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**MINUTES
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

held on

WEDNESDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2024

PRESENT

Councillors Craig Davies (Mayor and Chair), Dawn Collins (Deputy Mayor), Les Lambert, Casey Forrester, Diane Beaumont, Ewen Jones, Adine Hoey, Lachlan Roberts and Mrs Jane Redden (General Manager), Mr Phil Johnston (Director Community & 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 to 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 13 December 2023 be adopted.

2024/001

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Nil

MAYORAL MINUTE

1. MAYORAL DIARY

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Forrester that the information be noted.

2024/002

It was noted that the diary entry for 25 January should read Trangie Australia Day Ambassador Dinner and the diary entry for 13 January should only reference Trangie for the meeting with the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads.

MAYORAL MINUTE (Cont'd)

2. DEPUTY MAYORAL DIARY

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Jones that the information be noted.

2024/003

3. DELEGATES REPORT – ALLIANCE OF WESTERN COUNCILS

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Beaumont that the information be noted.

2024/004

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. REPORT OF THE TOMINGLEY ADVANCEMENT ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Collins that the report of the Tomingley Advancement Association Committee and the recommendations from the minutes of the Meeting held on 18 December 2023 be adopted.

2024/005

2. REPORT OF THE AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Hoey that the recommendations from the minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 10 November 2023 be adopted.

2024/006

3. 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 4 December 2023 be adopted.

2024/007

4. REPORT OF THE NARROMINE AUSTRALIA DAY COMMITTEE

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Forrester that the recommendations from the minutes of the Narromine Australia Day Committee Meeting held on 17 January 2024 be adopted.

2024/008

REPORTS TO COUNCIL - GENERAL MANAGER

1. DELIVERY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT – 1 JULY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Forrester that the Delivery Program Progress Report from 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023 be noted.

2024/009

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND OTHER MATTERS RETURNS

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Beaumont that the information be noted.

2023/010

REPORTS TO COUNCIL - GENERAL MANAGER (CONT'D)

3. DELEGATION

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Collins that the General Manager's delegation remain as is.

2024/011

4. PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURES POLICY

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Forrester that the Public Interest Disclosures Policy as presented to Council be adopted.

2024/012

5. COMPLAINT HANDLING POLICY

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Jones that the revised Complaint Handling Policy as presented to Council be adopted.

2024/013

6. LEASE FEE – SALEYARDS CANTEEN

RESOLVED Crs Jones/Hoey that the Narromine Saleyards Canteen be leased at \$80 (including GST) per day/visit for the provision of small animal veterinary services.

2024/014

REPORTS TO COUNCIL - FINANCE & CORPORATE STRATEGY

1. INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Jones;

1. That the report regarding Council's Investment Portfolio as at 31 December 2023 be received and noted;
2. That the certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer is noted, and the report adopted.

2024/015

2. INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JANUARY 2024

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Forrester;

1. That the report regarding Council's Investment Portfolio as at 31 January 2024 be received and noted;
2. That the certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer is noted and the report adopted.

2024/016

REPORTS TO COUNCIL - FINANCE & CORPORATE STRATEGY (CONT'D)

3. QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT – 31 DECEMBER 2023

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Jones;

1. That the document entitled "Attachment 3 – QBR 2 31 December 2023", 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 December 2023" be approved and voted.
3. That Council note the amount of \$65,727 is being allocated from Council's Unrestricted Cash Reserves.

2024/017

REPORTS TO COUNCIL – COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Forrester that the information be noted.

2024/018

2. NARROMINE INDUSTRIAL PRECINCT AND FREIGHT EXCHANGE

RESOLVED Crs Jones/Collins that Council defer consideration of this item until after Councillors have undertaken a site inspection.

2024/019

3. LEGEND OF SPORTS HONOUR ROLE

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Beaumont that the report be noted.

2024/020

4. ROTATING BEACON

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Hoey that the report be noted.

2024/021

5. PLANNING PROPOSAL – GENERAL AMENDMENT

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Hoey that Council;

1. Endorse the above proposed amendments in accordance with the gateway conditions from the Department of Planning, Housing & Infrastructure; and
2. Submit the amended Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Housing & Infrastructure for endorsement prior to proceeding to public exhibition.

2024/022

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

REPORTS TO COUNCIL – INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENGINEERING SERVICES

1. WORKS REPORT

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Collins that the information be noted.

2024/023

2. KURRAJONG TREES, NARROMINE CEMETERY

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Collins that Council move into Committee of the Whole to enable full discussion of the matter.

2024/024

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Collins that Council move out of Committee of the Whole.

2024/025

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Lambert that;-

1. Council remove the Kurrajong trees from the Narromine Cemetery and replace them with a more suitable tree that requires less maintenance for the future, provides shade and a habitat for the birds.
2. The tree replacement program at the Narromine Cemetery be completed in stages.
3. If the budget allows, that the tree replacement program begin within the next 12 months.
4. A further report be provided to Council outlining the costings involved.

2024/026

3. TRANGIE WASTE MANAGEMENT

RESOLVED Crs Hoey/Beaumont that; -

1. Trangie Waste Depot hours are reduced on Saturday and Sunday to 10am – 2pm for the period 1/3/24 - 26/7/24.
2. A report is provided to the July Council meeting recommending the long-term waste depot operating hours.
3. A “click and collect” system for Trangie urban residents is offered between the period 1/3/24 – 26/7/24. Customers can contact Council to organise one free collection of kerbside rubbish per household.
4. A report is provided to the July Council meeting recommending the long-term kerbside waste management strategy.

2024/027

Cr Collins recorded her vote against the motion.

CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS REPORT

**1. EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST – AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE
INDEPENDENT MEMBER**

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Collins that Council move into Closed Meeting in accordance with Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993, to consider the Expressions of Interests received, as they are of a personnel nature concerning particular individuals (other than councillors) and are therefore not in the public interest to disclose.

2024/028

