



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE QUEANBEYAN-PALERANG REGIONAL COUNCIL held via Zoom and at the Council Chambers, 257 Crawford Street, Queanbeyan on Wednesday, 8 May 2024 commencing at 5.30pm.

ATTENDANCE

Councillors: Cr Winchester (Chairperson)
Cr Biscotti
Cr Burton
Cr Grundy
Cr Livermore
Cr Macdonald
Cr Preston
Cr Taskovski
Cr Willis
Cr Wilson

Staff: R Ryan, General Manager
P Hansen, Director Infrastructure Services
J Richards, Director Community, Arts and Recreation
K Monaghan, Director Corporate Services
R Ormella, Director Development and Environment

Also Present: L Ison (Minute Secretary)

1. OPENING

The meeting commenced at 5.32pm.

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 April 2024**

187/24

RESOLVED (Winchester/Taskovski)

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in the Queanbeyan Council Chambers on Wednesday 24 April 2024 be confirmed.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

5. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

188/24

RESOLVED (Winchester/Macdonald)

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 5.34pm, Cr Winchester advised that the meeting should now adjourn for the Public Forum.

189/24

RESOLVED (Winchester/Preston)

That the meeting be adjourned to conduct the Public Forum.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned for the Public Forum at 5.34pm and resumed at 5.37pm.

Cr Macdonald requested the Mayor rule he accept an urgent Notice of Motion regarding the closure of ANZ's Queanbeyan Branch on the basis that it is an urgent matter, and cannot wait until the next Council meeting.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

190/24

RESOLVED (Macdonald/Burton)

That the urgent Notice of Motion regarding the closure of ANZ's Queanbeyan Branch is considered at this meeting.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

MATTER OF URGENCY

191/24

**Notice of Motion – Closure of ANZ’s Queanbeyan Branch
RESOLVED (Macdonald/Burton)**

That:

1. Council note:
 - i. The ANZ bank has announced it will close its Queanbeyan branch on 19 June 2024, and
 - ii. Face-to-face banking facilities provide an essential service to many residents, businesses that conduct cash transactions and also enhances local commerce through increased foot traffic and associated business activity.
2. The Mayor write to the CEO of the ANZ bank requesting that urgent reconsideration be given to the closure of the Queanbeyan branch of the ANZ bank.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

192/24

RESOLVED (Biscotti/Preston)

That item 9.4: Naming of QCCP and Public Spaces - Community Feedback, be brought forward for consideration at this juncture.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

193/24

**9.4 Naming of QCCP and Public Spaces - Community Feedback
RESOLVED (Wilson/Taskovski)**

That Council:

1. Endorse the naming of the new Council Administration Office and Public Spaces as follows:
 - The Building - The Nellie Hamilton Centre
 - Forecourt and Q Link - The Malunnggang Walk
 - Rooftop Gardens - Djara Gardens
 - Public Domain and Park - Aunty Louise Brown Park
2. Conduct an official opening and community event as soon as practicable.

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

Against: Cr Grundy

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT**7. MAYORAL MINUTE**

194/24

7.1 Mayoral Minute - Donation to HOME in Queanbeyan**RESOLVED (From the Chair)**

That Council approve the donation made to HOME in Queanbeyan for \$1,840; being the proceeds of the Garage Sale conducted on 4 May 2024.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

8. NOTICES OF MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

There were no Notices of Motions of Rescission.

9. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - ITEMS FOR DETERMINATION

195/24

9.1 Road Naming off Wirreanda Road, Wamboin**RESOLVED (Macdonald/Grundy)**

That Council:

1. Adopt in principle the name Top Flat Lane as the proposed name for one new road located off Wirreanda Road, Wamboin created under Development Consent MOD.2017.016, a 21 Lot Subdivision Stage two.
2. Advertise the proposed road names for public comment for 28 days.
3. Publish a notice in the NSW Government Gazette for the road name Top Flat Lane, if no objections are received during the advertising period.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

196/24

9.2 Cooma Street Water Mains Upgrades Review of Environmental Factors (REF)**RESOLVED (Grundy/Burton)**

That Council adopt the attached Cooma Road Water Mains Upgrade Review of Environmental Factors and incorporate same into the project contractual suite of documents.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

- 197/24
- 9.3 Braidwood Car Park**
RESOLVED (Wilson/Biscotti)
- That Council:
1. Endorse the General Manager executing the funding agreement for \$3 million from the Federal Government's Investing in our Local Communities Program for the Braidwood Car Park.
 2. Bring into the 2024/25 budget, total expenditure for this project of \$3,656,750 with funding of \$3m from grant, \$400,750 from internal infrastructure reserve, and \$256,000 of internal costs to be allocated to this project already funded from general revenue.
- For: Crs Biscotti, Burton, Livermore, Macdonald, Preston, Taskovski, Willis, Wilson and Winchester
Against: Cr Grundy
- 9.4 Naming of QCCP and Public Spaces - Community Feedback**
- This Item was dealt with in earlier business.
- 198/24
- 9.5 Cemeteries Strategy - Community Feedback**
RESOLVED (Willis/Biscotti)
- That Council endorse the Cemeteries Strategy with the suggested amendments.
- For: Crs Biscotti, Burton, Grundy, Livermore, Macdonald, Preston, Taskovski, Willis and Wilson
Against: Cr Winchester
- 199/24
- 9.6 Request for Donation Braidwood Preschool Developer Contribution Levies**
RESOLVED (Macdonald/Preston)
- That Council provide a donation of \$33,272 to cover the Developer Contribution Levies associated with DA.2021.1482.A for the Braidwood Preschool extension from the General Fund.
- The resolution was carried unanimously.

- 200/24
- 9.7 Draft Integrated Plans 2024-25**
RESOLVED (Wilson/Biscotti)
- That Council endorse the following draft Integrated Plans for public exhibition for 28 days:
- Operational Plan 2024-25
 - Service Statements 2024-25
 - Revenue Policy 2024-25
 - Fees and Charges 2024-25
 - Donations Policy
 - Guidelines Category H Donations
 - Long Term Financial Plan
- For: Crs Biscotti, Livermore, Preston, Taskovski, Willis, Wilson and Winchester
Against: Crs Burton, Grundy and Macdonald

- 201/24
- 9.8 Internal Audit Charter - Annual Review**
RESOLVED (Biscotti/Preston)
- That Council endorse the revised Internal Audit Charter.
- The resolution was carried unanimously.

10. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 202/24
- 10.1 Gateway Determination and Public Exhibition of Planning Proposal to Reclassify 19 Gibraltar Street, Bungendore from Community to Operational Land**
RESOLVED (Preston/Macdonald)
- That the report be received for information.
- The resolution was carried unanimously.
- 203/24
- 10.2 Response to Notice of Motion - Local Heritage Listings**
RESOLVED (Willis/Livermore)
- That the report be received for information.
- The resolution was carried unanimously.
- Cr Willis foreshadowed a Notice of Motion for the next meeting:
- That:
1. Council staff seek a meeting with Heritage NSW to discuss the removal in error of the local listing of the Albion Complex and a process to expedite reinstating the listing on Schedule 5 of the Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional LEP 2022; and
 2. Council staff make use of the Braidwood Historical Society's records and extensive knowledge of local heritage, including the site in question and its local heritage values, to assist in this matter.

204/24 **10.3 Bungendore Sports Hub Playing Fields**
RESOLVED (Macdonald/Burton)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

205/24 **10.4 Service Reviews**
RESOLVED (Biscotti/Burton)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

206/24 **10.5 Councillor Workshops**
RESOLVED (Wilson/Grundy)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

207/24 **11.1 Heritage Advisory Committee 4 April 2024**
RESOLVED (Willis/Preston)

That Council:

1. Note the minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting held on 4 April 2024.
2. Note recommendations from the meeting held on 4 April 2024:

- QPRC HAC – DA.2023.0495 - 75 Campbell Street Queanbeyan

The committee recommended unanimously that this DA be referred to Council's Heritage Advisor for comment given the social importance of the property, its visual prominence and noting the significance of the chimney.

