



Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting

held at the Yalawanyi Ganya Council Chambers

2 June 2021 at 2.00pm

Steve Embry

Acting General Manager

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the MidCoast Council held at the Yalawanyi Ganya Council Chambers, 2 Biripi Way, Taree South on 2 June 2021 commencing at 2:00pm.

Present: Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov, Cr L Roberts Absent from Meeting – Cr B Christensen & Cr K Hutchinson

IN ATTENDANCE

Acting General Manager & Director Corporate Services – Steve Embry Director Liveable Communities - Paul De Szell Director Infrastructure & Engineering Services - Robert Scott Minute Taker - Corporate Support Officer – Lyn Hickey

The following document is the Minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 2 June 2021

These Minutes are subject to confirmation as to their accuracy at the next available meeting and therefore subject to change.

Please refer to the Minutes of the next available Ordinary meeting.

The Mayor, Cr David West, read aloud the following statement:

Welcome everyone. My name is David West and I am the Mayor of MidCoast Council.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS

The Mayor read aloud the following statement:

I acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, the Gathang-speaking people and pay my respects to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who now reside in the MidCoast Council area. I extend my respect to elders past and present, and to all future cultural-knowledge holders.

PRAYER

The Mayor read the Local Government prayer.

SPECIAL ACTIVITY

Nil

APOLOGIES OR APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr B Christensen & Cr K Hutchinson have requested a leave of absence for today's meeting.

139/2021 **RESOLUTION**

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That leave of absence be granted for Cr B Christensen & Cr K Hutchinson

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov, Cr L Roberts
AGAINST VOTE - Nil
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

140/2021 **RESOLUTION**

(Moved Cr K Bell/Seconded Cr K Smith)

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 28 April 2021, copies of which were distributed among the Councillors, be taken as read and confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr L Roberts AGAINST VOTE - Cr P Epov ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

141/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr P Epov/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the Minutes of the Strategic Committee Meeting of 12 May 2021, copies of which were distributed among the Councillors, be taken as read and confirmed as a true record of proceedings subject to further advice from Office of Local Government in relation to how Cr K Bell and Cr T Fowler are to be recorded in the Minutes as attempting to attend, but were unable, due to a technical failure of the audio visual link.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov, Cr L Roberts
AGAINST VOTE - Nil
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Councillor/Staff Member	Item and Subject	Nature of Interest
Cr K Smith	Item 3 – Event Sponsorship – Round One 2021	Non Pecuniary Interest (Less than Significant)/, the nature of the interest being Gloucester is a small community and a member (past, not sure if I am currently of the local Arts and Cultural Society) and I know the current president and I have no input into the GACCI Committee. Cr Smith elected to remain in the Chambers and participate in discussions.
Cr K Smith	Item 4 – Community Donations Program 2020/21	Non Pecuniary Interest (Less than Significant)/, the nature of the interest being Gloucester is a small community and a member (past, not sure if I am currently of the local Arts and Cultural Society) and I know the current president and I have no input into the GACCI Committee. Cr Smith elected to remain in the Chambers and participate in discussions.

GENERAL MANAGER

1. MATTERS OUTSTANDING

Report Author Steve Embry, Acting General Manager

File No. / ECM Index Governance/Council Meetings

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

RECOMMENDATION

That the report and Attachment A be noted.

142/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr T Fowler)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - NII

DIRECTOR LIVEABLE COMMUNITIES

2. MIDCOAST CULTURAL PLAN 2036

Report Author Rachel Piercy – Art Gallery Director

File No. / ECM Index MidCoast Cultural Plan 2036

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Paul De Szell – Director Liveable Communities

RECOMMENDATION

That the draft MidCoast Cultural Plan 2036 (attachment A) be formally adopted.

143/2021 **RESOLUTION**

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

3. EVENT SPONSORSHIP - ROUND ONE 2021

Report Author Robyn Brennan - Economic Development Coordinator

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Paul De Szell - Director Liveable Communities

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:

- 1. Council endorse the allocation of event sponsorship under Round One of the 2021 Interim Event Sponsorship Program as detailed in Annexure A in this report.
- 2. A separate report be bought back to Council to consider ongoing support for the Naked & Nude Art Prize.
- 3. As per the resolution 220/2020 from Council's meeting on 22 July 2020 For events who have been allocated sponsorship in 2020 but cancelled due to COVID-19, Council provide the recommended sponsorship amount on the condition the event is held within 12 months of the original date and there are no other major changes to the event or expected outcomes.

