



Special Meeting of the 40th Council

19 October 2021

Minutes

To: The Mayor and Councillors

Here within the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of the City of Stirling held Tuesday 19 October 2021 in the City of Stirling Council Chamber, 25 Cedric Street, Stirling.

Stuart Jardine PSM | Chief Executive Officer

Our Vision, Mission and Values

Vision

The City of Stirling will be a place where people choose to live, work, visit and invest. We will have safe and thriving neighbourhoods with a range of housing, employment and recreational opportunities. We will engage with our diverse community to help shape our future into the City of Stirling - City of Choice.

Mission

To serve the City's diverse community through delivering efficient, responsive and sustainable services.

Values

The City of Stirling's core values are:-

- Agile
- Approachable
- Inclusive
- Innovative
- Inspiring
- Respectful
- Transparent

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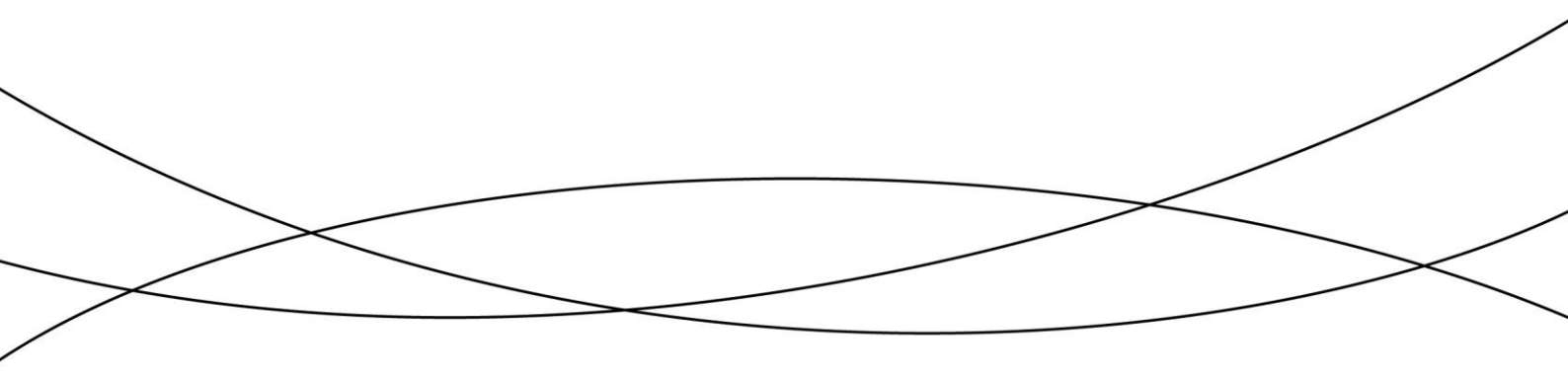


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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF TUESDAY 19 OCTOBER
2021 HELD IN CITY OF STIRLING COUNCIL CHAMBER, 25 CEDRIC STREET,
STIRLING**

Honorary Freeman Rod Constantine PSM read the Opening Prayer and Acknowledgement of Country.

DECLARATION BY NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS

In accordance with Section 2.29 (1) of the *Local Government Act 1995* a person elected as Mayor or Councillor is to make Declaration in the prescribed form before acting in the office.

The Mayor called upon Honorary Freeman Tony Vallelonga JP to conduct the Swearing in Ceremony.

Honorary Freeman Tony Vallelonga JP called upon Councillors Elect individually as follows:-

Councillor Elect Andrea Creado (Balga Ward) made a declaration in the prescribed form.

Councillor Elect Tony Krsticevic (Coastal Ward) made a declaration in the prescribed form.

Councillor Elect Elizabeth Re (Doubleview Ward) made a declaration in the prescribed form.

Councillor Elect Karlo Perkov (Hamersley Ward) made a declaration in the prescribed form.

Councillor Elect Bianca Sandri (Inglewood Ward) made a declaration in the prescribed form.

Councillor Elect Suzanne Migdale (Lawley Ward) made a declaration in the prescribed form.

Councillor Elect Teresa Olow (Osborne Ward) made a declaration in the prescribed form.

1. OFFICIAL OPENING

The Presiding Member declared the Special Meeting of Council open at 5.44pm.

