

Minutes of the 176th FNQROC Board Meeting

Meeting No	176
Meeting Name	FNQROC Ordinary Board Meeting
Date	5 March 2026
Time	10.30pm
Venue	Cairns Regional Council

REPRESENTATIVES

CHAIR	Cr Angela Toppin AM, Mayor	Mareeba Shire Council
	Cr Teresa Millwood, Mayor (<i>online</i>)	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
	Cr Lisa Scomazzon, Mayor (<i>online</i>)	Douglas Shire Council
	Cr Amy Eden, Mayor	Cairns Regional Council
	Cr Robyn Holmes, Mayor	Cook Shire Council
	Cr Trevor Pickering, Mayor (<i>online</i>)	Croydon Shire Council
	Cr Alister Gibson, Mayor	Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
	Cr Daryl Sexton, Mayor	Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council
	Cr Rod Marti, Mayor	Tablelands Regional Council
	Cr Mary Brown, Deputy Mayor (<i>online</i>)	Hinchinbrook Shire Council

CEO'S

Mr Brian Joiner, CEO	Cook Shire Council
Dr Nikola Stepanov, CEO	Tablelands Regional Council
Mr Scott Osman, CEO (<i>online</i>)	Douglas Shire Council
Mr Andrew Graffen, CEO (<i>online</i>)	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
Mr Michael Miller, CEO	Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council
Mr Peter O'May, CEO	Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
Mr Lew Rojahn, CEO	Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council

OBSERVERS

Cr Matthew Tickner	Division 2, Cairns Regional Council
Mr Benton Wecker	Lead, Intergovernmental Relations, LGAQ
Ms Lucy Abbott	Manager, Intergovernmental Relations, LGAQ
Emily Reid	Region Manager, Department of Local Government, Water and Volunteers

FNQROC STAFF

Ms Darlene Irvine	Chief Executive Officer
Ms Amanda Hancock	Regional Strategic Infrastructure Coordinator
Ms Liz Wakelin	Executive Support Officer
Ms Bhakti Devi	Regional Waste Management Plan Coordinator
Mr Travis Sydes	Regional Natural Asset Management and Sustainability Coordinator
Ms Maria Anselmo	Climate Resilience Coordinator
Ms Ieva Pradal	Regional Procurement Coordinator

3282. MEETING OPEN AND WELCOME

The meeting commenced at 10.33am.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the land on which we met and paid respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

The Chair acknowledged those areas impacted by flooding and expressed her concern and support for those affected.

It was noted that a Local Disaster Management Group Meeting (LDMG) was scheduled for 11am, and some participants would temporarily leave the meeting to attend.

3283. APOLOGIES

Cr Barry Hughes, Mayor	Etheridge Shire Council
Ms Jacqui Cresswell, CEO	Croydon Shire Council
Mr Peter Franks, CEO	Mareeba Shire Council
Cr Ramon Jayo, Mayor	Hinchinbrook Shire Council
Cr Bruce Gibson, Mayor	Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council

3284. BOARD PRESENTATIONS

3284.1 Presentation from Lainie Poon, CEO, RDA Tropical North

MS Poon gave an overview of the presentation which is included with the Minutes.

Key Points;

- TEDS provides a shared regional narrative and can be referenced in funding applications and investment proposals to strengthen regional positioning when seeking federal support.
- Several initiatives currently supporting regional development outcomes, including:
 - The Trade and Investment Group, which RDA co-chairs with Trade and Investment Queensland (TIQ), working to identify investment opportunities and strengthen engagement with the Indo-Pacific region.

- Support for regional engagement activities including State of the Region roadshows, which bring government agencies into the region and support evidence-based advocacy.
- Support provided to regional proponents through the Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program (rPPP) and the Growing Regions Program, assisting councils and organisations to align project proposals with program criteria and strengthen funding applications.
- Further federal investment announcements under these programs are expected shortly, and supporting councils to secure funding through these programs remains a priority for RDA.
- Regional Workforce Summit later in the year - will focus on workforce challenges across the region.
- RDA Tropical North and FNQROC working collaboratively strengthens the region's collective position when engaging with the Federal Government and supports consistent messaging across regional advocacy initiatives.
- RDA provides a range of resources and tools on its website, including data resources and a directory of project development service providers to support councils and regional stakeholders with grant applications, feasibility studies and business case development.

