretlove	David Leahy Chief Executive Officer
	Ashley Roberts Director Corporate & Community Services
	Mark Marziale Director Infrastructure Development & Works
	Minutes Elizabeth Matuschka, Governance Manager

Vision Statement:

*Our Wimmera Shire communities are healthy, thriving, diverse, harmonious,
prosperous and self-sustaining, with regional and global connectivity*



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1.0 WELCOME – CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The CEO welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2.0 OPENING PRAYER – CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The CEO read the opening prayer.

3.0 ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON

Local Law No 7, 2017 – Meeting Procedure and Common Seal Local Law Part 3 Clause 14(3) stipulates the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) will be the First Temporary Chair of the meeting at which the election of Mayor is to be conducted. The CEO as First Temporary Chair will call for nominations for a Second Temporary Chair.

FOR DECISION

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council elect Cr to the position of Second Temporary Chair.

Moved: Cr Tom Houlihan

That Council elect Cr Richard Hicks to the position of Second Temporary Chair.

Cr Hicks declined the nomination.

Moved: Cr Bruce Meyer

Seconded: Cr Tom Houlihan

That Council elect Cr Jodie Pretlove to the position of Second Temporary Chair.

Carried (5/0)



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4.0 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

5.0 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None declared



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6.0 ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR 2019/2020

*Pursuant to Section 71 of the **Local Government Act 1989 (LGA89)**, and **Local Law No 7, 2017 – Meeting Procedure and Common Seal Local Law Part 3 Clause 13**, that Council elect a Councillor as Mayor.*

Council may determine to elect a Mayor for a term of 2 years pursuant to S71 (2) of the LGA89

Legislative Implications – Extract Local Government Act 1989

71. Election of Mayor

- (1) *At a meeting of the Council that is open to the public, the Councillors must elect a Councillor to be the Mayor of the Council.*
- (2) *Before a Mayor is elected under this section, the Council may resolve to elect a Mayor for a term of 2 years.*
- (3) *The Mayor is to be elected—*
 - (a) *after the fourth Saturday in October but not later than 30 November in each year; or*
 - (ab) *if under subsection (2), the Mayor is elected for a term of 2 years, the next election of Mayor is 2 years after the fourth Saturday in October but not later than 30 November in the second year after the election; or*
 - (b) *as soon as possible after any vacancy in the office of Mayor occurs.*
- (4) *The election of a Mayor after the period specified in this section does not invalidate the election.*
- (5) *[substituted by No. 76/1995 s. 10(2), repealed by No. 5/2001 s. 30(1).]*
- (6) *The Mayor of a Shire Council may be titled the President.*
- (7) *Any reference to "Mayor" includes a reference to "Lord Mayor" or "President" as the case may be.*

72. Term of office

- (1) *The office of Mayor becomes vacant—*
 - (a) *at 6 a.m. on the day of the election of the Mayor; or*
 - (b) *if he or she dies or ceases to be a Councillor; or*
 - (ba) *if his or her office as a Councillor is suspended for any period under this Act; or*
 - (c) *if he or she resigns in writing which is given at a Council meeting or to the Chief Executive Officer; or*
 - (ca) *if he or she becomes ineligible to hold office under section 81J(2), 81J(2A) or 81K; or*
 - (d) *if he or she is ousted from office.*
- (2) *For the avoidance of doubt, the office of Mayor becomes vacant under subsection (1)(b) at 6 a.m. on the day of a general election whether or not the Mayor has completed his or her term of office as resolved by the Council under section 71(1).*
- (3) *Any Councillor is eligible for election or re-election to the office of Mayor.*

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council elect Councillor as West Wimmera Shire Council Mayor for 2019/2020.



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The Second Temporary Chair called for nominations

Moved: Cr Tom Houlihan

Seconded: Cr Richard Hicks

Nomination of Councillor Bruce Meyer as West Wimmera Shire Council Mayor for 2019/2020.

Moved: Cr Jodie Pretlove

Seconded: Cr Trevor Domaschenz

Nomination of Councillor Trevor Domaschenz as West Wimmera Shire Council Mayor for 2019/2020.