(Moved Cr D West/Seconded Cr K Smith)

That:

- 1. Council endorse the allocation of event sponsorship under Round One of the 2021 Interim Event Sponsorship Program as detailed in Annexure A in this report.
- 2. The draft 2021/2022 Manning Regional Art Gallery budget be amended to create a separate line item to support the 2021 Naked and Nude Art Prize to the value of \$5,000 and that subsequent budgets be developed incorporating this expenditure on a bi-annual basis.
- 3. As per the resolution 220/2020 from Council's meeting on 22 July 2020 For events who have been allocated sponsorship in 2020 but cancelled due to COVID-19, Council provide the recommended sponsorship amount on the condition the event is held within 12 months of the original date and there are no other major changes to the event or expected outcomes.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

144/2021 **RESOLUTION**

(Moved Cr D West/Seconded Cr K Smith)

That:

- 1. Council endorse the allocation of event sponsorship under Round One of the 2021 Interim Event Sponsorship Program as detailed in Annexure A in this report.
- 2. The draft 2021/2022 Manning Regional Art Gallery budget be amended to create a separate line item to support the 2021 Naked and Nude Art Prize to the value of \$5,000 and that subsequent budgets be developed incorporating this expenditure on a bi-annual basis.
- 3. As per the resolution 220/2020 from Council's meeting on 22 July 2020 For events who have been allocated sponsorship in 2020 but cancelled due to COVID-19, Council provide the recommended sponsorship amount on the condition the event is held within 12 months of the original date and there are no other major changes to the event or expected outcomes.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

4. COMMUNITY DONATIONS PROGRAM 2020/21

Report Author Lyndie Hepple - Coordinator Community Development

File No. / ECM Index Community Services/Community Donations

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Paul De Szell - Director Liveable Communities

RECOMMENDATION

That donations totalling \$23,122 be allocated to the ten (10) organisations recommended by the Donations Assessment Panel, as detailed in the report.

145/2021 **RESOLUTION**

(Moved Cr K Smith/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

5. DURALIE COMMUNITY FUNDING

Report Author Lyndie Hepple - Coordinator Community Development

File No. / ECM Index Community Enhancement Fund

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Paul De Szell - Director Liveable Communities

RECOMMENDATION

That a second Councillor be appointed to the Duralie Funding Assessment Panel.

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That Councillor K Smith be appointed to the Duralie Funding Assessment Panel.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

146/2021 **RESOLUTION**

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That Councillor K Smith be appointed to the Duralie Funding Assessment Panel.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

6. PUBLIC EXHIBITION - DRAFT FLYING-FOX CAMP MANAGEMENT PLAN

Report Author Nick Colman - Environmental Project Officer

File No. / ECM Index S0100-000251

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Paul De Szell - Director Liveable Communities

RECOMMENDATION

That the draft Flying-fox Camp Management Plan be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 business days.

147/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr T Fowler/Seconded Cr C Pontin)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - NII

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

7. PUBLIC EXHIBITION - DRAFT MANNING RIVER ESTUARY AND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Report Author Louise Duff - Catchment Coordinator

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Paul De Szell - Director Liveable Communities

RECOMMENDATION

That the draft Manning River Estuary and Catchment Management Program and annexures A-M are placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 business days.

(Moved Cr K Smith/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the draft Manning River Estuary and Catchment Management Program and annexures A-M are placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 business days.

An amendment (Moved Cr P Epov/Seconded Cr K Bell)

That the draft Manning River Estuary and Catchment Management Program and annexures A-M are placed on public exhibition for a period of 56 business days.

FOR VOTE – Cr K Bell, Cr P Epov

AGAINST VOTE - Cr D West, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr K Smith, Cr L Roberts

The amendment was put to the vote and declared lost

Council returned to the original motion.

(Moved Cr K Smith/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the draft Manning River Estuary and Catchment Management Program and annexures A-M are placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 business days.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr L Roberts AGAINST VOTE - Cr P Epov, ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

148/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr K Smith/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the draft Manning River Estuary and Catchment Management Program and annexures A-M are placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 business days.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr L Roberts AGAINST VOTE - Cr P Epov, ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

8. MANNING RIVER ESTUARY COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP MEETING NOTES

Report Author Louise Duff - Catchment Coordinator

File No. / ECM Index Committees/Working Groups

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Paul De Szell - Director Liveable Communities

RECOMMENDATION

That the Manning River ECMP Community Reference Group meeting notes provided in Attachment A be noted.

149/2021 **RESOLUTION**

(Moved Cr L Roberts/Seconded Cr K Smith)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov, Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

9. WALLIS & SMITHS COAST AND ESTUARIES COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

Report Author Prue Tucker - Water Quality & Estuary Coordinator

File No. / ECM Index NS-EST-W/L-S/L; Estuary, Coast Management Smiths & Wallis

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Paul De Szell - Director Liveable Communities

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Wallis and Smiths Coast and Estuaries Committee meetings held on 16 September and 25 November 2020 be noted.

