



STRATHBOGRIE SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STRATHBOGRIE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 24 APRIL 2018 AT THE EUROA COMMUNITY CONFERENCE CENTRE, COMMENCING AT 5.30 P.M.

Chair: Amanda McClaren (Mayor) (Lake Nagambie Ward)

Councillors: John Mason (Deputy Mayor) (Seven Creeks Ward)
Malcolm Little (Hughes Creek Ward)
Debra Swan (Lake Nagambie Ward)
Alistair Thomson (Mount Wombat Ward)
Graeme (Mick) Williams (Seven Creeks Ward)

Officers: Steve Crawcour - Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Phil Howard - Director, Innovation and Performance (DIP)
Roy Hetherington - Director, Community Assets (DCA)
David Roff - Director, Corporate and Community (DCC)

BUSINESS

1. Welcome
2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Land Owners
*'I acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we are meeting.
I pay my respects to their Elders, past and present'*
3. Apologies
Councillor Kate Stothers (Honeysuckle Creek Ward)
Phil Howard - Director, Innovation and Performance (DIP)
4. Disclosure of Interests
5. Petitions
6. Reports of Council Officers
 - 6.1 Climate Change
 - 6.2 Infrastructure
 - 6.3 Private Enterprise
 - 6.4 Public Institutions
 - 6.5 Housing and Recreation
 - 6.6 Tourism
 - 6.7 Organisation
7. Urgent Business

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8. Closure of Meeting to the Public to consider matters listed for consideration in accordance with Section 89(2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1989
9. Confirmation of 'Closed Portion' Decision/s

An audio recording of this meeting is being made for the purpose of verifying the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting, as per Local Law No. 1 - Meeting Procedure (2014) or as updated from time to time through Council Resolution

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6. REPORTS

6.7 ORGANISATION

6.7.1 2017 – 2021 Strathbogie Shire Council Plan (2018 Review) (incorporating the 2018/19 to 2022/23 Strategic Resource Plan) - Amended Actions and Strategic Indicators for Year Ending 30 June 2019

Author / Department

Director, Corporate and Community / Corporate and Community Directorate

Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest in relation to advice provided in this report

The author of this report and officers/contractors providing advice in relation to this report do not have a direct or indirect interest, as provided in accordance with the Local Government Act 1989.

Summary

In accordance with the requirements of Section 125 of the Local Government Act 1989, Council has amended the Actions and Strategic Indicators to its 2017 – 2021 Council Plan, which incorporates the 2018/19 to 2022/23 Strategic Resource Plan. Copies of the draft amendments to the Council Plan have been circulated to Councillors and a copy will be tabled for information and identification purposes, and appended to the Minutes of the meeting. The Strategic Resource Plan will also be tabled for information and identification purposes, and appended to the Minutes of the meeting. Council is required, under Section 125 (2) (c), to exhibit the changes for comment to the public for at least 28 days, under Section 223 of the Act, when the Strategic Indicators which monitor achievement of the objectives have changed.

A resolution of Council is now required to give public notice that the amended Council Plan will be available for inspection, in accordance with Section 125 (9) of the Act, from 2 May 2018. Submissions will close at 5.00 pm on Thursday 31 May 2018. A Special Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 12 June 2018 to receive / hear submissions to the amended Council Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the adjustment to the strategic indicators and actions in the draft amended Council Plan be proposed.
2. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to give public notice of the proposed adjustments in accordance with Sections 125 and 223 of the Local Government Act 1989. Submissions will close at 5.00 p.m. on Thursday 31 May 2018.
3. That Council considers any:
 - (a) submission on the proposed adjustments made in accordance with Sections 125(9) and 223 of the Local Government Act 1989, and

6.7.1 2017 – 2021 Strathbogie Shire Council Plan (2018 Review) (incorporating the 2018/19 to 2022/23 Strategic Resource Plan)
- Amended Actions and Strategic Indicators for Year Ending 30 June 2019 (cont.)

RECOMMENDATION (cont.)

(b) recommendations or Notices of Motion to make the adjustments proposed

at a Special Meeting of Council to be held on Tuesday 12 June 2018, commencing at 5.00 p.m. at the Euroa Community Conference Centre.

4. That Council adopt the 2017 - 2021 Strathbogie Shire Council Plan (2018 Review) at a Special Meeting of Council to be held on Tuesday 26 June 2018, commencing at 5.00 p.m. at the Euroa Community Conference Centre.

