



A CENTRE OF REGIONAL EXCELLENCE

MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

HELD ON

10 FEBRUARY 2014

AT 7.00pm

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LITHGOW COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE CIVIC CENTRE, LITHGOW ON 10 FEBRUARY 2014**

Meeting Commenced 7.00pm

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Public: 27

PRESENT

Her Worship the Mayor
Councillor M Statham
Councillor R Thompson
Councillor C Hunter
Councillor F Inzitari
Councillor J J McGinnes
Councillor P Pilbeam

OTHER ABSENTEES

Councillor M F Ticehurst (Suspended)

APOLOGIES

An apology was received from and leave of absence granted to from Councillor R Higlett who is unable to attend due to illness.

An apology was received from and leave of absence granted to from Councillor W McAndrew who is out of the City on personal business.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam

Also in attendance

Mr Roger Bailey, General Manager
Miss Rhiannan Pace, Minutes Secretary
Mr Andrew Muir, Group Manager Environment and Development
Mrs Juli-Ann Brozek, Group Manager Corporate and Community
Mr Iain Stewart, Group Manager Operations

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

14-37 RESOLVED

Confirmation of the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 16 December 2013 were taken as read and confirmed by Councillors R Thompson and F Inzitari

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING

Confirmation of the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on the 3 February 2014 were taken as read and confirmed by Councillors P Pilbeam and F Inzitari

Councillor McGinnes requested his name be recorded **AGAINST** the confirmation of Minutes for the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on 3 February 2014.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Her Worship the Mayor called for Declarations of Interest on any matter before the Meeting.

Councillor F Inzitari declared a pecuniary interest in item 10, due to his mother being associated with the development application. He will vacate the Chambers.

Councillor C Hunter declared a Non Pecuniary less than significant interest in item 9, due to a member being on his election ticket. He will not vacate the Chambers.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

At 7.07pm Members of public gallery were invited to participate in the Public Forum Session.

PF – 10/02/14 – MR JIM WHITTY

Mr Whitty made a statement in relation to Item 9 of the Agenda.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

14-38 RESOLVED

THAT an extension of time be granted to Mr Whitty.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam

PF – 10/02/14 – MR JOHN FULLER

Mr Fuller addressed Council in relation to an item that was not on the Agenda.

Mr Fuller was advised that as he had not pre-registered he was not entitled to use the Public Forum and was out of order.

Mr Fuller continued to speak and shout.

Mr Fuller was given a warning to leave the chambers.

Mr Fuller continued to disrupt the meeting.

14-39 RESOLVED

THAT Mr Fuller be expelled from the Council meeting.

MOVED: R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari

Mr Fuller continued to disrupt the meeting.

The General Manager requested Mr Fuller leave the meeting.

Mr Fuller refused to leave.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.19pm.

Mr Fuller left the Chambers.

The meeting reconvened at 7.21pm with the aforementioned Councillors present.

PF – 10/02/14 – MRS SUE GRAVES

Mrs Graves made a statement in relation to Item 9 of the Agenda.

PF – 10/02/14 – MR MARK BURNS

Mr Burns addressed the Council in relation to Item 9 of the Agenda.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

14-40 RESOLVED

THAT an extension of time be granted to Mr Burns.

MOVED: Councillor P Pilbeam

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson

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PROCEDURAL MOTION

14-41 RESOLVED

THAT Item 9 be moved to this point of the meeting and dealt with.

MOVED: Councillor McGinnes

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson

**ITEM-9 ENVIRO - 10/02/14 - DA136/13 - PROPOSED
TELECOMMUNICATIONS MONOPOLE, ANTENNAS & ASSOCIATED
FACILITIES, MADDOX LANE, LIDSDALE**

MOTION

THAT the item be deferred until accurate maps can be provided.

MOVED: Councillor J J McGinnes

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

AMENDMENT

THAT Council deal with the item at tonight's Council Meeting.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari

The Amendment was **PUT** and **CARRIED**

14-42 RESOLVED

THAT Council deal with the item at tonight's Council Meeting.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari

14-43 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Council APPROVE DA136/13 in accordance with the conditions outlined in the attached Section 79C report separately;
2. A **Division** be called in accordance with the requirements of section 375A(3) of the Local Government Act, 1993.

MOVED: Councillor P Pilbeam

SECONDED: Councillor C Hunter

A **DIVISION** was called in accordance with the requirements of section 375A(3) of the Local Government Act, 1993.

