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**MINUTES
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

held on

WEDNESDAY, 8 MAY 2024

PRESENT

Councillors Craig Davies (Mayor and Chair), Dawn Collins (Deputy Mayor), Les Lambert, Diane Beaumont, Ewen Jones, Lachlan Roberts, Adine Hoey and Mrs Jane Redden (General Manager), Mr Phil Johnston (Director Community and Economic Development), 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.

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 Lambert/Collins that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 10 April 2024 be adopted.

2024/067

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Nil

MAYORAL MINUTE

1. MAYORAL DIARY

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Beaumont that the information be noted.

2024/068

2. DEPUTY MAYORAL DIARY

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Jones that the information be noted.

2024/069

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. REPORT OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Jones that the report of the Local Traffic Committee and the recommendations from the minutes of the Meeting held on 2 April 2024 be adopted.

2024/070

REPORTS TO COUNCIL - GENERAL MANAGER

1. PROPOSED COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF PART LOT 57 DP755119

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Jones that Narromine Shire Council: -

1. Formally resolves to proceed with the compulsory acquisition of the portion of Crown Land transecting part Lot 57 DP 755119, and the portion of Tantitha Road adjacent to the east and north of Lot 57 DP 755119, for the essential public purpose of creating a Public Road in accordance with the requirements of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act, 1991 and make application to the Minister for Local Government and the Governor for approval to acquire these portions of land by compulsory process under Section 177(1) of the Roads Act 1993.
2. Make formal application to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (Crown Lands) for approval to acquire the portion of Tantitha Road adjacent to the east and north of Lot 57 DP 755119 under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.
3. Upon compulsory acquisition of the transecting portion of Crown Land within Lot 57 DP 755119, by way of notice published in the Government Gazette, dedicate the land as a public road.
4. Grant approval to affix the common seal on any relevant documentation relating to the acquisition.
5. Meet all associated costs of the acquisition from the operational budget.

2024/071

2. CASUAL VACANCY IN OFFICE OF COUNCILLOR

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Hoey that Council make application to the Minister for Local Government to order that the casual vacancy in office of councillor not be filled.

2024/072

3. DRAFT REVISED INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING DOCUMENTS

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Beaumont;

1. That the draft revised Integrated Planning and Reporting documents presented to the meeting be endorsed and placed on public exhibition for 28 days prior to adoption of the final integrated planning and reporting documents at the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 26 June 2024.
2. That the 'Click & Collect – using Tip Vouchers be removed from the papers prior to public consultation.

2024/073

It was noted that the increase for water consumption charges should be 35 cents instead of 36 cents.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL - GENERAL MANAGER (Cont'd)

4. LEASE OFFICE SITE NO 12 NARROMINE AERODROME

RESOLVED Crs Jones/Beaumont that Council lease Office Site No 12 at the Narromine Aerodrome for a 2-year term with an option to renew for a further 1 year, with the commencing lease fee to be set at \$174.94 per month (GST inclusive) and annual CPI increments to be applied thereafter.

2024/074

5. BUILDING OVER SEWERS POLICY

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Lambert that the Building Over Sewers Policy be endorsed.

2024/075

6. ABANDONED VEHICLES POLICY

RESOLVED Crs Jones/Collins that the revised Abandoned Vehicles Policy be endorsed.

2024/076

7. RENTAL – PART 118-120 DANDALOO STREET, NARROMINE

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Beaumont that the rental for the lease of part 118 – 120 Dandaloo Street, Narromine be set at \$626.93 (Inc GST) per month.

2024/077

REPORTS TO COUNCIL - FINANCE & CORPORATE STRATEGY

1. INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2024

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Roberts;

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.

2024/078

2. QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT – 31 MARCH 2024

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Jones;

1. That the document entitled "Attachment 1 – QBR 3 31 March 2024", as attached to the report, be noted;
2. That the variations of income, operating expenditure, capital expenditure and reserves as identified in the "Quarterly Budget Review Statement – 31 March 2024" be approved and voted.

2024/079

REPORTS TO COUNCIL – COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Beaumont that the information be noted.

2024/080

2. PLANNING PROPOSAL – GENERAL AMENDMENT - LEP

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Lambert that Council continue with the amendment to the Narromine Local Environmental Plan 2011 (General Amendment) and that the Council as planning proposal authority proceed with and exercise the functions of the local plan-making authority under section 3.36(2) of the Act, subject to the conditions of the Gateway Determination.

2024/081

The Chair called for a division on the planning matter. The vote was unanimous.

3. LEASE PART 37 BURRAWAY STREET, NARROMINE

RESOLVED Crs Hoey/Beaumont;

1. That Council lease part of 37 Burraway Street, Narromine for a two year term with an option to renew for two by one years each, at a commencing rental (year 1) of \$29,500 GST excl.
2. That the lease fee increases by CPI in each subsequent year of the lease.
3. That the General Manager be delegated to finalise the details and execute the lease.

2024/082

4. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR HERITAGE CONSERVATION POLICY

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Jones that the draft revised Financial Assistance for Heritage Conservation Policy be endorsed and placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

2024/083

REPORTS TO COUNCIL – INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENGINEERING SERVICES

1. WORKS REPORT

RESOLVED Crs Hoey/Jones that the information be noted.

2024/084

2. GENERAL WASTE KERBSIDE WASTE SERVICES

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Beaumont that Council;

1. Continue with weekly kerbside collection of general waste bins until the end of the current waste contract in June 2028.
2. Actively engage the community with waste education programs.

2024/085

REPORTS TO COUNCIL – INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENGINEERING SERVICES (Cont'd)

3. KERB, GUTTER AND FOOTPATH CONTRIBUTION POLICY

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Collins that the updated Kerb, Gutter and Footpath Contribution Policy be endorsed.

2024/086

4. ROADS MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Jones that Council endorses the Road Management Strategy as presented.

2024/087

5. TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF ROADS POLICY

RESOLVED Crs Jones/Lambert that the Temporary Closure of Roads Policy be made obsolete.

2024/088

CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS REPORT

Item from the Director Community and Economic Development: -

1. PROPOSED PURCHASE OF LAND FOR LARGE LOT RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Lambert that Council moves into Closed Meeting under section 10A(2)(d)(ii) of the Local Government Act 1993 to consider the matter as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council. Early disclosure of the information would prevent Council from achieving a best value for money outcome for the community.

2024/089