13/18 CRS LITTLE/SWAN : That the Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Background

Council is required at least once in each financial year under the Local Government Act 1989 Section 125 (7) to consider whether the current Council Plan requires any adjustment in respect of the remaining period of the Council Plan. As such, Council has reviewed the 2017 – 2021 Council Plan and adjusted the Actions and Strategic Indicators for year ending 30 June 2019.

The Council Plan is a strategic document of Council that sets its Vision / Mission / Goals and Objectives for the (4) four year term of the Council. The Actions that sit under each Goal ensure the organisation delivers what the Council has set as its long term strategic vision for its community.

Alternative Options

The author and other officers providing advice in relation to this report have considered potential alternatives. No feasible alternatives have been identified as it is a requirement of the Local Government Act 1989

Risk Management

The author of this report considers that there are no significant Risk Management factors relating to the report and recommendation.

Strategic Links – policy implications and relevance to Council Plan

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Council Policies, key strategic documents and the current Council Plan.

6.7.1 2017 – 2021 Strathbogie Shire Council Plan (2018 Review) (incorporating the 2018/19 to 2022/23 Strategic Resource Plan)
- Amended Actions and Strategic Indicators for Year Ending 30 June 2019 (cont.)

Best Value / National Competition Policy (NCP / Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA) implications

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Best Value, National Competition Policy and Competition and Consumer Act requirements.

Financial / Budgetary Implications

The author has advised that the actions identified in the 2017 – 2021 Council Plan (2018 Review) are funded through the 2018 /19 Draft Budget .

Economic Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant economic implications for Council or the broader community.

Environmental / Amenity Implications

The author has identified environmental benefits through the initiatives detailed in the 2017 – 2021 Council Plan (2018 Review).

Community Implications

The author of this report has identified significant community and / or social benefits for the community as detailed in the 2017 – 2021 Council Plan (2018 Review).

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

The author of this report considers that the recommendation does not limit any human rights under the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006.

Legal / Statutory Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no legal or statutory implications which require the consideration of Council.

Consultation

The community will have an opportunity under Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 to make comments / submissions on the 2017 – 2021 Council Plan (2018 Review).

Attachments

Nil.

**6.7.2 Draft 2018/2019 Strathbogje Shire Council Budget
- Preparation of Budget for Exhibition and Comment**

Author & Department

Director, Corporate and Community / Corporate and Community Directorate

Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest in relation to advice provided in this report

Officers providing advice in relation to this report do not have a direct or indirect interest, as provided in accordance with the Local Government Act 1989.

Summary

In accordance with the requirements of Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act), Council has prepared a budget for the financial year ending 30 June 2019.

Copies of the draft Budget have been circulated to Councillors for their information. A copy of the draft Budget will be tabled at the meeting for identification purposes, and will be appended to the Minutes of the meeting.

A resolution of Council is now required to give public notice that the budget will be available for inspection, in accordance with Section 129 of the Act.

Submissions on the proposed budget will be invited in accordance with Section 223 of the Act. Submissions will close at 5.00 pm on Thursday 31 May 2018. A Special Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 12 June 2018 to receive / hear submissions to the draft Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

1. **That the draft Budget annexed to this resolution and initialled by the Mayor for identification be the budget prepared by Council for the purposes of Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989.**
2. **That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to give public notice of the preparation of such budget, in accordance with Sections 129 and 223 of the Local Government Act 1989. Submissions will close at 5.00 p.m. on Thursday 31 May 2018.**
3. **That Council receive / hear any submission on any proposal (or proposals) contained in such budget, made in accordance with Sections 129 and 223 of the Local Government Act 1989, at a Special Council meeting to be held on Tuesday 12 June 2018, commencing at 5.00 p.m. at the Euroa Community Conference Centre.**

14/18 **CRS SWAN/WILLIAMS** : *That the Recommendation be adopted.*

CARRIED

6.7.2 Draft 2018/2019 Strathbogie Shire Council Budget
- Preparation of Budget for Exhibition and Comment (cont.)

4. **That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to undertake minor editorial changes, if required.**
5. **That the 2018/2019 Strathbogie Shire Council Budget be adopted at a Special Meeting of Council to be held on Tuesday 26 June 2018, commencing at 5.00 p.m. at the Euroa Community Conference Centre.**

Background

In accordance with the requirements of Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act), Council has prepared a budget for the financial year ending 30 June 2019.

In preparing the 2018/2019 Draft Budget, the Council has considered many factors in an effort to continue to balance community expectations and benefits with financial responsibilities. The Council is pleased to place on public display a draft budget that works hard to maintain existing service levels and deliver strong investment in capital works across the municipality. The Council will continue to provide significant funding for renewal works on our ageing and outdated infrastructure, based on the requirements of the Road Management Plan and taking into account financial constraints.

