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### 1. OPENING BUSINESS

Cr Kim Middleton (Deputy Mayor) opened the meeting with the Council Prayer

Lord.

Please guide and direct us, In that the decisions to be made, Will be for the benefit, Of our whole community Amen

### 1.1 PRESENT

#### Councillors

Kim Middleton Kelly Carter Clarence Haydon Nicole Flute Arthur Bode Trevor Mitchell

#### Staff

Hari Boppudi - Chief Executive Officer Misenka Duong – Acting Director of Engineering Barry Bonthuys – Director of Corporate & Financial Services Barbra Smith – Director of Community Services & Wellbeing Jackie Coleman – Executive Support Officer

#### **School Students**

Nil

### 1.2 APOLOGIES

Nil

### 1.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

### 1.4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 16 October 2021 be taken as read and signed as correct.

**Resolution No: 3353** 

Moved Cr Arthur Bode Seconded Cr Nicole Flute

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 16 October 2021 be taken as read and signed as correct.

CARRIED 6/0

Attendance – Mayor Jane McNamara entered the meeting at 9:02am





That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held 03 November 2021 be taken as read and signed as correct.

**Resolution No: 3354** 

Moved Cr Arthur Bode Seconded Cr Trevor Mitchell

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held 03 November 2021 be taken as read and signed as correct.



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### MINUTES 16 NOVEMBER 2021 – 9:00 AM DIGGERS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE

### 1.5 OBLIGATIONS OF COUNCILLORS

#### 1.5.1 Prescribed Conflict of Interest - Sections 150EG, 150EH & 150EI Local Government Act 2009

Councillors are ultimately responsible for informing of any prescribed conflict of interest on matters to be discussed at a council or committee meeting (other than ordinary business matters).

When dealing with a Prescribed Conflict of Interest, Councillors must abide by the following procedures:

- A Councillor who has notified the Chief Executive Officer of a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in a matter to be discussed in a council meeting must also give notice during the meeting.
- A Councillor who first becomes aware of a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in a matter during a council meeting must immediately inform the meeting of the conflict of the interest.
- When notifying the meeting of a Prescribed Conflict of Interest, the following details must be provided:
  - if it relates to a gift or loan given by an entity state the details of gift or loan
  - if it relates to a sponsored travel or accommodation benefit state the benefit details
  - if it relates to a contract between the Councillor and Local Government or close associate of the Councillor

     state details
  - if it relates to an application or submission state the subject of the application or submission
  - if it relates to appointment/employment matters of Chief Executive Office position state conflict details

The Councillor must then leave the place of the meeting, including any area set aside for the public, and stay away while the matter is being discussed and voted on, unless the subject Councillor has written notice from the Minister to participate in the matter.

Once the Councillor has left the area where the meeting is being conducted, the council can continue discussing and deciding on the matter at hand.

#### 1.5.2 Declarable Conflict of Interest - Section 150EN Local Government Act 2009

Councillors are ultimately responsible for informing of any Declarable Conflict of Interest on matters to be discussed at council or committee meetings that might lead to a decision that is contrary to the public interest (other than ordinary business matters).

A Councillor may raise their personal interests in a matter at the meeting to canvas the view of the other Councillors prior to deciding to declare a conflict of interest. If the other Councillors suspect the personal interest might be a conflict of interest, the Councillor may disclose their suspicion and the processes under section 150EW of the LGA.

When dealing with a Declarable Conflict of Interest, Councillors must abide by the following procedures:

- A Councillor who has notified the Chief Executive Officer of a Declarable Conflict of Interest in a matter to be discussed at a council meeting must also give notice during the meeting.
- A Councillor who first becomes aware of a Declarable Conflict of Interest in a matter during a council meeting must inform the meeting of the conflict of interest
- When notifying the meeting of a Declarable Conflict of Interest or it could be reasonably presumed that a conflict exists, Councillors should provide sufficient detail to allow the other Councillors to make an informed decision about how best to manage the Declarable Conflict of Interest in the public interest. The following details must be provided:
  - the nature of the Declarable Conflict of Interest
  - if it arises because of the Councillors relationship with a related party:
    - the name of the related party to the Councillor
    - ii. the nature of the relationship of the related party to the Councillor
    - iii. the nature of the related party's interest in the matter
  - if it arises because of a gift or loan from another person to the Councillor or a related party:
    - i. the name of the other person
    - ii. the nature of the relationship of the other person to the Councillor or related party
    - iii. the nature of the other person's interest in the matter
    - iv. the value of the gift or loan and the date the gift or loan was made.





After a Councillor has declared a conflict of interest, the Councillor should consider leaving the meeting while the matter is discussed unless they have reasons why their participation would improve making the decision in the public interest.

