



**SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2025
(POSTPONED TO TUESDAY 25
FEBRUARY 2025)**

Notice is given that the next Ordinary Council Meeting of Tiwi Islands Regional Council will be held on:

- Wednesday 19 February 2025 (Postponed to Tuesday 25 February 2025) in Wurrumiyanga Boardroom
- Commencing at 10:00 am

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

Gina McPharlin
Chief Executive Officer

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ITEM NUMBER: 7.1
TITLE: Local Government Tech Leadership Summit
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Summary

This report is submitted to Council as an invitation for a Councillor to attend the Tech Leadership Summit with the CFO.

Recommendation

That Council recommends and selects a Councillor to attend the Tech Leadership summit.

Background

AI can be a powerful tool for remote councils helping to improve efficiency, streamline operations and enhance service delivery. AI can be utilized for data management and analysis, automating routine tasks and enhancing communication.

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) is the national voice of local government, representing 537 councils across the country. This year they are hosting their first Tech Leadership Summit which is targeted to Mayors, Shire Presidents, General Managers, Corporate Services and IT managers.

Current Situation

ALGA's 2025 Local Government Tech Leadership Summit will focus on the current state of cybersecurity in Australia, while showcasing councils that are embracing technological solutions to address local challenges. The Summit will include a keynote on the changing tech landscape and opportunities for local government innovation.

The Summit will be held on Wednesday 12 March in Sydney. Tiwi Islands Regional Council would like to extend the invitation to one Councillor nominated by this Council to attend the summit.

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ALGA
Australian Local Government Association

Presents

Tech Leadership Summit

📍 Sheraton Sydney Hyde Park Hotel ⌚ 12 March 2025

👤 Sales end soon

Wednesday, March 12

Local Government Tech Leadership Summit

Ages 18+

The Tech Leadership Summit will focus on cybersecurity as well as councils embracing technological solutions to local challenges

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Date and time

🕒 Wednesday, March 12 · 9:30am - 4pm AEDT. Doors at 8am

Location

📍 Sheraton Grand Sydney Hyde Park

General Admission	1
A\$295.00 ⓘ	

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Registration desk will open from 08:00 am through till the beginning of the opening session.

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Nick Abrahams, Futurist & Global Head of Digital Transformation

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Nick Abrahams, Futurist & Global Head of Digital Transformation, Norton Rose Fulbright Nick is one of Australia's most entertaining, informative and thought-provoking speakers. He is a LinkedIn Top Voice in Technology. He has been a partner at international professional services firm Norton Rose Fulbright for over twenty years in global technology and innovation leadership roles. Nick co-created the world's first AI-enabled privacy chatbot and won the Financial Times newspaper's Asia Innovator of the Year Award. He is an Adjunct Professor at Bond University where he researches and teaches practical uses of Artificial Intelligence and teaches the popular GenAI Productivity Training for Everyone course. He is the Co-founder of Lawpath, an online legal business which has served over 500,000 customers. Nick is on the boards of the Vodafone/TPG Foundation, the Sydney Film Festival and world-leading genetics research organisation, the Garvan Foundation. He is the host of the popular podcast

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11:00 am - 11:30 am

Morning Tea

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Session 2 - AI and Local Government

 MyLot.AI  Amanda Kern Yarra Ranges Council

The integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) into local government operations represents a transformative shift in how councils deliver services, engage with the public, and streamline internal processes. As local governments are tasked with managing an increasing range of responsibilities, from urban planning and development to community services, the application of AI offers innovative solutions to longstanding challenges. AI provides councils with the tools to improve efficiency, reduce administrative burdens, and create more accessible, transparent systems for residents and employees alike. In this session, we will explore two compelling case studies from local councils that have successfully adopted AI technologies to solve problems and improve service delivery.

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12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Lunch

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Session 3 - Cyber Security

 Lizz Watts KPMG  James Kay - Assistant Director -General  Councillor Jeff Whitton FAICD

In this session, we'll explore the critical topic of cyber security for local governments. As councils manage essential services and infrastructure, ensuring robust cyber security measures is more important than ever. Liz Watts, Partner at KPMG, will present key findings from a report commissioned by the Australian Local Government Association, providing insights on how councils can enhance their cyber security posture. James Kay, Assistant Director-General at the Australian Signals Directorate, will discuss the Commonwealth Government's support framework and resources available to local governments. Finally, Councillor Jeff Whitton, an independent expert in Cyber Security, will share his insights on navigating cybersecurity challenges in local government. Join us for an engaging panel discussion as we explore how councils can stay ahead in the ever-evolving cyber threat landscape.

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winning teams. In 2021, Tracy won the Women in Digital Australian Executive Leader of the Year award, a testament to her commitment to delivering excellent digital leadership at every opportunity. She has led digital and social media for some of the largest events in Australia, including the Brisbane floods, G20 and the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games. She is now the first Chief Digital Officer in 129 years at the Local Government Association of Queensland, with a state-wide remit to improve data and digital maturity for all 77 QLD councils.

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3:40 pm - 4:00 pm

Wrap up and Conclusion

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm






Afternoon Tea

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Highlights

-  6 hours, 30 minutes
-  Ages 18+
-  In person
-  Paid venue parking
-  Doors at 8:00 AM

Refund Policy

Refunds up to 7 days before event

Sheraton accommodation - special rate for Tech Leadership Summit

Special rate for guests attending the Tech Leadership Summit • Sheraton Grand Sydney...

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Special rate link

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?...>

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About this event

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