

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF GREATER HUME COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM, LIBRARY COMPLEX, LIBRARY  
COURT, HOLBROOK  
ON WEDNESDAY, 18 APRIL 2018**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Councillors Wilton (Chairperson), Meyer, Hicks, O'Neill, Osborne, Quinn, Schilg, Stewart and Weston.

**PRESENT:** General Manager, Director Environment & Planning, Director Corporate and Community Services, Acting Director Engineering and Executive Assistant.

Cr Schilg offered a prayer to open the meeting.

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Mayor (Chairperson) offered an Acknowledgement of Country at the commencement of the meeting.

### **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR NON PECUNIARY INTEREST (CONFLICT OF INTEREST)**

Nil.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

#### **MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 21 MARCH 2018**

**4948 RESOLVED** [Hicks/Quinn]

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Greater Hume Shire Council held at Bungowannah on Wednesday, 21 March 2018 as printed and circulated be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of such meeting.

### **ACTION REPORT FROM THE MINUTES**

#### **1. QUESTION ON NOTICE – JINDER A SCHOOL OF ARTS HALL**

Cr Osborne referred to the comment recorded in the Action Report and asked for an update on the timeline for action. Director Environment and Planning advised the meeting that he did engage a consultant, but that shortly after she advised that she would be taking leave. Director Environment and Planning will be actioning the meeting shortly.

#### **2. QUESTION ON NOTICE - LIBRARY SERVICES FOR JINDER A AND WALLA**

Cr Osborne queried in relation to the role of Library/Youth Officer, how does Council go about participating in the outreach programs, how is it actually promoted and enacted. Director Corporate and Community Services provided a briefing on the program, explaining that an outreach program may run from an existing facility. If there are members of the community who would be willing participants, and who wanted to organise an outreach program should contact Susan Kane to organise a program.

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3. RESIDENTS WANTING TO EXPLORE THEIR ANCESTRY LEADING UP TO THE 150<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATIONS IN JINDERA AND WALLA WALLA TOWNSHIPS

Cr Osborne indicated that she is aware that Council officers can access the platform ancestry.com. Given that residents of Jindera and Walla Walla wanting to explore their own ancestry may wish to access this portal, Cr Osborne suggested that there could be an event evening planned so that residents can get a viewing of the program. Director Corporate and Community Services to discuss the idea with relevant library staff.

## **OFFICERS' REPORTS – PART A – FOR DETERMINATION**

**4949 RESOLVED** [Meyer/Hicks]

That Item 1 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DRAFT 2017/2021 DELIVERY PROGRAM, 2018/2019 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND 2018/2022 ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE be brought forward at 6.19pm for discussion and determination.

## **CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

1. DRAFT 2017/2021 DELIVERY PROGRAM, 2018/2019 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND 2018/2022 ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

**4950 MOTION** [Schilg/Hicks]

That the Draft 2017/2021 Delivery Program, 2018/2019 Operational Plan and 2018/2022 Estimates of Income and Expenditure for Council's General, Sewerage and Water Supply be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days commencing Thursday, 26 April 2018 -

subject to the capital works program being altered bringing forward the Kywong Howlong Rd / Repair Program funding to 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 financials years with works commencing on the Jingellic Road from 2020/2021 financial year.

**AMENDMENT** [Osborne/O'Neill]

That the Draft 2017/2021 Delivery Program, 2018/2019 Operational Plan and 2018/2022 Estimates of Income and Expenditure for Council's General, Sewerage and Water Supply be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days commencing Thursday, 26 April 2018 subject to the removal of Southern Sports Academy from Subscriptions and Donations.

**ON BEING PUT TO THE VOTE THE AMENDMENT WAS LOST.**

**4951 RESOLVED** [Quinn/

That the motion be put.

**ON BEING PUT TO THE VOTE THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.**

Cr Wilton requested that her opposition to the motion be recorded.

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**4952 RESOLVED** [Hicks/Schilg]

That the meeting order return to the agenda as printed.

**ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING**

**1. AMENDMENT TO GREATER HUME LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2012-ZONING & MINIMUM LOT SIZE CHANGES FOLLOWING CULCAIRN, HENTY & HOLBROOK FLOOD STUDIES**

**4953 RESOLVED** [Osborne/O'Neill]

That:

1. in accordance with Section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 Council resolve to submit to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure for a Gateway Determination the planning proposal for the zoning and minimum lot size of a number of allotments in the vicinity of Culcairn, Henty and Holbrook.
2. Council advise the Department of Planning and Infrastructure that it will utilise its delegations under Section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to make or not make the plan.
3. Council resolve to exhibit the planning proposal in accordance with the Gateway Determination.

**AMENDMENT TO GREATER HUME LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2012-ZONING & MINIMUM LOT SIZE CHANGES FOLLOWING CULCAIRN, HENTY & HOLBROOK FLOOD STUDIES**

COUNCILLORS FOR	COUNCILLORS AGAINST	COUNCILLORS ABSENT	COUNCILLORS DECLARING INTEREST
Hicks Meyer O'Neill Osborne Quinn Schilg Stewart Weston Wilton			

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## **GOVERNANCE**

1. **PROPOSED SECONDARY REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM IN WALLA WALLA**

**4954 RESOLVED** [Hicks/Stewart]

That the draft Terms of Reference (included as **ANNEXURE 2**) for the establishment of a Reference/Advisory Committee be adopted subject to a number of minor changes.

2. **AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE CHARTER**

**4955 RESOLVED** [Osborne/Meyer]

That the revised Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Charter as included in **ANNEXURE 3** be adopted.

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**3. STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES FUND – ROUND 2**

**4956 RESOLVED** [Hicks/Osborne]

That Council submit 15 applications as detailed in the table below for funding under the Stronger Country Communities Fund in the priority order detailed in the table.

<b>RANK</b>	<b>COMMUNITY ORGANISATION OR SPORTING GROUP</b>	<b>COMMUNITY</b>	<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>COMMUNITY/SPORTING</b>	<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>AMOUNT APPROVED</b>
1	GHC - Council Halls Upgrade Project	Shire wide	Improvement works for various halls	CA	\$454,598.00	\$454,598.00
2	Brocklesby Recreation Reserve	Brocklesby	Function Rooms	SI	\$307,527.27	\$307,527.27
3	Walla Walla Sportsground Committee	Walla Walla	New Kiosk, Function Room & Amenities	SI	\$209,200.00	\$209,200.00
4	Bungowannah Tennis Club	Bungowannah	Tennis Fencing and Water Supply	SI	\$60,770.00	\$60,770.00
5	Walbundrie Recreation Ground	Walbundrie	Upgrade Facilities (footpaths, storage, seating, cricket nets, kitchen refit, toilet refit, tank, shelters, lighting etc	SI	\$318,172.00	\$150,000.00
6	Jindera & Gerogery West Tennis Clubs - Court Upgrade Project	Jindera	Resurface and repair 6 tennis courts and 2 light towers	SI	\$228,644.55	\$178,644.55

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**STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES FUND – ROUND 2 [CONT'D]**

<b>RANK</b>	<b>COMMUNITY ORGANISATION OR SPORTING GROUP</b>	<b>COMMUNITY</b>	<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>COMMUNITY/SPORTING</b>	<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>AMOUNT APPROVED</b>
7	Jindera Country Golf Club	Jindera	Replace and reconstruct 6 putting greens	SI	\$56,584.00	\$56,584.00
8	Culcairn Sportsground Upgrade Project	Culcairn	Construction of purpose built Show Jump arena, playground and improvements to cricket infrastructure	SI	\$196,035.00	\$196,035.00
9	Henty Lions Club	Henty	Removal of waste, fencing, 3 shaded seating areas, gravel entry and parking area	CA	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
10	Henty and District Lifestyle Centre Inc	Henty	Gym and Weight Equipment	SI	\$59,000.00	\$59,000.00
11	Jindera and District Swimming Pool Management Committee	Jindera	Solar Heating, Access Lift, Removal access for All Stairs (25m) Defibrillator, Pa System, upgrade kiosk, Water Feather for paddlers pool, playground equipment with shade sail	SI	\$165,845.00	\$100,000.00
12	GHC - Walla Skate area	Walla Walla	Skate Park	SI	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00
13	Culcairn Swimming Pool Committee	Culcairn	Upgrade Toilets and change areas, add disabled facilities, kiosk upgrade	SI	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00
14	GHC - Public Pools	Shire	Installation of Solar Systems in Public Pools	SI	\$148,876.00	\$148,876.00
15	Culcairn Tennis Committee	Culcairn	Fencing and Upgrade of Amenities Building	SI	\$68,000.00	\$50,000.00
					<b>\$2,443,251.82</b>	<b>\$2,141,234.82</b>

