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Ordinary Council Meeting

4 August 2020

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**MINUTES OF GOULBURN MULWAREE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC CENTRE, 184 - 194 BOURKE STREET,
GOULBURN
ON TUESDAY, 4 AUGUST 2020 AT 6PM**

PRESENT: Cr Bob Kirk (Mayor), Cr Peter Walker (Deputy Mayor), Cr Andrew Banfield, Cr Sam Rowland, Cr Leah Ferrara, Cr Alfie Walker, Cr Margaret O'Neill, Cr Carol James, Cr Denzil Sturgiss

IN ATTENDANCE: Warwick Bennett (General Manager), Brendan Hollands (Director Corporate and Community Services), Marina Hollands (Director Utilities), Scott Martin (Director Planning & Environment, Matt O'Rourke (Director Operations) & Amy Croker (Executive Officer).

1 OPENING MEETING

Mayor Bob Kirk opened the meeting 6pm. The Mayor advised that the meeting would be webcast live.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mayor Bob Kirk made the following acknowledgement.

"I would like to Acknowledge and pay our respects to the Aboriginal elders both past and present as well as emerging leaders, and Acknowledge the traditional custodians of the Land on which we meet today."

3 COUNCILLORS DECLARATION AND/OR PRAYER

The declaration was read by Cr Leah Ferrara.

4 APOLOGIES

Nil

5 APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

6 LATE ITEMS / URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

7 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Cr Andrew Banfield declared a pecuniary conflict of interest in Item 15.3 “1718T0023 Maintenance Grading and Gravel Re Sheeting Tender Extension” as his brother-in-law is a Director of Denrith Group of Companies who have quoted and been recommended for this work. Cr Andrew Banfield is also an employee of the Denrith Group of Companies. Cr Andrew Banfield will leave the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

Cr Margaret O'Neill declared a pecuniary conflict of interest in Item 15.13 “Request for Financial Assistance - Challenge Foundation Goulburn Incorporated” as she is the Chief Executive of the Challenge Foundation Goulburn Incorporated. Cr Margaret O'Neill will leave the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

Deputy Mayor Peter Walker declared a non-pecuniary/non-significant conflict of interest in Item 15.13 “Request for Financial Assistance - Challenge Foundation Goulburn Incorporated” as he was a previous President of the Challenge Foundation Goulburn Incorporated. As the disclosure was not of a significant nature Deputy Mayor Peter Walker remained in the meeting while discussion took place.

Cr Alfie Walker declared a non-pecuniary/pecuniary conflict of interest in Item pecuniary conflict of interest in Item 15.13 “Request for Financial Assistance - Challenge Foundation Goulburn Incorporated” as his wife is an employee of Tim Lee Architect firm who is undertaking the design works for the Challenge Foundation Goulburn Incorporated. Cr Alfie Walker will leave the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

8 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 PUBLIC FORUM

Cr Margaret O'Neill & Cr Alfie Walker declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matter. At 6:05 pm, Cr Margaret O'Neill & Cr Alfie Walker left the meeting.

Tim Lee, Architect for Challenge Foundation Goulburn Incorporated addressed the Council meeting on Item 15.13 Request for Financial Assistance - Challenge Foundation Goulburn Incorporated.

At 6:15 pm, Cr Margaret O'Neill & Cr Alfie Walker returned to the meeting.

10 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

10.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 21 JULY 2020

RESOLUTION 2020/295

Moved: Cr Carol James

Seconded: Cr Alfie Walker

That the Council minutes from Tuesday 21 July 2020 and contained in Minutes Pages No 1 to 24 inclusive and in Minute Nos 2020/252 to 2020/294 inclusive be confirmed.

CARRIED

11 MATTERS ARISING

11.1 MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM THE 21 JULY 2020

Nil

11.2 OUTSTANDING TASK LIST FROM ALL PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLUTION 2020/296

Moved: Cr Leah Ferrara

Seconded: Cr Carol James

That Council notes the Task List and authorises the deletion of completed tasks with the exception of the Local Strategic Planning Statement as that will appear in next meeting not this meeting.

CARRIED

12 MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

Nil

13 NOTICE OF MOTION(S)

Nil

14 NOTICE OF RESCISSION(S)

Nil

15 REPORTS TO COUNCIL FOR DETERMINATION

RESOLUTION 2020/297

Moved: Cr Peter Walker

Seconded: Cr Alfie Walker

That Item 15.13 be dealt with at this time during the Council meeting.

