



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

15 MAY 2018

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  
M Linton-Harland  
Acting Director Infrastructure  
L Mathieson  
Director Planning & Environment  
J Prout  
Executive Assistant  
G McAnally-Elwin  
Finance Manager  
R Medd  
Economic Development Manager  
K Larkin  
Community Engagement Officer

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4.00pm

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

ADJOURNMENTS

Short break: 5.08pm – 5.20pm

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Walker, *Inland Rail Request* (less than significant non-pecuniary interest).  
Cr Walker owns property within the study corridor.

Cr Naden, *Inland Rail Request* (less than significant non-pecuniary interest).  
Cr Naden lives near Curban within the study corridor and her family live near Balladoran which is near to the current Dubbo-Coonamble rail line.

Cr Baker, *Inland Rail Request* (less than significant non-pecuniary interest).  
Cr Baker owns property in close proximity to the study corridor.

Cr Peart, *Inland Rail Request* (less than significant non-pecuniary interest).  
Cr Peart's son owns property within the study corridor.

Cr Mudford, *Inland Rail Request* (less than significant non-pecuniary interest).  
Cr Mudford and members of his family own property within and near to the study corridor.

Cr Mudford, *Request to Amend Locality Boundaries – Gilgandra/Armatree* (significant non-pecuniary interest). The report relates to Cr Mudford's son's property.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

<b>RESOLVED 87/18</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Johnson
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 17 April 2018, which were circulated to members prior to this meeting, be hereby confirmed as a faithful record of the meeting referred to.	

**INLAND RAIL REQUEST**

SUMMARY

To consider and respond to a formal request from David and Karen McBurnie raising concerns about the Inland Rail.

Proceedings in Brief

The Mayor welcomed Mr David McBurnie who had requested to speak to Council on the inland rail and, in his address, spoke further to concerns raised in his letter (circulated with the Business Paper).

The Mayor and General Manager responded to some of Mr McBurnie's concerns.

It was noted that NSW Farmers had requested a meeting with Council next Tuesday prior to a public meeting on the same day.

<b>RESOLVED 88/18</b>	Cr MocklerCr Baker
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. That Council acknowledge the letter provided by Mr and Mrs McBurnie and the concerns raised by not only Mr and Mrs Mc Burnie but other landholders impacted upon by the proposed inland rail study corridor.</li><li>2. That Council formally write to the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, the Hon Michael McCormack MP and our local Member for Parkes and Assistant Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment, the Hon Mark Coulton notifying them of:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. The desire of many impacted landholders to have the inland rail route located on the existing rail corridors throughout Gilgandra Local Government Area; and</li><li>b. The community engagement strategies applied by ARTC and the Australian Government to date have been inadequate and ARTC needs to have a greater presence in our community and be more accessible to the public.</li></ol></li><li>3. That, in the event that the Australian Government reaffirms its commitment to the current study corridor, there is a detailed written explanation provided to each individual landholder by the Australian Government outlining the justification for this decision.</li><li>4. That Council request the Australian Government to provide a written commitment that provisions will be made for efficient connectivity to the existing country rail network to support the region's rural industries.</li><li>5. That Council endorse the actions to meet with NSW Farmers to explore opportunities to work together on representing landowner issues and other topics where a co-ordinated effort proves beneficial.</li></ol>	

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**MAYORAL MINUTE - 6/18**  
**MAYORAL COMMITMENTS**

**SUMMARY**

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

**Proceedings in Brief**

It was noted:

- that Mining Related Councils are now including solar energy production and wind farms. The Mayor advised Council would be reconsidering membership of the Mining Related Councils at its next meeting.
- that, in relation to the Mendooran drilling project, a formal position will be advised via statement from the company.

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<b>RESOLVED 89/18</b>	Cr Batten
That the report be noted.	

Proceedings in Brief

Cr Mudford declared an interest and left the meeting at 4.36pm.

**REQUEST TO AMEND LOCALITY BOUNDARIES – ARMATREE/CURBAN**

SUMMARY

To consider a request from Mr Brian & Mrs Natalie Mudford to amend the boundaries of the localities of Armatree and Curban to facilitate their property at 3297 Castlereagh Highway being transferred from the locality of Armatree to the locality of Curban.

<b>RESOLVED 90/18</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Mockler
That Council make application to the Geographical Names Board to have the boundary of the localities of Armatree and Curban amended to include the property known as 3297 Castlereagh Highway in the locality of Curban.	

Proceedings in Brief

Cr Mudford returned to the meeting at 4.37 pm having taken no part in discussion or voting.

**GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL BRANDING**

SUMMARY

To consider allocating an amount of \$30,000.00 in the 2018/19 budget for purposes of creating a consistent and unified approach to branding.

<b>RESOLVED 91/18</b>	Cr Peart/Cr Johnson
That Council allocate an amount of \$30,000 in the 2018/19 budget for purposes of creating and implementing a consistent and unified approach to branding.	

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**INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT – COO-EE HERITAGE CENTRE**

SUMMARY

To confirm intention from Council to support the grant application for renovations to the Coo-ee Heritage Centre the Liquor & Gaming Infrastructure Grants Program with a co-contribution of \$100,000.00.

