



**Minutes from meeting of:  
General Purposes Committee**

**Held**

**Tuesday, 2 December 2008**

**5.30pm**

**Council Chambers, Civic Centre  
184 - 194 Bourke Street, Goulburn**

# Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held 2 December 2008 commencing at 5.30pm in the Council Chambers

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## List of Attendees

### Present

Cr Carol James (Mayor), Cr Bob Kirk, Cr Margaret O'Neill, Cr Neil Penning and Cr Denzil Sturgiss.

### Also Present

General Manager (Mr L Johnson), Director Planning and Community Services (Mr C Berry), Acting Director Corporate Services (Mr B Hollands), Acting Director Engineering Services (Mr T Cooper), Acting Director Water Services (M G Finlayson) & Executive Assistant Corporate Services (Miss A Croke).

### Apologies

That apologies from Crs Woodman, Hadlow, Banfield & Dillon be received and leave of absence granted.

### Committee Recommendation

**Cr Sturgiss/ Cr Kirk**

*That apologies from Crs Woodman, Hadlow, Banfield & Dillon be received and leave of absence granted.*

### Disclosure of Interest

Cr O'Neill disclosed an interest in Items 2 & 4 of Planning & Community Services Reports as she is a staff member of the Challenge Foundation and the Director of the Goulburn Racing Club.

### Presentation

The following presentations were made to the meeting:

- Anglicare – Mr Simon Bennett, Regional Manager, Northern  
A presentation on work that is being conducted within the northern region of Anglicare Canberra & Goulburn, regional plan and discussion on potential partnership arrangements with Council.
- Eric Weston – Flood Zone Review  
A presentation regarding the Floodplain Study.
- Veolia Mulwaree Trust – Tony Favell, Veolia Environmental Services  
Addressed Council on the Veolia Mulwaree Trust
- Grove Advisory and Research – Andrew Vallner  
A presentation on Council's Investment Portfolio.

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- id (Informed Decisions) – Glenn Capuano  
A presentation introducing the online Community Profile for Goulburn Mulwaree.

**Cr O'Neill left the meeting at 6.10pm and returned to the meeting at 6.13pm.**

### **Executive Services Report**

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#### **Item 1 Presentations**

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##### **Reporting Officer**

General Manager – Luke Johnson

##### **Purpose of Report**

To advise of Presentations to the General Purpose Committee Meeting.

##### **Recommendation**

That the Presentations made at this meeting be received and noted.

**Committee Recommendation** **Cr James/ Cr Sturgiss**

*That the Presentations made at this meeting be received and noted.*

*Cr O'Neill left the meeting at 7.33pm and the Council adjourned the Committee meeting until she returned at 7.35pm.*

### **Corporate Services Report**

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#### **Item 1 Update on Investments and Investment Policy Review (Attachment)**

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##### **Reporting Officer**

Operational Accountant – Chris Lambert

##### **Purpose of Report**

To provide an update on the impact of the global economic crises on Council's investment portfolio and to review the Investment Policy.

## Recommendation

That:

1. The presentation by Grove Research and Advisory be received and noted.
2. The Draft Investment Policy be adopted.

## Committee Recommendation

Cr Penning/ Cr Sturgiss

*That:*

1. *The presentation by Grove Research and Advisory be received and noted.*
2. *The Draft Investment Policy be adopted.*

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## Item 2 WiFi Project (Attachment)

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### Reporting Officer

Manager Information Services – Stephen Bool

### Purpose of Report

To provide information and request clarification regarding the possibility of free wireless public internet connection.

### Recommendation

That –

1. The NSWNET free Library offer of WiFi be endorsed.
2. Any funding for extension of the service be included in 09/10 budget process.

## Committee Recommendation

Cr Sturgiss/ Cr Kirk

*That –*

1. *The NSWNET free Library offer of WiFi be endorsed.*
2. *Any funding for extension of the service be included in 09/10 budget process.*

## **Planning and Community Services Report**

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### **Item 1 Community Grants & Donations Policy (Enclosure)**

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#### **Reporting Officer**

Director Planning & Community Services – Chris Berry

#### **Purpose of Report**

To review the Community Grants & Donations Policy.

#### **Recommendation**

That the Community Grants & Donations Policy be readopted.

**Committee Recommendation**                      **Cr O'Neill/ Cr Sturgiss**

*That the Community Grants & Donations Policy be readopted.*

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### **Item 2 Community Grants & Donations Scheme 2007/08 Acquittal Reports (Attachment)**

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*Cr O'Neill declared an interest in the item resulting in the lack of a quorum. The item was not considered and Cr O'Neill did not leave the meeting.*

#### **Reporting Officer**

Executive Assistant Planning & Community Services – Debbie McCarthy

#### **Purpose of Report**

To present acquittal reports for Community Grants awarded in 2007/08.