From the floor;

- Mayor Toppin noted the need for coherent messaging, strengthening advocacy efforts.
- Are there any changes to TEDS anticipated?
 - MS Poon noted there is an oversight committee which meets twice a year to address the document.
- Is it premature to have this presentation before the regional plan is launched?
 - Ms Irvine advised that they are not reliant on each other and have differing elements. We did however provided amendments to the document which did reflect what we submitted on the Draft FNQ Regional Plan in February 2025.
- How do member Councils make an amendment to the TEDS document?
 - Ms Irvine advised that these could come either through her or directly to RDA Tropical North.

10.55am - Cr Alister Gibson left the meeting
 10.55am - Mr Michael Miller left the meeting.
 10.58am - Cr Robyn Holmes left the meeting
 10.58am - Mr Brian Joiner left the meeting.

ACTION 3284.1 – FNQROC to share RDA 15-year celebration video link with the minutes.

3284.2 Professor Simon Biggs, Vice Chancellor and President, JCU

Professor Biggs provided an overview of recent developments in medical training and workforce initiatives across North Queensland.

Key points:

- Professor Biggs highlighted the opening of The Yienie Building in Cairns, noting that the facility is now operational and the first cohort of students undertaking medical training in Cairns has commenced. Some placements were transferred from the Townsville cohort, with the first cohort currently in their fourth year. Councils were advised that tours of the facility are available and can be organised upon request.
- Significant recent investment of approximately \$1 billion in the Cairns and Hinterland Hospital and Health Service was also noted. This investment aligns with collaboration between JCU, the hospital service, Health Infrastructure Queensland, and the Queensland Government to strengthen the healthcare and training base in Cairns and to raise service standards to levels comparable with Townsville.
- Engagement from councils across the region is encouraged to attract medical professionals and graduates to relocate to regional areas.
- Demand for medical training places remains extremely high. JCU currently offers 180 first-year places, which attract approximately 42,000 applicants. Allocation of places typically includes:
 - Approximately 50% from Far North Queensland
 - 25% from other regional areas
 - 25% from metropolitan areas

Students are selected through a process that assesses their commitment to practising in regional areas. The program continues to be reviewed to ensure strong regional outcomes.

- Federal Government is currently reviewing national healthcare workforce needs, particularly the shortage of medical professionals in regional and remote Australia. A recent federal program offering 80 new medical training places targeted at increasing the number of GPs in remote areas was unsuccessful for JCU, reportedly due to the Government seeking a completely new program elsewhere.

He emphasised that his responsibility is broader than just Cairns and Townsville, it includes Mackay and inland and encouraged the Board to maintain an open mind regarding regional collaboration, noting that success in securing additional places would benefit the entire region.

A second round of 50 places is anticipated, which needs to be totally new, they can't just be added to Cairns or Townsville. As a result JCU is exploring the potential to establish a new medical student cohort in Mackay focussed on primary care and GP and rural practice. Professor Biggs noted that where students complete years 1–3 doesn't matter. Don't get hung up on where the places are located, the objective is to get rural doctors.

- Professor Biggs advised the Federal government doesn't believe we are undersupplied in rural medical positions and when you look at the total numbers including SEQ this is true however those SEQ places rarely leave SEQ. He suggested that local government representatives encourage relevant State and Federal delegations to emphasise the importance of increasing regional medical training places in the regions.

- There is an imbalance between the number of training places available in Brisbane compared with regional areas. Evidence suggests that students trained in Brisbane are significantly less likely to work outside metropolitan areas.
- Professor Biggs also raised the Rural Health Multidisciplinary Training (RHMT) program and dentistry funding for rural dentistry did not go to JCU and they are the only rural dentistry trainer. That funding helps support sending dentists to rural areas.

The Chair thanked Professor Biggs for the presentation.

From the floor:

- It was asked why more places were not being provided for Australian residents.
 - Professor Biggs noted that nursing is the largest domestic degree program and that, unlike medicine, there is no national cap on the number of domestic nursing students.
- The question was raised regarding international students and workforce retention in regional areas.
 - Professor Biggs noted that there is no requirement within student visas for graduates to remain in regional areas following completion of their studies. While some international students remain and contribute to regional communities, many relocate to metropolitan areas shortly after graduating.
 - JCU currently has approximately 20–25 international medical students per year, however all clinical placements must be supported by Queensland Health due to supervision requirements.
- It was suggested that models similar to defence service commitments could potentially be explored to ensure graduates contribute service in return for education.
- The Board discussed the need for increased medical training placements in the region and expressed support for initiatives that expand opportunities through JCU rather than focusing solely on metropolitan training programs.