### 1.5.3 Procedure if no Quorum for Deciding Matter because of Prescribed Conflicts of Interest of Declarable Conflicts of Interest – Section 150EU Local Government Act 2009

- (1) This section applies in relation to a meeting if:
- (a) a matter in which 1 or more councillors have a prescribed conflict of interest or Declarable Conflict of Interest is to be decided at the meeting; and
- **(b)** there is less than a quorum remaining at the meeting after any of the councillors mentioned in paragraph (a) leave, and stay away from, the place where the meeting is being held.
- (2) The local government must do 1 of the following:
- (a) delegate deciding the matter under section 257, unless the matter can not be delegated under that section;
- (b) decide, by resolution, to defer the matter to a later meeting;
- (c) decide, by resolution, not to decide the matter and take no further action in relation to the matter.
- (3) The local government must not delegate deciding the matter to an entity if the entity, or a majority of its members, have personal interests that are, or are equivalent in nature to, a prescribed conflict of interest or Declarable Conflict of Interest in the matter.
- (4) A councillor does not contravene section 150EK(1), 150EM(2), 150EQ(2)(a) or (3)(a) or 150ES(5) by participating in a decision, or being present while the matter is discussed and voted on, for the purpose of delegating the matter or making a decision under subsection (2)(b) or (c).

#### 1.5.4 Closed Meeting Discussion Items - Section 254J Local Government Regulation 2012

Council and standing committee meetings may resolve that a meeting be closed to the public if its Councillors consider it necessary to discuss any of the following matters:

- appointment, dismissal or discipline of the CEO
- industrial matters affecting employees
- the council's budget
- · rating concessions
- legal advice obtained by the council, including legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the council
- · matters that may directly affect the health and safety of an individual or a group of individuals
- negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the council for which a public discussion could prejudice the interests of the council
- negotiations relating to the taking of land by the council under the Acquisition of Land Act 1967
- a matter that the council is required to keep confidential under a law of, or a formal agreement with, the Commonwealth or state.

A Council or committee meeting cannot resolve that a meeting be closed where the meeting is informed of a Councillors personal interest in the matter by another person and the eligible Councillors at the meeting must decide whether the Councillor has a Declarable Conflict of Interest or Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the matter.

Further, the meeting must not be closed if a quorum is lost due to the number of conflicted Councillors who leave the meeting and the council must;

- delegate the matter
- decide by resolution to defer to a later meeting
- decide by resolution to take no further action on the matter.

**Note**: None of the above will be considered, discussed, voted on or made during a closed session. If a closed session includes attendance by teleconference, the Councillor/s attending by teleconference must maintain confidentiality by ensuring no other person can hear their conversation while in the closed meeting.





To take a matter into a closed session the council must abide by the following:

- · pass a resolution to close the meeting
- the resolution must state the matter to be discussed, an overview of what is to be discussed and why the meeting should be closed while the matter is considered
- if the matter is known in advance, the agenda should clearly identify that the matter will be considered in closed session, and an explanation of why it is deemed necessary to take the issue into closed session must be stated
- not make a resolution while in a closed meeting (other than a procedural resolution).

### 1.6 PETITIONS

Nil

### 1.7 CONDOLENCES

The family of Desley Faulks
The family of Denise Brebner

### 1.8 RECOGNITIONS

Nil

### 1.9 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Flinders Shire Council would like to acknowledge the Yirendali people as Traditional Owners and the oldest living culture of the land on which our Council operates, and pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

### 1.10 COUNCILLOR MEETING ATTENDANCE

### Mayor Jane McNamara

- Tourism Launch 22/10/2021
- Pioneer Luncheon 23/10/2021
- WQAC 25/10/2021
- HCAA markets and open day 31/10/2021
- Special Council Meeting 03/11/2021
- QAS Centenary Celebrations 04/11/2021
- School Collaboration 04/11/2021
- NWQROC 05/11/2021
- ADT 08/11/2021
- Official Opening Ceremonies 10/11/2021
- Minister Butcher & Director General Fraine 11/11/2021
- Coordinator General Toni Powers 11/11/2021
- QLD Aust of the Year Awards 11/11/2021

#### Councillor Kelly Carter

- LGAQ Conference 25 to 27/10/2021
- Hughenden Chamber of Commerce 01/11/2021
- Brodie St Footpath Workshop 03/11/2021
- Special Council Meeting 03/11/2021
- QAS Centenary Celebrations 04/22/2021
- ADT 08/11/2021
- Official Opening Ceremonies 10/11/2021
- State School Awards Night 10/22/2021

#### Deputy Mayor Kim Middleton

- Cotton Gin Meeting 20/10/2021
- Audit Committee Meeting 25/10/2021
- Grape Farm Year 12 visit 28/10/2021
- Remembrance Day 11/11/2021

