



SNOWY MONARO
REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

5 April 2018

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 81 COMMISSIONER STREET, COOMA NSW 2630
ON THURSDAY 5 APRIL 2018**

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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 81 COMMISSIONER STREET, COOMA NSW 2630**

**ON THURSDAY, 5 APRIL 2018
COMMENCING AT 5.00PM**

PRESENT: Mayor John Rooney
Deputy Mayor Linley Miners
Councillor Peter Beer
Councillor John Castellari
Councillor James Ewart
Councillor Rogan Corbett
Councillor Sue Haslingden
Councillor John Last
Councillor Anne Maslin
Councillor Brian Old
Councillor Bob Stewart

APOLOGIES:

Staff: Joe Vescio, General Manager
Suneil Adhikari, Director Operations & Infrastructure
Peter Smith, Director Environment & Sustainability
Peter Cannizzaro, Director Corporate & Community Services
Erin Donnelly, Secretary Council and Committees
Amanda Shepherd, Governance Administration
Nola Brady, Group Manager Governance

Notes: *The Mayor Opened the meeting at 5:05pm, Councillor Beer was absent from the meeting from 5.11pm during Item 3.1 -Detective Chief Inspector Grey and Crime Prevention Officer Naomi Nemec – Alcohol Free Zones, returning at 5:23pm during Item 4.1 Steve Allen -Multiple Occupancy Residences, Cooma’s Rental Crisis and Low Maintenance units for able elderly residents, Councillor Last was absent from the meeting from 5.33pm during item number 4.1 – Steve Allen Public Forum: Cooma Rental Crisis returning at 5:34pm during Item 4.1 Steve Allen- Steve Allen Public Forum: Cooma Rental Crisis, Clr Miners was absent from 5:39pm, during item number 8 Delegates Report, and returned at 5:45pm, during Item 8 Delegate Report, Clr Last was absent from 6:35pm during item 15.2 Water and Sewer Financial Plans and Draft Pricing for 2019 including draft billing policies and communication strategy) returning at 6:38pm during 15.2 Water and Sewer Financial Plans and Draft Pricing for 2019 including draft billing policies and communication strategy, At 7:04 pm the meeting adjourned for Dinner, The meeting resumed at 7:28pm, Clr Last left the meeting at 7:28 pm during Meeting Adjournment, Clr Stewart left the Meeting at 7:28 pm, during meeting Resumption, and Returned at 7:31, during item number 21, Questions Taken on Notice, At 7:35 pm the meeting was closed to the press and public, At 8:26 pm the Closed Session ended and the Council meeting continued in Open Session, There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8:28PM.*

The Mayor opened the meeting at 5.05PM

1. APOLOGIES

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

99/18

That the apology from Mayor be accepted and leave of absence be granted for the Council Meeting on the 2 and 3 of May 2018.

That the apology from the General Manager be accepted and leave of absence be granted for the Council Meeting on the 2 and 3 of May 2018.

That the apology from Clr Miners be accepted and leave of absence be granted for the Council Meeting on the 19 of April 2018.

Moved Councillor Old

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

2. CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

Nil

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 DETECTIVE CHIEF INSPECTOR GREY AND CRIME PREVENTION OFFICER NAOMI NEMEC - ALCOHOL FREE ZONES

Detective Chief Inspector Grey and Crime Prevention Officer Naomi Nemec , discussing Alcohol Free Area Proposal. Wanting to address social media concerns relating to Alcohol Free Zones, and to clarify the proposal and give people the opportunity to ask questions about the Alcohol Free Zones and Alcohol Prohibited Areas. Potential alcohol free zone time 7pm to 9am. The Alcohol Free Zones are not a complete fix for issues, however, it is a Crime prevention strategy which aims to reduce street drinking and other alcohol related issues.

Note 1: Attendance of Councilor

Councillor Beer was absent from the meeting from 5.11pm during Item 3.1 -Detective Chief Inspector Grey and Crime Prevention Officer Naomi Nemec – Alcohol Free Zones, returning at 5:23pm during Item 4.1 Steve Allen -Multiple Occupancy Residences, Cooma’s Rental Crisis and Low Maintenance units for able elderly residents.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

(Minutes of Deputations from the Public Gallery are a summary only and do not purport to be a complete transcript of the proceedings.)

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

100/18

That members of the public be granted permission to address Council.