The Chair noted that the new building is amazing and encouraged councils to take a tour of the facility.

ACTION 3284.2 – JCU (Tianna) to provide further information on RHMT funding and briefing note.

11.15am - Cr Tickner left the meeting
 11.15am - Cr Amy Eden left the meeting
 11.19am – Cr Tickner re-entered the meeting
 11.20am – Mr Brian Joiner re-entered the meeting
 11.20am - Cr Robyn Holmes re-entered the meeting
 11.30am - Cr Amy Eden re-entered the meeting.

3284.3 Lucy Abbott, LGAQ, Lead Intergovernmental Relations (LGAQ)

Mayor Toppin provided her Policy Executive update:

- Aged care re definition of duty of Care of a responsible person – impact on councils and legal liability on elected members

- CEO Retention
- Water and Wastewater Infrastructure cliff

Next policy meeting is Friday 1st May. Please send any issues you would like raised to Mayor Toppin.

Ms Abbott spoke to the circulated LGAQ briefing report, which was taken as read.

Key points:

- Treasurer does want to talk about the Waste Levy and Roads etc
- Concerns regarding *Aged Care Act 2024* reforms, including potential liability for councils and elected members where councils operate aged care services. LGAQ continues to advocate for amendments to exclude local government from the definition of a responsible person.
- Child Safe Standards: Positive discussions held with the Minister, with further engagement planned with the Child Commission to pilot initiatives in councils.
- Budget Advocacy: LGAQ advocating for
 - increased TIDS funding to \$100m,
 - reinstate the timber bridges renewal program, and
 - a dedicated water and waste water program similar to the previous WASP to address the infrastructure funding gap.
- Local Government Bill being debated today, next week the Dept will provide summary of changes and impact on councils (includes Quarry).
- Sector Campaign: The Councils Are Your Every Day campaign is progressing well, with councils encouraged to participate. The Campaign focuses on awareness re core responsibility of councils and what councils do. LGAQ will share the video and are happy to make it relevant to each council on request.
- Update provided on Enviromon, with the Bureau of Meteorology extending the service until October. At this stage the replacement platform will not require an access charge but there may be a one-off council contribution – details are still changing.

From the floor:

- Concerns were raised regarding regulatory impacts on regional and First Nations communities, particularly the viability of locally delivered aged care services and child services for smaller councils. The consequence is that these requirements will eventually shut down these services because they can't afford it. Essentially you will destroy the services rather than enhance them.
- Minister Powell said the message has been received yet nothing is changing, when do we get more assertive?
 - LGAQ was asked to push harder on this issue, and
 - We need to start pushing our local state members as well.

11.44am – Cr Alister Gibson re-entered the meeting.

ACTION 3284.1 – LGAQ to send ‘Councils are your everyday campaign’ video.

3285. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED: Cr Amy Eden

SECONDED: Cr Robyn Holmes

That the Board:

Moves the minutes of the 175th FNQROC Board meeting held on Tuesday 2 December 2025 to be confirmed and adopted.

CARRIED

3286. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Action items from 2 December 2025 FNQROC Ordinary Board Meeting

Meeting	Action	Responsible person	
3255c	When the State and Federal sitting dates have been published for 2026, calendar invites are to be sent to Mayors ASAP for State delegation first half of 2026 and Federal delegation in August 2026.	Darlene CEO	Irvine,
Completed – invitations sent: State delegation 21-23 April 2026, Federal Delegation 10 – 13 August 2026			
3272	Mr Benton Wecker will follow up on the State Government directory link through the LGAQ website.	LGAQ	
Completed – LGAQ advised that there are no plans to reinstate the directory link due to IT security and cybersecurity requirements of Queensland departments and State Government’s public service directory (GovNet) is not regularly maintained. Recommendation to contact LGAQ for any contact information.			
3275	FNQROC to invite RDA TN to FNQROC Board Meeting to discuss review of TEDS, ongoing consultation with councils and what is their role/focus.	Darlene CEO	Irvine,
Completed – bring TEDs to the next FNQROC Board Meeting (?)			
3277.1	FNQROC CEO to clarify why housing as a term has been chosen over dwelling in our draft submission on the FNQ Regional Plan.	Darlene CEO	Irvine,