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**4. DRAFT STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

**4957 RESOLVED** [Hicks/Schilg]

That Council:

1. adopt the Stakeholder Engagement Policy
2. endorse the Stakeholder Engagement Procedure
3. note that training is to be provided to relevant staff and, where appropriate, position descriptions amended to include responsibilities for stakeholder engagement.

**CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**1. DRAFT 2017/2021 DELIVERY PROGRAM, 2018/2019 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND 2018/2022 ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

*This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.*

**2. REQUEST TO AMEND NON RESIDENTIAL SEWER AND LIQUID TRADE WASTE CHARGES**

**4958 RESOLVED** [Osborne/Quinn]

That non-residential sewer charges and liquid trade waste charges totalling \$4,338.86 levied on 37 Railway Parade Culcairn, Property Assessment Number 10067643, be written off.

**3. POLICY DEVELOPMENTS**

**4959 RESOLVED** [Hicks/O'Neill]

That the following reviewed policies be adopted:

1. the Document Control Policy
2. the External Grant Applications for Management Committees Policy.

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**4. CLOSURE AND SALE OF UNUSED LANE – SCHOFFS LANE, CULCAIRN**

**4960 RESOLVED** [Hicks/Quinn]

That:

1. Council endorse the closure of part of the road reserve separating Lots 45, 46, 47 DP 753735 from Lot 1 DP 575478 & Lots 53, 54 DP 753735 as detailed on the attached map.
2. the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute associated documents under the Common Seal of Council.

## **ENGINEERING**

**1. KERB AND CHANNEL AND FOOTPATH CONSTRUCTION - LAND OWNER COST APPORTIONMENT**

**4961 RESOLVED** [Meyer/Hicks]

That Council adopt:

1. the proposed contributory Footpath and Kerb and Gutter Scheme as detailed for properties in Pioneer Drive and Urana Street, Jindera.
2. the proposed contributory Footpath and Kerb and Gutter Scheme as detailed for properties in Blair Street, Culcairn.
3. the proposed contributory Footpath and Kerb and Gutter Scheme as detailed for properties in Rankin Street, Holbrook.
4. the proposed contributory Footpath and Kerb and Gutter Scheme as detailed for properties in Bartch Avenue, Henty.

**2. POLICY DEVELOPMENTS**

**4962 RESOLVED** [Osborne/Hicks]

That Council adopt the following reformatted policies:

1. Footpath Inspection and Maintenance Policy
2. Playground Inspection and Maintenance Policy.



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## **ITEM TO BE REFERRED TO CLOSED COUNCIL**

1. **PROPOSED DIVESTMENT OF THE VILLAGES AND CULCAIRN WATER SUPPLIES**

**4963 RESOLVED** [Osborne/Hicks]

That the proposed divestment of the Villages and Culcairn Water Supply Schemes be referred to Closed Council in accordance with section 10A (2) (C) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

### **REASON**

On balance preserving the confidentiality of the financial capacity of the Villages and Culcairn Water Supply Schemes outweighs the public interest in maintaining the openness and transparency of negotiations with Albury City Council and Riverina Water County Council at this point.

At this juncture, CR Quinn requested that his opposition to the motion be recorded and left the meeting, the time being 7.10pm.

