

MEDIA RELEASE

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Council on track with Ministerial Directions

Council has provided its first report on the implementation of the Ministerial Directions to the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

Last night's Special Council meeting approved the implementation report which details that the Council is on track to meet all of the Minister's Directions. Specifically the Council has:

- Appointed mediators (Direction 1, 2);
- Councillors have commenced training on their roles and functions (Direction 2)
- Discontinued the Council Portfolio system (Direction 4);
- Transferred Portfolio responsibilities to current special committees of council (Direction 5);
- Reviewed the processes around the implementation of information to councillors and the Mayor (Direction 6b);
- Established a General Manager Performance Review Committee (Direction 6c);
- Developed a process for reviewing and monitoring of all human resource policies (Direction 6d);
- Ensured that it is providing a supportive environment for staff to come forward with workplace issues and concerns (Direction 6e);
- Made corporate credit card statements for the past four years publicly available (Direction 6f);
- Amended the Audit Panel Charter (Direction 6g); and
- Developed a transparent process for review and communication of progress of issues raised with Council (Direction 6h).

Council is well on track to meeting all of the Ministerial Directions. The Council is absolutely committed to carrying out these directions to ensure that Council continues to represent the community into the future.