Completed – 4 th December – dwelling has been selected to be consistent with the Regulation			
3277.2	FNQROC CEO to formalise the draft Delegation Brief and share with the Board.	Darlene Irvine, CEO	
Completed			
3280	FNQROC to share AICD courses with the Board with those interested to contact Scott Osman – CEO Douglas Shire Council	Darlene Irvine, CEO	
Completed - 4 th December			

ACTION 3286.1 – Re Tropical Economic Development Strategy (TEDS) – the draft amended strategy presented to FNQROC at the December 2025 meeting be sent to members for any further comments to be included and the report and amended strategy to be reconsidered at our May 2026 meeting.

3287. BOARD REPORTS

3287.1 B119 – Budget and Operations Report

Ms Irvine provided an overview of the report.

From the floor:

- Cr Millwood asked for clarification about the two charges for RRTG works program.

ACTION 3287.1 – FNQROC CEO to provide detailed breakdown of 2.5% and 2.75% charges to Cassowary Coast Regional Council.

MOVED: Cr Rod Marti

SECONDED: Cr Daryl Sexton

That the Board adopts:

1. *Operational Plan 2026 - 2027*
2. *FNQROC Operational Budget with:*
 - a. *Member Council contribution for the 2026/2027 financial year being:*
 - a) *Cairns Regional Council - \$118,700*
 - b) *Cassowary Coast Regional Council - \$87,906*
 - c) *Cook Shire Council - \$52,114*
 - d) *Croydon Shire Council - \$20,738*
 - e) *Douglas Shire Council - \$63,659*
 - f) *Etheridge Shire Council - \$21,378*

- g) Hinchinbrook Shire Council - \$35,987
- h) Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council - \$21,834
- i) Mareeba Shire Council - \$78,964
- j) Tablelands Regional Council - \$84,042
- k) Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council - \$20,781
- l) Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council - \$24,083

- b. Regional Road and Transport contribution remaining at 2.75% of council funding received, and
- c. Croydon Shire Council, Etheridge Shire Council, Hinchinbrook Shire Council, Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council, Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council and Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council contribute 20% of any direct savings realised through their involvement in regional procurement activities, and
- d. Councils outside the FNQROC boundary contribute 30% of direct savings realised through their involvement in FNQROC procurement activities.

CARRIED

3287.2 B120 – Regional Road Investment Strategy

Ms Hancock gave an overview of the report.

Key Points:

- Ms Irvine noted that funding is being sought through the Statewide Capacity Development Fund (SCDF) - the program requires a 50% co-contribution, and \$75,000 is currently held in reserves to support the required contribution.
- The Chair expressed that in order to advocate for regional roads, a major update to the investment strategy is essential.

MOVED: Cr Rod Marti

SECONDED: Cr Alister Gibson

That:

1. *The Regional Road Investment Strategy is updated,*
2. *FNQROC contributes 50% of the costs up to a maximum of \$75,000 from reserves.*

CARRIED

3288. POLICIES FOR REVIEW

3288.1 Reviewed Policy No. 10 – Training

Ms Irvine provided an overview of the proposed training policy, noting that it has been developed in response to low attendance at previously organised training sessions for

council staff. The proposed approach is to call for Expressions of Interest (EOI) from councils, obtain a quote based on the level of interest, and then confirm participation.

It was noted that once a council registers for the training, it will be committed to the associated costs. While the registered participant may be substituted with another staff member if required, the commitment is necessary to ensure that the costs incurred by FNQROC in organising the training are covered.

MOVED: Cr Rod Marti

SECONDED: Cr Daryl Sexton

That the FNQROC Board moves to adopt the amended Policy No. 10 – Training.

CARRIED

3288.2 Administration Instruction – Vehicle Provided to FNQROC under lease from Cairns Regional Council

Ms Irvine gave an overview of the report.

Key points:

It was acknowledged that vehicles provided to FNQROC by Cairns Regional Council technically are required to adhere to Cairns Regional Councils Administration Instruction which is reflected in the proposed AI. The reason for this AI and the two differing is:

- Ensure the Board is aware of the policy they are funding
- Remove the internal line items for private use of vehicle costs and replace it with the costs paid by FNQROC to ensure any changes within Cairns Regional Council are automatically reflected, and
- To create a category that reflected the business needs of objectives of Categories 2, 3 and 4 to ensure FBT is not payable. This was required as a vehicle which does not attract FBT is not safe on the range and gravel loads with an empty tray. By removing commuter use it eliminates FBT being payable.