Division -

FOR

Councillor C Hunter
Councillor P Pilbeam
Councillor M Statham, Mayor (using her casting vote)

AGAINST

Councillor J J McGinnes
Councillor F Inzitari
Councillor R Thompson

ITEM-1 MAYORAL MINUTE - 10/02/14 - MAYORAL BUSHFIRE APPEAL COMMITTEE

14-44 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Council establish the Mayoral Bushfire Appeal Committee
2. Council appoint the Mayoral Bushfire Appeal Committee with members to be;
 - Councillor M Statham
 - Councillor C Hunter
 - Jill Marjoram
 - Wayne Clarke
 - Greg Wardle
3. Council authorise the Committee to disburse funds in accordance with the Mayoral Bushfire Appeal Committee Public Funds Rules.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam.

ITEM-2 GM - 10/02/14 - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - ZIG ZAG RAILWAY

14-45 RESOLVED

THAT Council provide assistance by way of the use of Council machinery to help clean up the site to the value of \$10,000.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam.

**ITEM-3 GM - 10/02/14 - INDEPENDENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW
PANEL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS TASKFORCE**

14-46 RESOLVED

THAT Council:

1. Note the release of the reports by the Independent Local Government Review Panel and Local Government Acts Taskforce
2. Write to the Minister for Local Government seeking an extension of time for the consideration of submissions
3. Hold a Council Information Session in relation to the reports
4. Authorise the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and General Manager to make submissions on behalf of Council to the reports.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

ITEM-4 GM - 10/02/14 - LEASE FOR LITHGOW GOLF CLUB

14-47 RESOLVED

THAT Council appoint a working party to explore and investigate options for the future use of the Lithgow Golf Course.

MOVED: Councillor J J McGinnes

SECONDED: Councillor C Hunter.

14-48 RESOLVED

THAT Council appoint Councillors Thompson, McGinnes and Hunter and the General Manager to the working party.

MOVED: Councillor P Pilbeam

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari

**ITEM-5 ENVIRO - 10/02/14 - UNION THEATRE CONTRACT VARIATIONS
TENDER 05/13**

14-49 RESOLVED

THAT Council authorise variations to the value of \$13,717.00 be paid to M Bruton Building Co for the Union Theatre Tender 05/13.

MOVED: Councillor P Pilbeam

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson.

**ITEM-6 ENVIRO - 10/02/14 - PROPOSED RIGHT OF CARRIAGEWAY
ACROSS LAND OCCUPIED BY CLARENCE - DARGAN BUSHFIRE
BRIGADE (2)**

14-50 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Council agree to the creation of a Right of Carriageway across Lot 74 DP 237413 to benefit Lot 16 DP 751650 currently owned by Mr & Mrs De Buezeville.
2. The final width of the Right of Carriageway be a maximum of 10 metres.
3. The final location of the access point be determined in conjunction with the Clarence/Dargan Bushfire Brigade so as not to impact on their operational activities.
4. Mr Jeff Turner be approached and given a further opportunity to participate in the creation of the Right of Carriageway and that Mr Turner be given 3 months to respond to Council's offer.
5. All costs associated with the creation of the Right of Carriageway and construction of the access therein to be borne by the beneficiaries of the Right of Carriageway (De Buezeville and Turner).

MOVED: Councillor C Hunter

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam.

**ITEM-7 ENVIRO - 10/02/14 - DA240/13 - PROPOSED ALTERATIONS TO
ESKBANK HOUSE LOT 1 IN DP 365772 70 INCH STREET LITHGOW
NSW 2790**

14-51 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Development Application DA240/13 be approved with conditions of consent as detailed in the 79C report.
2. A Division be called in accordance with the provisions of Section 375(3) of the Local Government Act 1993.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

A **DIVISION** was called in accordance with the provisions of Section 375(3) of the Local Government Act 1993.

Division (Unanimous) -

FOR

Councillor C Hunter
Councillor F Inzitari
Councillor J J McGinnes
Councillor P Pilbeam

Councillor M Statham
Councillor R Thompson

**ITEM-8 ENVIRO - 10/02/14 - 057/11DA - PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO
TOURIST FACILITY - LOT 51 IN DP 1131349 79 JERRY'S MEADOW
ROAD SODWALLS**

14-52 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Modification of consent Application S96052/13 for Development Application 057/11 be approved with conditions of consent as detailed in the 79C report with reference to amended BASIX Certificate when received.
2. A **Division** be called in accordance with the provisions of Section 375(3) of the Local Government Act 1993.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam.

A **DIVISION** was called in accordance with the provisions of Section 375(3) of the Local Government Act 1993.

Division (Unanimous) -

FOR

Councillor C Hunter
Councillor F Inzitari
Councillor J J McGinnes
Councillor P Pilbeam
Councillor M Statham
Councillor R Thompson

**ITEM-9 ENVIRO - 10/02/14 - DA136/13 - PROPOSED
TELECOMMUNICATIONS MONOPOLE, ANTENNAS & ASSOCIATED
FACILITIES, MADDOX LANE, LIDSDALE**

Item 9 was dealt with earlier.

