



City of
Melville

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
(SWEARING IN CEREMONY)

6:00pm Tuesday, 31 March 2026

Held in the Council Chambers, Melville Civic Centre,
10 Almondbury Road, Booragoon

The City of Melville acknowledges the Bibbulmun people as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which the City stands today and pays its respects to the Whadjuk people, and Elders past, present and future.

Minutes to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council

These minutes are hereby confirmed as true and accurate

Mayor Mair

Date



Vision

Vibrant, Sustainable, Inclusive Melville

Mission

To provide good governance and quality services for the City of Melville community.

Values

In everything we do, we seek to adhere to our values that guide our behaviour.

- **Excellence** - Striving for the best possible outcomes.
- **Participation** – Involving, collaborating and partnering.
- **Integrity** - Acting with honesty, openness and with good intent.
- **Caring** – Demonstrating empathy, kindness and genuine concern.

Our Approach

To put our customer at the centre of everything we do.



Social / Community	Environment	Built Environment	Economic	Governance
Healthy, Safe and Inclusive	Clean and Green	Sustainable and Connected Development	Vibrant and Prosperous	Good Governance and Leadership
Healthy, safe and inclusive communities with a sense of belonging and wellbeing.	A clean, green and sustainable City for current and future generations.	Sustainable, connected development and transport infrastructure across our City.	Economic prosperity and vibrant resilient communities and businesses.	Leadership and good governance for the benefit of the whole community.

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1 OFFICIAL OPENING

The Presiding Member welcomed those in attendance at the meeting, officially declared the meeting open at 6:01pm and invited Cr S Hong to read the Acknowledgement of Country and advised those present of the Disclaimer, the Affirmation of Civic Duty and Responsibility and the Audio Recording Advice.

At 6:02pm, Mr P Varelis entered the meeting.

2 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

In Attendance

K Mair

Mayor

Councillors

Cr M Woodall

Cr J Spanbroek

Cr G Panayotou

Cr N Robins

Cr S Hong

Cr D Lim

Cr K Wheatland

Cr M McGoldrick

Cr S Green

Cr C Yorke

Ward

Bull Creek - Leeming Ward

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Bicton - Attadale - Alfred Cove Ward

Bateman - Kardinya - Murdoch Ward

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Applecross - Mount Pleasant Ward

Palmyra - Melville - Willagee Ward

Palmyra - Melville - Willagee Ward

Central Ward

Central Ward

Officers

Ms G Bowman

Chief Executive Officer

Mr G Tuffin

Director Corporate Services

Ms M Pickering

Director Community Development

Mr J Coten

Director Environment & Infrastructure

Mr M Yildiz

Director Legal, Governance & Risk

Mr P Varelis (*from 6:02pm*)

Director Planning

Ms C Newman

Head of Governance

Ms M Smith Poulton

Lead Governance

Mr O Pugh

Governance Officer (Council Support)

At the commencement of the meeting:

Public Gallery 5

Apologies

Nil.

On Approved Leave of Absence

Cr G Barber Bicton - Attadale - Alfred Cove Ward

Cr C Ross Applecross - Mount Pleasant Ward

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3 DECLARATIONS OF OFFICE

3.1 Declaration of Office - Councillor

At 6:03pm, the Presiding Member invited Councillor-Elect M McGoldrick forward to take the Declaration of Office in accordance with section 2.29 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, and to be sworn in as Elected Member of the City of Melville for the Palmyra - Melville - Willagee Ward.

At 6:03pm, Ms G Bowman, Chief Executive Officer, formally introduced Cr M McGoldrick to the Council.

At 6:05pm, Cr M McGoldrick read and signed the Declaration of Office.

4 COUNCIL PRAYER

At 6:06pm, following the Declaration of Office, Cr N Robins was invited to read the Council Prayer for the City of Melville:

“O Lord God, the Father of Light, from Whom comes every good and perfect gift; we ask You to give to Your servants who bear office in this City, the spirit of prudence, justice and charity and the foresight to anticipate its future growth, that we may faithfully serve the people committed to our change and to You be all blessing and glory forever. Amen.”

5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

At 6:07pm, the Presiding Member opened Public Question Time.

5.1 Questions Received with Notice

Nil.

5.2 Questions Received at the Meeting

Nil.

At 6:07pm, the Presiding Member closed Public Question Time.

6 REPORTS

Nil.

7 CLOSURE

There being no further business to discuss, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 6:07pm.

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