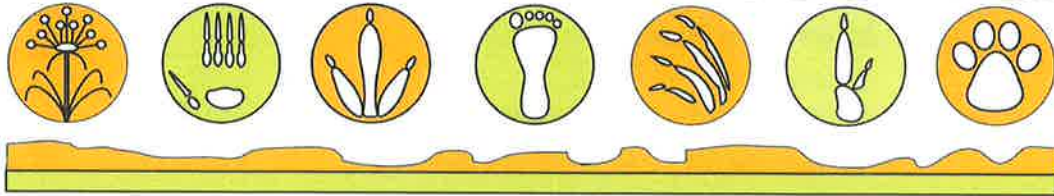


BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



OUR VISION

We strive to be responsive, progressive, sustainable council which respects, listens and empowers the people to be strong.

The Way We Will Work

We will make it happen!

We will be engaged and have regular opportunities to listen.

We will have strong policy and budgets to ensure our programs and services are progressive and sustainable.

Respect is shown in everything we do and we have acceptance of all cultures in the Barkly Region and their practices through a culturally competent Council.

We are a responsible Council.

We will be a responsive Council.

We want to empower local decision making.

We want to ensure that our services are sustainable and that our region has a standard consistent level of services.

We want to be able to sustain our environment – our communities, our physical places, our people and our organisational culture.

We will aggressively pursue additional funding from both levels of government to improve the standard of living of people across the region.

We need to be realistic, transparent and accountable.

MINUTES

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers on Thursday, 26 March 2020 at 08:30am.

Steven Moore
Chief Executive Officer

Meeting commenced at 8:40am with Mayor Steve Edgington as Chair.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

Mayor Steve Edgington
Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger
Cr. Kris Civitarese – via teleconference
Cr. Noel Hayes – via teleconference
Cr. Ronald Plummer – via teleconference
Cr. Ray Aylett – via teleconference
Cr. Jeffery McLaughlin – via teleconference
Cr. Ricky Holmes – via teleconference
Cr. Sid Vashist – via teleconference
Cr. Jane Evans – via teleconference
Cr. Jack Clubb – via teleconference
Cr. Lucy Jackson – via teleconference

1.2 Staff Members Present

Steve Moore
Vanessa Goodworth
Millicent Nhepera

1.3 Apologies

Cr. Jennifer Mahoney

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

1.5 Disclosure Of Interest – Councillors And Staff

- Mayor Steve Edgington – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Institute of Managers and Leaders - Associate Fellow
 - Australian Institute of Company Directors - Member
 - Law Society Northern Territory - Associate Member
 - Tennant Creek Regional Consumer Advisory Group
 - AFLNT Barkly Advisory Committee - Member
 - Tennant Creek Economic Development Committee – Member
 - Rotary – Member
 - Bizspeak Pty Ltd– Director
 - Battery Hill – Member
 - Alcohol Reference Group - Committee Member
 - Regional Development Australia - Chair
- Cr. Kris M. Civitarese – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - The Returned and Service League of Australia, Tennant Creek Sub-Branch – President
 - Chamber of Commerce Northern Territory – Tennant Creek Committee Member
 - Rotary – Paul Harris Fellow Awarded
 - T & J Contractors
 - Barkly Art - Board Member
 - KNC (NT) – Managing Director
- Cr. Raymond E. Aylett – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships

- Sporties Club, Tennant Creek – Member
- Cr. Siddhant Vashist – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Tennant Creek Cricket Association - Member
 - Barkly Electorate Officer /Member for Barkly
 - Battery Hill – Member
 - Barkly Arts – Member
 - Tennant Creek High School - Member
 - Tennant Creek Primary School – Member
 - Christmas Tree Committee – Vice President
 - Multicultural Association of Central Australia – Member
 - Australia-India Business Council - Member
- Cr. Noel Hayes – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation, Tennant Creek – Board Member
 - Centre for Appropriate Technology, Alice Springs – Board Member
 - Housing Reference Group – Member
- Deputy Mayor Hal A. Ruger – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Territory Generation – Employee
- Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Barkly Regional Arts - Member
 - Tennant Creek Cricket Association – Member
 - Nundahraga Entertainment – Sound sub-contractor
 - Christmas Tree Committee – President
 - Music NT – Board Member
- Cr. Ronald Plummer – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Purrutu Aboriginal Corporation – Board Member
 - Patta Aboriginal Corporation – Board Member
 - Papulu Apparr-Kari Aboriginal Corporation – Member
 - Tennant Creek Mob Aboriginal Corporation
- Cr. Jane Evans - Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Puma Elliott
- Steve Moore - Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Battery Hill – Director
 - Tennant Creek Pistol Club – Committee Member

There were no declarations of interest made at this.

