



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

21 NOVEMBER 2017

PRESENT

Councillors

D Batten (Mayor)

S Baker

G Johnson

B Mockler

N Mudford

G Peart

N Wrigley

Employees

D J Neeves
General Manager

N J Alchin
Director Corporate & Business Services

M Wilson
Director Community Development & Services

M Linton-Harland
Acting Director Infrastructure

B Irvin
Acting Director Planning & Environment

J Prout
Executive Assistant

G McAnally-Elwin
Finance Manager

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4.00pm

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

D Naden
A Walker

RESOLVED – 298/17	Cr Mockler/Cr Johnson
That the apologies submitted be accepted and leave of absence granted.	

ADJOURNMENTS

Short break: 4.40pm-4.50pm

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Baker, *Hire of Trucks and Plant (Closed)*. Cr Baker and her husband are contractors for Council's roadworks and hire of equipment.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED – 299/17	Cr Peart/Cr Baker
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 17 October 2017, which were circulated to members prior to this meeting, be hereby confirmed as a faithful record of the meeting referred to.	

LISTING OF MATTERS
TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED COUNCIL

RESOLVED – 300/17	Cr Mockler/Cr Wrigley
That Council note the following matters to be listed as specified under Section 10 (2) of the Local Government Act 1993:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Hire of Trucks and Plant (c)○ Possible property purchase (c)○ Orana Arts (g) (late)	

RESOLVED – 301/17	Cr Mockler/Cr Wrigley
That the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the matters to be considered in line with the confidentiality policy of Council and Clause 10 (2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, relating to financial matters, staff matters, industrial matters, acceptance of tenders, personal affairs of private individuals, possible or pending litigation and such other matters considered appropriate at 4.05pm.	

RESOLVED – 306/17	Cr Baker/Cr Peart
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That the General Manager, Mr David Neeves, in line with Clauses 9(3), 377 and 335 of the Local Government Act, 1993, list all business relating to financial matters, staff matters, industrial matters, acceptance of tenders, personal affairs of private individuals, possible or pending litigation and such other matters considered appropriate in line with the confidentiality policy of Council and Clause 10 (2) of the Act for consideration by the next meeting of the Council as such matters are deemed to be of confidential nature or such that Council's interest may be prejudiced by publicity, that the press and public be excluded from the meeting, provided however that, at the discretion of the Mayor, interested parties and/or their agents be granted approval to address the Council so that they are provided with the opportunity to substantiate any proposals under consideration and answer any questions from Councillors in relation thereto.

(PE1071.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE – 27/17
UNESCO GEOPARK

SUMMARY

To provide an update on progress of Warrumbungle region UNESCO Geopark application and seek in principle support for a grant application.

RESOLVED – 307/17	D Batten
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That in principle support be confirmed for a grant application of \$60k under the Federal Government's Building Better Regions fund.

(PE1071.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE – 28/17
CENTENARY WWI ARMISTICE

SUMMARY

To advance discussions on a suitable commemoration of the conclusion of World War I on 11 November 1918.

RESOLVED – 308/17	D Batten
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That Council call for submissions from interested Gilgandra Shire based groups and individuals on how best to commemorate the Centenary of the Armistice marking the end of World War I in 2018.

(GO.CO.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE - 29/17
MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

SUMMARY

To advise Council of the Mayor's activities during the preceding month.

RESOLVED – 309/17	
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That the report be noted.	
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(GO.ME.1)

JANUARY 2018 COUNCIL MEETING

SUMMARY

To consider whether to hold a Council meeting in January 2018.

RESOLVED – 310/17	Cr Johnson/Cr Peart
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That Council not hold a January 2018 meeting and the next ordinary meeting be held on Tuesday, 20 February 2018.	
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(ET.AG.1)

ELECTRICITY CONTRACTS – STREET LIGHTING AND CONTESTABLE (LARGE) SITES

SUMMARY

To advise of proposal to renew electricity contracts in conjunction with OROC bulk purchase arrangements.