Moved Mayor Rooney

Seconded Councillor Old

CARRIED

4.1 STEVEN ALLEN - MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY RESIDENCES, COOMA'S RENTAL CRISIS AND LOW MAINTENANCE UNITS FOR ABLE ELDERLY RESIDENTS

Steven Allen, of Steve Allen property, addressed Council on issues with the rental crisis in Cooma, both in the supply and the affordability of Rental Properties. Increasing supply of Rental Properties will free up large family homes, and allow for elderly residents to downsize. Wages in Cooma are at the lower end of the scale, and these residents do not have the option to purchase a property, and only have the option to rent. Landlords' property rates have been increasing, which increases rental property prices. Steve described some similarities in housing prices within the area, and wishes to make housing affordability equal for Cooma residents. Steven expressed his wish to encourage future investment within the town.

Note 2: Attendance of Councilor

Councillor Last was absent from the meeting from 5.33pm during item number 4.1 – Steve Allen Public Forum: Cooma Rental Crisis returning at 5:35pm during same Item.

5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

6. MATTERS DEALT WITH BY EXCEPTION

Items by Exception

The Mayor requested that Councillors nominate any items listed in Corporate Business and Confidential Business that they wished to discuss.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

101/18

- A. That all items listed in Corporate Business both Open and Confidential be dealt with separately other than the following items which are moved by exception:
- 10.2 Bombala Caravan Park Disposal of Caravans;
 - 11.1 Tombong Bridge – Emergency Work;
 - 13.1 Meeting Minutes AGM and General Meeting for Section 355 Committee Adaminaby School of Arts Hall 21 October 2017 and 18 September 2017; and
 - 15.1 Water and Sewer Financial Plans and Draft Pricing for 2019 Including Draft Billing Policies and Communication Strategy.
- B. That the Officer's Recommendations in the reports listed above are hereby adopted.

Moved Councillor Ewart

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

7.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 15 MARCH 2018

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

102/18

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 15 March 2018 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings, pending the following amendments:

Page 8 Item 8.1

Replace The new members of the ARIC, John Barbeler and Adam Vine, who both sit on numerous other Councils, commented on how impressed they were with the volume of work SMRC has completed since amalgamation

Moved Councillor Ewart

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

7.2 CLOSED SESSION OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 15 MARCH 2018

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

103/18

THAT the minutes of the Closed Session of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 15 March 2018 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved Councillor Ewart

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

8. DELEGATE'S REPORT (IF ANY)

8.1 MAYORAL REPORT

Record No:

Author: Executive Assistant Mayor & Councillors - Sarah Cleverley, Mayor

Attachments: 1. Mayoral Engagements Mar 18 [⇒](#)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Attached are the mayoral engagements for the period 16 March to 04 April 2018. This includes meetings with ministers, event attended, conferences and training courses attended.

During this period I have made a decision under my delegations as listed:

- Approval of donation request for the Bombala Rotary Club – gravel to complete the storage shed (storage shed funded by the Snowy Monaro Community Grant)
- Approval of donation request from Bombala Campdraft for in kind support for their upcoming event

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

104/18

That Council

A. Receives and notes the mayoral report for the period 16 March to 04 April 2018.

B. Confirms the decisions made by the Mayor under delegated authority

Moved Councillor Beer

Seconded Councillor Miners

CARRIED

8.2 EASTER WEEKEND EVENTS

Councillor John Castellari

Attended the Jindabyne Art Show. The standard of work was excellent and there was a large range of artworks on display.

Also attended the Lake Light show in Jindabyne, to meet with the recipient of the Waste Award. A lot of locals attended as well as persons from the coastal areas. A very well organised event.

8.3 EASTER WEEKEND EVENTS

Councillor Peter Beer

Attended the Commissioning of the Alpine Lake Base – Lake Jindabyne. The Marine NSW Rescue Board of Directors were in attendance, and everyone was very pleased with the outcome of the event.

Discussions are also continuing with members of The Crack, and they will hopefully be making a presentation to Council within the coming weeks.

Note 3: **Attendance of Councillor**

Clr Miners was absent from 5:39pm, during item number 8 Delegates Report, and returned at 5:45pm, during Item same item.

8.4 EASTER WEEKEND EVENTS

Councillor Rogan Corbett

Attended the Land Rover Event. The Event was a great success, and a great event for the Snowy Monaro Region to be involved in. The event added \$1 million to the community over the 4 day period.

