

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF GREATER HUME COUNCIL
HELD AT COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM, LIBRARY COMPLEX,
LIBRARY LANE, HOLBROOK
ON WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2020**

The meeting opened at 6.00pm.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Councillor Wilton (Chairperson), General Manager, Director Corporate and Community Services, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Assistant.

PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM (DUE TO COVID-19):

Councillors Meyer, Hicks, Knight, Parker, Quinn, O'Neill, Schilg and Weston, Director Engineering and Director Environment and Planning

Cr Jenny O'Neill read the prayer to commence the meeting.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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

APOLOGY

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 15 APRIL 2020

5570 RESOLVED [Meyer/Quinn]

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Greater Hume Council held at Holbrook on Wednesday, 15 April 2020 as printed and circulated be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of such meeting.

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MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 6 MAY 2020

5571 RESOLVED [Hicks/Meyer]

That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Greater Hume Council held at Holbrook on Wednesday, 6 May 2020 as printed and circulated be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of such meeting.

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ACTION REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

**DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR NON PECUNIARY
INTEREST (CONFLICT OF INTEREST)**

Nil.

MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Nil.

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OFFICERS' REPORTS – PART A - FOR DETERMINATION

ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

1. POLICY DEVELOPMENT – DRAFT GREATER HUME COUNCIL MOBILE FOOD VENDING IN PUBLIC PLACES POLICY

5572 RESOLVED [Hicks/Knight]

That:

1. in accordance with Section 160 (2) and (3) of the Local Government Act 1993 Council notify the Draft Mobile Food Vending in Public Places Policy for a period of 28 days and permit from the date of advertising a period of 42 days for submissions to be received.
2. Council resolve to amend the draft Greater Hume Council Fees and Charges 2020-2021 to include Section 68 Approval Fees – Planning - Part F(7) – Use a standing vehicle or any article for the purpose of selling any article in a public place (fee waived for charitable organisations) of \$350.

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Hicks Knight Meyer O'Neill Schilg Weston Wilton	Parker Quinn		

GOVERNANCE

1. REVIEW OF OPERATIONS – RIVERINA JOINT ORGANISATION AND RIVERINA EASTERN REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS

5573 RESOLVED [Hicks/Parker]

That:

1. Council provides 'in principle' support for the way forward determined in relation to the creation of a new organisation under a structure of a company limited by guarantee.
2. A final decision on Council's participation in the new organisation be determined once the funding arrangements for the COVID-19 Local Government Stimulus package have been resolved.

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CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

1. EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY

5574 RESOLVED [O'Neill/Hicks]

That:

1. Council endorse the General Manager's correspondence to the Member for Albury, Justin Clancy, regarding the increase in cost of the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) and that Council continue to advocate for a review of the unsustainable increases in the cost of the ESL to councils.
2. the Mayor and relevant staff meet with Member for Albury, Justin Clancy, MP.

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2. INTERIM 2019/2020 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 MARCH 2020

5575 RESOLVED [Hicks/Parker]

That Council note and approve the Interim Budget Review Statement as at 31 March 2020.

COUNCILLORS FOR	COUNCILLORS AGAINST	COUNCILLORS ABSENT	COUNCILLORS DECLARING INTEREST
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3. LICENCE – LOT 169 DP 753730, URANA ROAD, BURRUMBUTTOCK – CROWN RESERVE 41865

5576 RESOLVED [Knight/Hicks]

That Council accept the Expression of Interest from Amanda & Mahir Fejzic in the amount of \$681.82 (ex GST) to enter in to a licence over Lot 169 DP 753730, Urana Road, Burrumbuttock, Crown Reserve 41865 for a period of twelve months commencing 1 June 2020 and terminating 31 May 2021.

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4. NATIVE TITLE MANAGERS ADVICE – UPGRADE OF EXISTING TOILET FACILITIES, WIRRAMINNA

5577 RESOLVED [Hicks/Meyer]

That Council endorse the report prepared by the Native Title Manager for the upgrade of the existing toilet facilities on Crown Reserve 1039272, Burrumbuttock.

