



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

19 DECEMBER 2017

PRESENT

Councillors

D Batten (Mayor)  
A Walker (Deputy Mayor)  
S Baker  
G Johnson  
B Mockler  
D Naden  
N Mudford  
G Peart  
N Wrigley

Employees

D J Neeves  
General Manager  
N J Alchin  
Director Corporate Services  
M Wilson  
Director Community Services  
R Lawford  
Director Infrastructure  
L Mathieson  
Director Planning & Environment  
J Campbell  
Administration Assistant

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4.00pm

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

ADJOURNMENTS

Short break: 5.20pm-5.30pm

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

<b>RESOLVED 323/17</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Baker
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 21 November 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

<b>RESOLVED 324/17</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Baker
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"><li>○ Inland Rail Resourcing Strategy (d)</li><li>○ Possible sale of land (c)</li><li>○ Staff – Annual Leave (a)</li></ul>	

<b>RESOLVED 325/17</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Baker
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.	

<b>RESOLVED 331/17</b>	Cr Johnson/Cr Wrigley
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.	

Proceedings in Brief

It being 5.20pm the meeting was adjourned for afternoon tea and resumed at 5.30pm.

(GO.CO.1)

**MAYORAL MINUTE - 30/17**  
**MAYORAL COMMITMENTS**

SUMMARY

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

<b>RESOLVED 332/17</b>	Cr Baker/Cr Mockler
That the report be noted.	

(ES.AP.1)

**GILGANDRA SES CONTROLLER POSITION**

SUMMARY

To advise of the resignation of Mr Michael Foran as the Gilgandra SES controller and consider appointment of a replacement to the position.

Proceedings in Brief

It was noted that Mr Geoff Kiehne had been appointed to the role of Local SES Controller effective from 1 January 2018, subject to endorsement by Council.

<b>RESOLVED 333/17</b>	Cr Johnson/Cr Baker
1. That, Council endorse Mr Geoff Kiehne's appointment as Local SES Controller.	
2. That a suitable presentation be arranged for Mr Foran in recognition of his contribution and commitment to the role.	

(GO.AM.1)

**JOINT ORGANISATIONS**

**SUMMARY**

To determine Council's position in relation to regional Joint Organisations.

**Proceedings in Brief**

Cr Batten advised he would like to put forward a motion in relation to this matter and Cr Walker subsequently assumed the Chair.

<b>RESOLVED 334/17</b>	Cr Batten/Cr Wrigley
1. That Council agree in principle to form a Joint Organisation in accordance with the Orana Region footprint, subject to the take-up of other member Councils of OROC and the publication of the regulations relating to The Local Government Amendment (Regional Joint Organisations) Bill 2017.	
2. That Council reaffirm its commitment to ensuring that a Joint Organisation does not become a fourth tier of Government.	

**Proceedings in Brief**

- The resolution was passed unanimously.
- Council congratulated Cr Batten on being elected as the Chairman of OROC.
- Cr Batten resumed the Chair.

(CM.CI.1)

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL**

**SUMMARY**

To advise the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal has commenced its review for the 2018 annual determination.

<b>RESOLVED 335/17</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Peart
That Council not make a submission in respect of categorisation, fees or any general matters.	

(GO.ME.1)

**DRAFT CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE FOR LOCAL COUNCILS IN NSW**

**SUMMARY**

To advise of consultation on the draft Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils in NSW.

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**RESOLVED 336/17**

Cr Peart/Cr Naden

That Council staff, the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Cr Mockler and any other interested Councillors prepare a submission on the draft Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils in NSW and present to the February 2018 meeting for endorsement.

(CS.PL.1)

**CONSIDERATION OF DEVELOPMENT OF A CULTURAL SERVICES ACTION PLAN**

**SUMMARY**

To consider developing a Cultural Services Action Plan for this term of Council.

**RESOLVED 337/17**

Cr Baker/Cr Walker

1. That Council develop a Cultural Action Plan.
2. That Council engage the services of LGNSW to facilitate a workshop with Council aimed at developing a draft Cultural Action Plan for adoption by Council.

(ED.IN.1)

**GILGANDRA SHIRE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY OR ACTION PLAN**

**SUMMARY**

To determine if Council is to proceed with an Economic Development Strategy or Action Plan.

**RESOLVED 338/17**

Cr Johnson/Cr Wrigley

That Council engage *Business Sense* to undertake an independent facilitated workshop with Council with the aim of delivering a three (3) year Action Plan and a ten (10) year Economic Goals Statement.