### Councillor Nicole Flute

- Cotton Gin Meeting 20/10/2021
- Tourism Branding 22/10/2021
- LGAQ Conference 25 to 27/10/2021
- NQSF AGM & Awards 29 & 30/10/2021
- Chamber of Commerce 01/11/2021
- Brodie St Footpath Workshop 03/11/2021
- Special Council Meeting 03/11/2021
- QAS Centenary Celebrations 04/11/2021
- ADT 08/11/2021
- Official Opening Ceremonies 10/11/2021
- State School Awards Night 10/11/2021
- Outback Futures 11/11/2021
- Remembrance Day 11/11/2021





### Councillor Clarence Haydon

- Cotton Gin Meeting 20/10/2021
- Audit Committee Meeting 25/10/2021
- Grape Farm Year 12 Visit 28/10/2021
- Brodie Street Footpath Workshop 03/11/2021
- Special Council Meeting 03/11/2021
- QAS Centenary Celebrations 04/11/2021
- NWQROC Meeting 05/11/2021
- Official Opening Ceremonies 10/11/2021
- Remembrance Day 11/11/2021

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#### Councillor Arthur Bode

- Brodie St Footpath Workshop 03/11/2021
- Special Council Meeting 03/11/2021
- QAS Centenary Celebrations 04/11/2021
- Official Opening Ceremonies 10/11/2021
- Remembrance Day 11/11/2021
- Outback Wellbeing 11/11/2021

#### Councillor Trevor Mitchell

- Tourism Launch 22/10/2021
- Audit Committee Meeting 25/10/2021
- Special Council Meeting 03/11/2021
- MITEZ 09 & 10/11/2021
- State School Awards Night 10/11/2021
- Remembrance Day 11/11/2021



### 2. REPORTS

### **2.01 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

#### 2.01.01 ROBBIE KATTER MP

**Background** – Letter from Robbie Katter MP in relation to Expansion of the First Home Owners Grant (FHOG) to cover established homes in the regions.

The First Home Owners Grant currently targets first home owners purchasing or building brand new homes. These conditions are extreme in rural locations which automatically makes Queenslanders ineligible for the grant when purchasing already-established, entry-level properties.

The Katter's Australian Part (KAP) is proposing to the State Government an amendment to the current First Home Owners Policy to be included in the 2022/2023 Budget; the amendment being to include existing homes in regional Queensland to the policy, and they are seeking Council support.

Officer's Recommendation - For Council discussion.

**Resolution No: 3355** 

Moved Mayor Jane McNamara

Seconded Cr Kelly Carter

That Council write to Robbie Katter MP expressing support for his actions in relation to expansion of the First Home Owners Grant to cover established homes. Council also requests that Robbie Katter MP supports and advocates for the Western Queensland Housing Solutions Study.

CARRIED 7/0

#### 2.01.02 LEEANNE ENOCH MP

Minister for Communities and Housing Minister for digital economy and Minister for the Arts

**Background** – Letter advising Council of the launch of the Queensland Housing and Homelessness Action Plan 2021-2025, a four-year plan for the next stage of the Queensland Housing Strategy 2017-2027 and a commitment to work with Local Councils across Queensland to deliver housing that meets the local needs. Copy of Action Plant provided.

Officer's Recommendation – For Council information.

Resolution No: 3356

MovedCr Trevor MitchellSecondedCr Arthur Bode

That Council write to Leeanne Enoch MP thanking her for her endeavours and for providing an outline on the need for housing, in the immediate years, along our road corridor.





#### 2.01.03 ROBBIE KATTER MP

**Background** – Letter received congratulating Council on successfully securing funding under Round 10 of the Gambling Community Benefit Fund of \$19,745.00 to install air-conditioning at the Flinders Shire Public Library.

Officer's Recommendation – For Council information.

**Resolution No: 3357** 

MovedCr Arthur BodeSecondedCr Trevor Mitchell

That Council write to the Gambling Community Benefit Fund thanking them for advising Council on successfully securing funding under Round 10 of the Gambling Community Benefit Fund.

CARRIED 7/0

#### 2.01.04 2021 STAFF CHRISTMAS INCENTIVE

**Background** – The issue of vouchers or gift cards (to spend locally) proved successful for the previous six years. After the brief staff consultation, the Executive Management Team, subjected to Council approval concluded that all employees, apprentices and trainees of the Flinders Shire Council would receive a Cards4All Gift Card to the value of \$150.00 for Christmas. The initiation by issuing gift cards to recognise staff efforts during the year will inject up to \$20,000.00 into the local participating businesses.

