

Redland City Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting

14th September 2026

Held at Hogan's Wellington Point, Nautilus Room

MINUTES

Attendees

Aaron Weir, Adrian Reavley, Allie Geissler, Ally Bradbury, Ashley Scott, Acting Mayor and Cr Julie Talty, Cr Jason Colley, Cr Peter Mitchell, Cr Tracey Huges, Cr Wendy Boglary, Grace Tobin, Helen Hall, Janette Louey, Kannan Paulvannan, Maria Judith Guillergan, Michelle Meurs, Monique Morgan, Ross Snell, Sara, Stephen Gibson, Suzie Tafolo, Tina Nash, Tori van der Donk, Tracey Stirling.

Opening

Ian Chester-Master (MC) formally opened the AGM at 6:30pm.

Welcome

Given by Ian Chester-Master. Traditional acknowledgement conducted and housekeeping reminders given, including QR code for digital AGM Report access. Event was introduced and life members acknowledged; Brian Oldfield, Garry Hargrave, Greg Watson, Ian Neil, John Henry, Lynne Sturgess, Rebecca Young. Acknowledgements given to Acting Mayor Cr Julie Talty, Cr Jason Colley, Cr Peter Mitchell, Cr Tracey Huges (correct spelling, do we have it wrong in MSW?) and Cr Wendy Boglary.

Apologies

Ally Grantham, Amanda Stoker MP, Brian Oldfield, Cr Paul Bishop, Garry Hargrave, Greg Watson, Ian Neil, John Henry, Lynne Sturgess, Nicci Payouw, Rebecca Young MP.

Previous Minutes

Moved: Ross Snell

Seconded: Aaron Weir

That the Minutes of Annual General Meeting held 22nd September 2025 be accepted as true and correct. Carried.

President's Annual Report

Presented by Suzie Tafolo

Suzie highlighted that membership continued to grow, with 290 total members as of 1 July 2026, up 14.2% on the previous year, and 81 new members welcomed throughout the year. The Chamber held 16 events across the year with 1,438 attendees in total. The Redlands Business Excellence Awards remained the Chamber's biggest event, with 237 people attending, and Networking with the Queensland Government Cabinet attracted 124 attendees. Details were

given on the sponsorship and partnership support received during the year, with a particular thank you to businesses that backed the Chamber and the Awards.

Suzie updated on key initiatives and partnerships undertaken during the year, including the Eyes on the Street business watch initiative launched in partnership with the Queensland Police Service, the establishment of a Local Supplier List, work supporting local businesses to become "Olympic ready" ahead of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games, and the Chamber's continued delivery of the Regional Jobs Committee (RJC) contract, with particularly good outcomes in the Health and Construction focus areas. Suzie also spoke to the Chamber's continued policy advocacy and member engagement work, including workforce surveys and building relationships with multicultural businesses, and noted the completion of a Major Events Plan to help local businesses benefit from major events coming to the region.

Suzie closed by thanking the Executive Committee, staff, sponsors, subcommittee members and members for their contribution over the past year. (do we need to consult Suzie on anything missed that she wants included from her personal team tributes she spoke well of?)

Chamber Chairs also delivered updates:

Breakfast - presented by Adrian Reavley

RWIB - presented by Grace Tobin

Membership - presented by Aaron Weir

Awards - presented by Suzie Tafolo

Advocacy - presented by Suzie Tafolo

Moved: Tori van der Donk

Seconded: Aaron Weir

That the President's Report be accepted. Carried.

Treasurer's Annual Report

Presented by Michelle Meurs

Michelle presented the Treasurer's Report for the financial year ending 30 June 2026. Total income for the year was \$428,181.30, comprising membership dues (\$54,847.24), event income (\$48,750.17), sponsorship (\$75,993.92), funding received (\$194,801.51), interest income (\$3,412.46), RJC Management fee (\$11,250), Bendigo Bank donation (\$1,943.48), partnership income (\$37,000), name badges (\$36.36) and merchant fees reimbursed (\$146.20). Total expenses for the year amounted to \$428,204, resulting in a net loss of \$22.78 for the 2025/2026 financial year.

Our accounts remain in a healthy position. We have adequate funds to meet our current and ongoing obligations. As a committee we are confident that we are making well informed financial decisions to continue to see the Redlands Coast Chamber of Commerce thrive. This year's audit was completed by Allen Audit & Advisory, with the auditor satisfied that controls are operating effectively and that revenue and expenses are not materially misstated.

