

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF MURRUMBIDGEE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE IAN GILBERT ROOM, JERILDERIE CIVIC HALL
ON TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2020, 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 or Committee Meeting, members of the public agree to being recorded and webcast.

PRESENT

Present were Councillors R McRae (Mayor), R Black (Deputy Mayor) via video conference, G Smith, F Bryce, P Wells, G Gilbert and C Chirgwin.

Also present was John Scarce, General Manager.

Council staff: William Wade, Sue Mitchell, Kelly Tyson, Anne Lyons, Johann Pereira and Kellie Dissegna

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Pat Brown and Robert Curphey.

207/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Chirgwin that the apologies from Councillors Brown and Curphey be received and leave of absence be granted.

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

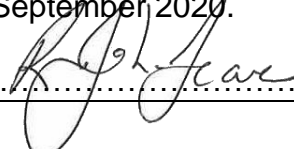
208/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Chirgwin that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 25 August 2020, as printed and circulated, be confirmed.

CARRIED

PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

A pecuniary interest declaration was received from Councillor Bryce in relation to Item 22 – Organisational Structure.

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NOTICE OF RESCISSION

NIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

NIL

MAYORAL REPORT

SC217

209/09/20 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Gilbert and Smith that the information contained in the Mayoral Report be noted.

CARRIED

DELEGATES' REPORTS

NIL

OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

GENERAL MANAGER MONTHLY REPORT

SC218

210/09/20 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Smith that Council:

1. Adopt the Draft Media & Communications Policy;
2. Note the balance of information contained in the General Manager's Monthly Report .

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEETINGS 2020/2021

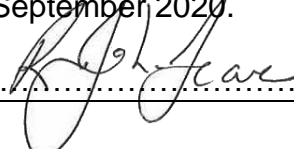
SC218

211/09/20 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Smith and Chirgwin that:

- a) Council schedule monthly Council meetings for the fourth Tuesday of the months October 2020 to December 2020, February 2021 to September 2021;
- b) Council meetings commence at 1.00pm;
- c) The venue for the October, November and December meetings be Jerilderie, with alternate venues (Jerilderie and Darlington Point) in 2021 to be considered at the December Council meeting;
- d) The decision as to whether there will be an annual Councillor/Staff meeting be decided at the October meeting of Council, potentially requiring a change to the December 2020 Council meeting date.

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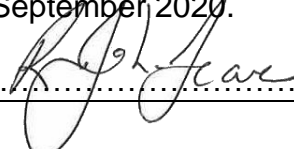
APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES TO COUNCIL COMMITTEES SC64

212/09/20 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Gilbert and Smith that Council appoint representatives to Standing and Special Committees, Section 355 Committees, Advisory and External Committees, as detailed below:

Standing and Special Committees of Council	
Committee Name	Councillor Representation
Internal Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee	Cr Smith and 2 independents-at least one with financial expertise
General Manager's Review Committee	Mayor and Deputy Mayor
Darlington Point Caravan Park Committee	Mayor, Cr Wells, Cr Gilbert
Darlington Point Floodplain Risk Management Committee (formerly DP Levee Committee)	Cr Curphey, Cr Gilbert, Cr Wells
Traffic Committee	Cr Black (voting delegate) (alternate Cr Smith) Mr Ian Girdwood represents Mr J Clancy MP Mr Shaun Gras represents Helen Dalton MP
Local Emergency Management Committee	Cr Black (alternate Cr McRae)

Section 355 Committees of Council	
Committee Name	Councillor Representation
Coleambally Australia Day Committee	Cr Chirgwin
Jerilderie Australia Day Committee	Cr McRae, Cr Bryce
Coleambally Townlife Committee	Cr Chirgwin, Cr Brown
Darlington Point Townlife / Australia Day Committee	Cr Wells
Heritage Darlington Point	Cr McRae
Balmeringa Management Committee	Cr Bryce, Cr Smith
Central Coree Sports Complex Management Committee	Cr McRae
Yamma Recreation Reserve Management Committee	Cr Chirgwin
Jerilderie Tidy Towns Committee	Cr Bryce, Cr McRae
Murrumbidgee Business Chamber	Mayor (alternate Cr Smith)
Murrumbidgee Economic & Tourism Advisory Group (METAG)	Mayor