150/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr T Fowler)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

10. CONSTRUCTION OF NEW LANDFILL CELL - TAREE WASTE MANAGEMENT CENTRE

Report Author Peter Brabant - Project Manager

File No. / ECM Index 2020-21/06 TEN-WS-CELL-BW-01A - WASTE

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Paul De Szell - Director Liveable Communities

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Award the contract for the Construction of a New Landfill Cell at Taree Waste Management Centre to Synergy Resource Management Pty Ltd for the amount of \$1,495,214.00 excl GST.
- 2. Acknowledge that a variation to cover a 'Leachate Treatment System' (currently undergoing design) will be offered to the contractor post contract award.
- 3. Authorise execution of the contracts by the General Manager.

151/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ENGINEERING

11. WATER AND WASTEWATER MONTHLY PERFORMANCE REPORT - APRIL 2021

Report Author Robert Scott, Director Infrastructure & Engineering Services

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Robert Scott, Director Infrastructure & Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the Water and Wastewater Monthly Performance Report for April 2021 be received and noted.

152/2021 **RESOLUTION**

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

12. MONTHLY CAPITAL WORKS PROJECT STATUS REPORT

Report Author Lorna Barber, Project Officer

Stuart Small, Team Leader Project Delivery

File No / ECM Index 6480636

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Robert Scott, Director Infrastructure & Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the Monthly Project Status Report be received and noted.
- 2. That the following project gateway reports are endorsed with adjustments to planned budget and milestones be adopted:
 - "Ready to Design" Gateway Report for Harrington Sewer Pump Station, Vacuum Station Odour Upgrade
 - "Ready to Implement" Gateway Report for Halliday's Point, Sewer Pump Station Construction and Rising Main

- "Ready to Finalise" Gateway Report for Bootawa, Water Pump Station Building Renewal Works
- "Ready to Finalise" Gateway Report for Forster, Sewer Pump Station Backup Generator
- 3. That reporting cease due to project completion for Manning Point, Sewer Treatment Plant Blower Renewal

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

13. ASSET MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP PROGRAM PLAN

Report Author Deborah Silva, Asset Management Coordinator

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Robert Scott, Infrastructure & Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note and endorse the Asset Management Working Group's Program Plan 2020/2022.

<u>154/2021 RESOLUTION</u>

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

14. WATER USAGE AND WATER RESOURCES AND THE OUTLOOK FOR

2020-21

Report Author Chenxi Zeng, Acting Manager Water Management & Treatment

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Robert Scott, Director Infrastructure and Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the report on water usage and water resources and the outlook for June to September 2021 be received and noted.

(Moved Cr K Bell/Seconded Cr T Fowler)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

15. TENDER FOR HALLIDAYS POINT SEWER PUMP STATION AND ASSOCIATED GRAVITY

MAINS

Report Author Jesse Spencer, Graduate Engineer

Mitchell Stace, Acting Capital Works Manager

File No. / ECM Index 6480655

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Robert Scott, Director Infrastructure & Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Award the contract for construction of Hallidays Point Sewer Pump Station and associated mains to National Civil Projects Pty Ltd.
- 2. Authorise execution of the contract by the General Manager.

156/2021 **RESOLUTION**

(Moved Cr T Fowler/Seconded Cr K Smith)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

16. ASSISTANCE FOR MIDCOAST COUNCIL LIQUID TRADE WASTE FLOOD EFFECTED BUSINESS CUSTOMERS

Report Author Linda Brook-Franklin Environmental Scientist Quality & Source

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Robert Scott Director Infrastructure & Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the 10 businesses inundated with flood water are not charged Liquid Trade Waste Charges for 12 months.

(Moved Cr T Fowler/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

17. LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE 2021

Report Author Robert Scott, Director Infrastructure & Engineering Services

File No. / ECM Index Councillors/Conferences

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Robert Scott, Director Infrastructure & Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council determine the number and names of Councillors approved to attend the LGNSW Water Management Conference.

(Moved Cr L Roberts/Seconded Cr K Smith)

That no Councillor attend the LGNSW Water Management Conference in Narrabri from 7-9 July 2021.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE – Cr P Epov

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

158/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr L Roberts/Seconded Cr K Smith)

That no Councillor attend the LGNSW Water Management Conference in Narrabri from 7-9 July 2021.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE – Cr P Epov

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

18. MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE HELD 7 APRIL 2021

Report Author Jacob Harty, Traffic Engineer

File No. / ECM Index 6387232

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Robert Scott, Director Infrastructure & Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 7 April 2021 be noted and that the recommendations are adopted.

159/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr K Smith/Seconded Cr K Bell)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

19. MARTIN BRIDGE - UPDATE ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF RECENT

FLOODING

Report Author Robert Scott, Director Infrastructure and Engineering Services

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Robert Scott, Director Infrastructure and Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

160/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr T Fowler)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

20. COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW 2021-22

Report Author Jennifer Trotter, Integrated Planning and Reporting Officer

File No. / ECM Index Community Strategic Plan

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Steve Embry, Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the *Draft Community Strategic Plan Review 2021-22 - Engagement and Communication Strategy* (Attachment B) be adopted.