2. APOLOGIES

ATTENDANCE

Mayor	Mark Irwin
Councillors	Councillor Andrea Creado Councillor Felicity Farrelly Councillor Joe Ferrante Councillor Chris Hatton Councillor Tony Krsticevic Councillor David Lagan Councillor Suzanne Migdale Councillor Teresa Olow Councillor Karlo Perkov Councillor Stephanie Proud JP Councillor Elizabeth Re Councillor Bianca Sandri Councillor Keith Sargent Councillor Lisa Thornton
Guests	Honorary Freeman Rod Constantine PSM Honorary Freeman Tony Vallelonga JP
Employees	Chief Executive Officer - Stuart Jardine PSM Director Community Development - Michael Quirk Director Corporate Services - Ingrid Hawkins Director Infrastructure - Michael Littleton Director Planning and Development - Stevan Rodic Manager Governance - Jamie Blanchard Service Lead Council and Civic - Candice D'Castro Media & Corporate Affairs Coordinator - Caitlin Tiller Senior Governance Officer - Regan Clyde Senior Governance Officer - Jackson Mawby Communications and Content Officer - Scott Stirling
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APOLOGIES

Nil.

3. APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

5. ELECTION OF A DEPUTY MAYOR

5.1 ELECTION OF A DEPUTY MAYOR

In accordance with Clause 4(2) of Schedule 2.3 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the Mayor presided over the conduct of election of the Deputy Mayor.

The Mayor informed the meeting that he had received two nominations in writing for the position of Deputy Mayor, being:-

- Councillor Stephanie Proud; and
- Councillor Bianca Sandri.

Both Councillors confirmed that they accepted the nomination.

The Mayor called for any further nominations. There being none, the Mayor advised that nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor were closed.

In accordance with Regulation 11A of the Local Government (Constitution) Regulations 1998, ballot papers were prepared, with the nominated Councillors listed in alphabetical order. The Manager Governance authenticated each ballot paper by initialling it.

A polling booth and ballot box were made available to Elected Members and a secret ballot was undertaken.

Honorary Freeman Rod Constantine PSM oversaw the counting of the votes for the position of Deputy Mayor.

In accordance with the Local Government (Constitution) Regulations 1998, the Mayor declared Councillor Stephanie Proud elected as Deputy Mayor of the City of Stirling for a two year term.

6. SWEARING IN OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR

6.1 SWEARING IN OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR

In accordance with Section 2.29 (2) of the *Local Government Act 1995* a person elected by the Council as Deputy Mayor is to make a Declaration in the prescribed form before acting in the office.

Honorary Freeman Tony Vallelonga JP officiated over Councillor Stephanie Proud taking the Deputy Mayoral Declaration.

Deputy Mayor Stephanie Proud made the following acceptance speech:-

“Good evening everybody, particularly to our friends and families of the Elected Members that are here with us tonight. It is a real pleasure to have you and welcome you here.

I am most humbled and honoured, and very much appreciate the support of my Elected Member colleagues for the role of Deputy Mayor. I say ‘honoured’, because this role is not an entitlement; it’s a very responsible role, to which I will give the absolute respect that it deserves. I am bound to make mistakes, as we all do – we are only human; however, I will own them and I will not make the same mistake twice.

Congratulations to all the Councillors, either elected for the first time or our incumbent Councillors returning to their seats. We have an abundance of diverse talent, which will serve the City, the Council and the community well. I will give each of you my unreserved support, and have no doubt our experienced incumbent Councillors will offer their 100% support and assistance to our new Councillors – Councillor Andrea Creado from the Balga Ward; Councillor Teresa Olow from the Osborne Ward; and ‘Tony K’ from the Coastal Ward – you have been named! A big welcome to each of you.

I would just like to make a brief reflection on some of our past Deputy Mayors.

David Michael, former Osborne Ward Councillor for over a decade, and now MLA for Balcatta. He served the City very well.

Councillor Keith Sargent, Balga Ward; and Councillor David Lagan, Inglewood Ward – not once, but twice.

Each has demonstrated their own very distinctive styles in the role, and I’ve learnt much from each of them. Thank you to each of you.

Last but certainly not least, our very own most recent Deputy Mayor, Councillor Bianca Sandri from the Inglewood Ward – an explosive, upbeat, sincere, community-driven woman with a talent that knows absolutely no bounds. She has been truly remarkable in her Councillor and Deputy Mayor role, and was the first female Deputy Mayor for over a decade when she took office two years ago. Most of all, Bianca has been a valued friend since being elected in 2017, and I’m looking forward to continuing our friendship. Special thanks to you, Bianca.