COUNCILLORS FOR	COUNCILLORS AGAINST	COUNCILLORS ABSENT	COUNCILLORS DECLARING INTEREST
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5. NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK – 18 – 24 MAY 2020

5578 RESOLVED [Hicks/Parker]

That Council formally acknowledges the generous contribution of all of the Volunteers of Greater Hume as part of National Volunteer Week 2020 "Changing Communities, Changing Lives".

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ENGINEERING

1. PURCHASE OF SECOND HAND ROAD STABILISER

5579 RESOLVED [Meyer/Hicks]

That Council:

1. in accordance with Section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act, the purchase of a second hand road stabiliser is considered to be an extenuating circumstance wherein Council resolves not to enter into a tendering process due to the scarcity of the availability of suitable machines that have been trailed and tested by staff.
2. resolve to purchase from Nationwide Machinery Sales & Hire a CAT RM300 Road Stabiliser for a price of \$350,000.00 Ex GST

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2. TL 08-2019/20 RAIL LEVEL CROSSING RELOCATION WORKS GRUBBEN ROAD HENTY SIGNAL CONSTRUCTION

5580 RESOLVED [Meyer/Schilg]

That:

1. the tender submitted by Aldridge Signal Infrastructure Pty Ltd of \$1,003,657 (Ex GST) for the construction of the rail signalling and associated work at the Henty Rail Crossing Project be accepted
2. the General Manager and Mayor be authorised to sign the contract with Aldridge Signal Infrastructure Pty Ltd

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**3. TL 09-2019/20 RAIL LEVEL CROSSING RELOCATION WORKS GRUBBEN ROAD
HENTY TRACK AND CIVIL CONSTRUCTION**

5581 RESOLVED [Meyer/Hicks]

That:

1. the tender submitted by Civilex Pty Ltd of \$668,682 (Ex GST) for the construction of the track and civil construction work at the Henty Rail Crossing Project be accepted
2. the General Manager and Mayor be authorised to sign the contract with Civilex Pty Ltd.

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4. WOOMARGAMA HALL LANDSCAPING, CARPARK AND DRAINAGE WORKS

5582 RESOLVED [Knight/Hicks]

That Council approve:

1. the reallocation of the remaining funds of \$106,424 from the Woomargama Way project to the construction and sealing of the carpark (including the installation of underground drainage) in front of the Woomargama Hall, and
2. The reallocation of the remaining funds of \$43,981 in the Woomargama Urban Design Project Fund (less \$5,000 to complete fencing at the proposed recreation reserve) to undertake the landscaping and beautification in front of the hall and surrounding area.

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ITEM TO BE REFERRED TO CLOSED COUNCIL

1. OFFER TO PURCHASE LAND – HOLBROOK INDUSTRIAL PARK

5583 RESOLVED [Parker/Schilg]

That consideration of the offer to purchase approximately 7,300 sqm.at the Holbrook Industrial Park 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 approximately 7,300 sqm.at the Holbrook Industrial Park 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.

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OFFICER'S REPORTS – PART B – TO BE RECEIVED AND NOTED GOVERNANCE

1. 2017/2021 DELIVERY PLAN AND 2019-2020 OPERATIONAL PLAN – REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2020

5584 RESOLVED [Meyer/Parker]

That Council receive and note the 2017/2021 Delivery Plan and 2019/2020 Operational Plan review report to 31 March 2020.

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2017/2021 DELIVERY PLAN AND 2019-2020 OPERATIONAL PLAN – REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2020 [CONT'D]

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2. GREATER HUME COUNCIL RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

5585 RESOLVED [Meyer/Parker]

That the report be received and noted.

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3. CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE – IMPACT ON COUNCIL SERVICES

5586 RESOLVED [Meyer/Parker]

That the report be received and noted.

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**4. LAND HELD FOR RESALE AND FUTURE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT
CULCAIRN AND HENTY**

5587 RESOLVED [Meyer/Parker]

That the report be received and noted.

COUNCILLORS FOR	COUNCILLORS AGAINST	COUNCILLORS ABSENT	COUNCILLORS DECLARING INTEREST
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5. AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT – ADDITIONAL BUSHFIRE RECOVERY FUNDING

5588 RESOLVED [Meyer/Parker]

That the report be received and noted.

