

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, JERILDERIE ON TUESDAY 26 APRIL 2016, COMMENCING AT 9.00AM**

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**PRESENT**

Mayor RE McRae occupied the Chair, and also present were Councillors L Henery, TN Hogan, J E Hudson, F Bryce and G Smith.

Also present were Craig Moffitt, General Manager, David Tamlyn, Director of Technical Services, Susan Appleyard, Manager of Development and Vicki Sutton, Finance Manager.

**APOLOGIES**

**48/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hogan and Henery that the apology from Councillor T Sheed be received and leave of absence be granted.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**49/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Henery and Hudson that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 22 March 2016, as printed and circulated be confirmed.

**MAYORAL REPORT**

**50/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Henery and Hudson that the Mayoral Report (verbal) be adopted.

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

**LOOSE FILL ASBESTOS IMPLEMENTATION TASK FORCE 04.39.02**

At 9.30am Mr Peter Frazer of the Loose-fill Asbestos Taskforce joined the meeting to discuss the role of the Taskforce.

**51/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hudson and Bryce that a presentation from Mr Peter Frazer of the Loose-fill Asbestos Taskforce, be received by Council.

Meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.15am

Meeting re-opened at 10.30am

**MID MURRAY ZONE QUARTERLY REPORT**

**05.03**

At 10.30am Mr James Puniard, Acting Manager, Mid Murray Zone, joined the meeting to present the Mid Murray Zone Quarterly Report and 2016/17 bid.

**52/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Henery and Hudson that the Rural Fire Service Mid Murray Zone Quarterly Report, January to March 2016, be received, and the Draft Rural Fire Fighting Fund Estimates 2016/17 bid be approved.

At 11.05am Mr James Puniard departed the meeting.

**COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

**03.16.01**

**53/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hogan and Smith that the list of Community Fund infrastructure work, including additional items, be presented to Councillors for their prioritisation.

**VACANT COMMERCIAL PREMISES ON RETAIL HIGH STREETS**

**03.13**

**54/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hudson and Smith that Leichhardt Council's campaign for amendments to Commonwealth and State taxation legislation encouraging full occupancy for commercial premises on retail high streets be noted and no action be taken by Council.

**2016 BUSH BURSARY / CWA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**02.26**

**55/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Henery and Bryce that Council's involvement in the Bush Bursary / CWA Scholarship Program be considered after the outcome of the amalgamation process.

**CLOSURE OF POWELL STREET – SHOW N SHINE & TRACTORS EVENT 30 APRIL 2016**

**06.09**

Councillor Smith declared her pecuniary interest in this matter and vacated the building.

**56/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Henery that the request to close Powell Street for the Show N Shine & Tractors Event on Saturday 30 April 2016 be granted and barrier boards be placed in position from 7.30am until 3.00pm.

Councillor Smith returned to the meeting.

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.....General Manager .....Mayor

**YOUTH WEEK ACTIVITIES**

**02.23**

**57/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillor Hudson and Bryce that the report be adopted and thanks be extended to staff members Tianni Given, Ben Nash and Heidi Bryce for the generous amount of time given to ensure our youth enjoyed the activities provided.

**NEW EXEMPT AND COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CONTROLS FOR RURAL AND REGIONAL NSW**

**04.25.05**

**58/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hogan and Henery that:

1. The Department be congratulated on the proposed changes to State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development) 2008 for Rural and Regional NSW;
2. The Department of Planning and Environment be asked to confirm that under the proposed exempt development provisions the maximum floor areas for a farm building on a lot with an area greater than 2 hectares will be 500 square metres as noted in the Explanation of Intended Effect, not 200 square metres as listed in the summary of the proposal;
3. The prescribed height limit for silos under exempt development provisions be raised to 20 metres, as this will cover approximately 90% of silos currently being constructed;
4. The Department of Planning and Environment be asked to consider the inclusion of demountable farm office buildings as exempt development.

**COUNCILLORS & OFFICERS LIABILITY INSURANCE PUBLIC LIABILITY-PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE**

**03.02**

**59/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Hudson that Council's insurer be advised:

- a) That Council is currently unaware of any circumstances that would require an affirmative answer to any of the questions a) to d) above;
- b) Should individual Councillors or officers become aware, after inquiry, of any circumstances that would require affirmative answer to any of the questions a) to d) above prior to expiry of the policy on 30 June 2016, that these facts be advised to the General Manager immediately.

**QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 MARCH 2016 05.13**

**60/04/16 Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hogan and Hudson that the Report be adopted and variances to the budgets as outlined in the attachment be approved.

**LGNSW MEMBER SUBSCRIPTION 2016/17 03.29**

**61/04/16 Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hogan and Henery that the matter of membership of Local Government NSW be considered after the Minister announces the outcome of the merger proposals.

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**MINUTES OF THE JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE MEETINGS  
3 MARCH 2016 AND 7 APRIL 2016 02.09**

**62/04/16 Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Hudson that the Minutes of the Jerilderie Tidy Towns Committee Meetings held 3 March and 7 April 2016, be received.

**ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**LOAN BORROWINGS AS AT 31 MARCH 2016 05.14**

**63/04/16 Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hogan and Smith that the Loan Borrowings Report be adopted.

**STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES & SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT  
05.13**

**64/04/16 Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hudson and Bryce that the Statements of Bank Balances and Schedules of Investments as at 31 March 2016 be noted and received.

**NOXIOUS WEEDS / SALEYARDS / TRUCKWASH / STOCK CONTROL  
04.21**

**65/04/16 Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Hogan that the Noxious Weeds, Saleyards, Truckwash and Stock Control Report be adopted.

**WORKS IN PROGRESS 14/3/16 – 10/4/16**

**03.16.04**

**66/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hudson and Bryce that the Works in Progress Report be adopted.

**CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**WATER FILTRATION PLANT**

**05.35**

**67/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Hogan and Henery that this item be referred to the confidential section of the Council meeting which is closed to the public. This item is classified as confidential under section 10A (2) (g) of the Local Government Act 1993. The contents of the report contains advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

Council closed its meeting at 12.07pm

**WATER FILTRATION PLANT**

**05.35**

**68/04/16** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Henery and Hogan that the offers in regard to the Jerilderie Water Filtration Plant be rejected and Council not make any formal offer in response.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.20pm.

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Cr R E McRae  
**MAYOR**