MOVED: Cr Alister Gibson

SECONDED: Cr Daryl Sexton

That the FNQROC Board;

1. *moves to rescind Policy No. 1 – Use of FNQROC Vehicle; and*
2. *moves to adopt Administration Instruction – Vehicle Provided to FNQROC under lease from Cairns Regional Council.*

CARRIED

3289. WEATHER UPDATE FROM LDMG

The Chair requested an update on the LDMG meeting held today during the meeting.

Cr Alister Gibson advised that the weather system is not forming as expected and the cyclone watch has been downgraded to 'severe weather'. Therefore, no further LDGM updates are scheduled.

3290. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Report Year to date

MOVED: Cr Teresa Millwood

SECONDED: Cr Trevor Pickering

That the Board:

Adopts the Profit and loss and Balance Sheet reports for the period 1 July 2025 to 17 February 2026.

CARRIED

3291. INFORMATION FOR THE BOARD

3291.1 FNQ Regional Plan Update

Ms Irvine advised that the State is currently working with councils on urban mapping submissions from the public. She further advised a regional planners meeting is scheduled 20 March and on the agenda is the FNQ, Cape and Gulf Regional Plans.

Ms Irvine also advised those in the Gulf and Cape Plans she is very happy to help on request, she is conscious not to step on any toes in those ROC areas.

3291.2 State Delegation

Ms Irvine provided an update on the State Delegation – letters of request have been issued and meetings are starting to be booked in. Published State Delegation documents were made available for the Board.

Ms Irvine advised that she is now working on the Federal Delegation.

The Chair thanked Ms Irvine for all her hard work putting together the delegation briefing.

3291.2 Incoming / Outgoing Correspondence

3291.1.1 Incoming

02/02/2026 – Letter from the Hon Kristy McBain MP – R&R SEZ

Ms Irvine noted that there has been a positive response from LNP on the R&R SEQ, with Hon Kristy Mc Bain reaching out to multiple Members in this letter.

3291.1.2 Outgoing

Nil

NOTED

3292 CEO REPORT

With no queries, the CEO report was taken as read.

NOTED

3293 FNQROC MEETINGS

3293.1 Minutes of FNQROC Advisory Committees

- **FNQROC Regional Roads and Transport Technical Committee #143 – 29 January 2026**
Minutes – [available on website](#)
Next Meeting – Friday 13 March 2026
- **FNQROC Regional Mountain Bike Steering Committee #5 – 13 February 2026**
Minutes – will be available on website
Next Meeting – Friday 26 June 2026
- **FNQROC Regional Waste Management Plan Technical Committee #6 – 12 December 2025**
Minutes – [available on website](#)
Next Meeting – Thursday 26 March 2026
- **FNQROC Animal Management Technical Committee #24 – 6 February 2026**
Minutes – [available on website](#)
Next Meeting – Friday 19 June 2026
- **FNQ Regional Water Alliance #45 – 20 February 2026**
Minutes – will be available on website
Next Meeting – Thursday 20 August 2026
- **FNQROC Climate Resilience Technical Committee #11 – 30 January 2026**
Minutes – [available on website](#)
Next Meeting – Friday 27 March 2026

NOTED

3293.2 Minutes of Confidential Meetings

- **FNQROC Bitumen Reseal Contract Meeting #3 – 9 December 2025 & 17 February 2026**
Minutes – *available on request*
Next Meeting – TBA
- **FNQROC Regional Collection and Beneficial Reuse of Biosolids – 5 February 2026**

Minutes – *available on request*

Next Meeting – TBA

- **FNQROC Regional Collection and Disposal of Ferrous Metal, non-Ferrous Metals and Used Lead Acid Batteries – Friday 6 February 2026**
Minutes – *available on request*
Next Meeting – TBA
- **FNQROC Bitumen Reseal Contract Meeting – 17 February 2026**
Minutes – *available on request*
Next Meeting – TBA
- **FNQROC Sewer Relining Contract Meeting – 18 February 2026**
Minutes – *available on request*
Next Meeting – TBA
- **FNQROC Regional Procurement Advisory Committee #49 – 20 February 2026**
Minutes – *available on request*
Next Meeting – Friday 15 May 2026

NOTED

3294 GENERAL BUSINESS

3294.1 Department of Housing Issues

Cr Teresa Millwood advised that correspondence had been sent to Minister Samuel O'Connor regarding concerns about the management and condition of social housing within Cassowary Coast. It was believed that the same issues were being experienced elsewhere in the region.

