



Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council held via Zoom and at the National Theatre, 100 Wallace Street, Braidwood on Wednesday, 11 June 2025 commencing at 5.30pm.

## ATTENDANCE

**Councillors:** Cr Winchester (Chairperson)  
Cr Broadbent  
Cr Livermore (from 5.39pm)  
Cr Macdonald  
Cr Taskovski  
Cr Waterhouse  
Cr Willis  
Cr Wilson

**Staff:** R Ryan, General Manager  
M Duff, 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 5.30pm.

### 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/Broadbent)**

That the apologies for non-attendance from Crs Grundy, Preston and Schweikert be received and that leave of absence be granted.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

- 854/25                      **3.1      Application for Leave of Absence - Cr Katrina Willis**  
**RESOLVED (Winchester/Macdonald)**  
That Council approve the Leave of Absence application submitted by Councillor Katrina Willis for the 9 July 2025 Council meeting.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

#### **4.      CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

- 855/25                      **4.1      Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 28 May 2025**  
**RESOLVED (Winchester/Taskovski)**  
That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in the WB Freebody Chambers, Nellie Hamilton Centre, on Wednesday 28 May 2025 be confirmed.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

#### **5.      DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

- 856/25                      **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 5.33pm, Cr Winchester advised that the meeting should now adjourn for the Public Forum.

- 857/25                      **RESOLVED (Winchester/Broadbent)**

That the meeting be adjourned to conduct the Public Forum.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**                      The meeting adjourned for the Public Forum at 5.33pm and resumed at 5.37pm.

#### **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 Proposal to Purchase Part of Council Operational Land at 16 Morisset Street, Queanbeyan****MOVED (Wilson/Taskovski)**

That Council:

1. Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Sindhiz Property Group, to transfer part of QPRC land at 15A Morisset Street carpark to Sindhiz Property Group.
2. Agree to the sale of Lot 12 DP 715626 to Sindhiz Property Group as per the MOU plus costs for: sale, registration of easement and boundary adjustment, and authorise the General Manager to execute the Sale Contract once pre-conditions for the sale are met and survey completed.

Cr Livermore joined the meeting at 5.39pm.

Cr Willis foreshadowed a contrary motion:

That Council:

1. Decline to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Sindhiz Property Group, to transfer part of QPRC land at 15A Morisset Street carpark to Sindhiz Property Group.
2. Develop a policy on the purchase and sale of Council land, including unsolicited approaches, to ensure transparency in Council's land dealings.

The motion of (Crs Wilson and Taskovski) was brought forward.

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**RESOLVED (Wilson/Taskovski)**

That Council:

1. Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Sindhiz Property Group, to transfer part of QPRC land at 15A Morisset Street carpark to Sindhiz Property Group.
2. Agree to the sale of Lot 12 DP 715626 to Sindhiz Property Group as per the MOU plus costs for: sale, registration of easement and boundary adjustment, and authorise the General Manager to execute the Sale Contract once pre-conditions for the sale are met and survey completed.

The resolution was carried.

For: Crs Broadbent, Macdonald, Taskovski, Wilson and Winchester

Against: Crs Livermore, Waterhouse and Willis

**9.2 Palerang Communities Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM) Issues Paper 2025****MOVED (Wilson/Macdonald)**

That Council:

1. Endorse the draft Palerang Communities Integrated Water Cycle Management Issues Paper 2025 for public exhibition for a period of 28 days.
2. Receive a future report on the results of any community feedback.

**AMENDMENT (Willis/Waterhouse)**

That Council defer consideration of the draft Palerang Communities Integrated Water Cycle Management Issues Paper 2025 to enable a Councillor workshop.

The amendment (of Crs Willis and Waterhouse) was put and carried unanimously, and became the motion.

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**RESOLVED (Willis/Waterhouse)**

That Council defer consideration of the draft Palerang Communities Integrated Water Cycle Management Issues Paper 2025 to enable a Councillor workshop.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

**9.3 Council Funding of Syringe Disposal Service - Queanbeyan Pharmacy****MOVED (Willis/Macdonald)**

That in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Service Agreement, Council provide 30 days written notice to the Queanbeyan Pharmacy that the funding of the needle and syringe disposal service will be discontinued.

