



# **LATE ITEMS ORDINARY MEETING**

## **AGENDA**

**10 DECEMBER 2024**

*Your attendance is required at an Ordinary meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chambers, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton on 10 December 2024 commencing at 9:00 AM for transaction of the enclosed business.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "C. P.", is positioned above the printed name of the Chief Executive Officer.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
9 December 2024

Next Meeting Date: 21.01.25

**Please note:**

In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, please be advised that all discussion held during the meeting is recorded for the purpose of verifying the minutes. This will include any discussion involving a Councillor, staff member or a member of the public.

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## 12 NOTICES OF MOTION

### 12.4 NOTICE OF MOTION - MAYOR WILLIAMS - NEIL FISHER MEMORIAL WALK

File No: 8246, 394

Attachments: 1. [Notice of Motion - Mayor Williams](#)

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#### SUMMARY

*Mayor Williams has indicated his intention to move a Notice of Motion at the next Ordinary Council meeting scheduled for 10 December 2024 regarding the renaming of the walkway between the beginning of Pilbeam Drive, Frenchville and The Saddle, the "Neil Fisher Memorial Walk".*

#### COUNCILLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

1. Acknowledges the recent passing of Councillor Neil Fisher and his significant contribution to the Rockhampton Region across two decades in the local government sector;
2. Recognise his passion and commitment to improving Rockhampton's public spaces, in particular, Mount Archer and the Frenchmans Creek corridor;
3. Resolve to name the walkway between the beginning of Pilbeam Drive, Frenchville and the Saddle, the Neil Fisher Memorial Walk.

#### BACKGROUND

*Mayor Williams has indicated his intention to move the following Notice of Motion at the next Ordinary Council scheduled for Tuesday 10 December 2024:*

"I am writing regarding a proposal to commemorate the legacy and outstanding commitment of the late Deputy Mayor, Cr Neil Fisher within the Rockhampton Region.

As you will know, Cr Fisher was a tireless advocate for Rockhampton across his two decades of service in local government. He loved our region – it's people, businesses, and community groups.

He was a fearless advocate for our local public spaces, particularly who that gave people a chance to get out and enjoy the natural environment with friends and family.

He was also a tireless campaigner for greater investment in our region from other levels of government. I knew Cr Fisher for over twenty years, and I can attest that he was always coming up with new ideas and new projects, building support and momentum behind new initiatives and lobbying for the next big thing for Rocky.

In particular, I think it is important to recognise Cr Fisher's deep and lasting passion for Mount Archer and the Frenchmans Creek corridor. One of his lasting legacies will be the Mount Archer Activation Master Plan and the redevelopment of Mount Archer.

Neil was integral to securing the funding for this project and ensuring the enhancement of these areas. He loved to see friends and families using these spaces, whether it was for weddings, for picnics or simply a late Sunday afternoon stroll.

The development and beautification of Mount Archer and Frenchmans Creek Corridor would not have happened without his constant advocacy.

It is for this reason that I propose we formally recognise Cr Fisher's commitment, his dedication, and his legacy by naming the walkway from the beginning of Pilbeam Drive through to the Saddle, the *Neil Fisher Memorial Walk*.

I believe that this both recognises his legacy and his commitment to our region whilst paying proper respect to the areas and issues he cared most about.

I hope that through this gesture we can remember Neil, the work he did; and most importantly, his love of Rockhampton and our region."

**NOTICE OF MOTION - MAYOR  
WILLIAMS - NEIL FISHER MEMORIAL  
WALK**

**Notice of Motion - Mayor Williams**

**Meeting Date: 10 December 2024**

**Attachment No: 1**



OFFICE OF  
THE MAYOR

MAYOR TONY WILLIAMS

ROCKHAMPTON REGIONAL COUNCIL

Evan Pardon  
Chief Executive Officer  
Rockhampton Regional Council  
232 Bolsover Street  
Rockhampton, Qld 4700

Dear Chief Executive Officer,

I am writing regarding a proposal to commemorate the legacy and outstanding commitment of the late Deputy Mayor, Cr Neil Fisher within the Rockhampton Region.

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I therefore give notice of my intent to move the following Motion at the next Ordinary Council Meeting:

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Should you wish to discuss any of these matters further, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0407 579 995.

Yours faithfully,



Tony Williams  
Mayor  
Rockhampton Regional Council

4 / 12 / 2024



## 15 CLOSED SESSION

### RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council move into Closed Session pursuant to section 254J(1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, for the reasons indicated.

#### **16.3 Tender 16139 - Management and Operation of Gracemere Pool**

In accordance with section 254J(3)(g) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

## 16 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

### 16.3 TENDER 16139 - MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF GRACEMERE POOL

**File No:** 16139

**Attachments:** Nil

**Authorising Officer:** John Webb - Acting General Manager Community Services  
Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

**Author:** Emma-Jane Dwyer - Manager Community Assets and Facilities  
Kellie Roberts - Coordinator Property and Insurance

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#### SUMMARY

*The purpose of this report is to provide Council an update on Tender 16139 – Management and Operation of Gracemere Pool.*