\$2500 was received for the Tathra Fires appeal. Council staff did a wonderful job in preparing the show ground. and all the Schools, Clubs and Businesses involved in the event were pleased.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

105/18

That Council receive and note reports by Councillors.

Moved Mayor Rooney

Seconded Councillor Haslingden

CARRIED

9. ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE MINUTES/RECOMMENDATIONS

Nil

10. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY DIRECTION 1. SUSTAINING OUR ENVIRONMENT FOR LIFE

10.1 COUNCIL OWNED RESIDENCE AT 204 MAYBE STREET BOMBALA

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Director Operations & Infrastructure
Author:	Asset Manager
Key Direction:	1. Sustaining Our Environment for Life
Delivery Plan Strategy:	DP1.3.1.1 Ensure Council services, facilities and land holdings promote best practice for sustainability.
Operational Plan Action:	OP1.14 Council have safe, reliable, sustainable and cost effective assets through the management of Facilities.
Attachments:	1. Location and Photograph of 204 Maybe St Bombala ⇒
Cost Centre	1530 Council Houses

Project PJ 150227
204 Maybe Street Bombala

Further Operational Plan Actions:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council owned residential house at 204 Maybe Street Bombala has been vacant since the last tenants moved out in February 2017. The house requires maintenance works and refurbishment of the kitchen and bathroom. Council also needs to consider the future of this residential house.

The following officer's recommendation is submitted for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

106/18

That Council

- A. Approve the sale of Council's residential house at 204 Maybe Street Bombala without the refurbishment works being carried out. Proceeds of sale to be deposited into Council's Property Reserve.
- B. Authorise the expenditure to be allocated from the 2018 Financial Budget with funding to be provided from the Former Bombala LGA Reserve.

Moved Councillor Ewart

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

Note 4: Lapsed Motion

A motion moved Clr Maslin failed to gain a seconder and therefore LAPSED through want of a seconder. The lapsed motion was in the following terms:

"That Council approve the sale of Council's residential house at 204 Maybe Street Bombala without the refurbishment works being carried out. Proceeds of sale to be deposited into Council's Property Reserve, With a view to constructing accommodation to attract workers to Bombala in the future."

10.2 BOMBALA CARAVAN PARK DISPOSAL OF CARAVANS

Record No:

Responsible Officer: Director Operations & Infrastructure
Author: Asset Manager
Key Direction: 1. Sustaining Our Environment for Life
Delivery Plan Strategy: DP1.3.1.1 Ensure Council services, facilities and land holdings promote best practice for sustainability.
Operational Plan Action: OP1.14 Council have safe, reliable, sustainable and cost effective assets through the management of Facilities.
Attachments: 1. SMRC 210 Asset Management Policy [↗](#)
2. SRSC Asset Disposal Procedure [↗](#)
Cost Centre Caravan Parks 1595
Project Bombala Caravan Park PJ 150218
Further Operational Plan Actions:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council's permission to advertise the sale and removal of two Council owned onsite caravans at the Council owned Bombala Caravan Park.

The following officer's recommendation is submitted for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

107/18

That Council

- A. Approve to advertise for the sale and removal of the two Council owned onsite caravans at the Bombala Caravan Park.
- B. Authorise the income from the sale and removal of the two caravans to be costed to the 2018 Financial Year Budget Caravan Parks Cost Centre 1595.

Moved Councillor Ewart

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

Note 5: Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 101/18 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

11. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY DIRECTION 2. EXPANDING CONNECTIONS WITHIN THE REGION AND BEYOND

11.1 TOMBONG BRIDGE - EMERGENCY WORKS

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Director Operations & Infrastructure
Author:	Group Manager Transport Infrastructure (Operations)
Key Direction:	2. Expanding Connections Within the Region and Beyond
Delivery Plan Strategy:	DP2.2.1.3 Continual maintenance and improvement of the road infrastructure network
Operational Plan Action:	OP2.10 Implement Council's transportation construction and maintenance program in accordance with the Strategic Transportation Asset Management
Attachments:	1. Tombong Bridge - Request for Quote ⇒
Cost Centre	1802 Roads Management Operations
Project	Tombong Bridge – Temporary Replacement
Further Operational Plan Actions:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Tombong Bridge is located on Tombong Road which crosses Tombong Creek, approximately 20 kilometres west of Delegate.



