

**Mayor:** Cr K Milne

**Councillors:** P Allsop  
R Byrnes  
C Cherry (Deputy Mayor)  
R Cooper  
J Owen  
W Polglase

# Late Agenda

**Ordinary Council Meeting  
Thursday 25 October 2018**

held at  
**Council Chambers, Murwillumbah Civic & Cultural Centre,  
Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah**  
commencing at 5.30pm

# Principles for Local Government

The object of the principles for Tweed Shire Council, as set out in Section 8 of the Local Government Amendment (Governance and Planning) Bill 2016, is to provide guidance to enable council to carry out its functions in a way that facilitates a local community that is strong, healthy and prosperous.

## Guiding Principles for Tweed Shire Council

### (1) Exercise of functions generally

The following general principles apply to the exercise of functions by Tweed Shire Council:

- (a) Provide strong and effective representation, leadership, planning and decision-making.
- (b) Carry out functions in a way that provides the best possible value for residents and ratepayers.
- (c) Plan strategically, using the integrated planning and reporting framework, for the provision of effective and efficient services and regulation to meet the diverse needs of the local community.
- (d) Apply the integrated planning and reporting framework in carrying out their functions so as to achieve desired outcomes and continuous improvements.
- (e) Work co-operatively with other councils and the State government to achieve desired outcomes for the local community.
- (f) Manage lands and other assets so that current and future local community needs can be met in an affordable way.
- (g) Work with others to secure appropriate services for local community needs.
- (h) Act fairly, ethically and without bias in the interests of the local community.
- (i) Be responsible employers and provide a consultative and supportive working environment for staff.

### (2) Decision-making

The following principles apply to decision-making by Tweed Shire Council (subject to any other applicable law):

- (a) Recognise diverse local community needs and interests.
- (b) Consider social justice principles.
- (c) Consider the long term and cumulative effects of actions on future generations.
- (d) Consider the principles of ecologically sustainable development.
- (e) Decision-making should be transparent and decision-makers are to be accountable for decisions and omissions.

### (3) Community participation

Council should actively engage with the local community, through the use of the integrated planning and reporting framework and other measures.

## Items for Consideration of Council:

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## LATE ITEMS

### LATE REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE MANAGER PEOPLE, COMMUNICATION AND GOVERNANCE

52 LATE [PCG-CM] Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Report for year ended 30 June 2018

SUBMITTED BY: Corporate Governance

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Behind the scenes  
*Providing support to make it happen*

#### LINKAGE TO INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING FRAMEWORK:

- 4 Behind the scenes
- 4.1 Assurance
- 4.1.1 Governance - To provide assistance to Councillors and support for Council to operate within its legal framework.
- 4.1.2 Internal Audit - To provide oversight of Council's business activities, identify improvements and support compliance with legislation.

#### LINKAGE TO INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING FRAMEWORK:

ROLE: Collaborator

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#### SUMMARY OF REPORT:

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee is charged with the responsibility of preparing and presenting an annual report to Council on the Committee's activities of the past financial year.

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Annual Report should be considered in conjunction with the 2017/2018 Draft Statutory Financial Reports.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

**That Council receives and notes the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Annual Report highlighting its activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2018.**

**REPORT:**

As required under the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Charter, the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee has prepared an Annual Report on the Committee's activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2018. These activities include review of the 2017/2018 draft Statutory Financial Reports.

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Annual Report for the period ending 30 June 2018 is attached to this report for Council's consideration.

**OPTIONS:**

1. Receive and note the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Annual Report highlighting its activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2018.
2. Do not receive and note the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Annual Report highlighting its activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2018.

**CONCLUSION:**

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Annual Report is a report on the Committee's activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2018.

**COUNCIL IMPLICATIONS:**

**a. Policy:**

Audit Committee Charter v1.8

**b. Budget/Long Term Financial Plan:**

Not Applicable.

**c. Legal:**

Not Applicable.

**d. Communication/Engagement:**

**Inform** - We will keep you informed.

The Audit Committee Annual Report informs the community of Council's Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2018.

**UNDER SEPARATE COVER/FURTHER INFORMATION:**

Attachment 1. Annual Report of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee for the financial year ended 30 June 2018 (ECM5612894)

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