The Council is proposing a 1.9 per cent increase in the average rate for 2018/2019. This increase is in line with the State Government requirement under the 'Fair Go Rates' legislation. This level allows for maintenance of existing service levels, fund a number of significant new initiatives and continue to allocate sufficient funds for the continuing strategic renewal of Council's infrastructure. Waste charges will increase by 3%.

The 2018/2019 Draft Budget provides for a \$10.268 million capital works program with the following highlights:

ACTIVITY	EXPENDITURE (m)
Roads - including resealing, resheeting and rehabilitation	3.582
Bridges	1.252
Drainage	1.275
Footpaths	.407
Plant and Machinery	.810
Buildings	1.756

6.7.2 Draft 2018/2019 Strathbogie Shire Council Budget
- Preparation of Budget for Exhibition and Comment (cont.)

The 2018/2019 Budget provides for expenditure of \$ 27.534 million on services including:

ACTIVITY	EXPENDITURE (m)
Libraries And Arts	.377
Maternal and Child Health	.264
Emergency Services	.209
Waste Management	2.567
Municipal Buildings	1.436
Swimming Pools and Beaches	.424
Tourism and Events	.368
Planning	.819
Parks and Reserves Maintenance	1.636
Roads and Bridges Maintenance	10.753
Saleyards	.220
Youth Services	.283
Animal Management	.228

Alternative Options

Not applicable.

Risk Management

The author of this report considers that there are no significant Risk Management factors relating to the report and recommendation.

Strategic Links – policy implications and relevance to Council Plan

The report is consistent with Council Policies, key strategic documents and the Council Plan.

Best Value / National Competition Policy (NCP) / Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA) implications

The report is consistent with Best Value, National Competition Policy and Competition and Consumer Act 2010 requirements.

Financial / Budgetary Implications

The budget is fiscally responsible and is prepared in accordance with the objectives of the Council Plan, Strategic Resource Plan and Long Term Financial Plan.

Economic Implications

The budget will provide long term economic benefit through increased investment in the renewal of community infrastructure assets.

Environmental / Amenity Implications

The budget has a number of initiatives which will provide positive environmental outcomes

6.7.2 Draft 2018/2019 Strathbogie Shire Council Budget
- Preparation of Budget for Exhibition and Comment (cont.)

Community Implications

The 2018/2019 draft budget has been prepared using the current Council Plan and associated priorities and the long term strategic financial plan as the basis for Council decision making during the budget setting process.

The Council will, as of Wednesday 2 May 2018, place the statutory public notices in local newspapers advising that documents are now available for inspection and that written submission are being sought in accordance with Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989.

Submissions will close at 5.00pm on Thursday 31 May 2018.

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

The recommendations do not limit any human rights under the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006.

Legal / Statutory Implications

The recommendations have no further legal or statutory implications which require the consideration of Council.

Consultation

The budget will be advertised in the community and opportunity provided for submissions in accordance with Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989

Attachments

Nil

7. URGENT BUSINESS

8. CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC TO CONSIDER MATTERS LISTED FOR CONSIDERATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 89(2) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1989

5.38 p.m.

CRS SWAN/MASON –

That Council, in conformance with Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989, resolve to close the meeting to members of the public for the purpose of considering items relating to:-

- Ground(s) under section 89(2):

89(2)(d) Contractual Matters

C.P. 1 Contract No. 17-18-26 ~ Evaluation Report
- Flood Damage Restoration - Major Works ~ South East Area

C.P. 2 Contract No. 17-18-27 ~ Evaluation Report
- Flood Damage Restoration - Minor Works ~ South East Area

C.P. 3 Contract No. 17-18-28 ~ Evaluation Report
- Flood Damage Restoration - Major Works ~ North East Area

C.P. 4 Contract No. 17-18-29
- Flood Damage Restoration - Minor Works ~ North East Area

C.P. 5 Contract No. 17-18-30
- Flood Damage Restoration - Major Works ~ West Area

C.P. 6 Contract No. 17-18-31
- Flood Damage Restoration - Minor Works ~ West Area

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ON BEING PUT, THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

5.47 p.m.

CRS SWAN/MASON -

That Council open the meeting to members of the public and resume normal business.

