



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

18 APRIL 2023

PRESENT

Councillors

D Batten (Mayor)
A Walker (Deputy Mayor)
G Babbage
A Bunter
P Mann
B Mockler
N Mudford
G Peart
I Freeth

Employees

D Neeves
General Manager

N Alchin
Director Growth and Liveability

D Colwell
Director Infrastructure

D Dobson
Director Aged Care and Disabilities

R Berryman
Executive Assistant

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4:00pm.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

ADJOURNMENTS

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED 53/23	Cr Babbage/Cr Walker
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 21 March 2023, 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 54/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Mudford
That Council note the following matters to be listed as specified under Section 10(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> :	
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RESOLVED 55/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Mudford
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 Section 10(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> , 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 4:01pm.	

(GO.CO.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE - 5/23
MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

SUMMARY

To advise of the Mayor's activities for the past month.

RESOLVED 58/23	Cr Batten
That the report be noted.	

(GO.PO.1)

COUNCILLOR WORKSHOPS AND BRIEFING SESSIONS

SUMMARY

To provide a response to Councillor Walker's question posed to him by a member of the public regarding Councillor Workshop process, as there is a perception in the community that Council makes decisions at these workshops.

RESOLVED 59/23	Cr Walker/Cr Mockler
That the report be noted.	

(RD.DC.1)

WARREN ROAD RAIL CROSSING PEDESTRIAN MAZE

SUMMARY

To advise the outcome of investigations into the dimensions of the pedestrian crossing maze across the Warren Road railway line following a complaint from a resident.

RESOLVED 60/23	Cr Walker/Cr Bunter
That Council note the actions to date regarding the pedestrian maze at the rail crossing on Warren Road, Gilgandra.	

(GO.PO.1)

NEW POLICY – SCHOOL BUS ROUTE SIGNAGE ON RURAL ROADS

SUMMARY

To present a policy in relation to School Bus Route Signage on rural roads for consideration and adoption.

RESOLVED 61/23	Cr Mann/Cr Peart
That the new policy "School Bus Route Signage on Rural Roads" be adopted.	

REVIEW OF POLICY - LIGHT VEHICLE REPLACEMENT

SUMMARY

To present an amendment to the Light Vehicle Replacement Policy for consideration and adoption.

RESOLVED 62/23	Cr Mockler/Cr Babbage
1. That the Light Vehicle Replacement Policy, as amended, be adopted.	
2. That the policy be reviewed bi-annually	

RATE MODELS - 2023/24

SUMMARY

To present rate models for Council's consideration for the 2023/24 rating period.

RESOLVED 63/23	Cr Walker/Cr Peart
1. That Council adopt the proposed rating structure outlined in rate model 1 in this report for inclusion in the Statement of Revenue Policy and Draft Operational Plan for 2023/24	
2. That Council set the interest rate on overdue rates and charges for 2023/24 at the maximum allowable as determined by the Minister for Local government	

CHARGING FOR GILGANDRA WATER SUPPLY SERVICES 2023/24

SUMMARY

To determine a charging structure for Council's Gilgandra Water Supply Services for the 2023/24 rating year.

RESOLVED 64/23	Cr Mudford/Cr Babbage
That Council adopt the proposed charging structure for 2023/24 and include the charges in Council's statement of revenue policy to be included in the Draft Operational Plan for 2023/24.	

CHARGING FOR TOORAWEEAH WATER SUPPLY SERVICES 2023/24

SUMMARY

To determine a charging structure for Council's Tooraweenah Water Supply Service for the 2023/24 rating year.

RESOLVED 65/23

Cr Mockler/Cr Mann

That Council adopt the proposed charging structure for 2023/24 and the charges be included in Council's Statement of Revenue Policy to be included in the Draft Operational Plan for 2023/24.

SEWER CHARGING – 2023/24

SUMMARY

To determine a charging structure for Council's Sewerage Services for the 2023/24 rating year.

RESOLVED 66/23

Cr Walker/Cr Peart

That Council adopt the proposed charging structure for 2023/24 and include the charges in Council's Statement of Revenue Policy to be included in the Draft Operational Plan for 2023/24.

STORMWATER CHARGES 2023/24

SUMMARY

To present a proposed structure for 2023/24 for the Stormwater Management Service Charge.

RESOLVED 67/23

Cr Bunter/Cr Mudford

That Council adopt the proposed charging structure for 2023/24 and include the charges in Council's Statement of Revenue Policy to be included in the Draft Operational Plan for 2023/24.