CARRIED

15.13 REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - CHALLENGE FOUNDATION GOULBURN INCORPORATED

Cr Margaret O'Neill & Cr Alfie Walker declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matter. At 6:22 pm, Cr Margaret O'Neill and Cr Alfie Walker left the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2020/298

Moved: Cr Peter Walker
Seconded: Cr Sam Rowland

That Council Move into Committee of the Whole.

Council moved into Committee of the whole at 6:23pm.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2020/299

Moved: Cr Sam Rowland
Seconded: Cr Andrew Banfield

That Council move back into Open Council.

Council moved back into Open Council at 6:31pm.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2020/300

Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield
Seconded: Cr Peter Walker

That

- 1. The report from the General Manager on Request for Financial Assistance – Challenge Foundation Goulburn Incorporated be received.**
- 2. That this matter be deferred and the Challenge Foundation Goulburn Inc be requested to file a further application detailing exactly what financial assistance they are seeking and also provide a copy of audited financial statements.**

CARRIED

At 6:32 pm, Cr Margaret O'Neill & Cr Alfie Walker returned to the meeting.

15.1 DRAFT POLICY - STRATEGIC PLANNING FEES AND CHARGES**RESOLUTION 2020/301****Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield****Seconded: Cr Leah Ferrara****That**

- 1. The report from the Strategic Planner on the *Draft Strategic Planning Fees and Charges Policy* be received and noted.**
- 2. The *Draft Strategic Planning Fees and Charges Policy* and amendment to Councils fees and charges be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days.**
- 3. Any submissions or recommended amendments as a result of the public exhibition process be reported back to Council including a need to proceed with the policy taking into consideration existing policies.**

CARRIED**15.2 POST EXHIBITION REPORT - ENFORCEMENT POLICY****RESOLUTION 2020/302****Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield****Seconded: Cr Carol James****That:**

- 1. The report from Business Manager Environment & Health be received.**
- 2. The Enforcement Policy be adopted inclusive of the following amendments:**
 - (a) Minor changes to Section 16 of the Policy 'Role of Council where there is Private Certifier' per the legislative provisions as incorporated; and**
 - (b) Correction of minor grammatical, spelling, sentence structure and formatting errors.**

CARRIED

15.3 1718T0023 MAINTENANCE GRADING AND GRAVEL RE SHEETING TENDER EXTENTION

Cr Andrew Banfield declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matter. At 6:45 pm, Cr Andrew Banfield left the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2020/303

Moved: Cr Peter Walker

Seconded: Cr Denzil Sturgiss

That:

1. The report of the Business Manager Works on the one (1) year extension of the 1718T0023 Maintenance Grading and Gravel Re Sheeting be received.
2. Council extend the current tender for a period of one (1) year for Maintenance Grading and Gravel RE Sheeting to expire on the 13th of August 2021 for the following companies:
 - Denrith Pty Ltd
 - Keegan Civil Pty Ltd
 - Coopers Earth Moving and Haulage Pty Ltd
 - JCF Contracting

CARRIED

At 6:49 pm, Cr Andrew Banfield returned to the meeting.

15.4 PLANT UTILISATION REVIEW**RESOLUTION 2020/304**

Moved: Cr Sam Rowland

Seconded: Cr Peter Walker

That the report from the Director of Operations on the Plant Utilisation Review be received.

CARRIED

15.5 ROAD CLASSIFICATION REVIEW

RESOLUTION 2020/305

Moved: Cr Margaret O'Neill

Seconded: Cr Denzil Sturgiss

That

1. The report from the Director of Operations on the Road Classification Review be received.
2. Goulburn Mulwaree Council (GMC) makes a submission to the NSW Road Classification Review consultation period with the following points:
 - GMC provide in principle support for the concept of reclassifying Regional Roads to State Roads subject to achieving a higher standard road network and on the assumption that there is no adverse impacts on local employment and Councils work programme.;
 - GMC undertake all maintenance and upgrade responsibilities for all the State and Regional Roads within the GMC road network and it be signalled early that these physical works will not be outsourced.
 - Existing funding levels for maintenance and upgrade works for Regional Roads be increased to achieve a higher standard road network;
 - Incorporate State and Regional Road maintenance and upgrade responsibilities into the RMCC to be allocated to the local government area in which the roads are located;
 - Maintenance standard for State and Regional Roads to align with RMCC specifications;
 - Reclassify the following Local Roads in the GMC road network to State Roads:
 - Goldsmith Street (between Auburn Street and Sloane Street);
 - Grafton Street and Sloane Street (between Sydney Road to Bradley Street and onto Clinton Street);
 - Reclassify Lagoon Street and Auburn Street (between Sydney Road to Bradley Street and onto Clinton Street) from a State Road to a Local Road.
 - Reclassify the following Local Roads in the GMC road network to Regional Roads:
 - Jerrara Road / Oallen Ford Road (between Hume Highway and GMC LGA boundary at Shoalhaven River);
 - Sandy Point Road / Cullulla Road / Lumley Road (between Oallen Ford Road and Braidwood Road at Tarago);
 - Windellama Road (between Braidwood Road and Oallen Ford Road at Windellama).
 - Provide clarity on transition period and proposed maintenance responsibilities.
3. Roads identified in the East West Freight Link stated in this report to become regional roads be referred to South East Australian Transport Strategy (SEATS) for their consideration and support.