As there were two nominations, the Second Temporary Chair called for a vote by a show of hands:

Name of Nominee	Number of votes received
Councillor Bruce Meyer	3
Councillor Trevor Domaschenz	2

Outcome: Councillor Bruce Meyer won the majority of votes, becoming the duly elected West Wimmera Shire Council Mayor for 2019-2020.

Cr Houlihan: I wish to thank Cr Jodie Pretlove for her work as Mayor over the past two years.

Mayor Meyer assumed the chair.

Mayor Meyer: Thank you to Council for this opportunity. Thank you to Cr Pretlove for the manner in which she has conducted herself over the past two years as Mayor. She has done a very good job, and I thank her for the work and commitment she has put into the role. Looking forward, we have a number of major projects which are still to be finalised in the coming year, as well as the upcoming budget process.



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7.0 APPOINTMENT OF A DEPUTY MAYOR FOR 2019/2020

FILE NUMBER: AD0007

REPORT AUTHOR: DAVID LEAHY- CEO

FOR DECISION

Introduction

The following report is provided to enable Councillors to discuss the merits or otherwise of electing a Councillor to be a Deputy Mayor.

Declaration of Interests

No officer declared an interest under the *Local Government Act 1989* in the preparation of this report.

Background

Following the Statutory Meeting of 2018, the position of a Deputy Mayor for West Wimmera was discussed and it was explained that the appointment of a Councillor to this position needs to be via a resolution of Council.

West Wimmera Shire Council does not have a policy position on the appointment of a Deputy Mayor and does not have a formal procedure in place for the appointment of a temporary chair, should the Mayor be required to leave the meeting.

The current Local Government Act (1989) is silent on the appointment of a Deputy Mayor and the Councillor Allowances that are set each year via the Minister do not include a specific allowance for a Deputy Mayor.

In accordance with the West Wimmera Shire Council – Meeting Procedure and Common Seal Local Law (2017), Council is required to follow a specific process to elect a Mayor each year at the Statutory Meeting and if Council chooses to appoint a Deputy Mayor, the same or similar process will need to be followed.

In the absence of any formal procedure set out in the Act or via the West Wimmera Meeting Procedure Local Law, it is suggested that any motion that may be moved to appoint a Deputy Mayor include some details on what the role may entail.



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The details should include whether the Deputy Mayor automatically assumes the chair in the absence of the Mayor, whether the Deputy Mayor will represent the Mayor at functions on behalf of the Mayor (at all times), and whether a Council Policy should be developed to guide the Council regarding the role.

The proposed new Local Government Act is proposing to mandate the appointment of a Deputy Mayor and include a specific allowance rate.

Risk Management Implications

Nil

Legislative Implications

The Local Government Act 1989 is silent on the appointment of a Deputy Mayor.

The Local Government Bill to be introduced to State Parliament to provide a new Local Government Act includes a clause to mandate a Deputy Mayor position across the entire sector.

The West Wimmera Shire Council Local Law No. 7 does not include any guidance or policy position on the appointment of a Deputy Mayor.

Environmental Implications

Nil

Financial and Budgetary Implications

In the absence of any regulated allowance rate, the Deputy Mayor (if appointed) would receive the same allowance as a Councillor.

Policy Implications

This report is supported by the following West Wimmera Shire Council Policy:
Communications Policy
Councillor Code of Conduct Policy
Councillor Expense Entitlement & Support Policy



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Council Plan Implications

This report supports the following section/s of the West Wimmera Shire Council Plan 2017-2021:

- Strategic Objective 1: A proactive, well governed, professional and financially sustainable organisation that encourages community participation.

Communication Implications

The outcome of the discussions regarding the choice to appoint or not appoint a Deputy Mayor will be included in the minutes of the Statutory Meeting and therefore be open for public scrutiny.

Conclusion

The decision to appoint a Deputy Mayor is one that is required to be made via a majority vote of Council, as there is no guidance provided in the current Act or Local Law Number 7 of West Wimmera Shire Council.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. That Council resolves to appoint a Deputy Mayor for 2019/2020 with the following conditions:**
 - a)
 - b)
 - c)
- 2. That Council appoints Cr..... to the position of Deputy Mayor for 2019/2020, commencing immediately.**

or

That Council resolves not to appoint a Councillor to the position of Deputy Mayor for 2019/2020.



