



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE QUEANBEYAN-PALERANG REGIONAL COUNCIL held via Zoom and at the Council Chambers, 253 Crawford Street, Queanbeyan on Wednesday, 27 July 2022 commencing at 5.30pm.

ATTENDANCE

Councillors: Cr Winchester (Chairperson)
Cr Biscotti
Cr Burton
Cr Grundy
Cr Preston
Cr Taskovski
Cr Ternouth
Cr Webster
Cr Willis
Cr Wilson

Staff: P Hansen, A/CEO
M Thompson, Portfolio General Manager Natural and Built Character
J Richards, Portfolio General Manager Community Choice
K Monaghan, Portfolio General Manager Organisational Capability
N Cooke, A/Portfolio General Manager Community Connections

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

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RESOLVED (Winchester/Biscotti)

That the apology for non-attendance from Cr Livermore be received and that leave of absence be granted.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**4.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 13 July 2022**

294/22

RESOLVED (Winchester/Taskovski)

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in the Queanbeyan Council Chambers on Wednesday 13 July 2022 be confirmed.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

5. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

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RESOLVED (Winchester/Preston)

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 Winchester advised that the meeting should now adjourn for the Public Forum.

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RESOLVED (Winchester/Ternouth)

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 5.35pm.

7. MAYORAL MINUTE

There was no Mayoral Minute.

8. NOTICES OF MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

There were no Notices of Motions of Rescission.

9. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - ITEMS FOR DETERMINATION**9.1 Development Application DA.2021.1716 - Erection of a Digital Advertising Structure - Lot 3 DP 93173 known as 3-5 Gregory Street Queanbeyan West**

This item of business was WITHDRAWN.

Procedural Motion

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RESOLVED (Willis/Preston)

That item 9.4 be brought forward for consideration at this juncture.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

9.4 Event Proposal 2022/23 and 2023/24 Cricket NSW Country Colts U18s Championships - Queanbeyan

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RESOLVED (Wilson/Preston)

That Council support the Queanbeyan District Cricket Club in securing an agreement between Cricket NSW, QPRC and the Queanbeyan District Cricket Club to host the NSW U18s Country Colts Championships for 22-23 and 23-24 by:

1. Assisting the Queanbeyan District Cricket Club to gain corporate sponsorship to help host the event.
2. Allocate up to \$4,000 for hosting of the event in the first quarter budget review statement (QBRs) 2022/23.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

9.2 Blind Creek Solar Farm - Planning Agreement**MOVED (Willis/Preston)**

That Council:

1. Agree to accept the letter of offer.
2. Place on public exhibition the draft Blind Creek Solar Farm Planning Agreement for a minimum period of 28 days.
3. Report back to Council on any submissions received during that period.
4. If no submissions are received during the exhibition period, execute the draft Planning Agreement.

AMENDMENT (Grundy/Biscotti)

That Council:

1. Agree to note the letter of offer.
2. Place on public exhibition the draft Blind Creek Solar Farm Planning Agreement for a minimum period of 28 days.
3. Report back to Council following the exhibition period for a determination on whether to execute the draft planning agreement.

The amendment (of Crs Grundy and Biscotti) was PUT and LOST.

For: Crs Biscotti, Burton, Grundy and Ternouth

Against: Crs Preston, Taskovski, Webster, Willis, Wilson and Winchester

AMENDMENT (Wilson/ Taskovski)

That Council:

1. Agree to accept the letter of offer.
2. Place on public exhibition the draft Blind Creek Solar Farm Planning Agreement for a minimum period of 28 days.
3. Report back to Council following the exhibition period for a determination on whether to execute the draft planning agreement.

The amendment (of Crs Wilson and Taskovski) was PUT and CARRIED unanimously, and became the motion.

The motion was PUT and CARRIED.

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RESOLVED (Wilson/Taskovski)

That Council:

1. Agree to accept the letter of offer.
2. Place on public exhibition the draft Blind Creek Solar Farm Planning Agreement for a minimum period of 28 days.
3. Report back to Council following the exhibition period for a determination on whether to execute the draft planning agreement.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

9.3 QPRC's Annual Community Grants Category B and Cultural Grants

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RESOLVED (Willis/Wilson)

That Council approve:

1. Category B venue hire donations for 2022/23 totalling \$34,702.52 as recommended in Attachment 2.
2. QPRC Cultural Grants of \$1,500 for The Braidwood Youth Performing Arts Association Inc. and \$667.16 for the Paint Club Creative Kids in Queanbeyan.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

9.4 Event Proposal 2022/23 and 2023/24 Cricket NSW Country Colts U18s Championships - Queanbeyan

This item was dealt with in earlier business.