CARRIED

15.6 REVIEW OF INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTIONS IN NSW

RESOLUTION 2020/306

Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield

Seconded: Cr Carol James

That

- 1. The report of the General Manager in regard to the review of Infrastructure Contributions in NSW be received**
- 2. Mayor Bob Kirk be authorised to forward a submission to the Productivity Commissioner in regard to Infrastructure Contributions in NSW and generally set out in this report**

CARRIED

15.7 GREYHOUND NSW - TRACK STRATEGY

RESOLUTION 2020/307

Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield

Seconded: Cr Denzil Sturgiss

That:

- 1. The report from the General Manager on Greyhound NSW – Track Safety and Welfare Strategy be received.**
- 2. Council make a submission to the Greyhound NSW and the Minister of Racing the Hon Kevin Anderson on the Track Safety and Welfare Strategy advising that Goulburn is ideally positioned and located for a Centre of Excellence for greyhounds in Southern NSW.**
- 3. Council include in the submission that an appropriate option would be a green field site and that Council will provide support in identifying a suitable site for a Greyhounds Centre of Excellence in Goulburn.**

CARRIED

15.8 2020 COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEETINGS

RESOLUTION 2020/308

Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield

Seconded: Cr Denzil Sturgiss

That:

- 1. The report from the General Manager on the 2020 Community Outreach Meetings be received.**
- 2. The 2020 Outreach Meetings be cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions and the State Government guidelines that indicate only essential public meetings should be conducted.**
- 3. Council issues a newsletter to all residents containing the following information:**
 - a) Advising that the Outreach Meetings are cancelled for 2020**
 - b) Inviting individuals and community groups in small numbers to meet with the Mayor, the Councillor allocated to that village and General Manager if they have specific concerns.**
 - c) Encourage the community to raise questions via Customer Service**
 - d) Providing highlights of the capital and operational works undertaken by Council in the 2019/20 financial year and the forward works program for 2020/21.**

CARRIED

15.9 SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIAN TRANSPORT STRATEGY INC (SEATS) REPRESENTATION

RESOLUTION 2020/309

Moved: Cr Peter Walker

Seconded: Cr Denzil Sturgiss

That:

- 1. The report from the General Manager on the South East Australian Transport Strategy Inc (SEATS) Representation be received.**
- 2. Cr Peter Walker replace Cr Denzil Sturgiss as the Goulburn Mulwaree Council representative on SEATS. Cr Denzil Sturgiss be the alternate delegate.**

CARRIED

15.10 GRANTS UPDATE

RESOLUTION 2020/310

Moved: Cr Peter Walker

Seconded: Cr Carol James

That the report of the Senior Grants Officer and the Director of Corporate and Community Services be received and noted.

CARRIED

15.11 MARULAN VILLAGE PLAN WORKING PARTY NOTES - 10 JULY 2020

RESOLUTION 2020/311

Moved: Cr Peter Walker

Seconded: Cr Leah Ferrara

That the report of the General Manager on the notes from the Marulan Village Plan Working Party held 10 July 2020 be received.

CARRIED

15.12 EXTERNAL MEETING MINUTES

RESOLUTION 2020/312

Moved: Cr Margaret O'Neill

Seconded: Cr Denzil Sturgiss

That the report from the General Manger on the Marulan Quarry Project Community Consultative Committee Meeting minutes from the 18 June 2020 and the Veolia Community Liaison Committee Meeting Minutes from the 11 June 2020 be received.

CARRIED

16 CLOSED SESSION

Council must resolve to move into Closed Session to deal with any items under s10 *Local Government Act 1993*.

There were no closed session reports for determination.

17 CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

The Meeting closed at 7.19pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 August 2020.

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Cr Bob Kirk
Mayor

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Warwick Bennett
General Manager