Mornington Peninsula Shire

MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 7 OCTOBER 2026

5:00 PM

ONLINE ZOOM MEETING

MORNINGTON PENINSULA SHIRE COUNCIL

WARDS AND COUNCILLORS

Beek Beek	**Cr Kate Roper**
Benbenjie	**Cr Max Patton**
Briars	**Vacant**
Brokil	**Cr Patrick Binyon**
Coolart	**Cr David Gill**
Kackeraboite	**Cr Stephen Batty**
Moorooduc	**Cr Bruce Ranken**
Nepean	**Cr Andrea Allen**
Tanti	**Cr Paul Pingiaro**
Tootgarook	**Cr Cam Williams**
Warringine	**Cr Michael Stephens**

EXECUTIVE TEAM

Mr Mark Stoermer	**Chief Executive Officer**
Ms Cheryl Casey	**Director – Communities**
Mr Andrew Pomeroy	**Director – Planning and Liveability**
Mr Davey Smith	**Director – Assets and Infrastructure**
Ms Kelly Gillies	**Chief of Staff**

OBSERVERS

Prue Digby	**Municipal Monitor**
Rebecca McKenzie	**Municipal Monitor**

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1 OPENING AND WELCOME

Meeting opened at 5.01pm

Appointed Chairperson – Mayor, Cr Stephen Batty

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

(Read by Cr Patton)

Mornington Peninsula Shire acknowledges the Bunurong people, who have been the custodians of this land for many thousands of years; and pays respect to their elders past and present. We acknowledge that the land on which we meet is the place of age-old ceremonies, celebrations, initiation and renewal; and that the Bunurong peoples' living culture continues to have a unique role in the life of this region.

2 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Present

Mayor, Cr Stephen Batty (Chairperson)
Cr Patrick Binyon
Cr David Gill
Cr Max Patton
Deputy Mayor, Cr Paul Pingiaro
Cr Bruce Ranken
Cr Kate Roper
Cr Michael Stephens
Cr Cam Williams

Mr Mark Stoermer, Chief Executive Officer

Ms Prue Digby, Municipal Monitor
Ms Rebecca McKenzie, Municipal Monitor

2.1 Apologies

Cr Andrea Allen

2.2 Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Pursuant to Sections 126 – 131 of the *Local Government Act 2020*

Nil.

3 MANAGEMENT REPORTS

OFFICE OF THE CEO

3.1 2025/2026 Annual Financial Report and Performance Statement

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Approves in principle the draft Financial Report (Attachment 1) and the draft Performance Statement (Attachment 2) for the year ended 30 June 2026 and authorises them to be forwarded to the Auditor-General.

2. Authorises Mayor, Councillor Stephen Batty and Deputy Mayor, Councillor Paul Pingiaro, to certify the Financial Statements and Performance Statement.

COUNCIL DECISION

Moved: **Cr Ranken**
Seconded: **Cr Pingiaro**

That the recommendation be adopted.

For: Cr Gill, Cr Stephens, Cr Williams, Cr Ranken, Cr Batty, Cr Binyon, Cr Patton, Cr Roper and Cr Pingiaro

Against: Nil

Carried Unanimously

4 MEETING CLOSE

As there was no further business, the meeting closed at 5.17pm

Confirmed this 27th day of October 2026

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Mayor, Cr Stephen Batty, Chairperson - Council