



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

27 JUNE 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  
  
M Welsh  
Executive Leader of Transformational  
Change

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4:00pm.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

NIL

ADJOURNMENTS

NIL

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Paul Mann, *Presbytery Housing Proposal*. Cr Paul Mann is the Lead Parishioner for St Joseph's Catholic Parish.

Cr Walker, *Tender 44/22 Aero Park Subdivision*. Cr Walker is the Director of PlumbnCivil Pty Ltd which is a local plumbing & civil construction business, and has expressed an interest in subcontracting opportunities.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

<b>RESOLVED 101/23</b>	Cr Bunter/Cr Peart
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 16 May 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

<b>RESOLVED 102/23</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Bunter
That Council note the following matters to be listed as specified under Section 10(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> :	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jack Towney Hostel Operations</li><li>• Presbytery Housing Proposal</li><li>• Groworx Media Release and Welcome</li><li>• Fair Work Commission Aged Care Pay Increase</li><li>• Tender 44/22 Aero Park Subdivision</li><li>• Tender 25/23 Reconstruction of Bringle Creek Culvert</li><li>• Tender 062324 Bitumen Spray Seal</li><li>• Tender 042324 Bulk fuel</li><li>• Tender 052324 Bulk Water Treatment Chemical</li><li>• Request by Mr M Chandler to Vary to Effluent Re-Use Multiplier</li><li>• Purchase of Additional Industrial Land</li></ul>	

<b>RESOLVED 103/23</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Bunter
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 4:05pm.	

(GO.CO.1)

**MAYORAL MINUTE - 8/23**  
**MAYORAL COMMITMENTS**

**SUMMARY**

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

<b>RESOLVED 116/23</b>	Cr Batten
That the report be noted.	

(PM.AD.1)

**MAYORAL MINUTE - 9/23**  
**NSW RURAL FIRES AMENDMENT (RED FLEET) BILL 2023**

**SUMMARY**

To advise Council of the NSW Rural Fires Amendment (Red Fleet) Bill 2023.

<b>RESOLVED 117/23</b>	Cr Batten
That Council support the Private Member's Bill amending Section 119 of the <i>Rural Fires Act 1997</i> to transfer the ownership of all NSW Rural Fire Service vehicles and buildings to the NSW Rural Fire Service.	

(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.

<b>RESOLVED 118/23</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Bunter
That the successful grant application under the RDRP Program to deliver the Castlereagh Country – Regional Drought Resilience Plan Project in collaboration with Warrumbungle Shire Council be noted.	

(PM.RP.1)

**GILGANDRA HEALTH STRATEGY**

**SUMMARY**

To determine Council's priority for delivery of Gilgandra Health Strategy Vision.

<b>RESOLVED 119/23</b>	Cr Bunter/Cr Mann
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. That Council bring forward the development of Gilgandra Health Strategy commencing in the 2023/24 financial year.</li><li>2. That 50% of the funding allocated for the Health Strategy in the Long Term Financial Plan in the 2024/25 year be brought forward into the 2023/24 financial year to enable the commencement of the strategy.</li><li>3. That Council lobby the NSW Government/Western Area Health for matching funding.</li><li>4. That an adjustment to the 2023/24 budget be made at the September quarterly budget review.</li></ol>	

(CM.AU.1)

### **ORANA LIVING RECERTIFICATION AUDIT**

#### **SUMMARY**

To present NDIS Practice Standards Recertification Audit Report Summary.

<b>RESOLVED 120/23</b>	Cr Mudford/Cr Mockler
That the report be noted.	

(RD.AG.1)

### **ROAD MAINTENANCE COUNCIL CONTRACT AND ASSOCIATED WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTAL AND QUALITY POLICY**

#### **SUMMARY**

To renew the Road Maintenance Council Contract and review and adopt the Work Health and Safety, Environment and Quality Policy for works performed for TfNSW.

<b>RESOLVED 121/23</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Bunter
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Endorses the renewal of the Road Maintenance Council Contract (RMCC) with TfNSW, and</li><li>2. Adopts the Work Health and Safety, Environment and Quality Policy, as presented, for works performed under the RMCC.</li></ol>	

(PS.FM.1)

### **PLANT REPLACEMENT PROGRAM 2023/24**

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the proposed 2023/24 Plant Replacement Program for consideration and adoption.

<b>RESOLVED 122/23</b>	Cr Peart/Cr Mudford
That the 2023/24 Plant Replacement Program, as presented, be adopted.	

(CM.PL.1)

**OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW TO 31 MARCH 2023**

**SUMMARY**

To consider progress with Council's Operational Plan as at 31 March 2023.

<b>RESOLVED 123/23</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Babbage
That the 2022/23 Operational Plan Review for the quarter ended 31 March 2023 be adopted.	

(FM.PL.1)

**ADOPTION OF DELIVERY PROGRAM AND OPERATIONAL PLAN 2023/24-2024/25 AND LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2023/24 – 2032/33**

**SUMMARY**

To consider submissions received during the public exhibition period and, subject to any amendments determined, adopt the Delivery Program and Operational Plan for 2023/24-2024/25 and Long Term Financial Plan 2023/24 – 2032/33.

<b>RESOLVED 124/23</b>	Cr Babbage/Cr Mudford
That the draft 2023/24-2024/25 Delivery Program and Operational Plan and 2023/24 – 2032/33 LTFP be adopted.	

(CM.PL.1)

**COOEE RV OVERNIGHT PARKING TRIAL UPDATE**

**SUMMARY**

To provide an update of the Coo-ee RV Overnight Parking Trial.

<b>RESOLVED 125/23</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Bunter
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. That Council note the implementation of the Coo-ee RV Overnight Parking Trial and feedback received at this early stage of the Trail.</li><li>2. That Council note discussions with local caravan park operators and issues raised.</li><li>3. That a further report be presented to Council via the Economic Development Committee in August 2023 to allow additional Trial data to be collected.</li></ol>	

**MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR NOTATION**

**SUMMARY**

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for notation:

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<u>Interagency Committee</u>	25 May 2023
<u>Local Emergency Management Committee</u>	23 May 2023
<u>Traffic Committee</u>	24 May 2023

<b>RESOLVED 126/23</b>	Cr Babbage/Cr Mockler
That the minutes be noted.	

## **REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION**

### **SUMMARY**

To present reports for information and notation.

<b>RESOLVED 127/23</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Bunter
That the reports be noted.	

## **PRECIS OF CATEGORY B CORRESPONDENCE**

### **SUMMARY**

To pass on relevant information from correspondence received.

<b>RESOLVED 128/23</b>	Cr Bunter/Cr Mudford
That receipt of the Category B Correspondence be noted.	

## **QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING**

<u>CR BABBAGE:</u>	<b><u>PIDGEON ERADICATION PROGRAM</u></b> Can Council reintroduce another pigeon eradication program in Miller Street and can Council encourage business owners to clean up the pavements where bird droppings are building up?
<u>MAYORAL RESPONSE:</u>	It was advised that Council is already in the process of communicating with local business owners in relation to this issue and aims to introduce another pigeon eradication program soon.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5:05PM.

Cr D Batten  
Mayor