



***DRAFT***

**MINUTES  
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

***held on***

**WEDNESDAY, 10 APRIL 2024**

**PRESENT**

Councillors Craig Davies (Mayor and Chair), Dawn Collins (Deputy Mayor), Les Lambert, Diane Beaumont, Ewen Jones, Lachlan Roberts, Adine Hoey and Mr Phil Johnston (Acting General Manager), Mr Barry Bonthuys (Director Finance & Corporate Strategy), Mrs Marion Truscott (Director Governance), Ms Melanie Slimming (Director Infrastructure and Engineering Services) and Mrs Sally McDonnell (Minute Taker).

**WELCOME**

The Chair welcomed those present and declared the meeting open at 5.30pm.

The Chair advised of Cr Forrester's resignation effective 9 April 2024 and acknowledged her very diligent and courageous efforts during her time as Councillor.

**PRAYER**

The Lord's Prayer was taken by those present.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Acknowledgement of Country was made by the Chair.

**STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS**

The Statement of Ethical Obligations was made by the Chair.

**APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS**

Nil

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** Crs Collins/Jones that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 13 March 2024 be adopted.

**2024/051**

**DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

Nil

**MAYORAL MINUTE**

**1.   MAYORAL DIARY**

**RESOLVED** Crs Lambert/Roberts that the information be noted.

**2024/052**

**2.   DEPUTY MAYORAL DIARY**

**RESOLVED** Crs Collins/Hoey that the information be noted.

**2024/053**

**MAYORAL MINUTE (Cont'd)**

**3.    DELEGATES REPORT – COUNTRY MAYORS ASSOCIATION**

**RESOLVED** Crs Lambert/Beaumont that the information be noted.

**2024/054**

**4.    DELEGATES REPORT – COALITION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY MAYORS (CoREM)**

**RESOLVED** Crs Lambert/Collins that the information be noted.

**2024/055**

**5.    DELEGATES REPORT – ALLIANCE OF WESTERN COUNCILS**

**RESOLVED** Crs Lambert/Beaumont that the information be noted.

**2024/056**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**1.    REPORT OF THE AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

**RESOLVED** Crs Lambert/Hoey;

1.    That the recommendations from the minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 11 March 2024 be adopted.
2.    That the Risk Management Policy as presented to Council be adopted.

**2024/057**

**REPORTS TO COUNCIL - GENERAL MANAGER**

**1.    VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT POLICY**

**RESOLVED** Crs Collins/Hoey that Council endorses the revised Volunteer Management Policy.

**2024/058**

**2.    PUBLIC ACCESS TO COUNCIL INFORMATION POLICY**

**RESOLVED** Crs Lambert/Beaumont that Council endorses the revised Access to Council Information Policy.

**2024/059**

**REPORTS TO COUNCIL - GENERAL MANAGER (Cont'd)**

**3.      TOMINGLEY GOLD OPERATIONS (TGO) – COMMUNITY FUND PANEL**

**RESOLVED** Crs Lambert/Beaumont that Council approves the allocation of funds from the TGO Community Fund as follows:

- Australian Skin Cancer Foundation – bring skin check truck to Narromine in October 2024 - \$3,000
- Dusty Boots Festival & Awards – assist with hosting country music festival and awards in Narromine - \$5,000
- Narromine Aero Club – hosting outdoor cinema event at Narromine Aerodrome \$5,800
- Narromine Business Collective – hosting rural women in business luncheon at Narromine \$10,000
- Narromine Junior Jets – purchase new football equipment - \$2,500
- Tomingley Picnic Race Club – Tomingley Picnic Races sponsorship and race track improvements - \$30,000
- St Augustines PnF – Installation of LED notice board for the school - \$5,000
- CWA of NSW Far Western Group – Prize money for public speaking competition - \$300

**2024/060**

**REPORTS TO COUNCIL - FINANCE & CORPORATE STRATEGY**

**1.      INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

**RESOLVED** Crs Jones/Beaumont;

1. That the report regarding Council's Investment Portfolio be received and noted;
2. That the certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer is noted, and the report adopted.

**2024/061**

**REPORTS TO COUNCIL – COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**1.      DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS**

**RESOLVED** Crs Collins/Hoey that the information be noted.

**2024/062**

**2.      ROAD CLOSURE, PART SISSIAN ROAD, TRANGIE**

**RESOLVED** Crs Hoey/Jones that Council continue the process required under the Roads Act 1993 to close part Sissian Road, Trangie.

**2024/063**

**REPORTS TO COUNCIL – INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENGINEERING SERVICES**

**1.       WORKS REPORT**

**RESOLVED** Crs Lambert/Hoey that the information be noted.

**2024/064**

**2.       KURRAJONG TREES – NARROMINE CEMETERY**

**RESOLVED** Crs Collins/Lambert that Council;

1.       Defer the selection of the preferred trees.
2.       Undertake the staged implementation program listed in the report, with the replacement budget and program reviewed annually.
3.       Investigate the removal of the further 9 kurrajongs trees at the Narromine Cemetery as part of the tree replacement program.
4.       Continue to boarder the northern side of the Cemetery with Manchurian Pear trees.

**2024/065**

**3.       APPLICATION FOR ROAD CLOSURE FOR SPECIAL EVENTS POLICY**

**RESOLVED** Crs Lambert/Jones that the updated policy for Applications for Road Closure for Special Events be endorsed.

**2024/066**

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

**1.       NARROMINE CEMETERY KURRAJONG TREE REPLACEMENT**

Cr Jones withdrew the motion.

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**1.       COUNCIL CHAMBERS PA SYSTEM**

Noted

**2.       SIMMONS GLOBAL PROJECT – NARROMINE AERODROME**

Noted

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.59pm

The Minutes (pages 1 to 4) were confirmed at a meeting held on the day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024, and are a full and accurate record of proceedings of the meeting held on 10 April 2024.

**Chair**