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Moved: Cr Jodie Pretlove

Seconded: Cr Trevor Domaschenz

That Council resolves not to appoint a Councillor to the position of Deputy Mayor for 2019/2020.

Motion Lost (2/3)

9.18am: Cr Hicks moved a motion to suspend standing orders.

Moved: Cr Richard Hicks

Seconded: Cr Tom Houlihan

That Council suspend standing orders for the benefit of discussing the Deputy Mayor option.

Carried (4/1)

9.35am: Cr Pretlove moved a motion to resume standing orders.

Moved: Cr Jodie Pretlove

Seconded: Cr Tom Houlihan

That Council resume standing orders.

Carried (5/0)

Moved: Cr Richard Hicks

Seconded: Cr Tom Houlihan

That the position of Deputy Mayor be discussed at the December 2019 Councillor Forum, and presented to the December 2019 Council Meeting for decision.

Carried (4/1)



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8.0 DATE & PLACE OF COUNCIL MEETINGS – SCHEDULE FOR 2020

FILE NUMBER: AD0183

REPORT AUTHOR: ELIZABETH MATUSCHKA, GOVERNANCE MANAGER

FOR DECISION

Introduction

Pursuant to Meeting Procedure and Common Seal Local Law No.7 Part 4 Clause 17, Council determines the schedule for its Ordinary Council Meetings for the next calendar year at its annual Statutory Council Meeting.

Declaration of Interests

No officer declared an interest under the *Local Government Act 1989* in the preparation of this report.

Background

Ordinary Council Meetings are held on a monthly basis, with the exception of January when there is no meeting, and are generally held on the third Wednesday of the month.

The Assembly of Councillors Councillor Forum is also held on a monthly basis, with the exception of January when there is no meeting, and are generally held on the first Wednesday of the month. The venue alternates between Edenhope and Kaniva.

The eleven Ordinary Council Meetings for the year are held in the following locations:

- Four in Edenhope.
- Four in Kaniva.
- Three in a regional location other than Edenhope or Kaniva, followed by a meal with the community and a Community Forum. For the sake of equity, these three meeting locations are chosen so that one is in the north of the Shire, one is in the south of the Shire, and one is roughly in the centre of the Shire.

Recurrent timing clashes with ALGA, RCV & MAV Annual Events

Each year, there is one annual event and one trio of annual events which will possibly clash with Council's scheduled Ordinary Council Meetings.



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These are:

1. The Australian Local Government Association's (ALGA) National Congress in Canberra, held from Monday to Wednesday in the third week of June.
2. The Rural Councils Victoria (RCV) Annual Forum and AGM, the Municipal Association of Victoria's (MAV) Annual Conference, and the Municipal Association of Victoria's State Council in Melbourne, held from Wednesday to Friday in the third week of October.

As 2020 is a Victorian Local Government election year and Saturday 24 October 2020 is the date for Local Government Elections in Victoria, these three events are usually brought forward to early in the previous month, so that they are held prior to the commencement of the official 32-day election period.

In 2016, these three events were brought forward to Wednesday 7 September 2016, Thursday 8 September 2019 and Friday 9 September 2019.

Advance notice has been received that the 2020 ALGA National Congress will commence on the afternoon of Sunday 14 June 2020 and conclude at approximately midday on Wednesday 17 June 2020, allowing attendees time to travel home that afternoon.

The 2020 dates for the RCV/MAV events have not yet been published or confirmed, and the Events Department of MAV have advised that there will be a Board decision in due course. It is highly likely that the Wednesday/Thursday/Friday arrangement will remain, regardless of which week in early September 2020 is chosen by RCV and MAV.

Accordingly the Officer Recommendation at the end of this report includes the following changes:

1. That the June 2020 Council Meeting be held on Thursday 18 June 2020, the day after it would have usually occurred. ALGA attendees will have arrived home on the previous evening.
2. That the September 2020 Council Meeting be held on Monday 14 September 2019, two days earlier than it would have usually occurred.

The third Community Forum for 2020 will occur in November, to avoid the official election period, and to comply with Council's Election Period Policy and the Local Government Act 1989.

Venues for Community Forums

For the information of Councillors, the following chart lists the locations where Community Forums have been held for the period 2009-2019 (based on the best available information at the time of writing this report).



