Terms of Reference – Standing and Special Committees

Effective Date:	10 April 2024	
Strategic Alignment:	Local Government Act 2009 Corporate Plan – High Performing Organisation	
Review Timeframe:	Every 2 years	

1. Establishment of committees

Logan City Council may, under clause 264 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, appoint, from its councillors, standing committees or special committees.

Clause 3.2 of the Local Government and Committee Meeting Code provides that, in resolving to appoint a committee, the local government must adopt a terms of reference for that committee. This document outlines the appointment by Logan City Council of its standing and special committees, including:

- (a) City Governance Committee
- (b) City Lifestyle Committee
- (c) City Infrastructure Committee
- (d) City Planning, Economic Development and Environment Committee
- (e) Special Budget Committee.

The terms of reference for each committee comprise this document, together with the outline of the purpose, objective and responsibilities of each of set out in Schedule 1.

2. Membership

Membership of each of the committees shall consist of:

- (a) the Mayor as required by section 12(4)(f) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, although it is acknowledged that the Mayor may have other responsibilities to attend to and may, without the grant of a leave of absence, not attend some meetings of the committees
- (b) the Deputy Mayor
- (c) all Councillors.

3. Chairperson

The Mayor is the chairperson of all meetings of Ordinary Council.

Each committee will elect, from its members, a Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson(s), as required by clause 3.2(d) of the Local Government and Committee Meeting Code.

4. Roles and responsibilities

Each of the committees will:

 receive and consider reports related to their focus areas, presented by the reporting directorates (b) make recommendations for consideration at Ordinary Council, by way of a report to the Ordinary Council meeting. In the case of the Special Budget Committee, their recommendations will be presented to an Special Ordinary Council meeting for adoption of the annual budget.

The Chairperson is the spokesperson for any committee related matters.

The Executive Leadership Team is responsible for the approval of reports for inclusion in the meeting agenda. Where necessary, they will liaise with the Mayor or Chairperson in relation to relevant matters.

The Governance branch is responsible for the preparation and distribution of the meeting agenda.

5. Supporting documents

This document should be read in conjunction with the following supporting documents:

- (a) Local Government Act 2009
- (b) Local Government Regulation 2012
- (c) Local Government and Committee Meeting Code
- (d) Council's policies and delegations relevant to meeting procedures.

6. Definitions

The following definitions apply to this Policy.

Term	Definition
Committee	All and any standing committee, special committee or advisory committee established by Council.
Executive Leadership Team	The Chief Executive Officer and the directors of each reporting directorate.
Meeting Code	The Local Government and Committee Meeting Code, as adopted by Council from time to time.
Ordinary Council	The formal decision-making authority for Council, consisting of the Mayor (who is the Chairperson), the Deputy Mayor and all Councillors.
Reporting directorate	The directorate aligned with each committee, as outlined in Schedule 1.

7. Document Control

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Schedule 1

	City Governance Committee	
Туре	Standing Committee, established in accordance with section 264 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.	
Corporate Plan	High performing organisation	
Focus Area	Maintaining current levels of service	
	Considers matters related to:	
	corporate planning	
	corporate governance, including conduct breach matters	
	• finance	
	• property	
Focus areas	legal services	
	information technology services	
	customer service and information	
	corporate communications, including media	
	people and culture	
	advocacy	
	Council has not, under section 257 of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> , delegated an ability to make decisions to this Committee. The Committee will:	
Decision	receive reports from the Chief Executive Officer and Directors	
making ability	consider the material in those reports	
	make recommendations to the next Ordinary Council meeting.	
	Office of the Chief Executive Officer	
Reporting	Organisational Services	
directorates	People and Engagement	
	Board of any Council-owned beneficial enterprises.	
Chairperson	Councillor Karen Murphy (as at 10 April 2024)	
Deputy	Councillor Paul Jackson (as at 10 April 2024)	
Chairpersons	Councillor Lisa Bradley (as at 10 April 2024)	

	City Lifestyle Committee	
Туре	Standing Committee, established in accordance with section 264 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> .	
Corporate Plan	Healthy connected community	
Focus Area	Proud City	
	Considers matters related to:	
	sport and community infrastructure	
	• parks	
	city safety and liveability	
Focus areas	library services	
	art galleries and creative industries	
	cultural services	
	community development	
	venues and events.	
	Council has not, under section 257 of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> , delegated an ability to make decisions to this Committee. The Committee will:	
Decision	receive reports from the Chief Executive Officer and Directors	
Making Ability	consider the material in those reports	
	make recommendations to the next Ordinary Council meeting.	
Reporting Directorates	Community and Lifestyle	
Chairperson	Councillor Tony Hall (as at 10 April 2024)	
Deputy Chairperson	Councillor Mindy Russell (as at 10 April 2024)	

	City Infrastructure Committee	
Туре	Standing Committee, established in accordance with section 264 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> .	
Corporate Plan	Infrastructure	
alignment	Healthy Connected Community	
	Considers matters related to:	
	road infrastructure	
	road planning and design	
Focus areas	asset management	
rocus areas	road construction and maintenance	
	disaster management	
	water and sewerage services	
	plant fleet.	
	Council has not, under section 257 of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> , delegated an ability to make decisions to this Committee. The Committee will:	
Decision	receive reports from the Chief Executive Officer and Directors	
Making Ability	consider the material in those reports	
	make recommendations to the next Ordinary Council meeting.	
Reporting Directorates	Transport and Water Services	
Chairperson	Councillor Scott Bannan (as at 10 April 2024)	
Deputy Chairperson	Councillor Nathan St Ledger (as at 10 April 2024)	

	City Planning, Economic Development and Environment Committee	
Туре	Standing Committee, established in accordance with section 264 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> .	
Corporate Plan alignment	Environment Economy and Growth Proud City	
Focus areas	Considers matters related to: development assessment and engineering building certification planning appeals land use and infrastructure planning and policy growth management economic development and strategy tourism environmental health and immunisation environmental management waste and recycling.	
Decision Making Ability	Council has not, under section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009, delegated an ability to make decisions to this Committee. The Committee will: • receive reports from the Chief Executive Officer and Directors • consider the material in those reports • make recommendations to the next Ordinary Council meeting.	
Reporting Directorates	Growth, Economy and Sustainability	
Chairperson	Councillor Miriam Stemp (as at 10 April 2024)	
Deputy Chairperson	Councillor Mindy Russell (as at 10 April 2024)	

	Special Budget Committee	
Туре	Special Committee, established in accordance with section 264 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> .	
Corporate Plan	High performing organisation	
alignment	Maintaining current levels of service	
Focus areas	Considers matters related to the preparation and adoption of Council's annual budget and operational plan.	
	Council has not, under section 257 of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> , delegated an ability to make decisions to this Committee. The Committee will:	
Decision	receive reports from the Chief Executive Officer and Directors	
Making Ability	consider the material in those reports	
	 make recommendations to Ordinary Council meeting for adoption of the annual budget. 	
Reporting	Office of the Chief Executive Officer	
Directorates	Organisational Services	
Chairperson	Councillor Karen Murphy (as at 10 April 2024)	
Deputy	Councillor Paul Jackson (as at 10 April 2024)	
Chairpersons	Councillor Lisa Bradley (as at 10 April 2024)	