

# agenda

## Ordinary Meeting of Council Addendum

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOONDALUP WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP

**ON** **TUESDAY 28 JULY 2026**

**COMMENCING AT** **6.30pm**

**CRAIG LLOYD**  
Chief Executive Officer  
24 July 2026

### **Acknowledgement of Traditional Custodians**

The City of Joondalup acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation, and recognises the culture of the Noongar people and the unique contribution they make to the Joondalup region and Australia. The City of Joondalup pays its respects to their Elders past and present and extends that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

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## **16 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

### **16.3 NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 3 – CR MATTHEW COUNT - NATIONAL CLIMATE ADAPTATION FUNDING AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR AUSTRALIAN CITIES**

In accordance with Clause 4.6 of the *City of Joondalup Meeting Procedures Local Law 2013*, Cr Count has given notice of his intention to move the following Motion at the Council meeting to be held on 28 July 2026:

**That Council:**

- 1 NOTES that Motion 92 of the 2026 Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly called on the Australian Government to establish a Parliamentary Inquiry into the adequacy of the 2025 National Adaptation Plan; create a National Climate Compensation Fund with a dedicated funding stream for local governments; and introduce a Climate Pollution Levy on coal, oil and gas corporations.**
- 2 ENDORSES the submission of the following motion to the 2026 Western Australian Local Government Association Annual General Meeting:**  
  
***“That WALGA:***
  - a ENDORSE Motion 92 of the 2026 Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly;***
  - b ADOPT Motion 92 as part of WALGA’s Federal advocacy program; and***
  - c Actively ADVOCATE, in partnership with the Australian Local Government Association, for the establishment of a National Climate Compensation Fund with a dedicated funding stream for local governments to fund disaster recovery, infrastructure repair and community resilience related to climate change impacts; and introduce a Climate Pollution Levy on coal, oil and gas corporations.”***
- 3 REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer submit the above Member Motion, together with any supporting information required by WALGA, before the submission deadline of 5:00pm on Thursday 30 July 2026.**
- 4 AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to make any minor administrative or editorial amendments required to comply with WALGA’s Member Motion submission requirements, provided the intent of the motion is not altered.**

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## REASON FOR MOTION

Australian local governments are increasingly responsible for planning, adapting and responding to the impacts of climate change, including more frequent and severe storms, bushfires, flooding, coastal erosion and extreme heat. These responsibilities place growing financial pressure on councils, while existing local government revenue sources remain limited.

The 2026 Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly adopted a resolution calling for the Australian Government to establish a Parliamentary Inquiry into the adequacy of the 2025 National Adaptation Plan, develop a National Climate Compensation Fund with a dedicated funding stream for local governments, and identify sustainable funding mechanisms to support that fund.

The City of Joondalup has a significant and growing portfolio of public infrastructure, parks, and especially coastal assets that will require ongoing investment to improve resilience to climate-related impacts. Securing dedicated long-term funding for local government adaptation and resilience is therefore of direct relevance to the City and its residents.

This motion seeks Council's support for the submission of a Member Motion to the 2026 WALGA Annual General Meeting so that WALGA may discuss, adopt and actively advocate for the implementation of the resolution passed by the Australian Local Government Association.

## OFFICER'S COMMENT

The City partially supports this motion and is supportive of advocating to Federal Government for a National Climate Compensation Fund however does not support prescribing how the funding would be acquired.

The 2026 National General Assembly [Discussion Paper](#) states the following regarding emergency management:

*More frequent disasters will further strain emergency services and disaster response and recovery efforts at all levels of government. Natural disasters currently cost Australia \$38 billion per year in direct physical damage, economic disruption, and social impacts, affecting millions of people. This figure is forecast to rise to approximately \$73 billion by 2060.*

*Councils are crucial in supporting their communities during and after disasters, but do not have enough funding to carry out these functions. They are already stretched thin, with many councils facing financial instability, and the increasing frequency of disasters has a cumulative financial impact.*

*Investing more in disaster prevention and resilience, as well as boosting local government emergency management response funding, will save money in the long run and better protect lives, homes, and businesses. Every dollar spent on reducing the impact of climate-related disasters saves the government up to \$8 in the long term.*

*ALGA is asking for \$900 million per year to help councils improve their disaster response and resilience. They also want the Commonwealth to fully implement the recommendations from the Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements and other major reviews, including the Independent Review of National Natural Disaster Governance Arrangements (the Glasser Review) and the Independent Review of Commonwealth Disaster Funding (the Colvin Review).*

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The *Local Government Act 1995* (Part 3 section 3.1(1A) General Function states that the general function of a local government must be performed having regard to the following:

- 1 to promote the economic, social and environmental sustainability of the district; and
- 2 to plan for, and to plan for mitigating, risks associated with climate change; and
- 3 in making decisions, to consider potential long-term consequences and impacts on future generations.

The City's *Climate Change Plan 2025-2035* was endorsed by Council on 24 June 2025 (CJ159-06/25 refers) and provides direction for the City's climate change mitigation and adaptation activities and has both a corporate and community focus. The plan contains a Strategic Partnerships and Advocacy project which includes the City advocating to government agencies and key stakeholders to support both corporate and community climate mitigation and adaptation initiatives through providing funding, monitoring and reporting of emissions and providing relevant data.

At the Council meeting on 21 April 2026 (CJ086-04/26 refers), Council endorsed the following submission as an amendment to the Western Australian Local Government Association's draft Climate Change Advocacy Position:

- 1 Local Government is responsible to plan for, and to plan for mitigating, risks associated with climate change.
- 2 WALGA calls on the Australian and Western Australian Governments to:
  - a Provide the necessary climate leadership, regulatory and policy framework, coordination and action to ensure an orderly, equitable and collaborative transition to plan for, and to plan for mitigating, risks associated with climate change;
  - b Provide dedicated funding, guidance, data and practical support to assist Local Governments and their communities to plan for, and to plan for mitigating, risks associated with climate change.

At the WALGA State Council meeting on 1 July 2026, it was endorsed that State Council replace the Climate Change Policy Statement and Advocacy Position 4.1 with a new Climate Change Advocacy Position ([RESOLUTION 034.3/2026](#)) as follows:

- 1 Local Government acknowledges the risks associated with, and is committed to addressing climate change to meet the needs of their communities.
- 2 WALGA calls on the Australian and Western Australian Governments to:
  - a Provide the necessary climate leadership, coordination and action to ensure an orderly transition to achieve emission reduction targets and address the impacts of climate change.
  - b Ensure that Local Government has the funding, guidance and practical support required to meet increasing risk and expanded legislative requirements to plan for, mitigate and adapt to climate impacts.

The City has received funding from the Federal Government Disaster Ready Fund for disaster resilience and risk reduction including a bushfire risk reduction project and a coastal hazard management program. It is noted that the Disaster Ready Fund runs over a five-year period from 1 July 2023 to 1 July 2028.

The Australian Government is currently engaging with states, territories and local government on the proposed [Disaster Recovery Funding Framework](#) which is intended to replace the current Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements. The proposed framework represents a significant reform to disaster recovery funding, with implications for the way Local Governments access and receive financial assistance following natural disasters.

The City is supportive of advocating for additional funding from Federal Government for climate mitigation and adaptation, however, does not have a position on prescribing how funding is acquired.