**ITEM-10 ENVIRO - 10/02/14 - DA284/13 - UPGRADE EXISTING SIGNS, 888
GREAT WESTERN HIGHWAY BOWENFELS NSW 2790**

Councillor Inzitari vacated the chambers at 8.18pm.

14-53 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Council APPROVE DA 284/13 in accordance with the conditions outlined in the attached Section 79C report.
2. A **Division** be called in accordance with the provisions of Section 375(3) of the Local Government Act 1993.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam.

A **DIVISION** was called in accordance with the provisions of Section 375(3) of the Local Government Act 1993.

Division (Unanimous) -

FOR

Councillor C Hunter
Councillor F Inzitari
Councillor J J McGinnes
Councillor P Pilbeam
Councillor M Statham
Councillor R Thompson

Councillor Inzitari returned the chambers at 8.19pm.

**ITEM-11 OPER - 10/02/14 - LITHGOW AQUATIC CENTRE UPGRADE
CONSULTANT FEE PROPOSAL FOR STAGE 4**

14-54 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Due to extenuating circumstances Council not proceed to call tenders for the engagement of consultants to prepare the detailed design and contract documentation of Stage 4 of the Lithgow Aquatic Centre due to the involvement of Facility Design Group in previous stages of the project.
2. Council accept Facility Design Group's fee proposal for \$128,000 ex GST for consultancy services for Lithgow Aquatic Centre Redevelopment Stage 4.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

**ITEM-12 OPER - 10/02/14 - REQUEST - ACQUISITION OF SMALL SECTION
OF SHORT STREET LITHGOW - LITHGOW AGED CARE LTD**

14-55 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Council **APPROVE** in principle the proposal from Lithgow Aged Care Ltd to close a small section of Short Street, Lithgow and transfer this closed section of road at a negotiated price to Lithgow Aged Care Limited.
2. The General Manager be authorised to negotiate and finalise the transfer of the closed section of road.

MOVED: Councillor P Pilbeam

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson.

**ITEM-13 OPER - 10/02/14 - TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF
LITHGOW AQUATIC CENTRE - STAGES 2/3**

14-56 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Council use the selective tendering method, pursuant to s168 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, for the construction of Stages 2 and 3 of the Lithgow Aquatic Centre.
2. Council invite tenders submissions from the following five companies;

1. Beau Corp Aquatics
2. Icon Building Group
3. Hines Constructions
4. Rapid Construction
5. Brodyn Pty Ltd

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam.

**ITEM-14 OPER - 10/02/14 - VOLUNTARY PURCHASE - 69 SANDFORD
AVENUE LITHGOW**

14-57 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Council proceed to purchase the property, 69 Sandford Avenue, Lithgow
2. Council delegate the General Manager to sign all required documentation for the Voluntary Purchase of 69 Sandford Avenue, Lithgow.

3. Council not apply Policy 7.6 and allow the General Manager or his representative delegated authority to determine a development application for the demolition of the dwelling located at 69 Sandford Avenue.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson.

ITEM-15 OPER - 10/02/14 - WATER REPORT - JANUARY 2014

14-58 RESOLVED

THAT Council note the water report.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

SUPPLEMENTARY MOTION

14-59 RESOLVED

THAT Council grant an extension for 3 months on any water accounts that were affected by the Lithgow State Mine Fire and not take any debt recovery action during that time.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson

ITEM-16 CORP - 10/02/14 - COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP FUNDING

14-60 RESOLVED

THAT Council:

1. Accepts the \$20,000 Community Building Partnership funding for the Blast Furnace Park pedestrian/cycleway project and a further \$20,000 for the Capertee Village Rest Area toilet replacement project.
2. Negotiates with the Office of Communities to amend the Project from the rejuvenation of the railway bridge to pedestrian and cycleway improvements in the Blast Furnace Park, Eskbank House and Lake Pillans areas.
3. Proceeds with pedestrian and cycleway improvements between Blast Furnace Park and Eskbank Rail Depot utilising the Community Building Partnership funding and remaining History Avenue funding.
4. During the 2014/15 Budget Process bring forward Council's \$90,000 budget allocation for the upgrade of toilet facilities at Clarence Pirie Park from 2015/16 to 2014/15.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari **SECONDED:** Councillor R Thompson.

**ITEM-17 CORP - 10/02/14 - COUNCIL INVESTMENTS HELD TO 31
DECEMBER 2013**

14-61 RESOLVED

THAT Investments of \$20,663,462.36 for the period ending 31 December be noted.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari **SECONDED:** Councillor R Thompson.

