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## **MINUTES**

EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

HELD ON

24 SEPTEMBER 2012

AT 7.00pm

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LITHGOW COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE CIVIC CENTRE, LITHGOW ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2012**

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Meeting Commenced 7.00pm

Public: 69

**PRESENT**

Councillor M Statham  
Councillor F Inzitari  
Councillor R Thompson  
Councillor W McAndrew  
Councillor R Higlett  
Councillor J J McGinnes  
Councillor C Hunter  
Councillor M F Ticehurst  
Councillor P Pilbeam

**APOLOGIES**

NIL

**Also in attendance**

Mr Roger Bailey, General Manager  
Mr Andrew Muir, Group Manager Environment and Development  
Ms Ally Shelton, Acting Group Manager Community and Strategy  
Mr Iain Stewart, Group Manager Operations  
Mrs Carol Farnsworth, Finance Manager

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The General Manager declared the meeting open at 7.00pm and welcomed those present.

### **Election of Chairperson**

The General Manager advised that as there was not a chairperson present that one needed to be appointed by Council for the initial stages of the meeting.

Councillor W McAndrew was nominated as Chair by Councillor Thompson and Councillor Inzitari, there were no further nominations.

The General Manager declared Councillor McAndrew appointed as chairperson.

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### **ITEM-1            GM - 24/09/12 - NOMINATIONS FOR AND ELECTIONS FOR THE POSITION OF MAYOR 2012/13**

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#### **12-336 RESOLVED**

**THAT** Council:

1. Proceeds with the election of the Mayor; and
2. Use open voting for the election.

**MOVED:** Councillor R Thompson

**SECONDED:** Councillor M F Ticehurst

The General Manager advised that two nominations had been received for the position of Mayor for the 12 month period to September 2013 - Councillor M Statham, nominated by Councillors R Higlett and F Inzitari; and Councillor M Ticehurst, nominated by Councillors M Ticehurst and J McGinnes.

The General Manager called for any further nominations, none were received. An election was conducted via open voting with the following result:

Councillor Statham - 7 votes  
Councillor Ticehurst - 2 votes

The General Manager declared Councillor M Statham as Mayor for the period of September 2012 - September 2013.

The Mayor Councillor Maree Statham assumed the Chair.

Mayor Statham made a short speech thanking those that had supported her.

**ITEM-2            GM- 24/09/12 - NOMINATION FOR THE ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY  
MAYOR FOR 2012/13**

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**12-337 RESOLVED**

**THAT** Council:

1. Notes the report on the appointment of and procedure for the election of a Deputy Mayor;
2. Resolves that a Deputy Mayor is to be elected from its number for the Mayoral term;
3. Holds an election for the position of Deputy Mayor on the same basis as for the Mayoral position; and
4. Determined the fee that is to be paid to the Deputy Mayor is Nil.

**MOVED:** Councillor M F Ticehurst

**SECONDED:** Councillor R Thompson.

The General Manager advised that two nominations were received for the position of Deputy Mayor for the 12 month period to September 2013 - Councillor R Thompson, nominated by Councillor P Pilbeam and R Higlett; and Councillor J McGinnes, nominated by Councillors J McGinnes and M Ticehurst.

The General Manager called for any further nominations, none were received. An Election was conducted via open voting with the following result:

Councillor Thompson - 7 votes  
Councillor McGinnes - 2 votes

The General Manager declared Councillor R Thompson as Deputy Mayor for the period of September 2012 - September 2013.

**ITEM-3            GM - 24/09/12 - PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO 2012 ORDINARY  
MEETING SCHEDULE**

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**12-338 RESOLVED**

**THAT** Council hold its remaining Ordinary Council meetings for 2012 on:

- 15 October 2012
- 5 November 2012
- 26 November 2012
- 17 December 2012

**MOVED:** Councillor M F Ticehurst

**SECONDED:** Councillor J J McGinnes.

**ITEM-4            GM - 24/09/12 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF NSW ANNUAL  
CONFERENCE 2012**

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**12-339 RESOLVED**

**THAT** Councillors Statham (Mayor), Councillor Thompson (Deputy Mayor), Councillor Hunter be appointed as voting delegates to the Local Government of NSW Annual Conference, with Councillor Higlett as an alternative and/or possible observer.

**MOVED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**SECONDED:** Councillor R Thompson.

**BUSINESS OF GREAT URGENCY**

*In accordance with Clause 241 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 business may be transacted at a meeting of Council even though due notice of the business has not been given to the Councillors. However, this can happen only of:*

- a) *A motion is passed to have the business transacted at the meeting: and*
- b) *The business proposed to be brought forward is ruled by the Chairperson to be of great urgency.*

NIL

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.17pm