



# **Extraordinary Meeting of Council**

## **AGENDA**

**17 November 2021**

**Commencing at 6.00pm**

**Queanbeyan Council Chambers**

- 1 OPENING
- 2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY
- 3 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS
- 4 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS ..... 1
- 5 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC FORUM
- 6 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DEAL WITH MATTERS IN CLOSED SESSION 2

**Confidential - Not for Publication**

**7 REPORTS FOR CLOSED SESSION**

7.1 Bungendore Property - Legal Matter

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**8 CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING**

**ITEM 4    DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS/PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

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The provisions of Chapter 14 of the *Local Government Act, 1993* regulate the way in which Councillors and nominated staff of Council conduct themselves to ensure that there is no conflict between their private interests and their public trust.

The Act prescribes that where a member of Council (or a Committee of Council) has a direct or indirect financial (pecuniary) interest in a matter to be considered at a meeting of the Council (or Committee), that interest must be disclosed as soon as practicable after the start of the meeting and the reasons for declaring such interest.

As members are aware, the provisions of the *Local Government Act* restrict any member who has declared a pecuniary interest in any matter from participating in the discussions, voting on that matter, and require that member to vacate the Chamber.

Council's Code of Conduct provides that if members have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest, the nature of the conflict must be disclosed. The Code also provides for a number of ways in which a member may manage non pecuniary conflicts of interest

**Recommendation**

**That Councillors and staff disclose any interests and reasons for declaring such interest in the matters under consideration by Council at this meeting.**

**6 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DEAL WITH MATTERS IN CLOSED SESSION**

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It is necessary for the Council to adopt a resolution to formalise its intention to deal with certain matters in Confidential Session. The reports are incorporated in the “confidential” business paper which has been circulated to Councillors.

The *Local Government Act, 1993* requires the General Manager to identify those matters listed on the business paper which may be categorised as confidential in terms of Section 10A of the *Local Government Act, 1993*.

**Recommendation**

**That pursuant to Section 10A of the *Local Government Act, 1993* the following items on the agenda for the Ordinary Council meeting be dealt with in Closed Session for the reasons specified below:**

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