

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING February 2026



NOTICE OF MEETING

The Ordinary Meeting of the Belyuen Community Government Council will be held in the Council Offices, Belyuen community commencing at 9am.

Dave Ferguson CEO

AGENDA

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

February 24th 2026

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1 OPEN MEETING

The Mayor of Belyuen Council: Cr. Leikeisha Woodie will declare the meeting open at 10:30am.

The Mayor welcomes the Councillors, visitors and staff to the Ordinary Council Meeting of February 2026.

Councillors agree that all matters presented at this meeting will be administered on the principle of fair and equitable treatment. Councillors acknowledge that we each bring our own views to the table and on all matters unresolved, Councillors right to agree and disagree is respected.

Councillors are reminded to fulfil their administrative requirements and sign the attendance sheet associated with this meeting.

Acknowledgement is made to members not present and respect is paid to the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet, to the elders past and present and to the Councillors and employees present for the meeting.

2 NOTICE OF MEETING



MEETING NOTICE

Date Posted: 19/02/2026

Councillor Reminder

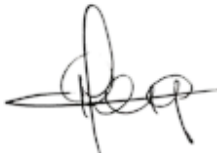
You are respectfully advised that a Ordinary Council Meeting for February has been scheduled as follows:

Date: Tuesday 24th February 2026
Time: Beginning at 10.30am
Location: BCGC Meeting Chamber

Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to contact the Mayor or CEO should you have any information to add to the meeting agenda, this must be supplied two days before the notice is issued.

The Meeting will be chaired by Cr. Leikeisha Woodie, Mayor - Belyuen Community Government Council.

Meeting refreshments and lunch will be provided.



Dave Ferguson
CEO

3 ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Report Number	3.1.02.26
Author	Dave Ferguson – CEO
Attachments	Nil

Summary

This report is to table, for Council's record only, any apologies, and requests for leave of absence received from Elected Members for this or future Ordinary General Meetings.

Council can choose to accept the apologies or requests for leave of absence as presented or not accept them. Apologies or requests for leave of absence that are not accepted by Council will be recorded as ***absence without notice***.

As per the Local Government Act 2019 s.47 a person ceases to hold office as a member of a Council if the person is absent, without permission of the Council in accordance with the regulations, from 2 consecutive ordinary meetings of the Council.

Recommendation:

That Council note the information provided regarding meeting attendance

Moved:

Seconded:

4 PERSONS PRESENT

Elected Members:

- Cr. Leikeisha Woodie
- Cr. Angelina Lewis
- Cr. Daphne Yarrowin
- Cr. Linda Yarrowin

Staff:

- Dave Ferguson: Chief Executive Officer
- Jasmine Brar: Corporate Services Manager

Visitors:

- Beck Stavrou: Executive Director, Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development
- Hugh King: Director Sustainability and Compliance, Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development

5 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- Cr. Rex Sing

Recommendation

That Council note the apology of:

Moved:

Seconded:

6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Report Number	6.1.02.26
Author	Dave Ferguson – Chief Executive Officer
Attachments	Nil

Summary

Elected members and staff are required to declare any conflicts of interest arising from the matters contained in this agenda. The Mayor reminds everyone about their roles and responsibilities as an elected official and particularly of their obligations to declare their interest (material or personal) on matters presented today – that may have a perceived or real conflict of interest.

Background

Elected Members are required to disclose an interest in a matter under consideration by Council at a meeting of the Council or a meeting of a Council committee by:

- 1) In the case of a matter featured in an officer's report or written agenda item by disclosing the interest to the Council by disclosure as soon as possible after the matter is raised.
- 2) In the case of a matter raised in general debate or by any means other than the printed agenda of the Council by disclosure as soon as possible after the matter is raised.

The Council may elect to allow the Member to provide further and better particulars of the interest prior to requesting him/ her to leave the Chambers.

Staff Members of the Council are required to disclose an interest in a matter at any time at which they are required to act or exercise their delegated authority in relation to the matter. Upon disclosure the Staff

Member is not to act or exercise his or her delegated authority unless the CEO or Acting CEO expressly directs him or her to do so.

Comment

NIL

Statutory Environment

- *Local Government Act 2019* Section 114 (Elected Members)
- *Local Government Act 2019* Section 179 (Staff Members)

Policy Implications

Conflict of Interest – CEO and Staff Code of Conduct.

Financial Implications

Nil

Recommendation

Elected members receive the declarations of interest as tabled for the Ordinary Council Meeting held 24th February 2026

Moved:

Seconded:

7 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Report Number	7.1.02.26
Author	Dave Ferguson – Chief Executive Officer
Attachments	1. Belyuen Safe House Project - Geoff Goodrich, Rotary Club of Darwin North 2. Belyuen Community Building Refurbishment - John Briggs, CEO Intract Pty Ltd

Presentation

7.1 Belyuen Safe House Project – stakeholder planning meeting held prior to the February Ordinary Council Meeting. Council to discuss progress of the project and advise.

