



**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF
BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL
HELD AT THE BLACKALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY 18 JUNE 2025 at 8:30 AM**

PRESENT:

Councillors: Cr AL Martin (Mayor), Cr DA Hardie, Cr JH Scobie, Cr BP Johnstone, Cr GK Schluter, Cr AA Hart, Cr PW Skewes

OFFICERS:

Mr Mike Lollback, Chief Executive Officer, Mr Shalveen Dayal, Chief Financial Officer, Ms Alison Lamb, Director of Organisational Performance, Ms Jaimee-Lee Prow, Director of Lifestyle and Community, Mr Greg Nicholls, Group Manager of Town and Rural Services, Mr Matthew Richardson, Group Manager Road Works, Mrs Andrea Saunders, Group Manager of Customer and Council Support Services.

CONDOLANCES:

A minutes silence was observed to mark the passing of:

- Bruce McPaul
- Chris Gimblett

Confirmation of the Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Moved: Cr David Hardie

Seconded: Cr Jane Scobie

That the minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 21st May 2025 be taken as read and confirmed, and that the Mayor be authorised to sign same.

GM 2025/06/397

Carried 7 / 0

ITEM NO:

4.1

SUBJECT TITLE:

Information Report for May 2025

Information report from the Mayor for Council activities during the month of May 2025.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Andrew Martin Seconded: Cr David Hardie

That Council receive the Mayor's report for May 2025.

GM 2025/06/398

Carried 7 / 0

ITEM NO:

4.2

SUBJECT TITLE:

**LGAQ Call for Motions for the 2025
Annual Conference - Regional
University Study Hubs**

The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) call for motions from local governments each year. The motions are debated at the LGAQ annual conference but must be supported by a council resolution prior to being lodged.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Andrew Martin Seconded: Cr Grahame Schluter

That Council support to motion to the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) 2025 Annual Conference for the LGAQ to advocate to the Minister for Education and Department of Education to incentivise Regional University Study Hubs to provide support services with appropriate safeguards to local secondary students who are learning by distance.

GM 2025/06/399

Carried 7 / 0

ITEM NO:

5.1

SUBJECT TITLE:

**Councillors' Information Report for
May 2025**

The report contains information from the Councillors for activities during the month of May 2025.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Andrew Martin Seconded: Cr Boyd Johnstone

That Council receive the Councillors report for May 2025.

GM 2025/06/400

Carried 7 / 0



ITEM NO: 6.1
SUBJECT TITLE: Chief Executive Officer's May 2025 Report to Council

The report from the Chief Executive Officer is to update Council on matters that do not require a separate or comprehensive report for consideration but emerge as issue of interest to Council and the broader community.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter Seconded: Cr Alina Hart

That Council receive the Chief Executive Officer's Information Report for May 2025.

GM 2025/06/401

Carried 7 / 0

ITEM NO: 6.2
SUBJECT TITLE: Change of August 2025 General Meeting Date

The Western Queensland Alliance of Councils is holding the 2025 Assembly in St George on 19 and 20 of August, and this clashes with the August general meeting. It is recommended that Council change the August meeting date to Friday, 22 August 2025.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter Seconded: Cr David Hardie

That Council:

1. **change the August general meeting date to 22 August 2025, commencing from 8.30am in the Council Chambers in Blackall; and**
2. **publish the change of date in accordance with section 254B of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.**

GM 2025/06/402

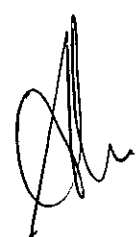
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ITEM NO: 6.3
SUBJECT TITLE: Blackall Work Camp Community Engagement Committee Meeting - 7 May 2025

The Blackall Work Camp Community Engagement Committee has been established to support the Blackall Work Camp. The Committee meets up to 4 times per year.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Boyd Johnstone Seconded: Cr David Hardie

That Council receive the Blackall Work Camp Community Engagement Committee Meeting minutes dated 7th May 2025.



GM 2025/06/403**Carried 7 / 0****ITEM NO:
SUBJECT TITLE:****6.4
Queensland Music Trails 2026**

Queensland Music Trails has provided a proposal to Blackall-Tambo Regional Council for the 2026 event which is to take place in Tambo.

MOTION: Moved: Cr David Hardie Seconded: Cr Jane Scobie

That Council provide \$10,000.00 (ex GST) plus in-kind support towards the 2026 Tambo Bush Bash facilitated by Queensland Music Trails.

