

**Summary of the Together Council meeting**  
**15 July 2013**

Together Council met on Monday 15 July 2013. In attendance were the President, Secretary, the Deputy Secretary, delegates, and observers. Council met at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, South Brisbane.

The meeting was chaired by President Vivienne Doogan who acknowledged the traditional owners of the land, the Turrbul and Yuggera peoples.

**Commission of Audit**

Delegates discussed the recommendations of the Costello Commission of Audit and its effect on the delivery of public services in Queensland. Delegates resolved to correspond with the Public Service Commission relating to the Audit recommendations and the government response.

**Politicians' Pay**

Council delegates voted to reject the proposed 5 point plan on politicians' pay and to ask the government for a backdated pay increase for public servants. Politicians' pay should be linked to those of public servants.

**Governance matters**

Delegates were briefed on corporate governance matters and future Council meeting dates for 2013 and 2014. The proposed dates for Council meetings were put to a poll of Council members.

Council delegates decided that, in future, decisions on a variety of key matters including membership subscriptions, rules changes, subdivisions, salaries for office bearers, honorariums, and the formation of council committees would be determined by postal ballots of all Council delegates.

**IR laws amendments**

Council delegates received a briefing regarding state industrial relations law changes and what they will mean for union operations.

### **Financial statements**

Together financial statements were received by the meeting.