



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

20 SEPTEMBER 2022

PRESENT

Councillors

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

Employees

N J Alchin
Acting General Manager
D Colwell
Director Infrastructure
D Dobson
Director Aged Care and Disabilities
J Prout
Executive Assistant

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4.09pm.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

ADJOURNMENTS

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Mockler – *Stronger Country Communities Fund Round 5*. Cr Mockler is a member and treasurer of the Tooraweenah Showground, listed in the report.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED 173/22	Cr Mockler/Cr Walker
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 16 August 2022, 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 174/22	Cr Peart/Cr Mann
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">• Staff Leave (a)	

RESOLVED 175/22	Cr Peart/Cr Mann
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 4.12pm.	

(PE.1071.1)

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 176/22	Cr Mockler/Cr Bunter
That the report be noted.	

RESOLVED 177/22	Cr Bunter/Cr Mudford
That the press and public be allowed to re-enter the meeting at 4.15pm.	

RESOLVED 178/22	Cr Bunter/Cr Mudford
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 - 16/22
MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

SUMMARY

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

Proceedings in Brief

The Mayor advised he had also attended a Bush Fire Management Committee Meeting in Coonabarabran this morning.

RESOLVED 179/22	Cr Batten
That the report be noted.	

(GO.CO.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE - 17/22
PASSING OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II

SUMMARY

To acknowledge the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.

RESOLVED 180/22	Cr Batten
That Council, on behalf of the Gilgandra Community, offers its sincerest condolences to his Majesty, King Charles III on the passing of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and, in doing, acknowledge a life of selfless dedication to the peoples of the Commonwealth.	

(GO.CO.1)

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST RETURNS

SUMMARY

To table disclosure of interest returns from Councillors and designated staff for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022.

RESOLVED 181/22	Cr Freeth/Cr Mann
That Council note the tabling of disclosure of interest returns for Councillors and designated persons for the period ending 30 June 2022.	

(CM.PR.1)

ICAC RESPONSE

SUMMARY

To advise of a response from the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC).

RESOLVED 182/22	Cr Mockler/Cr Walker
That the report be noted.	

(PE.GN.1)

OUTDOOR STAFF PICNIC

SUMMARY

To advise of a request from the Outdoor Staff Picnic Committee to hold the annual picnic on Friday, 30 September 2022

RESOLVED 183/22	Cr Bunter/Cr Mudford
1. That Friday, 30 September 2022 be approved as Council's picnic day and Council declare a general shutdown.	
2. That Council make a donation of \$200 towards the picnic to be funded from the Contributions and Donations allocation.	

(CM.PO.1)

INVESTMENTS POLICY REVIEW

SUMMARY

To amend Council's Investments Policy to bring it into line with lending conditions imposed by the NSW Treasury Corporation (TCorp).

RESOLVED 184/22	Cr Mann/Cr Peart
That the review of Council's Investment Policy to meet TCorp guidelines be noted and the draft policy, as attached, be adopted.	

Proceedings in Brief

Cr Mockler declared an interest and left the meeting.

(GS.PG.1)

STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES FUND ROUND 5

SUMMARY

To confirm projects for inclusion in Council's Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) Rounds 5 application for funding.

Proceedings in Brief

The Director Growth and Liveability advised that the scope of the projects had changed slightly and explained the variations. The following ranking and funding sought is now:

1.	Main Street Beautification	\$364,635
2.	Events (2 x A Night Under the Gums)	\$120,000
3.	Public Art (Windmill Walk/Soldier Settlers' story)	\$100,000
4.	McGrane Oval (Seating, irrigation, awning, sealing of car park on Northern side of the oval)	\$152,077
5.	River Beautification (Gilgandra Cultural Precinct/CBD seating, art, landscaping)	\$100,000
6.	Tooraweenah Showground (Amenities)	\$297,518
7.	St Ambrose Church (Renovations in two stages)	\$250,000

RESOLVED 185/22	Cr Walker/Cr Bunter
That Council confirm the projects applied for under SCCF Round 5 as listed in this report and endorse the priority rankings determined, noting an additional \$58,000 for the St Ambrose Church renovations.	

Proceedings in Brief

- It was noted that Mr Mark Adams on behalf of the Arthur Butler Museum Inc had provided a late application and supporting Business Plan on 20 September 2022.
- Cr Mockler returned to the meeting at 4.57pm, having taken no part in discussion or voting.

REQUEST TO CONSTRUCT SYNTHETIC CRICKET PITCH AT ERNIE KNIGHT OVAL

SUMMARY

To submit to Council for a determination a request by Gilgandra and District Junior Cricket to construct a synthetic pitch at Ernie Knight Oval.

RESOLVED 186/22	Cr Peart/Cr Mann
That Council support the request by Gilgandra Junior Cricket and allocated an additional budget of \$12,000 for the construction of a new synthetic cricket pitch.	

(RD.PR.1)

LOCAL ROADS HIERARCHY PLAN REVIEW

SUMMARY

To present the final review of the Local Roads Hierarchy Plan (Version 4) for adoption.

RESOLVED 187/22	Cr Bunter/Cr Mockler
That the Local Roads Hierarchy Plan (Version 4), as presented, be adopted.	

MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR ADOPTION

SUMMARY

To present the minutes of the Gilgandra Lifestyles' Advisory Board meeting, held on 13 September 2022, for consideration and adoption.

RESOLVED 188/22	Cr Mann/Cr Babbage
That the minutes of the Gilgandra Lifestyles' Advisory Board be adopted.	

Proceedings in Brief

Those Councillors on the Gilgandra Lifestyles' Advisory Board suggested holding a workshop or meeting prior to the next scheduled meeting and this will be arranged.

MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for notation.

<u>Interagency</u>	25 August 2022
<u>Traffic Committee</u>	24 August 2022

RESOLVED 189/22	Cr Bunter/Cr Peart
That the above listed Committee minutes be noted.	

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present reports for information and notation.

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RESOLVED 190/22	Cr Mudford/Cr Bunter
That the reports be noted.	

PRECIS OF CATEGORY B CORRESPONDENCE

SUMMARY

To pass on relevant information from correspondence received.

RESOLVED 191/22	Cr Babbage/Cr Peart
That receipt of the Category B correspondence be noted.	

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.25PM.

Cr D Batten
Mayor