**AMENDMENT (Wilson/Taskovski)**

That consideration of this matter be deferred following a Councillor workshop.

The amendment (of Crs Wilson and Taskovski) was put.

For: Crs Livermore, Taskovski, Waterhouse, Wilson and Winchester

Against: Crs Broadbent, Macdonald and Willis

The amendment was carried and became the motion.

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**RESOLVED (Wilson/Taskovski)**

That consideration of this matter be deferred following a Councillor workshop.

The resolution was carried.

For: Crs Livermore, Taskovski, Waterhouse, Wilson and Winchester  
Against: Crs Broadbent, Macdonald and Willis

#### 9.4 Councillor Remuneration

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##### **RESOLVED (Winchester/Macdonald)**

That Council:

1. Apply a zero percent increase to the annual Councillors and Mayoral Fee, effective from 1 July 2025, for year 2025/26.
2. Continue to allocate 10% of the Mayoral Fee to the Deputy Mayor's Councillor Fee in recognition of the additional duties for this role in supporting the Mayor.

The resolution was carried.

For: Crs Broadbent, Livermore, Macdonald, Taskovski, Waterhouse, Wilson and Winchester  
Against: Cr Willis

#### 9.5 Inclusion of Additional Members to QPRC Access Committee

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##### **RESOLVED (Macdonald/Waterhouse)**

That Council accept the proposed membership changes for the QPRC Access Committee to include one replacement member from each and one new member from Tirriwirri School.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

#### 9.6 QPRC First Nations Network

##### **MOVED (Livermore/Waterhouse)**

That Council endorse the proposed model of engagement and Terms of Reference for the QPRC First Nations Network.

##### **AMENDMENT (Willis/Broadbent)**

That Council endorse the proposed model of engagement and Terms of Reference for the QPRC First Nations Network, with the following addition to the Terms of Reference:

1. The operation of the First Nations Network will be reviewed after 12 months.
2. A report of the review, including any recommendations for adjustments to the Network's arrangements, will be provided to Council.

The amendment (of Crs Willis and Broadbent) was put.

For: Crs Broadbent, Macdonald, Taskovski, Waterhouse and Willis  
Against: Crs Livermore, Wilson and Winchester

The amendment was carried and became the motion.

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**RESOLVED (Willis/Broadbent)**

That Council endorse the proposed model of engagement and Terms of Reference for the QPRC First Nations Network, with the following addition to the Terms of Reference:

1. The operation of the First Nations Network will be reviewed after 12 months.
2. A report of the review, including any recommendations for adjustments to the Network's arrangements, will be provided to Council.

The resolution was carried.

For: Crs Broadbent, Macdonald, Taskovski, Waterhouse and Willis

Against: Crs Livermore, Wilson and Winchester

**9.7 Post-Exhibition Policy Report****MOVED (Macdonald/Winchester)**

That:

1. Council proceed to adopt the following policies:
  - Public Art Policy
  - Bin Inspection and Contamination Policy
  - Managing Unreasonable Conduct towards QPRC and its Employees Policy
  - Liquid Trade Waste Policy
  - Library Collections Policy
2. A post exhibition report for the Council-Related Development Application Conflict of Interest Policy be presented to the 25 June 2025 Council Meeting as a result of a submission being received.

**AMENDMENT (Willis/Winchester)**

That Council:

1. Proceed to adopt the following policies as amended:
  - a. Public Art Policy
  - b. Bin Inspection and Contamination Policy
  - c. Managing Unreasonable Conduct towards QPRC and its Employees Policy
  - d. Liquid Trade Waste Policy
  - e. Library Collections Policy
2. Defer consideration of the Council-Related Development Application Conflict of Interest Policy.
3. Amend Clause 5 of the Guidelines for when Development Applications are referred to Council to read as follows:

*Where the application relates to a Heritage Item or a property in the Heritage Conservation Area and the Heritage Advisor or QPRC Heritage Advisory Committee is not supportive.*

4. Re-exhibit the Guideline for 28 days. If no submissions are received, adopt the Guidelines as amended at Paragraph 3 above.