Statutory Environment

- *Local Government Act 2020*

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Policy Implications

- Nil

Financial Implications

- Estimated costs received to date \$600,000.

Recommendation

That Council:

Moved:

Seconded:

Report Number	7.2.02.26
Author	Dave Ferguson – Chief Executive Officer
Attachments	Hawks Community Foundation – Adam Moedt

Presentation

7.2 Adam Moedt: General Manager – Community Impact & Inclusion, Hawthorn Football Club
Adam to deliver presentation to Council regarding Indigenous program for Belyuen community.

Statutory Environment

- *Local Government Act 2020*

Policy Implications

- Nil

Financial Implications

- Early estimates are approximately \$15,000 - \$20,000 Funding through NTG: Sport & Recreation - Active Regional and Remote Communities Program

Recommendation

That Council:

1. endorse the CEO report – Hawks Community Foundation, and;

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2. instruct the CEO to progress with the logistics, planning and chaperoning of group of Belyuen residents to visit the Kennedy Community Centre in Melbourne during the Sir Doug Nicholls Indigenous round during the 2026 AFL season in May this year

Moved:

Seconded:

8 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Report Number	8.1.02.26
Author	Dave Ferguson – Chief Executive Officer
Attachments	UNCONFIRMED ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 2026

Summary

Unconfirmed minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting Meeting from the 27th January 2026 are submitted to Council for confirmation that those Minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting.

Statutory Environment

The Agendas and Minutes as submitted must comply with Chapter 6 of the Local Government Act 2020.

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL HELD: January 27th 2026

1 OPEN MEETING

MEETING OPENED: The Ordinary Council Meeting opened at 10.05am

PRESENT AT MEETING:

Elected Members:

- *Cr. Angelina Lewis*
- *Cr. Daphne Yarrowin*

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- *Cr. Rex Sing*
- *Cr. Linda Yarrowin*

Apologies

- *Cr. Leikeisha Woodie*

Staff:

- *Dave Ferguson:* *Chief Executive Officer*
- *Jasmine Brar:* *Corporate Services Manager*

Visitors:

- *Nil*

2 NOTICE OF MEETING



BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

Date Posted: 22/01/2026

Councillor Reminder

You are respectfully advised that the Ordinary Council meeting for January has been scheduled as follows:

Date:	Tuesday 27th January 2026
Time:	Beginning at 10.00 am
Location:	BCGC Meeting Chamber

Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to contact the Mayor or CEO should you have any information to add to the meeting agenda, this must be supplied two days before the notice is issued.

The Meeting will be chaired by Cr. Leikeisha Woodie, Mayor - Belyuen Community Government Council.

Meeting refreshments and lunch will be provided.

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Dave Ferguson
CEO

3 ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Recommendation:

<3.1.01.26> That Council note the information provided regarding meeting attendance for the Ordinary General Meeting held 27th January 2026

Moved: Cr. L. Yarrowin

Seconded: Cr. R. Sing

Carried

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Recommendation:

<4.1.01.26> That Council receives the declarations of interest as listed for the Ordinary General Meeting held 27th January 2026

Moved: Cr. R. Sing

Seconded: Cr. A. Lewis

Carried

5 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Recommendation:

<5.1.01.26> That Council receives the deputations and presentations for the Ordinary General Meeting held 27th January 2026

Moved: Cr. A. Lewis

Seconded: Cr. L. Yarrowin

Carried

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Recommendation:

<6.1.01.26> That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16th December 2025 be confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting

Moved: Cr. A. Lewis

Seconded: Cr. L. Yarrowin

Carried

7 MAYORS REPORT

Nil

8 CEO REPORT

Recommendation:

<8.1.01.26> *That Council:*

1. *receives and notes the Chief Executive Officers Report for January 2026; and*
2. *instruct the Corporate Services Manager to deposit \$100 from each elected members monthly remuneration into the Belyuen Store; and*
3. *agree that this \$100 deposit can be used to purchase goods from the Belyuen Store and cannot be withdrawn as cash*

Moved: Cr. A. Lewis
Seconded: Cr. L. Yarrowin

Carried

9 FINANCIAL REPORT

Recommendation:

<9.1.01.26> *That Council:*

1. *notes that the CEO certifies to the best of his knowledge, that the information, and internal controls implemented by Council are appropriate, and that Council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of Council; and*
2. *receives and notes the monthly financial report for January 2026 as tabled*

Moved: Cr. R. Sing
Seconded: Cr. D. Yarrowin

Carried

10 CORRESPONDENCE

Recommendation:

<10.1.01.26> *That Council note the correspondence as tabled for January 2026*

Moved: Cr. L. Yarrowin
Seconded: Cr. D. Yarrowin

Carried

11 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

1. *Presentation of Statement of Attainment for BCGC Civil Works Trainees on Delissaville Aerodrome Upgrade project.*

CEO to contact RTO to present certificates at next community Consultation/Meeting.