## **PART B - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

### **GOVERNANCE**

1. **WORKSHOP/BRIEFING SESSION SCHEDULE 2018**
2. **OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT CIRCULARS**
3. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW SOUTH WALES (LGNSW) – WEEKLY CIRCULARS**
4. **TOURISM AND PROMOTIONS OFFICER’S REPORT**

### **CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

1. **CUSTOMER REQUEST MODULE – SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REQUESTS**

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2. **STATEMENTS OF BANK BALANCES AND INVESTMENTS AS AT 31 MARCH 2018**
  
3. **HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT FOR MARCH 2018**

## **ENGINEERING**

1. **REPORT OF WORKS - MARCH 2018**
  
2. **WATER & SEWER REPORT – MARCH 2018**

## **ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING**

1. **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS PROCESSED FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2018**
  
2. **SENIOR WEEDS OFFICER'S REPORT – MARCH 2018**
  
3. **RANGER'S REPORT – MARCH 2018**

**4964 RESOLVED** [Osborne/O'Neill]

That Part B of the Agenda be received and noted.

## **PART C – COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS**

**4965 RESOLVED** [Osborne/O'Neill]

That Part C of the Agenda be received and noted.

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## **MATTER OF URGENCY**

**4966 RESOLVED** [Osborne/Stewart]

And ruled by the Chair that the Matter of Urgency report OFFER TO PURCHASE LOT 111 JINDERA INDUSTRIAL ESTATE be considered at this time.

### **4. OFFER TO PURCHASE LOT 111, JINDERA INDUSTRIAL ESTATE**

**4967 RESOLVED** [Osborne/Schilg]

That consideration of the offer to purchase Lot 111 comprising 3655 sqm. at the Jindera Industrial Estate be referred to Closed Council in accordance with section 10 A (2) (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer an advantage on a person whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

#### **REASON**

On balance the public interest in preserving the confidentiality of the offer to purchase Lot 111 comprising 3655sqm. at the Jindera Industrial Estate outweighs the public interest in maintaining openness and transparency in Council decision making because the disclosure of this information could compromise the commercial position of Council in any future sales.

## **CLOSING THE MEETING**

At this juncture there were no members in the public gallery present.

**4968 RESOLVED** [7.20pm] [O'Neill/Osborne]

That the meeting be closed during the discussion of the confidential matters listed in the agenda.

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## **COMMITTEE OF WHOLE SECTION**

**4969 RESOLVED** [7.20pm] [O'Neill/Osborne]

That, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993, Council enter into 'Committee of the Whole' for the discussion of the following items of business:

1. **PROPOSED DIVESTMENT OF THE VILLAGES AND CULCAIRN WATER SUPPLIES**
2. **DAVID SYMONS - OFFER TO PURCHASE LOT 111, JINDERA INDUSTRIAL ESTATE**

## **CONFIDENTIAL - CLOSED COUNCIL (COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)**

1. **PROPOSED DIVESTMENT OF THE VILLAGES AND CULCAIRN WATER SUPPLIES**

**RECOMMENDATION** [Osborne/O'Neill]

That:

1. Council advise AlburyCity and Riverina Water County Council that Greater Hume Council does not intend to proceed with the divesture of the Villages or Culcairn Water Supply Schemes at this time
2. Council convey its appreciation to both AlburyCity and Riverina Water County Council in investing the resources to assess the viability, and
3. Council initiate new discussions with AlburyCity regarding water charges to Greater Hume Council with the view of negotiating a lower per kl charge.

Cr Hicks requested his opposition to the recommendation be recorded.

2. **DAVID SYMONDS - OFFER TO PURCHASE LOT 111, JINDERA INDUSTRIAL ESTATE**

**RECOMMENDATION** [Osborne/Hicks]

That:

1. Council accept the offer from David Symonds of \$98,685.00 (excluding GST) for Lot 111 be accepted
2. the General Manager and Mayor be authorised to sign the Contract of Sale under the Common Seal of Council.

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## **ORDINARY MEETING RECONVENED**

**4970 RESOLVED** [7.28pm] [Osborne/O'Neill]

That the Ordinary Meeting be reconvened for the purpose of determining the report of the matter dealt with in Committee.

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Mayor reported that the Committee of the Whole makes the following recommendations.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS OF CLOSED COUNCIL (COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)**

**4971 RESOLVED** [Osborne/O'Neill]

That the foregoing report and recommendations from Closed Council (Committee of the Whole) be adopted.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 7.29pm.

THESE MINUTES WERE CONFIRMED at the Council meeting held on 16 May 2018 at which time the signature hereon was subscribed.

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Cr Heather Wilton,  
Mayor, Greater Hume Shire Council