

CEO LATE ITEM - APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2013

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1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

Council has received a correspondence from the Attorney General and Minister for Justice, Hon Jarrod Bleijie MP for the submission of a request for Special Holidays in 2013 within the Region. Holidays of this nature are usually appointed in respect of an annual agricultural, horticultural or industrial show or other event which would be of significance to a particular district.

Request for the appointment of a special holiday for 2013 must be submitted no later than 31 August 2012.

2 INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

This matter was considered at the General Meeting at Biggenden, 19 July 2011 and the following resolution was made:

Cr PW Francis moved and Cr PW Lobegeier seconded: That Council advise Minister for Education and Industrial Relations, Cameron Dick PM that Council requests the appointment of the following Special Holidays for 2012 within the North Burnett Region:

Annual Show Holiday:

<i>Friday 4 May 2012</i>	<i>- Mundubbera</i>
<i>Monday 13 August 2012</i>	<i>- Biggenden, Eidsvold, Gayndah Monto & Mt Perry</i>

CARRIED

3 CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

Outcome 4 – Community Cohesion and Identity

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Consistent with Council's previous decisions.

5 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Holidays Act 1993

6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

7 RISK MANAGEMENT

Assessed with regards to conflicting dates.

8 CONSULTATION

Information has been sought from the Queensland Country Show's Association that the 2013 North Burnett Shows will be held on the following dates:

Gayndah – 13 April 2012
Mt Perry – 20 April 2012
Monto - 27-28 April 2012
Eidsvold – 5 May 2012
Mundubbera – 10-11 May 2012
Biggenden – 18-19 May 2012

9 OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER

Biggenden, Eidsvold, Gayndah, Monto & Mt Perry have previously taken the Brisbane Exhibition Public Holiday as the appointed Special Holiday. The 2013 Brisbane Exhibition Public Holiday will be held on Monday 12 August 2013.

10 OFFICER'S COMMENTS/CONCLUSION

Council may also wish to again show its support for local festivals and request that the June 2013 Queens Birthday Holiday be re-instated.

11 ATTACHMENTS

Correspondence - Attorney General and Minister for Industrial Relations

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended:

That: Council advise Attorney General and Minister for Justice, Hon Jarrod Bleijie MP that Council requests the appointment of the following Special Holidays for 2013 within the North Burnett Region:

Annual Show Holiday:

Friday 10 May 2013 - Mundubbera
Monday 12 August 2013 - Biggenden, Eidsvold, Gayndah Monto &

Mt Perry

Further, Council forward Attorney General and Minister for Justice, Hon Jarrod Bleijie MP the letter written to the Premier of Queensland, the Hon Campbell Newman expressing the regions request for the June Queens Birthday Weekend to remain in June, and alternatively request that the holiday be moved to the Labour Day Holiday in May.