

Agenda

Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review
Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 17 September 2024

Date: Tuesday 17 September 2024

Time: 9:30am

Location: Council Chambers, Onslow Shire Complex, Second

Avenue, Onslow

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Shire of Ashburton

Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee Meeting

Please be advised Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee Meeting will be held at 9:30am on Tuesday 17 September 2024 at Council Chambers, Onslow Shire Complex, Second Avenue, Onslow.

Kenn Donohoe
Chief Executive Officer
12 September 2024

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1 Declaration Of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at enter time.

1.1 Acknowledgement Of Country

As representatives of the Shire of Ashburton Council, we respectfully acknowledge the local Indigenous people, the traditional custodians of this land where we are meeting upon today and pay our respects to them and all their elders past, present and emerging.

2 Announcement Of Visitors

The Presiding Member welcomed members of the public to the gallery.

3 Attendance

3.1 Present

Elected Members:	Cr A Smith	Shire President				
	Cr A Sullivan	Paraburdoo Ward				
	Cr M Lynch	Tom Price Ward				
	Cr K White	Onslow Ward				
	Cr L Rumble JP	Paraburdoo Ward				
Employees:	A Furfaro	Governance Officer				
	J Bray	Manager Governance				
	B Van Rensburg	Council Support Officer				
Guests:	Enter names					
Members of Public:	There were enter number members of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.					
Members of media:	There were enter number members of the media in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.					

3.2 Apologies

To be informed at the meeting.

3.3 Approved Leave Of Absence

4 Declaration By Members

4.1 Due Consideration By Elected Members To The Agenda

Elected Members will be requested to note they have given due consideration to all matters contained in this agenda.

4.2 Declaration Of Interest

A member who has an Impartiality, Proximity or Financial interest in any matter to be discussed at this meeting must disclose the nature of the interest either in a written notice, given to the Chief Executive Officer, prior to the meeting, or at the meeting immediately before the matter is discussed.

A member who makes a disclosure in respect to an interest must not preside at the part of the meeting which deals with the matter, or participate in, or be present during any discussion or decision-making process relative to the matter, unless the disclosing member is permitted to do so under Section 5.68 or Section 5.69 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

The following declarations of interest are disclosed –

To be advised at the meeting.

5 Confirmation Of Minutes

5.1 Confirmation Of Previous Minutes

5.1.1 Minutes Of The Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee Meeting Held On 20 August 2024

Officer Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee Meeting held 20 August 2024 (Item 5.1.1 Attachment 1) be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

6 Public Agenda Items

6.1 Chief Executive Officer Recruitment - Appointment of an External Independent Panel Member

File Reference	PE.CE001			
Applicant or Proponent(s)	Not Applicable			
Author	A Heraty, Manager Organisational Development			
Authorising Officer	A Heraty, Manager Organisational Development			
Previous Meeting Reference	Ordinary Council Meeting 20 August 2024 – Item 6.2 – 156/2024			
Disclosure(s) of interest	Author – Nil			
	Authorising Officer – Nil			
Attachments	 CV - Anthanasios (Arthur) Kyron - Confidential CV - Carol Elizabeth Adams - Confidential Profile - Dr Gary Hunt - Confidential 			

Report Purpose

Council is required to select and appoint an external independent panel member, who will be responsible for interviewing selected shortlisted candidates for the position of Chief Executive Officer.

The purpose of this report is to present to the Chief Executive Officers Recruitment and Performance Review Committee (the Committee) candidates for consideration to be the external independent selection panel member who will be responsible for interviewing selected shortlisted candidates for the position of Chief Executive Officer of the Shire of Ashburton (Shire).

The Committee are requested to review the candidate information provided in the attachments and recommend to Council a person to be appointed as the external independent member on the Chief Executive Officer's selection panel.

Background

At the Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee meeting and Ordinary Council Meeting dated 20 August 2024, three independent panel members were recommended for consideration, none of whom were appointed.

Council subsequently resolved (Council decision 156/2024), in part, as follows:

"6. Delegates the Shire President to have a conversation with the Western Australian Local Government Association for recommendations for an independent selection panel member."

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Comments

The selection panel is established to play a crucial role in the recruitment and selection process. The selection panel has responsibility for assessment of each applicant against the endorsed selection criteria, verification of application qualifications and claims and recommending one or more suitable applicants. It is therefore required to act in an impartial and transparent manner and in accordance with the principles of employment prescribed under section 5.40 of the *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act).

Responsibilities of each panel member includes the declaration of conflict of interest, impartial and transparent decision making and maintaining confidentiality.

In accordance with clause 8 Standards, a selection panel for the employment of the Chief Executive Officer must be established. The selection panel must comprise of:

- elected members (the number of which must be determined by the Council); and
- at least one independent person.

The independent panel member cannot be an elected member of a Western Australian local government, employee of the Shire or a human resources consultant engaged by the Council to conduct the recruitment process.

Following Council's decision on 20 August 2024, the Shire President made external enquiries to identify potential candidates that could fill the position of the external independent member on the selection panel for the recruitment of a Chief Executive Officer for the Shire.

Following the external enquiries, four potential candidates were contacted and three submissions were received from the following:

- Anthanasios (Arthur) Kyron
- Carol Elizabeth Adams
- Dr Gary Hunt.

Confidential Attachments 1 to 3 detail the personal details and professional information about each candidate.

Consultation

Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee Shire President

Strategic Community Plan

Shire of Ashburton Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032

Strategic Objective	 Performance - We will lead the organisation, and create the culture, to deliver demonstrated performance excellence to the community.
Strategic Outcome	4.1 Coordinated delivery of organisational leadership and performance excellence for the
	benefit of the community
Strategy	3 Provide professional leadership and advice to assist Council.

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Council Policy

The Standards for CEO Recruitment, Performance and Termination sets out the process which must be followed for the recruitment of a local government Chief Executive Officer.

Financial Implications

Current Financial Year

Funds are available in the 2024/2025 Annual Budget for expenditure associated with the services to be provided by the appointed external independent selection panel member for the recruitment of a Chief Executive Officer.

Future Financial Year(s)

Nil

Legislative Implications

Local Government Act 1995

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

Risk Management

Risk has been assessed against the Shire of Ashburton Risk Management Framework.

Theme	Risk	Likelihood	Consequence	Inherent Risk Rating	Risk Treatment
	Non-compliance with the provisions contained within the Act and Regulations.	Possible (3)	Moderate (3)	Moderate (5- 9)	Select and appoint a suitable external, independent panel member in line with regulations.

Based on the inherent risk rating and risk treatments, the residual risk to the Shire is considered to be low.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That with respect to the Chief Executive Officer Recruitment - Appointment of an External Independent Panel Member, the Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee recommends that Council, appoints ______ as the external independent member on the selection panel for the recruitment of a Chief Executive Officer for the Shire of Ashburton.

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7 New Business Of An Urgent Nature Introduced By Council Decision

8 Confidential Agenda Items

9 Next Meeting

The next Chief Executive Officer's Recruitment and Performance Review Committee will be held at 9.30am on 19 November 2024, in Council Chambers at the Onslow Shire Complex, Second Avenue, Onslow.

10 Closure Of Meeting

There being no further business, the Presiding Member closed the meeting at enter time.