



MINUTES

**Ordinary Council Meeting
Tuesday, 21 September 2021**

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**MINUTES OF BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 5PM**

1 OPENING OF MEETING**2 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY**

We pay our respect to the Traditional Custodians of the Lands where we hold this meeting to Elders past, present and emerging.

PRESENT:

Administrator Mike Colreavy

IN ATTENDANCE:

Glen Wilcox (Acting General Manager), Ray Davy (Director Infrastructure & Development), Hodi Beauliv (Director Corporate & Community Services) and Carol Holmes (Senior Executive Officer),

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**4.1 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26 AUGUST 2021****RESOLUTION 2021/145**

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 August 2021 be received and noted.

CARRIED

5 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST - Nil**6 ADMINISTRATOR MINUTE/REPORT - Nil**

7 COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR ADOPTION**7.1 STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY ACCESS, INCLUSION & WELLBEING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 26 AUGUST 2021**

RESOLUTION 2021/146

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Strengthening Community Access, Inclusion & Wellbeing Advisory Committee (SCAIW) meeting held on 26 August 2021.

CARRIED

7.2 GROWING BUSINESS INDUSTRY & TOURISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7 SEPTEMBER 2021

RESOLUTION 2021/147

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Growing Business Industry & Tourism Advisory Committee (GBITAC) meeting held on 7 September 2021.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/148

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That the late item 7.3 Youth Council held on 16 September 2021 be admitted to the agenda.

CARRIED

7.3 YOUTH COUNCIL HELD ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2021

RESOLUTION 2021/149

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Youth Council Advisory Committee meeting held on 16 September 2021.
2. Approach all schools in Balranald Shire and ask them to establish Youth Council representatives
3. Write to the Aboriginal Lands Council and ask them to nominate representatives for the Youth Council Committee.
4. Purchase a vacuum cleaner and cleaning products specifically for the use at Theatre Royal Facility.

CARRIED

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS (INCORPORATING ALL STAFF REPORTS)**PART A – ITEMS REQUIRING DECISION****8 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS****8.1 BETTER PRACTICE REVIEW****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, a Council is required to review its local policies and other documents following a general election. Council is under Administration; however, it should follow the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and undertake regular reviews of its procedures, policies and compliance needs under the various Acts and Regulations.

BACKGROUND

The operation of Council is subject to regulations that direct how and when Council must act. A review of Council's policies and procedures is required after each general election to identify local policy relevance and updates or at other times, a Council wishes to review a local policy. The Local Government Act requires that policies are displayed for public comment and allow public submissions to be received.

Council has commenced a review of its organisation, its policies, and procedures and to ensure that it remains compliant with legislation.

RESOLUTION 2021/150

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council notes and endorses the review being undertaken as part of its better practice considerations and that the review will look at the community strategic planning process, its policies, procedures and general requirements across council to ensure compliance with the Local Government Act 1993.

CARRIED

9 CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS**9.1 DRAFT ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to refer the General Purpose Financial Statements, Special Purpose Financial Statements and Special Schedules for the year ending 30 June 2021 to audit.

RESOLUTION 2021/151

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council's Draft Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 be referred to audit with authorisation from the Administrator, Interim General Manager and the Responsible Accounting Officer.

CARRIED

9.2 BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL AND SERVICE NSW PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to provide background information and seek support to renew Council's partnership agreement with Service NSW.

RESOLUTION 2021/152

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council delegates authority to the General Manager to enter into an updated Partnership Agreement with Service NSW for the provision of one front door for businesses to access NSW government information and services.

CARRIED

10 INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT REPORTS**10.1 BALRANALD SWIMMING POOL****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To propose that Balranald Swimming Pool be operated for the 2021-22 and subsequent seasons with fixed opening hours with no entry fee for casual admission.

RESOLUTION 2021/153

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

1. That the opening hours for Balranald Swimming Pool for the 2021-22 and subsequent seasons be fixed as follows:
 - Other than during school holidays:*
 - Monday closed, except public holidays 11 am – 6 pm
 - Tuesday to Friday 3 pm - 6 pm
 - Saturday and Sunday 11 am – 6 pm
 - * duty staff to have discretion to extend the closing time to 8 pm on very hot evenings
 - During school-holidays: as above but closing at 8 pm each opening day
2. That no admission charge be applied for casual entry to Balranald Swimming Pool for the 2021-22 and subsequent seasons.

CARRIED

10.2 DA 04/2022 - PROPOSED FOUR LOT SUBDIVISION**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To seek Council consent under Part 4 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 for a four lot subdivision of 11 Cary Street, Euston.

RESOLUTION 2021/154

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

(Division)

That Council approves Development Application 04/2022 for a four (4) lot subdivision of Lot 8 DP 1123942, 11 Cary Street Euston, subject to the following conditions:

1. No alteration to approved plans and specifications is allowed unless separately approved by Council.
2. The subdivision must conform with the plan as submitted, other than where varied by conditions of this consent.
3. An easement for drainage to the benefit of Balranald Shire Council is to be created 3m wide over the existing and proposed alignment of the sewer main.
4. Plans prepared by an appropriately qualified surveyor must be submitted to Council via the NSW Planning Portal prior to the release of the Subdivision Certificate.