RESOLVED – 311/17	Cr Peart/Cr Baker
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That the General Manager's actions in engaging Energy and Management Services to renegotiate Council's street light and contestable sites be endorsed.2. That public tenders not be invited for the supply of electricity for Council's street lighting and contestable sites in accordance with Section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as it is considered that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by Council due to the extenuating circumstances that are created as a result of short term price fluctuations in the pricing for electricity with such price fluctuations resulting in tenderers not being able to be relied on to provide tenders which are fixed for a sufficient period of time to enable the normal tendering process to be completed by Council.3. That the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to enter into a contract for the supply of electricity for both street lighting and contestable sites prior to 1 January 2018.4. That authority be granted to sign and seal all associated documents. | |
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(FM.IN.1)

2017/18 QUARTERLY OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2017

SUMMARY

To consider progress for the September quarter with Council's 2017/18 Operational Plan.

RESOLVED – 312/17	Cr Mockler/Cr Baker
That the 2017/18 Operational Plan Review for the quarter ended 30 September 2017 be adopted.	

(FM.FR.1)

QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW - 30 SEPTEMBER 2017

SUMMARY

To detail the variances to the original estimates for the 2017/18 financial year as presented in the Quarterly Budget Review as at 30 September 2017. Also, to report as to whether the Quarterly Budget Review indicates that the financial position of Council is satisfactory, having regard to the original estimates adopted by Council.

Proceedings in Brief

It was noted:

- that \$363,000 in proposed borrowings for bridge replacement works is not required and the overall loan borrowings will be reviewed in March 2018
- that the word “cancelled” for water/sewer projects should read “deferred”

RESOLVED – 313/17	Cr Mockler/Cr Johnson
That the Quarterly Budget Review document and report as at 30 September 2017 be adopted.	

(CS.SV.1, RM.RA.1)

SKATE PARK RISK MANAGEMENT

SUMMARY

To provide an update on the consideration of risk management options for the Hunter Park Skate Park facilities.

RESOLVED – 314/17	Cr Mockler/Cr Johnson
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That Council proceed to carry out the repairs to the existing metal ramp facilities; secure existing ramps in place; improve signage.2. That discussions on replacement equipment be considered in conjunction with the 2018/19 budget preparation.3. That, at the appropriate time, Council engage with the youth of the community in regard to a choice between two options and location of equipment.	

Proceedings in Brief

- It was noted staff would arrange an appropriate media release on the need to take care with hot equipment etc.
- Mr Geoff Shanks from Luka Group entered the meeting at 4.40pm

RESOLVED – 315/17	Cr Mockler/Cr Johnson
That standing orders be suspended and the meeting adjourn for a short break prior to the presentation from Council’s Auditors, the Luka Group on behalf of the Auditor General.	

Proceedings in Brief

- At 4.50pm Mr Geoff Shanks, on behalf of the Auditor General, presented to Council on the 2016/17 financial year results
- At the conclusion of the presentation at 5.30pm, the Mayor thanked Mr Shanks for his attendance and he left the meeting.
- Mr McAnally-Elwin also left the meeting at this time.

RESOLVED – 316/17	Cr Johnson/Cr Peart
That standing orders be resumed.	

(PS.AQ.1)

REPLACEMENT OF WRITTEN OFF PRIME MOVER

SUMMARY

To provide an update with efforts to purchase a suitable second hand prime mover to replace plant P00184, when was “written off” by Council’s Insurers.

RESOLVED – 317/17	Cr Baker/Cr Johnson
That the intention to procure a second hand prime mover via public auction be endorsed in line with budget allocations outlined within the plant replacement program.	

REVIEW OF ROAD TRAIN ROUTES

SUMMARY

To review road train access on Council roads.

