

minutes

MEETING OF: Orana Joint Organisation
DATE: 29 May 2020
TIME: 12.00 Midday
VENUE: Via ZOOM Video Conference

ATTENDEES:

Cr C Davies (Chair)	Narromine Shire Council
Cr D Batten	Gilgandra Shire Council
Cr D Todd	Warrumbungle Shire Council
Cr D Kennedy	Mid-Western Regional Council
Cr M Quigley	Warren Shire Council
Cr G Neill	Bogan Shire Council (Deputy Mayor)
David Neeves	General Manager, Gilgandra Shire Council
Roger Bailey	General Manager, Warrumbungle Shire Council
Jane Redden	General Manager, Narromine Shire Council
Brad Cam	General Manager, Mid-Western Regional Council
Derek Francis	General Manager, Bogan Shire Council
Peter Evans	Office of Local Government
Belinda Barlow	Executive Officer Orana Joint Organisation
Carolyn Marchant	(Minute Taker) Narromine Shire Council

GUEST

Ken Harrison	Deputy Director, Regional Resources Central West and Far West Regional NSW
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1. WELCOME:

The Chair declared the meeting open at 12.06pm.

2. APOLOGIES:

Nil

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

3.1 PRESENTERS

Office of Drought Response – update on drought matters Ken Harrison Deputy Director Regional Resources - Central West – Far West Regional NSW Regions, Industry, Agriculture and Resources,

The Chair thanked Mr Harrison for his time.

Mr Harrison left meeting at 12.16pm.

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4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

2020/026 RESOLVED Crs Todd/Batten that the Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting held 24 April 2020 be adopted as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

Belinda Barlow and Brad Cam left the meeting at 12.17pm.

6.1 APPOINTMENT OF AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER

6.2 RECRUITMENT OF AN INTERIM EXECUTIVE OFFICER

2020/027 RESOLVED Crs Batten/Kennedy that the Orana Joint Organisation Board resolve to move into Closed Meeting in accordance with Section 10(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993, to consider:

1. The remuneration for (if any) and responsibilities of the Interim Executive Officer.
2. The expressions of interest for the position of an Interim Executive Officer.
3. Appointment of the successful Interim Executive Officer.

CARRIED

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OPEN MEETING

Resolution from Closed Meeting

6.2 RECRUITMENT OF AN INTERIM EXECUTIVE OFFICER

2020/028 RESOLVED Crs Kenedy/Neill that the Orana Joint Organisation:

1. Appoints the General Manager of MidWestern Council as the Interim Executive Officer of the Orana Joint Organisation commencing from 14 June 2020 until recruitment for the Executive Officer is finalised.
2. Determine that as Interim Executive Officer of the Orana Joint Organisation, there will be no payment made by the Orana Joint Organisation to the General Manager (or their member Council) who undertakes the additional role of Interim Executive Officer, in recognition of the financial constraints of the Orana Joint Organisation.
3. That the Delegations to the Executive Officer be retained for the Interim Executive Officer.

Belinda Barlow and Brad Cam returned to meeting at 12.26pm.

CARRIED

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 Orana JO Membership 2020/2021

2020/030 RESOLVED Crs Batten/Kennedy that the information be noted.

CARRIED

Milton Quigley joined the meeting at 12.30pm.

7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER – REPORTS PART A (ACTION)

7.1. DRAFT ORANA JO BUDGET 2020/2021 and MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS 2020/2021

2020/031 RESOLVED Crs Batten/Kennedy that the draft 2020/2021 Expenditure budget presented to the Orana JO Board be adopted and placed on public exhibition for 28 days prior to adoption of the final documents at the next meeting of the Orana JO to be held on 6 July 2020.

CARRIED

7.2 ORANA JO DRAFT STATEMENT OF REVENUE POLICY 2020/2021

2020/032 RESOLVED Crs Kenendy/Neil that the Draft 2020/2021 Statement of Revenue Policy presented to this meeting be accepted and placed on public exhibition for 28 days prior to the adoption of the final documents at the Ordinary Meeting of the Orana Joint Organisation to be held on 6 July 2020.

CARRIED

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7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER – REPORTS PART A (ACTION) (Cont'd)

7.3 ORANA JOLT MEETING and ORANA JO GOVERNANCE REPORTING ITEMS

2020/033 RESOLVED Crs Neil/Kennedy that the Orana JO Board note the JOLT minutes 4 May 2020 and accepts the Orana JO's outstanding actions and responsibilities in Tables 1 and 2.

CARRIED

7.4 FINANCE REPORT – BUDGET REVIEW

2020/034 RESOLVED Crs Batten/Todd that the document entitled Budget Review – 22 May 2020 as attached to the report be noted.

CARRIED

7.5 ROADS OF STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE

2020/035 RESOLVED Crs Kennedy/Neil that the information supplied in Table 1 is acknowledged by the Orana JO Board and forwarded to Roads of Strategic Importance initiative for further consideration.

CARRIED

8. EXECUTIVE OFFICER – REPORTS PART B (INFORMATION)

8.1. ORANA JO RESOURCE SHARING – CROWN LANDS PLANS OF MANAGEMENT

2020/036 RESOLVED Crs Batten/Todd that the information be noted.

CARRIED

8.2 GIG STATE PILOT PROJECT

2020/037 RESOLVED Crs Batten/Kennedy that the information be noted and that a General Manager from a member council write to the Digital Connectivity Team, requesting for Orana JO to be considered and included in further community consultation in respect to the Gig State Pilot Project.

CARRIED

8.3 STRONG LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO COMMUNITY DURING COVID-19

2020/038 RESOLVED Crs Kennedy/Quigley that the information be noted.

CARRIED

8.4 DELIVERY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT MARCH TO MAY 2020

2020/039 RESOLVED Crs Todd/Neil that the Delivery Program Progress Report from March to May 2020 be noted.

CARRIED

9. EXECUTIVE OFFICER – REPORTS PART C (CONFIDENTIAL)

Nil

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10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

11. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil

12. CORRESPONDENCE

2020/040 RESOLVED Crs Quigley/Batten that the Orana JO Board note the correspondence report.

CARRIED

13. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Nil

LATE ITEMS:

- Orana JO Executive Officer informed the meeting that Mr Ashley Albury, Director Western NSW Department Regional NSW had sent through a late apology.
- Orana JO Executive Officer provided a verbal update regarding Orana Water Utilities Alliance.
- Orana JO Executive Officer presented a late correspondence item received from Bogan Shire Council in respect to the extreme complexity of the funding formula used by Grants Commission to distribute FAGs to rural based councils.
- Action: That Orana JO Board writes to Minister for Local Government The Hon Mark Coulton seeking clarification of the funding formula used to determine the expenditure disabilities within the general purpose component of FAGs.
- Action: That Orana JO writes to Department of Regional NSW in respect to the large geographic area administered by the Department of Regional NSW - Western NSW staff.

14. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 6 July 2020 via videoconference.

15. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed 1.10pm.

The Minutes (pages 1 to 6) were confirmed at a meeting held on the day of _____ 2020, and are a full and accurate record of proceedings of the meeting held on 29 May 2020.

Chair