5. No access is permitted from the Sturt Highway or Cary St. All accesses must be from Luke Road only.
6. Alterations to existing or additional accesses are to be to the satisfaction of Council or its delegate, and at the applicant's full cost.
7. Any such adjustments to access to the proposed allotments require a road opening permit to be obtained from Council prior to the commencement of any works in the road reserve. The proponent is responsible for full cost of repairs to rectify any damage to public infrastructure.
8. Any adjustments required to existing services for the allotments are to be at the full cost of the proponent.
9. Water and sewer connection fees and charges to be at the applicant's full cost.
10. This approval does not constitute consent for the erection of any dwellings or other structures on the subject lands. Separate applications must be made for any buildings in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

CARRIED

10.3 INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update Council on infrastructure works currently in hand and in planning, updated to 10 September 2021.

RESOLUTION 2021/155

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

1. That the monthly update of infrastructure projects be received and noted.
2. That Resolution 2021/115 adopted at the July 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting be rescinded
3. That Council notes and approves variations and an amended contract sum of \$279,863.04 excluding GST for contract RHT20/21-C6 as detailed at Item 4.2 of this report.

CARRIED

10.4 BALRANALD WESTERN BYPASS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To initiate the process for development of a heavy vehicle bypass route to the west and north of Balranald, to carry heavy vehicles directly between the Sturt Highway and Main Road 67 (Balranald-Ivanhoe Road).

RESOLUTION 2021/156

Moved: Administrator Mike Coireavy

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the potential impact of increased heavy vehicle volumes in residential areas of Balranald arising from industrial scale developments north of Balranald, including but not limited to the Balranald West Mineral Sands Project;
2. Approves in principle the development of a bypass route to the west and north of Balranald, to carry heavy vehicles directly between the Sturt Highway and Main Road 67 (Balranald-Ivanhoe Road);
3. Endorses in principle the proposed corridor shown in the Attachment to this report for further investigations including of the environmental impacts and public consultation, as a heavy vehicle bypass route ;
4. Requests that future strategic plans, amendments to the Balranald LEP and other road documents include the proposed bypass road; and
5. Authorises the further detailed investigation of the planning, environmental, social and infrastructure implications of such a bypass road, and the expenditure of up to \$50,000 for this purpose, to be incorporated in the September 2021 Quarterly Budget Review if funds permit.

CARRIED

PART B – ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

11 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS

11.1 ADMINISTRATOR, GENERAL MANAGER AND DIRECTORS MEETINGS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise Council of the meetings undertaken on behalf of Council by the Administrator, General Manager and Directors since August 2021 Ordinary Meeting.

RESOLUTION 2021/157

Moved: Administrator Mike Coireavy

That the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

11.2 CIRCULARS FROM OFFICE LOCAL GOVERNMENT**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To provide Council with copies of the circulars received from Office Local Government during the month of July 2021.

RESOLUTION 2021/158

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council receives and notes this report.

CARRIED

11.3 OUTSTANDING ACTIONS**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To bring forward for information the Action Report with actions taken on previous Council resolutions.

RESOLUTION 2021/159

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. Any outstanding actions arising from 2020/75 be included in the future outstanding actions reports.

CARRIED

12 CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS**12.1 STATEMENT OF FUNDS - AUGUST 2021****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to:

1. Advise Council of the balance of funds and investments held for the month ending 31 August 2021;
2. Certify that Council's investments have been made in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993 (Section 625)*, the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 (Section 212)* and Council's investment Policy, which was adopted by Council on the 17 October 2017.

RESOLUTION 2021/160

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council receives and notes the Statement of Funds for the period ending 31st August 2021.

CARRIED

12.2 BIDGEE HAVEN RETIREMENT HOSTEL EXPANSION PROJECTION

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report provides an update on the status of the Hostel Expansion Project.

RESOLUTION 2021/161

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council receives and notes the update on the Bidgee Haven Hostel Expansion Project.

CARRIED

13 INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT REPORTS

13.1 PLANNING ADMINISTRATION

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise Council of activities in the Planning area

RESOLUTION 2021/162

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

14 NOTICE OF MOTION / QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

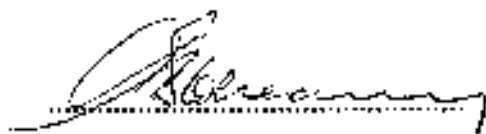
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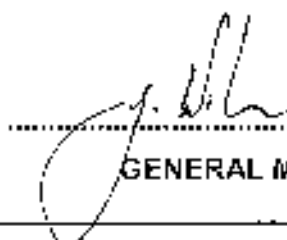
15 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil

The Meeting closed at 5.55pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 19 October 2021.


ADMINISTRATOR


GENERAL MANAGER