NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING BUSINESS PAPER – 10 DECEMBER 2024 NOTICES OF MOTIONS REPORT

The following Notice of Motion has been received by Cr Howe:-

1. ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS POLICY AND PROCEDURE

That Councillors be covered by the same Alcohol and other Drugs Policy and Procedure as what covers the workers of Narromine Shire Council.

Response from General Manager: -

Council will need to be mindful of the following issues: -

- Councillors do not have a defined start and finish time or a designated place of work.
- Random testing of Council workers is undertaken by an accredited tester in a private location and during work hours (typically during the morning).
- Selected workers must present themselves for testing immediately. The test can take anywhere up to 15 minutes.
- If a positive result is registered, a subsequent test is carried out 15 minutes after the first test. During the 15-minute period, the worker is supervised by the accredited tester.
- Reasonable suspicion testing is conducted on workers who show signs of impairment. This is determined by two trained responsible persons.
- Costs include accredited testing (on site staffing, travel, random, testing, laboratory confirmation testing), and support and rehabilitation.
- Grievance and dispute settlement procedures and/or disciplinary action under the Local Government NSW (State) Award would not be applicable for Councillors.

The following Notice of Motion has been received from Cr Bohm: -

2. NARROMINE YOUTH COUNCIL

That Narromine Shire Council create the Narromine Shire Youth Council, and that a Charter for the group be presented to the February Meeting of Council for consideration.