## QUEENSLAND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION

CITATION:	<i>In the termination of the Quilpie Shire Council</i> <i>Certified Agreement 2018</i> [2022] QIRC 050
PARTIES:	Quilpie Shire Council
	AND
	Construction, Forestry, Mining & Energy, Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland
	Queensland Services, Industrial Union of Employees
	The Australian Workers' Union of Employees, Queensland
CASE NO:	CB/2022/5
PROCEEDING:	Termination of an agreement
DELIVERED ON:	22 February 2022
HEARING DATE	22 February 2022
MEMBER:	Hartigan IC
HEARD AT:	Brisbane
ORDER:	The <i>Quilpie Shire Council Certified Agreement 2018</i> is terminated.
CATCHWORDS:	INDUSTRIAL LAW – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – application for termination of agreement after nominal expiry date – requirements for termination – agreement terminated
LEGISALTION:	Industrial Relations Act 2016 (Qld) s 228

APPEARANCES: Ms S. Mitanis of MBA Lawyers for the Quilpie Shire Council

> Mr P. Dunbar for the Construction, Forestry, Mining & Energy, Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland

Ms M. Robertson for the Queensland Services, Industrial Union of Employees

Mr D. Marr for The Australian Workers' Union of Employees, Queensland

## **Reasons for Decision**

- [1] On 3 February 2022, the Quilpie Shire Council ('the Council'), applied, pursuant to s 228(1) of the *Industrial Relations Act 2016* (Qld) ('the IR Act'), to terminate the *Quilpie Shire Council Certified Agreement 2018* ('the certified agreement').
- [2] The certified agreement has a nominal expiry date of 30 June 2021.
- [3] The application was filed in the Industrial Registry, together with an affidavit in support of Mr Justin Hancock, Chief Executive Officer of the Council, and a Notice of Intention to terminate a Certified Agreement.
- [4] Having regard to the material relied upon in support of the application, I am satisfied that:
  - (a) the certified agreement does not include any provisions recording that any particular conditions need be met before it may be terminated;<sup>1</sup>
  - (b) the Council has given notice of its intention to apply to terminate the certified agreement;<sup>2</sup>
  - (c) all parties to the certified agreement agree to it being terminated;<sup>3</sup> and
  - (d) the termination of the certified agreement is not contrary to the public interest.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Industrial Relations Act 2016 (Qld) s 228(3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ibid s 228(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ibid s 228(3)(b)(i).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ibid s 228(3)(b)(ii).

- [5] I have also had regard to an application having been made by the Council, the Construction, Forestry, Mining & Energy, Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland, the Queensland Services, Industrial Union of Employees and The Australian Workers Union of Employees, Queensland to certify the *Quilpie Shire Council Certified Agreement 2021*.<sup>5</sup>
- [6] Section 228(4) of the IR Act provides that termination takes effect when the Commission's approval takes effect, accordingly, I approve the termination of the certified agreement with effect from 22 February 2022.
- [7] I make the following order:

The Quilpie Shire Council Certified Agreement 2018 is terminated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Matter CB/2022/6, filed on 3 February 2022.