

AGENDA.

Special Council Meeting

16 June 2026

Notice of Meeting

Mayor and Councillors

The next Special Council Meeting of the City of South Perth Council will be held on Tuesday 16 June 2026 in the City of South Perth Council Chamber, corner Sandgate Street and South Terrace, South Perth commencing at 6.00pm.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider a report requesting an extension of the Local Government Monitor.



ANITA AMPRIMO
ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

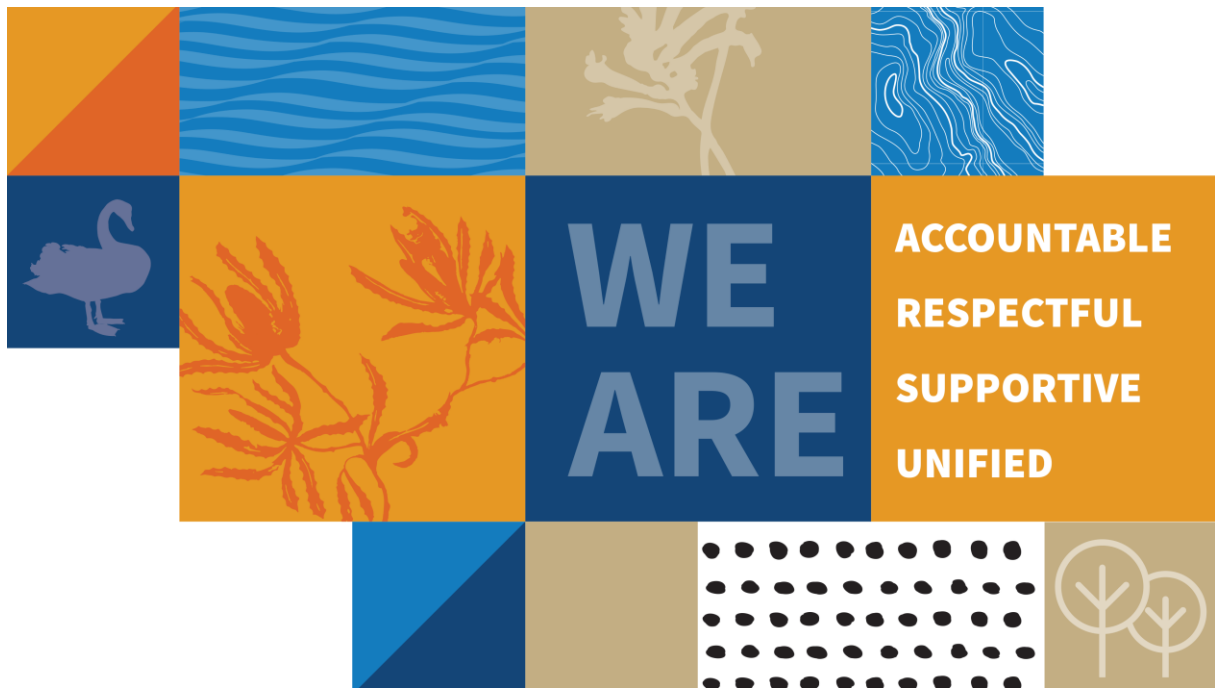
11 June 2026

Acknowledgement of Country

Kaartdjinin Nidja Nyungar Whadjuk Boodjar Koora Nidja Djining Noonakoort kaartdijin wangkiny, maam, gnarnk and boordier Nidja Whadjuk kura kura.

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the traditional custodians of this land, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation and their Elders past and present.

Our Guiding Values



Disclaimer

Members of the public are cautioned against taking any action as a result of a Council decision until such time as they have seen a copy of the Minutes or been advised, in writing, by the Council's Administration with regard to any particular decision.

Contents

- 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING 4
- 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDING MEMBER 4
- 3. ATTENDANCE 4
 - 3.1 APOLOGIES 4
 - 3.2 APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE 4
- 4. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS 4
- 5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME 4
- 6. DEPUTATIONS 4
- 7. REPORTS 5
 - 7.0 STRATEGIC DIRECTION 4: LEADERSHIP 5
 - 7.0.1 Local Government Inspector - Request for Extension of the Local Government Monitor 5
- 8. CLOSURE 8



Special Council Meeting - Agenda

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING
2. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDING MEMBER
3. ATTENDANCE

- 3.1 APOLOGIES

- 3.2 APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

4. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with Regulation 7 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* all questions asked at this meeting must relate to the purpose of the meeting.

6. DEPUTATIONS

7. REPORTS

7.0 STRATEGIC DIRECTION 4: LEADERSHIP

7.0.1 Local Government Inspector - Request for Extension of the Local Government Monitor

File Ref: D-26-11766

Reporting Officer(s): Anita Amprimo, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Summary

This report is in response to a Special Council Meeting called by Mayor Greg Milner to formally request the Local Government Inspector extends the term of the Local Government Monitor.