Recent Level 2 and Level 3 Inspections of Tombong Bridge have identified significant levels of deterioration to support an immediate weight limit of 5 tonnes to be imposed which, according to local landowners, will have an unacceptable impact of the movement of agricultural machinery and livestock if not resolved quickly.

Council engaged a structural engineer to determine what works would be necessary, to be conducted as Emergency works, in order to provide a temporary solution that was structurally robust enough to accommodate current traffic loads. This work would deliver a short term and cost effective solution while a more permanent structure was costed/identified.

The attached Request for Quote is Councils proposal to seek suitably qualified contractors to investigate costing against three (3) possible temporary solutions which are:

- Option 1 – construct a causeway with reinforced concrete pipes and gravel road to bypass the existing bridge over Tombong Creek on Tombong Road. The temporary crossing is to be constructed on the downstream side of the existing bridge
- Option 2 – construct a temporary reinforced concrete foundation and abutment with steel girders and precast concrete deck slabs directly over the top of the existing timber bridge.
- Option 3 – construct a permanent reinforced concrete or composite reinforced concrete and steel bridge structure offset downstream of the existing timber bridge.

The following officer’s recommendation is submitted for Council’s consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION	108/18
That Council Receive and Note the report on Tombong Bridge – Emergency Works.	
Moved Councillor Ewart	Seconded Councillor Corbett
	CARRIED

Note 6: **Motions Without Debate**

The above officer’s recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 101/18 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

12. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY DIRECTION 3. STRENGTHENING OUR LOCAL ECONOMY

Nil

13. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY DIRECTION 4. CREATING SAFER, HEALTHIER AND THRIVING COMMUNITY

13.1 MEETING MINUTES AGM AND GENERAL MEETING FOR SECTION 355 COMMITTEE ADAMINABY SCHOOL OF ARTS HALL 21 OCTOBER 2017 AND 18 SEPTEMBER 2017

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Director Operations & Infrastructure
Author:	Asset Manager
Key Direction:	4. Creating a Safer, Healthier and Thriving Community
Delivery Plan Strategy:	DP4.1.2.1 Support the availability of volunteering opportunities and build capacity.
Operational Plan Action:	OP4.9 Strengthen, support and promote volunteering within Council and in the Community as a valued vocation that builds social capacity
Attachments:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Meeting Minutes for Adaminaby School of Arts Hall Section 355 Committee 18 September 2017 ⇒2. Meeting Minutes for Adaminaby School of Arts Hall Section 355 Committee 21 October 2017 ⇒3. Meeting Minutes for AGM Adaminaby School of Arts Hall 21 October 2017 ⇒4. Chairmans Report for AGM Adaminaby School of Arts Hall 21 October 2017 ⇒5. Hall Managers Report AGM Adaminaby School of Arts Hall 21 October 2017 ⇒6. Treasurers Report AGM Adaminaby School of Arts Hall 21 October 2017 ⇒7. Adaminaby Stage Curtain Sub Committee AGM Adaminaby School of Arts Hall 21 October 2017 ⇒
Cost Centre	Adaminaby School of Arts Hall 1550
Project	
Further Operational Plan Actions:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A copy of the Annual General Meeting Minutes for Adaminaby School of Arts Hall Section 355 Committee held on 21 October 2017 and General Meeting 18 September 2017 are attached for Council's consideration.

The following officer's recommendation is submitted for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

109/18

That Council receive and note the minutes of the Adaminaby School of Arts Hall Section 355 Committee Annual General Meeting held on 21 October 2017 and General Meeting held on 18 September 2017.

Moved Councillor Ewart

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

Note 7: **Motions Without Debate**

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 101/18 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

14. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY DIRECTION 5. ENHANCING OUR HEALTHY, ACTIVE LIFESTYLE

14.1 CENTENNIAL PARK - ELM TREE

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Director Operations & Infrastructure
Author:	Open Space & Recreation Manager
Key Direction:	5. Enhancing Our Healthy, Active Lifestyle
Delivery Plan Strategy:	DP5.2.1.1 Upgrade and maintain current investments in community, sporting, recreation and fitness facilities
Operational Plan Action:	OP5.4 Recreation, Open Space, Property Asset Management Plan and Long Term Financial Plan to be approved and implemented by Council
Attachments:	1. Centennial Park Tree Assessment ⇒
Cost Centre	10-1610
Project	
Further Operational Plan Actions:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

An Arborist report on the Elm tree in Centennial Park Cooma has been received with recommendations for the management of the tree and for future tree management in the Park.

