



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE QUEANBEYAN-PALERANG REGIONAL COUNCIL held at the Council Chambers, 253 Crawford St, Queanbeyan on Wednesday, 14 June 2023 commencing at 5.30pm.

## **ATTENDANCE**

**Councillors:** Cr Winchester (Chairperson)  
Cr Biscotti  
Cr Burton  
Cr Grundy  
Cr Livermore  
Cr Macdonald  
Cr Preston  
Cr Taskovski  
Cr Webster  
Cr Willis  
Cr Wilson (from 5.36pm)

**Staff:** R Ryan, General Manager  
P Hansen, Director Infrastructure Services  
J Richards, Director Community, Arts and Recreation  
R Tozer, A/Director Corporate Services  
R Ormella, Director Development and Environment  
K Monaghan, A/Chief Finance Officer

**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**

There were no apologies.

**4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES****4.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 24 May 2023**

201/23

**RESOLVED (Winchester/Preston)**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in the Queanbeyan Council Chambers on Wednesday 24 May 2023 be confirmed.

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

**5. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

202/23

**RESOLVED (Winchester/Biscotti)**

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 motion was CARRIED unanimously.

Cr Willis declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest for Item 9.3: DA.2022.1104 - Construction of Dwelling House and Detached Garage - 720 Urila Road, Tinderry, stating a neighbouring property owner who objects to the development application is known to her. Cr Willis met the neighbouring owner on site in January 2022 in response to an invitation to see the impact of the proposed development application on the environmental values of the site, including the creek and a stand of old growth forest. At the time, she explained that she could not, nor did she, make any undertaking as to how she may vote on the matter if it were to come to Council. Cr Willis proposed to disclose and vote when the matter is considered.

**6. ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC FORUM**

At this stage of the proceedings, the time being 5.33pm, Cr Winchester advised that the meeting should now adjourn for the Public Forum.

203/23

**RESOLVED (Winchester/Willis)**

That the meeting be adjourned to conduct the Public Forum.

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned for the Public Forum at 5.33pm and resumed at 6.26pm.

During the Public Forum, Cr Wilson joined the meeting at 5.36pm.

**7. MAYORAL MINUTE**

There was no Mayoral Minute

**8. NOTICES OF MOTIONS OF RESCISSION**

There were no Notices of Motion of Rescission.

**9. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - ITEMS FOR DETERMINATION****9.1 Modification to Development Application DA.2021.1628 - Telecommunications Facility - 34 Powell Drive, Carwoola**

204/23

**RESOLVED (Burton/Biscotti)**

That Modification Application DA.2021.1628.A to modify site plan to reflect location of tower as constructed be granted conditional consent.

The motion was CARRIED.

For: Crs Biscotti, Burton, Livermore, Taskovski, Willis, Wilson and Winchester

Against: Crs Grundy, Macdonald, Preston and Webster

**9.2 DA.2022.1503 - 2461 Currawang Road, Currawang NSW - Recreation Facility (Outdoor) (Amcross Motorbike Event)**

205/23

**RESOLVED (Biscotti/Burton)**

That development application DA.2022.1503 for the use of land as a recreation facility (outdoor) for an annual two-day Amcross (motorbike) event between April and October over a five-year period on Lot 71 DP 750013 and Lot 2 DP 775837, No. 2461 Currawang Road Currawang be granted conditional consent.

The motion was CARRIED.

For: Crs Biscotti, Burton, Grundy, Livermore, Macdonald, Preston, Taskovski, Webster, Wilson and Winchester

Against: Cr Willis

Cr Willis, having declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in the following item, disclosed and remained in the Chambers to vote.

**9.3 DA.2022.1104 - Construction of Dwelling House and Detached Garage - 720 Urila Road, Tinderry**

206/23

**RESOLVED (Wilson/Biscotti)**

That:

1. Development application DA.2022.1104 for Construction of dwelling house and detached garage on Lot 99 DP 754913, No. 720 Urila Road, Tinderry be granted conditional consent.
2. Construction and transfer of Crown Road be granted conditional consent.
3. Crown Lands be forwarded a copy of Council's Notice of Determination.

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

At this juncture, Cr Wilson declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in the following item stating he is a friend of the owner of Ciao Café which may/will have an interest in the Development. Cr Wilson left the Chambers at 6.57pm.