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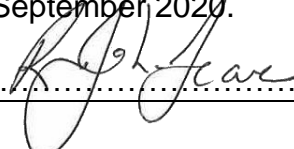
Advisory Committee	
Committee Name	Councillor Representation
Monash Park Users	Cr Smith, Cr McRae
Coleambally Sports Precinct Advisory Committee	Cr Black (alternate Cr Chirgwin and Cr Brown)
Boat Ramp Darlington Point-Advisory Committee	Cr Curphey, Cr Wells and Cr Gilbert
Darlington Point Master Landuse Plan Advisory Committee	Mayor, Cr Curphey, Cr Gilbert, Cr Wells

External Committees with Council Representation	
Committee Name	Councillor Representation
CICL/Coleambally Environmental and Reference Committee (CERC)	Cr McRae (3 year term from 1 July 2020)
Kidman Way Promotional Committee	Cr McRae (voting delegate) (alternate Cr Chirgwin)
Newell Highway Promotional Committee	Cr McRae (alternate Cr Smith)
Mid Murray Zone Bushfire Management Committee	Cr Smith and Cr Bryce
Berrigan Jerilderie Community Network	Cr Smith
MIA Zone Bushfire Management Committee	Cr Chirgwin (alternate Cr Black)
MIA Zone Rural Fire Service Liaison Committee	Cr Chirgwin
Murray Darling Association	Mayor (alternate Deputy Mayor)
Western Riverina Libraries Committee	Cr Smith (voting delegate)
South West Zone Library Committee	Cr Smith
Western Riverina Arts	Cr Bryce
Thrive Riverina	Cr McRae
Roads and Maritime Services Consultative Committee	Mayor (alternate Deputy Mayor)
RAMJO	Mayor (alternate Deputy Mayor)
Western Region Joint Planning Panel	Mayor and Deputy Mayor (alternate Cr Brown)

Internal Council Committee	
Committee Name	Councillor Representation
Scholarship Committee	Council as a whole
Community Grants Committee	Council as a whole

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Consultant Town Planner Steve Parisotto joined the meeting via video conference to present the report.

213/09/20 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Chirgwin that:

- (a) Murrumbidgee Council, as the consent authority pursuant to Section 4.16(1)(a) of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979, grant consent to Development Application No: DA 28-2020 for a *recreation facility (indoor)* on Lot 86 DP 236144, Coleambally Sportsground, Coleambally subject to the conditions including those set out in Attachment # 4.
- (b) The Development Application be delegated to the Manager Planning & Environment for issue of the notice of determination.

CARRIED

In favour: Councillors Smith, Chirgwin, Wells, Black, Gilbert, Bryce and McRae

Opposed: Nil

Absent: Councillors Brown and Curphey

Steve Parisotto departed the meeting.

DRAFT MODEL ASBESTOS POLICY

SC49

214/09/20 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Chirgwin that the draft Asbestos Policy be endorsed by Council and placed on public exhibition for 30 days, inviting public comment.

CARRIED

DRY WEATHER ACCESS ONLY ROADS

SC116

215/09/20 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Black and Gilbert that “DRY WEATHER ROAD ONLY” signs be installed on Kook Road; Kulki Lane; McLennons Bore Road and Old Morundah Road indicating the road is dry weather only and dangerous when wet. Signs to be installed at the start of each road and at any intersection on road.

CARRIED

REPORTS/MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

SC20

216/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Bryce that the information contained in the Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes be noted.

CARRIED

OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR NOTING

MONTHLY CASH & INVESTMENT REPORT – AUGUST 2020 SC133

217/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Smith that Council note the monthly Cash & Investment Report containing the bank balances and schedule of investments as at 31 August 2020.

CARRIED

CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

SC6

218/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Gilbert that the information contained in the Citizenship Ceremony Report be noted.