The following are the immediate and short term recommendations of the report which is attached to this report.

Immediate term (Now until removal or canopy has been reduced)

- Continue to have the area beneath the potential fall zone of the tree barricaded off.
- Commence community communication of the removal of the two (2) Elm trees.
- Commence or continue the community consultation process of the park management
- in the future.
- Look to undertake cutting propagation of the tree for provenance and possible

- replacements within the town, and
- Choose new planting species for replacement.

Short term (within 12 months)

- Undertake the removal of both trees and the pruning of the Oak tree overhanging the footpath to the bus stop (all works should be undertaken by a qualified arborist holding a minimum Certificate III in Arboriculture).
- Educate users of the area about trees in the landscape and the replacement strategy for the trees in the park, and
- Plant up replacement trees.

The following officer's recommendation is submitted for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

110/18

That Council approve the following:

- A. Immediate term (Now until removal or canopy has been reduced)
- Continue to have the area beneath the potential fall zone of the tree barricaded off.
 - Commence community communication of the removal of the two (2) Elm trees.
 - Commence or continue the community consultation process of the park management in the future.
 - Look to undertake cutting propagation of the tree for provenance and possible replacements within the town, and
 - Choose new planting species for replacement.
- B. Short term (within 12 months)
- Undertake the removal of both trees and the pruning of the Oak tree overhanging the footpath to the bus stop (all works should be undertaken by a qualified arborist holding a minimum Certificate III in Arboriculture).
 - Educate users of the area about trees in the landscape and the replacement strategy for the trees in the park, and
 - Plant up replacement trees.
- C. Medium term (1-5 years)
- Undertake an annual assessment of the health and condition of the tree and undertake young tree care maintenance as required (watering and formative pruning), and
 - Look to schedule in another area of the park to continue the rejuvenation program for the park

Moved Councillor Beer

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors Against: Councillor Castellari.

15. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY DIRECTION 6. MANAGING DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICE DELIVERY TO RETAIN THE THINGS WE VALUE

15.1 REPLY TO NOTICE OF MOTION CR HASLINGDEN FEBRUARY 2018 BOMBALA SEWERAGE

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Director Operations & Infrastructure
Key Direction:	1. Sustaining Our Environment for Life
Delivery Plan Strategy:	DP1.1.1.2 Ensure Council's Water and Sewer operational practices improve and enhance water quality.
Operational Plan Action:	OP1.3 Carry out Wastewater maintenance throughout the Region on a priority basis
Attachments:	Nil
Cost Centre	
Project	Upgrade and Augmentation of the Bombala Sewage Treatment Plant.
Further Operational Plan Actions:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council held meetings with the regulatory authorities (NSW EPA, NSW Health and NSW DPI Water) to discuss the issues relating to Bombala Water and Sewer infrastructure. It was evident from this meeting and subsequent correspondence that the current ageing trickling filter plant at the Bombala STP will need to be upgraded to a more modern plant(at the current location) that will meet the effluent quality required by the EPA.

Funding Application - In view of the concerns from the regulatory authorities regarding the effluent quality and the plant condition, all avenues to raise funds for this project was investigated. When the "Building Better Regions Funding" was announced, the Director and Manager attended the information session held in Queanbeyan on 7th February 2017.

The closing date for the application was 28th February 2017. With a very tight timeframe it was difficult to find consultants willing to do the application and cost benefit analysis. However, previous unsuccessful application made by Bombala Council for the National Stronger Regions Fund was available to be revised to suit the current grant conditions.

The Agreement for the funding was received and had to be executed by 6th October 2017. Under the funding Agreement, the project was to commence within 12 weeks of the execution of the Agreement and the project completed by November 2019 with the condition that an option study has to be conducted prior to deciding on the best treatment system. It has to be noted that an alternate location was never considered while applying for the grant and even the original application by former Bombala Council did not consider any alternate location.

The Options Study and Concept Design has been completed in line with Milestones 1 and 2 of the grant conditions based on the site being the current location. Grant conditions 3, 4, 5 and 6 would not be met should the plant be moved to a new site and Council will be in breach of the Commonwealth Funding Agreement.

