



# GANNAWARRA

## *Shire Council*

**Wednesday, 31 August 2022**

**4:00pm**

**Virtual via Zoom**

## **AGENDA**

### **Unscheduled Council Meeting**

The Council Meeting will be live-streamed via Council's website which can be accessed at this link

<https://www.gannawarra.vic.gov.au/Council/Council-Meetings/Meeting-livestream>

**Councillor and Strategic Briefing Rules**

- Read the Agenda and attachments prior to the meeting.
- All Councillor phones turned off or placed on silent – check messages in breaks.
- Maintain Code of Conduct.
- Treat Councillors and staff with respect.
- Debate the issue not the individual.
- Disclosure of any conflict of interest, leave the room and play no part in discussions relating to conflict.
- Meetings to start as scheduled, regardless of attendance.
- Try to be concise with replies.
- Keep an open mind.
- Listen to others.
- Promote a positive image of Gannawarra Shire Council.
- No audio or video recording is permitted.

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## **1 WELCOME TO COUNTRY**

Playing of the Welcome to Country video clip.

## **2 OPENING DECLARATION**

We, the Councillors of the Shire of Gannawarra, declare that we will undertake the duties of the office of Councillor, in the best interests of our community, and faithfully, and impartially, carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in us, to the best of our skill and judgement.

## **3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

## **4 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

### **General conflict of interest**

Unless exempt under section 129 of the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act) or regulation 7 of the Local Government (Governance and Integrity) Regulations 2020, a Councillor or member of Council staff has a general conflict of interest in a matter if an impartial, fair-minded person would consider that the person's private interests (as defined in section 127(2) of the Act) could result in that person acting in a manner that is contrary to their public duty.

### **Material conflict of interest**

Unless exempt under section 129 of the *Local Government Act 2020* or regulation 7 of the Local Government (Governance and Integrity) Regulations 2020, a Councillor or member of Council staff has a material conflict of interest in respect of a matter if an affected person (as defined in section 128(3) of the Act) would gain a benefit or suffer a loss depending on the outcome of the matter.

### **Disclosure of a conflict of interest**

A Councillor who has a conflict of interest and is attending a meeting of the Council must make a full disclosure of that interest by either advising:

- a) the Council at the meeting immediately before the matter is considered at the meeting; or
- b) the Chief Executive Officer in writing before the meeting –

whether the interest is a general conflict of interest or a material conflict of interest; and the nature of the interest.

Note: If a Councillor advises the Chief Executive Officer of the details under b) above, the Councillor must make a disclosure of the class of interest only to the meeting immediately before the matter is considered at the meeting.

In accordance with section 130 of the Act, a councillor who has a disclosed a conflict of interest in respect of a matter must exclude themselves from the decision making process in relation to the

matter, including any discussion or vote on the matter at any Council meeting, and any action in relation to the matter.

Failure to comply with section 130 of the Act may result in a penalty of 120 penalty units

## **5 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 66(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 2020:

#### **5.1 Procurement Quotations - CEO Executive Search**

This matter is considered to be confidential under of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with .

#### **5.2 Appointment of Acting CEO**

This matter is considered to be confidential under of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with .

#### **5.3 Delegations to the Mayor**

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