Officer Recommendation

That Council requests the Chief Executive Officer write to the Local Government Inspector requesting:

1. An extension of the term of appointment of the Local Government Monitor to the City of South Perth, to 17 August 2026 inclusive.
2. A modification to the Terms of Appointment for the Monitoring Assignment contained as **Attachment (a)**, to provide a revised date in which the Final Report to the Local Government Inspector is due and advise the City of South Perth accordingly.

Background

Local Government Inspector Tony Brown appointed Gail McGowan PSM as a local government monitor at the City of South Perth, commencing Wednesday 25 February 2026.

Ms McGowan was originally appointed for a term concluding on 29 April 2026, to observe Council and committee meetings including those held in closed session, inspecting documents and reviewing governance practices, in accordance with the Terms of Appointment for the Monitoring Assignment (contained as **Attachment (a)**). The Monitor's appointment was extended by the Local Government Inspector until 17 June 2026.

The following was provided by Mayor Greg Milner as to the purpose of the Special Council Meeting:

"The purpose of the meeting is for Council to formally request the Local Government Inspector Mr Tony Brown to extend the term of Ms Gail McGowan's appointment as Local Government Monitor."

Comment

The City acknowledges the role the Monitor has played in supporting relationships between Elected Members, and between Elected Members and the City.

7.0.1 Local Government Inspector - Request for Extension of the Local Government Monitor

It is also noted the scope of the Monitor's assignment includes *"e. the City's contemporary processes and practices in relation to monitoring, reviewing and eliminating worker health and safety risks and provision of safe systems, training and consultation in accordance with obligations of a PCBU as provided for under the Work Health and Safety Act 2020"*.

The City has commissioned a workplace psychosocial risk assessment, which is currently in progress with the final outcome of this assessment anticipated late July / early August. The results of this assessment will be made available to the Monitor and may be used in informing the Final Report, where it relates to the scope of the monitoring assignment.

In respect to the terms of the Monitoring Assignment, 1.3 requires:

"To provide a Final Report to the Local Government Inspector by Wednesday 29 April 2026 with respect to the conduct of the Monitoring Assignment as set out in Part 1 of the Terms of Appointment."

The Local Government Inspector wrote to the Mayor and Acting CEO on 29 April 2026 to advise that the Terms of the Appointment of Local Government Monitor Gail McGowan was being varied to extend the end date of the appointment to 17 June 2026.

It would be appropriate to request an amendment to Part 1, Clause 1.3 of the Monitoring Assignment, to require the Monitor's Final Report to the Local Government Inspector, to reflect the change in end date of the Monitor's term. This would allow any relevant information from the psychosocial risk assessment to be considered as part of that report.

Consultation

Nil.

Policy and Legislative Implications

Local Government Act 1995

"5.4. Calling council meetings

An ordinary or a special meeting of a council is to be held —

(a) if called for by either —

(i) the mayor or president; or

(ii) at least 1/3 of the councillors, in a notice to the CEO setting out the date and purpose of the proposed meeting; or

(b) if so decided by the council."

Part 8B — Local Government Inspector, adjudicators and authorised officers provide provisions related to the local government inspector.

Financial Implications

The cost of the Local Government Monitor is \$900 per day.

Key Risks and Considerations

Risk Event Outcome	<p>Financial Loss</p> <p>An adverse monetary impact on the City as a consequence of a risk event occurring. A grading is assigned to different levels of potential loss relative to the significance of the impact on the City's ongoing operations and its ability to deliver expected services.</p> <p>Reputational Damage</p> <p>Deals with adverse impact upon the professional reputation and integrity of the City and its representatives whether those persons be appointed or elected to represent the City. The outcome can range from a letter of complaint through to a sustained and co-ordinated representation against the City and or sustained adverse comment in the media.</p> <p>Legislative Breach</p> <p>Refers to failure to comply with statutory obligations in the manner in which the City, its officers and Elected Members conduct its business and make its decisions and determinations. This embraces the full gamut of legal, ethical and social obligations and responsibilities across all service areas and decision making bodies within the collective organisation.</p>
Risk rating	Medium
Mitigation and actions	The City will comply with any direction from the Local Government Inspector.

Strategic Implications

This matter relates to the following Strategic Direction identified within Council's [Strategic Community Plan 2021-2031](#):

Strategic Direction:	Leadership
Aspiration:	A local government that is receptive and proactive in meeting the needs of our community
Outcome:	4.3 Good governance
Strategy:	4.3.1 Foster effective governance with honesty and integrity and quality decision making to deliver community priorities

Attachments

7.0.1 (a):	Terms of Appointment - Local Government Monitor to The City Of South Perth Under Section 8B.39 of The Local Government Act 1995
-------------------	---

8. CLOSURE