- QPRC HAC – DA.2023.0038 - 7 Hirst Avenue Queanbeyan

The committee recommend unanimously that this DA be referred to Council's Heritage Advisor for review of the proposed changes to the windows, the bulk and visibility of the extension, the French doors and the addition of the carport.

- QPRC HAC – DA.2023.0543 - 65 Butmaroo Street Bungendore

Unanimously the committee does not support the design of this development. The two-storey nature of the proposed development is incompatible with the character of surrounding dwellings and this includes having an adverse impact on Rutledge Street.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

11.2 Queanbeyan Showground Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes November 2023 and February 2024

208/24

RESOLVED (Preston/Grundy)

That Council note the summary of the Queanbeyan Showground Advisory Committee meeting held on 13 November 2023 and note the minutes of the 12 February 2024 meeting.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

12. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

12.1 Notice of Motion - RB Smith Building

209/24

RESOLVED (Willis/Preston)

That Council receive a report on:

1. The feasibility and cost to make the RB Smith Centre available for use by community groups, providers of services and private hirers pending a Council decision on the long-term future use of the facility and site.
2. The potential revenue stream from meeting room hire to offset operational costs of the RB Smith Centre.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

12.2 Notice of Motion - Ending Violence Against Women

MOVED (Willis/Preston)

That Council:

1. Endorses community calls for more effective government action and funding to end violence against women.
2. Writes to the Prime Minister, The Hon Anthony Albanese, and the Premier of NSW, the Hon Chris Minns, expressing its support for their governments to take immediate steps to address the causes of this crisis.

AMENDMENT (Grundy/Burton)

That Council:

1. Endorses community calls for more effective government action and funding to end violence against women.
2. Writes to the Prime Minister, The Hon Anthony Albanese, and the Premier of NSW, the Hon Chris Minns, expressing its support for their governments to take immediate steps to address the causes of this crisis with an emphasis on First Nations women in regional and rural areas who are disproportionately represented as victims of domestic violence.

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

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

The motion of (of Crs Willis and Preston) was PUT.

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RESOLVED (Willis/Preston)

That Council:

1. Endorses community calls for more effective government action and funding to end violence against women.
2. Writes to the Prime Minister, The Hon Anthony Albanese, and the Premier of NSW, the Hon Chris Minns, expressing its support for their governments to take immediate steps to address the causes of this crisis.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

12.3 Notice of Motion - ICAN Campaign to abolish Nuclear Weapons

211/24

RESOLVED (Willis/Wilson)

That Council write to the Prime Minister, the Hon Anthony Albanese endorsing the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) Cities Appeal as follows:

‘Our city is deeply concerned about the grave threat that nuclear weapons pose to communities throughout the world. We firmly believe that our residents have the right to live in a world free from this threat. Any use of nuclear weapons, whether deliberate or accidental, would have catastrophic, far-reaching and long-lasting consequences for people and the environment. Therefore, we warmly welcome the adoption of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons by the United Nations in 2017, and we call on our national government to sign and ratify it without delay.’

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

212/24

**12.4 Notice of Motion - Gibraltar Street Bungendore, Road Safety
RESOLVED (Grundy/Macdonald)**

That Council investigate the options and steps necessary to implement a 40km/hr speed zone on Gibraltar Street between Molonglo and Majara Streets, and any other speed mitigating measures.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

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

There were no Items for Closed Session.

16. CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

The time being 7.44pm, the Mayor announced that the Agenda for the meeting had now been completed.

**CR KENRICK WINCHESTER
MAYOR
CHAIRPERSON**