

Present: Mayor L Kerley, Cr D Eason, Cr G Rowlands, Cr M McDonald, Cr R Locke, Cr G Simmons, Cr P Button, Cr R Hewett

Staff in Attendance: A Cole (Chief Executive Officer)
P Ward (Finance Manager)
K Baak (Planning Officer)
L Gale (Minute Taker)

1. Opening

The Mayor Kerley opened the meeting at 4:30pm.
No members of the public were present.

2. Apologies and Leave of Absence

2.1 Apologies: Nil
2.2 Leave of Absence: Nil

3. Agenda Reports

Nil

4. Confidential Items

4.1 Appointment of Audit Committee Independent Member

MOVED: Cr McDonald

SECONDED: Cr Eason

“That pursuant to Sections 90 (2) of the Local Government Act 1999 the Council orders that all persons, except Senior Managers and the Minute Taker be excluded from attendance at the meeting for Confidential Agenda Item 4.1.

The Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90 (3) (a) of the Act that the consideration of issues relating to the Confidential Agenda Item 4.1 is (a) information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead), and would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

The Council is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED: Cr Locke **SECONDED:** Cr Button
"That formal proceedings be suspended short term."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Formal Proceedings were suspended short term at 4:36pm

MOVED: Cr McDonald **SECONDED:** Cr Rowlands
"That formal proceedings resume."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Formal proceedings resumed at 4:41pm

MOVED: Cr Rowlands **SECONDED:** Cr Eason

"That Council:

- 1. Adopt the amended Audit Committee Terms of Reference, as recommended by the Audit Committee at its meeting of the 21st of February 2019, to ensure continuity of at least one Independent Member over the election timeframe;*
- 2. That the independent member Pat Flood is re-appointed for a period of 2 years;*
- 3. That the additional independent member of the Audit Committee be appointed for a period of 4 years, and;*
- 4. That Council appoint Martin White to the position of independent member to the Council Audit Committee for a period of 4 years."*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED: Cr Rowlands **SECONDED:** Cr Button

" That a media release be distributed to local and state media outlets regarding the appointment of a new independent member, Martin White, to Council's Audit Committee"

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. [Closure](#)

5.1 The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 4:47PM.

Cr Leonie Kerley
Mayor, Barunga West Council