



WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

SEPTEMBER 2017

The first meeting of council was held on Monday 18th September. As it was a new council the meeting was chaired by the CEO Mark Sidey. The Chair confirmed that the results of the Local Government Elections meant that the following had been elected to Council: -

Councillor Michael Vaughan
Councillor Trish McIntyre
Councillor Shenagh Gamble
Councillor Peter Clee
Councillor Neil White

Nominations were called for the position of **President of Wagait Shire Council**. Councillor Peter Clee was nominated unopposed to be President of Wagait Shire Council.

Nominations were called for the position of **Vice-President of Wagait Shire Council**. Cr Trish McIntyre was elected unopposed as Vice-President of Wagait Shire Council.

Dog Issues are still with us. Following a complaint by a resident to the NT police a number of dogs have been seized

Council was concerned as to why it is taking so long for the Dog By-Laws. Council has been advised that drafting of these by-laws is with parliamentary counsel

A new box culvert has been installed at the Cloppenburg Park access.

The Sport & Recreation Officer resigned effective 23rd August 2017. The position was advertised in the NT News and on the Council website and noticeboard. The position has now closed and applications are being assessed.

Council congratulated **Luca Chase** who was recently awarded the 2017 Young Territory Author Award for her book "The Ghost Ship".

Turtle Nesting – Turtles are nesting along the beaches on Wagait Beach. Residents are asked to be careful and stay low towards the Low tide line mark.

Road Verges – Concern has been expressed about the planting of trees on the Road Verges. The road verge is council property and should not be utilised or modified by owners without council authority. This includes planting trees or modifying access (eg culverts). All action to be held over until the policy has been reviewed at the October meeting.

Power Outages – Concerns from residents has been raised about the power outages on 28 September (6.30pm to 7.30pm) and 5 October (5.30pm – 7.30pm). CEO Mark Sidey contact Power Water who advised that these times can not be changed.

UPCOMING EVENTS

20 September 2017 – Emergency Recovery Committee Meeting
5 and 6 October – Leadership Local Government Symposium
17 October – Audit Committee Meeting.
17 October – Ordinary Council Meeting