# QUEENSLAND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION

Industrial Relations Act 2016 – s. 193 – certification of an agreement

# Hinchinbrook Shire Council

# **AND**

Automotive, Metals, Engineering, Printing and Kindred Industries Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland

Construction, Forestry, Mining & Energy, Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland

Plumbers & Gasfitters Employees Union Queensland, Union of Employees

The Association of Professional Engineers, Scientists and Managers, Australia, Queensland Branch, Union of Employees

The Australian Workers' Union of Employees, Queensland

Queensland Services, Industrial Union of Employees (Matter No. CB/2018/59)

# HINCHINBROOK SHIRE COUNCIL CERTIFIED AGREEMENT 2017

# Certificate of Approval

On 28 June 2018 the Commission certified the attached written agreement in accordance with section 193 of the *Industrial Relations Act* 2016:

Name of Agreement: Hinchinbrook Shire Council Certified Agreement 2017

# Parties to the Agreement:

- Automotive, Metals, Engineering, Printing and Kindred Industries Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland
- Construction, Forestry, Mining & Energy, Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland
- Plumbers & Gasfitters Employees Union Queensland, Union of Employees
- The Association of Professional Engineers, Scientists and Managers, Australia, Queensland Branch, Union of Employees
- The Australian Workers' Union of Employees, Queensland
- Queensland Services, Industrial Union of Employees

**Operative Date:** 28 June 2018

**Nominal Expiry** 

Date:

30 June 2020

Previous Agreement: Hinchinbrook Shire Council Certified Agreement 2012

(CA/2012/543)

**Termination Date of** 

**Previous Agreement:** 28 June 2018

By the Commission

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28 June 2018



# Certified Agreement 2017



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Deputy President O'Conner

Date: 28 June 2018

# **CERTIFICATE**

This matter coming on for hearing before the Commission on 28 June 2018 the Commission certifies the following written agreement:

# Hinchinbrook Shire Council Certified Agreement 2017 - CB/2018/59

Made between:

Hinchinbrook Shire Council

AND

Automotive, Metals, Engineering, Printing and Kindred Industries Industrial Union of Employees,

Queensland;

The Construction, Forestry, Mining & Energy, Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland;

The Association of Professional Engineers, Scientists and Managers, Australia, Queensland Branch, Union of Employees;

Queensland Services, Industrial Union of Employees;

The Australian Workers' Union of Employees, Queensland;

Plumbers & Gasfitters Employees' Union Queensland, Union of Employees;

Australian Manufacturing Workers Union

The agreement was certified by the Commission on 28 June 2018 and shall operate from 01 July 2017 until its nominal expiry on 30 June 2020.

This agreement replaces the Hinchinbrook Shire Council Certified Agreement 2012 (CB/2018/59).

By the Commission.

Commissioner Deputy President O'Conner

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#### **PART ONE PRELIMINARY**

#### 1.1. TITLE

This Agreement shall be known as Hinchinbrook Shire Council Certified Agreement 2017, herein after referred to as the "Agreement".

# 1.2. DATE AND PERIOD OF OPERATION

This Agreement will formally operate from the date of certification by the QIRC. Salaries and wages will be paid at the rates as per schedule A with effect from 01.07.2017.

The nominal expiry date of the agreement is 30/06/2020.

This agreement will continue to operate until it is terminated or replaced subject to the provisions of the Industrial Relations Act 2016.

#### 1.3. RELATIONSHIP OF AGREEMENT TO PARENT AWARDS

This agreement shall be read and applied in conjunction with the terms of the parent awards listed below as they stood at the certification date of this Agreement. Provided that where there is any inconsistency between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of the parent awards listed below, as they stood at the date of certification of this agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall take precedence to the extent of the inconsistency. Where this agreement is silent on any matter the relevant Award conditions shall apply.

The parent Awards include:

- a) Queensland Local Government Industry Award State 2017 (Streams A, B and C)
- b) Queensland Training Award –State 2012

It is agreed that all terms and conditions of the parent awards, other than altered by this Agreement, are preserved for the duration of this Agreement.

# 1.4. APPLICATION OF AGREEMENT AND PARTIES BOUND

This Certified Agreement shall apply to all and be binding with the Unions who are parties to this agreement, Hinchinbrook Shire Council (Council) and all of its employees (except where specifically excluded in this agreement).

This Certified Agreement excludes senior officers (as defined by the award) where the employer and the senior officer concerned enter into a written contract of employment which states that the award is not to apply to the terms and conditions of employment of the senior officer.

The parties entering into this agreement, and bound by it include:

Hinchinbrook Shire Council, also referred to as "Council", ABN 46 291971 168

QSU: Queensland Services, Industrial Union of Employees, ABN 86 351 665 653

APESMA: The Association of Professional Engineers, Scientists and Managers, Australia, Queensland

Branch, Union of Employees, ABN 99 589 872 974

AWU: The Australian Workers' Union of Employees, Queensland, ABN 54 942 536 069

**CFMEU:** The Construction, Forestry, Mining & Energy Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland,

AB 73 089 711 903

**AMWU:** Automotive, Metals, Engineering, Printing and Kindred Industries Industrial Union of

Employees, Queensland, ABN 59 459 725 116

**PGEU:** Plumbers & Gasfitters Employees' Union Queensland, Union of

Employees, ABN 51 918 867 235

#### 1.5. DEFINITIONS

The Act shall mean the Queensland Industrial Relations Act 2016 unless otherwise mentioned.

QLIGA Queensland Local Government Industry Award – State 2017

Stream A Employee An employee covered by the Divisions of Stream A of QLGIA State 2017
Stream B Employee Covered by the Divisions of Stream B of QLGIA State 2017
Stream C Employee An employee covered by the Divisions of Stream C of QLGIA State 2017
Training Award Employee: An employee employed as a trainee and covered by the Qld Training Award –

State 2012

CPI: Refers to Australian Bureau of Statistics Consumer Price Index for all Capital Cities

Consultation shall mean where the parties to this agreement meet to discuss matters of mutual interest through an open communication process and an exchange of ideas and information. To avoid doubt on occasion consultation may not lead to agreement or endorsement.

Employees shall have the same processes meaning as cited in the Local Government Act 2009

QRIC means the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission

**QES** means Queensland Employment Standards

Unions means those parties bound to the Agreement as per clause 1.4

Hinchinbrook Shire Council will be known as Council

Immediate family shall mean a spouse including a former spouse, a defacto spouse or a former defacto spouse of the employee, a child or an adult child including an adopted child, a foster child and ex-foster child, a step child or an ex-nuptial child, parent, grandparent, grandchild or sibling of the employee or spouse of the employee. For the purpose of this; spouse shall include same sex partners.

#### 1.6. NO EXTRA CLAIMS

The parties to this Certified Agreement agree that its terms represent a full and final settlement of all wages and conditions of employment for the life of this Agreement. During the life of this Agreement the parties will not seek any further claim/s for any industrial matter/s relating to wages or conditions, except those specifically provided for in this Agreement.

This clause shall not prevent the parties from applying variations to the quantum of award based allowances which occur during the life of this Agreement.

#### 1.7. AGREEMENT TO BE DISPLAYED

Copies of this Agreement shall be displayed on all Employee Notice Boards, the Employee newsletter 'Grapevine' and Council's intranet. Copies will be readily accessible to all employees and parties covered by this Agreement.

# 1.8. EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

# 1.8.1. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES OF THE AGREEMENT

This agreement facilitates a workplace that is responsive to a changing environment and the need to adapt and operate effectively. Council must be able to meet the pressures from the community and to respond to changing legislation so as to maximise productivity and efficiency in our operations.

The parties are committed to the following:

- Improved Council competitiveness with private enterprise to ensure Council maintains a viable and effective workforce;
- Provide individual and workplace flexibility to facilitate efficiency and productivity;
- Promote a harmonious and productive work environment through cooperation and consultation;
- Undertake an annual staff satisfaction survey and communicate results and action plans arising from the survey;
- Commit to maintaining a safe and healthy workingenvironment;
- Skilling and supporting employees to build an effective workforce;
- Adhering to the Customer Service Charter response times

This Agreement shall not operate to cause an employee to suffer a reduction in ordinary time earnings, or departures from the standards of the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission in regard to hours of work, annual leave with pay or long service leave with pay.

#### 1.9. NEGOTIATION TEAM

A negotiating team has been established for the purpose of negotiating an Agreement, in accordance with the principles of the QIRC. This team comprises representatives of each of the Unions having Award coverage, management and employee representatives. This team is formed upon commencement of any round of negotiations until negotiations for that certified agreement conclude.

The negotiating team comprises management representatives, nominated employee union delegates from each Union and the Union Organisers party to the Agreement. Nominated reserve representatives for each employee union delegate are recommended.

Any negotiating team appointed ahead of the expiry of this Agreement shall hold discussions in relation to the renegotiation of a new Agreement six (6) months prior to the expiration of this Agreement. In its renegotiation the parties agree to negotiate collectively in respect of all its employees and their nominated representatives for the purposes of making a new Agreement.

The responsibility for the implementation of this Agreement rests with the Chief Executive Officer and Executive Management Team.

# 1.10. NEW AGREEMENT TRAINING

To ensure the management, supervisory staff and other relevant employees understand the intent and application of the Agreement, an education program relating to this Agreement and the parent Awards shall be facilitated through training of the above mentioned staff through JCC Meetings and Tool Box Meetings or any other form of training required, as determined by the CEO, following the certifying of the Agreement by the QIRC.

# 2. PART TWO DISPUTE RESOLUTION

# 2.1. JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

The purpose of Council's joint consultative committee is to enable a consultative forum comprising of management representatives and employee union delegates and where relevant, their Union or Unions to consult on broad matters arising from the Certified Agreement which impact large numbers of employees or a large number of employees of a particular work group. Management will also table high level quarterly workplace statistics such as permanent, fixed term and contract employee numbers, age profile etc.

The committee should meet at least quarterly, or by request, and meetings will be held during paid working time. As soon as practicable after the commencement of this Agreement, the committee is to form and decide how it will operate within the parameters of this clause.

Management representatives will be determined by the Chief Executive Officer, but shall usually include the Human Resources (HR) Coordinator to oversee and provide advice. Employee union delegates will be members of JCC who will select their representatives and these should, as far as possible, reflect union membership party to the agreement. Any other matters are to be referred to the dispute resolution process as appropriate.

All employees have the opportunity to raise an issue arising out of the Certified Agreement through any committee representative. Employees are encouraged in the first instance to discuss any concerns with their direct Supervisor or Manager where possible.

'Consultation' for the purpose of this clause shall mean a reasonable opportunity for employee delegates to provide feedback and input into a proposal before a final decision is made, and for Council to consider such feedback and to accommodate suggestions where appropriate. This will include review of Human Resource Policies that impact on employees. Consultation does not require mutual agreement on the employer's course of action.

The Notification of Change Clause may be invoked separately to the Consultative Committee; for example in the case of potential redundancies where matters will be discussed with affected persons.