Mark, our very distinguished Mayor, has my complete support and trust. I believe his vision and leadership since becoming Mayor has been inspiring, and will continue to keep Stirling as the leading Local Government authority in Western Australia, and perhaps nationwide. I will represent him with pride, and even take out the odd bullet for him.

My thanks to our CEO, Stuart Jardine, and our exemplary Executive Team – Ingrid Hawkins (Director Corporate Services), Jamie Blanchard (Manager Governance), Michael Quirk (Director Community Development), Stevan Rodic (Director Planning and Development) and Michael Littleton (Director Infrastructure). I look forward to continuing to work with you all, along with the Council, and give 100% support to you in each of your roles. That also goes to the Business Unit Managers and all the officers of the City of Stirling – everyone here plays a very important role. I have learnt much from you during my four terms and have the utmost respect for each and every one of you.

Thank you all very much. I am very excited for all our collective futures. Let's go!"

7. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil.

8. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH CLAUSE 4.2(4) OF THE MEETING PROCEDURES LOCAL LAW 2021

8.1 COUNCIL CHAMBERS SEATING PLAN

Report Information

Location:	Not Applicable
Applicant:	Not Applicable
Reporting Officer:	Manager Governance
Business Unit:	Governance
Ward:	Not Applicable
Suburb:	Not Applicable

Authority/Discretion

Definition

- Advocacy *when Council advocates on its own behalf or on behalf of its community to another level of government/body/agency.*
- Executive *the substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council. e.g. adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations, setting and amending budgets.*
- Legislative *includes adopting local laws, town planning schemes and policies. It is also when Council reviews decisions made by Officers.*
- Quasi-Judicial *when Council determines an application/matter that directly affects a person's right and interests. The judicial character arises from the obligation to abide by the principles of natural justice. Examples of Quasi-Judicial authority include town planning applications, building licences, applications for other permits/licences (e.g. under Health Act, Dog Act or Local Laws) and other decisions that may be appealable to the State Administrative Tribunal.*
- Information Purposes *includes items provided to Council for information purposes only, that do not require a decision of Council (i.e. - for 'noting').*

Special Council Resolution

1021/001

Moved Councillor Re, seconded Councillor Farrelly

That Council ENDORSES the seating plan in the Council Chambers, as shown in Attachment 1.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED (15/0).

For: Councillors Creado, Farrelly, Ferrante, Hatton, Krsticevic, Lagan, Migdale, Olow, Perkov, Proud, Re, Sandri, Sargent, Thornton and Mayor Irwin.

Against: Nil.

Recommendation

That Council ENDORSES the seating plan in the Council Chambers, as shown in Attachment 1.

Report Purpose

To review and set the seating plan for a two year term for the Council Chambers.

Relevant Documents

Attachments

Attachment 1 - Seating Plan [↓](#)

Available for viewing at meeting

Nil

Background

In accordance with Clause 7.1 of the City of Stirling Meeting Procedures Local Law 2021, Elected Members must be seated in the order as determined by Council following each ordinary election.

At its Special Council meeting held 22 October 2019, Council resolved (Special Council Resolution Number 1019/001) the seating plan for a two-year term, starting with the Osborne Ward on the Mayor's left and finishing with the Lawley Ward on the Mayor's right. Following the 16 October 2021 election, a new seating plan must now be determined.

Comment

A seating plan chart has been included for consideration for the current two year term (refer Attachment 1).

After each Election, the seating plan is changed to ensure that Councillors from different Wards can sit closer to the public gallery or to the head table in the Council Chamber. To achieve this, it is proposed to ‘flip’ the seating plan from the previous seating arrangement.

Each Ward remains in alphabetical order, with both Ward Councillors seated side by side in alphabetical order of their surnames.

Consultation/Communication Implications

Nil.

Policy and Legislative Implications

Clause 7.1(1) of the City of Stirling Meeting Procedures Local Law 2021 states:-

“1. At Council meetings, members must be seated in the order as determined by Council following each ordinary election.”

Financial Implications

Nil.

Strategic Implications

Governance: Making it happen

Outcome G1: Good governance

Sustainability Implications

The following tables outline the applicable sustainability issues for this proposal:-

ENVIRONMENTAL	
Issue	Comment
Nil.	

