

STRATHBOGIE SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STRATHBOGIE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 10 JUNE 2014 AT THE EUROA COMMUNITY CONFERENCE CENTRE COMMENCING AT 5.00 P.M.

Councillors:

Debra Swan (Chair) Colleen Furlanetto

Malcolm Little
Alister Purbrick
Patrick Storer
Robin Weatherald
Graeme (Mick) Williams

Officers:

Steve Crawcour - Chief Executive Officer

Roy Hetherington - Director, Asset Services

David Woodhams – Director, Corporate and Community Phil Howard – Director, Sustainable Development

BUSINESS

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Land Owners

'In keeping with the spirit of Reconciliation, we acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we are meeting today. We recognise indigenous people, their elders past and present'.

3. Apologies

Nil

4. Disclosure of Interests

EXCERPT FROM MEETING PROCEDURE LOCAL LAW NO. 1

CONDUCT OF PUBLIC

- 52. VISITORS
 - (1) Visitors must not interject or take part in debate.
 - (2) Silence shall be preserved in the gallery at all times.
 - (3) If any visitor is called to order by the Chairperson and again acts in breach of this Local Law, the Chairperson may order that person to be removed from the gallery.
- 53. CALL TO ORDER

Any person who has been called to order, including any Councillor who fails to comply with the Chairperson's direction, will be guilty of an offence.



54. REMOVAL FOR DISRUPTION

The Chairperson has discretion to cause the removal of any person, including a Councillor, who disrupts any meeting or fails to comply with a direction under the provisions of this Local Law.

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Author & Department

Director, Corporate and Community / Corporate & Community Directorate

File Reference

F30/0020/10(03)

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

The purpose of this report is to receive / hear submissions made under Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 ("The Act") in relation to the 2013-2017 Council Plan 2014 Review and 2014/2015 proposed budget.

The closing date for submissions was Wednesday 28 May 2014 at 5.00pm.

Twenty-two submissions were received, and five people asked to speak to their submissions. Copies of all submissions were distributed to Councillors for their information and tabled for identification purposes.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to -

- 1. Receive and note the submissions in response to the public advertisement of the 2013-2017 Council Plan 2014 Review and 2014/2015 draft Budget.
- 2. Hear those who wish to be heard in support of their written submissions.
- 3. Formally consider all received submissions and the adoption of the 2013-2017 Council Plan 2014 Review and 2014/2015 Budget at a Special Council meeting to be held on <u>Tuesday 24 June 2014</u> <u>Tuesday 8 July 2014</u>.
- 14/14 CRS FURLANETTO/WILLIAMS: That the Recommendation be adopted, subject to amendment to the date for the Special Council meeting referred to in Recommendation 3 being amended to Tuesday 8 July 2014, as shown underlined and in italics and strikethroughs.

CARRIED



5.7.1 <u>2013-2017 Strathbogie Shire Council Plan (2014 Review) and 2014/2015 Draft Strathbogie Shire Council Budget</u>

- Receiving / Hearing of Submissions (cont.)

Background

The review of the 2013-2017 Council Plan and proposed Budget was considered by Council at a Special Council Meeting held on Tuesday 22 April 2014. Subsequent to that meeting, public notice of the Council Plan review and proposed Budget was given in local newspapers, calling for submissions under Section 223 of the Act. The reviewed Council Plan and proposed Budget were made available for inspection at various locations throughout the Shire and on Council's website. Submissions in writing were invited until 5.00pm on Wednesday 28 May 2014. Submissions were received that covered numerous themes.

Alternative Options

The processes undertaken in relation to the Council Plan review and Budget advertising, consideration of submissions and adoption are legislated under the Local Government Act 1989. There are no alternative options.

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 Council Plan. Specifically, the review of the Council Plan and proposed Budget are prepared in the context of the Council Plan and Council's long term financial planning.

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

No financial implications have arisen from the Council Plan review and Budget advertising process.

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 of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant environmental or amenity implications for Council or the broader community.

Community Implications

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



5.7.1 <u>2013-2017 Strathbogie Shire Council Plan (2014 Review) and 2014/2015 Draft</u> Strathbogie Shire Council Budget

- Receiving / Hearing of Submissions (cont.)

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 Local Government Act 1989 required that Council give public notice of the review of the Council Plan and proposed Budget and invite submissions under Section 223 of the Act. The Act requires that Council must adopt the Budget by 31 August 2014.

The Act further requires, under Section 125(7), that Council must consider whether the current Council Plan requires any adjustment. This process satisfies this requirement.

Consultation

Council's proposed Council Plan Review and proposed Budget have been on public exhibition for the statutory period of 28 days and submissions were invited from the community.

The 2013/2014 draft Budget provides funding allocations and support for nominated projects to proceed in both operational and capital works budgets, and, where appropriate, further community consultation will occur throughout the year specific to each project.

Attachments

Nil.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.18 P.M.

Confirmed as being a true and accurate record of the Meeting

Chair

Date

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