# 2.2. GRIEVANCE AND DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

Effective communication between employees and management is a pre-requisite to good industrial relations and the following procedure is set down in order that any grievances may be resolved quickly to maintain effective and sound working relationships.

# 2.2.1. Level 1:

The complainant must inform their immediate Supervisor/Manager in writing of the grievance, at any time the employee can discuss matters with the employee's union representative. The Supervisor/Manager is responsible for investigating and attempting to resolve the grievance within twenty-four (24) hours where possible, with a maximum of seven (7) days.

If the complainant is unable to discuss the grievance with their Supervisor/Manager because they are implicated in the grievance, the complainant may commence the procedure at Level 2. For grievances involving unlawful behaviour or workplace health and safety concerns, the HR Coordinator or Workplace Health & Safety (WHS) Coordinator (respectively) must be involved, as specialist knowledge is usually required.

# 2.2.2. Level 2:

If the grievance remains unresolved, the employee may refer the grievance to the next in line Manager (usually the Manager or Department Manager). That Manager will obtain all information collected to date and will further investigate the matter and consult with all parties within forty-eight (48) hours where possible, with a maximum of seven (7) days.

#### 2.2.3. Level 3:

If the grievance still remains unresolved, the employee may refer the grievance to the HR Coordinator, who will obtain information collected to date and will attempt to resolve the grievance.

# 2.2.4. Level 4:

At this level, the grievance is referred to the Chief Executive Officer who will, within fourteen (14) calendar days, aim to finalise the grievance. If the matter remains unresolved past this timeframe either party may refer it to an accredited mediator or other external agency or the QIRC for resolution.

# 2.2.5. CONTINUATION OF WORK WHILE GRIEVANCE IS BEING PROCESSED

Despite any grievance in relation to the operation of this Agreement, work shall nevertheless continue in the usual manner whilst the above procedures are carried out, except where there is a genuine risk to health and/or safety. An employee must comply with any reasonable directive given by her/his Manager to perform alternative work, either at the same or another workplace. Work must be appropriate for the employee to perform.

Queensland Workplace Health and Safety laws shall apply.

At any time through the process, an employee can engage their union or chosen representative to represent them.

In circumstances where Council's grievance procedure does not resolve the complaint, either party may refer the matter to the QIRC for conciliation and, where appropriate, arbitration.

# 2.3. JOB SECURITY/CONSULTATION AND REDUNDANCY

# 2.3.1. EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

The Council is committed to security of employment for current permanent and permanent part-time employees and is committed to continually improving the job security of employees by:

- a) Training and educating employees and providing retraining;
- b) Career development and equal opportunity;
- c) Using natural attrition and relocation within the workplace, after consultation, is preferred to retrenchment or redundancy;
- d) The Council continuing to manage its workforce in order to minimise the need for involuntary labour reductions in the future and ensuring that the use of contractors and sub contractors does not threaten established staff levels.

Where job viability is affected and redeployment and retraining options have been exhausted, any termination of employment which may be necessitated as a result of changes in work practices shall be achieved in accordance with all relevant Award provisions and this Agreement.

Nothing in this clause shall override provisions of Council's disciplinary policies and procedures, nor the rights and obligations of Council and employees under relevant industrial Awards and legislation relating to disciplinary matters.

#### 2.3.2. MULTI SKILLING

It is agreed that parties to this Agreement are committed to multi-skilling in order to:

- a) Provide greater job satisfaction and possible access to a wider range of jobs for employees
- b) Provide opportunity for greater efficiencies in a flexible work environment by widening the breadth of employee's skills.

# 2.3.3. CONSULTATION PROCESS NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE

Before making a definite decision to introduce major changes in production, program, organisation, structure or technology that are likely to have significant effects on employees, Council shall notify the employees who may be effected by the proposed changes and the relevant Unions.

"Significant effects" include termination of employment, major changes in the composition, operation or size of Councils' workforce or in the skills required; the elimination or diminishing of job opportunities, promotion opportunities or job tenure; the alteration of hours of work; the need for retraining or transfer of employees to other work or locations and the restructuring of jobs. Provided that where the Award or Certified Agreement makes provision for alteration of any of the matters referred to herein an alteration shall be deemed not to have significant effect.

Council shall discuss with the employees affected, and where relevant their Union or Unions, any proposed introduction of the changes, the effects the changes are likely to have on affected employees, reasonable and practicable measures to avoid or minimise the adverse effects of such changes on employees.

For the purposes of such discussion, Council shall provide in writing to the employees concerned and, where relevant, their Union or Unions who are a party to Council's Certified Agreement, all relevant information about

the changes including the nature of the changes proposed; the expected effects of the changes on employees and any other matters likely to have a significant effect on employees provided that Council shall not be required to disclose confidential information, the disclosure of which would be detrimental to Council's interests.

In the case of potential redundancies, this clause must be read in conjunction with clause 8.4 -Redundancies.

# 2.3.4. CONTRACTING OUT

Council will continue to use its own employees where competitive levels of quality, service, efficiency, cost effectiveness and value for money are demonstrated. Council prefers to use its own capable, competent and committed employees to provide services which satisfy the needs of customers and provide value for money. Council will directly engage employees on a permanent full time, part time and/or casual basis and will continue to develop and maintain critical skills within the organisation. Employees are committed to improving work practices and ensuring our competitiveness. Working together, we will encourage and support internal providers to develop and maintain commercially viable and competitive services.

The impact on sustainable employment of existing employees will be considered when exploring any proposal to use external providers to deliver services which are currently provided by Council employees.

Council reserves the right to contract out or to lease out current services in the following circumstances:

- Where funding from State or Commonwealth governments, such as for construction, reconstruction or natural disaster recovery, is conditional and cannot be applied to normal work by permanent employees;
- In the event of shortages of skilled staff and resources;
- The lack of available infrastructure capital and the cost of providing technology;
- Any extraordinary or unforeseen circumstances; or
- That it is in the public interest that such services should be contracted out.

Where Council seeks to make a strategic decision in relation to contracting out (of an entire function or specific work functions) the relevant unions will be formally advised in writing and consulted as early as possible. The need to consult does not apply where Council is supplementing service delivery by engaging additional contractors of works and services. As part of the consultation process, information will be provided supporting Council's decision. It is the responsibility of all parties to participate fully in discussions on any proposals to outsource any of Council's functions.

The employer will provide to the relevant Unions the following information in writing;

- Information outlining why the service cannot continue to be delivered by Council
- How the proposed initiative will improve Council service delivery
- Communication strategy to manage the impact on Council existing workforce including transition plans for deployment, redeployment and training

If, after consultation as outlined above, employees are affected by the necessity to outsource any functions currently performed by the employer's permanent employees, Council will follow the Notification of Change procedure outlined in this document.

If a service is already outsourced by contract at the time of signing of this Agreement, then that service will not be affected by this clause for the life of that contract.

# 3. PART THREE EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP AND RELATED ARRANGEMENTS

# 3.1. EMPLOYMENT CATEGORIES

Council shall engage a person as an employee on terms that correspond with a type of employment prescribed within this clause and in accordance with the relevant Awards. The types of employment defined under Part 3.3 are a summary of Award provisions which do not vary the underlying Awards.

#### 3.2. PROBATION

Employment of new employees (except for casuals) is subject to satisfactory completion of probation. It is Council's aim that Managers review performance during probation on an ongoing basis and one documented review is to be held between the employee and the Supervisor in the final week of probation to determine whether the employee's employment is confirmed. Council also expects the employee to seek feedback on their performance during probation, if they need it.

The probationary period is three (3) months. This may be extended up to an additional three (3) months under exceptional circumstances.

Where an employee is absent from work on permitted leave without pay or extended personal leave the employer shall retain the option of extending the employees probationary period for that amount of leave taken. For the purpose of this clause 'extended personal leave' shall mean personal leave taken in excess of ten (10) working days.

As a condition incidental to employment on probation, an employee shall be advised of, and given an opportunity to make response to, any adverse material about the employee which the employer intends to take into account in a decision to terminate the employment upon or before the expiry of the probationary period.

Fixed term contracts of six (6) months or longer will attract a probation period of three (3) months.

For those employed on a traineeship arrangement, the duration of probationary period will apply as per the traineeship training contract.

To avoid doubt, probation does not apply to existing employees appointed to another position or extension of contract within Council where probation has already been served; however any unserved balance of probation may be applied.

# 3.3. TYPES OF EMPLOYMENT

#### 3.3.1. FULLTIME

Full-time employment means employment which requires the employee to work thirty six and a quarter (36.25) hours per week for employees under Stream A, or thirty eight (38) hours per week for employees under Stream B and C, or such ordinary hours as determined in accordance with this Agreement. Fulltime employment does not include part time/job share, casual or fixed term employment as defined by this Agreement. Supervisors under Stream A work 38hrs as referred to in Clause 4.5.

# 3.3.2. PART TIME

A part time employee is one who is engaged to work a regular pattern of ordinary hours each week or fortnight that are less than the ordinary hours worked by an equivalent fulltime employee as required by the relevant parent award.

It is agreed that the awards are varied to the extent that by mutual agreement in writing, part time Officers shall be allowed to work for six (6) consecutive hours provided that if they are required to work beyond six (6) hours, a crib break of thirty (30) minutes, which shall not be counted as time worked, shall be taken at the commencement of the sixth hour. Penalty rates will apply if the employee exceeds the 36.25hrs (Stream A) or 38hrs per week (Stream B and C).

# 3.3.3. CASUAL

A casual employee is as defined by the relevant Award Streams. A casual employee is engaged by the hour (subject to minimum call out periods) with employment that is subject to termination at any time without notice subject to payment of any applicable minimum engagement period.

Key features of casual employment are:

- Casual weekly hours are less than the maximum ordinary working hours applicable to full time employees
- Casual employees are paid a casual loading per hour in lieu of leave entitlements
- Minimum periods of engagement apply as per the relevant Award Streams
- It is stipulated at the commencement of the engagement that the employment is casual
- In the rare event a casual achieves long service entitlement, they are entitled to it
- Long term casuals are entitled to some forms of unpaid leave, as specified in the relevant Awards.

It is agreed that upon certification of this agreement, that once employed, an employee and their Supervisor/Manager may mutually agree in writing for a period of time or permanently that a casual employee may work up to a maximum of 7.25 hours per day (Stream A employees) or 7.6 hours per day (Stream B and C employees) and these hours will be treated as ordinary hours with no penalties applicable. Penalty rates will apply if the employee exceeds the 36.25hrs (Stream A) or 38hrs (Stream B and C) per week.

For each ordinary hour worked a casual employee shall be paid no less than 1/36.25th of the minimum weekly rate of pay for their classification plus a casual loading as follows:

#### Stream A

For all ordinary time worked between	Casual loading on hourly rate
0600 and 1800, Monday to Friday	25%
1800 and 2130, Monday to Friday	31%
0600 and 1200, Saturday	31%
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Streams B and C Casual loading on hourly rate is 23%

#### 3.3.4. CASUAL CONVERSION

Casual employees who have been employed for consistent hours for a period in excess of six (6) months for Stream A and twelve (12) months for Streams B and C will be provided with the opportunity to apply for appointment on a permanent basis. In considering these applications, the Council will not unreasonably refuse, providing:

- a) management believes a continuing need for the role exists; and
- b) the agreed scheduled hours are at ordinary time.