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There is also a column showing suggested venues for the three Community Forums to be held in 2020, in the north, centre and south of the Shire:

Community Forum Town / Locality	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Apsley	✓					✓					
Benayeo			✓					✓			
Charam				✓					✓		
Connewirrecoo		✓								✓	
Dinyarrak Fireshed	✓										North
Dorodong	✓						✓				
Douglas		✓							✓		
Goroke						✓				✓	
Gymbowen		✓					✓				
Harrow					✓						
Lawloit						✓				✓	
Lillimur Fireshed				✓				✓			
Minimay					✓						
Nurcoun								✓			
Peronne				✓							Centre
Poolaijelo			✓								South
Serviceton		✓			✓				✓		
Telopea Downs			✓				✓				

Risk Management Implications

Not commented on.

Legislative Implications

West Wimmera Shire Council is required to meet on a regular basis, to conduct its formal business.

Environmental Implications

Not commented on.



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Financial and Budgetary Implications

Not commented on.

Policy Implications

This report is supported by the following West Wimmera Shire Council Policy:

Advocacy Policy

Communications Policy

Community Engagement Policy

Customer Service Policy

Council Plan Implications

This report supports the following section/s of the West Wimmera Shire Council Plan 2017-2021:

- Strategic Objective 1: A proactive, well governed, professional and financially sustainable organisation that encourages community participation.
- Strategic Objective 2: Meaningful partnerships to support advocacy priorities and service provision.
- Strategic Objective 5: Thriving, safe and diverse local communities.
- Strategic Objective 6: Participating in activities that address health & wellbeing issues.

Communication Implications

Council Meetings and Community Forums are publicised on the Shire's website and Facebook page. Advertisements are placed in the local newspapers. Flyers are distributed throughout the Shire.

Conclusion

Council meets regularly to conduct its business, and takes every opportunity to interact and engage with the local community, to listen to its issues and concerns.



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OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adopt the proposed meeting schedule (date & place) as listed below, as the dates & venues for Ordinary Meetings of Council, Community Forums, Assembly of Councillors Councillor Forums & Annual Statutory Meeting of Council for 2020:

Month	Date	Meeting	Venue
February	Wed 5 Feb 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Wed 19 Feb 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Kaniva
March	Wed 4 Mar 2020	Councillor Forum	Kaniva
	Wed 18 Mar 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Edenhope
April	Wed 1 Apr 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Wed 15 Apr 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting & Community Forum	Dinyarrak (north)
May	Wed 6 May 2020	Councillor Forum	Kaniva
	Wed 20 May 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Kaniva
June	Wed 3 Jun 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Thu 18 Jun 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Edenhope
July	Wed 1 Jul 2020	Councillor Forum	Kaniva
	Wed 15 Jul 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting & Community Forum	Poolaijelo (south)
August	Wed 5 Aug 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Wed 19 Aug 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Kaniva
September	Wed 2 Sep 2020	Councillor Forum	Kaniva
	Mon 14 Sep 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Edenhope
October	Wed 7 Oct 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Wed 21 Oct 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Kaniva
November	Wed 4 Nov 2020	Annual Statutory Meeting	Kaniva
	Wed 4 Nov 2020	Councillor Forum	Kaniva
	Wed 18 Nov 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting & Community Forum	Peronne (centre)
December	Wed 2 Dec 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Wed 16 Dec 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Edenhope



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Moved: Cr Richard Hicks
Seconded: Cr Jodie Pretlove

That the Officer Recommendation be adopted unchanged.

Not voted on

Cr Domaschenz moved an amendment

Moved: Cr Trevor Domaschenz
Seconded: Cr Jodie Pretlove

That the Officer Recommendation be adopted unchanged, except for moving the Poolaijelo Meeting to Harrow.

