

**MINUTES** 

OF THE

**ORDINARY MEETING** 

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

**HELD ON** 

19 JUNE 2018

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**PRESENT** 

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

D Batten (Mayor) D J Neeves

General Manager

A Walker (Deputy Mayor)

N J Alchin

S Baker Director Corporate Services

G Johnson M Wilson

**Director Community Services** 

B Mockler

M Linton-Harland

D Naden Acting Director Infrastructure

G Peart L Mathieson

**Director Planning & Environment** 

N Wrigley

J Prout

**Executive Assistant** 

R Medd

**Economic Development Manager** 

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4.00pm

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

## Cr Mudford

RESOLVED 109/18	Cr Baker/Cr Walker
That the apology submitted be accepte	d and leave of absence granted.

### **ADJOURNMENTS**

Nil

#### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cr Walker, *Inland Rail Request* (less than significant non-pecuniary interest). Cr Walker owns property adjacent to the existing Dubbo to Coonamble rail line.

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 existing Dubbo to Coonamble rail line.

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

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Cr Baker, *Inland Rail Request* (less than significant non-pecuniary interest). Cr Baker owns property in close proximity to the existing Dubbo to Coonamble rail line.

Cr Johnson, Local Heritage Places & Heritage Advisor Funding (pecuniary interest). Cr Johnson's family business was a recipient of Heritage Funding.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

## Proceedings in Brief

• It was noted Cr Mudford had requested a clarification be noted regarding his less than significant non-pecuniary interest details being:

Cr Mudford, *Inland Rail Request* (less than significant non-pecuniary interest). Cr Mudford's son Stuart owns property within the study corridor of the proposed inland rail. Councillor Mudford and his wife Norma and sons Brian and Stuart own property along the Dubbo to Coonamble existing line.

- Cr Walker advised his declaration should read: Cr Walker owns property adjacent to the existing Dubbo to Coonamble rail line.
- Cr Baker advised her declaration should read: Cr Baker owns property in close proximity to the existing Dubbo to Coonamble rail line.

# RESOLVED 110/18 Cr Peart/Cr Johnson

That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 15 May 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 amendments.

# LISTING OF MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED COUNCIL

## RESOLVED 111/18 Cr Walker/Cr Naden

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

Fire damaged dwelling (b)

#### RESOLVED 112/18 Cr Walker/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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#### **RESOLVED 115/18**

Cr Peart/Cr Johnson

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

Council's Community Engagement Officer, Kathryn Larkin, entered the meeting.

(GO.CO.1)

# MAYORAL MINUTE - 7/18 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

### **SUMMARY**

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

RESOLVED 116/18	Cr Batten
That the report be noted.	

#### **RURAL FIRE ZONING AGREEMENT**

### <u>SUMMARY</u>

To provide an update on Council's request for a review of the Rural Fire Zoning Agreement between Gilgandra Shire Council and Warrumbungle Shire Council.

#### **RESOLVED 117/18**

Cr Baker/Cr Wrigley

- 1. That Council acknowledge Warrumbungle Shire Council's response to Council's request to review the zoning agreement.
- That Council reaffirm its commitment to modernising the Zoning Agreement and formally request Warrumbungle Shire commit to undertaking a review and create a new agreement.
- That Council contact the Rural Fire Service Commissioner to consider a separate Castlereagh District and to clarify the financial and service level implications of such a change.

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#### **INLAND RAIL UPDATE**

## <u>SUMMARY</u>

To provide an update on a number of issues associated with Inland Rail.

## RESOLVED 118/18

Cr Peart/Cr Walker

- 1. That Council note the letter sent to the Deputy Prime Minister and the meeting scheduled for 22 June 2018.
- 2. That Council endorse the attendance of the Mayor, General Manager and the Economic Development Manager at the Inland Rail Conference in Parkes on 18 and 19 July 2018.
- 3. That Council endorse the actions of the General Manager in supporting the nominations of Cr Walker and the Economic Development Manager for the Inland Rail, Community Consultative Committee.
- 4. That Council note receipt of the letter from NSW Farmers and respond; advising of Council's resolutions from the May 2018 meeting.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE

#### SUMMARY

To formulate motions for the Local Government NSW Annual Conference.

#### RESOLVED 119/18

Cr Baker/Cr Johnson

That standing orders be suspended to allow more detailed discussion on proposed motions.

