

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF MURRUMBIDGEE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE SPORTS STADIUM, COLEAMBALLY
ON TUESDAY 27 JUNE 2023 COMMENCING AT 11.00AM**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mayor McRae paid respect to the traditional custodians of the lands and waters of Murrumbidgee Local Government Area, and to all Aboriginal Elders, past and present and emerging. We are committed to honouring the continuing connection that First Australians hold to Murrumbidgee's land, waters and community, as one of the oldest living cultures in human history.

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), F Bryce, T Mauger (via video), C Chirgwin, T Strachan, R Curphey, G Gilbert and J Saxvik.

Also present was General Manager, John Scarce, Director of Infrastructure, Tom Dimec, Director Planning, Community & Development, Garry Stoll and Chief Financial Officer, Kaitlin Salzke.

Senior Planner Steve Parisotto attended the meeting.

APOLOGIES

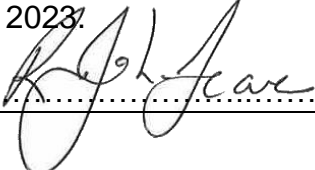
NIL

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

91/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Bryce that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 23 May 2023, as printed and circulated, be confirmed.

CARRIED

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

PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

A pecuniary interest declaration was received from Councillor Gavin Gilbert and Councillor Judith Saxvik in relation to item 17 – Lions Club Grant Program.

NOTICE OF RESCISSION

Nil

NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

PRESENTATION TO MAYOR McRAE, OAM

Deputy Mayor, Councillor Robert Black, presented flowers to Mayor Ruth McRae in recognition of her receipt of the Order of Australia Medal in the King's Birthday Honours 2023.

MAYORAL REPORT

SC217

92/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Strachan and Gilbert that the information contained in the Mayoral Report be noted.

CARRIED

DELEGATES' REPORTS

Nil

OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

GENERAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

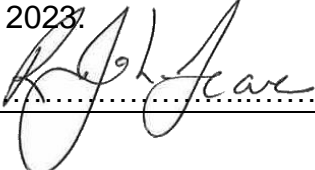
SC218

93/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Gilbert and Chirgwin that the information contained in the General Manager's Monthly Report be noted, and Council:

1. Authorise the General Manager to express interest in the Growing Regions Program Round 1 for the Darlington Point Caravan Park, upgrading to the value of \$12M with Council's contribution of \$1.2M;
2. Donate traffic control services to the Darlington Point Town Life Spring Festival to be held Saturday 16 September 2023.

CARRIED

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..........General ManagerMayor

AUDIT RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE
SC130

94/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Gilbert that the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee Terms of Reference be adopted by Council.

CARRIED

FINANCIAL RESERVES POLICY **SC49**

95/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Curphey that the Financial Reserves Policy be adopted.

CARRIED

OPERATIONAL PLAN 2023-24 **SC132; SC133; SC241**

96/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Saxvik and Chirgwin that Council adopt the amended Operational Plan 2023-2024 and Fees & Charges 2023-2024, incorporating feedback from public submissions received.

CARRIED

CYCLEWAY ACCESS STRATEGIES (PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AND MOBILITY PLAN STRATEGIES) **SC558**

97/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Curphey that Council adopt the Cycleway Access Strategies for Jerilderie, Coleambally and Darlington Point (previously identified as Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan Strategies - PAMPs).

CARRIED

REVISED MURRUMBIDGEE COUNCIL ENFORCEMENT POLICY SC49

98/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Strachan and Chirgwin that the revised Murrumbidgee Council Enforcement Policy be adopted.

CARRIED

DRAFT ON-SITE SEWAGE MANAGEMENT POLICY **SC49**

99/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Gilbert and Bryce that the draft On-Site Sewage Management Policy be adopted.

CARRIED

DRAFT UNDERGROUND PETROLEUM STORAGE SYSTEMS POLICY
SC4

100/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Strachan that the draft Underground Petroleum Storage Systems Policy be adopted.

CARRIED

**REVISED PRIVATE SWIMMING POOL INSPECTION PROGRAM
POLICY SC49**

101/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Strachan and Saxvik that the revised Private Swimming Pool Inspection Program Policy be adopted.