The following officer's recommendation is submitted for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

111/18

That Council

1. Receive and note the report; and
2. Confirm the current location for the upgrade

Moved Councillor Ewart

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

Note 5 Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 101/18 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

15.2 WATER AND SEWER FINANCIAL PLANS AND DRAFT PRICING FOR 2019 INCLUDING DRAFT BILLING POLICIES AND COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Director Operations & Infrastructure
Author:	Group Manager Water & Wastewater Services
Key Direction:	6. Managing Development and Service Delivery to Retain the Things We Value
Delivery Plan Strategy:	DP6.1.2.3 Ensure that the Region's Local Water Utility is financially sustainable in the long term including investment in new and replacement infrastructure.
Operational Plan Action:	OP6.9 Finalise water charging process for the Region.
Attachments:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Financial Plans for Water and sewer incorporating pricing strategy ⇨2. Draft Press Release ⇨3. Draft water pricing and billing policy ⇨4. Draft sewer pricing and billing policy ⇨5. Sample Letter to non-residential customers in Cooma ⇨6. Sample letter to non-residential customers in Bombala ⇨7. Letter to NR regarding discount for High Users (>7.5ML usage) ⇨
Cost Centre Project	2010 - Water Supply Management; 2110 – Sewer Drainage Management
Further Operational Plan Actions:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council's water and sewer pricing and billing was only partially harmonised last year due to large discrepancies in some of the charges. This year it will be harmonised and affected customers will be informed in writing.

The report contains all information on the pricing and the attachments contain all relevant policies that will apply to water and sewer pricing and billing. The sample letters that will be sent and the public notice are also in the attachments for Councils perusal and review.

The following officer's recommendation is submitted for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

112/18

That Council

1. Approve the following for exhibition:
 - SMRC draft water and sewer pricing tariff for 2019 as given in tables 1 and 2 and exhibited in Councils draft 2019 Revenue Policy and in the public notice;
 - SMRC draft water and sewer pricing and billing policies;
2. Approve the removal of the subsidy for non-residential properties using greater than 7.5ML per annum which was introduced in 2017/2018 and not included in the draft revenue policy for 2019;
3. Note the communication strategy (Public notice with draft water and sewer pricing tariff and sample letters to non-residential properties in Bombala and Cooma with larger than 20mm connections); and
4. Hold a work shop to review submissions received during the public exhibition period.

Moved Councillor Corbett

Seconded Councillor Haslingden

CARRIED

Note 6 Attendance of Councillor

Clr Last was absent from 6:35pm during item 15.2 Water and Sewer Financial Plans and Draft Pricing for 2019 including draft billing policies and communication strategy returning at 6:38pm during same item.

16. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY DIRECTION 7. PROVIDING EFFECTIVE CIVIC LEADERSHIP AND CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Nil

17. REPORTS BY GENERAL MANAGER

Nil

18. NOTICE OF MOTION

18.1 NOTICE OF MOTION CR HASLINGDEN - BOMBALA SWIMMING POOL

Record No:

Responsible Officer: General Manager

Author: Councillor Sue Haslingden

Attachments: 1. Notice of Motion Cr Haslingden - Bombala Pool [⇒](#)

Councillor Suzanne Haslingden has given notice that at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 5 April 2018, she will move the following motion.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

113/18

That SMRC submit to the Stronger Country Communities Grant an application for \$1,500,000 to upgrade and cover the Bombala Swimming Pool:

- a) For pool infrastructure and all ability access/ramp
- b) For sliding pool cover

The Stronger Country Communities Grant delivers crucial local infrastructure to improve the quality of life of people living in regional NSW. Funding is provided to local projects such as parks, community halls, playgrounds and amenity blocks. Round two is now open and will close at 5pm AEST, Friday 4 May 2018

Moved Councillor Haslingden

Seconded Councillor Maslin

CARRIED

18.2 NOTICE OF MOTION CR HASLINGDEN - BOMBALA HUB

Record No:

Responsible Officer: General Manager

Author: Councillor Sue Haslingden

Attachments: 1. Notice of Motion Cr Haslingden - Bombala Hub [⇒](#)

Councillor Suzanne Haslingden has given notice that at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 5 April 2018, she will move the following motion.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

114/18

That this motion be deferred to the next Council Meeting.