Not voted on

Cr Houlihan moved an amendment

Moved: Cr Tom Houlihan

Seconded: Cr Trevor Domaschenz

That the Officer Recommendation be adopted unchanged, except for the following:

- 1. That the 20 May 2020 Council Meeting in Kaniva be relocated to Apsley and include a Community Forum.**
- 2. That the 18 June 2020 Council Meeting in Edenhope be relocated to Harrow and include a Community Forum.**

Carried (5/0)

The amendment became the motion



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Moved: Cr Tom Houlihan

Seconded: Cr Trevor Domaschenz

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April	Wed 1 Apr 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Wed 15 Apr 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting & Community Forum	Dinyarrak
May	Wed 6 May 2020	Councillor Forum	Kaniva
	Wed 20 May 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting & Community Forum	Apsley
June	Wed 3 Jun 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Thu 18 Jun 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting & Community Forum	Harrow
July	Wed 1 Jul 2020	Councillor Forum	Kaniva
	Wed 15 Jul 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting & Community Forum	Poolaijelo
August	Wed 5 Aug 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Wed 19 Aug 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Kaniva
September	Wed 2 Sep 2020	Councillor Forum	Kaniva
	Mon 14 Sep 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Edenhope
October	Wed 7 Oct 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Wed 21 Oct 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Kaniva
November	Wed 4 Nov 2020	Annual Statutory Meeting	Kaniva
	Wed 4 Nov 2020	Councillor Forum	Kaniva
	Wed 18 Nov 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting & Community Forum	Peronne
December	Wed 2 Dec 2020	Councillor Forum	Edenhope
	Wed 16 Dec 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting	Edenhope

Carried (5/0)



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Moved: Cr Richard Hicks

Seconded: Cr Jodie Pretlove

That all Ordinary Council Meetings commence at 2.00pm.

Carried (5/0)



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9.0 APPOINTMENTS TO REGIONAL AND STATE BODIES

Council makes a series of appointments to regional and State bodies as detailed below. Councillors also sit on other State bodies as individuals, but usually receive Council endorsement.

It is appropriate that Council representatives and alternate representatives to these bodies be appointed.

REGIONAL / STATE BODY	PREVIOUS REPRESENTATIVE/S	PROPOSED REPRESENTATIVE 2019/2020	ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE 2019/2020
Big Desert National Park Fire Control Committee	Cr Hicks Director IDW Alt: Cr Meyer		
Crabtree Estate	Cr Meyer Alt: Cr Domaschenz		
Douglas Mine Environment Review Committee	Cr Houlihan Alt: Cr Pretlove		
Grampians Central West Waste and Resource Recovery Group – Forum Group	Cr Houlihan Alt: Cr Domaschenz		
Johnny Mullagh Interpretive Centre Inc	Cr Houlihan Alt: None CEO		
Kaniva Community Sporting Complex	Cr Meyer Director CCS Alt: Cr Houlihan		
Little Desert National Park Fire Control Committee	Cr Hicks Director IDW Alt: Cr Pretlove		
Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV)	Cr Pretlove Alt: Cr Hicks		
Municipal Emergency Management Planning (MEMP) Committee	Cr Houlihan Director IDW Alt: Cr Pretlove		
Municipal Fire Prevention Committee	Cr Houlihan Director IDW Alt: Cr Domaschenz		
North West Municipalities Association (NWMA)	Cr Pretlove Alt: Cr Meyer		
Primary Care Partnership Wimmera	Cr Pretlove Alt: CEO		
Rail Freight Alliance (RFA)	Cr Hicks Alt: Cr Meyer		



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Rural Councils Victoria (RCV)	Cr Pretlove CEO Alt: Cr Meyer		
West Wimmera Groundwater Management Area Implementation Committee	Cr Meyer Alt: Cr Hicks		
West Wimmera Landcare Network	Cr Domaschenz Alt: None		
West Wimmera Rural Water Supply Project – Feasibility Study	Cr Houlihan Alt: Cr Pretlove		
West Wimmera Shire Cemeteries Trust	All Councillors Sec: Director CCS		
West Wimmera Shire Youth Council	Cr Pretlove Alt: Cr Domaschenz		
Western Highway Action Committee (WHAC)	Cr Hicks Director IDW Alt: Cr Meyer		
Wimmera Development Association (WDA)	Cr Domaschenz CEO Alt: Cr Pretlove		
Wimmera Mallee Regional Tourism Association	Cr Domaschenz Alt: Cr Pretlove		
Wimmera Mallee Sustainability Alliance	Cr Houlihan Alt: Cr Domaschenz		
Wimmera Regional Library Corporation (WRLC)	Cr Meyer Director CCS Alt: Cr Hicks		
Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Transport Group	Cr Hicks Director IDW Alt: Cr Pretlove		



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RECOMMENDATION:

That the appointments of Council representatives to regional and State bodies, as detailed in the table below, be accepted and the relevant bodies be advised.