Officer's Recommendation – That Council confirm the Chief Executive Officer's recommendation and approve for all employees, apprentices and trainees of the Flinders Shire Council to receive a Gift Card to the value of \$150.00 for Christmas. The staff incentives will also inject up to \$20,000.00 into the local economy as the cards can only be utilised at local community participating business houses where Eftpos facilities are available.

Resolution No: 3358

MovedCr Arthur BodeSecondedCr Kim Middleton

That Council confirm the Chief Executive Officer's recommendation and approve that all employees, apprentices and trainees of the Flinders Shire Council receive a Gift Card to the value of \$150.00 for Christmas. The staff incentives will also inject up to \$20,000.00 into the local economy as the cards can only be utilised at local community participating business houses where Eftpos facilities are available.





#### 2.01.05 TEMPORARY WORKERS ACCOMMODATION

**Background** – Council currently has a total budget of \$650,000.00 funded by the Works 4 Queensland Program, towards the purchase and installation on temporary workers accommodation. Additional funds required for purchase and installation of accommodation is estimated at \$800,000.00.

Budget savings have been identified as follows which will allow for works to be completed: Economic Development – River Side Property (Land Clearing & Reticulation) - \$400,000.00 from the original \$500,000.00 allocated budget

Brodie Street & CBD Rejuvenation Works – Footpaths and Structures - \$400,000.00 from the original \$1,000,000.00 allocated budget

**Officer's Recommendation** – That Council agree to the reallocation of budget from the identified projects to the Temporary Workers Accommodation budget, as discussed.

**Resolution No: 3359** 

Moved Cr Kim Middleton Seconded Cr Trevor Mitchell

That Council agree to the reallocation of budget from the identified projects to the Temporary Workers

Accommodation budget, as discussed.

CARRIED 7/0

#### 2.01.06 BUILDING OUR REGIONS - ROUND 6

**Background** – Round 6 of the Building our Regions Program provides \$70 million in funding for Regional Local Governments to improve the water supply and sewerage systems.

This additional round of Building our Regions will help drive new water supply and sewerage infrastructure projects to improve water security, enhance drinking water quality and help to improve business sustainability of Queensland's regional water service providers. This Program also aims to support jobs in manufacturing and technology and underpin the social, economic, and environmental well-being of regional communities.

Building our Regions is comprised of two streams:

- i) Funding for construction and works projects that are ready to commence construction or works by 15 February 2023. Please refer to the Glossary for a definition of construction projects.
- ii) Funding for scoping, planning, cost benefit analysis or feasibility assessment in order to identify the most effective solution.

Expressions of Interest open date - 29/09/2021 and closing date - 23/11/2021

Funding is categorised into three funds based on water service provider size as determined by number of connections. Funding not used in each category will be made available to the remaining categories.





**Officer's Recommendation** – That Council submit two Expressions of Interest to the Building Our Regions – Round 6 for the following projects:

- 1. Hughenden \$1.80 million comprise of
  - Bore No 5 \$450,000
  - Bore No 2 \$450,000
  - Automated Smart Water Meters \$450,000
  - Water Main Upgrades \$450,000

### Council contribution from budget:

- Bores replacement program \$320,000
- Hughenden Water Main Upgrades 2022/23 , LRCI, Phase 3 \$450,000
- Total Funding Required \$1.03 million
- 2. Prairie \$1.00 million comprise of
  - Water Main Upgrades \$200,000
  - Railway Bore \$400,000
  - Stock route Bore \$400,000

#### Council contribution from budget:

- Prairie Water Main Upgrades , LRCI, Phase 3 \$100,000
- Total Funding Required \$700,000.00 Council own source funding of \$200,000

**Resolution No: 3360** 

Moved Cr Trevor Mitchell Seconded Cr Arthur Bode

That Council submit two Expressions of Interest to the Building our Regions - Round 6 as listed.

CARRIED 7/0

#### 2.01.07 PURCHASE OF TEMPORARY WORKERS ACCOMMODATION UNITS

**Background** – To support the expansion of the Caravan Park accommodation additional modular units are required. The Engineering department have sought quotes for the purchase of second-hand dongas.

Modular Building Brokers Australia Pty Ltd have 15 four (4) room dongas available, currently listed at \$46,000.00 each + GST.

**Resolution No: 3361** 

MovedCr Kim MiddletonSecondedCr Trevor Mitchell

That under Section 235(e) of the <u>Local Government Regulations 2021</u> Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate the purchase price of the 15 four (4) room dongas on offer and enter into a contract for the purchase of the second-hand goods.