Moved Councillor Haslingden

Seconded Councillor Maslin

CARRIED

Note 7 Adjournment of Meeting

At 7:04 pm the meeting adjourned for Dinner

Note 8: Resumption of Meeting

The meeting resumed at 7:28pm

Note 9: Attendance of Councillor Last

Clr Last departed the meeting at 7.04pm for the duration of the meeting

19. MOTIONS OF URGENCY

Nil

20. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

21. QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

21.1 CLAIMED REQUESTS TO COUNCIL WITHOUT REPLY(OVER 3 WEEK TIMEFRAME)

Councillor Peter Beer

Question:

- a) Is the dangerous pot hole over the creek in Williams St, Berridale (leading to Obrien St) being attended to?
- b) What is the progress on the repairs of the culvert over Grass Plain Creek on West Lynne Road. Owners state no replies from Council on this danger area for some time.

Answer: Taken on notice.

21.2 TENDERS FOR SOLAR INSTALLATION ON COUNCIL BUILDINGS

Councillor Peter Beer

Question: Complaints have been made concerning the time frame for tenders of the above installations. Concerns expressed are the time is too short to do proper quotes for the number required. Is this correct?

Answer: Taken on notice.

21.3 COUNCIL'S FUTURE STRATEGIC PLAN

Councillor Peter Beer

Question: When will council start work on the new combined Strategic Plan for the combined area (New LEP). When will a new strategic planner be in place to start such work?

Answer: Taken on notice.

21.4 DISABILTY FRIENDLY PREMISES FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS

Councillor John Castellari

Question Could Council identify disability friendly premises for our meetings so that we are inclusive of all our population?

Answer Taken on notice

21.5 UPGRADE IN POLO FLAT AREA

Councillor Rogan Corbett

Question When will there be an in-depth review of Polo Flat as the area has potential for expansion. The entrances and drainage problems, and the lay out has to be addressed ASAP.

Answer Taken on notice.

21.6 ROAD CLASSIFICATION TO BE CHANGED TO COLLECTOR ROAD

Councillor James Ewart

Question The residents on Peak View Rd would like to see the Peak View Rd re classified as a collector Rd for the reasons such as being a bypass for the Monaro Highway when an incident occurs, it need to be in better condition

Answer Taken on notice.

21.7 REPORTING ON THE SMRC WEBSITE

Councillor Anne Maslin

Question Could communication professionals employed by Council, adopt a policy of consistently reporting Council action each week and each month?

For example, divers recently cleaned out a significant amount of sludge from the Bombala Water Facility Storage Tank. So far this has not been reported on the Website.

What is the policy on their issue of reporting?

Answer Taken on notice.

21.8 TENDER PROCESS

Councillor Lynley Miners

Question Can council explain the policy of the Tender Process, and validation of its values / how it is checked? Validation of values – how this is checked?

Answer Taken on notice.

21.9 FUNDING FOR THE STRATEGIC PLANNING IN JINDABYNE

Councillor Brian Old

Question Can funding be allocated in the next Financial Budget for Strategic Planning in Jindabyne?

Answer Taken on notice.

Note 10: Attendance of Councillor

Clr Stewart left the Meeting at 7:28 pm, during meeting resumption, and returned at 7:31pm, during item number 21, Questions Taken on Notice

22. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

115/18

1. THAT pursuant to Section 10A subsections 2 & 3 and Section 10B of the Local Government Act, 1993 (as amended) the following items on the agenda for the Ordinary Council meeting be dealt with in Closed Session for the reasons specified below:

22.1 Mr Norm Wilton - Bombala - Removal of Construction Spoil from Property

Item 22.1 is confidential in accordance with s10(A)(2)(f) of the Local Government Act because it contains details of systems and/or arrangements that have been implemented to protect council, councillors, staff and Council property and (g) of the Local Government Act because it contains and advice concerning litigation, or advice as comprises a discussion of this matter, that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

22.2 Proposed Lease to Dementia Australia - Office 1, 227 Sharp Street Cooma - Werri Nina

Item 22.2 is confidential in accordance with s10(A)(2)(dii) of the Local Government Act because it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

22.3 Proposed Road Closure & Sale of old Lions Park at Bombala

Item 22.3 is confidential in accordance with s10(A)(2)(dii) of the Local Government Act because it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