GM 2025/06/404**Carried 7 / 0****ITEM NO:
SUBJECT TITLE:****6.5
2026 Special Holidays Request - Office
of Industrial Relations**

Each year the Office of Industrial Relations invited local governments to request special holidays during the following year.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter Seconded: Cr David Hardie**That Council:**

- 1. Receive the letter from the Office of Industrial Relations inviting Blackall-Tambo Regional to make a request for special holidays for 2026; and**
- 2. Request a special holiday for the Blackall-Tambo Region for the Melbourne Cup on Tuesday 3 November 2026; OR**
- 3. Conduct community consultation to determine a preferred date for a special holiday.**

GM 2025/06/405**Carried 7 / 0****ITEM NO:
SUBJECT TITLE:****7.2.1
Financial Report for the Month of May
2025**

In accordance with s204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a monthly financial report must be presented to the Council. The financial report for May 2025 details the Council's current financial position and compares its performance against the adopted budget for 2024-2025.



MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter Seconded: Cr Jane Scobie

That Council receive the Financial Report for May 2025.

GM 2025/06/406

Carried 7 / 0

ITEM NO:

7.2.2

SUBJECT TITLE:

Planning and Development Report

The Planning and Development report provides a summary of building applications and planning and development activities in the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council area.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter Seconded: Cr David Hardie

That Council receives the Planning and Development Report for May 2025.

GM 2025/06/407

Carried 7 / 0

ITEM NO:

7.2.3

SUBJECT TITLE:

Development Application DA30-2024-2025 - 146 Evora Road, Blackall

The Applicant, Blackall-Tambo Regional Council C/- Murray & Associates (Qld) Pty Ltd, seek a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (1 lot into 3 lots) over land at 146 Evora Road, Blackall, formally described as Lot 1 on SP297043. The subject site contains the Sale Yards.

The proposal involves the reconfiguration of a single lot to create three lots. The proposed reconfiguration proposes to subdivide the existing sale yards, rectify a boundary encroachment and create a central parcel for future development opportunities.

Under the *Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020* (the Planning Scheme), the subject site is in the Rural Zone. Undertaking the proposed development in the Rural zone is Code assessable, requiring a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (1 lot into 3 lots).

The proposal has been assessed against the relevant assessment benchmarks contained in the Planning Scheme and is consistent with the intent of the zone and all other relevant assessment benchmarks.

Based on an assessment of the proposal in accordance with the Code Assessment process articulated in the *Planning Act 2016*, this decision report recommends approval of the development application, subject to the conditions stated herein.



MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter Seconded: Cr David Hardie

That Blackall-Tambo Regional Council approves the application for a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (1 lot into 3 lots) over land at 146 Evora Road, Blackall, formally described as Lot 1 on SP297043, subject to the following conditions:

1.0 PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL

- 1.1 The Developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.**
- 1.2 Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.**
- 1.3 All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to commencement of the use and to Council's satisfaction, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.**
- 1.4 The cost of all works associated with the construction of the development including services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required are met at no cost to the Council or relevant utility provider, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.**
- 1.5 The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out for the development. To the extent the damage is deemed to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.**
- 1.6 Unless otherwise stated, all works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the relevant Council policies, guidelines and standards.**

2.0 ENDORSEMENT OF SURVEY PLAN

- 2.1 Council will not endorse or release the survey plan for this development until such time as:**
 - a) All conditions attached to this development approval for Reconfiguring a Lot have been fully satisfied;**
 - b) A statement demonstrating compliance with all conditions attached to this development approval has been submitted to Council; and**
 - c) All outstanding rates and charges relating to the site have been paid.**

3.0 APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

- 3.1** The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans and documents, except where amended by the conditions of this permit:

Plan/Document Name	Plan/Document Number	Revision Number	Date
Proposal Plan of Lots 1 - 3	25020	Version 1	20-01-2025

- 3.2** Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans and documents, the conditions of approval must prevail.

4.0 ACCESS

- 4.1** The existing access to proposed Lot 1 must be retained.

5.0 SERVICES

- 5.1** Maintain existing services and utility connections to each lot where applicable.