**9.4 DA.2022.1002 - 202-214 Crawford Street Queanbeyan - Demolition Construction of Seven Storey Shop Top Housing**

207/23

**RESOLVED (Biscotti/Winchester)**

That:

1. Variation to the height limitation as provided for in Queanbeyan LEP 2012 be supported.
2. Development application DA.2022.1002 for demolition, ground level commercial premises tenancies and construction of a seven storey shop top housing development (58 units) and strata subdivision at 202–214 Crawford Street, Queanbeyan be granted conditional consent.

The motion was CARRIED.

For: Crs Biscotti, Burton, Grundy, Livermore, Macdonald, Preston, Taskovski, Webster and Winchester

Against: Cr Willis

Cr Wilson returned to the Chambers at 7.08pm.

- 208/23
- 9.5 DA.2021.1496 - Subdivision four Torrens title lots and construction of Council Depot and Signage**
- RESOLVED (Wilson/Preston)**
- That Development Application DA.2021.1496 for Subdivision (1 into 3 lots), boundary adjustment and construction of Council Depot & Signage at Lot 425 DP1262357 at 29 Graziers Road and Lot 986 DP1208230 at 49 Duncan Loop Googong be granted conditional consent.
- The motion was CARRIED unanimously.
- 209/23
- 9.6 DA.2022.1691 - 37 Reginald Road Googong NSW - Construction of Two (2) Storey Dwelling House**
- RESOLVED (Biscotti/Wilson)**
- That:
1. The variation to the height limitation under the Queanbeyan Palerang Local Environmental Plan 2022 be supported.
  2. Development Application DA.2022.1691 for the construction of a two (2) storey dwelling house on Lot 1315 DP 1285639, No 37 Reginald Road Googong NSW be granted conditional consent.
- The motion was CARRIED unanimously.
- 9.7 DA.2022.1693 - 19 Reginald Street Googong NSW - Construction of Two (2) Storey Dwelling House and Swimming Pool**
- This item of business was WITHDRAWN from the agenda.
- 210/23
- 9.8 Road Naming - Bunduluk Road Bungendore DA.2019.1255**
- RESOLVED (Willis/Macdonald)**
- That Council:
1. Adopt in principle the name; Bunduluk Road, Bungendore, created under subdivision development consent DA.2019.1255 Condition #57.
  2. Advertise the proposed road name for public comment for 28 days.
  3. Publish a notice in the NSW Government Gazette for the road name Bunduluk Road if no objections received.
- The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

- 211/23                      **9.9      Queanbeyan River Boat Ramp**  
**RESOLVED (Willis/Wilson)**  
That Council contact NSW Department of Primary Industries to advise that Project RFCG009 - Boat Ramp for Queanbeyan River will not progress and return the \$70,000 grant.  
  
The motion was CARRIED unanimously.
- 212/23                      **9.10   Cultural Grant Application from Queanbeyan Junior Brass Incorporated**  
**RESOLVED (Wilson/Preston)**  
That Council approve a Cultural Grant of \$2,200 towards costs for the 2023 Music Workshop for Queanbeyan Junior Brass Incorporated.  
  
The motion was CARRIED.  
  
For:              Crs Biscotti, Burton, Livermore, Preston, Taskovski, Webster, Willis, Wilson and Winchester  
Against:        Crs Grundy and Macdonald
- 213/23                      **9.11   Adoption of Child Safe Policy and Amended Code of Conduct**  
**RESOLVED (Macdonald/Grundy)**  
That Council adopt the Child Safe Policy and Code of Conduct.  
  
The motion was CARRIED unanimously.
- 214/23                      **9.12   Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Quarter Ending 31 March 2023**  
**RESOLVED (Wilson/Willis)**  
That Council:  
  1. Receive and note the March 2023 Quarterly Budget Review Statement.
  2. Adopt the budget recommendations outlined in the March 2023 Quarterly Budget Review Statement.  
The motion was CARRIED.  
  
For:              Crs Biscotti, Livermore, Macdonald, Preston, Taskovski, Webster, Willis, Wilson and Winchester  
Against:        Crs Burton and Grundy

**10. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- 215/23      **10.1    Update on Bungendore Office and Swimming Pool Compulsory Acquisition Compensation Claim Matter, Leases and Office Relocation**  
**RESOLVED (Biscotti/Livermore)**  
That the report be received for information.  
The motion was CARRIED unanimously.
- 216/23      **10.2    Community Strategic Plan Update**  
**RESOLVED (Livermore/Biscotti)**  
That the report be received for information.  
The motion was CARRIED unanimously.
- 217/23      **10.3    Councillor Workshops**  
**RESOLVED (Winchester/Biscotti)**  
That the report be received for information.  
The motion was CARRIED unanimously.
- 218/23      **10.4    Site Inspection - DA.2022.1002 - Demolition and Construction Seven Storey Shop top housing – 202-214 Crawford Street, Queanbeyan**  
**RESOLVED (Biscotti/Grundy)**  
That the report be received for information.  
The motion was CARRIED unanimously.
- 219/23      **10.5    Site Inspection - DA.2021.1628A - 34 Powell Drive, Carwoola**  
**RESOLVED (Biscotti/Willis)**  
That the report be received for information.  
The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