Members discussed a range of concerns regarding the current management of social housing by the Queensland Department of Housing and Public Works (DOH). It was noted that there had been limited feedback from the Department, and that many departmental staff had been centralised to Cairns.

From the floor:

- Other councils expressed similar issues, noting particular issues relating to animal management and the impact on local laws officers, including reports of officers being threatened when attending social housing properties.
- Concerns were also raised regarding the complexity of processes required to address tenancy issues and bring properties back to an acceptable standard.
- It was also noted that while the region is seeing an increased presence of agencies such as Queensland Department of Child Safety and Queensland Youth Justice (in some areas), there appears to be a lack of local presence from the Department of Housing. Concern was expressed about missed local employment opportunities and social impacts in communities where social housing is located close to schools, including incidents involving domestic violence and drug use. It was also noted that State owned social housing does not pay rates, yet some of these properties place a significant additional burden on council's resources in

responding to issues. Concerns were noted regarding the housing allocation processes – in particular, that working residents seeking housing may be overlooked, while larger properties are sometimes allocated to single occupants. It was suggested that housing systems should better recognise and reward responsible tenancy behaviour. Some member councils have been advised that the Department is currently prioritising only urgent and emergent matters. It was further noted that information has been shared from the DOH that there is no guarantee that existing maintenance work orders will be addressed in the upcoming State Budget. The Board discussed the possibility of seeking a response directly from the Minister or the Director-General, noting that local Members of Parliament have limited capacity to influence departmental operations.

ACTION 3294.1a – FNQROC CEO to invite Department of Housing Director General to the next FNQROC Board Meeting to discuss social housing concerns.

ACTION 3294.1b – Councils to provide a list of social housing addresses where issues are occurring to create a 'heat map' for our State delegation. (note these addresses will not be released).

12.20pm Cr Amy Eden re-entered the meeting

12.20pm Mr Brian Joiner left the meeting

- Members discussed their frustration with some State members going to the media with stories about council which has not be discussed with council to verify the accuracy.

12.25pm – Mr Brian Joiner re-entered the meeting.

- Members were advised that cameras on the Laura River Crossing will be operational from Friday 6 March 2026.
- Discussion took place regarding the importance of councils continuing to educate the community about cost shifting.
 - It was emphasised that we need to raise community awareness, noting that, once completed, many major projects ultimately become the ongoing responsibility of councils to maintain.
 - while community groups undertake valuable projects, these assets are often handed back to councils to maintain, which can create community perceptions that councils are being unreasonable when managing associated costs.
 - It was questioned how councils can better push back on the State, noting that while projects are well received by the community, the ongoing maintenance responsibility falls to councils.

3295 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 7 May 2026, 10.30am at Cairns Regional Council.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 12.37 pm.


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Cr Angela Toppin AM - FNQROC Chair

ATTACHMENT 1

Actions from Board Meeting held on 5 March 2026

Meeting	Action	Responsible person
3284.1	FNQROC to share RDA 15 year celebration video link with the minutes.	Ms Lainie Poon, RDA TN
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Link provided - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hXURuFgML5c 		
3284.2	JCU (Tiana) to provide further information on RHMT funding and briefing note	JCU
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided with Minutes 		
3284.3	LGAQ to send 'Councils are your everyday campaign' video.	LGAQ
3286.1	Re Tropical Economic Development Strategy (TEDS) – the draft amended strategy presented to FNQROC at the December 2025 meeting be sent to members for any further comments to be included and the report and amended strategy to be reconsidered at our May 2026 meeting.	Member Councils and CEO, FNQROC
3287.1	FNQROC CEO to provide detailed breakdown of 2.5% and 2.75% charges for RRTG endorsed works program to Cassowary Coast Regional Council.	CEO, FNQROC
3294.1a	FNQROC CEO to Invite Department of Housing Director General to the next FNQROC Board meeting to discuss social housing concerns.	CEO, FNQROC
3294.1b	Councils to provide a list of social housing addresses where issues are occurring to create a 'heat map' for our State delegation. (note these addresses will not be released).	Member Councils and CEO, FNQROC

