

Ordinary Meeting

Meeting Date: Monday, 12 September, 2022

Location: Council Chambers, City Administrative Building, Bridge Road, Nowra

Time: 5.30pm

Membership (Quorum - 7)

All Councillors

Addendum Agenda

Mayoral Minute

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HPERM Ref: D22/384387

Recommendation

That:

1. Shoalhaven City Council write to the Royal Family expressing condolences on the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.
2. Condolence books be placed in the Nowra and Ulladulla Administration Centres and public libraries to enable the citizens of the Shoalhaven to express their sorrow and sympathy to the Royal Family.
3. Council promotes the condolence books via social media, the books are to remain open for one month, then packaged up and sent to the Royal Family, ensuring our messages are contemporary.
4. Council promotes and encourages the community to also use the link to the official Royal Family online condolence book using social media.
5. Flags across the city are to be flown at half-mast in line with international flag protocols as a mark of respect on the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.

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Details

On Friday 9 September Australia woke to the news that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II had sadly passed at the age of 96, marking the end of an era.

Acceding to the throne on the 6 February 1952 after the passing of her father King George VI, the official coronation of Queen Elizabeth II took place on 2 June 1953 at Westminster Abbey, and reigned for the next seventy years.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II has marked many significant historical milestones, and will be remembered and celebrated as Britain's longest serving Monarch. Her Majesty was the first ever Monarch to reach the Sapphire Jubilee on 6 February 2017 marking 65 years on the throne. Earlier this year the 70 year Platinum Jubilee was celebrated, again the first ever Monarch to reach the milestone.

During her reign the world changed dramatically, both politically and socially, throughout which she remained an unwavering constant, with a stoic resolve and sovereign presence, staying true to her promise;

"I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service" (<https://www.royal.uk/her-majesty-the-queen>).

On behalf of the City of the Shoalhaven we extend our deepest sympathies to the Royal Family on the passing of Her Majesty.