NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING BUSINESS PAPER – 11 AUGUST 2021 REPORTS TO COUNCIL – GENERAL MANAGER

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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Link to Strategic Plan: CSP – 4.4.1 Provide sound input into State, Regional and

Non-government Organisation Plans and Strategies

DP - 4.4.1.1 Active membership and representation on

government, regional and other bodies

Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to determine Council's voting delegate to the LGNSW Annual Conference to be held in November 2021.

Report

The LGNSW Annual Conference is the main policy making event for the local government sector where issues are debated and motions put forward for consideration by delegates. This year the conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Sydney from 28 November to 30 November 2021.

Narromine Shire Council is entitled to one voting member, usually the Mayor. Other participants attend as observers.

Attendees need to register from 27 July 2021 until 11 October 2021 in order to take advantage of the special 'early bird' rates.

Council's voting delegate (must be an elected member of Council) is required to be registered by 5pm on Tuesday 2 November 2021.

Voting members can put forward motions to be considered at the Conference by 27 September 2021 and prior to midnight Sunday 31 October 2021. Motions need to be strategic, affect members state-wide and introduce new or emerging policy issues and actions.

Council will need to determine its voting delegate and other attendees in order to take advantage of the 'early bird' registration rates.

Financial Implications

'Early bird" registration pricing is \$980 per attendee with conference dinner being \$180. Accommodation and travel costs will also be incurred.

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Legal and Regulatory Compliance

Member's voting entitlements is determined by the LGNSW rules. Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for Mayor and Councillors Policy.

Risk Management Issues

COVID-19 – the conference will follow the government guidelines on safe events and social distancing. This can change in the future.

Internal/External Consultation

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That: -

- 1. The Mayor be Council's voting member; and
- 2. That the General Manager and Deputy Mayor also attend the 2021 LGNSW Annual Conference.
- 3. That motions to the LGNSW Annual Conference (if any) be forwarded to the General Manager for consideration at Council's September Meeting.

Jane Redden

General Manager