

MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

17 JULY 2018

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PRESENT

<u>Councillors</u> <u>Employees</u>

D Batten (Mayor) D J Neeves

General Manager

A Walker (Deputy Mayor)

M Welsh

S Baker Acting Director Corporate Services

G Johnson M Wilson

Director Community Services

B Mockler

M Linton-Harland

N Mudford Acting Director Infrastructure

D Naden L Mathieson

Director Planning & Environment

G Peart

J Prout

N Wrigley Executive Assistant

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4.00pm

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

ADJOURNMENTS

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Peart, Request for a Local Government Boundary Change (less than significant non-pecuniary interest). Cr Peart is related to the owner of the property mentioned in the report.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cr Walker mentioned that he had attended a meeting with the Premier and Deputy Premier on 4 June 2018 regarding the drought support package for NSW and that this was missing from the Mayoral Commitment report.

RESOLVED 140/18

Cr Johnson/Cr Baker

That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 19 June 2018, which were circulated to members prior to this meeting, be hereby confirmed as a faithful record of the meeting referred to, noting the above amendment.

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<u>LISTING OF MATTERS</u> TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED COUNCIL

RESOLVED 141/18

Cr Peart/Cr Naden

That Council note the following matters to be listed as specified under Section 10 (2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

o Staff Leave (a)

RESOLVED 142/18

Cr Peart/Cr Naden

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 4.06pm.

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(PE.1029.1)

STAFF ANNUAL LEAVE

This information is classified CONFIDENTIAL under section 10A (2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993.

SUMMARY

To advise of planned annual leave.

RESOLVED 143/18	Cr Walker/Cr Peart
That Council note the planned leave for the Director Corporate Services.	

RESOLVED 144/18	Cr Baker/Cr Mockler
That the press and public be allowed to re-enter the meeting at 4.04pm.	

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RESOLVED 145/18

Cr Baker/Cr Mockler

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.

(GO.CO.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE - 8/18 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

SUMMARY

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

RESOLVED 146/18	Cr Batten
That the report be noted.	

(GO.AM.1)

ORANA JOINT ORGANISATION

SUMMARY

To provide an update on the Orana Joint Organisation and seek acceptance of a policy and the draft Charter.

RESOLVED 147/18

Cr Walker/Cr Mockler

- 1. That the report be noted.
- 2. That the Draft Charter and Payment of Expenses and Provisions of Facilities to the Board Members Policy be accepted.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROFESSIONALS CONFERENCE

<u>SUMMARY</u>

To seel Council's support for a professional development opportunity for the General Manager.

RESOLVED 148/18 Cr Peart/Cr Baker

That Council endorse the General Manager's attendance at the Local Government Professionals Australia – 2018 National Congress and Business Expo.

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(CM.LG.1)

MAYORAL & COUNCILLOR FEES

SUMMARY

To set the Mayoral and Councillor fees for 2018/19 following determinations by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal.

RESOLVED 149/18 Cr Peart/Cr Johnson

That Council set the fees payable to Councillors and the additional Mayoral fee for 2018/19 at the maximum rate for a Rural Council.

(WM.LI.1)

ST VINCENT DE PAUL - REQUEST FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

SUMMARY

To consider a request from St Vincent de Paul for Waste Management Services.

RESOLVED 150/18 Cr Johnson/CR Baker

- 1. That St Vincent de Paul be supplied one waste bin and one recycling bin.
- 2. That Council provide an annual donation to St Vincent de Paul equivalent to the annual waste charge for a non-rateable property with one service (currently \$458 per annum) and,
- 3. That Council's Donations Policy be updated to reflect the inclusion of St Vincent de Paul in line with Council's decision.

(PR.GN.1)

<u>SUPERANNUATION</u>

SUMMARY

To consider a request for assistance from the Canberra Region Joint Organisation in relation to Local Government Superannuation additional contributions.

RESOLVED 151/18 Cr Peart/Cr Mudford

That Council support the Canberra Joint Organisation of Councils and write to Local Government Superannuation and Local Government NSW to request an immediate cessation of additional superannuation contributions.