The amendment (of Crs Willis and Winchester) was put.

For: Cr Willis

Against: Crs Broadbent, Livermore, Macdonald, Taskovski, Waterhouse, Wilson and Winchester

The amendment was lost. The motion (of Crs Macdonald and Winchester) was brought forward in an amended form and put.

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**RESOLVED (Macdonald/Winchester)**

That:

1. Council proceed to adopt the following policies:
  - Public Art Policy
  - Bin Inspection and Contamination Policy
  - Managing Unreasonable Conduct towards QPRC and its Employees Policy
  - Liquid Trade Waste Policy
  - Library Collections Policy
2. A post exhibition report for the Council-Related Development Application Conflict of Interest Policy be presented to the 25 June 2025 Council Meeting as a result of a submission being received.
3. Council defer consideration of the Guidelines for Referral of Development Applications to Council Policy to a workshop.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

**9.8 Policy Review**

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**RESOLVED (Macdonald/Waterhouse)**

That Council:

1. Endorse the following QPRC Strategic Policies and place on exhibition for 28 days:
  - Sustainable Design of Council Buildings Policy
  - Tourism Policy
  - Health, Safety, Environment and Quality (HSEQ) Management Systems Policy
  - Open Burning Policy
  - Operations Sustainability Policy
  - Parking and Enforcement Priority Policy
2. If no submissions are received, the policies be adopted.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

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

- 866/25      **10.1 Braidwood Stormwater Program Update**  
**RESOLVED (Waterhouse/Macdonald)**  
That the report be received for information.  
  
The resolution was carried unanimously.
- 867/25      **10.2 Queanbeyan Sewage Treatment Plant Regional Solution ICON Water**  
**RESOLVED (Winchester/Wilson)**  
That the report be received for information.  
  
The resolution was carried unanimously.
- 868/25      **10.3 Advocacy for Regional Digital Connectivity Program - Wamboin, Sutton and Bywong**  
**RESOLVED (Macdonald/Broadbent)**  
That the report be received for information.  
  
The resolution was carried unanimously.
- 869/25      **10.4 Resolution Action Sheet**  
**RESOLVED (Broadbent/Wilson)**  
That the report be received for information.  
  
The resolution was carried unanimously.
- 870/25      **10.5 Councillor Workshops**  
**RESOLVED (Winchester/Broadbent)**  
That the report be received for information.  
  
The resolution was carried unanimously.

**11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

- 871/25      **11.1 Braidwood Floodplain Risk Management Committee Minutes - 29 April 2025**  
**RESOLVED (Waterhouse/Willis)**  
That Council note the minutes of the Braidwood Floodplain Risk Management Committee held on 29 April 2025.  
  
The resolution was carried unanimously.



**12. NOTICES OF MOTIONS****12.1 Notice of Motion - Election Signage**

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**RESOLVED (Macdonald/Broadbent)**

That Council holds a workshop to develop an election advertising policy which establishes guidelines for candidates, political parties and residents regarding the use of electoral advertising including, but not limited to, the placement and permissible period of election signage and enforcement mechanisms.

The resolution was carried.

For: Crs Broadbent, Livermore, Macdonald, Waterhouse,  
Willis and Winchester

Against: Crs Taskovski and Wilson

**13. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - DELEGATES REPORTS****13.1 Delegate Report - South East Australian Transport Strategy (SEATS) Meeting - 15 May 2025**

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**RESOLVED (Winchester/Broadbent)**

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

**14. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE****14.1 Questions With Notice - Textile Recycling Trial**

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**RESOLVED (Willis/Waterhouse)**

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

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

There were no matters for Closed Session.

**16. CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING**

The time being 6.56pm, the Mayor announced that the Agenda for the meeting had now been completed.

**CR KENRICK WINCHESTER**  
**MAYOR**  
**CHAIRPERSON**