SOCIAL	
Issue	Comment
Community engagement	Consistent seating arrangements for Council from week to week allows for the meeting attendees in the gallery to become familiar with their Ward Councillors. This arrangement also facilitates a more streamlined commencement of the meetings.

ECONOMIC**Issue****Comment**

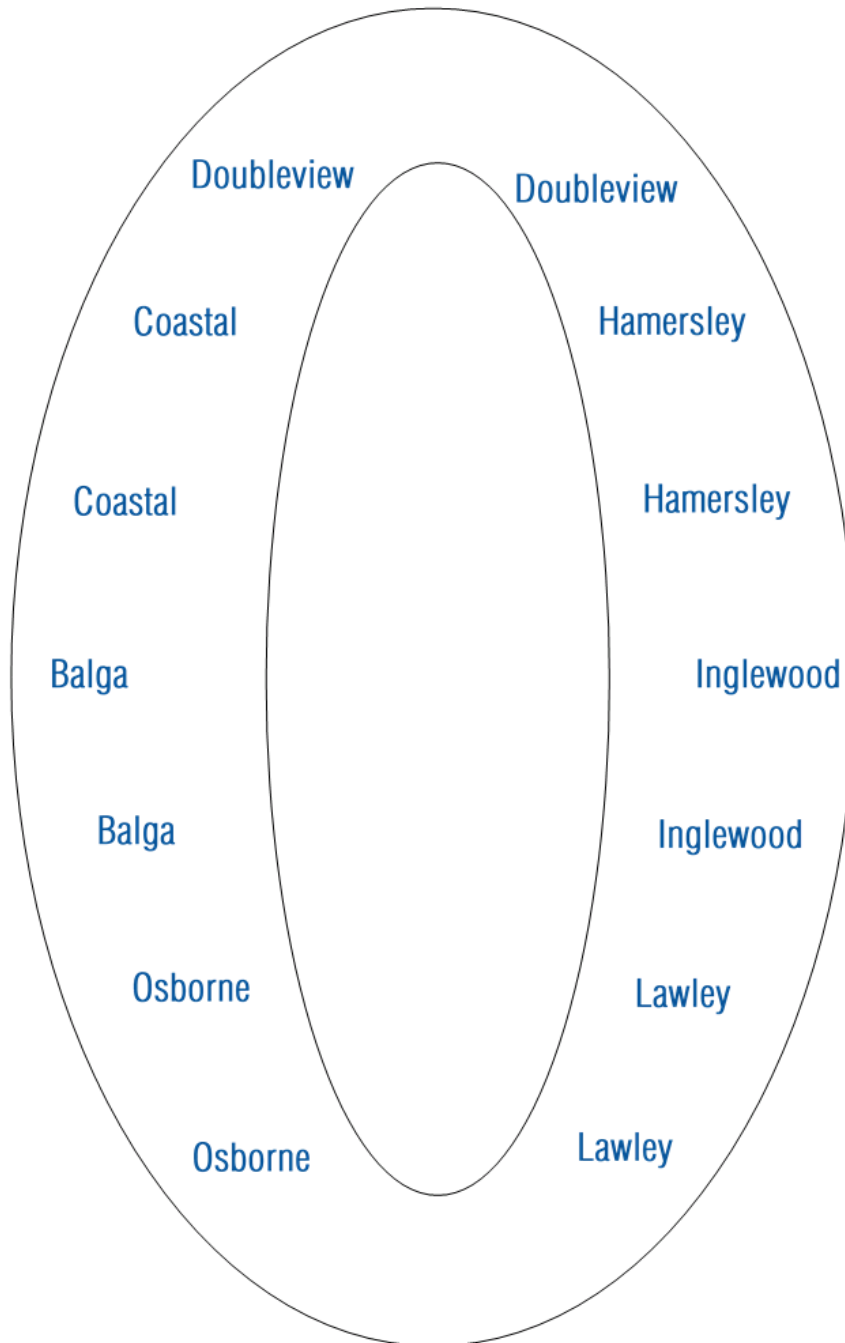
Nil.

Conclusion

In accordance with the City of Stirling Meeting Procedures Local Law 2021, it is recommended that Council endorses a seating plan for a two year term.

Option 1

Director	Manager Governance	Chief Executive Officer	Mayor	Director	Director	Director
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9. CLOSURE

The Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 6.01pm.

These minutes were confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings on:-

...../...../ 2021

SIGNED:-

Presiding Member Name:

PRESIDING MEMBER