WASTE MANAGEMENT CHARGES FOR 2023/24

SUMMARY

To determine a charging structure for Council's Waste Services for the 2023/24 rating year.

RESOLVED 68/23

Cr Mockler/Cr Mann

1. That Council adopt the proposed charging structure as set out in the above report and include the charges in Council's Statement of Revenue Policy to be included in the Draft Operational Plan for 2023/24.
2. That Council's Revenue Policy includes relevant information stating that the Recycling Service is funded by the Domestic Waste Management Service Charge.

(A1476)

DA 2022/477 NEW SERVICE STATION & REQUEST FOR VARIATION TO DCP

SUMMARY

To consider a request for variation to Development Control Plan standards and to determine DA 2022/477.

RESOLVED 69/23	Cr Freeth/Cr Walker
<p>1. That permission be granted to vary Clauses 9.4, 9.5, 9.7.1, 9.8 and Part 14 of Gilgandra Shire Council's Development Control Plan 2011 for the property of 15-17 Castlereagh Street, Gilgandra NSW 2827 (Lot 10/DP 569802 and Lot 1/4/DP758439) to allow for construction of the proposed development under DA 2022/477.</p> <p>2. That DA 2022/477 be approved in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</p> <p>3. That the conditions outlined in Attachment A be noted as forming part of the conditions of consent.</p> <p>4. That, in accordance with section 375A of the Local Government and Planning Legislation Amendment (Political Donations Act) 2008, the names of councillors who support and oppose the decision be recorded.</p>	

Division

For: Crs Batten, Walker, Babbage, Bunter, Freeth, Mann, Mockler, Mudford, Peart
Against: Nil

(PM.AD.1)

CASTLEREAGH COUNTRY - REGIONAL DROUGHT RESILIENCE PLAN PROJECT

SUMMARY

To advise of the success of a grant application under the Regional Drought Resilience Planning (RDRP) Program in collaboration with Warrumbungle Shire Council.

Proceedings in Brief

That this report was not considered and deferred to a future meeting as the Grant Deed for the project has not been executed.

(PM.AD.1)

HUNTER PARK SPORT AND RECREATION PRECINCT - MULTIPURPOSE SPORTS CENTRE

SUMMARY

To consider an opportunity to apply for Grant Funding, and associated budget commitment, to progress the Hunter Park Sport and Recreation Precinct - Multipurpose Sports Centre Project.

MOTION	Cr Bunter/Cr Freeth
1. That Council lodge an expression of interest under the NSW Government Growing Regional Economies Fund for \$6m in funding towards the construction of Stage 1 of the Hunter Park Sport and Recreation Precinct - Multipurpose Sports Centre Project.	
2. That Council include a budget for a co-contribution of \$2m towards stage 1 of the project, as outlined in this report, in its 2023/24-2032/33 Long Term Financial Plan in the 2024/25 financial year.	

AMENDMENT	Cr Mann/Cr Peart
That Stage 1 of the project be the construction of the swimming pool and Stage 2 be the construction of the Multipurpose Sports Centre.	

The amendment was put and lost.

The motion was put and carried.

RESOLVED 71/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Freeth
3. That Council lodge an expression of interest under the NSW Government Growing Regional Economies Fund for \$6m in funding towards the construction of Stage 1 of the Hunter Park Sport and Recreation Precinct - Multipurpose Sports Centre Project.	
4. That Council include a budget for a co-contribution of \$2m towards stage 1 of the project, as outlined in this report, in its 2023/24-2032/33 Long Term Financial Plan in the 2024/25 financial year.	

(CS.LP.1)

DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY

SUMMARY

To update Council regarding the existing Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program, and consider long-term funding for the project.

RESOLVED 72/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Babbage
1. That Council fund the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program from 2024/25 onwards.	
2. That Council invite Mr Leo Krikmann from United Way to work with Council towards finding additional funding avenues for the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program.	

(CM.PO.1)

COUNCIL RELATED DEVELOPMENT – CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

SUMMARY

To request that Council adopt a policy outlining how conflicts of interest will be managed with regard to Council related developments.

RESOLVED 73/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Mockler
That Conflict of Interest (Council Related Development) policy be adopted.	

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present reports for information and notation.

RESOLVED 74/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Babbage
That the reports be noted.	

PRECIS OF CATEGORY B CORRESPONDENCE

SUMMARY

To pass on relevant information from correspondence received.

RESOLVED 75/23	Cr Babbage/Cr Mudford
That receipt of the Category B Correspondence be noted.	

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4:47PM.

Cr D Batten
Mayor