- 5.2** Any service connection to an existing building that traverses a lot boundary is to be:

5.2.1 removed; or

5.2.2 relocated so that it does not traverse a lot boundary; or

5.2.3 covered by an easement.

6.0 PUBLIC UTILITIES

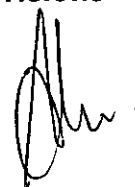
- 6.1** The applicant is responsible for the cost of any alteration to public utilities as a result of complying with conditions of this Development Permit.

- 6.2** Any alteration of any public utility or other facilities necessitated by the development of the land or associated construction works external to the site shall be at no cost to Council.

- 6.3** Any damage caused to any public utility during the course of construction shall be repaired to the satisfaction of Council's Delegated Officer and at no cost to Council prior to the sealing of the Survey Plan.

ADVISORY NOTES

- A.** Prior to commencing any construction activities, the applicant/developer will be required to obtain further development permits for building work, and plumbing and drainage work, and potentially for operational work, as required under relevant legislation for this work.
- B.** This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions



contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.

- C. General environmental duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 and subordinate legislation prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.
- D. This development approval does not authorise any activity that may harm Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is advised that under section 23 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").

GM 2025/06/408

Carried 7 / 0

ITEM NO:

7.2.4

SUBJECT TITLE:

Development Application DA35-2024-2025 - 116 Rose Street, Blackall

The Applicant, Kobey A Birse, seeks a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for a Dwelling House over land at 116 Rose Street, Blackall, formally described as Lot 5 on B13856. The subject site is currently vacant.

The proposal is for a Dwelling house. The site contains an existing shed and access to the site will be provided via a new crossover to Rose Street.

Under the *Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020* (the Planning Scheme), the subject site is in the Township Zone. The defined use that has been applied for, being a 'Dwelling house', is subject to Code Assessment in the Township Zone.

Based on an assessment of the proposal in accordance with the Code Assessment process articulated in the *Planning Act 2016*, this decision report recommends approval of the development application, subject to the conditions stated herein.

MOTION: Moved: Cr David Hardie

Seconded: Cr Peter Skewes OAM

That Blackall-Tambo Regional Council approves the application for a Development Permit for a Dwelling House over land at 116 Rose Street, Blackall, formally described as Lot 5 on B13856, subject to the following conditions:

1.0 PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL

- 1.1 The Developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee.**

agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.

- 1.2 Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.
- 1.3 All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to commencement of the use and to Council's satisfaction, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.
- 1.4 The cost of all works associated with the construction of the development including services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required are met at no cost to the Council or relevant utility provider, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.
- 1.5 The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out for the development. To the extent the damage is deemed to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.
- 1.6 Unless otherwise stated, all works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the relevant Council policies, guidelines and standards.

2.0 APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

- 2.1 The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans and documents, except where amended by the conditions of this permit:

Plan/Document Name	Plan/Document Number	Revision Number	Date
Site Plan	DA35-2024-2025	-	16/05/2025 (received date)

- 2.2 Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans and documents, the conditions of approval must prevail.

3.0 FLOODING

- 3.1 The Dwelling house is required to be a minimum 300mm above the defined flood level for Blackall (282m AHD).

4.0 STORMWATER WORKS



- 4.1 Stormwater from the approved development must drain to a lawful point of discharge. Stormwater run-off must not adversely affect adjoining land or infrastructure in comparison to the pre-development condition by way of blocking, altering or diverting existing stormwater runoff patterns or have the potential to cause damage to other infrastructure.

5.0 ACCESS WORKS

- 5.1 Construct and maintain a single vehicle crossover from Rose Street generally in accordance with the standard drawings, contained in the General Development Code of the Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020.

6.0 SERVICES

- 6.1 The site must be connected to Council's reticulated water and sewer networks.
- 6.2 All works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the approved plans (refer to Condition 2.1), the Plumbing and Drainage Act, Water Services Association of Australia (WSAA), 2011, "WSA 03-11 Water Supply Code of Australia" Version 3.1 and Queensland Department of Energy and Water Supply, 2010, Planning Guidelines for Water Supply and Sewerage.
- 6.3 Electricity and telecommunication services must be provided to the premises in accordance with the standards and requirements of the relevant service provider.

7.0 ASSET MANAGEMENT

- 7.1 Any alteration necessary to electricity, telephone, water mains, sewerage mains, and/or public utility installations resulting from the development or in connection with the development, must be undertaken and completed at no cost to Council.