2. *Meeting with Aged Care Manager/Coordinator to explain changes to the Aged Care 'Support at Home' Program.*

CEO to arrange suitable time to discuss changes to the Aged Care program with clientele.

3. *Request for installation of fire pit at the Knucky Womens Centre.*

CEO to Liaise with Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation to find out whether this request can be actioned as part of the Community Development Program.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

13 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

10am 24th February 2026

Meeting closed at 1.30pm

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Recommendation

That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27th January 2026 be confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved:

Seconded:

9 MAYORS REPORT

Report Number	9.1.02.26
Author	Mayor Leikeisha Woodie
Attachments	Nil

Summary

The Mayor reports to Council on her activities and any items of importance that have arisen since the last Council Meeting.

Comment

The Mayor gives a verbal report of activities since the last council meeting.

Financial Implications

Nil

Recommendation

That Council receives and notes the Mayors Report for the Special Council meeting February 2026

Moved:

Seconded:

10 CEO REPORT

10.1 Report from the CEO - Engagements

Report Number	10.1.02.26
Author	Dave Ferguson – Chief Executive Officer
Attachments	Nil

Comment

To update Council on the activities of the Chief Executive Officer since the last Ordinary Council Meeting for February 2026.

Meetings:

- January 30th – Belyuen Groove Festival
- February 6th - Hon. Steve Edgington MLA: Minister for Local Government, Aboriginal Affairs & Housing, Mr. Matthew Ryan: Chair Northern Land Council
- February 10th – Brian Corrigan: Active Regional and Remote Communities Program
- February 11th – Jack Dowden: Heatwave - local capacity planning
- February 13th – ICAC: Nominated Recipient Forum

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- February 18th – Regional Development Australia Strategy Launch
- February 20th - community safety and stakeholder meeting

Recommendation

Moved:

Seconded:

10.2 Report from the CEO – Correspondence

Report Number	10.2.02.26
Author	Dave Ferguson - CEO
Attachments	Nil

Summary

CEO tables a record of correspondence incoming and outgoing.

Comment

Correspondence received:

- ARK Vet Report – January
- Belyuen Safe House Proposal
- Hawks Community 2026
- Veolia Proposal

Correspondence sent:

- Letter to Local Member for Daly – Dheran Young

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Recommendation

That Council receives and notes the report entitled Correspondence;

Moved:

Seconded:

10.3 Report from the CEO – Audit & Risk Management

Report Number	10.3.02.26
Author	Dave Ferguson - CEO
Attachments	Nil

Summary

Council provide risk management through the Belyuen Audit Risk Management Committee (ARMC)

As per the terms of reference, the ARMC meet 4 times per year and engage an independent Chair along with 2 elected members that make up the committee.

Below are suggested dates for the ARMC to meet this year.

1. March 19th
2. June 18th
3. September 17th
4. November 12th

Recommendation

That Council endorses the ARMC meeting dates for 2026

Moved:

Seconded:

10.4 Report from the CEO – Waste Management

Report Number	10.4.02.26
Author	Dave Ferguson - CEO
Attachments	transportable Compactor Brochure Cardboard baler Brochure

Summary

Belyuen Council have a standing arrangement with Wagait Shire Council regarding the waste management contract with Veolia. The existing contract has been extended for a 12-month period expiring on August 31st 2027.

In discussions with Veolia management towards the end of January, Belyuen have sourced an alternative to the existing Hook Bins and weekly curbside Wheelie bin pick-up.

Veolia have provided information and pricing for a transportable compactor for general household waste and a cardboard baler for the Belyuen Store.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

TBA

Recommendation

That Council instructs the CEO to engage the services of a waste supply company to provide pricing on long term waste management solutions for Belyuen.

Moved:

Seconded:

11 FINANCIAL REPORT

11.1 Monthly Financial Report

Report Number	11.1.02.26
Author	Jasmine Brar – CSM
Attachments	Finance Report - February 2026

The Corporate Services Manager tables the financial report for February 2026

Recommendation

That Council resolve to endorse the finance report for February as tabled.

Moved:

Seconded:

12 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Members are invited to raise any questions.

13 GENERAL BUSINESS

Call for any other general business.

1. Belyuen Groove Festival
2. Community Consultation/ Recruitment Drive
3. Assets for Civil Works program

Discussion

14 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on March 31st at the Belyuen Council Offices, Belyuen commencing at 9:00am.