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

21. INVESTMENTS REPORT - APRIL 2021

Report Author Phil Brennan, Manager Finance File No. / ECM Index Investments - Monthly Reports

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Steve Embry, Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and noted.

162/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr K Bell/Seconded Cr C Pontin)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

22. LOAN BORROWINGS 2020-21 MIDCOAST COUNCIL

Report Author Philip Brennan, Manager Finance

File No. / ECM Index 2020-21 Loan Borrowings

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Steve Embry, Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That this initial information be noted and following the tabling of actual offers that Council accept the most advantageous offer.
- 2. That the Common Seal of Council be affixed to the necessary loan documentation if required and that the General Manager be authorised to sign all loan documents.

Amended Recommendation – circulated to Councillors on the 2nd June 2021

(Moved Cr C Pontin /Seconded Cr L Roberts)

- That Council accept the 10-year loan term and 10-year fixed interest rate offer received from 1. the National Australia Bank for the General Fund borrowings of \$3 million (subject to any change in the rate).
- 2. That Council accept the 20-year loan term, 10-year fixed interest rate offer received from the Commonwealth Bank of Australia for the Water Fund renewal borrowings of \$8,655,574.50 (subject to any change in the rate).
- 3. That Council accept the 20-year loan term, 10-year fixed interest rate offer received from the Commonwealth Bank of Australia for the Sewer Fund renewal borrowings of \$2,596,672.35 (subject to any change in the rate).
- 4. That the Common Seal of Council be affixed to the necessary loan documentation if required and that the General Manager be authorised to sign all loan documents.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov, Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - NIL

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

163/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr L Roberts)

- 1. That Council accept the 10-year loan term and 10-year fixed interest rate offer received from the National Australia Bank for the General Fund borrowings of \$3 million (subject to any change in the rate).
- 2. That Council accept the 20-year loan term, 10-year fixed interest rate offer received from the Commonwealth Bank of Australia for the Water Fund renewal borrowings of \$8,655,574.50 (subject to any change in the rate).
- 3. That Council accept the 20-year loan term, 10-year fixed interest rate offer received from the Commonwealth Bank of Australia for the Sewer Fund renewal borrowings of \$2,596,672.35 (subject to any change in the rate).
- 4. That the Common Seal of Council be affixed to the necessary loan documentation if required and that the General Manager be authorised to sign all loan documents.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

23. QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT MARCH 2021

Report Author Phil Brennan, Manager Finance

File No. / ECM Index Financial Management – Management Plans Quarterly Reports

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Steve Embry, Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the period to 31 March 2021 be noted and the budget variations, including transfers to and from reserves be approved.

Cr K Smith left the meeting at 3.28pm Cr K Smith returned to the meeting at 3.31pm

164/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr C Pontin/Seconded Cr K Smith)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr L Roberts AGAINST VOTE - Cr P Epov, Cr K Bell

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

24. COUNCIL SUPPORT FOR TAREE UNIVERSITIES CAMPUS STUDENTS

Report Author Gabrielle Putland, Training & Development Coordinator

Paul Martin, Manager Human Resources

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Steve Embry, Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the report.

165/2021 RESOLUTION

(Moved Cr L Roberts/Seconded Cr C Pontin)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov,

Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - NII

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

CLOSED COUNCIL

25. PROPOSED SALE OF 16 BREESE PARADE, FORSTER

Report Author David Guest, Coordinator Legal and Property Services

File No. / ECM Index Council Property-Land Matters

Date of Meeting 2 June 2021

Authorising Director Steve Embry, Director Corporate Services

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

(c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

It is considered that it would be contrary to the public interest to reveal commercially sensitive sales information which, if disclosed to the general public, could jeopardise Council obtaining the best possible price for the Property in the event the current proposed sale does not proceed.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council enter into a conditional contract for the sale of Lot 172 DP 1117963 (as varied by boundary adjustment), being 16 Breese Parade, Forster, for a price as detailed in the Report, and the General Manager be authorised to execute all documents necessary to effect the sale.
- 2. That the proceeds of the sale be allocated to Council's property reserve.

166/2021 <u>RESOLUTION</u>

(Moved Cr K Smith/Seconded Cr C Pontin)

That the above recommendation be adopted.

FOR VOTE - Cr D West, Cr K Smith, Cr K Bell, Cr T Fowler, Cr C Pontin, Cr P Epov, Cr L Roberts

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

AGAINST VOTE - NII

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE: Cr B Christensen, Cr K Hutchinson

This is the last page of the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting of MidCoast Council held on 2 June 2021.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.41pm.

CHAIRPERSON Mayor David West