9.5 Reviewed Policies**MOVED (Willis/Ternouth)**

That:

1. Council place the following Policies on public exhibition for 28 days:
 - a. Street Banners and Sails Policy
 - b. Media Policy, amended as follows: at clause 3.4 (f), replace the word 'Derogatory' with 'intentionally offensive, disparaging or insulting'.
 - c. Public Interest Disclosures – Internal Reporting Policy
2. If no submissions are received, the policies be adopted.

AMENDMENT (Wilson/Grundy)

That:

1. Council place the following Policies on public exhibition for 28 days:
 - a. Street Banners and Sails Policy
 - b. Media Policy
 - c. Public Interest Disclosures – Internal Reporting Policy
2. If no submissions are received, the policies be adopted.

The amendment (of Crs Wilson and Grundy) was PUT and CARRIED and became the motion.

For: Crs Biscotti, Burton, Grundy, Taskovski, Ternouth, Webster, Wilson and Winchester

Against: Crs Preston and Willis

The motion was PUT and CARRIED.

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RESOLVED (Wilson/Grundy)

That:

1. Council place the following Policies on public exhibition for 28 days:
 - a. Street Banners and Sails Policy
 - b. Media Policy
 - c. Public Interest Disclosures – Internal Reporting Policy
2. If no submissions are received, the policies be adopted.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

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9.6 Investment Report - June 2022**RESOLVED (Preston/Grundy)**

That Council:

1. Note the investment return for June 2022 was -\$701,022.
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 June 2022.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

10. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**10.1 Annual Food Act Enforcement Activity Report****MOVED (Biscotti/Ternouth)**

That the report be received for information.

AMENDMENT (Willis/Wilson)

That:

1. The report be received for information.
2. Council write to the appropriate NSW Minister asking them to investigate the possibility of accepting training for Food Safety Supervisor's throughout ACT based training companies as acceptable certification for Food Safety Supervisors in NSW.

The amendment (of Crs Willis and Wilson) was PUT and CARRIED and became the motion.

For: Crs Grundy, Preston, Ternouth, Webster, Willis, Wilson and Winchester

Against: Crs Biscotti, Burton and Taskovski

The motion was PUT and CARRIED.

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RESOLVED (Willis/Ternouth)

That:

1. The report be received for information.
2. Council write to the appropriate NSW Minister asking them to investigate the possibility of accepting training for Food Safety Supervisor's through ACT based training companies as acceptable certification for Food Safety Supervisors in NSW.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

304/22 **10.2 Summary of Road Renewal and Maintenance Activities - Quarter 4 2021/22**

RESOLVED (Winchester/Biscotti)

That the report to be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

305/22 **10.3 Australian Wind Symphony (AWS)**

RESOLVED (Ternouth/Biscotti)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

306/22 **10.4 Councillor Workshops**

RESOLVED (Ternouth/Willis)

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

There were no Notices of Motions.

13. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - DELEGATES REPORTS

There were no Delegates Reports.

14. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

There were no Questions with Notice.

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

At this stage of the proceedings Cr Winchester advised that there were items on the Agenda that should be dealt with in Closed Session.

Cr Winchester 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.

There were no presentations.

16. REPORTS FOR CLOSED SESSION

307/22

RESOLVED (Winchester/Grundy)

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 Tender Recommendation Braidwood Showground Lights and Power Upgrade CN 2021-35

Item 16.1 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.

Item 16.2 Tender 2022-29 - Araluen Road (Sites 1, 2 & 3) Slope Remediation

Item 16.2 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 6.20pm to discuss the matters listed above.

16.1 Tender Recommendation Braidwood Showground Lights and Power Upgrade CN 2021-35

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RESOLVED (Preston/Willis)

That Council, subject to formal confirmation of additional funds from Bendigo Bank and the Braidwood Showground S355 Committee, accept the tender submitted by JRC Electrical Services Pty Ltd, for the recommended Tender Amount of \$888,939.33 (ex GST) for Contract No. 2021-35 for the Braidwood Showground Lights and Power Upgrade.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

16.2 Tender 2022-29 - Araluen Road (Sites 1, 2 & 3) Slope Remediation

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RESOLVED (Willis/Preston)

That Council award Contract 2022-29 for the Araluen Road (Sites 1, 2 & 3) Slope Remediation contract to Dale and Hitchcock Civil Pty Ltd for the amount of \$1,935,446 (ex GST).

The resolution was carried unanimously.

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RESOLVED (Winchester/Grundy)

That the meeting now return to Open Session.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

The meeting returned to Open Session at 6.23pm.

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 6.24pm, the Mayor announced that the Agenda for the meeting had now been completed.

**CR KENRICK WINCHESTER
MAYOR
CHAIRPERSON**