8.0 CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- 8.1 Prior to construction of the vehicle access and water and sewer connections, forms for a Minor Works on Road Application and a Water/Sewer Connection Application must be completed and submitted to Council to notify the details of work being undertaken.
- 8.2 Implement and maintain an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) on-site, in accordance with the *IECA 2008 Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control* document (as amended) for the duration of the works, and until such time all exposed soil areas are permanently stabilised. The ESCP must be available on-site for inspection by Council Officers during the works.



- 8.3 The construction of any works must be undertaken in accordance with good engineering practice and workmanship and generally in accordance with the provisions of any relevant standards under the *Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme*.
- 8.4 All construction materials, waste, waste skips, machinery and contractors' vehicles must be located and stored or parked within the development site, unless otherwise approved in writing by Council.
- 8.5 Construction activity and noise must be limited to the hours of 06:30 to 18:30 Monday to Saturday, with no work to occur on Sundays or public holidays.

ADVISORY NOTES

- A. Prior to commencing any construction activities, the applicant/developer will be required to obtain further development permits for building work, and plumbing and drainage work, and potentially for operational work, as required under relevant legislation for this work.
- B. This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.
- C. General environmental duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 and subordinate legislation prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.
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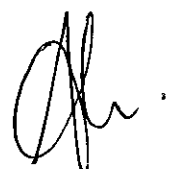
GM 2025/06/409

Carried 7 / 0

ITEM NO:
SUBJECT TITLE:

7.3.1
Director of Lifestyle and Community
Services Report - May 2025 Report

The Director of Lifestyle and Community Services Operations report for May 2025 is presented to Council. The report includes Blackall Aerodrome, Libraries, Visitor Information Centres, Blackall Neighbourhood Centre Program, Sport and Recreation, Communication and Media, Youth Council and Tambo Multipurpose Centre.



MOTION: Moved: Cr Jane Scobie Seconded: Cr Alina Hart
That Council receive the Director of Lifestyle and Community Services Report for May 2025.

GM 2025/06/410

Carried 7 / 0

Cr Andrew Martin expressed Council's thanks for the work the Community and Lifestyle team deliver to the community.

The Chief Executive Officer introduced Allison and Rob Paterson to Council.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned for morning tea at 10.09am. Allison and Rob joined the Councillors for morning tea and presented Council with the book "Shearing Time".

Resumption:

At 10.39am the meeting was resumed.

ITEM NO:

7.4.1

SUBJECT TITLE:

Organisational Performance Monthly Report - May 2025

This report provides Council with an overview/update of the Council's Organisational Performance in key activities and outcomes for the month of May 2025.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Boyd Johnstone Seconded: Cr David Hardie

That Council receive the Organisational Performance report for May 2025.

GM 2025/06/411

Carried 7 / 0

Council expressed thanks to Scott and Karen Choyce, Gloria Thompson and Elmes Rural for the assistance provided during the 2025 Western Queensland Flood event.

ITEM NO:

7.4.2

SUBJECT TITLE:

Group Manager's – Road Works Report

The Group Manager's – Road Works report for May 2025 is presented to Council.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter Seconded: Cr David Hardie

That Council receive the Group Manager's Road Works report for May 2025.



GM 2025/06/412**Carried 7 / 0**

The Chief Executive Officer expressed his thanks to the Group Manager of Road Works and the teams for the work they are doing in the region.

ITEM NO:**7.4.3****SUBJECT TITLE:****People, Culture & Safety Report**

This report provides Council with an update of the People, Culture and Safety Department outcomes for May 2025.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Jane Scobie**Seconded: Cr Alina Hart**

That the People, Culture and Safety Monthly Report for May 2025 be received and noted by Council.

GM 2025/06/413**Carried 7 / 0****ITEM NO:****7.4.4****SUBJECT TITLE:****Town and Rural Services Report**

Overview of upkeep and maintenance of the townships of Blackall and Tambo.

MOTION: Moved: Cr Jane Scobie**Seconded: Cr Alina Hart**

That Council receive the Town and Rural Services Report for May 2025.

GM 2025/06/414**Carried 7 / 0****CLOSURE:**

There being no further business to consider, the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 11.42am.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Confirmed by Council as a true and correct record at the General Meeting held on Wednesday 16th July 2025.

Signed.....Mayor