

BUSINESS PAPER

BORDER REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS MEETING

FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER 2026



Brewarrina –July 2026

Border Regional Organisation of Councils

St George Cultural Centre, Wallam/Mungallala Room, (next door to Balonne Shire Council offices)
112 Victoria Street, St George QLD 4487 on Friday 9 October 2026 following AGM.

BROC**Border Regional Organisation of Councils****1. OPENING OF MEETING (following AGM)**

- Welcome to all attendees
- Mayoral Welcome – Councillor Samantha O'Toole Balonne Shire Council
- Apologies

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Border Regional Organisation of Councils meeting held on Friday 24 July 2026 in Brewarrina (hosted by Brewarrina Shire Council) have been distributed and are on the BROC website.

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Border Regional Organisation of Councils meeting held on 24 July 2026 as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**4. FINANCIAL REPORT**

Balances period ending 30 September 2026

National Australia Bank Business Account

Opening balance: \$7.21

Tfr from Savings Account: \$782.82

Payment to Vanguard for auditing fees: \$440

Payment to GRC for GoDaddy website fee reimbursement: \$342.82

Closing balance: \$7.21

National Australia Bank Savings Account

Opening balance: \$40,833.23

Tfr to Business Account: \$782.82

Interest: \$41.87

Closing balance: \$40,223.85

National Australia Bank – Term Deposit 42-388-8697

Matures 27 December 2026 - \$12,056.28

Net position: \$52,287.34

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Recommendation:

That, the Financial Report be accepted and the payments ratified

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards

- NEMA – Thank you for submission
- Update on the Joint Organisation Framework Review - Office of the Hon. Ron Hoenig, Leader of the House in the Legislative Assembly, Vice-President of the Executive Council, Minister for Local Government
- Audited Financial Statements – Vanguard Consulting
- Office of Cross Border Commissioner NSW – New Acting NSW Cross Border Commissioner Karen Minto
- Office of Cross Border Commissioner NSW – Possible deputation police representatives
- Walgett Shire Council – New logo
- Fabio Batista – TAFE Qld – possible deputation (via Mayor Suzette Beresford)
- DPHI NSW - LEP Making Guideline and Section 9.1 Ministerial Direction Information Sessions – Frequently Asked Questions

Outwards

- DRFA video to LGAQ
- DRFA submission
- Financial Statements to Auditor

Recommendation:

That:

the Inwards and Outwards correspondence be received and noted;

WORKING TEA/COFFEE BREAK

10.30am

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

7. CROSS BORDER UPDATES

Bob Gee – QLD Cross Border Commissioner

Karen Minto - Acting NSW Cross Border Commissioner

8. STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREAS FOR BROCC (SPA)

SPA FOCUS GROUP UPDATES

Each SPA Focus Group has been tasked to investigate and determine:

- What are the issues?
- Determine a priority order for the issues identified; and
- Come up with ideas and report back on how BROCC can assist with resolving the issues identified.

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The four (4) Strategic Priority Areas are listed in the table below. For today's meeting, 15 minutes has been allocated for each SPA.

Speakers have been invited to participate in the SPA discussions – details of which are highlighted below.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 1	Encompassing	Responsible Council
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM Lead Council: Inverell ➤ Report on Country Mayors Association of NSW meeting regarding DAMA	Industry/Renewables	Southern Downs
	Digital Connectivity	Goondiwindi
	Tourism	Paroo/Tenterfield
STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 2	Encompassing	Responsible Council
LIVEABILITY Lead Council: Moree	Health	Tenterfield
	Housing	Goondiwindi/Bulloo
	Education	Gwydir
	Policing / Crime	Goondiwindi/Moree
STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 3	Encompassing	Responsible Council
INFRASTRUCTURE Lead Council: Gwydir	Road Network	Gwydir/Balonne
	Transport	Moree
	Water Security, Urban & Wastewater	Inverell
STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 4	Encompassing	Responsible Council
DISASTER MANAGEMENT Lead Council: Balonne ➤ Lack of river height gauges Dumaresq tributaries	Agency Coordination	Balonne
	Bio Security	Balonne

Recommendation:

“That the BROOC be proactive in regards reinforcing need for cross border seamlessness given enhanced bushfire risk and in light of emergency evacuation called for a fire near Ballandean and NSWRFs calling for crews on northern tablelands to attend.”

9.	AGENCY UPDATES
10.	ACTION ITEM LOG • Action Item Log attached separately. Recommendation: <i>That:</i> <i>a) The Action Item Log be received and noted: and</i> <i>b) The items on the Action Item Log continue to be actioned.</i>
11.	GENERAL BUSINESS
12.	NEXT MEETING The next Meeting of BROC will be held in on 5 February 2027 commencing at 9am (local time).
13.	CLOSURE OF MEETING