### 2.02 CORPORATE AND FINANCE SERVICES

### 2.02.01 FINANCIAL REPORT

**Background** – In accordance with section 204 of <u>the Local Government Regulation 2012</u>, the Chief Executive Officer must present a financial report to the Council at its monthly ordinary meetings. Monthly financial reports consist of:

- i. Statement of financial performance;
- ii. Statement of financial position;
- iii. Statement of cash flows;
- iv Statement of Changes in Equity;
- v. Income and expenditure statement;
- vi. Capital Works Program.

The following is a summary of the financial results as at 31 October 2021:

1. Statement of Comprehensive Income	4	
	\$,000	
Total Recurrent Revenue	14,839	35%
Total Recurrent Expenditure	15,361	36%
Net Operating Result - Surplus/(Deficit)	(522)	-121%
Total Capital Income	2,164	17%
Total Capital Expense	-	-
Net Result - Surplus/(Deficit)	1,642	12%
2. Statement of Financial Position		
	\$,000	
Total Current Assets	34,563	112%
Total Non-Current Assets	232,397	91%
Total Assets	266,960	93%
Total Current Liabilities	3,211	66%
Total Non-Current Liabilities	9,626	109%
Total Liabilities	12,837	94%
Net Community Assets	254,123	93%
Asset Revaluation Surplus	80,037	89%
Retained Surplus/(Deficiency)	174,086	95%
Total Community Equity	254,123	93%
3. Cash Flow Statement		
	\$,000	
Cash at the beginning of the period	33,003	100%
Total Payments Received	21,939	36%
Total Payments Made	(21,148)	32%
Cash as the end of the period	33,794	123%





**Officer's Recommendation** – That in accordance with Section 204 of the <u>Local Government Regulation 2012</u>, Council receives and approves the financial report, which includes the following statements, for the period ending 31 October 2021 – period 9:

- i. Statement of financial performance;
- ii. Statement of financial position;
- iii. Statement of cash flows;
- iv Statement of Changes in Equity.

**Resolution No: 3362** 

Moved Cr Kim Middleton Seconded Cr Clarence Haydon

That in accordance with Section 204 of the <u>Local Government Regulation 2012</u>, Council receives and approves the financial report, which includes the following statements, for the period ending 31 October 2021 – period 9:

- i. Statement of financial performance;
- ii. Statement of financial position;
- iii. Statement of cash flows;
- iv Statement of Changes in Equity

CARRIED 7/0

### 2.02.02 DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES - RENEWAL OF TERM LEASE

**Background** – The Department of Resources is undertaking an assessment under the <u>Land</u> <u>Act 1994</u> in respect of Term Lease 0/219117 over Lot 4 on Crown Plan DG212. The current purpose of the lease is grazing. The lease expires on 05 May 2023.

The Department is seeking Councils views on the renewal of this lease and any other requirements that may affect the future use of the land.

**Officer's Recommendation** – That Council offer no objection to the Department of Resources in renewing Term Lease 0/219117 over Lot 4 on Crown Plan DG212 and further advise that Council will not consider entering into a Trustee Lease or Permit.

**Resolution No: 3363** 

MovedCr Clarence HaydonSecondedCr Trevor Mitchell

- 1. That Council offers no objection to the renewal of the term lease over Lot 4 on Crown Plan DG212, subject to the same terms and conditions of the existing lease; and
- 2. That the Department must provide further information and seek Council's feedback and comments should it be of the view that another form of tenure is more appropriate for the land.

CARRIED 7/0

**Attendance** – Cr Arthur Bode declared a Declarable Conflict of Interest to item 2.02.03 titled Department of Resources – Application to Surrender and Reissue Permit to Occupy (as defined by Section 150EN of the <u>Local Government Act 2009</u>) due to the applicant for the new Permit to Occupy being Robert Bode, his son and left the meeting at 9:44am taking no part in the debate or decision of the meeting





### 2.02.03 DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES – APPLICATION TO SURRENDER AND REISSUE PERMIT TO OCCUPY

**Background** – The Department of Resources has received an application to surrender the Permit to Occupy 0/235236 and an application for a new Permit to Occupy over Lot B on AP20192. The proposed use of the land is grazing.

The Department is seeking Councils views on the application for a new Permit to Occupy over Lot B on AP20192 and any other requirements that may affect the future use of the land.