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AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT – ADDITIONAL BUSHFIRE RECOVERY FUNDING [CONT'D]

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PART C - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

GOVERNANCE

1. **WORKSHOP/BRIEFING SESSION SCHEDULE 2020/2021**
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. **GREATER HUME CUSTOMER REQUEST MODULE – SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REQUESTS**
2. **STATEMENTS OF BANK BALANCES AND INVESTMENTS AS AT 30 APRIL 2020**
3. **PEOPLE & CULTURE (HR) REPORT FOR APRIL 2020**

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4. GREATER HUME CHILDREN SERVICES – REPORT FOR APRIL 2020

ENGINEERING

1. APRIL REPORT OF WORKS

2. WATER & SEWER REPORT – APRIL 2020

ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

1. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS PROCESSED FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2020

2. RANGER’S REPORT – APRIL 2020

5589 RESOLVED [Meyer/O'Neill]

That Part C of the Agenda be received and noted.

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PART D – COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS

5590 RESOLVED [Meyer/O'Neill]

That Part D of the Agenda be received and noted.

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Hicks Knight Meyer O'Neill Parker Quinn Schilg Weston Wilton			

MATTER OF URGENCY

At this juncture, the Chairperson referred the Council to the Matter of Urgency Report for consideration.

5591 RESOLVED [Hicks/Quinn]

1. And ruled by the Chair that that a matter of urgency BUSHFIRE NSW INDEPENDENT BUSHFIRE INQUIRY – CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT SUBMISSION be considered at this time.

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**2. MATTER OF URGENCY - BUSHFIRE NSW INDEPENDENT BUSHFIRE INQUIRY –
CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT SUBMISSION**

5592 RESOLVED [Quinn/Meyer]

That the draft Submission as detailed in **ANNEXURE 1** be adopted and be forwarded to the NSW Independent Bushfire Inquiry.

COUNCILLORS FOR	COUNCILLORS AGAINST	COUNCILLORS ABSENT	COUNCILLORS DECLARING INTEREST
Hicks Knight Meyer Quinn O'Neill Parker Schilg Weston Wilton			

CLOSING THE MEETING

At this juncture the live stream of the meeting was paused, so that the confidential section of the meeting was held in camera at 6.55pm.

5593 RESOLVED [Meyer/Parker]

That the meeting be closed during the discussion of the item of business referred to the confidential section of the meeting.

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE SECTION

5594 RESOLVED [6.57pm] [Hicks/Knight]

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. **OFFER TO PURCHASE APPROXIMATELY 7300 SQM. AT HOLBROOK INDUSTRIAL PARK**

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CONFIDENTIAL - CLOSED COUNCIL (COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

ITEM FOR DETERMINATION

1. **OFFER TO PURCHASE APPROXIMATELY 7300 SQM. AT HOLBROOK INDUSTRIAL PARK**

RECOMMENDATION [Hicks/Knight]

That:

1. Council accept the offer of \$16 sqm. for approximately 7,300 sqm. at the Holbrook Industrial Park.
2. the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to sign the Plan of Subdivision and all sale documentation under the Common Seal of Council.

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OFFER TO PURCHASE APPROXIMATELY 7300 SQM. AT HOLBROOK INDUSTRIAL PARK
[CONT'D]

VOTING ON THE RECOMMENDATION

COUNCILLORS FOR	COUNCILLORS AGAINST	COUNCILLORS ABSENT	COUNCILLORS DECLARING INTEREST
Hicks Knight Meyer O'Neill Parker Quinn Schilg Weston Wilton			

ORDINARY MEETING RECONVENED

5495 RESOLVED [Meyer/Parker]

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

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RECOMMENDATION OF CLOSED COUNCIL (COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

5596 RESOLVED [O'Neill/Hicks]

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

COUNCILLORS FOR	COUNCILLORS AGAINST	COUNCILLORS ABSENT	COUNCILLORS DECLARING INTEREST
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There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 7.00pm.

THESE MINUTES WERE CONFIRMED at the Council meeting held on 17 June 2020 at which time the signature hereon was subscribed.

Cr Heather Wilton
Mayor, Greater Hume Council