

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF MURRUMBIDGEE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, JERILDERIE
ON TUESDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2021 COMMENCING AT 1.00PM**

OPENING OF MEETING

RECORDING & WEBCASTING OF MEETING

Mayor McRae advised those present the meeting is being recorded and the audio recording will be placed on Council's website. By speaking at a Council meeting, members of the public agree to being recorded and webcast.

PRESENT

Present were Councillors R McRae (Mayor) , R Black (Deputy Mayor), G Smith, F Bryce, G Gilbert, R Curphey, P Brown and C Chirgwin.

Also present was John Scarce, General Manager.

Council staff: Tom Dimec, Vicki Sutton, Steve Goodsall, Kelly Tyson, Sue Mitchell, William Wade, Justin Williams and Anne Lyons.

APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Councillor Phillip Wells.

01/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Gilbert and Chirgwin that the apology from Councillor Wells be received and leave of absence be granted.

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

02/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Bryce that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 17 December 2020, as printed and circulated, be confirmed.

CARRIED

PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

A pecuniary interest declaration was received from Councillor Robert Curphey in relation to Item 1 – General Manager's Monthly Report – section 2. Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF).

NOTICE OF RESCISSION

Nil

NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

MAYORAL REPORT

SC217

03/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Bryce and Black that the information contained in the Mayoral Report be noted.

CARRIED

DELEGATES' REPORTS

Nil

OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

GENERAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

SC218

04/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Brown and Gilbert that Council:

1. Place for wider public comment the redevelopment of the Coleambally Community Hall (once new drawings are completed enclosing the verandah), with final changes from consultation submitted to Council prior to engaging design drawings;
2. a) The General Manager be granted annual leave for the period 6 to 9 April 2021 (inclusive). Noting that the General Manager will remain contactable via email and mobile phone during this time;
 b) The General Manager be authorised to take the private use vehicle into the State of Queensland for the period 2 April 2021 to 11 April 2021 (inclusive).

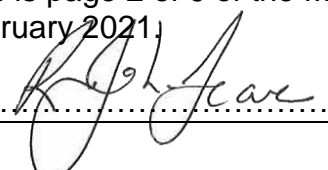
CARRIED

GENERAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

SC218

Councillor Curphey declared his pecuniary interest in this item and departed the building.

05/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Gilbert and Chirgwin that Council commit to \$3M as the matching funds for the redevelopment of the

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Darlington Point Caravan Park, further the funds be sourced in the form of loan borrowings from TCorp or another institution.

Councillor Curphey returned to the building.

PROGRESS REPORT WIRADJURI WALK **SC359**

06/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Bryce that Council receive the information provided in this report and resolve to fund \$123,000 of the pavement works for the Wiradjuri Walk project from the Section 7.11 Levy Contribution funds

CARRIED

MOBILE FOOD VANS ON PUBLIC LAND – POLICY **SC49**

07/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Black and Gilbert that the draft Mobile Food Vending Policy be adopted.

CARRIED

STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND – DECEMBER 2020 **SC137**

08/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Brown and Smith that the contents of the report be noted, and an increase to the Jerilderie Swimming Pool grant allocation, together with a corresponding decrease to the Jerilderie Water Filtration Plant Replacement grant allocation, in the amount of \$114,156.02, be approved.

CARRIED

QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW – DECEMBER 2020 **SC133**

09/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Smith that the report be noted and variances to the budgets, as outlined in the attachment, be approved.

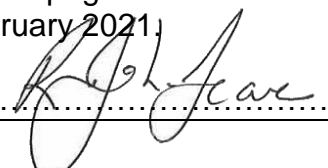
CARRIED

STREET LIGHTING – BULK LED UPGRADE **SC187**

10/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Brown and Bryce that Council note the details of the LED lighting upgrade, with updates provided as works progress.

CARRIED

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REPORTS/MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

MINUTES OF THE AUDIT RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE SC130

11/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Black that the information contained in the Audit Risk & Improvement Committee Minutes be noted.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING SC20

12/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Brown that the information contained in the Traffic Committee Minutes be noted.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE COLEAMBALLY AUSTRALIA DAY MEETING SC5

13/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Curphey that the information contained in the Coleambally Australia Day Committee Minutes be noted.

CARRIED

OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR NOTING

CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY SC6

14/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Smith that the information contained in the Australian Citizenship Ceremony Report be noted.

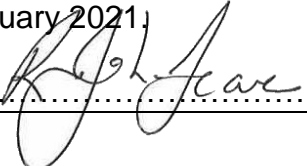
CARRIED

MONTHLY CASH & INVESTMENT REPORT – DECEMBER 2020 SC133

15/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Bryce that Council note the monthly Cash & Investment Report containing the bank balances and schedule of investments as at 31 December 2021.