#### Proceedings in Brief

The following motions were put forward:

- That Local Government NSW lobby the NSW Government in regard to modern farming practices and soil conservation methods resulting in the diversion of overland water flow creating adverse impacts on local roads and adjoining properties. In addition, there is a lack of advisory and support services available from the relevant State Government departments to assist affected landholders.
- That Local Government NSW make representation to the State Government in regard to clearly defined reporting of local Aboriginal Land Council activities and financial outcomes.
- That Local Government NSW make representation to Federal Govt and the ARTC in relation to the Inland Rail issues such as transparency, accountability and the consultation process as set out in Council's letter to the Deputy Prime Minister dated 25 May 2018.

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RESOLVED 120/18	Cr Wrigley/Cr Peart
That standing orders be resumed.	

## RESOLVED 121/18 Cr Peart/Cr Mockler

That the following motions and supporting documentation be submitted to Local Government NSW:

- That Local Government NSW lobby the NSW Government in regard to modern farming practices and soil conservation methods resulting in the diversion of overland water flow creating adverse impacts on local roads and adjoining properties. In addition, there is a lack of advisory and support services available from the relevant State Government departments to assist affected landholders.
- That Local Government NSW make representation to the State Government in regard to clearly defined reporting of local Aboriginal Land Council activities and financial outcomes.
- That Local Government NSW make representation to Federal Govt and the ARTC in relation to the Inland Rail issues such as transparency, accountability and the consultation process as set out in Council's letter to the Deputy Prime Minister dated 25 May 2018.

## **Proceedings in Brief**

During discussions Council confirmed a desire to further consider Freedom Camping and the joint report with Dubbo Regional Council.

(ED.IN.1)

## **ASSOCIATION OF MINING RELATED COUNCILS**

#### <u>SUMMARY</u>

To further consider an offer to join the Association of Mining Related Councils.

# RESOLVED 122/18 Cr Walker/Cr Mockler

- 1. That Council decline the invitation to join the Association of Mining Related Councils at this stage on the basis that there is no solar farm in Gilgandra Shire with a voluntary planning agreement.
- 2. That membership be reconsidered if a formal solar project application occurs in the future.

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# INTEGRATED PLANNING & REPORTING – ADOPTION OF OPERATIONAL PLAN AND ASSOCIATED BUDGET 2018/19

#### **SUMMARY**

To consider feedback and submissions as a result of community consultation and seek adoption of the 2018/19 Operational Plan and associated budget.

RESOLVED 123/18	Cr Wrigley/Cr Johnson	
That the 2018/19 Operational Plan and associated budget, as presented, be		
adopted.		

(FM.DO.1)

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT - GILGANDRA SHOWGROUND TRUST

# **SUMMARY**

To consider extending the period of Council's financial support for the Gilgandra Showground Trust.

RESOLVED 124/18	Cr Peart/Cr Walker
That Council make an annual contribution to the Showground Trust equivalent	
to annual waste charges, water and sewer access charges.	

(GS.PG.1)

## ARMISTICE COMMEMORATION PROJECT

#### SUMMARY

To confirm the location of the Brett Garling Returned Soldier Sculpture to be located within Tooraweenah as the 2018 commemoration project for Centenary of Armistice of World War I.

# RESOLVED 125/18 Cr Mockler/Cr Wrigley

- That Council proceed with the Tooraweenah sculpture project and in line with the survey results the sculpture be installed at the GK Rohr Viewing platform.
- 2. That Council allocate a further \$25,000.00 towards works associated with lighting, base and an appropriate plaque to finish the commemoration project in the 2018/19 budget.

#### RISING SUN STRUCTURE - COMMUNITY CONSULTATION REPORT

#### SUMMARY

To consider an appropriate location and/or use for the recently purchased Rising Sun Structure following a recent community survey.

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MOTION Cr Peart/Cr Walker

That Council place the structure in storage for a period of 12 months subject to further review and community consultation at the end of that period.

AMENDMENT Cr Baker/Cr Wrigley

That the Men's Shed continue to restore the structure and Council further consider the matter after the restoration works have been completed.

The amendment was put and carried.

RESOLVED 126/18 Cr Baker/Cr Wrigley

That the Men's Shed continue to restore the structure and Council further consider the matter after the restoration works have been completed.

# **GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

### <u>SUMMARY</u>

To seek Council's endorsement for submission of grant applications for the replacement of the Tooraweenah tennis hit up wall and new Tooraweenah cricket nets.

#### RESOLVED 127/18

Cr Mockler/Cr Wrigley

- 1. That Council endorse the submission of an application for grant funding under the Country Building Partnership program for a new tennis wall for the value of \$10,000
- 2. That Council lodge an application under the T20 Cricket World Cup Legacy Fund grant application for a new cricket net at Tooraweenah Oval.