<b>RESOLVED 92/18</b>	Cr Wrigley/Cr Walker
That Council commit a co-contribution of \$100,000.00 in 2018/19 to support the application for improvements to the Coo-ee Heritage Centre under the Liquor & Gaming Infrastructure Grants Program.	

### **SUBMISSION FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES REGARDING CCTV**

#### **SUMMARY**

To provide Council with information regarding a submission received from Gilgandra businesses in relation to improved CCTV.

<b>RESOLVED 93/18</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Johnson
1. That Council prepare a full scope of works and seek quotations for the installation of additional CCTV cameras in the Gilgandra CBD and integration of monitoring at the Gilgandra Police Station.	
2. That Council investigate the options to fund the project and actively seek grant funding for the project.	

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

#### **SUMMARY**

To advise of the forthcoming Local Government NSW Annual Conference and determine attendance and motions.

<b>RESOLVED 94/18</b>	Cr Baker/Cr Walker
1. That Council further consider motions on the following items at the next meeting regarding:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• local landowner issues with water on floodplains</li><li>• transparency and accountability of Aboriginal Land Councils</li><li>• transparency, accountability and consultation processes associated with Inland Rail and ARTC.</li></ul>	
2. That the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and General Manager and any interested councillors be authorised to attend the conference.	

### **QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 MAY 2018**

#### **SUMMARY**

To present a report to Council detailing the variances to the original estimates for the 2017/18 financial year as presented in the Quarterly Budget Review as at 31 March 2018. 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.

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<b>RESOLVED 95/18</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Mockler
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That, subject to any decisions on the recommendations as reported, the Quarterly Budget Review document and report as at 31 March 2018 be adopted.
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### **2017/18 QUARTERLY OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW TO 31 MARCH 2018**

#### SUMMARY

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

<b>RESOLVED 96/18</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Wrigley
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That the 2017/18 Operational Plan Review for the quarter ended 31 March 2018 be adopted.
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### **2018/19 to 2021/22 BUDGET REPORT**

#### SUMMARY

To present a report on the draft 2018/19 to 2021/22 budget for all Council funds and detail matters considered in preparation of same.

<b>RESOLVED 97/18</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Peart
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. That reference to \$50,000 expenditure for vacation care in the current budget be removed pending preparation of a business case.</li><li>2. That \$100,000 expenditure be added to the current budget in line with Council's earlier resolution to apply for infrastructure grant funding for the Cooee Heritage Centre.</li><li>3. That, noting the above amendments, Council endorse the estimates to allow inclusion of the Draft Budget and Revenue Policy in the 2018/19 Operational Plan to go on public exhibition.</li></ol> |
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#### Proceedings in Brief

It being 5.08pm, it was determined to take a short break. The meeting resumed at 5.20pm with staff members Guy McAnally-Elwin, Randall Medd and Kathryn Larkin not in attendance.

### **2018/19 OPERATIONAL PLAN**

#### SUMMARY

To consider the draft Operational Plan for 2018/19 for public exhibition.

<b>RESOLVED 98/18</b>	Cr Peart/Cr Naden
That the draft 2018/19 Operational Plan including the Revenue Policy, Fees and Charges and Budget be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.	

### **FEES AND CHARGES 2018/19**

#### **SUMMARY**

To adopt Council's Fees and Charges for 2018/19.

<b>RESOLVED 99/18</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Wrigley
That Council adopt the draft 2018/19 Fees and Charges for inclusion in the 2018/19 draft Operational Plan.	

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

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for adoption.

<u>Aged Care</u>	12 April 2018 and 10 May 2018
<u>Disability Services</u>	10 April 2018 and 9 May 2018
<u>Economic Development</u>	2 May 2018
<u>Sports Council</u>	23 April 2018

#### **Proceedings in Brief**

The Director Community Services provided further details in relation to the Disability Services Minutes and provided clarification on the justification for the recommendation to proceed to planning Stage II of the development at 59 Waugan Street.

<b>RESOLVED 100/18</b>	Cr Johnson/Cr Walker
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>	1 May 2018
<u>Health &amp; Safety</u>	3 May 2018



Proceedings in Brief

The General Manager particularly asked Councillors to note the completion of a Safety Culture Survey and advised in more detail the safety issue with the stairs on the water tank.

<b>RESOLVED 101/18</b>	Cr Mudford/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 102/18</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Mockler
That the reports be noted.	

**LISTING OF MATTERS  
TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED COUNCIL**

<b>RESOLVED 103/18</b>	Cr Peart/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"><li>○ Quotations - Grader (c)</li><li>○ Tenders – Water Loss Management Plan (c)</li></ul>	

<b>RESOLVED 104/18</b>	Cr Peart/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 5.35pm.	

<b>RESOLVED 108/18</b>	Cr Johnson/Cr Baker
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.	

### LATE ITEMS

#### Inland Rail

The Mayor spoke to the councillors on their roles and involvement with the inland rail project to ensure that they are conversant with Council's ongoing activities and to raise any concerns brought to them by community members.

#### Orana Joint Organisation

The Mayor advised that the Minister had announced the formation of the Orana Joint Organisation of Councils in a media release today. The five councils involved are Cobar, Gilgandra, Mid Western, Narromine and Warrumbungle Shire Councils.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.10 PM.

Cr D Batten  
Mayor