# 3.3.5. MIXED CONTRACTS OF EMPLOYMENT

It is agreed that in addition to the provisions of their primary contracts of employment, part time or casual employees may be engaged on a secondary contract either on a casual or part time basis in a separate engagement in a different Department of Council. Such engagement shall be subject to the following conditions:

- a) That both Managers are mutually agreeable to the arrangement and Council cannot foresee any conflict of interest in duties or workplace health and safety issues (e.g. working hours).
- b) That work required to be performed in a separate engagement is not within the primary contract of employment position/job description of the employee concerned and it is treated and paid according to the relevant contract.
- c) The total ordinary hours worked across both contracts will not exceed the full time equivalent hours.
- d) Under each contract where ordinary hours are exceeded, the relevant Award penalties apply.
- e) The separate engagement is to meet a specific purpose.
- f) The separate engagement enables the employee to attain additional remuneration and/or skills.
- g) The separate engagement must be at the request of the employee and be subject to mutual agreement between Council and the employee concerned.
- h) The separate engagement is not designed to avoid overtime obligations, but genuinely meets the tests set out in items (b) to (e) above.
- i) Any decision must be based on reasonable operating requirements of Council.

In considering a request from an employee who has previously had their hours reduced due to a right to request relating to returning to work on a part time basis until their child reaches school age, Council must take this into consideration as to whether the arrangement still applies and whether the additional work should reasonably be

performed in their current department.

# 3.3.6. FIXED TERM (OR MAXIMUM EMPLOYMENT)

Fixed Term employment means employment for a specified period of time or for a specified task. Fixed term appointments may be considered:

- a) For the completion of a specific task(s) or project;
- b) To relieve a vacant position arising from an employee taking leave;
- c) For the temporary provision of specialist skills that are not available within the organisation;
- d) To fill short term vacancies during the recruitment and selection process, resulting from the resignation of a permanent employee;
- e) Where there is significant uncertainty about the funding which underwrites the position;
- f) Where the supply and demand trends in the work area are genuinely unclear;
- g) To meet emergent peaks in demand where the use of labour hire or casual labour is less appropriate;
- h) As stipulated in any relevant parent Award.

Fixed term appointments should not fill an ongoing position or carry out work associated with ongoing functions within Council, except to replace an employee in circumstances specified in clauses b) and d).

An officer employed on a fixed term basis shall have access to the review and annual increments on the same basis as a permanent employee under the relevant Award.

#### **3.3.7. JOB SHARE**

This type of employment provides the option for two employees to work reduced hours and to share one full time job (maximum of 36.25(Stream A) or 38 (Streams B and C) ordinary hours per week. While job share would appear to be part time employment it is not. The salary is divided across the two partners however personal entitlements (e.g. annual leave, personal leave etc.) apply to each job share partner as they would normally.

# 3.3.8. TRAINEE OR APPRENTICES

Council shall continue to offer Apprenticeships and Traineeships where appropriate.

Employment involves arrangements made through specific providers or with individuals directly, whereby the student engages in supported training and work.

The terms of employment for apprentices and trainees shall be as required by the Vocational Education and Training (Commonwealth Powers) Act 2012, Further Education and Training Act 2014, and the relevant awards.

# 3.4. ANTI DISCRIMINATION

The parties to this agreement agree that it is their intention to achieve the principle object in section four (4) of the Anti Discrimination Act 1991 which is to respect and value the diversity of the work force by helping to prevent and eliminate discrimination at their enterprise on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual preference, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, family responsibilities, pregnancy, religion, culture, political opinions, natural attraction or social origin as well as anti-discrimination provisions applicable in Commonwealth and other State Legislation.

# 4. PART FOUR WAGES AND WAGE RELATED MATTERS

#### 4.1. PAYMENT OF WAGES

Subject to the completion and the approval of an employee's timesheet by their immediate Supervisor or Department Manager, wages will be paid on the nominated pay day deposited by electronic funds transfer into the bank account(s) of choice.

#### 4.2. ANNUAL WAGE INCREASES

# 4.2.1.

Employees whose conditions of employment are covered by this Agreement shall receive over the life of this Agreement remuneration as detailed in Schedule A.

#### 4.2.2.

- 1. From the first fortnightly pay period commencing 01/07/2017 a 2.1% increase for all employees.
- 2. From the first fortnightly paid period after the 01/07/2018 a further 2.1% increase for all employees plus 0.5% Superannuation increase for contributory members.
- 3. From the first fortnightly pay period after the 01/07/2019 a further 2.5% increase for all employees or CPI whichever is greater.

# 4.2.3.

Apprentices will be paid in accordance with the appropriate percentage as defined by their relevant Stream of QLGIA State 2017 contained in Schedule A of this Agreement.

#### 4.2.4.

Trainees will be paid in accordance with the relevant level of the Training Award State 2012 and not as per Schedule A of this Agreement.

#### 4.2.5. JUNIOR RATES

Rates for junior employees will be applied in accordance with the relevant Award Streams which covers the employment of the junior.

# Stream A

Age of employee	% of Level 1 Year 1 Award rate
under 18 years of age	60
18 and under 19 years of age	70
19 and under 20 years of age	80
20 years of age	90

#### Stream B

Age of employee	% of minimum adult Award rate
Under 18 years of age	60
18 and under 19 years of age	75

# Stream C

Age of employee	% of C12 Award rate
under 17 years of age	55
17 and under 18 years of age	65
18 and under 19 years of age	75
19 and under 20 years of age	85
20 years of age and over	100

# 4.3. SUPERANNUATION

For the purposes of this Agreement, the parties have agreed that pursuant to the Federal Government Choice of Fund Legislation the default fund shall be the Local Government Investment Australia Superannuation Board Super Scheme. Council shall contribute on behalf of each employee the amount into the Local Government Investment Australia Superannuation Board Super Scheme established pursuant to the terms and conditions as set out in the Local Government Act 2009.

Contributions made in accordance with this clause will be made to a fund as nominated by the employee at the commencement of their employment and that any changes to the employee nominated fund may occur annually only.

# 4.4. SALARY SACRIFICE

The employer provides employees with salary sacrifice opportunities (including superannuation) to maximize their remuneration benefits. The employee's right to sacrifice a part (or the total) of their salary or wage shall be subject to any Commonwealth taxation laws affecting salary sacrifice arrangements or rulings of the Australian Taxation Office in relation to salary sacrifice arrangements which may be introduced or amended from time to time during the term of this Agreement.

The salary of the employee for the purpose of any allowances or payments which are directly related to the employee's salary shall be the pre salary sacrifice rate of pay that is the salary set out in this Agreement and subsequently increased in accordance with this Agreement.

Council recommends employees consult a taxation adviser to ensure any possible Taxation and Fringe Benefits Tax implications are understood. Fringe Benefits Tax is reportable as per Australian Taxation Office requirements.

# 4.5. STREAM A EMPLOYEES SUPERVISING STREAM B or C EMPLOYEES

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Awards, Stream A employees supervising Stream B or C employees covered by Awards of the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission working 38 hours per week will also work 38 hours per week as their ordinary hours of duty. The hourly rate for the ordinary hours of these supervising officers shall be at the same hourly rate as an Officer working 36.25 hours per week.

# 4.6. FINAL TRIM GRADER OPERATORS

It is agreed that positions of Final Trim Grader Operator are established in accordance with Council's needs. Employees appointed to Final Trim Grader Operator positions are Stream B employees, paid at Level 7 of the relevant Awards.

# 4.7. ALLOWANCES –

#### 4.7.1. CONSTRUCTION AND ON SITE ALLOWANCE

Construction Allowance as prescribed under the QLGIA Stream B shall be paid to all employees who are required to work in conditions as described under Clause 13.2 (Stream B) and Clause 13.7 and 13.8 (Stream C) of that Award.

# 4.7.2. LIVE SEWER WORK ALLOWANCE

Live Sewer Work Allowance as prescribed under the QLGIA Stream B shall be paid to all employees who are required to work in conditions as described under Clause 13.12 of that Award.

# 4.7.3. WARRENS HILL WASTE FACILITY MECHANICAL REPAIR ALLOWANCE

Mechanics engaged in performing repairs on Council Plant at the Warrens Hill Waste Facility shall, during ordinary hours, be paid at the rate of time and a half for all time so engaged.

During overtime or on weekends or public holidays Council employed Mechanics shall be paid one half of the ordinary hourly rate in addition to the relevant overtime, week-end or public holiday rate for all time engaged in performing repairs on Council Plant at the Warrens Hill Waste Facility.

The term 'waste' shall mean contact with rubbish, dirty conditions, dust and wetness, and noxious fumes during engagement at the Warrens Hill Waste Facility.

The allowance shall relate to work carried out where there is direct connection with waste. The term shall also include work in connection with cleaning of Waste Facility Plant if such plant is contaminated with waste.

This allowance shall not apply to Warrens Hill Waste Facility employees.

The rubbish dumps allowance prescribed in clause 13.19of the QLGIA Stream B, Division 2 Section 5 (Operational Services) shall not be paid in addition to this allowance.

# 4.7.4. ON CALL ALLOWANCE FOR EMERGENCY WORK Stream A employees

An officer who is required by Council to be on call for emergency work outside ordinary working hours shall be paid an allowance at the rate of \$35.73 per day effective from 01/07/2017 upon which the officer is required to be on call for emergency work. This will be adjusted each financial year in line with the agreed wage increase.

An officer whose period of on call duty includes or coincides with a Public Holiday shall have added to the officer's annual leave entitlement one day for each such holiday on which such officer is required to be on call.

Officers called out on emergency work shall be entitled to payment for such work from the time of leaving home to commence that work until they return home from such work but they must return home within a reasonable time and payment shall be calculated accordingly, but such payment shall not be less than three (3) hours salary at the appropriate rate of pay.

If the employee who is on call and being paid on call allowance is called upon to perform emergency work, provided the employee does not leave home to attend to the situation, e.g. handled by phone, they shall be entitled to a minimum of thirty (30) minutes at ordinary time.

This provision does not apply to Executive Officers.

# 4.7.5. ON CALL ALLOWANCE – Stream B and C employees

It is agreed that Clause 18.5 (b) of QLGIA Stream B Division 2 Section 5 (Operational Services)shall apply to all Stream B employees and Stream C employees covered by this *Agreement*.

An employee directed to remain on call during any day or night outside their ordinary working hours Monday to Saturday inclusive shall be paid \$35.73 for each day effective from 01/07/2017 for each day and/or night during which the employee remains on call. This will be adjusted each financial year in line with the agreed wage increase.

If the employee who is on call and being paid on call allowance is called upon to perform emergency work, provided the employee does not leave home to attend to the situation, e.g. handled by phone, they shall be entitled to a minimum of thirty (30) minutes at ordinary time.

