

Location: Filby's Motors, 62 Main Street, Proserpine

Present: 25 Chamber members and guests.

Board Apologies: None.

Meeting Opened: 7.49am Thursday 13 November 2026

Business Item	Discussion Points	Action / Responsible Person
Welcome and Introduction	7:49am	Allan Milostic
Acceptance of minutes of previous AGM	Printed copy attached.	Moved: Emily Harvey Seconded: Fiona Erquiaga
President's Report	The 2024–25 financial year was one of significant progress, collaboration, and momentum for the Chamber as we strengthened our advocacy voice, expanded our membership base, and continued to champion opportunities for local business and industry. Over the year, the Chamber navigated a dynamic business environment marked by both Queensland and Federal Elections and a suite of industrial relations reforms. These shifts reinforced the importance of having a strong, united business voice at the table to ensure local perspectives are understood and represented. Our advocacy gained traction across multiple fronts. We facilitated a successful Meet the Candidate forum for the Federal Election, providing members and the broader business community the opportunity to engage directly with candidates on key regional issues from road infrastructure and insurance costs to business resilience and red tape.	Moved: Megan Taylor Seconded: Doug O'Connor

	The Chamber also made six formal submissions to Council on development and public consultation matters, issued statements on major policy topics including visitor services in Proserpine, the revival of the RV Park, local budget impacts, and the introduction of Uber to the Whitsundays. We were proud to launch the key findings of our Vision for the Whitsundays research and advocacy project, with more to follow on the importance of our diverse districts, balancing preservation with progression, and preparing for transformational economic projects. Our sub-committees continued to strengthen local engagement and outcomes. The Advisory Group, Proserpine Sub-Committee, and Ground Transport Operators Sub-Committee each made measurable progress, and the merger of Weddings Whitsundays further broadened our collective industry representation. We also deepened collaboration with Whitsunday Regional Council, Bowen Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Whitsundays, and other regional partners to align advocacy efforts and amplify local business priorities. Membership grew strongly to 230, supported by the joint membership offer with Tourism Whitsundays: a milestone partnership that allows members to access the benefits of both organisations. Throughout the year, we delivered eleven professional development and networking events, attracting over 300 registrations across a range of business topics. This commitment to education and connection remains central to the Chamber's purpose. As we move into 2025–26, our focus turns to delivering new horizons set by the Board in our latest planning workshop.	
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	With the sold-out Whitsunday Business Conference, being a major delivery partner of the Whitsunday Business Awards program, taking on management of the Cruise Ship Markets and an ambitious five-year plan ahead, the Chamber is well positioned to continue driving growth, advocacy, and opportunity for our members and the wider Whitsundays business community. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Board members for their time and expertise. To Megan, Fiona, Jannah, Anthony, Emily and Asher for their continued support and contribution, and to our new Board nominees – Giulian and Doug – who will bring fresh perspectives. As we resource ourselves for future growth, our operational team now includes Julia, Cait and some of our Board members actively involved in delivery. Thank you.	
Treasurer's Report	As Chamber Treasurer, this is my first report. Our audited financial statements for the 2024-25 financial year are available here today and have been prepared by APW Accountancy Plus Whitsunday. The Chamber has delivered a positive financial result for the 2024–2025 year, recording a surplus of \$13,958, up from \$7,863 in the previous year. As shown in this report, the income was \$48,114 - down slightly on the previous year due to event sponsorship however the prior year did include the once off rollover of funds from Proserpine chamber. Expenditure was down to \$34,156 on the previous year, mainly due to a temporary adjustment to personnel costs that will correct in future years. Moving onto the balance sheet, we can see that the chamber is in a healthy net asset position with no long term debts. There are a number of aged receivables, mostly membership renewals that we continue to address.	Moved: Allan Milostic Seconded: Kath Barker

	With a healthy bank balance of \$66,806 as of 12th November and all accounts paid up to date, the Chamber remains in a strong cash position and is well placed to move forward with our plans. A copy of this Chamber's Financial Statements will be submitted to the Office of Fair Trading with our annual return in accordance with statutory requirements.	
Questions regarding Presidents or Treasurer reports	Nil.	
Acceptance of Financial Statements	President calls for acceptance of financial reports	Moved: Allan Milostic Seconded: Megan Taylor
Proposed resolutions	That Accountancy Plus to continue to be Auditors for WCCI	Moved: Allan Milostic Seconded: Jannah Baker
Election of Committee	Chaired by Allan Milostic who announced that all positions are considered vacated. Under the Chamber's Constitution s18(5) <i>The Board shall have a maximum of ten (10) members of the association with a minimum of four (4).</i> The following people have been nominated and accepted: PRESIDENT 1. Allan Milostic (LiveLife Pharmacy) VICE PRESIDENT 2. Jannah Baker (Scallywag Fabrication) SECRETARY 3. Megan Taylor (Kapow Interactive) TREASURER 4. Fiona Erquiaga (Smooth Sailing Finance Consulting) BOARD 5. Anthony Nobilia (Airlie Beach Executive Services) 6. Asher Telford (Sealink Whitsundays and Whitsunday Charter Boat Industry Association) 7. Doug O'Connor (Option Insurance Brokers) 8. Emily Harvey (Filby's Motors)	Moved: Allan Milostic Seconded: Kath Barker Carried: All attendees

	9. Giulian Grasso (Whitsunday Law) No further Committee member nominations came from the floor.	
Close of Meeting	No further discussion.	

Meeting closed: 8:00am

AGM Minutes to be ratified at next Annual General Meeting, 19 November 2026.