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Johnny Mullagh Interpretive Centre Inc	Cr Houlihan Alt: None CEO		
Kaniva Community Sporting Complex	Cr Meyer Director CCS Alt: Cr Houlihan		
Little Desert National Park Fire Control Committee	Cr Hicks Director IDW Alt: Cr Pretlove		
Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV)	Cr Pretlove Alt: Cr Hicks		
Municipal Emergency Management Planning (MEMP) Committee	Cr Houlihan Director IDW Alt: Cr Pretlove		
Municipal Fire Prevention Committee	Cr Houlihan Director IDW Alt: Cr Domaschenz		
North West Municipalities Association (NWMA)	Cr Pretlove Alt: Cr Meyer		
Primary Care Partnership Wimmera	Cr Pretlove Alt: CEO		
Rail Freight Alliance (RFA)	Cr Hicks Alt: Cr Meyer		
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West Wimmera Shire Cemeteries Trust	All Councillors Sec: Director CCS		
West Wimmera Shire Youth Council	Cr Pretlove Alt: Cr Domaschenz		
Western Highway Action Committee (WHAC)	Cr Hicks Director IDW Alt: Cr Meyer		
Wimmera Development Association (WDA)	Cr Domaschenz CEO Alt: Cr Pretlove		
Wimmera Mallee Regional Tourism Association	Cr Domaschenz Alt: Cr Pretlove		
Wimmera Mallee Sustainability Alliance	Cr Houlihan Alt: Cr Domaschenz		
Wimmera Regional Library Corporation (WRLC)	Cr Meyer Director CCS Alt: Cr Hicks		
Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Transport Group	Cr Hicks Director IDW Alt: Cr Pretlove		



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Moved: Cr Richard Hicks

Seconded: Cr Jodie Pretlove

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Douglas Mine Environment Review Committee	Cr Houlihan Alt: Cr Pretlove	Cr Houlihan	Cr Pretlove
Grampians Central West Waste and Resource Recovery Group – Forum Group	Cr Houlihan Alt: Cr Domaschenz	Cr Houlihan	Cr Domaschenz
Johnny Mullagh Interpretive Centre Inc	Cr Houlihan Alt: None CEO	Cr Houlihan CEO	None
Kaniva Community Sporting Complex	Cr Meyer Director CCS Alt: Cr Houlihan	Cr Meyer Director CCS	Cr Houlihan
Little Desert National Park Fire Control Committee	Cr Hicks Director IDW Alt: Cr Pretlove	Cr Hicks Director IDW	Cr Pretlove
Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV)	Cr Pretlove Alt: Cr Hicks	Cr Meyer	Cr Pretlove
Municipal Emergency Management Planning (MEMP) Committee	Cr Houlihan Director IDW Alt: Cr Pretlove	Cr Houlihan Director IDW	Cr Pretlove
Municipal Fire Prevention Committee	Cr Houlihan Director IDW Alt: Cr Domaschenz	Cr Houlihan Director IDW	Cr Domaschenz
North West Municipalities Association (NWMA)	Cr Pretlove Alt: Cr Meyer	Cr Meyer	Cr Pretlove



