

Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

held in the Council Chambers John Street, Coonabarabran on Thursday, 19 October 2023 commencing at 5:16 pm

- **PRESENT:** Cr A Doolan (Chairperson), Cr K Brady, Cr D Hogden, Cr Z Holcombe, Cr A Iannuzzi, Cr C Kopke, Cr J Newton, Cr K Rindfleish and Cr D Todd
- In attendance: General Manager (Roger Bailey), Director Corporate and Community Services (Lindsay Mason), Director Environment and Development Services (Leeanne Ryan), Director Technical Services (Nicole Benson), and Manager Corporate Services (Jenni Maundrell – Minutes).

Acknowledgement of Country

Cr Brady acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the Land at which the meeting is held and paid respects to Elders, both past and present, of the Gomeroi Nation and extended that respect to other Aboriginal people who are present.

Recording of Meeting

The Chairperson announced that the meeting was being streamed live plus audio recorded, and that the audio recording will be published.

APOLOGIES

Nil

Confirmation of Minutes

110/2324 RESOLVED that Council confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 21 September 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Todd SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

The Chairperson called for Disclosure of Interests Nil

Item 1 Mayoral Minute – Mayors Log of Activity, Kilometres Travelled and Expenses from 12 September 2023 to 10 October 2023 111/2324 RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Notes the report on the Mayor's Activity and Log of Kilometres Travelled for the period 12 September 2023 to 10 October 2023.
- 2. Notes the report on the Mayor's credit card expenses between 8 September 2023 and 10 October 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Doolan SECONDED: Councillor Holcombe

For – Unanimous

Item 2 Mayoral Minute – Resumption of Private Capital Works

112/2324 RESOLVED that Council authorises the resumption of private works being undertaken by Council subject to such works not unnecessarily impacting on the natural disaster restoration or other major projects.

MOVED: Councillor Doolan SECONDED: Councillor Brady

For – Unanimous

Item 3 Councillors' Monthly Travel Claims

113/2324 RESOLVED that the Councillors' monthly travel claims report in the amount of \$1,150.45 be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Holcombe

SECONDED: Councillor Todd

For – Unanimous

Item 4 Delegate's Report – Alliance if Western councils (AWC) Board Meeting 8 September 2023

114/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the Delegate's Report in relation to Alliance of Western Councils (AWC) Board meeting held in Dubbo on Friday 8 September 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Doolan SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 5 Minutes of Warrumbungle Road Network Advisory Group Meeting – 4 October 2023

115/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the minutes of the Warrumbungle Road Network Advisory Group meeting held at Coonabarabran on 4 October 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Newton SECONDED: Councillor Hogden

For – Unanimous

Item 6 Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting – 28 September 2023 116/2324 RESOLVED that:

- 1. Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on the 28 September 2023 are noted for information.
- 2. Council seek grant funding for the installation of blisters in Bandulla Street, Mendooran.
- 3. Council reappoint Mr Mal Unicomb as a proxy for the Local Member for Barwon to the Traffic Advisory Committee.
- 4. Subject to consultation with relevant shop owners, Coolah Business Chamber and the Coolah District Development Group that the disabled parking space be

relocated from the front of IGA Supermarket in Binnia Street, Coolah to the parallel parking area between IGA and the Council Building at 59 Binnia Street, Coolah.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

Item 7 Traffic Advisory Committee – Vacant Position 117/2324 RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Extends it appreciation to Councillor Kopke for his participation in role of Chairperson in the Traffic Advisory Committee; and
- 2. Appoints Councillor lannuzzi as the delegate and Councillor Rindfleish as alternate to the Traffic Advisory Committee, who will also hold the position of Chairperson.

MOVED: Councillor Rindfleish

SECONDED: Councillor Holcombe

For – Unanimous

Item 8 Council Resolutions Report

118/2324 RESOLVED that the Council Resolution Report be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Rindfleish

SECONDED: Councillor Brady

For – Unanimous

Item 9 Council Offices Christmas Closure

119/2324 RESOLVED Council notes the closure of Coonabarabran and Coolah administration offices, including Service NSW, from 3.00pm on Friday 22 December 2023, reopening on Tuesday 2 January 2024.

