



REPORT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL 6 JULY 2020

PRESENT: Councillors J Diffey, V Etheridge, D Grant, A Jones, S Lawrence, G Mohr, J Ryan and B Shields

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The Chief Executive Officer and the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control.

Councillor B Shields assumed chairmanship of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 5.13pm.

It was noted by the Chair that Councillor A Jones was in attendance at this meeting via audio only, under the current COVID-19 Provisions.

CW20/12 CODE OF CONDUCT MATTER (ID20/740)

The Committee had before it a report dated 6 July 2020 from the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control regarding a Code of Conduct Matter.

Moved by Council J Ryan and seconded by Councillor S Lawrence

MOTION

The Committee recommends that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor S Lawrence

MOTION

- 1. That the Final Investigation Report into multiple Code of Conduct complaints received by Council from 27 February 2020 onwards from members of the public regarding an email sent by Councillor Kevin Parker on 17 January 2020 from his Bank of Queensland email account to a number of persons, be noted.**
- 2. That it be noted that the maximum penalty that Council can impose is Censure.**

3. That Councillor Parker be formally censured for breaches of the Code of Conduct at Clause 3.1 being:
"You must not conduct yourself in a manner that:
a) Is likely to bring the Council or other Council officials into disrepute; and
c) Is improper or unethical."
4. That, in light of Council not having the power to remove a Councillor from Office, the matter be referred to the Office of Local Government for further disciplinary action.
5. That the documents and considerations with regard to this matter remain confidential to the Council.

CARRIED

As one or more Councillors voted against the motion, in accordance with Clause 11.5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the following votes were recorded:

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Diffey	Councillor Jones
Councillor Etheridge	
Councillor Grant	
Councillor Lawrence	
Councillor Mohr	
Councillor Ryan	
Councillor Shields	
Total (7)	Total (1)

CW20/13 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Requests for Leave of Absence were received from Councillors D Gumley and K Parker who were absent from the meeting due to the personal reasons.

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor S Lawrence

MOTION

That such requests for Leave of Absence be accepted and Councillors D Gumley and K Parker be granted leave of absence from this meeting.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 5.28pm.

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CHAIRMAN