CARRIED

REVISÉD KEEPING OF ANIMALS IN URBAN AREAS POLICY SC49

102/06/23 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Saxvik that the revised Keeping of Animals in Urban Areas Policy be adopted.

CARRIED

DRAFT SCHOLARSHIPS, DONATIONS AND COMMUNITY GRANTS POLICY SC49

103/06/23 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Saxvik that the draft Scholarships, Donations and Community Grants Policy be adopted.

CARRIED

DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT COREE CENTRAL HALL **SC119**

104/06/23 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Strachan that the draft Plan of Management for Coree Central Hall be endorsed by Council, enabling it to proceed to public exhibition.

CARRIED

Senior Planner Steve Parisotto departed the meeting.

DRAFT ALCOHOL FREE ZONE POLICY**SC100; SC49**

105/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Gilbert that:

1. The draft Alcohol-Free Zone Policy be endorsed by Council and placed on public exhibition for 28 days seeking community comment;
2. At the completion of the exhibition period, the draft Alcohol-Free Zone Policy be presented to Council for adoption.

CARRIED

COLEAMBALLY RIVERINA VINTAGE MACHINERY CLUB RALLY SC26

106/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Gilbert that Council endorse the Coleambally Riverina Vintage Machinery Club Rally Vehicle Run 12-13 August 2023.

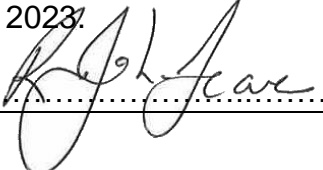
CARRIED

COMMUNITY GRANTS**SC361**

107/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Strachan that funding recipients for the 2022/23 Community Grants Program be as detailed below:

| Organisation | Amount Requested | Purpose |
|--|------------------|--|
| Central Coree Community Centre | \$1,924.00 | Fridge freezer and folding trestle tables |
| Coleambally Community Gym | \$2,000.00 | Defibrillator and wall mount |
| Coleambally Rescue Squad | \$2,000.00 | Tools and equipment for Light Rescue Vehicle |
| Cypress View Lodge Ltd | \$2,000.00 | Treatment Chair |
| Darlington Point Pubic School P&C | \$2,000.00 | Intensive swimming lessons for all students |
| Jerilderie Early Learning Centre | \$2,000.00 | Installation of fencing and a single gate between vegetable garden/ chicken pen and the staff outdoor break area |
| Jerilderie Football Club | \$1,595.00 | Purchase of defibrillator |
| Riverina Vintage Machinery Club Inc. Rally Coleambally | \$2,000.00 | Contribution towards hire of equipment, fencing and upgrade of tractor pull track for Vintage Rally |

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

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| Toganmain Woolshed Precinct Inc | \$ 711.63 | Global Rainwater Tank Squat 2000lt to provide water for toilet block |
| YACTAC - Yanco Creek & Tributaries Council Inc | \$1,105.00 | Tools and equipment for riparian planting events |

CARRIED

COLEAMBALLY SOLAR FARM COMMUNITY FUND

SC361

108/06/23 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Strachan that funding recipients for the 2022/23 Coleambally Solar Farm Community Fund, as detailed below, be recommended to Coleambally Solar Pty Ltd:

| Organisation | Amount Requested | Purpose |
|--|-------------------------|--|
| Coleambally Central School P&C Association | \$1,680.00 | Intensive swimming lessons |
| Coleambally Rescue Squad | \$1833.00 | Stabilisation equipment for Light Rescue Vehicle |
| Coleambally Rural Fire Brigade | \$3,000.00 | Washer/dryer |
| Country Education Foundation of Coleambally-Darlington Point | \$3,000.00 | Contribution towards Education Grants |
| Coleambally Darlington Point Junior Rugby League | \$ 487.00 | Leaf Blower and Rubber Mats |

CARRIED

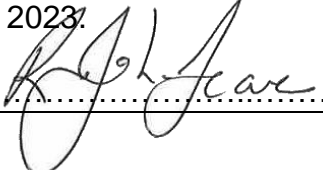
LIONS CLUB GRANT PROGRAM

SC361

109/06/23 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Curphey that the recipient of the 2022/23 Lions Club Grant (\$2,000) be Darlington Point Early Learning Centre, for expenses associated with the setting up of the not for profit organisation, including insurances, approval, incorporation and fees.