Officer's Recommendation – That Council offer no objection to the surrender and reissue of a Permit to Occupy over Lot B on AP20192, on the condition that:

- Wild dogs and noxious weeds are controlled
- The landholder be encouraged to participate in the 'Good Neighbour Program' as part of the Flinders Shire Local Government Biosecurity Plan

**Resolution No:3364** 

MovedCr Trevor MitchellSecondedCr Kim Middleton

That Council offer no objection to the surrender and reissue of a Permit to Occupy over Lot B on AP20192, on the condition that:

- Wild dogs and noxious weeds are controlled
- The landholder be encouraged to participate in the 'Good Neighbour Program' as part of the Flinders Shire Local Government Biosecurity Plan

Name of each eligible councillor who voted on the matter:

Mayor Jane McNamara, Cr Kim Middleton, Cr Kelly Carter, Cr Clarence Haydon, Cr Nicole Flute and Cr Trevor Mitchell

How each eligible councillor voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion

CARRIED 6/0

### Attendance – Cr Arthur Bode returned to the meeting at 9:47am

### 2.02.04 LEASE TERM CHANGE - LOT 37 ON WOU837101

**Background** – A request has been received from the leasee of Lot 37 on Crown Plan WOU837101 for Council to consider entering into an agreement for a 20-30 year Trustee Lease on the land.

Officer's Recommendation - After discussion with the Department the lessee be advised that Council is not considering entering into a Trustee Leases on any land in the Shire and it is further recommended that the lessee continue negotiations with the Department on the renewal of their lease.

**Resolution No: 3365** 

MovedCr Arthur BodeSecondedCr Trevor Mitchell

After discussion with the Department of Resources the lessee be advised that Council is not considering entering into a Trustee Lease on any land in the Shire and it is further recommended that the lessee continue negotiations with the Department on the renewal of their lease.





2.02.05 LEVY 2 – RATES AND OTHER CHARGES

**Background** – Council had set the due date for the second levy of the rates and other charges for the financial year as 06 December 2021. However, technical problems were experienced with the printing of the notices, resulting in the printing and mailing of the notices on 12 November 2021. This was two weeks later than scheduled. It is requested that due to the late mailing of the notices, the due date be changed to 20 December 2021.

Resolution No: 3366

Moved Cr Kelly Carter Seconded Cr Clarence Haydon

That Council changes the due date set for the payment of the second levy of the rates and other charges for the

financial year to 20 December 2021.

CARRIED 7/0

### 2.03 ENGINEERING

**Attendance** – Cr Kelly Carter declared a Declarable Conflict of Interest to item 2.03.01 titled Request to Obtain Gravel from Gravel Pit Situated at the Back of the Airport (as defined by Section 150EN of the <u>Local Government Act 2009</u>) due to being the owner of Carter Sheds who is the contractor applying for permission to obtain gravel and left the meeting at 9:53am taking no part in the debate or decision of the meeting

### 2.03.01 REQUEST TO OBTAIN GRAVEL FROM GRAVEL PIT SITUATED AT THE BACK OF THE AIRPORT

**Background –** Council received a letter dated 18 October 2021 from a local contractor that would like to obtain gravel from the gravel pit situated at the back of the Hughenden Airport to use for gravel base on their block in the Industrial Estate.

Officer's Recommendation - For Council discussion.

**Resolution No: 3367** 

Moved Cr Clarence Haydon Seconded Cr Nicole Flute

That the contractor take the gravel from the Aerodrome / Thomasson's B Pit but within the bounds of Council's sales permit only. Council will pay royalties as per the conditions of the sales permit. The contractor shall be responsible for all works involved in winning and carting the gravel.

Name of each eligible councillor who voted on the matter:

Mayor Jane McNamara, Cr Kim Middleton, Cr Arthur Bode, Cr Clarence Haydon, Cr Nicole Flute and Cr Trevor Mitchell

How each eligible councillor voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion

CARRIED 6/0

Attendance - Cr Kelly Carter returned to the meeting at 9:57am



# SHIRE OF

### MINUTES 16 NOVEMBER 2021 – 9:00 AM DIGGERS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE

**Attendance** – Mayor Jane McNamara declared a Declarable Conflict of Interest to item 2.03.02 titled Grid Subsidy (as defined by Section 150EN of the <u>Local Government Act 2009</u>) due to being a partner of Abbotsford Pastoral Company who is an applicant under the Grid Subsidy Program and left the meeting at 9:57am taking no part in the debate or decision of the meeting

**Attendance** – Cr Arthur Bode declared a Declarable Conflict of Interest to item 2.03.02 titled Grid Subsidy (as defined by Section 150EN of the *Local Government Act 2009*) due to being the father of Robert Bode of Waterview Station who is an applicant under the Grid Subsidy Program and left the meeting at 9:58am taking no part in the debate or decision of the meeting

**Attendance** – Cr Nicole Flute declared a Declarable Conflict of Interest to item 2.03.02 titled Grid Subsidy (as defined by Section 150EN of the *Local Government Act 2009*) due to being the owner of Denbigh Station who is an applicant under the Grid Subsidy Program and left the meeting at 9:59am taking no part in the debate or decision of the meeting

#### 2.03.02 GRID SUBSIDY

**Background –** Council at its August 2019 Meeting adopted the Shire Roads Grid Upgrade/Replacement Policy. We have advertised the Shire Roads Grid Upgrade/Replacement Second Round and applications closed on 24 September 2021. Property boundary grids (2.7m x 4m) - the owner/property are to contribute \$3,500 toward the cost of the purchase and the internal property grids (2m x 4m) - the owner/property to contribute \$3,000. The delivery cost of the grid and abutments and installation to be done by Council.

