



SHIRE OF JERRAMUNGUP

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS

Held at the Town Hall,
Bremer Bay
Tuesday, 10 February 2026

MINUTES

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS MINUTES

1.0 DECLARATION OF OPENING, ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The meeting was opened at 6.02pm by the Presiding Member.

I would like to begin today by acknowledging the Goreng people who are the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, and the Shire of Jerramungup would like to pay their respects to their Elders both past and present.

2.0 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

2.1 ATTENDANCE

ELECTED MEMBERS:

Cr Nathan Brown	Shire President (Chair)
Cr Paul Barrett	Deputy Shire President
Cr Neil Foreman	Councillor
Cr Naomi Hall	Councillor

STAFF:

Martin Cuthbert	Chief Executive Officer
Richard Hindley	Manager of Development
Patrick Steinbacher	Manager of Works
Glenda Forbes	Executive Administration Officer

VISITORS:

Nil.

GALLERY:

Melissa Barrett
Peter Tozer
Corinna Hobbs
Nathan McQuoid
Darcy Roberts

2.2 APOLOGIES

Cr Raegan Zacher

2.3 ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Annual General Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Jerramungup held on 5 February 2025.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Jerramungup held at the Council Chamber, Jerramungup, on 5 February 2025 be CONFIRMED.

MOVED: Cr Foreman

SECONDED: Cr Hall

That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Jerramungup held at the Council Chamber, Jerramungup, on 5 February 2025 be CONFIRMED.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.0 PRESENTATION OF THE 2024/2025 ANNUAL REPORT

The 2024/2025 Annual Report is provided under separate cover.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That the Annual Report for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 as presented, be received.

MOVED: Cr Barrett

SECONDED: Cr Foreman

That the Annual Report for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 as presented, be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Michael Lance - 15 Short Beach Road, Bremer Bay

What is the current availability of industrial and commercial blocks of land for sale in the Bremer Bay townsite (not including private sales). If there are none available when will the Jerramungup Shire / State Government have some for sale to the general public?

Officer Response:

Chief Executive Officer, Martin Cuthbert, advised that there are currently no industrial blocks of land for sale in the Bremer Bay Townsite.

The Shire of Jerramungup will not have land for sale as they do not own any land to sell in Bremer Bay.

The Town Centre commercial land is owned by the State Government and that can be applied for by submitting a Crown Land Enquiry request through the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage.

The land is currently held as a Crown Land Reserve with a Management Order in favour of the Shire of Jerramungup. As shown at the November 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting, if somebody makes application to the State the Council is required to relinquish its interest in the land and agree to surrender the Management Order over the portion of land requested.

This is a lengthy process with the State Government, generally taking around two years.

Darcy Roberts - Bremer Bay Men's Shed Inc

An email was sent from the Bremer Bay Men's Shed Inc on the 24th February 2025 (cc to Shelley Payne MLC, Esperance). We received a reply next day from Shelley Payne, and still nothing from the Shire. Why?

Officer Response:

Chief Executive Officer, Martin Cuthbert, clarified the Shire's actions in response to the correspondence sent by the Bremer Bay Community Men's Shed Inc on 24 February 2025.

That letter did not require a formal written response from the administration, but rather requested engagement and discussion. As such, a Shire Councillor contacted members of the Men's Shed, met with them as requested, attended the meeting held on 14 March 2025, and subsequently worked with members to assist in developing a member survey. This engagement was intended to directly address the matters raised and to support the Men's Shed in determining its needs.

Accordingly, the Shire considered the matters raised in the letter to have been responded to through action rather than written correspondence. This does not negate or diminish the Shire's actions, nor does it indicate that the matter was overlooked or ignored.

The Shire considers that it has acted appropriately and in good faith, remains committed to continuing constructive discussions with the Men's Shed and welcomes ongoing engagement regarding future options.

Corinna Hobbs - 1 Hakea Place, Bremer Bay

Question 1 – Emma Street Footpath

Mrs Hobbs asked whether the footpath could be connected where there is a gap on Emma Street, Bremer Bay.

Officer Response:

This will be considered during the review of the Footpath Plan.

Question 2 – Rock Cairn

Mrs Hobbs asked whether a meeting could be arranged to look at improving the rock cairn and the access road. There is funding available from community groups. The Dawn Service at the rock cairn attracts 300 people.

Officer Response:

A meeting will be arranged between the Manager of Development, Manager of Works and involved parties.

Darcy Roberts – 167 Ridgeway Drive, Bremer Bay

Referring to the question by Mick Lance about commercial land in Bremer Bay, I have been here 15 years and this has been the status quo. Surely we can see some action.

Officer Response:

Noted.

6.0 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Presiding Member closed the meeting at 6.17pm

<p>These minutes were confirmed at a meeting held</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Signed:</p> <p>Presiding Person at the meeting at which these minutes were confirmed</p> <p>Date:</p>