Proceedings in Brief

Cr Peart declared an interest in the next report and left the meeting at 4.07pm.

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REQUEST FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY CHANGE

SUMMARY

To consider a proposal for a local government boundary change between Gilgandra and Coonamble.

RESOLVED 152/18

Cr Walker/Cr Mudford

- That Council support the boundary change to move the existing LGA Boundary from the previous road centreline to the Western Boundary of Lots 17//752550, 1//1004715 and Northern boundary of Lots 17//752550 and 28//752550 and authorise an application be made to the Minister and the Governor.
- 2. That the General Manager be authorised to advise Coonamble Shire Council that a provision for rates is not required.

Proceedings in Brief

Cr Peart returned to the meeting at 4.08pm, having taken no part in discussion or voting.

(CM.PR.1)

REGIONAL CULTURAL FUND GRANT - COO-EE HERITAGE CENTRE

SUMMARY

To confirm elements to upgrade and renovate the Coo-ee Heritage Centre (CHC) under Round 2 of the Regional Cultural Funding program.

RESOLVED 153/18

Cr Walker/Cr Mockler

- That Council reaffirm the Strategic direction for the CHC which reflects the following vision: "A multi-purpose community and cultural facility that offers a sense of place for our community and visitors, contributing also to the local identity and economy of the Gilgandra district in regional New South Wales".
- 2. That Council note the outcomes from the workshop and commence community consultation for these elements as outlined within the report, excluding funding for a commercial kitchen.
- 3. That a report is to be submitted to Council at the August meeting, providing details of the outcomes of community consultation and a detailed business case assessment for the proposed upgrades.
- 4. That a report is to be prepared for a future meeting in regards to the options for staffing which best support our volunteer base.
- 5. That community consultation provides consideration of the relevance and local value of the current artefacts displayed in the Joy Trudgett Gallery with the intention of providing exhibits of local relevance.

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NORTH WESTERN LIBRARY AGREEMENT

SUMMARY

To advise Council of the reduction in State funding to NSW Public Libraries under the 2018/19 budget, and seek support for the NSW Public Libraries Association advocacy to the State Government for additional funds for Public Libraries.

RESOLVED 154/18

Cr Johnson/Cr Mockler

- 1. That, through the Orana Joint Organisation, Council make representation to the local State Member, in relation to the need for additional funding from the NSW State Government for the provision of public library services.
- 2. That, through the Orana Joint Organisation, Council write to the Hon. Don Harwin, Minister for the Arts and the Hon. Walt Secord, Shadow Minister for the Arts, calling for bi-partisan support for the provision of a significant increase in state funding for NSW public libraries, supported by a sustainable future funding model.
- 3. That, through the Orana Joint Organisation, Council take a leading role in lobbying for increased and sustainable state government funding for libraries.
- 4. That Council endorse the distribution of the NSW Public Libraries Association NSW library funding advocacy information in Council libraries, as well as involvement in any actions proposed by the Association.

(PS.AQ.1)

PLANT REPLACEMENT 2018/19

<u>SUMMARY</u>

To present the proposed 2018/19 Plant Replacement Program for consideration and adoption.

RESOLVED 155/18	Cr Walker/Cr Peart
That the 2018/19 Plant Replacement Program, as presented, be adopted.	

PIGEON CONTROL PROGRAM

SUMMARY

To advise outcomes of the pigeon control program undertaken over a five month period.

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RESOLVED 156/18 Cr Walker/Cr Baker

That Council note the report and consider the need for future programs on an as needs basis.

MINUTES - COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR ADOPTION

<u>SUMMARY</u>

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

<u>Economic Development Committee</u> 11 July 2018 <u>Sports Council</u> 25 June 2018

RESOLVED 157/18 Cr Johnson/Cr Wrigley
That the abovelisted Committee minutes be adopted.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present reports for information and notation.

RESOLVED 158/18	Cr Mockler/Cr Baker
That the reports be noted.	

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4.30 PM.

Cr D Batten Mayor