CARRIED

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..........General ManagerMayor

REPORTS/MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES SC21

110/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Curphey that the information contained in the Jerilderie Tidy Towns Committee Minutes be noted.

CARRIED

OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR NOTING

MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT – MAY 2023 SC133

111/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Saxvik that Council note the monthly Investment Report identifying all money Council has invested under Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION APPROVED UNDER DELEGATION, MAY 2023 SC210

112/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Black and Chirgwin that the information contained in the Development Application Approved Under Delegation Report, May 2023, be noted.

CARRIED

ITEM WITHOUT NOTICE

COUNCIL HOUSING REPLACEMENT STRATEGY SC88

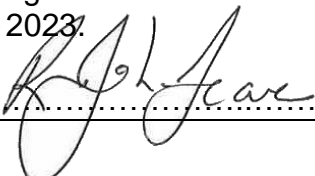
113/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Strachan that this item without notice be accepted and referred to the June 2023 meeting of Council, as it requires resolution before the next scheduled meeting.

COUNCIL HOUSING REPLACEMENT STRATEGY SC88

114/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Black and Bryce that:

1. Session Builders be engaged by Council to construct a replacement dwelling (Rosemont 26 MK2) as the General Manager's residence at Lot 43, 10 Argoon Avenue, Jerilderie;

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..........General ManagerMayor

2. Under Section 55 (3) (i) of the Local Government Act 1993, Session Builders be awarded the contract for the construction of the Rosemont 26 MK2 design, due to the remoteness of our locality and the unavailability of competitive tenderers.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ESSENTIAL ENERGY SITE, DARLINGTON POINT

SC87

115/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Chirgwin 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) (d) ii) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

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

ii) Confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council.

CARRIED

ENGAGEMENT OF CONTRACTORS TO DELIVER CIVIC HALL UPGRADE & MONASH PARK NETBALL CHANGE ROOM CONSTRUCTION

SC84; SC372

116/06/23 **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Chirgwin 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) 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.

CARRIED

Council closed its meeting to the public at 12.06pm. Recording was stopped.

- 117/06/23** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Black and Strachan that Council express interest in the Essential Energy site in Darlington Point, and authorise the General Manager to offer the amount as prescribed by Council.

CARRIED

**ENGAGEMENT OF CONTRACTORS TO DELIVER CIVIC HALL
UPGRADE & MONASH PARK NETBALL CHANGE ROOM
CONSTRUCTION** **SC84; SC372**

- 118/06/23** **Resolved** on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Strachan that:
1. Council determines, in accordance with Section 55(3)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for the Jerilderie Civic Hall upgrade, due to:
 - a. the remoteness of the locality, and
 - b. the unavailability of competitive or reliable tenderers.
 2. Council determines, in accordance with Section 55(3)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for the construction of netball change rooms at Monash Park, Jerilderie, due to:
 - a. the remoteness of the locality, and
 - b. the unavailability of competitive or reliable tenderers.
 3. Dezin Pty Ltd be engaged to deliver the Jerilderie Civic Hall upgrade (part of the enhancement of Luke Park), and the SCCF 4 Netball Change Rooms at Monash Park, Jerilderie, provided their quote is such that the grant funded works can be completed within budget.

CARRIED

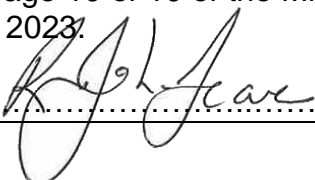
Open Council resumed at 12.20pm with the meeting re-opened to the public. Recording resumed.

The Mayor informed the meeting of resolutions 117/06/23 and 118/06/23 as adopted in the Confidential section of the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.24pm

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Cr R E McRae
MAYOR

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