CARRIED

FINANCE MANAGER – MONTHLY REPORT

SC218

219/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Smith that the information contained in the Finance Manager Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

MANAGER PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT– MONTHLY REPORT SC218

220/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Smith 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**

221/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Bryce that the information contained in the Manager, Corporate & Community Services Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

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

222/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Smith that the information contained in the Manager, Economic & Tourism Development Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

BUSH FIRE PREPAREDNESS **SC116**

223/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Chirgwin that the information in the Bush Fire Preparedness Report be noted, and updates be provided during each month of the fire season.

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

224/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Gilbert that the information contained in the Operations Manager, Maintenance – Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

ASSET MANAGER – MONTHLY REPORT **SC218**

225/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Black and Chirgwin that the information contained in the Asset Manager Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

OPERATIONS MANAGER, CONSTRUCTION – MONTHLY REPORT

SC218

226/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Chigwin that the information contained in the Operations Manager, Maintenance - Monthly Report be noted.

CARRIED

**DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION APPROVED UNDER DELEGATION,
AUGUST 2020**

SC210

227/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Smith that the information contained in the Development Application Approved Under Delegation Report, August 2020, be noted.

CARRIED

BIOSECURITY/SALEYARDS/TRUCKWASH/STOCK CONTROL

SC92

228/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Chirgwin that the information contained in the Biosecurity, Saleyards, Truckwash and Stock Control Report be noted.

CARRIED

WORKS IN PROGRESS 17/08/2020 to 14/09/2020

SC218

229/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Gilbert and Black that the information contained in the Works in Progress Report be noted.

CARRIED

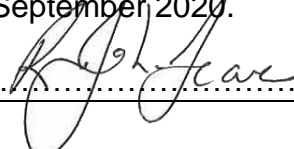
CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

SALE OF COUNCIL LAND – CALROSE AVENUE, COLEAMBALLY

SC88

230/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Bryce 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) (a) and (c) 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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- (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors),
- (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

CARRIED

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

SC329

231/09/20 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Smith and Bryce 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) (a) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:-

- (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors)

Council closed its meeting to the public at 2.18pm, and recording was stopped.

SALE OF COUNCIL LAND – CALROSE AVENUE, COLEAMBALLY

SC88

232/09/20 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Smith and Black that Council accept the offer of \$30,000 to purchase Lot 482 DP 854920 Calrose Avenue Coleambally, with the condition that within twelve months from settlement, the existing buildings are demolished and clean up of the block is carried out by the purchaser at no cost to Council.

CARRIED

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

SC329

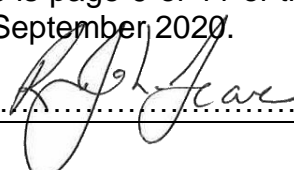
Councillor Bryce declared her pecuniary interest in this matter and departed the building.

233/09/20 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Black that Council endorse the categorisation of the Director of Infrastructure into the organisational structure as a senior staff position, subject to a 5 year performance based contract, noting that the proposed structure presented will have amendments to the Infrastructure section following further consultation being undertaken.

CARRIED

Councillor Bryce returned to the meeting.

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ITEM WITHOUT NOTICE

TENDER-LAKE JERILDERIE BANK RESTORATION

SC138

234/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Gilbert and Smith that this item without notice be accepted as it requires resolution before the next scheduled meeting.

CARRIED

TENDER-LAKE JERILDERIE BANK RESTORATION

SC138

235/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Smith and Wells 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.

TENDER-LAKE JERILDERIE BANK RESTORATION

SC138

236/09/20 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Gilbert and Bryce that Lawton Earthworks be awarded the Lake Jerilderie bank restoration contract, as the preferred method of reconstruction, in accordance with clause 178 (l)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, at a cost of \$184,500 (GST inclusive).

CARRIED

Open Council resumed at 2.38pm with the meeting re-opened to the public. Recording resumed.

The Mayor informed the meeting of resolutions 232/09/20, 233/09/20 and 236/09/20 as adopted in the Confidential section of the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2.40pm

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Cr R E McRae
MAYOR

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