MOVED: Councillor Todd

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 10 Returns Under s4.21 of the Model Code of Conduct – Disclosing of Interests of Councillors and Designated Persons 120/2324 RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Acknowledges the tabling of the disclosures received under Section 4.21 of the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW for Councillors and Designated Persons for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023.
- 2. Acknowledges that the disclosure of interest forms for councillors and designated persons are to be placed onto Council's website.

MOVED: Councillor Holcombe

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 11 Revotes and High Value Projects Report

121/2324 RESOLVED that the Revotes and High Value Projects Report be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Newton SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 12 Investments and Term Deposits – month ending 30 September 2023

122/2324 RESOLVED that Council accept the Investments Report for the month ending 30 September 2023 including a total balance of \$41,602,357.52 being:

- \$323,897.56 in at call accounts.
- \$41,000,000.00 in term deposits.
- \$278,459.96 cash at bank.

MOVED: Councillor Newton SECONDED: Councillor Hogden

For – Unanimous

Item 13 Natural Disaster Response and Recovery Monthly Report for October 2023 123/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the Natural Disaster Response and Recovery Monthly Report for October 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Newton SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 14 Update Report – Road Asset Management Plan 124/2324 RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Council notes the information contained within the Updates to Roads Asset Management Plan report
- 2. The following actions are taken in relation to the Roads Asset Management Plan:
 - a. Review and update condition rating scales and include in a revised version of AMP Roads.
 - b. Consult with the community on acceptable levels of road condition and on expected levels of road maintenance.
 - c. Publicise a map identifying the location of projects in the four (4) year works program for roadworks associated with pavement renewal and pavement upgrades.

MOVED: Councillor Brady SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

Item 15 Dunedoo Town Water Security – Talbragar Alluvial Groundwater Source Supply

125/2324 RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Notes the information contained in the Dunedoo Town Water Security Talbragar Alluvial Groundwater Source Supply Report.
- 2. Receives a report upon completion of the groundwater sustainable yield and drought resilience assessment for the Dunedoo Water Supply Scheme.

MOVED: Councillor Todd SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 16 Coolah Water Supply Scheme Funding Report 126/2324 RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Notes the information contained in the Coolah Water Treatment Plant Upgrades Funding Report.
- 2. Delegates authority to the General Manager to execute and sign the funding deed received from the Department of Planning and Environment valued at \$737,685.90

MOVED: Councillor Newton SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 17 Development Applications Approvals

127/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the Applications and Certificates approved during September 2023, under Delegated Authority.

MOVED: Councillor Todd SECONDED: Councillor Holcombe

For – Unanimous

Item 18 Reports to be Considered in Closed Council 128/2324 RESOLVED that:

1. Item 18.1 Human Resources Monthly Report

That the Human Resources Monthly Report be referred to Closed Council pursuant to section 10A(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW) on the grounds that the matter deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

2. Item 18.2 Update Report – Coonabarabran Local Aboriginal Land Council Reversal of General Rates

That the Coonabarabran Local Aboriginal Land Council Reversal of General Rates report be referred to Closed Council pursuant to section 10A(2)(g) of the *Local*

Government Act 1993 (NSW) on the grounds that the matter deals with advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

MOVED: Councillor Jannuzzi **SECONDED:** Councillor Brady

For – Unanimous

The General Manager offered the opportunity to members of the public to make representation as to whether any part of the aforementioned items should not be considered in Closed Council.

There was no response from the public.

129/2324 RESOLVED that:

- 1. Council go into Closed Council to consider business relating to confidential information.
- 2. Pursuant to section 10A(1)-(3) of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW), the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of Section 10A(2) as outlined above.
- 3. The correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW).

MOVED: Councillor Kopke SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

5.42 pm **Closed Council**

Item 18.1 Human Resources Monthly Report 130/2324 RESOLVED that the Human Resources Monthly Report be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor lannuzzi SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

Item 18.2 Update Report – Coonabarabran Local Aboriginal Land Council Reversal of **General Rates** 131/2324 RESOLVED that Council takes no further action.

MOVED: Councillor Doolan

SECONDED: Councillor Brady

For – Cr Doolan, Cr Brady, Cr Hogden, Cr Holcombe, Cr Kopke, Cr Newton, Cr Rindfleish, Cr Todd Against – Cr Iannuzzi

132/2324 RESOLVED that Council return to Open Council.

MOVED: Councillor Todd SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

5.48pm Open Council

The resolutions of Closed Council were announced to the meeting by the General Manager.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.50pm.

CHAIRPERSON