



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE QUEANBEYAN-PALERANG REGIONAL COUNCIL held at the Council Chambers, 10 Majara Street, Bungendore on Wednesday, 26 July 2017 commencing at 5.30pm.

ATTENDANCE

Administrator: T. Overall (Chair)

Staff: P Tegart, Interim General Manager; M Thompson, Portfolio General Manager Natural and Built Character; P Hansen, Portfolio General Manager Community Connections; J Richards, Portfolio General Manager Community Choice; and P Spyve, Acting General Manager Organisation Capability.

Also Present: W Blakey, Management Accountant (Clerk of the Meeting); and L Ison (Minute Secretary).

1. APOLOGIES

Recommendation

No apologies were received.

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

184/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that the Administrator and staff now disclose any interests and reasons for declaring such interest in the matters under consideration by Council at this meeting.

No declarations were received.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 28 June 2017

185/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that the Minutes of the Ordinary of Council held in the Bungendore Council Chambers on Wednesday 28 June 2017 be confirmed subject to P Spyve being included as attending, Resolution 154/17 refer to Bungendore Council Chambers and Resolution 156/17 include "Katrina Willis tabled a petition of further signatures opposing the Ellerton Drive Extension".

3.2 Minutes of the Planning and Strategy Committee of the Whole held on 12 July 2017

186/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that the Minutes of the Planning and Strategy Committee of the Whole held in the Queanbeyan Council Chambers on Wednesday 12 July 2017 be confirmed.

4. PRESENTATIONS FROM THE GALLERY RELATING TO LISTED ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND PETITIONS

187/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that all presenters be heard.

Pete Harrison - Item 8.10 - Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Councillors' Onboarding, Induction and Development Programs

Anne Goonan - Item 8.1 - Abbeyfield Bungendore Project

Katrina Willis tabled a petition of further signatures opposing the Ellerton Drive Extension.

5 MAYORAL MINUTES

5.1 Administrator Minute - Emergency Radio

188/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council write to the Federal Member for Eden Monaro to address the issue of poor radio coverage, seeking legislative amendment to permit ABC666 emergency broadcast into NSW repeaters, and seek grants for the installation of suitable infrastructure.

6. NOTICES OF MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

Nil

7. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Nil

8. DETERMINATION REPORTS**8.1 Abbeyfield Bungendore project**

189/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Note the report.
2. Offer the Council-owned property at 4-6 Majara Street, Bungendore, to Abbeyfield Bungendore to enable the development planning, application and construction of a 12-14 unit, independent living housing project for seniors on low incomes.
3. Offer the subject property to Abbeyfield Bungendore on a long term ground lease at nominal rent, subject to successful development approval and subject to substantial commencement within five years.
4. Identify in the draft Bungendore Structure Plan suitable land for possible use as an ambulance station, emergency services or the like.

8.2 Tender Assessment - Queanbeyan Park Playground

190/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council award Contract No. VP75270 to Tenderer number 9 – CRS Creative Recreation – option 1 for the sum of \$234,768.91 ex GST.

8.3 Regional Grant Fund Programs

191/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that:

1. Council's priority projects for the Stronger Country Communities Fund be the Queanbeyan River Walk and High Street Sports Field new amenities building with canteen, storage, club and referee rooms.
2. A further report be received on further project options given the balance of funding available to QPRC under the Stronger Country Communities Fund.

8.4 Status of Stronger Communities Fund Projects

192/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Note the report.
2. Endorse the status report to be submitted to the Office of Local Government by 31 July 2017.

8.5 Land Classification - Lot 776 DP 1230282 (20 Lindbeck Corner) Googong

193/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that in accordance with Section 31(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW), Council resolve that the following property be classified as "Community Land":

- Lot 776 DP 1230282 (20 Lindbeck Corner) Googong

8.6 Town Crier for Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council

194/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council accept the proposal from Mr Joseph McGrail-Bateup to provide Town Crier services to Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council as required, on an honorary basis.

8.7 Civic Reception for National Vietnam Veterans' Reunion 2018

195/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Host a civic reception and morning tea at the Bicentennial Hall, Queanbeyan, on 23 April 2018 for the participants of the National Vietnam Veterans' Reunion.
2. Liaise with the Organising Committee with an offer to assist with the set-up for the Service in Moore Park including provision of chairs, portable PA system and arrangements for the plaque.

8.8 Aquatic Centre - Fee Change - Aqua Fitness Concession Fees

196/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council adopt:

1. The reduction of the single visit pass concession fee for the Aqua Aerobics program from \$12.00 to \$10.50.
2. The reduction of the 10 visit pass concession fee for the Aqua Aerobics program from \$120.00 to \$105.00.

8.9 Investment Report - June 2017

197/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Note the investment income for June 2017 is \$423,945 bringing the total interest earned on Cash and Cash Equivalent Investments for the 2016/17 Financial Year to \$4,894,680 which is \$951,051 above the year to date budget.
2. Note the investment portfolio have been made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, the Local Government General Regulations.
3. Note the investment portfolio became non-compliant with the QPRC Investment Policy since the recent downgrading of Bank of Queensland.
4. Restrict any further investment of BBB+ and below rated deposits until the BBB+ and below category meets the required Investment Policy guidelines.
5. Adopt the Investment Report for the month of June 2017.