# 4.7.6. MOTOR VEHICLE ALLOWANCE

An employee required to use his or her private motor vehicle for official purposes will be paid a kilometre allowance of 0.77 cents per kilometre as per QLGIA 2017.

# 4.7.7. TRADE ALLOWANCE

A trade allowance of \$1.80 per hour is added to the hourly rate post any wage increases applied via this Agreement.

This allowance only applies to trade qualified employees possessing an Australian trade qualification obtained as a result of the completion of an indentured apprenticeship, and only where the employee is engaged by Council to specifically perform their trade. This allowance is not paid to apprentices.

# 4.7.8. WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY REPRESENTATIVE ALLOWANCE -

It is agreed that an employee who is elected by members of his/her designated work group as the workgroup's Work Health and Safety Representative (WHSR) and who actively fulfils the functions of a WHSR as set out in the Queensland Work Health & Safety Act and Council's Work Health and Safety Procedure Statements — Responsibilities WHP-WP-1.5.1will be paid a WHSR Allowance.

A WHSR allowance will only be paid to elected WHSR's who have successfully completed an accredited WHSR training course. It is not paid to reserves/deputies. The weekly allowance is currently paid at \$16.40 per week as per the QLGIA 2017. This amount is paid to all WHSR's, irrespective of which Award coverage usually applies to the employees. The allowance is not paid while on leave.

A WHSR Allowance will no longer be paid to an employee if the employee ceases to hold the position of WHSR for any reason set out by the Queensland Work Health & Safety Act, or who ceases to actively fulfill the functions of a WHSR as required.

# 4.7.9. LOCALITY ALLOWANCE

In addition to remuneration otherwise payable under this agreement, Stream A employees shall be paid a Locality Allowance in accordance with Public Service Directive 19/99 as follows:

For Employees supporting a dependent spouse and/or children; \$70.60 per fortnight For Employees not supporting a dependent spouse and/or children; \$35.30 per fortnight

#### 5. PART FIVE HOURS OF WORK

#### 5.1. ORDINARY HOURS

The ordinary hours of work for full time Administration, Technical and Professional employees shall average 36.25 hours per week and for Operational, trade and Supervisory employees shall average 38 hours per week to be worked Monday to Friday, inclusive, between the hours of 0600 and 1800.

The ordinary hours of duty of employees covered by this Section having other workers under their immediate supervision shall, if so determined by the employer, be the same as the ordinary hours of the workers supervised, subject to the conditions prescribed in clauses 13.5(a) and 15.1(e) (iii) Stream A.

The provisions of clause 15.1(e) (ii) Stream A shall not apply to employees holding professional qualifications and, for the purpose of this clause, Engineering Surveyors shall be deemed to be included in that category.

(b) Where it is necessary to establish an hourly rate for the purpose of calculating overtime, notwithstanding the ordinary hours of duty pursuant to clause 15.1(e) (iii) Stream A, the divisor used shall be 36.25.

# 5.2. NINE (9) DAY FORTNIGHT

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Award, the parties have agreed that a nine day fortnight working arrangement generally applies to all full time employees. An exclusion applies to those working a four (4) day working week (as outlined in clause 5.4 of this Agreement).

The Council may at any time in its discretion exclude an employee from the provisions of the nine (9) day fortnight arrangement where the inclusion of the employee would, in the opinion of Council, prejudice the efficient operation of the Council's business.

For each employee working a nine (9) day fortnight, the ordinary hours of duty including a mid-morning tea break of 20 minutes duration, but excluding an unpaid lunch break of between 30 – 60 minutes duration shall be:

Stream A Employees - eight (8) hours and six (6) minutes per day to be booked as 8.1 hours per day. This will result in an employee working 72.9 hours per fortnight with the additional 0.4 hours being held in credit as ordinary time for the employee. 8.1 hours also applies to all forms of leave.

Streams B and C Employees (including Stream A Supervisors)-eight (8) hours and thirty (30) minutes per day to be booked as 8.5 hours per day. This will result in an employee working 76.5 hours per fortnight with the additional 0.5 hours being held in credit for the employee. 8.5 hours also applies to all forms of leave.

For new employees who may not have a sufficient balance of a rostered day off (RDO), their pay will be based on the ordinary hours which have been worked up until the day the RDO is taken, however this may mean that the employee has a negative RDO balance which should eventually move into credit due to the 0.4 or 0.5 hours per fortnight accruing.

Time accrued and held in credit shall be taken as an RDO in each fortnightly period. The RDO will fall on the day in accordance with a schedule as determined by relevant Department Heads. Where an RDO falls on a Public Holiday, the employee shall be entitled to an alternative day off at a date mutually agreeable with their Supervisor.

Statutory Holidays will continue to be paid at 7.25 hours or 7.60 hours per day. The difference between the statutory holiday hours and the required hours of duty for the nine day fortnight arrangement will be taken from the RDO Balance.

# 5.3. FLEXIBILITY IN TAKING ROSTERED DAYS OFF (RDO)

It is agreed between the parties, that in order to meet the business needs of Council, and best practice, or where in the opinion of a project supervisor or departmental head there are cost efficiencies to be gained by working on an RDO, then RDO's will be worked, by mutual agreement, subject to two (2) working days notice being given, except in the case of emergencies.

Stream A employees levels 1-7 who work on their designated RDO, have the option of banking the RDO or receiving payment at overtime rates for work on the RDO. Where the RDO is banked, it shall be taken at a later time mutually agreeable between the employee and their supervisor. A maximum of three (3) days (21.75 hours) can be accrued.

Stream's B and C employees have the option of banking the RDO or receiving payment at overtime rates for work on the RDO. Where the RDO is banked, it shall be taken at a later time mutually agreeable between the employee and their Supervisor. A maximum of three (3) days (22.8) hours – can be accrued.

If an employee leaves the employment of Council for any reason, they will be paid out for hours held in credit at the ordinary rate. Employees with a negative balance will have the balance deducted at the ordinary rate.

# 5.4. FOUR DAY WORKING WEEK (WATER AND SEWERAGE ONLY)

It is agreed that full time workers employed in the Water and Sewerage Program will work a 38 hour week compressed into a four day working week of 9.5 ordinary hours per day.

Overtime is paid, or time off in lieu may be taken, according to the terms and conditions of this Agreement outside of the ordinary hours. For the purpose of calculating sick leave, annual leave and long service leave, these are paid or taken as 9.5 hours per day. Public/Statutory holidays are taken as per Award provisions.

Any employee rostered on call will have to work their usual day off. This day can then be either taken as overtime or booked as time in lieu. If time in lieu is taken, then the time accrued must be taken before the employee next goes on call.

# 5.5. WORKING FIVE (5) DAYS OUT OF SIX (6)

It has been agreed that employees may be requested to work their ordinary hours any five (5) days out of six (6) days Monday to Saturday inclusive, subject to the following:

- This provision is intended to apply to infrequent and short term works generally conducted by small sections of the workforce;
- The need to work on Saturday will generally be dictated by special circumstances such as less traffic disruption and reduced safety hazards for employees;
- This provision shall not be used to replace genuine overtime situations.
- Compensation for all hours worked on Saturday shall be calculated at penalty rates existing in the relevant Award and shall be made as follows:
  - All ordinary hours worked on the Saturday shall be taken as a paid day off in lieu by mutual agreement and normally within the week following the Saturday worked and in situations where this does not occur it shall be taken within three months of its accrual at the appropriate penalty rate; and
  - All penalty time including any worked hours in excess of the agreed ordinary hours shall be paid as overtime for the particular pay period concerned;
  - Each employee concerned shall be entitled to individually decide whether or not they agree to work on any particular Saturday under this arrangement;
  - Any employee who feels aggrieved as a consequence of the operation of this provision shall be entitled and encouraged to resolve their grievance via the grievance procedure of this Agreement

# 5.6. VARIATION TO SPREAD OF HOURS

It is agreed that for specific projects or special circumstances and then only by mutual agreement between the Supervisor and employee concerned, the ordinary spread of hours may be altered so that the whole or part of the ordinary hours of duty are performed between the hours of 5.00 am and 8.00 pm, Monday to Friday, without penalty in the following situations:

- Road line marking on heavily trafficked roads, to enhance employee safety and facilitate efficient project completion with minimal traffic disruption.
- Tree pruning or removal on roads or in parks to enhance employee and public safety and minimize traffic disruption.
- Projects where tidal influence precludes work being performed during the normal spread of hours.
- Projects where a planned interruption to essential services would be unreasonable during the normal spread of hours.
- Construction, alteration or maintenance projects where safety considerations can not be satisfied by other means.
- Construction, alteration on maintenance projects where unreasonable traffic disruption can not be avoided by other means.
- Town sanitation activities where facilitation of the works is easier with minimal traffic or public disruption, for example cleaning of public toilets and street litterbins.

# 5.7. TIME OF IN LIEU OF OVERTIME

It is agreed that by mutual agreement between the Supervisor and employee concerned, Stream A employees levels 1–3 may be given time off in lieu of overtime payments at single time for the hours worked.

Levels 6 and 7 may claim overtime where prior approval has been given by the Manager, on the same Award terms as available to levels 4 and 5, which is by mutual agreement.

It is agreed that by mutual agreement between the Supervisor and employee concerned, Stream B and C employees may be given time off in lieu of overtime payments in accordance with the following terms:

(a) Time off in lieu arrangements will only apply when initiated by the employee.

- (b) The time off in lieu shall be equivalent to time worked outside of normal working hours but within the normal spread of hours of 6.00am to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday; and
- (c) Such time off shall be taken within three months of its accrual.

This provision does not apply to employees working under Stream B and C. It does apply to those employees working in the Workshop and Survey Sections.

#### 5.8. FLEXIBLE WORKING ARRANGEMENTS

Council and an employee may agree to flexible working arrangements which include flextime, four (4) day working week, banked hours, make-up time, accrued and rostered days off and/or seasonal working arrangements, provided that such arrangement is agreeable to the employee and the arrangement is entered into without coercion or duress. Provided any such arrangements are in accordance with the provisions of this agreement and the relevant parent awards.

Flexible working arrangements must satisfy the following four (4) principles

- i. Current customer service requirements continue to be maintained
- ii. They must be cost neutral
- iii. They must be practical and workable
- iv. They must not compromise workplace health and safety requirements

# 6. PART SIX

#### 6.1. TRAVEL TIME

Travel time allowance for all eligible employees as described under the Award Streams will be paid at penalty rates.

#### 6.2. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING AND TRAINING TRAVEL TIME

Where Officers have approval to attend professional development or training that incurs travelling time outside of the ordinary spread of hours, they may not claim such travel time as overtime without the prior approval of their Manager, but may claim time off in lieu instead. This applies to Stream A employees who are entitled to time off in lieu arrangements.

If an employee is directed to attend a job specific training and/or development activity, the employee shall be entitled to their choice of overtime or time off in lieu in accordance with the applicable Certified Agreement or relevant Award rates.