(CS.SV.1)

#### ORANA ARTS

#### **SUMMARY**

To advise of changes to the Board structure for Orana Arts.

RESOLVED 128/18	Cr Mockler/Cr Peart	
That changes to the Orana Arts Board and the introduction of stakeholder		
forums be noted.		

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

### **VACATION CARE PROGRAM**

#### SUMMARY

To report on the business case for the provision of vocational care during school holidays.

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#### **RESOLVED 129/18**

Cr Johnson/Cr Baker

That Council proceed with undertaking market research to assess the interest before making a final decision to establish a vacation care program.

That a working party be formed to progress the concept.

(GO.AU.1)

## **FUNDING AGREEMENTS**

#### SUMMARY

To seek Council's approval to sign and seal funding agreements with the Department of Family & Community Services and other State and Federal departments as required.

#### **RESOLVED 130/18**

Cr Mockler/Cr Walker

That, subject to the agreements with Department of Family & Community Services and other State and Federal departments being in accordance with funding arrangements and not representing additional contracts, authority be granted to sign and seal documents for the funding period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

(LP.SU.1)

# AERO PARK SUBDIVISION ELECTRICAL AND COMMUNICATION WORKS

#### SUMMARY

To provide a progress report on the installation of electrical and communication infrastructure within Aero Park stage two subdivision.

#### **RESOLVED 131/18**

Cr Walker/Cr Mockler

That Council note the progress report for Aero Park subdivision and approve an additional vote of \$136,000 to complete the Aero Park Subdivision electrical works prior to 30 June 2018.

# TENDER 2/17 – EXTENSION TO COMMUNITY CENTRE – JACK TOWNEY HOSTEL – FINAL REPORT

#### SUMMARY

To advise that the extension to the Community Centre at Jack Towney Hostel is now complete.

### **RESOLVED 132/18**

Cr Peart/Cr Johnson

- 1. That the report be noted.
- That Council write to the Australian Minister for Health, the Hon Greg Hunt MP expressing the community's appreciation whilst highlighting the completed works.

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## **Proceedings in Brief**

Cr Johnson declared an interest and left the meeting at 5.27pm.

# **LOCAL HERITAGE PLACES & HERITAGE ADVISOR FUNDING**

#### SUMMARY

To advise Local Heritage Places and Heritage Advisor Funding acquittals have been submitted to the Office of Environment and Heritage.

RESOLVED 133/18	Cr Walker/Cr Baker
That the report be noted.	

# **Proceedings in Brief**

Cr Johnson returned to the meeting having taken no part in discussion or voting.

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#### RAILWAY STREET STORMWATER WETLANDS

#### SUMMARY

To advise completion of the culvert under the railway line, the final stage of the Railway Street Stormwater Wetlands project.

RESOLVED 134/18	Cr Walker/Cr Peart
That Council acknowledge the completion of this project.	

#### MINUTES - COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR ADOPTION

### SUMMARY

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

<u>Tooraweenah Management Committee</u> 6 June 2018

RESOLVED 135/18	Cr Mockler/Cr Johnson
That the abovelisted Committee minutes be adopted.	

## MINUTES - COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR NOTATION

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for notation.

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Interagency31 May 2018Traffic Committee6 June 2018

RESOLVED 136/18	Cr Johnson/Cr Baker
That the above listed Committee minutes be noted.	

## REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION

## **SUMMARY**

To present reports for information and notation.

RESOLVED 137/18	Cr Walker/Cr Peart
That the reports be noted.	

## LATE REPORT

## **GILGANDRA CEMETERY - ACQUISITION OF CROWN ROAD RESERVE**

#### <u>SUMMARY</u>

To finalise purchase of the Crown Road Reserve adjoining the Gilgandra Cemetery.

RESOLVED 138/18	Cr Baker/Cr Wrigley
That authority be granted to purchase the Crown Road Reserve (Road	
Purchase Plan Disposal Number 595595).	

## LATE ITEM

## 14 Wamboin St

Director Community Services outlined ongoing negotiation with Family and Community Services (FaCS) in relation to the future lease arrangements for 14 Wamboin St, a house rented by Orana Living.

RESOLVED 139/18	Cr Peart/Cr Mockler
That Council support the General Manager's actions in facilitating the adopted	
recommendation of the Disability Services Committee.	

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.40 PM.

Cr D Batten <u>Mayor</u>