CARRIED

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MONTHLY CASH & INVESTMENT REPORT – JANUARY 2021 SC133

16/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Bryce that Council note the monthly Cash & Investment Report containing the bank balances and schedule of investments as at 31 January 2021.

CARRIED

LOAN BORROWINGS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020 FY11

17/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Bryce that the information contained in the Loan Borrowings Report be noted.

CARRIED

NEW COUNCIL IMPLEMENTATION FUND – DECEMBER 2020 SC59

18/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Brown and Curphey that the information contained in the New Council Implementation Fund-December 2020 Report be noted.

CARRIED

RATES AND ANNUAL CHARGES COLLECTION REPORT – DECEMBER 2020 SC165

19/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Black and Chirgwin that the information contained in the Rates and Annual Charges Collection Report at 31 December 2020 be noted.

CARRIED

FINANCE MANAGER – MONTHLY REPORT SC218

20/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Black and Smith that the information contained in the Finance Manager Monthly Report be noted.

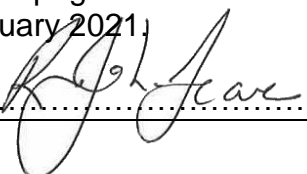
CARRIED

MANAGER PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT – MONTHLY REPORT SC218

21/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Bryce that the information contained in the Manager, Planning & Environment Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

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MANAGER, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES – MONTHLY REPORT **SC218**

22/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Smith that the information contained in the Manager, Corporate & Community Services Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

MANAGER, ECONOMIC & TOURISM DEVELOPMENT – MONTHLY REPORT **SC218**

23/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Bryce that the information contained in the Manager, Economic & Tourism Development Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

ASSET MANAGER – MONTHLY REPORT **SC218**

24/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Brown that the information contained in the Asset Manager Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

OPERATIONS MANAGER, MAINTENANCE – MONTHLY REPORT **SC218**

25/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Bryce that the information contained in the Operations Manager – Maintenance, Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

BUSH FIRE PREPAREDNESS **SC116**

26/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Brown and Smith that the information contained in the Bush Fire Preparedness Report be noted and updates be provided during each month of the fire season.

CARRIED

**DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS APPROVED UNDER DELEGATION,
DECEMBER 2020/JANUARY 2021** **SC210**

27/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Black and Smith that the information contained in the Development Applications Approved Under Delegation Report, December 2020/January 2021 be noted.

CARRIED

BIOSECURITY/SALEYARDS/TRUCKWASH/STOCK CONTROL **SC92**

28/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Brown and Smith that the information contained in the Biosecurity, Saleyards, Truckwash and Stock Control Report be noted.

CARRIED

WORKS IN PROGRESS **SC218**

29/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Gilbert that the information contained in the Works in Progress Report be noted.

CARRIED

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

BROLGA PLACE PPA EVALUATION **SC319**

30/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Brown that this item be referred to the **CONFIDENTIAL** section of the Ordinary Council Meeting which is closed to the public. This item is classified as confidential in accordance with Section 10A (2) (c) and (d) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:-

(c) Information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

(d) Commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:

- i. Prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it;
- iii. Reveal a trade secret.

CARRIED

REVENUE GENERATION

SC218

31/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Brown that this item be referred to the **CONFIDENTIAL** section of the Ordinary Council Meeting which is closed to the public. This item is classified as confidential in accordance with Section 10A (2) (c) and (d) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:-

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(d) Commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:

iii. Reveal a trade secret.

Council closed its meeting to the public at 2.54pm. Recording was stopped.

BROLGA PLACE PPA EVALUATION

SC319

32/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Brown and Bryce that Council authorise the General Manager to engage suitably qualified professionals, in the design and construction drawings for Brolga Place shade structure, landscaping and building modification. Further advising Linked Group Services Pty Ltd that we will not be proceeding with their tender proposal.

CARRIED

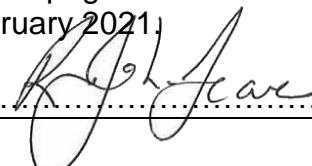
REVENUE GENERATION

SC218

33/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Chirgwin that Council endorse the recommendations contained within the Revenue Generation Report.

34/02/21 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Bryce that open Council resume.

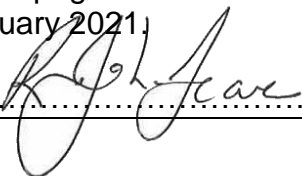
At 3.41pm open Council resumed, with the meeting re-opened to the public. Recording re-commenced.

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The Mayor informed the meeting of resolutions 32/02/21 and 33/02/21 as adopted in the confidential section of the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.46pm.

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Cr R E McRae
MAYOR

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