#### **Recommendation**

That the final reports received for 2007/08 Community Grants and Donations be noted.

#### **Note:**

*This report will be presented to the December 2008 Council meeting as there was no quorum to vote on this item at this meeting.*

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**Item 3 Community Grants & Donations 2008/09 Round 1  
(Enclosure)**

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**Reporting Officer**

Executive Assistant Planning & Community Services – Debbie McCarthy

**Purpose of Report**

To present requests for financial assistance under the first round of Community Grants and Donations for consideration.

**Recommendation**

That:

- A. The following applications be granted in the Arts and Cultural category of the Community Grants and Donations Scheme:
  - St Saviours Anglican Cathedral..... \$450
  
- B. The following applications be granted in the Children/Youth/Seniors category of the Community Grants and Donations Scheme:
  - Tarago Country Women’s Association (rates reimbursement) ..... \$459
  - Marulan Country Women’s Association (rates reimbursement) . \$2,136
  - Bungonia Country Women’s Association (rates reimbursement) .. \$459
  
- C. The following applications be granted in the Recreation & Leisure category of the Community Grants and Donations Scheme:
  - Tarago Hall Association ..... \$2,000
  
- D. The following application be granted in the Sports & Health Promotion category of the Community Grants and Donations Scheme:
  - Tarago Sporting Association (rates reimbursement) ..... \$918

**Committee Recommendation**

**Cr O'Neill/ Cr Sturgiss**

*That:*

- A. *The following applications be granted in the Arts and Cultural category of the Community Grants and Donations Scheme:*
  - *St Saviours Anglican Cathedral..... \$450*

**B. The following applications be granted in the Children/Youth/Seniors category of the Community Grants and Donations Scheme:**

- Tarago Country Women's Association (rates reimbursement) ... \$459
- Marulan Country Women's Association (rates reimbursement)\$2,136
- Bungonia Country Women's Association (rates reimbursement)\$459

**C. The following applications be granted in the Recreation & Leisure category of the Community Grants and Donations Scheme:**

- Tarago Hall Association..... \$2,000

**D. The following application be granted in the Sports & Health Promotion category of the Community Grants and Donations Scheme:**

- Tarago Sporting Association (rates reimbursement) ..... \$918

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**Item 4 Community Grants & Donations – Recurrent Funding Requests**

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*Cr O'Neill declared an interest in the item resulting in the lack of a quorum. The item was not considered and Cr O'Neill did not leave the meeting.*

**Reporting Officer**

Executive Assistant Planning & Community Services - Debbie McCarthy

**Purpose of Report**

To advise of requests received for recurrent funding under the Community Grants & Donations Policy.

**Recommendation**

That the eligible new requests received for recurrent funding be considered as part of the 2009/10 Management Plan.

**Note:**

*This report will be provided to the December 2008 Council meeting as there was no quorum to vote on this item at this meeting.*

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**Item 5    Approved Names For Road & Place Naming Policy  
(Enclosure)**

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**Reporting Officer**

Strategic Planning Support Assistant – Crystal Golden  
Trainee Town Planner – Lauren Evans

**Purpose of Report**

To report on the outcomes of the public exhibition of the Draft Approved names for road and place naming policy.

**Recommendation**

That the revised Goulburn Mulwaree Approved Names for Road and Place Naming Policy be adopted.

**Committee Recommendation**

**Cr Sturgiss/ Cr Kirk**

*That the revised Goulburn Mulwaree Approved Names for Road and Place Naming Policy be adopted.*

**Water Services Report**

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**Item 1    Water Supply Update**

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**Reporting Officer**

Manager Water Services- Greg Finlayson

**Purpose of Report**

To inform Council of the current status of Goulburn's water supply.

**Recommendation**

That the report on the water supply update as at 24 November 2008 be noted.

**Committee Recommendation**

**Cr Sturgiss/ Cr Kirk**

*That the report on the water supply update as at 24 November 2008 be noted.*

**Meeting Closed: 7.43pm**

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*Cr O'Neill requested the Mayor start a Christmas Appeal with all funds raised going to local charities within the Goulburn Mulwaree Area.*

**Confirmation**

The Minutes were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16 December 2008 and at which these signatures were endorsed.

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**Cr Carol James**  
**(Chairman Presiding)**

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**Mr Luke Johnson**  
**(General Manager)**