Michelle advised that she would be stepping down as Treasurer at the conclusion of the meeting.

Moved: Adrian Reavley

Seconded: Suzie Tafolo

That the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Carried.

Election of Committee Members

Members were advised that, having received at least one duly completed nomination for the roles of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Chamber at least fourteen days before the AGM, and having received no notice of withdrawal of those nominations prior to the AGM, no nominations for appointment to the Committee were taken from the floor of the meeting.

President

Aaron Weir (Azz Industries)

Moved: Tina Nash (Bathrooms 2NV)

Seconded: Steve McDonald (Connection Point Consulting)

That Aaron Weir elected President. Carried.

Vice Presidents (up to 3 positions available)

Ross Snell (McCarthy Durie Lawyers)

Moved: Tamara Francis (Shine)

Seconded: Wendy Harper (Nurse Next Door Brisbane)

That Ross Snell be elected Vice President. Carried.

Suzie Tafolo (Tafolo Realty)

Moved: Vijay Bhatoa (*Barcella Restaurant*)

Seconded: Tony Evans (*Sanitair Redlands*)

That Suzie Tafolo be elected Vice President. Carried.

Tina Nash (Bathrooms 2NV)

Moved: Barry Clare (*AllPro Pest Control*)

Seconded: Gareth Howell (*Cariad Health Counselling*)

That Tina Nash be elected Vice President. Carried.

Secretary

Tracey Stirling (Legacy Estate and Elder Law)

Moved: Hannah Hanafi (*Medibank*)

Seconded: Rebecca Fitzgerald (*Positive Life Choices*)

That Tracey Stirling be elected Secretary. Carried.

Treasurer

Helen Hall (Redlands Accounting and Taxation)

Moved: Aaron Weir (Azz Industries)
Seconded: Martin Robson (Craft Brew House)
That Helen Hall be elected Treasurer. Carried.

General Committee (up to 6 positions available)

Adrian Reavley (*Express Print & Sign*)
Moved: Tina Nash (*Bathrooms 2NV*)
Seconded: Steve McDonald (*Connection Point Consulting*)
That Adrian Reavley be elected General Committee. Carried.

Grace Tobin (*Y Schools QLD*)
Moved: Scott McEwan (*Aussie Cleveland*)
Seconded: Heidi Mawer (*Enhance & Elevate Training Solutions*)
That Grace Tobin be elected General Committee. Carried.

Kannan Paulvannan (*Shoplocally*)
Moved: Suzie Tafolo (*Tafolo Realty*)
Seconded: Maria Judith Guillergan (*GBC Marketing Business Management Services*)
That Kannan Paulvannan be elected General Committee. Carried.

Michelle Meurs (*Michelle Meurs Accounting Services*)
Moved: Adrian Reavley (*Express Print & Sign*)
Seconded: Martin Robson (*Craft Brew House*)
That Michelle Meurs be elected General Committee. Carried.

Nicci Payouw (*Grand View Hotel*)
Moved: Alice Sudall (*Nurse Next Door Brisbane*)
Seconded: Cahlisha McIlgan (*Critters Pest Management*)
That Nicci Payouw be elected General Committee. Carried.

Steve McDonald (*Connection Point Consulting*)
Moved: Adrian Reavley (*Express Print & Sign*) Seconded: Vijay Bhatoa (*Barcella Restaurant*)
That Steve McDonald be elected General Committee. Carried.

Ian Chester-Master welcomed and congratulated the new 2026/2027 Committee.

Appointment of Auditor

The Chamber obtained 3 quotes; Allen Audit & Advisory (\$3,176.25 inc GST), Jewell Moore (\$3,080.00 inc GST), Independent Audit Services (\$5,500.00 inc GST).

It is proposed to move to appoint Allen Audit & Advisory as the Chamber auditor for the 2026/2027 Audit, with consideration for at least a 3-year period to identify any process improvements.

Moved: Michelle Meurs

Seconded: Tori van der Donk

Agreement noted by 19 members.

President's Closing Statement

Aaron Weir, incoming President, addressed the meeting with a short message on what to expect from the Committee in 2026/2027, thanked outgoing President Suzie Tafolo and the outgoing Committee for their contribution, members, partners and sponsors for their support and looked forward to another successful and exciting year ahead for the Chamber. The Chamber does so much with forums, advocacy, all the secret squirrel projects, and we seek feedback from our Members which has helped us get our ideas, grow our membership and made it stronger.

Closing

Ian Chester-Master formally closed the AGM at 7:20pm.