**11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES****11.1 QPRC Environment and Sustainability Advisory Committee Minutes - December 2022, February 2023 and April 2023**

220/23

**RESOLVED (Willis/Livermore)**

That Council:

1. Note the minutes of QPRC Environment and Sustainability Advisory Committee held on 14 December 2022, 15 February 2023 and 17 April 2023.
2. Adopt the following recommendations:
  - a. That the terms of reference be adopted.
  - b. That the Committee provide recognition of Natasha Abbott's continued support of the ESAC committee and of environmental and sustainability programs as a whole and acknowledge her contribution to the QPRC natural environment over a long period of time.
  - c. That the Committee formally support the project by QPRC to improve roadside vegetation management.

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

**11.2 QPRC Heritage Advisory Committee Minutes - May 2023**

221/23

**RESOLVED (Willis/Wilson)**

That Council:

1. Note the minutes of QPRC Heritage Advisory Committee held on 11 May 2023.
2. Adopt recommendations 11/23 to 13/23 from the meeting held on 11 May 2023.

QPRC HAC 11/23

That the minutes of the meeting of 09 March 2023 be confirmed.

QPRC HAC 12/23

That the Committee defer the decision on the Petition and correspondence regarding the Clarke Gang Signage to the next meeting.

QPRC HAC 13/23

The Committee makes the following recommendations for the proposed development - DA.2022.1355:

1. The Committee supports the removal of the requirement for onsite loading and unloading facilities.
2. Shops should be setback a sufficient distance from the rear wall to enable the rear wall to be maintained and provide visibility of it.
3. The site visit revealed that the quality of the wall was not considered in the proposed design and as such the



location and design of the development should be revised.

4. The proposed number of units is considered overdevelopment of the site based on the Committee's site visit and should be reduced.

The motion was CARRIED.

For: Crs Burton, Livermore, Macdonald, Preston, Taskovski, Webster, Willis, Wilson and Winchester

Against: Crs Biscotti and Grundy

**11.3 Bungendore Town Centre and Environs Committee meeting minutes held on 1 May 2023**

222/23

**RESOLVED (Grundy/Winchester)**

That Council note the minutes of Bungendore Town Centre and Environs Committee meeting held on 1 May 2023.

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7.29pm and resumed at 7.37pm.

**12. NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

**12.1 Bungendore Community Centre**

223/23

**RESOLVED (Webster/Preston)**

That Council facilitate an urgent workshop to discuss:

- Allocating funds in the 23/24 Operational Plan for temporary accommodation and/or storage for community groups displaced through the compulsory acquisition of the Bungendore Community Centre.
- Consider utilising existing Council land assets or Council managed Crown Lands to accommodate temporary accommodation and/or storage for community groups displaced through the compulsory acquisition of the Bungendore Community Centre.

The motion was CARRIED.

For: Crs Biscotti, Burton, Livermore, Macdonald, Preston, Taskovski, Webster, Willis, Wilson and Winchester

Against: Cr Grundy

**12.2 Refugee Week**

224/23

**RESOLVED (Willis/Preston)**

That Council:

## 1. Note:

- a. Refugee Week will be held from 18 to 24 June this year with the theme of Finding Freedom.
  - b. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) estimates that more than 100 million people are displaced globally by persecution, conflict, violence, human rights violations and natural disasters.
  - c. More than 70,000 asylum seekers who have sought protection in Australia are waiting for their application to be determined, according to the Refugee Council of Australia.
  - d. This group includes 15,000 people unable to meet their basic needs because they do not have access to the Australian Government's Status Resolution Support Services Program.
2. Write to the Minister for Immigration, Andrew Giles, requesting the Australian Government expand the Status Resolution Support Services Program to ensure that these asylum seekers have access to this safety net.

The motion was CARRIED.