We have received twelve applications from properties wanting to upgrade/replace 23 grids in total. One application for three grids was a late application. A list of applications are below.

Address	Road	Location	Dimensions of Grid	Number of Grids
Uanda Station, Prairie	Lamermoore/ Prairievale	Triangle/Horseshoe As per Policy Paddocks		1
Uanda Station, Prairie	Lamermoore/ Prairievale	Uanda/Tiree Boundary	As per Policy	1
Vellum Downs, Hughenden	Vuna Road	Near Whitewood of Hughenden and Winton Main Road	As per Policy	1
Soda Valley, Dutton River	Dutton Downs	At new sets before Beantree Wall	2m x 4m	1
Inveresk Station, Prairie	Prairie/Muttaburra	126.5 on Map	3m x 4m	1
Inveresk Station, Prairie	Prairie/Muttaburra	126.5 on Map	3m x 4m	1
Denbigh Station, Hughenden	Strathstewert	46	3m x 4m	1
Abbotsford, Hughenden	Stamford/Lerida	33.5km from Stamford	2.7m x 4m	1
Abbotsford, Hughenden	Stamford/Lerida	38.5km from Stamford	2.7m x 4m	1
Abbotsford, Hughenden	Coorabelle	2km from Stamford Lerida Road on Coorabelle Road	2m x 4m	1
Rosevale Station, Hughenden	Canterbury Plains	Did not say	2.7m x 4m	1
Strathglass Station, Prairie	Qurunga (Loddon Road)	Boundary between Eurunga & Queensland Rail at rail crossing, Loddon Road	27.m x 4m	1
Ventcher Station, Prairie	Wishaw	3 grids required on varous locations on Wishaw Road	2m x 4m	3
Ventcher Station, Prairie	Kalleroo	Replace existing grid at Powerline	2m x 4m	1





Kalleroo Station, Prairie	Wishaw		2.7m x 4m	2
Waterview Station, Prairie	805 Plains	2 grids on Strathglass detour road, around the plains house	Did not say	2
(Late) Ormonde Station, Hughenden	Torvey Valley		2.7m x 4m	1
(Late) Ormonde Station, Hughenden	Torvery Valley	To replace an existing one - At the first bore you come on Canterbury Road	2.7m x 4m	1
(Late) Ormonde Station, Hughenden	Torvey Valley	At the Ormonde House	4300mm L x 2420mm W x 200mm H	1

**Officer's Recommendation –** That Council receive and note the list of the applications, as presented by the Acting Director of Engineering and notify the applicants of the outcome and complete the works as per the Council Policies and Procedures.

**Resolution No: 3368** 

Moved Cr Clarence Haydon Seconded Cr Trevor Mitchell

That Council receive and note the list of the applications, as presented by the Acting Director of Engineering and notify the applicants of the outcome and complete the works as per the Council Policies and Procedures.

Name of each eligible councillor who voted on the matter:

Cr Kim Middleton, Cr Clarence Haydon, Cr Kelly Carter and Cr Trevor Mitchell

How each eligible councillor voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion

CARRIED 4/0

Attendance – Mayor Jane McNamara, Cr Arthur Bode and Cr Nicole Flute returned to the meeting at 10:06am

Attendance – Cr Kim Middleton declared a Declarable Conflict of Interest to item 2.03.03 titled Driveway Subsidy (as defined by Section 150EN of the *Local Government Act 2009*) due to being the owner 17 Hammond Street, Hughenden and an applicant under the Driveway Subsidy Program and left the meeting at 10:07am taking no part in the debate or decision of the meeting





#### 2.03.03 DRIVEWAY SUBSIDY

**Background –** Council at its September 2019 Meeting adopted the Driveway Subsidy Policy. We have advertised a third round of the Driveway Subsidy and applications closed on 24 September 2021. We received three applications. A list of the applications received follows:

Address	
17 Hammond Street, Hughenden	
57 Stansfield Street, Hughenden	
23 Little Avenue, Hughenden	

**Officer's Recommendation –** That Council receive and note the list of the applications, as presented by the Acting Director of Engineering and notify the applicants of the outcome and complete the works as per the Council Policies and Procedures.

