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**MINUTES
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

held on

WEDNESDAY, 25 AUGUST 2021

PRESENT

Councillors Craig Davies (Mayor and Chair), Dawn Collins (Deputy Mayor), James Craft, Les Lambert, Lyn Jablonski, Rob McCutcheon, Mark Munro and Mrs Jane Redden (General Manager), Mr André Pretorius (Director Infrastructure & Engineering Services), Mr Phil Johnston (Director Community & Economic Development), Mrs Jeanette Coen (Acting Director Finance & Corporate Strategy), Mrs Marion Truscott (Director Governance) and Mrs Sally McDonnell (Minute Taker) via Audio/Visual Conferencing.

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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 Cr Davies.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Munro that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 14 July 2021 be adopted.

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DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Nil

MAYORAL MINUTE

1. MAYORAL DIARY

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Jablonski that the information be noted.

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2. DEPUTY MAYORAL DIARY

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Hamilton that the information be noted.

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3. DELEGATES REPORT – TRANGIE ACTION GROUP

RESOLVED Crs Hamilton/Jablonski that the information be noted.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. REPORT OF INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE

RESOLVED Crs Craft/Munro:

1. That the report of the Internal Audit Committee and the recommendations from the minutes of 26 July 2021 be adopted.
2. That the tenure of the Independent External Members be extended to 31 August 2022.
3. That the current membership fee for the Independent Members be increased to \$1255.00 per meeting (excluding GST).

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REPORTS TO COUNCIL - GENERAL MANAGER

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE

It was noted by the General Manager that there has been an update to the format of the Conference due to COVID-19. There is now only a one hour Annual Conference to be held online in November and a Special Conference to be held in February/March 2022.

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Lambert 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.

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REPORTS TO COUNCIL - FINANCE & CORPORATE STRATEGY

1. INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2021

RESOLVED Crs Munro/Lambert that:

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

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REPORTS TO COUNCIL - FINANCE & CORPORATE STRATEGY (Cont'd)

2. CARRY FORWARD WORKS AND RE-VOTES FROM 2020/21

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Collins that:

1. That the list of carry forward works which were commenced in 2020/2021 but not completed (as shown in Attachment 2) be noted.
2. That the list of carry forward works which did not fall within clause 211 of Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 (as shown in Attachment 3), be adopted as part of the 2021/22 budget.

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3. DATES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR END

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Munro that the report regarding Council's timetable for adoption of the financial statements be received and noted.

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The Mayor thanked John Sevil (Director Finance and Corporate Strategy) for his contribution during his time with Council and wished him all the best for the future.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL – COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS

RESOLVED Crs Lambert/Munro that the information be noted.

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It was noted that the approvals for the month of June in the report should read July.

2. REGIONAL AIRPORTS PROGRAM ROUND TWO

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Munro that Council defer this report until the September Ordinary Council Meeting to allow further information to be obtained from the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development.

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REPORTS TO COUNCIL - INFRASTRUCTURE & ENGINEERING SERVICES

1. WORKS REPORT

RESOLVED Crs Collins/Munro that the information be noted.

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REPORTS TO COUNCIL - INFRASTRUCTURE & ENGINEERING SERVICES (Cont'd)

Marion Truscott (Director Governance) declared a Significant Non-pecuniary Interest in item 2 – Reports to Council Infrastructure and Engineering – Draft Stormwater Drainage Study Report, as she is an owner of property adjacent to a drainage option.

Marion Truscott (Director Governance) left the meeting at 5.43pm

2. DRAFT STORMWATER DRAINAGE STUDY REPORT

It was moved Crs Collins/Munro to defer this item until an onsite inspection can happen.

Cr Lambert suggested that it be added to the motion that a Geotech test be undertaken on the retention basin.

It was therefore suggested that the motion be: -

To defer this item until a physical inspection can happen and consideration of the matters brought forward by the Public Forum speakers.

With the concurrence of the mover and the seconder the motion was put to the vote and **CARRIED**

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Marion Truscott (Director Governance) returned to the meeting at 5.47pm

3. RECLASSIFICATION OF MANILDRA-CULLING BYPASS AND WENTWORTH BYPASS TO BE INCLUDED INTO THE HEAVY VEHICLE ACCESS ROUTE

RESOLVED Crs Lamber/Collins that:

1. Council approve the Manildra and Culling Streets and Wentworth Bypass (Manildra Street-Algalah Street-Derribong Avenue) as a Common Heavy Vehicle approved route for the vehicles listed above.
2. the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator be informed about Council's decision.

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Agenda Deferred Extraordinary Council Meeting 28 July 2021

REPORTS TO COUNCIL - INFRASTRUCTURE & ENGINEERING SERVICES

1. DRAFT FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN AND STUDY UPDATE

RESOLVED Crs Hamilton/Munro that Council adopt the Narromine Town Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan Update.

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CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS REPORT

Item from the Mayor:

1. GENERAL MANAGER'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW

RESOLVED Crs Jablonski/Collins that Council moves into Closed Meeting under Sections 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 as the matter contains personnel information concerning the General Manager and is therefore not in the public interest to disclose.

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All members of staff present including the General Manager left the meeting at 6.03pm.

OPEN COUNCIL

All staff and Councillors, except for the Acting Director Finance and Corporate Strategy and Cr Hamilton, rejoined the meeting.

The Motions adopted in Closed Meeting are as follows:

RESOLVED Crs Munro/Lambert that:

1. the General Manager be advised that the Performance Review Committee has positively rated her performance over the period to 30 June 2021 as exceeding expectations regularly.
2. the total remuneration package for the General Manager be increased by 1% in accordance with Clause 8.3 of the General Manager's Contract where the performance has been assessed as being of a better than satisfactory standard, in addition to either the increase provided by SOORT, or the 2% increase received under the Local Government Award, whichever is the greater, and the increase to take effect from 1 July 2021.
3. the Mayor and Deputy Mayor develop the new performance agreement in accordance with the list of priority projects identified by the Performance Review Panel included in the report.

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There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.12pm

The Minutes (pages 1 to 7) were confirmed at a meeting held on the day of _____ 2021, and are a full and accurate record of proceedings of the meeting held on 25 August 2021.

Chair