4.4 PRESENTATION ABOUT PURKISS RESERVE UPDATE

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the presentation from Anthony Bale (AECOME) about the progress of the Purkiss Reserve Upgrade.
- b) Approve Option Two with the following amendments: no reduction in play equipment, only two AFL grandstands and keep four tennis courts. If there is a shortfall of funding use the contingency funds.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 82/20

Deputy Mayor suggested looking into naming rights for the oval which could potentially provide additional funding to be able to fund other items.

Mayor Edgington stated he wants all the information in front of us as there is a discrepancy of \$1.3m in the figures before Council. Mayor wants a regular budget update provided to Council from DIPL.

Cr. McLaughlin stated that we need to keep as many existing trees as possible. DIPL to go to Power Water to address their lack of response. If this doesn't encourage an outcome, they need to move further up the corporate chain to get a response.

Option Two is the preferred option with the following amendments – no reduction in play equipment, reduce grandstands to two and keep four tennis courts. If there is a shortfall of funding use the contingency funds.

7.4 DROUGHT FUNDING

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the report;
- b) Isolate a portion of funding for events; and
- c) Approve the following projects: Elliott change rooms/ablution block, Ampilatwatja refurb of sport and rec, Arlparra refurb of sport and rec and Wutunugurra BMX pump track.
- d) Move amounts into confidential.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 83/20

Cr. Civitarese and Cr. McLaughlin declared a conflict of interest with the submission from Barkly Regional Arts.

The current problem with most submissions being the gathering restrictions put in place due to the COVID-19 virus.

Cr. Evans stated she would prefer to use the funding on projects that will impact the community long term instead of events after prioritising the pastoral organisations. Mayor Edgington proposes taking all Tennant Creek submissions off the table. All Councillors agreed to this proposal and focus the funding on communities. With the exception of the pastoral organisations as they have suffered considerably due to the current drought climate.

Elliott change rooms/ablution block
Ampilatwatja– refurb of sport and rec
Arlparra– refurb of sport and rec
BMX Track for Wutunugurra

Cr. Hayes is asking to look at Marlinja or Murray Downs.

Cr Lucy Jackson left the meeting, the time being 10:00 AM

MOTION

That Council:

Break for morning tea at 10:52am

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 84/20

MOTION

That Council:

Resume ordinary council meeting at 11:15am

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 85/20

7.6 CORONAVIRUS CONTINGENCY PLANS

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and not the report;
- b) Approve fortnightly council meetings conducted on Wednesday;
- c) Approve no interest to be charged on overdue rates from April 1st for three months, council to consider further extension in June;
- d) Freeze rates, fees and charges for the next budget 2020/21; and
- e) Advertise for Tennant Creek and Elliott bulk rubbish to be picked up upon request by calling Council.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Jane Evans

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 86/20

Council would like to receive written regular updates from CEO in addition to fortnightly council meetings from 8:30am – 10:30am.

Report sanitary wipes/antibacterial item shortage to WebEOC.

Community Plans about COVID-19 should include information for community members about Prevention and Self-Isolation.

Add to BRC Plan about signage in communities. Potentially put the press release about community travel ban on public display.

CEO to raise concerns about lack of authority and monitoring for

Alpurrurulam/backroad from Camoowheel to stop people from coming through roads other than the main highways.

Circulate the Preparedness Plan after each update.

Increase the rates pay period for ratepayers, from 3 months to 6 months without incurring interest. – TO BE REVISITED BEFORE 3 MONTHS

MEDIA RELEASE – when advertising the rates payment due date extension advise people there is already a rates hardship policy which covers exemptions and the buy local policy which council follows and all funded projects we are making steps to get

off the ground ASAP during this economic climate, which includes the Purkiss Reserve Upgrade and the Drought Funding.

4.5 PRESENTATION FROM TENNANT CREEK POLICE SUPERINTENDENT

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the presentation from the Tennant Creek Police Acting Superintendent, Tanya Mace.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 87/20

Advise all reporting staff to report incidents to Police with Barkly Regional Council as the victim not by name.