ITEM-18 CORP - 10/02/14 - REVIEW OF COUNCIL POLICIES

14-62 RESOLVED

THAT Council:

1. **ADOPT** Policies:
 - Community Representatives - Appointment to Committees Or Working Groups
 - Financial Assistance to Community Groups and Organisations – Interest Free Loans
 - Request for Financial Assistance by Waiving of Fees for Council Facilities
 - Lithgow City Council Artwork Collection
 - Customer Service Policy with point 3 being replaced with *Council staff shall strive to respond to correspondence received from customers (written, faxed or emailed) within fourteen (14) days. An acknowledgement letter may be sent where investigations are such that more than 14 days is required to enact a response.*
 - Lithgow Library Learning Centre Child Protection Policy
 - Consultation with Indigenous People
2. Renumber the policies according the schedule

MOVED: Councillor P Pilbeam **SECONDED:** Councillor R Thompson.

**ITEM-19 ENVIRO - 10/02/14 - ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES - 28 NOVEMBER 2013**

14-63 RESOLVED

THAT Council notes the minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee held on 28 November 2013.

MOVED: Councillor C Hunter

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

**ITEM-20 ENVIRO - 10/02/14 - HOWARD SONS PYROTECHNICS PTY LTD
COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - 22
JANUARY 2014**

14-64 RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the Howard & Sons Pyrotechnics Pty Ltd Community Liaison Committee held on 22 January 2014 be noted.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam.

**ITEM-21 CORP - 10/02/14 - CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE MINUTES - 16
DECEMBER 2013**

14-65 RESOLVED

THAT Council notes the minutes of the Crime Prevention Committee held on the 16 December 2013.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson.

**ITEM-22 CORP - 10/02/14 - DISABILITY ACCESS COMMITTEE MINUTES - 17
DECEMBER 2013**

14-66 RESOLVED

THAT Council notes the minutes of the Disability Access Committee meeting held 17 December 2013.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson.

ITEM-23 OPER - 10/02/14 - AQUATIC CENTRE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - 5 DECEMBER 2013

14-67 RESOLVED

THAT Council notes the minutes of the Aquatic Centre Committee held on 5 December 2013.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson **SECONDED:** Councillor F Inzitari.

ITEM-24 OPER - 10/02/14 - 16 DECEMBER 2013 - OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

14-68 RESOLVED

THAT Council note the minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on Monday, 16 December 2013.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari **SECONDED:** Councillor R Thompson.

ITEM-25 OPER - 10/02/14 - 17 JANUARY 2014 - OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

14-69 RESOLVED

THAT Council note the minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on Monday, 17 January 2013.

MOVED: Councillor P Pilbeam **SECONDED:** Councillor C Hunter.

ITEM-26 OPER - 10/02/14 - 10 DECEMBER 2013 - SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

14-70 RESOLVED

THAT Council note the minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee meeting held on 10 December 2013.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson **SECONDED:** Councillor F Inzitari.

**ITEM-27 OPER - 10/02/14 - 28 JANUARY 2014 - SPORTS ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

14-71 RESOLVED

THAT Council note the minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee held on the 28th January 2014.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

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.*

UB – 10/02/14 – COUNCILLOR C HUNTER

Councillor Hunter spoke in relation to the naming of the board walk at Hassans Walls to Sir Joseph Cook Board Walk. The proposal was to rename the board walk **only** and Hassans Walls was intended to stay as Hassans Walls Lookout.

14-72 RESOLVED

THAT the matter or renaming the board walk to Sir Joseph Cook Board Walk be declared as business of great urgency.

The Mayor declared the matter to be of great urgency in accordance with clause 241 of the Local Government (General) Regulations.

14-73 RESOLVED

THAT representations be made to the Geographical naming board to clarify that the board walk **only** be renamed to Sir Joseph Cook Board Walk and that Hassans Walls Lookout remains as is.

MOVED: Councillor C Hunter

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari

UB – 10/02/14 – COUNCILLOR J MCGINNES

Councillor McGinnes raised the issue with regards to the lack of toilet facilities at Lake Lyell and requested a report be bought back to Council in relation to the matter.

14-74 RESOLVED

THAT the matter regarding the lack of facilities at Lake Lyell be declared as business of great urgency.

The Mayor declared the matter to be of great urgency in accordance with clause 241 of the Local Government (General) Regulations.

14-75 RESOLVED

THAT a report be provided to the next meeting of Council addressing the toilet facilities at Lake Lyell

MOVED: Councillor J McGinnes

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 9.16pm.