# 7. PART SEVEN

# 7.1. LEAVE ACCRUAL

Entitlement to annual, personal and long service leave accrues progressively during each year of service according to the ordinary hours worked by the employee. Any deduction of full days is made according to the ordinary hours worked by the employee.

Where applicable, accrual which exceeds the allowable balance must be taken in the following order:

- 1. Accrued time off in lieu (TOIL)
- 2. Rostered days off (RDO's)
- 3. Annual Leave
- 4. Long Service Leave

Any accrued annual and long service leave to which the employee is entitled will be paid out upon termination.

# 7.2. ANNUAL LEAVE

For each completed year of service with Hinchinbrook Shire Council, permanent and fixed term employees (excluding casuals and school based trainees) are entitled to five (5) weeks' paid annual leave.

Taking of annual leave is done in accordance with the following:

- Annual leave may be paid in advance where the employee indicates this on the Leave Request Form.
- Annual leave in periods of less than one (1) day may be approved in special circumstances.
- Public holidays do not form part of annual leave and are documented on the timesheet.
- Annual leave accruals must not exceed ten (10) weeks including pro rata entitlement.

An annual leave loading of 17.5% is paid when annual leave is taken, and will be paid out on the balance of accrued annual leave upon termination of employment with Council.

Where an employee has accrued an excessive amount of annual leave the employee will be required to participate in a leave reduction scheme. Such scheme shall require the employee to reduce their accrual bank of leave over an agreed period of time. For the purpose of this clause an excessive amount of leave is considered to be greater than ten (10) weeks and the leave reduction scheme is to be agreed by both parties.

# 7.3. PERSONAL LEAVE

Personal leave encompasses sick and carer's leave. It is agreed that for each completed year of service with Council, full time and part time employees (casuals excluded) are entitled to fifteen (15) days per annum of paid personal leave, which accrues on a pro rata entitlement basis from commencement.

Personal leave is cumulative and it is agreed that there shall be no limit on the accumulation of leave entitlement. Personal leave may be taken for part of a day (for the number of hours absent) or in full days.

Entitlement to personal leave is conditional upon the employee notifying their immediate Supervisor or Manager as soon as possible (usually prior to commencement unless genuine circumstances prevent this) of the absence and keeping the Supervisor/Manager informed throughout the absence as to their likely return.

Entitlement to personal leave exceeding two (2) consecutive days is subject to the employee producing a medical certificate from a registered medical practitioner or other documentation considered satisfactory by the Supervisor/Manager.

An employee may be required to provide evidence of the illness to Council's satisfaction in accordance with relevant Award provisions.

Medical appointments relating to personal sickness or carer's leave should be made outside of working hours where possible.

#### 7.3.1. SICK LEAVE

Paid sick leave is available to employees who are unable to attend work due to personal illness or injury. An employee who falls sick on an RDO shall not receive any further day in lieu thereof.

An employee, if while on approved annual leave is overtaken by illness shall, on production of a certificate signed by a duly qualified medical practitioner certifying that the employee is unfit to perform normal duties for a period of not less than five (5) days, shall be entitled on application to have such period of illness debited to the employees sick leave entitlements and the employees annual leave entitlement shall be adjusted accordingly.

# 7.3.2. CARER'S LEAVE

Paid carer's leave is taken from the employee's available sickness leave accrual.

Paid carer's leave is available to employees who are unable to attend work because they are required and are responsible for providing care or support to a member of their immediate family or household due to an illness or injury or unexpected emergency affecting that member.

An employee cannot take carer's leave if any other person is providing care for the same person unless there are special circumstances requiring more than one person to provide care.

#### 7.4. BREAVEMENT LEAVE

Full time and part time permanent or fixed term employees are entitled to paid bereavement leave on each occasion of the death of a member of the employee's immediate family or household.

Full-time and part-time employees shall, on the death of a member of their 'immediate family, as defined by Hinchinbrook Shire Councils definition of 'immediate family', be entitled to paid bereavement leave up to and including the day after the funeral of such person, subject to the conditions herein. Such leave shall be without deduction of pay for a period not exceeding the number of hours usually worked by the employee within five (5) consecutive business days, working back from the day after the funeral.

Proof of such death is to be furnished by the employee to the satisfaction of the Employer.

Awards only offer paid bereavement leave of two days, therefore Council's granting of five days exceeds the provisions of Awards. As such it has its own definition of "immediate family" as outlined under 1.6 definitions for the purpose of taking five paid days bereavement leave.

Paid bereavement leave of a period not exceeding two days for those individuals excluded from the definition above applies as per the Award definition of "immediate family".

Part Time employees are only entitled to be paid the days they would normally have worked within the five (5) consecutive business days up to and including the day after the funeral.

# 7.5. LONG SERVICE LEAVE

Long service leave is granted to employees (including casuals) according to Award provisions. It currently arises from a combination of specific Award entitlements and the Queensland Industrial Relations Act 2016 as amended from time to time.

Employees are encouraged to take their leave as soon as possible after accrual. Nevertheless, leave accrued is to be taken within five (5) years of receiving the entitlement, and upon giving one (1) month notice.

Council reserves the right to direct an employee to take long service leave that has accrued beyond the five (5) years of receiving the entitlement, by providing three (3) months notice of the need to take the leave, as provided for in the Industrial Relations Act 2016.

It is recommended that long service leave be taken in no more than three periods of time. Other requests to take long service leave in smaller portions will be subject to the written approval of the CEO.

Portability of long service leave to and from Council will be managed in accordance with the conditions that apply under Chapter 8, Part 3, Division 2 of the Local Government (Operations) Regulation 2012.

Any public holidays that fall during periods of long service leave are paid as ordinary time.

An employee upon application in writing may be paid for all or part of an entitlement to long service leave instead of taking the leave as prescribed in section 110 of the Industrial Relations Act 2016

# 7.5.1. LONG SERVICE LEAVE ENTITLEMENTS

Stream A employees become entitled to thirteen (13) weeks long service leave on full pay after an initial ten (10) years continuous service, although by request, and with timing approved by Council, can access pro rata long service at any time after the initial seven (7) years' service. Stream A employees then become entitled to a further thirteen (13) weeks long service on full pay after a subsequent ten (10) years continuous service, which accrues,

and can be taken at the pro rata rate of 1.3 weeks per annum.

It has been agreed that Stream B and C Long Service Leave entitlements will continue to accrue at thirteen (13) weeks after fifteen (15) years up to 30 June 2018 and from 01 July 2018 will then accrue at thirteen (13) weeks after ten (10) years.

Stream B and C employees become entitled to thirteen (13) weeks long service leave on full pay after an initial ten (10) years continuous service, although by request, and with timing approved by Council, can access pro rata long service at any time after the initial seven (7) years' service. Stream B and C employees then become entitled to a further thirteen (13) weeks long service on full pay after a subsequent ten (10) years continuous service, which accrues, and can be taken at the pro rata rate of 1.3 weeks per annum.

# 7.6. SPECIAL LEAVE – FLOODS AND NATURAL DISASTERS

A maximum of two (2) paid ordinary days of work per event on a financial year basis (non cumulative) may be granted to permanent full time and part time employees who are unable to attend their normal place of work due to flooding and natural events, in the following circumstances:

- Where the employee is unable to travel to work due to closure of public roads due to events such as floods, cyclones etc;
- Where the employee must, of necessity, remain at home to safeguard the employee's family or property;
- Where the employee is required to return home before the employee's usual ceasing time to ensure personal safety or the protection of the employee's family or property;
- Where such leave is sought due to the employee being unable to safely travel to and from work, the
  employee must remain in a situation and condition of being able to attend work should suitable safe
  travel be arranged.

In interpreting this agreement it has to be remembered that Council is a community service organisation and has a lead role to play in times of flooding and other natural events. In order to discharge this responsibility it is essential that an adequate number of staff are available to fill various roles, and at various location throughout the region, subject to the personal safety of employees and their families.

The employer may nominate alternate places of work for certain employees whose presence maybe desired in order to address flooding and natural events and preparedness and response. For the purpose of the Agreement, these alternate places of work are to be taken as the employees normal work place for the duration of the natural event.

Where Special Leave has been exhausted, employees may use accrued TOIL, RDO's and/or annual leave (in that priority order), or take leave without pay, subject to approval by their Supervisor/Manager.

#### 7.7. PARENTAL LEAVE

As covered by the QES, this includes:

- Birth related leave for an employee who is pregnant or whose spouse gives birth
- Adoption leave, and
- Surrogacy leave

# 7.7.1. UNPAID PARENTAL LEAVE

This leave applies to eligible permanent and fixed term employees and 'eligible casual employees' with twelve (12) months continuous service as at commencement of leave. It does not apply to other casual employees or seasonal employees.

# 7.7.2. PAID PARENTAL LEAVE

This paid leave applies to eligible permanent full time and part time employees employed by Council with two (2) years continuous service as at commencement of leave. It does not apply to 'eligible casual employees' other casual employees or fixed term employees. The employee must complete a statutory declaration confirming

they will be the primary carer of the child to be eligible for paid parental leave.

Paid parental leave applies to the primary care giver in connection with maternity, partner and adoption leave. The amount of paid parental leave is applied as follows:

2 years continuous service but less than 3 years continuous service	4 weeks paid parental leave
3 years continuous service but less than 4 years continuous service	5 weeks paid parental leave
4 years continuous service or more	6 weeks paid parental leave

The period of paid leave is included within the total entitlement of fifty two (52) weeks and is paid at the employee's ordinary base rate of pay. It attracts accumulation of personal, annual and long service leave contributions.

According to rules of the LG Superannuation Scheme introduced in November 2009, the superannuation guarantee is not paid on paid parental leave.

Public holidays that fall during the paid parental leave are paid as ordinary time. Personal sickness that falls during the paid leave will be taken to form part of the leave.

Paid leave will be effective from the date of commencement of parental leave and the employee may select whether to take payment as a lump sum or as fortnightly payments for the period of entitlement.

The employee may select whether to take paid parental leave on full or half pay. On half pay the period of leave will double and entitlements will accrue at 50% pro-rata.

To be eligible for further payments of paid parental leave, an individual must return to the workplace and work in their substantive role (either full time or part time) for a continuous period of twelve (12) months and must once again be the primary care giver. Where the employee does not return to the workplace for the above stipulated period, they will only be entitled to the further period as unpaid parental leave, provided their service remains continuous.

If the pregnancy terminates before the parental leave period commences, the parental leave is automatically cancelled and the employee will no longer be entitled to paid parental leave.

Paid parental leave is only payable when the leave is actually taken. Under no circumstances will Council make a payment in lieu of taking the leave, or defer or split the payment beyond what is allowed in this clause.

# 7.7.3. FAMILY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LEAVE

Council will commit to the maintenance of a Family Domestic Violence Policy for the life of the Agreement which includes the following entitlements:

An employee, other than a Casual is entitled to:

Ten (10) days per financial year on full pay family domestic violence leave (non accumulative) for a person
experiencing family domestic violence; and or to support a person experiencing family domestic violence
leave.

A long term casual employee is entitled to;

• Ten (10) days per financial year unpaid family domestic violence leave for a person experiencing family domestic violence; and or to support a person experiencing family domestic violence leave.