Follow up on Mayor's snap send solves to be reported to police.

Incident ID numbers have been recorded incorrectly in Council records.

"No complaint forthcoming" this is decided by individual making the report on Council's behalf – notify staff that this is NOT acceptable.

Difficulty with Youth crime under the new Youth Act particularly bail conditions.

85% of property crime police attend are houses that are unlocked.

Youth Action Plan is currently being developed – The Mayor stated that this was supposed to be done in early 2018.

A lot of youth diversion for Tennant Creek are being managed by a Alice Springs sector.

Saltbush/Back on Track is involved in some Youth Diversion for Tennant Creek.

Alcohol related offences towards a person is still at 62%.

In relation to the COVID-19 response there is two police officers on bottle shops and in IGA. At this stage the COVID-19 has had no impact on Tennant Creek so these additional resources have now been pulled back.

Cr Hal Ruger left the meeting, the time being 12:16 PM

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Break for Lunch at 1:12pm.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 88/20

Cr Hal Ruger returned to the meeting, the time being 01:37 PM

MOTION

That Council:

a) Resume ordinary Session at 1:52pm.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 89/20

2. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

8.1 FINANCE REPORT - FEBRUARY 2020

MOTION

That Council

a) Receive and note the Finance Report for the eight months ended 29 February 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ricky Holmes

Seconded: Cr. Noel Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 90/20

James to investigate where the overspend of \$861k has come from and provide a breakdown of what areas have overspent.

8.2 GRANTS REPORT -29 FEBRUARY 2020

MOTION

That Council

(a) Receive and note the Grants Report for the eight months ended 29 February 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jack Clubb

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 91/20

8.3 PAYMENTS LISTING - MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2020

MOTION

That Council

(a) Receive and note the Payment Listing for the month ended 29 February 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded:Cr. Ronald Plummer **CARRIED UNAN.**
Resolved OC 92/20

Staff will be reminded to BUY LOCAL during this economic crisis.
Cr. Civitarese will email his queries about the payments list.

8.4 BUDGET REVIEW - FEBRUARY 2020

MOTION

That Council

- (a) Receive and note the budget review report; and
- (b) Provide any feedback to the Chief Executive Officer on or prior to 7 April 2020 so as to facilitate the adoption of the final budget review by the Audit & Risk Committee and Council in April 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded:Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 93/20

'Location Financial' attachments to be included in LA agendas.

15.2 TIDY TOWNS

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the Tidy Town Report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded:Cr. Jane Evans

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 94/20

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Break for Afternoon tea at 3:41pm

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded:Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 95/20

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Resume ordinary session at 4:06pm

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 96/20

10.1 NIGHT PATROL UPDATE

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Jane Evans

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 97/20

Cr. Vashist suggested prioritising Canteen Creek Night Patrol vehicle replacement. David is going to make sure that the Local Authorities receive updates from the Zone Managers about Night Patrol in the communities.
Follow up on the MOUs between police and night patrol in communities.

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Approve the signage on the Town Clock as per the attachment in correspondence.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 98/20

15.1 YOUTH CENTRE PLANS FEEDBACK

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Sid Vashist

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 99/20

CEO suggested an increase of 8m diameter to the music room to be added to the plans.
CEO to ask Keith Wilson to draft location plans for the following: the MOB land, Bowling Club and Softball Diamond.

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 04:21 PM

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Close Ordinary Session at 4:43pm.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

Resolved OC 100/20

CARRIED UNAN.

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Move into ordinary session at 5:32pm.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Resolved OC 101/20

CARRIED UNAN.

11.2 SUPPLEMENTARY LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

MOTION

That Council:

- a) CEO to obtain a copy of the minutes of the Elliott Local Authority held on the 13th March 2020;
- b) Instruct CEO to investigate to ensure the procurement process was followed.
- c) Defer decision until next meeting.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Resolved OC 102/20

CARRIED UNAN.

No minutes from Elliott Local Authority.
Cr. Civitarese wants to be assured the procurement policy was followed;
CEO to check what procurement was involved.

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Confirm the minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27th February 2020 as a true and accurate record with the below amendments.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 103/20

Cr. Civitarese is listed as the Deputy Mayor on pg.2 of minutes.

4. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

11.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report;
- b) Receive and note the minutes of the Alpururulam Local Authority;
- c) Receive and note the minutes of the Wutunugurra Local Authority;
- d) Receive and note the minutes of the Ampilatwatja Local Authority;
- e) Receive and note the minutes of the Arlparra Local Authority;

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 104/20

Commercial quotes should be in the confidential agenda.
Check whether processes have been followed - the LA should be making recommendations about which specific quote they want approved.
Bring back to next council meeting on the 8th April

4.6 PRESENTATION FROM LIQUOR COMMISSION NT

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Note the absence of the liquor commission without notice; and
- b) Instruct CEO to write to the Liquor Commission to express our disappointment and invite them to the next Council meeting occurring 8th April.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 105/20

Liquor Commission did not phone in.

5. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 ACTION LIST

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the Action List; and
- b) Endorse the removal of all completed items.

Defer Until next meeting.

6. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

4.1 REGIONAL DEAL UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the presentation from Tim Candler.

Defer Until next meeting.

4.2 BRD BACKBONE FUTURE OPTIONS PAPER

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Instruct the CEO to recommend the preferred option for the future Backbone entity

Defer Until next meeting.

4.3 BARKLY REGIONAL DEAL GOVERNANCE OPTIONS

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Recommend a Governance model for the Barkly Regional Deal

Defer Until next meeting.

7. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Nil

8. MAYOR'S REPORT

6.1 MAYOR'S REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the verbal update from Mayor Edgington.

Defer until next meeting.

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

7.1 CEO REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the report from CEO Steve Moore.

7.2 STREETLIGHT CONTRACT WITH POWER WATER

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the report.

Defer until next meeting.

7.3 RATIFICATION OF COMMON SEAL

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Ratify the execution of the following document under the Council's Common Seal:
 - 1. Funding Agreement - To improve social outcomes through Sporting communities till 31 March 2022, between Australian Sports Commission and BRC; and
 - 2. Funding Agreement - Australian Street Circuit Karting Championship Feasibility Study at Tennant Creek for financial year 2019 to 2020, between Northern Territory Major Events Company Pty Ltd and BRC.

Defer until next meeting.

7.5 PEOPLE & CULTURE REPORT - MARCH 2020

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- A) Receive and note the report
- B) Council receive the Protected Public Interest Disclosure Policy.
- C) Approve the Protected Public Interest Disclosure Policy

Defer until next meeting.

7.7 BARKLY REGIONAL DEAL DRAFT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the report; and
- b) Provide feedback on the Draft Implementation Plan.

Did not run in the agenda – Defer until next meeting.

10. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

9.1 INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2020

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the report.

Defer until next meeting.

11. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE

10.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the Community Development Directorate Report for the month of

March.

Defer until next meeting.

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

14. RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

15. GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Jack Clubb left the meeting, the time being 03:41 PM

15.3 DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Operations Directors Report

Defer until next meeting.

16. CORRESPONDENCE

16.1 CORRESPONDENCE

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the correspondence for the month of March 2020; and

Defer until next meeting.

17.3 YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Approve the nomination of Laurel Kassman and Thomas Hicks for the Youth Advisory Council.
- c) Move this item into ordinary.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

Resolved OCCS 106/20

CARRIED UNAN.

Cr. Civitarese declared a conflict of interest – Laurel is Cr. Civitarese cousin.

17.5 REQUEST TO COUNCIL TO WAIVE RATES FEES

The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (b) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer; AND information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the report;
- b) Decline the request to waive the rates for 47 Ambrose St, 44, 48 and 50 Paterson St; and
- c) Move item into ordinary.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

Resolved OCCS 107/20

CARRIED UNAN.

17.7 ALPURRURULAM LOCAL AUTHORITY NOMINATION

The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (e) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential.

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report;
- b) Accept the appointment of Pamela Corbett to the Alpururulam Local Authority.
- c) Move item into ordinary.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Resolved OCCS 108/20

CARRIED UNAN.

17. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

Nil

18. DECISION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

RECOMMENDATION:

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act, 2008 as the items lists come within the following provisions:-

19. RESUMPTION OF MEETING

20. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 6:12 pm.

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Closed ordinary session at 6:12pm.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin


CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 109/20

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ordinary Council Meeting HELD ON Thursday, 26 March 2020 AND CONFIRMED Thursday, 8 April 2020.



Steven Edgington
Council Mayor



Steve Moore
Chief Executive Officer