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Primary Care Partnership Wimmera	Cr Pretlove Alt: CEO	Cr Pretlove	CEO
Rail Freight Alliance (RFA)	Cr Hicks Alt: Cr Meyer	Cr Hicks	Cr Meyer
Rural Councils Victoria (RCV)	Cr Pretlove CEO Alt: Cr Meyer	Cr Meyer CEO	Cr Pretlove
West Wimmera Groundwater Management Area Implementation Committee	Cr Meyer Alt: Cr Hicks	This Committee was wound up and discontinued on Thu 31 Oct 2019	
West Wimmera Landcare Network	Cr Domaschenz Alt: None	Cr Domaschenz	None
West Wimmera Rural Water Supply Project – Feasibility Study	Cr Houlihan Alt: Cr Pretlove	Cr Houlihan	Cr Pretlove
West Wimmera Shire Cemeteries Trust	All Councillors Sec: Director CCS	All Councillors Sec: Director CCS	
West Wimmera Shire Youth Council	Cr Pretlove Alt: Cr Domaschenz	Cr Pretlove	Cr Domaschenz
Western Highway Action Committee (WHAC)	Cr Hicks Director IDW Alt: Cr Meyer	Cr Hicks Director IDW	Cr Meyer
Wimmera Development Association (WDA)	Cr Domaschenz CEO Alt: Cr Pretlove	Cr Domaschenz CEO	Cr Pretlove
Wimmera Mallee Regional Tourism Association	Cr Domaschenz Alt: Cr Pretlove	Cr Domaschenz	Cr Pretlove
Wimmera Mallee Sustainability Alliance	Cr Houlihan Alt: Cr Domaschenz	Cr Houlihan	Cr Domaschenz
Wimmera Regional Library Corporation (WRLC)	Cr Meyer Director CCS Alt: Cr Hicks	Cr Meyer Director CCS	Cr Hicks
Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Transport Group	Cr Hicks Director IDW Alt: Cr Pretlove	Cr Hicks Director IDW	Cr Pretlove

Carried (5/0)



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10.0 AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE (ADVISORY COMMITTEE) – SECTION 139 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1989

139. Audit Committee – (Extract LGA89)

- (1) *A Council must establish an audit committee.*
- (2) *An audit committee is an advisory committee.*
- (2A) *The chairperson of an audit committee—*
 - (a) *must not be a Councillor; and*
 - (b) *must not be a member of Council staff; and*
 - (c) *must be suitably qualified.*
- (3) *An audit committee must be constituted in the prescribed manner.*
- (4) *An audit committee has the functions and responsibilities prescribed for the purposes of this section.*
- (4A) *Sections 76D, 79 and 81 apply to members of an audit committee as if they were members of a special committee of the Council.*
- (5) *The Minister may make guidelines for the purposes of this section.*
- (6) *Guidelines made under subsection (5) must be published in the Government Gazette.*
- (6A) *The chairperson may require any report prepared by the audit committee to be listed on the agenda for the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council.*
- (7) *A Council may pay a fee to a member of an audit committee who is not a Councillor or member of Council staff.*

AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE	PREVIOUS REPRESENTATIVES	PROPOSED 2019/2020 REPRESENTATIVES
Councillors	Cr Meyer Cr Pretlove Alternate: Cr Houlihan	
Independent members	Mr Geoff Price (Chair) Ms Monica Revell Ms Celeste Gregory	Mr Geoff Price (Chair) Ms Monica Revell Ms Celeste Gregory
Council Officer Contact	Director Corporate & Community Services (DCCS) Manager Finance	Director Corporate & Community Services (DCCS) Finance Coordinator



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FOR DECISION

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council elect the representatives to the Statutory Audit Advisory Committee as detailed in the table below for 2019/2020.

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Moved: Cr Jodie Pretlove

Seconded: Cr Richard Hicks

That Council elect the representatives to the Statutory Audit Advisory Committee as detailed in the table below for 2019/2020.

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Carried (5/0)



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11.0 APPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Council has established several advisory committees, as follows:

COMMITTEE	PREVIOUS REPRESENTATIVES	PROPOSED REPRESENTATIVES 2019/2020
CEO Performance Planning Advisory Committee	All Councillors	All Councillors
West Wimmera Shire Kaniva Recreation Reserve Advisory Committee	Cr Meyer Alt: Cr Houlihan Director CCS Community Members: Kaniva Community Sporting Complex Kaniva Cricket Club Kaniva Hockey Club Kaniva Leeor United Football Club Kaniva Leeor United Netball Club Kaniva Lions Club	
West Wimmera Shire Sustainability Advisory Committee	Cr Domaschenz Cr Pretlove Director IDW	
West Wimmera Shire Tourism Advisory Committee	Kelvin Moar John Langens Lyn Powell Sue Close Cr Domaschenz Cr Pretlove	



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FOR DECISION

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council elect the representatives to the Advisory Committees as detailed in the table below:

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Moved: Cr Richard Hicks

Seconded: Cr Jodie Pretlove

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Carried (5/0)



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MEETING CONCLUDED: 10.10AM

NEXT ANNUAL STATUTORY MEETING: 4 NOVEMBER 2020