(GS.PG.1)

**BUILDING BETTER REGIONS FUND**

**SUMMARY**

To advise Council of the intentions to lodge an application for Inland Rail and issue an opportunity for planning under the Federal Government Building Better Regions Fund.

**RESOLVED 339/17**

Cr Walker/Cr Mockler

That Council note the intention to lodge an application under the Building Better Regions Fund – Community Investment Stream for a total of up to \$100,000.

(UR.631.1, UR.641.1)

**INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT - MYRTLE AND WAMBOIN STREETS**

**SUMMARY**

To seek Council's endorsement for the removal of the centre median located in the centre of Myrtle Street at its intersection with Wamboin Street.

<b>RESOLVED 340/17</b>	Cr Johnson/Cr Peart
That the centre median located on the western side of the intersection of Wamboin and Myrtle Street be removed.	

**2017/18 ROADS TO RECOVERY PROGRAM & RURAL ROADS  
ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION PROGRAMS – MINOR AMENDMENTS**

**SUMMARY**

To advise of minor changes/addition to the bitumen reseal component of the 2017/18 Roads to Recovery and Rural Roads Additional Allocation program of works.

<b>RESOLVED 341/17</b>	Walker/Mockler
That revised list of roads to be bitumen resealed from within the 2017/18 Roads to Recovery (R2R) and Rural Roads Additional Allocation (RRAA) programs be endorsed.	

(UR.618.1)

**FEDERATION STREET REHABILITATION – STAGE 1  
(CASTLEREAGH HIGHWAY TO BENCUBBIN STREET)**

**SUMMARY**

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

<b>RESOLVED 342/17</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Johnson
That the report be noted.	

**GILGANDRA WATER & SEWER SYSTEM – UPGRADE APPLICATION**

**SUMMARY**

To provide the Council with the knowledge of the New South Wales (NSW) State Government's offer to aid the upgrade/replacement of Council's deteriorating water system and sewer system major infrastructure items.

<b>RESOLVED 343/17</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Wrigley
That the report be noted.	

## **CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT STAGE 2 PROJECT**

### **SUMMARY**

To provide an update on progress with the Gilgandra Central Business District (CBD) Stage 2 project.

<b>RESOLVED 344/17</b>	Cr Baker/Cr Naden
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. That progress with the CBD Stage 2 project be noted.</li><li>2. That the suggestions listed in the report by the qualified arborist, which involve the removal of five trees and the trimming of six trees, be endorsed.</li><li>3. That no work be undertaken until the Aboriginal cultural significant findings to be addressed part of the REF are confirmed.</li><li>4. That, as per the revegetation plan, for each tree to be removed a minimum of five are to be planted.</li></ol>	

(SD.PL.1)

## **SEWER PUMP STATION NO. 8 REPLACEMENT**

### **SUMMARY**

To illustrate the extensiveness and give explanation for the over-expenditure of this project, the replacement of Sewer Pump Station No. 8.

<b>RESOLVED 345/17</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Baker
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. That the report detailing the costs for the works undertaken replacing/upgrading Sewer Pump Station No.08 located adjacent to Warren Road Gilgandra be noted.</li><li>2. That, the over-expenditure of the replacing/upgrading Sewer Pump Station No. 8 be funded from the works scheduled for Sewer Pump Station No. 10 in the 2017/18 budget year.</li><li>3. That further investigation and consideration be given to the works required at No. 10 Sewer Pump Station prior to the inclusion in any future budget.</li></ol>	

## **MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR ADOPTION**

### **SUMMARY**

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

Tooraweenah Management Committee

29 November 2017



<b>RESOLVED 346/17</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Naden
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>Consultative Committee</u>	6 December 2017
<u>Local Licensees</u>	28 November 2017
<u>Traffic Committee</u>	13 December 2017

<b>RESOLVED 347/17</b>	Cr Peart/Cr Naden
That the above listed Committee minutes be noted.	

### **REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION**

#### SUMMARY

To present reports for information and notation.

<b>RESOLVED 348/17</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Johnson
That the reports be noted.	

### **PRECIS OF CATEGORY B CORRESPONDENCE**

#### SUMMARY

To pass on relevant information from correspondence received.

<b>RESOLVED 349/17</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Baker
That receipt of the Category B correspondence be noted.	

### LATE ITEMS

#### Proceedings in Brief

- Council noted the success of the Little Athletics application for funding for a storage facility at McGrane Oval.
- It was noted that the new playground at Hunter Park Playground has received a very favourable response from the community.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.28PM.

Cr D Batten  
Mayor