A short term casual employee is entitled to;

• Two (2) days per financial year unpaid family domestic violence leave for a person experiencing family domestic violence; and or to support a person experiencing family domestic violence leave

If an employee has exhausted the entitlement the employee may, with the CEO's agreement, take additional days of unpaid domestic and family violence leave.

Council will commit to the development of workplace planning strategies to assist in ensuring safety of employees who are subject to family and domestic violence issues.

#### 7.8. CULTURAL LEAVE

Only employees who are required by Aboriginal tradition or Island custom to attend Aboriginal, South Sea Islander or Torres Straight Islander ceremonies are entitled to apply for cultural leave. If Council agrees, an eligible employee may take up to five (5) days unpaid cultural leave per year of service.

If an eligible employee wishes to apply for cultural leave, they should give Council the following:

- Before taking the leave, reasonable notice of the intention to take cultural leave;
- Details of the reason for taking the leave; and
- Details of the period that the employee estimates they will be absent.

# 8. TERMINATION/REDUNDANCY

# 8.1. RESIGNATION BY EMPLOYEE

Resignation from employment is the voluntary exercise by an employee of his/her right to terminate their contract of employment with Council, by providing the period of notice required.

Any person who resigns (excluding casuals) must provide their resignation in writing to their immediate Supervisor/Manager.

Casuals are not required by law to provide notice, and as such, only need to advise their Supervisor when they intend to finish. Nevertheless, if a casual employee wishes to provide notice they may choose to do so.

A written resignation must include the date of resignation, period of notice provided and it must be clear as to when the final working day will be. Resignations via email are not usually acceptable.

The employee is responsible for advising Council of any change of address, as the last address on file is where any final information and the next Payment Summary will be sent to.

For Stream A Employees and those covered by the following notice is required:

For 1 year or less continuous service:

Over 1 year and up to the completion of 3 years continuous service:

Over 3 years and up to the completion of 5 years continuous service:

Over 5 years continuous service:

4 weeks notice

For Stream B and C Employees classified at wage level 9 or below the period of notice is one (1) week.

If the employee fails to give the correct notice, Council retains the right to withhold monies due to the employee with a maximum amount equal to the period of notice that should have been provided.

A shorter period of notice than that required may be agreed upon between Council and the employee.

Council may decide that they do not wish the employee to work their notice period, in which case payment in lieu of notice will be made either for the full or part period of notice, as applicable.

Where payment in lieu of notice is made, the payment is based on ordinary time wages the employee would have received had they worked during the notice period including allowances, loadings and penalties and any other amounts payable under the employment contract.

Where Council property has not been returned upon request by the Supervisor or Manager, Council retains the right to withhold monies from the final payment until such property is returned in a good condition.

# 8.2. TERMINATION BY COUNCIL

Termination of employment may be initiated by Council because of situations not limited to misconduct, performance, inability to perform the inherent requirements of the role, during probation or because a position becomes redundant.

When Council terminates an employee (except for casual employees), the relevant notice period identified above will be given or payment will be made in lieu of the full or part period of notice.

In addition to the above periods of notice, any employee over 45 years of age at the time of the notice being given notice with not less than 2 years continuous service, is entitled to an additional week's notice.

The amount of notice given to a person on a traineeship or apprenticeship may be determined by the agreement that has been signed by both parties, or as required by the relevant legislation.

Casual employees are subject to termination at any time without notice, provided that payment of the minimum engagement period is made on the date of termination, and subject to the following:

• Where a casual employee has worked in a continuous, regular and systematic basis for a period of 12 months or longer, and has a reasonable expectation of ongoing employment, it will be taken into consideration whether a period of notice of termination by Council is applicable or not.

Council is not required to provide notice of termination as a result of serious misconduct leading to summary dismissal.

The period of notice in this clause does not apply to:

- a) cases of serious misconduct justifying summary dismissal; or
- b) to employees engaged for a specific period of time or for a specific task or tasks, including apprentices and trainees covered by a training contract for a specified term; or
- c) to casual employees.

#### 8.3. TERMINATION PROVISIONS RELATING TO FIXED TERM EMPLOYMENT

A fixed term contract can be terminated in accordance with the termination provisions of the LGIA by the employer only in the following circumstances:

- By written agreement with the employee; or
- In the event of "incapacity" which prevents the employee from performing his/herduties;
- without notice in the event of misconduct; or
- By providing the officer six (6) months pay in lieu of notice or the pay due to the employee for the balance of the contract whichever is the lesser amount.
- In the above instance, both parties may agree in writing that the six months (or balance of contract) may be worked in whole or in part by the employee.

Fixed term employment can be terminated by the employee by providing four (4) weeks notice, or a lesser period may be agreed by both parties, as with all other fixed term employees.

# 8.4. REDUNDANCY

All attempts will be made to avoid redundancies and all reasonable alternatives will be considered prior to redundancy. However, in the unfortunate situation where the need for redundancy is identified, Council is committed to ensuring that any employee without a position as a result of redundancy will be provided with a competitive severance package and support.

Redundancy occurs when an employer decides that the employer no longer wishes the job the officer has been Page 27 of 42 Pages

doing to be done by anyone and this is not due to the ordinary or customary turnover of labour.

Employees on fixed term contracts are not entitled to access redundancy provisions.

# 8.4.1. PROCESS FOR REDUNDANCY

The Council will, within a three (3) month period:

- Make every reasonable attempt to redeploy or appoint the employee to an alternative suitable position;
- Provide appropriate training in accordance with this agreement to assist the employee to carry out the duties of a redeployed or appointed position; or
- If redeployment or appointment to a position is not practicable, make a written offer of the involuntary retrenchment package to the employee concerned.

Counselling through Council's Employee Assistance Program may be provided to affected employees or to their work colleagues as deemed necessary.

#### 8.4.2. PERIOD OF NOTICE

A minimum of eight (8) weeks notice shall be given to employees for involuntary redundancies, regardless of years of service.

Where redundancy is to occur, the employee will be provided with a letter confirming the conditions, a final payment document, statement of service and a settlement agreement to be signed by the employee.

During the period of notice, the employee will be kept informed of any suitable vacant positions to be advertised. The employee also shares the responsibility of identifying other suitable vacancies and seeking advice from their Manager or Human Resources about such roles.

# 8.4.3. DISCUSSIONS BEFORE REDUNDANCY

Where the Council has made a definite decision that it no longer wishes the job the employee has been doing to be done by anyone and this is not due to the ordinary and customary turnover of labour and the decision may lead to termination of employment, Council shall hold discussions with the employees directly affected and, if they request, their relevant union representative.

The discussions shall take place as soon as practicable after the Council has made the decision, and discussions will include the reasons for the proposed terminations, any reasonable and practicable measures considered to avoid or minimise the terminations and measures to mitigate any adverse effects of any terminations on the employees concerned.

For the purposes of the discussion the Council shall as soon as practicable provide in writing to the employees concerned and, if they request, their relevant union representative: all relevant information about the proposed terminations, including the reasons for the proposed terminations, the number and categories of employees likely to be affected, the number of workers normally employed, and the period over which the terminations are likely to be carried out, provided that Council shall not be required to disclose confidential information, the disclosure of which would be harmful to Council's interests.

# 8.4.4. REDEPLOYMENT

Council would ideally like to retain its employees and therefore would prefer the outcome of any redundancy situation to be redeployment to another suitable role. Council will consider any other roles of interest to the employee as a redeployment option, including their suitability to the role and any retraining required.

The employee will be offered or advised of any suitable redeployment options and it is the responsibility of the employee to advise their Manager of their interest within the timeframe provided.

Where the employee has not identified or been appointed to a suitable redeployment option within the notice

period, their position will become redundant at the end of the notice period.

Where the employee accepts redeployment to a suitable alternate position at Council, the employee is not entitled to receive compensation for redundancy.

# 8.4.5. TRANSFER TO OTHER DUTIES

Where an employee is transferred to lower paid duties through redeployment, the employee is entitled to the same period of notice of transfer as he/she would have been entitled to if his/her employment had been terminated, and Council, at it's discretion, may make payment in lieu thereof of an amount equal to the difference between the former ordinary time rate of pay and the new lower ordinary time rates for the number of weeks of notice still owing.

#### 8.4.6. EFFECTIVE RETRAINING

Where an employee is transferred to, or offered a position in a different role requiring the application of different skills, knowledge and abilities, Council agrees to provide effective skills development and retraining to facilitate the immediate or ultimate appointment to the position offered.

#### 8.4.7. TIME OFF WORK DURING THE NOTICE PERIOD

During the period of notice of termination given by Council, an employee is allowed up to one day's time off without loss of pay during each week of notice for the purpose of seeking other employment.

The employee is required to provide as much notice as possible to their Supervisor/Manager of the intended appointment time.

Once the employee has used more than one day during the notice period for the purpose of seeking other employment, the employee shall, at the request of the employer, be required to produce proof of attendance at an interview or he/she may not receive payment for time absent.

# 8.4.8. SEVERANCE PAY

If, by the end of the notice period, a redeployment option has not been taken, severance payments will apply to eligible employees.

An employee whose employment is terminated is entitled to the amount of severance pay outlined in Schedule A. The payment shall be equal to the employee's current ordinary rate of pay, for each year of continuous service with Hinchinbrook Shire Council. A pro-rata amount shall be paid for each incomplete year of continuous service up to the final date of employment.

Payments made to "eligible casuals" as defined under the Award Streams A, B and C will be pro-rated according to the average hours worked over the period of continuous service.

The Council, subject to its approval, on an employee by employee basis, may be prepared to make an offer of voluntary redundancy to other employees of Council not subject to involuntary redundancy.

Payments in respect to voluntary redundancies shall be the greater of \$6500 or eight (8) weeks pay, in addition to the severance pay rates established in the table below for involuntary redundancies. An employee who is offered voluntary redundancy must accept the offer within two (2) weeks of the offer being made, otherwise the offer will lapse.

# 8.4.9. INVOLUNTARY SEVERANCE PAY TABLE

YEARS OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE	SEVERANCE PAY
(completed)	(weeks pay*)
Less than 1 year	2
1 year and up to 2 years	4
2 years and up to 3 years	6
3 years and up to 4 years	8
4 years and up to 5 years	10
5 years and up to 10 years	10 + [1.75 (yrs of service - 5)]
10 years and up to 15 years	18.75 + [1.5 (yrs of service - 10)]
15 years and up to 20 years	26.25 + [1.25 (yrs of service - 15)]
20 years and over	32.5 + [1 (yrs of service - 20)]

For example, if an employee has 6.5 years continuous service, severance payment = 10 + [1.75 (6.5-5) weeks pay] = 12.625 weeks pay. "Weeks pay," means the ordinary time rate of pay for the officer concerned.

In addition, any accrued annual leave, annual leave loading and long service leave is paid in accordance with legislation.

#### **8.4.10. TAXATION**

Bona fide redundancies will be taxed in accordance with relevant legislation. Employees are responsible for their personal taxation circumstances and are encouraged to seek independent financial advice in relation to any finalisation of employment payment.