**Resolution No: 3369** 

MovedCr Nicole FluteSecondedCr Arthur Bode

That Council receive and note the list of the applications, as presented by the Acting Director of Engineering with the additional application received for Corner of Resolution and Hardwicke Streets, Hughenden and notify the applicants of the outcome and complete the works as per the Council Policies and Procedures. Also, Council agreed to keep the funding program open for ratepayers to submit new applications without waiting for formal Expression of Interest process.

Name of each eligible councillor who voted on the matter:

Mayor Jane McNamara, Cr Clarence Haydon, Cr Kelly Carter, Cr Arthur Bode, Cr Nicole Flute and Cr Trevor Mitchell

How each eligible councillor voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion

CARRIED 6/0

Attendance – Cr Kim Middleton returned to the meeting at 10:11am

### 2.04 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND WELLBEING

### 2.04.01 AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S FUTURE DROUGHT FUND

**Background** – The Australian Government's Future Drought Fund provides a sustainable source of funding to help remote, rural and regional communities and farmers become more prepared for, and resilient to, the impacts of drought. The Fund is part of the Government's Drought Response, Resilience and Preparedness Plan.

The Networks to Build Drought Resilience Program is one of the Fund's foundation programs. It is designed to build community capacity by strengthening social and community networking, support, engagement and wellbeing.

The aim is to build an enduring resilience to the impacts of climate change, drought, and enhance the public good in agriculture-dependent communities.





**Officer's Recommendation** – That Council apply to Round 2 of the Future Drought Fund for Stage One of the Flinders Shire Public Library Redevelopment in the Tier 3 Funding totalling \$150,000.00.

Resolution No: 3370

Moved Cr Nicole Flute Seconded Cr Kelly Carter

That Council apply to Round 2 of the Future Drought Fund for Stage One of the Flinders Shire Public Library

Redevelopment in the Tier 3 Funding totalling \$150 000.00.

CARRIED 7/0

**Attendance** – Mayor Jane McNamara declared a Prescribed Conflict of Interest to item 2.04.02 titled National Australia Day Funding (as defined by Section 150EG of the <u>Local Government Act 2009</u>) due to being a National Australia Day Council Board Member and left the meeting at 10:17am taking no part in the debate or decision of the meeting

### 2.04.02 NATIONAL AUSTRALIA DAY FUNDING

**Background** - For Australia Day 2022 the National Australia Day Council (NADC) aims to support communities to hold an Australia Day event regardless of the changing nature of COVID restrictions. This means supporting eligible event organisers to plan for all eventualities. Events can be a new or existing public event or activity, a community activity, or an online engagement. Organisers of face-to-face events should also plan for a virtual alternative to ensure that regardless of last-minute changes to COVID public health restrictions, their community still has the opportunity to come together to acknowledge our collective contribution to Australia.

**Officer's Recommendation** – That Council apply to the NADC for \$10,000.00 to assist in the 2022 Flinders Shire Australia Day event.

**Resolution No: 3371** 

Moved Cr Arthur Bode Seconded Cr Trevor Mitchell

That Council support the application to the NADC for \$10,000.00 to assist in the 2022 Flinders Shire Australia Day event.

Name of each eligible councillor who voted on the matter:

Cr Kim Middleton, Cr Clarence Haydon, Cr Kelly Carter, Cr Arthur Bode, Cr Nicole Flute and Cr Trevor Mitchell

How each eligible councillor voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion

CARRIED 6/0

Attendance – Mayor Jane McNamara returned to the meeting at 10:20am





### 3. CLOSED BUSINESS

That Council close the meeting to the public at under section 254J Local Government Regulations 2012.

Nil report





### 4. PROPOSED MEETING CALENDAR

DATE	TIME	MEETING VENUE	TOPIC
Monday 15 November 2021	9:00am – 2:00pm	DEC Meeting Room	Briefing
Tuesday 16 November 2021	9:00am –12:30pm	DEC Meeting Room	Council Meeting
Monday 13 December 2021	9:00am – 2:00pm	DEC Meeting Room	Briefing
Tuesday 14 December 2021	9:00am –12:30pm	DEC Meeting Room	Council Meeting
Monday 17 January 2022	9:00am – 2:00pm	DEC Meeting Room	Briefing
Tuesday 18 January 2022	9:00am – 12:30pm	DEC Meeting Room	Council Meeting
Monday 14 February 2022	9:00am – 2:00pm	DEC Meeting Room	Briefing
Tuesday 15 February 2022	9:00am – 12:30pm	DEC Meeting Room	Council Meeting
Monday 14 March 2022	9:00am – 2:00pm	DEC Meeting Room	Briefing
Tuesday 15 March 2022	9:00am – 12:30pm	DEC Meeting Room	Council Meeting





The meeting closed at 10:22am

Jane McNamara Mayor Flinders Shire Council

