



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE QUEANBEYAN-PALERANG REGIONAL COUNCIL held at the Queanbeyan Council Chambers on Wednesday, 24 March 2021 commencing at 5.30pm.

ATTENDANCE (in person unless nominated otherwise)

Councillor: Cr Overall (Chair)
Cr Biscotti
Cr Brown
Cr Harrison
Cr Hicks – via Zoom
Cr Marshall
Cr Schweikert – via Zoom
Cr Taylor
Cr Winchester

Staff: P Tegart, CEO
M Thompson, Portfolio General Manager Natural & Built Character
P Hansen, Portfolio General Manager Community Connections
J Richards, Portfolio General Manager Community Choice
A Knight, Portfolio General Manager Organisational Capability

Also Present: W Blakey, Clerk of the Meeting
L Ison, Minute Secretary

1. OPENING

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land upon which the meeting was held.

3. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

068/21

RESOLVED (Taylor/Biscotti)

That apology for non-attendance from Cr Noveska be received and noted.

For: Crs Biscotti, Brown, Harrison, Marshall, Overall, Schweikert,
Taylor and Winchester
Against: Cr Hicks

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 24 February 2021

069/21

RESOLVED (Taylor/Winchester)

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in the Queanbeyan Council Chambers on Wednesday 24 February 2021 be confirmed.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

4.2 Minutes of the Planning and Strategy Committee of the Whole held on 10 March 2021

070/21

RESOLVED (Taylor/Winchester)

That the Minutes of the Planning and Strategy Committee of the Whole held in the Queanbeyan Council Chambers on Wednesday 10 March 2021 be confirmed.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

5. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

071/21

RESOLVED (Taylor/Winchester)

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

The resolution was carried unanimously.

There were no disclosures.

6. ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC FORUM

At this stage of the proceedings, the time being 5.32pm, Cr Overall advised that the meeting should now adjourn for the Public Forum.

072/21

RESOLVED (Overall/Taylor)

That the meeting be adjourned to conduct the Public Forum.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned for the Public Forum at 5.32pm and resumed at 5.36pm.

7. MAYORAL MINUTE

There was no Mayoral Minute.

8. NOTICES OF MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

There were no Notices of Motions of Rescission.

During discussion Cr Brown joined the meeting at 5.37pm.

9. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - ITEMS FOR DETERMINATION

9.1 Review of Applicants for Community Representatives on Bungendore Floodplain Risk Management Committee

073/21

RESOLVED (Schweikert/Marshall)

That Council endorse Applicants 1, 2, 3 and 4 for Community Representative roles on the Bungendore Floodplain Risk Management Committee.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

9.2 Request for Donation for Rates Relief

074/21

RESOLVED (Biscotti/Taylor)

That Council approve the application under Category C (e) of the QPRC Donations Policy for 55% rate relief in the amount of \$1,924.06.

For: Crs Biscotti, Hicks, Marshall, Overall, Schweikert, Taylor and Winchester

Against: Crs Brown and Harrison

9.3 Investment Report - February 2021

075/21

RESOLVED (Schweikert/Hicks)

That Council:

1. Note the investment return for February 2021 was \$82,722.
2. Note the investment portfolio has been made in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council's Investment Policy.
3. Receive the Investment Report for the month of February 2021.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

9.4 Australia Day Donations

076/21

RESOLVED (Taylor/Schweikert)

That Council approve donations for the listed groups assisting with Australia Day celebrations in 2021.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

10. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

10.1 Adoption of Recommendations - NSW Productivity Commission's Review of Local Infrastructure Contributions

077/21

RESOLVED (Taylor/Schweikert)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

10.2 Queanbeyan Floodplain Risk Management Study & Plan

078/21

RESOLVED (Taylor/Schweikert)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

10.3 Summary of Road Renewal and Maintenance Activities - Quarter 3 2020/21

079/21

RESOLVED (Harrison/Hicks)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

080/21 **10.4 Community Meetings - May 2021**
RESOLVED (Taylor/Harrison)
That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

081/21 **10.5 The Treasure Trail Shop and Win Promotion 2020**
RESOLVED (Biscotti/Schweikert)
That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

082/21 **10.6 Australian Wind Symphony**
RESOLVED (Harrison/Schweikert)
That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

There were no Reports of Committees.

12. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

12.1 Bungendore Education Precinct

MOVED (Marshall/Harrison)

That Council Resolution 211/20 parts 2, 5 and 6 be made conditional on development consent being granted for the Bungendore Education Precinct (high school).

The motion (of Crs Marshall and Harrison) was PUT and LOST.

For: Crs Brown, Harrison, Marshall and Winchester
Lost: Crs Biscotti, Hicks, Overall, Taylor and Schweikert

13. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - DELEGATES REPORTS

13.1 Delegates Report

083/21

RESOLVED (Taylor/Harrison)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

14. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

14.1 Responses to Councillors' Questions

084/21

RESOLVED (Marshall/Hicks)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

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

At this stage of the proceedings Cr Overall advised that there was item on the Agenda that should be dealt with in Closed Session.

Cr Overall then asked if, in accordance with Clause 59.6 of the Council's Code of Meeting Practice, there were any presentations as to why the matters listed below should not be dealt with in Closed Session.

16. REPORTS FOR CLOSED SESSION

085/21

RESOLVED (Overall/Harrison)

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:

Item 16.1 Bungendore Office Relocation

Item 1.1 is confidential in accordance with s10(A) (c) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

The meeting then moved into Closed Session at 5.55pm to discuss the matters listed above.

16.1 Bungendore Office Relocation

086/21

RESOLVED (Hicks/Biscotti)

That Council:

1. Note the report on the Bungendore Office Relocation.
2. Authorise the CEO to negotiate the acquisition of sites linked to options 1, 2 and 11 in the valuation ranges, applying the processes outlined in the report.
3. Authorise the CEO to negotiate other funding options for an integrated office and community facility in the town centre.
4. Consider inclusion of the office project in the amended s94 Plan.
5. Receive a further report on the outcome of negotiations.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

087/21

RESOLVED (Overall/Taylor)

That the meeting now return to Open Session.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

The meeting returned to Open Session at 6.09pm.

The doors of the Chambers were opened to allow the public to enter.

In accordance with Clause 253 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, the Mayor then read out the decisions of Council made in Closed Session.

17. CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

The time being 6.10pm, the Mayor announced that the Agenda for the meeting had now been completed.

**CR TIM OVERALL
MAYOR
CHAIRPERSON**