# 8.4.11. EMPLOYEE LEAVING DURING THE NOTICE PERIOD

An employee whose employment is terminated for reasons set out in clause 8.4 hereof may terminate his/her employment during the period of notice and, if so, shall be entitled to the same benefits and payments under this clause had he/she remained with the employer respondent until the expiry of such notice, provided that in such circumstances the employee shall not be entitled to payment in lieu of notice.

# 8.4.12. ALTERNATIVE EMPLOYMENT

Council, in a particular redundancy situation, may make application to the Industrial Relations Commission to have the general severance pay prescription varied if Council sources acceptable alternative employment for the employee.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the paragraph above where an employee whose position is no longer required in accordance with this clause, finds or is found suitable employment with another Local Government or Other Authority, prior to termination, the officer shall be ineligible for payment of severance pay.

# 8.4.13. RECOGNITION OF PRIOR SERVICE

For the purpose of calculating 'years of continuous service' to be applied in the calculation of severance payment, years of service will be taken to be that amount applicable in determining the employee's Long Service Leave entitlements. This arrangement then includes immediate prior service with other Queensland Local Governments.

#### 8.4.14. EXEMPTON FROM REDUNDANCY

Redundancy provisions shall not apply where employment is terminated as a consequence of conduct that justifies instant dismissal or in the case of casual employees, apprentices, temporaries or employees engaged for a specific period of time or for a specified task or tasks.

#### 8.4.15. TRANSITION TO RETIREMENT -

Council wishes to provide support to employees seeking to transition to retirement. To achieve this, Council wants to work with employees to develop a retirement plan which supports a positive transition for both parties.

Subject to operational requirements, an employee and Council may enter into an agreement for the employee to work on a phased retirement arrangement.

This is to facilitate the transfer of corporate knowledge, skills and provide guidance and mentoring to other employees prior to retirement, for the mutual benefit of the employee and Council.

Transition to retirement arrangements may include but are not limited to the following:

- (i) Utilisation of accrued leave to maintain full time status wages while working part time hours without reduction in superannuation benefits.
- (ii) Working agreed blocks of work (annualised hours) using a combination of either accrued leave, banked RDO's, TOIL, or leave without pay over an agreed period of time. For example, two (2) months' work, two (2) months leave in rotation.

Any such arrangements between Council and the employee will be reached through consultation and will be documented in writing confirming the agreed pattern of work required, which may include (as applicable), weeks to be worked over the period, minimum ordinary hours per week, the days on which the work is to be performed and daily starting and finishing times. These arrangements through consultation may be varied by mutual agreement between the employee and HSC and any agreed amendments documented.

All leave entitlement balances accrued immediately prior to accepting a transition to retirement arrangement will be recognised at time of the arrangement. Where an employee has accrued excessive Annual leave as defined in Clause 7.1 the employee entering into the transition to retirement arrangement may retain the excessive leave balance until date of retirement unless otherwise elected. On commencement of the transition to retirement arrangement, all leave will then accrue in accordance with the relevant hours of work clauses within the Agreement and/ or applicable parent awards.

# 9. PART NINE MISCELLANEOUS

# 9.1. CHRISTMAS SHUTDOWN PERIOD

Council closes its business operations for a shut down period over Christmas and New Year, depending on operational needs, some departments are closed for longer. Only skeleton outdoor crews are required during this shut down period. A lot of factors are considered when allocating time for a shutdown period each year, therefore timeframes are determined on a year by year basis to ensure local weather conditions, productivity, overheads and the health and well being of employees is all taken into consideration.

Notification of the close down period will be provided ninety (90) days before the Christmas shut down period.

If a new employee has less than a full year's accrual of annual leave, the employee shall take annual leave only for the duration of leave that has been accrued at the time of commencement of the closedown. In this situation, an employee may save RDO's and TOIL toward this occasion.

# 9.2. UNION RELATED MATTERS

# **NEW EMPLOYEES**

Details of the relevant Union/s will be given to new employees during the induction process.

#### **UNION DELEGATES**

The Employer acknowledges that union and employee's representatives can play an important role within a workplace in supporting sound and harmonious employee's and industrial relations and assist in dispute resolutions.

The role of the employee representative shall not distract from their primary responsibility which is to do the job they are employed to do.

Employees and their representatives agree that issues in relation to employment of employees are covered by the Agreement shall be ideally addressed at their source by those involved and without undue involvement of those not directly involved. Unions shall inform the Human Resources (HR) Coordinator of the names and of any changes to the names and contact numbers of the appointed delegates so that these can be communicated to new employees on induction.

Appointed union delegates will be granted up to five (5) days paid leave in each of each calendar year (non-cumulative) on ordinary pay each calendar year to attend courses and seminars conducted by the union or specific training courses approved and accredited by the union.

Where an extended period of trade union training leave is applied for a particular employee (who has not expended their entitlement) and this is requested under exceptional circumstances by their union and if such training is designed to promote quantifiable good industrial relations and industrial efficiency within the workplace, then such request will be considered by the CEO or delegate.

# **UNION DUES**

Where an employee makes a written request for their union due deductions to be made from their wages, the employer shall process this request and deduction in accordance with its payroll deduction processes.

# **FACILITIES AND CONDITIONS**

The following facilities will be made available to the parties involved in any consultative forum set up in accordance with this Agreement:

- Wherever possible meetings should occur in normal working time. This includes preparation for meetings, reporting back and travelling to and from attendance at meetings.
- Reasonable access to normal Council facilities such as, typing, word processing, photocopying, postal system and telephone, storage facilities and meeting rooms.
- Access to a room with normal office facilities shall be provided for representatives of the parties to discuss matters associated with consultative forums established under this Agreement.

No employee will be disadvantaged as a result of activities conducted in accordance with this clause.

# **RIGHT OF ENTRY**

An authorised officer of a union partied to this agreement will have rights of access and entry to the premises of the Council in accordance with the provisions of the QIRA 2016 and relevant Workplace Health & Safety Legislation.

#### **MEETINGS**

Employees will be granted reasonable time off with pay within working hours to attend meeting designed to improve workplace relations with the employees including union meetings, subject to the approval of the CEO.

# 9.3. SCHEDULE A

# **SCHEDULE A**

EB Wage Increase 2.1% July 2017 2.1% July 2018

2.5% July 2019 (or CPI - whichever is higher)



	2.10%	2.10%	2.50%
Stream A	Jul-17	Jul-18	Jul-19
	Annual	Annual	Annual
Officers - 72.5hrs			
L1Y1	48062	49072	50299
L1Y2	48958	49986	51236
L1Y3	50207	51262	52543
L1Y4	51548	52630	53946
L1Y5	52890	54001	55351
L1Y6	54248	55387	56772
L2Y1	55646	56814	58235
L2Y2	57027	58224	59680
L2Y3	58408	59634	61125
L2Y4	59814	61070	62597
L3Y1	61300	62588	64152
L3Y2	62837	64157	65761
L3Y3	64379	65731	67374
L3Y4	65919	67303	68986
L4Y1	67463	68880	70602
L4Y2	69027	70477	72239
L4Y3	70640	72123	73926
L4Y4	72251	73768	75612
L5Y1	73860	75411	77297
L5Y2	75473	77058	78984
L5Y3	77083	78702	80669
L6Y1	79768	81444	83480
L6Y2	82455	84186	86291
L6Y3	85139	86927	89100
L7Y1	87826	89670	91912
L7Y2	90510	92411	94721
L7Y3	93196	95153	97532
1014	05447	20442	400000
L8Y1	96417	98442	100903
L8Y2	99641	101733	104277
L8Y3	102862	105022	107647
L8Y4	105889	108113	110816
L8Y5	108909	111196	113976

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	2.10%	Allow Inc	2.10%	2.50%
Stream A	Jul-17	Sep-17	Jul-18	Jul-19
	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
72.5hrs + Construction				
C = Construction	1544.40	1596.40	*1596.40	*1596.40
L1Y1C	49607	49659	50668	51895
L1Y2C	50504	50556	51584	52833
L1Y3C	51754	51806	52860	54142
L1Y4C	53092	53144	54227	55542
L1Y5C	54435	54487	55598	56948
L1Y6C	55792	55844	56984	58368
L2Y1C	57191	57243	58412	59832
L2Y2C	58573	58625	59823	61279
L2Y3C	59951	60003	61230	62721
L2Y4C	61359	61411	62667	64193
L3Y1C	62844	62896	64183	65748
L3Y2C	64383	64435	65754	67358
L3Y3C	65924	65976	67328	68971
L3Y4C	67465	67517	68902	70584
L4Y1C	69009	69061	70478	72200
L4Y2C	70572	70624	72073	73835
L4Y3C	72185	72237	73721	75524
L4Y4C	73795	73847	75365	77209
L5Y1C	75405	75457	77008	78893
L5Y2C	77017	77069	78654	80581
L5Y3C	78627	78679	80297	82265
L6Y1C	81314	81366	83041	85077
L6Y2C	83998	84050	85782	87886
L6Y3C	86684	86736	88524	90697
17744.0	20050	20404	04055	00507
L7Y1C	89369	89421	91265	93507
L7Y2C	92054	92106	94007	96317
L7Y3C	94741	94793	96750	99129
L8Y1C	97963	98015	100039	102501
L8Y2C	101186	101238	103330	105873
L8Y3C	104405	104457	106617	109243
L8Y4C	107433	107485	109708	112411
L8Y5C	110453	110505	112792	115572

Allowances are included in the hourly rate for costing purposes

<sup>\*</sup> Allowances to be adjusted as per Award increases annually.