For: Crs Livermore, Macdonald, Preston, Taskovski,  
Webster, Willis and Winchester

Against: Crs Biscotti, Burton, Grundy and Wilson

**12.3 Solar Car Parks**

225/23

**RESOLVED (Willis/Macdonald)**

That Council:

## 1. Note:

- a. The potential to incorporate solar photovoltaic cells in car parks to generate renewable energy, as evidenced by installations in other local government areas of Australia and overseas.
  - b. The benefits of renewable energy for electric vehicle public charging infrastructure that can be co-located with car parks incorporating solar photovoltaic cells.
2. Develop a Policy to facilitate the installation of solar photovoltaic cells on roofing over at grade and multi-level public and private car parks in Queanbeyan-Palerang.

The motion was CARRIED.

For: Crs Biscotti, Burton, Livermore, Macdonald, Preston,  
Taskovski, Webster, Willis, Wilson and Winchester

Against: Cr Grundy

**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**

226/23

**RESOLVED (Winchester/Preston)**

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 High School Compensation Claim**

*Item 16.1 is confidential in accordance with s10(A) (g) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.*

**Item 16.2 Award for Tender 2023-05 - Traffic Management Systems**

*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.*

**Item 16.3 Award for Tender 2023-04 - Supply of Gravel and Quarry Materials**

*Item 16.3 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 16.4 Contract 10053841 - North Elmslea Pressure Pump**

*Item 16.4 is confidential in accordance with s10(A) (c) (di) 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 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.*

**Item 16.5 Road Closure and Land Sale**

*Item 16.5 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 motion was CARRIED unanimously.

The meeting then moved into Closed Session at 8.13pm to discuss the matters listed above.

**16.1 Bungendore High School Compensation Claim**

227/23

**RESOLVED (Biscotti/Winchester)**

That the report be received for information.

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

**16.2 Award for Tender 2023-05 - Traffic Management Systems**

228/23

**RESOLVED (Willis/Biscotti)**

That Council award the following tenderers as pre-qualified suppliers for the 2023-05 Traffic Management Systems Contract:

1. Platinum Traffic Service Pty Ltd
2. Titanium Traffic Management
3. Lack Group Traffic Pty Ltd
4. Care Traffic Management Pty Ltd
5. Braidwood Ground Spraying
6. D&D Traffic Management
7. Murra Southern Hire Pty Ltd

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

**16.3 Award for Tender 2023-04 - Supply of Gravel and Quarry Materials**

229/23

**RESOLVED (Biscotti/Wilson)**

That Council award the following tenderers as pre-qualified suppliers for the 2023-04 Supply of Gravel and Quarry Materials Contract:

1. Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd
2. Schmidt Quarries
3. Denrith Pty Ltd
4. Raymond Parnell Hall T/A Braidwood Cattle Co
5. Australian Regional Investments Pty Ltd

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

**16.4 Contract 10053841 - North Elmslea Pressure Pump**

230/23

**RESOLVED (Taskovski/Wilson)**

That Council:

1. In accordance with clause 178(1)(b) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, decline to accept any of the tender submissions received for Contract 10053841 – Construction of a Pressure Water Pump Station and site generator at North Elmslea, Bungendore.
2. In accordance with clauses 178(3)(e) and 178(4) of the Regulation, the General Manager is to enter into negotiations with Gongues Constructions Pty Ltd to continue the validity period of their tender until 31 March 2024 for the following reasons:
  - a. That the offers received were valid, competitive and comparable to the pre-tender estimate.
  - b. That the nominated contractor was assessed as the preferred tenderer through the formal tender evaluation process.
3. Receive a further report to award the Contract to Gongues Construction Pty Ltd, as negotiated by the General Manager, at the time the work is funded to proceed.

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

**16.5 Road Closure and Land Sale**

231/23

**RESOLVED (Biscotti/Grundy)**

That Council:

1. Close the part of public road between Rutledge Street and Lowe Car Park, between Lot 31 DP 771673 (6 Rutledge Street) and Lot 2 DP 748338 (10 Rutledge Street) (Shown in red in Figure 2 of this report) and that the land upon closure is vested in Council and classified as Operational Land.
2. Approve the General Manager to negotiate to sell the closed road in (1) to Village No.21 Pty Limited.
3. Receive a further report prior to finalising the sale of the closed road in (1) that details the outcome of the negotiations.
4. Close the part of public road to the south of Lot 5 DP 1179998 (Shown in green in Figure 2 of this report) and that the land upon closure be vested in Council and classified as Operational Land.

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

232/23

**RESOLVED (Winchester/Biscotti)**

That the meeting now return to Open Session.

The motion was CARRIED unanimously.

The meeting returned to Open Session at 8.55pm.

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 8.59pm, the Mayor announced that the Agenda for the meeting had now been completed.

**CR KENRICK WINCHESTER  
MAYOR  
CHAIRPERSON**