8.10 Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Councillors' Onboarding, Induction and Development Programs

198/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Note the report.
2. Endorse the onboarding, induction and development programs to be undertaken for the newly-elected QPRC Councillors.
3. Note the arrangements in relation to the taking of an oath or affirmation of office at the first meeting of the new Council.

8.11 Accommodation for Senior Citizens and QBN FM

199/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Note the relocation proposal for QBN FM to the Letchworth Community Centre.
2. Offer the Letchworth Community Centre as temporary accommodation for the Senior Citizens Centre.
3. Authorise the General Manager to undertake appropriate refurbishment works at the Letchworth Community Centre to accommodate those uses.
4. Agree to source a dedicated CBD space, such as the Visitor Information Centre (or similar accommodation suitable for the Senior Citizens Centre) on the completion of the new Council head office redevelopment.

8.12 QPRC and Icon Water - Water Supply Pricing Agreement

200/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that:

1. Under Section 55 (3)(i) Council approve an exemption for Tender as there is no alternative suppliers of Potable Water to the Queanbeyan water network.
2. Council authorise the General Manager to sign the agreement with Icon Water for the supply of potable water to the Queanbeyan water supply.

8.13 Tender Determination: Lighting and Sound Design and Services for Theatre and Events

201/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council accept the tender from Tenderer One (1), Eclipse Lighting & Sound Pty Ltd, engaging them for a fixed term of three (3) years with two x two year options for extension, for the provision of Lighting and Sound Design and Services for Theatre and Events.

8.14 Adoption of Community Engagement Strategy

202/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Adopt the Community Engagement Strategy to assist with the development of a new Community Strategic Plan for the Queanbeyan-Palerang LGA.

2. Place the Community Engagement Strategy on Council's website as part of its suite of new Integrated Planning & Reporting documents.

8.15 Asset Management Strategy

203/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council adopt the Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council Asset Management Strategy.

8.16 Draft Resourcing Strategy

204/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Note the draft Resourcing Strategy in preparation for the development of a new three year Delivery Program for QPRC.
2. Highlight in the draft Resourcing Strategy/draft long term financial plan, a comparison of the projected QPRC key sustainability indicators against NSW Government Fit for Future benchmarks for Local Government.
3. Place the draft Strategy on public exhibition to seek community input on the final document.
4. Report on the public submissions to the newly elected Council for their consideration and the final adoption of the Resourcing Strategy to inform the development of a new Delivery Program.

8.17 Digital Economy and Smart Community Strategy

205/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Receive and note the draft Digital Economy and Smart Community Strategy.
2. Endorse the Smart City grant application.
3. Seek community feedback on the draft Strategy.

8.18 Memorandum of Understanding - Icon Water

206/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Prepare a memorandum of understanding with Icon Water to formalise the relationship to deliver a best for region approach to sewage treatment.
2. Engage with NSW DPI Water to progress the approach to best for region for sewage treatment.

8.19 Tender Evaluation Report Design & Construct Wet Play - Q-One Aquatics

207/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council:

1. Award Contract no. 22/2017 to Tenderer number 2 – Swimplex
2. Approve the additional funds up to \$266,217 identified in this report to carry out the project including toddler pool if supported by the community.
3. Allow a 14 day community consultation period to seek preferences on preferred design and that the decision on the selected design be delegated to the Interim General Manager.

8.20 Expression of Interest - Legal Services

208/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that:

1. Council appoint the nominated Legal Firms, being Bradley Allen Love Lawyers, Elringtons Lawyers, Maddocks, Herring & Associates Lawyers and Lindsay Taylor Lawyers, to its legal panel for a three (3) year period with two one (1) year option extensions and execute a contract of appointment.
2. The Canberra Region Joint Organisation (CBRJO) be thanked for its assistance in undertaking the Expression of Interest for the region that the Council has utilised for this purpose.

9. INFORMATION REPORTS**9.1 Changes in the Management of Crown Lands**

209/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that the report be received for information.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**10.1 Bungendore and Town Centre Environs s355 Committee Minutes 19 April 2017**

210/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council note the minutes of the Bungendore and Town Centre Environs s355 Committee, 19 April 2017.

10.2 Bungendore and Town Centre Environs s355 Committee Minutes 31 May 2017

211/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

That Council note the minutes of the Bungendore and Town Centre Environs s355 Committee, 31 May 2017.

10.3 Royalla Common s.355 Committee minutes 15 May 2017

212/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council note the minutes of the Royalla Common s.355 Committee, 15 May 2017.

10.4 Minutes of the Local Representation Committee Meeting 16 June 2017

213/17

RESOLVED (Overall)

The Administrator resolved that Council note the minutes of the Local Representation Committee Meeting, 16 June 2017 and endorse the recommendations contained therein.

11. DELEGATES' REPORTS

Nil

12. RESPONSES TO COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

Nil

13. COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

Nil

14. SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS

15. NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DEAL WITH MATTERS IN CLOSED SESSION

Nil

At this stage in the proceedings, the time being 6.38 pm Mr Overall announced that the Agenda for the meeting had now been completed.

**TIM OVERALL
ADMINISTRATOR
CHAIRPERSON**