RESOLVED – 318/17	Cr Mockler/Cr Baker
1. That an application be made to the RMS to amend Council’s current Road Train, B double and AB Triple access as listed in the report, being: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Retain Road Train, B double and AB Triple access along Enterprise Drive (Gilgandra Industrial Park)• Retain Road Train, B double and AB Triple access Pines Drive, Collison Drive, Naden Drive and the associated service roads (Industrial Subdivision)	

- Retain Road Train, B double and AB Triple access along Marshall St, Farrar St, Stockings Cres (Sorenson's truck depot)
- Retain Road Train, B double and AB Triple access along Morris Street, Eiraben Street and part of Carlginda Street (to service truck depot)
- Endorse one way B double (only) access along Byrne Avenue from the Castlereagh Highway to Eiraben Street and then along Eiraben Street to Carlginda Street (to adjoin abovementioned route) for access to IGA Supermarket
- That travel along Eiraben Street (from Byrne Avenue to Court Street) not be permitted during the following hours on school days: 8.30am – 9.30am and 2.30pm – 3.30pm.
- Retain Road Train, B double and AB Triple access to Court Street and along Lower Castlereagh Street in both directions to Inland Petroleum on the left and Tyreright on the right.
- Endorse one way B double (only) access from Rohr's depot along Len Kelly Drive to Morris Street
- In the village of Armatree, retain Road Train, B double and AB Triple access along Merrigal Street (between the two sections of Armatree Road)
- In the village of Armatree, retain Road Train, B double and AB Triple access to part Yarran, part Myall and part Cambara Streets (to form one rectangular block encompassing Merrigal Street)
 - Remove Road Train, B double and AB Triple access access from all other Armatree village streets
- In the village of Tooraweenah, retain Road Train, B double and AB Triple access along Murray Street (to allow access to Rohrs Road and Yootha Road);
- In the village of Tooraweenah, retain B double access from Murray Street to Aimee Street and Aimee Street to Bridge Street (to service Tooraweenah Trading)
- In the village of Tooraweenah, retain Road Train, B double and AB Triple access in Aimee Street from Bridge Street to Corlis St; and Corlis St from Aimee St to Murray Street
 - Remove access Road Train, B double and AB Triple access from all other Tooraweenah village streets
- Remove access from Curban village streets
- Retain Road Train, B double and AB Triple access on all rural roads, noting that travel is not permitted during the following hours on school days: 7.45am – 9.00am and 3.30pm – 4.45pm.
- All other Road Train, B double and AB Triple access to be via NHVR permit (available for 3 years each permit at no cost to the applicant)

Proceedings in Brief

It was noted that Council has no desire to limit the travel of heavy vehicles smaller than B-doubles along the section of Len Kelly Drive between Bridge St and the rear of GK & LH Rohr premises.

FEDERATION STREET REHABILITATION – CASTLEREAGH HIGHWAY TO BENCUBBIN STREET

SUMMARY

To provide an update on progress with the Federation Street rehabilitation project from the Castlereagh Highway to Bencubbin Street.

RESOLVED – 319/17	Cr Mudford/Cr Johnson
That the report be noted.	

MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR ADOPTION

SUMMARY

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for consideration and adoption.

<u>Aged Care Committee</u>	9 November 2017
<u>Disability Services Committee</u>	14 November 2017
<u>Economic Development Committee</u>	26 October 2017
<u>Sports Council</u>	23 October 2017

RESOLVED – 320/17	Cr Wrigley/Cr Mudford
That the above listed Committee minutes be adopted.	

MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for notation.

<u>Health & Safety Committee</u>	25 October 2017
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RESOLVED – 321/17	Cr Peart/Cr Mudford
That the above listed Committee minutes be noted.	

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present reports for information and notation.

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RESOLVED – /17	Cr Mudford/Cr Mockler
That the reports be adopted.	

LATE ITEMS

Cultural Workshop

The Director Corporate Services advised of a Cultural Workshop being organised by LGNSW to be held on Tuesday, 28 November and encouraged those councillors interested to attend.

Container Deposit Scheme

The Director Community Services provided an update on the Container Deposit Scheme and how it relates to Carlinda Enterprises.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.50PM.

Cr D Batten
Mayor