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ON BEING PUT, THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

9. CONFIRMATION OF 'CLOSED PORTION' DECISION/S

Closed Portion Decision/s -

C.P. 1 Contract No. 17-18-26 ~ Evaluation Report - Flood Damage Restoration - Major Works ~ South East Area

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the tender received from Extons Pty Ltd, of 85 Gillies Street Benalla, for the schedule of rates Contract 17-18-26 for Flood Damage Restoration – Major Works – South East Area, at an estimated total amount of \$780,817.88 excluding GST (plus a contingency of 30%) be accepted by Council.
2. That the unsuccessful tenderers be advised;
3. That Council endorses the signing and sealing of the contract documents once received.

16/18 **CRS WILLIAMS/MASON** : *That the Recommendation be adopted.*

CARRIED

C.P. 2 Contract No. 17-18-27 ~ Evaluation Report - Flood Damage Restoration - Minor Works ~ South East Area

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the tender received from Seven Creeks Excavations Pty Ltd, of 7-9 Garrett Street Euroa, for the schedule of rates Contract 17-18-27 for Flood Damage Restoration – Minor Works – South East Area, at an estimated total amount of \$377,895.61 excluding GST (plus a contingency of 30%) be accepted by Council.
2. That the unsuccessful tenderers be advised;
3. That Council endorses the signing and sealing of the contract documents once received.

17/18 **CRS LITTLE/WILLIAMS** : *That the Recommendation be adopted.*

CARRIED

9. CONFIRMATION OF 'CLOSED PORTION' DECISION/S (cont.)

**C.P. 3 Contract No. 17-18-28 ~ Evaluation Report
- Flood Damage Restoration - Major Works ~ North East Area**

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the tender received from Extons Pty Ltd, of 85 Gillies Street Benalla, for the schedule of rates Contract 17-18-28 for Flood Damage Restoration – Major Works – North East Area, at an estimated total amount of \$1,447,746.52 excluding GST (plus a contingency of 30%) be accepted by Council.
2. That the unsuccessful tenderers be advised;
3. That Council endorses the signing and sealing of the contract documents once received.

18/18 **CRS WILLIAMS/THOMSON** : *That the Recommendation be adopted.*

CARRIED

**C.P. 4 Contract No. 17-18-29 ~ Evaluation Report
- Flood Damage Restoration - Minor Works ~ North East Area**

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the tender received from Seven Creeks Excavations Pty Ltd, of 7-9 Garrett Street Euroa, for the schedule of rates Contract 17-18-29 for Flood Damage Restoration – Minor Works – North East Area, at an estimated total amount of \$754,088.08 excluding GST (plus a contingency of 30%) be accepted by Council.
2. That the unsuccessful tenderers be advised;
3. That Council endorses the signing and sealing of the contract documents once received.

19/18 **CRS WILLIAMS/LITTLE** : *That the Recommendation be adopted.*

CARRIED

9. CONFIRMATION OF 'CLOSED PORTION' DECISION/S (cont.)

C.P. 5 Contract No. 17-18-30 ~ Evaluation Report
- Flood Damage Restoration - Major Works ~ West Area

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the tender received from Extons Pty Ltd, of 85 Gillies Street Benalla, for the schedule of rates Contract 17-18-30 for Flood Damage Restoration – Major Works – West Area, at an estimated total amount of \$2,119,730.00 excluding GST (plus a contingency of 30%) be accepted by Council.
2. That the unsuccessful tenderers be advised;
3. That Council endorses the signing and sealing of the contract documents once received.

20/18 **CRS LITTLE/MASON** : *That the Recommendation be adopted*

CARRIED

C.P. 6 Contract No. 17-18-31 ~ Evaluation Report
- Flood Damage Restoration - Minor Works ~ West Area

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the tender received from Seven Creeks Excavations Pty Ltd, of 7-9 Garrett Street Euroa, for the schedule of rates Contract 17-18-31 for Flood Damage Restoration – Minor Works – West Area, at an estimated total amount of \$581,597.48 excluding GST (plus a contingency of 30%) be accepted by Council.
2. That the unsuccessful tenderers be advised;
3. That Council endorses the signing and sealing of the contract documents once received.

21/18 **CRS WILLIAMS/MASON** : *That the Recommendation be adopted.*

CARRIED

9. CONFIRMATION OF 'CLOSED PORTION' DECISION/S (cont.)

RECOMMENDATION

CRS MASON/LITTLE -

That the decision/s of Council's 'Closed Portion' considerations be confirmed.

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ON BEING PUT, THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.48 P.M.

Confirmed as being a true and accurate record of the Meeting


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Chair

15.05.2018
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