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Stream A	Jul-17	Sep-17	Jul-18	Jul-19
	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
76hrs + Construction				
C = Construction	1544.40	1596.40	*1596.40	*1596.40
L1Y1C76	51928	51980	53038	54324
L1Y2C76	52867	52919	53997	55307
L1Y3C76	54176	54228	55333	56677
L1Y4C76	55581	55633	56768	58147
L1Y5C76	56987	57039	58203	59619
L1Y6C76	58412	58464	59658	61109
L2Y1C76	59878	59930	61155	62644
L2Y2C76	61326	61378	62633	64159
L2Y3C76	62772	62824	64109	65672
L2Y4C76	64246	64298	65615	67216
L3Y1C76	65803	65855	67205	68845
L3Y2C76	67414	67466	68849	70531
L3Y3C76	69033	69085	70502	72225
L3Y4C76	70647	70699	72150	73914
L4Y1C76	72265	72317	73803	75608
L4Y2C76	73902	73954	75474	77321
L4Y3C76	75593	75645	77200	79090
L4Y4C76	77282	77334	78925	80858
L5Y1C76	78970	79022	80648	82624
L5Y2C76	80660	80712	82374	84393
L5Y3C76	82350	82402	84099	86161
L6Y1C76	85166	85218	86974	89108
L6Y2C76	87980	88032	89847	92054
L6Y3C76	90794	90846	92720	94998
L7Y1C76	93609	93661	95595	97945
L7Y2C76	96426	96478	98471	100893
L7Y3C76	99239	99291	101342	103836
L8Y1C76	102615	102667	104790	107370
L8Y2C76	105994	106046	108240	110906
L8Y3C76	109371	109423	111687	114440
L8Y4C76	112544	112596	114927	117761
L8Y5C76	115711	115763	118160	121074

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Stream	2.1%				2.1%				2.5%			
Α	Jul 17			Jul 18			Jul 19					
	Chief Admin	Director	Dept Chief	Dept Head	Chief Admin	Director	Dept Chief	Dept Head	Chief Admin	Director	Dept Chief	Dept Head
Executive		EngServices	Admin			EngServices	Admin			EngServices	Admin	
COUNCIL												
CATEGORY	Α	E	D	Н	Α	E	D	н	Α	E	D	н
8C	216185	211999	168176	135794	220724	216451	171708	138645	226243	221863	176001	142111
8B	211895	207790	164852	133111	216345	212153	168314	135907	221754	217457	172522	139304
8A	207606	203582	161525	130436	211966	207857	164918	133175	217265	213054	169040	136504
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7B	199026	195167	154866	125084	203206	199265	158118	127711	208286	204247	162071	130904
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6B	186146	182546	144886	117048	190055	186380	147929	119506	194807	191039	151627	122494
6A	181855	178336	141558	114372	185674	182081	144531	116774	190316	186633	148144	119693
5C	177564	174130	138228	111694	181293	177787	141131	114040	185826	182232	144659	116891
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5A	168980	165718	131576	106339	172529	169198	134340	108572	176842	173428	137698	111286
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4B	160400	157301	124916		163768	160604	127539		167862	164619	130728	
4A	156107	153093	121591		159385	156308	124145		163370	160216	127248	
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2B	134650	132059	104952		137477	134832	107156		140914	138203	109835	
2A	130358	127847	101624		133096	130532	103758		136423	133795	106352	
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1B	121773	119435	94974		124330	121943	96968		127438	124992	99392	
1A	117481	115225	91643		119949	117645	93568		122947	120586	95907	

A= CHIEF ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

E= DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES

D= DEPUTY CHIEF ADMINISTRATION OFFICER/DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING

H= DEPARTMENT HEAD

# **SCHEDULE A**

EB Wage Increase 2.1% July 2017

2.1% July 2018

2.5% July 2019 (or CPI - whichever is higher)



	2.10%	Allow Inc	2.10%	2.50%
STREAM B	Jul-17	Sep-17	Jul-18	Jul-19
	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
D = District	57.20	57.20	*57.20	*57.20
C = Construction	1544.40	1596.40	*1596.40	*1596.40
LH= Leading Hand	1463.80	1513.20	*1513.20	*1513.20
F6M	43471	43471	44383	45493
F6MD	43528	43528	44441	45550
F6MDC	45072	45124	46037	47147
L1	45126	45126	46074	47226
L1D	45183	45183	46131	47283
L1DC	46728	46780	47728	48879
12	46069	46069	47037	48213
L2D	46126	46126	47094	48270
L2DC	47671	47723	48690	49866
L3	47012	47012	48000	49200
L3D	47069	47069	48057	49257
L3DC	48614	48666	49653	50853
L4	47963	47963	48971	50195
L4D	48021	48021	49028	50252
L4DC	49565	49617	50624	51849
L4DCLH	51029	51130	52137	53362
L5	48906	48906	49933	51182
L5D	48963	48963	49990	51239
L5DC	50508	50560	51587	52835
L5DLH	50427	50477	51504	52752
L5DCLH	51972	52073	53100	54348
L6	50802	50802	51868	53165
L6D	50859	50859	51926	53222
L6DC	52403	52455	53522	54819
L6DLH	52323	52372	53439	54736
L6DCLH	53867	53968	55035	56332
L7	52695	52695	53802	55147
L7D	52753	52753	53859	55204
L7DC	54297	54349	55456	56801
L8	54647	54647	55794	57189
L8D	54704	54704	55851	57246
L8DC	56248	56300	57448	58843
L9	56589	56589	57777	59222
L9D	56646	56646	57835	59279
L9DC	58191	58243	59431	60875

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EB Wage Increase

2.1% July 2017 2.1% July 2018

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SHIRE COUNCIL

2.10%	Allow Inc	2.10%	2.50%
Jul-17	Sep-17	Jul-18	Jul-19
Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
	57.20		*57.20
1544.40	1596.40	*1596.40	*1596.40
1864.20	1926.60	*1926.60	*1926.60
3556.80	3556.80	3556.80	3556.80
38636	38636	39448	40434
42250	42250	43062	44048
43795	43847	44658	45644
40103	40103	40946	41969
43717	43717	44560	45583
45262	45314	46156	47180
42744	42744	43642	44733
46358	46358	47256	48347
47903	47955	48852	49943
45190	45190	46139	47292
48804	48804	49753	50906
50348	50400	51349	52503
48907	48907	49934	51182
52521	52521	53548	54796
54065	54117	55144	56392
51352	51352	52430	53741
54966	54966	56044	57355
56510	56562	57641	58951
58374	58489	59567	60878
53797	53797	54927	56300
57411	57411	58541	59914
	59008	60137	61511
60820	60934	62064	63437
59275	59338	60468	61841
		57424	58859
59857	59857	61038	62473
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			64400
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			66593
			63977
			67591
			69188
			66537
			70151
			71747
			69096
			72710
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# **SCHEDULE A**

EB Wage Increase 2.1% July 2017

2.1% July 2018

2.5% July 2019 (or CPI - whichever is higher)



	2.10%	Allow Inc	2.10%	2.50%
Stream C	Jul-17	Sep-17	Jul-18	Jul-19
	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Engineering C'tnd				
C3	70915	70915	72404	74214
C3TD	74529	74529	76018	77828
C3TDC	76073	76125	77614	79424
C2 (A)	73360	73360	74900	76773
C2 (A)TD	76974	76974	78514	80387
C2 (A)TDC	78518	78570	80111	81983
C2 (B)	78250	78250	79894	81891
C2 (B)TD	81864	81864	83508	85505
C2 (B)TDC	83409	83461	85104	87101

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	2.10%	Allow Inc	2.10%	2.50%
Stream C	Jul-17	Sep-17	Jul-18	Jul-19
	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Building				
D = District	57.20	57.20	*57.20	*57.20
C = Construction	1596.40	1648.40	*1648.40	*1648.40
T = Trade (EB)	3556.80	3556.80	3556.80	3556.80
L1	48907	48907	49934	51182
L1T	52464	52464	53491	54739
L1TD	52521	52521	53548	54796
L1TDC	54117	54169	55196	56445
L2	51352	51352	52431	53741
L2T	54909	54909	55987	57298
L2TD	54966	54966	56045	57355
L2TDC	56563	56615	57693	59004
L3	53798	53798	54927	56301
L3T	57354	57354	58484	59857
L3TD	57412	57412	58541	59915
L3TDC	59008	59060	60190	61563

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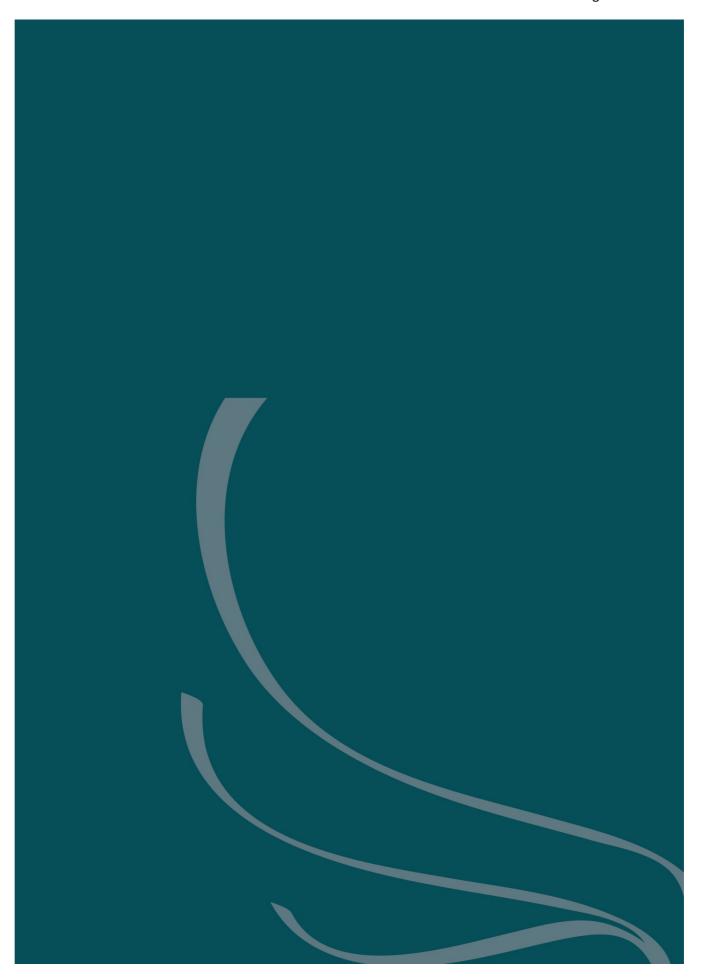
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# **10. SIGNATORIES**

Signed for and on behalf of Hinchinbrook Shire Counc	cil
Name: Rodney Ferguson	Signature:
<b>Position Held:</b> Acting Chief Executive Officer (On behalf of Dan McKinlay, Chief Executive Of	ficer whilst on 3 months leave)
In the presence of: <b>Witness Name</b> : K. Grant-Mackay.	Witness Signature:
Signed for and on behalf of <b>The Australian Workers'</b> I	Union of Employees, Queensland
	Signature:
Position Held:	
In the presence of: Witness Name:	Witness Signature:
Signed for and on behalf of <b>The Construction</b> , <b>Forestr Employees</b> , <b>Queensland</b>	y, Mining and Energy, Industrial Union of
	Signature:
In the presence of: Witness Name:	Witness Signature:
Signed for and on behalf of <b>The Association of Profes</b>	sional Engineers,
Scientists and Managers, Australia, Queensland Bran	nch, Union of Employees
Name: Position Held:	Signature:
In the presence of: Witness Name:	Witness Signature:
Signed for and on behalf of the <b>Automotive</b> , <b>Metals</b> ,	Engineering,
Printing and Kindred Industries Industrial Union of E	mployees, Queensland
Name: Rohan Webb Position Held: State Secretary AMWU In the presence of: Witness Name: Elizabeth Barlow	Signature:

Signed for and on behalf of the **Plumbers & Gasfitters Employees' Union Queensland, Union of Employees**.

Name: Gary O'Halloran	Signature:					
Position Held: State Secretary.						
In the presence of: Witness Name: Shari Charringto	on Witness Signature:					
Signed for and on behalf of the <b>Queensland Services</b> , <b>Industrial Union of Employees</b> .						
Name:	Signature:					
Position Held:						
Position Heid:						
In the presence of: Witness Name:	Witness Signature:					



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