22.4 Offer to Transfer Title of Lot 6 Section 42 DP 758776 to Council

Item 22.4 is confidential in accordance with s10(A)(2)(di) of the Local Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

22.5 Request to Write Off Interest on Overdue Rates

Item 22.5 is confidential in accordance with s10(A)(2)(b) of the Local Government Act because it contains discussion in relation to the personal hardship of a resident or ratepayer and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

22.6 Adoption of Localities Within Kosciuszko National Park

Item 22.6 is confidential in accordance with s10(A)(2)(a) of the Local Government Act because it contains personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors) and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

2. The press and public be excluded from the proceedings of the Council in Closed Session on the basis that these items are considered to be of a confidential nature.
3. That the Minutes and Business Papers including any reports, correspondence, documentation or information relating to such matter be treated as confidential and be withheld from access by the press and public, until such time as the Council resolves that the reason for confidentiality has passed or become irrelevant.
4. That the resolutions made by the Council in Closed Session be recorded in the Minutes of the Council Meeting
5. That upon this recommendation being moved and seconded, the Chairperson invite representations from the public as to whether this part of the meeting should be closed to consider the nominated item.

Moved Councillor Corbett Seconded Councillor Beer

CARRIED

Note 11: Invitation to Public

Upon the above motion being moved and seconded, the Mayor invited representations from the public as to whether this part of the meeting should be closed to consider the nominated items. There were no requests by members of the public to make any representations.

Note 12: Confidential Session of Committee

At 7:35 pm the meeting was closed to the press and public.

Note 13: Resumption of Open Committee Meeting

At 8:26 pm the Closed Session ended and the Council meeting continued in Open Session.

23. REPORT FROM CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

22.1 MR NORM WILTON - BOMBALA - REMOVAL OF CONSTRUCTION SPOIL FROM PROPERTY

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

116/18

That Council;

- A. Approve the funds necessary, from the former Bombala LGA Internally Restricted Reserve, in the 2018/2019 budget to allow removal of construction spoil from Mr Wilton's property and to remediate the site as agreed by the Acting General Manager in 2002 and Engineering Manager in 2007; and
- B. Agree that a deed be entered into with Mr Wilton to define the scope of the work required.

Moved Councillor Corbett

Seconded Councillor Beer

CARRIED

22.2 PROPOSED LEASE TO DEMENTIA AUSTRALIA - OFFICE 1, 227 SHARP STREET COOMA - WERRI NINA

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

117/18

That Council;

- A. Approve the Lease to Dementia Australia for 12 months with two optional further periods of lease of 12 months each;
- B. Approve the first rental fee of \$6,033.44 plus GST per annum with annual CPI adjustments; and
- C. Authorise the General Manager to execute the Lease

Moved Councillor Haslingden

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

22.3 PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURE & SALE OF OLD LIONS PARK AT BOMBALA

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

118/18

That Council;

- A. Approve the partial road closure on the corner of High Street and Stephen Street Bombala so that the fence line becomes the boundary of lot 9 DP 995614;
- B. Engage the services of a land surveyor to provide a plan for the boundary adjustment;
- C. Authorise the General Manager to execute any documents necessary to complete the boundary adjustment and sale of the property;
- D. Readvertise the property on the open market for auction with an appropriate reserve; and
- E. Make the Report public once the matter is settled.

Moved Councillor Stewart	Seconded Councillor Ewart	CARRIED
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22.4 OFFER TO TRANSFER TITLE OF LOT 6 SECTION 42 DP 758776 TO COUNCIL

COUNCIL RESOLUTION	119/18	
That Council;		
A. Thank Mr Alcock and Mr Jardine for their dedication to preserving this heritage building and its contents; and		
B. Regretfully reject the offer to transfer Lot 6 Section 42 DP 758776 to Council.		
Moved Councillor Beer	Seconded Councillor Ewart	CARRIED

22.5 REQUEST TO WRITE OFF INTEREST ON OVERDUE RATES

COUNCIL RESOLUTION	120/18	
That Council authorise to write off interest on overdue rates for the property identified in this report calculated as at the date of Council resolution.		
Moved Councillor Stewart	Seconded Councillor Old	CARRIED

22.6 ADOPTION OF LOCALITIES WITHIN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK

COUNCIL RESOLUTION	121/18	
That Council approve the proposed amendment from Perisher Blue Pty Limited to identify the localities of Blue Cow and Guthega as two distinct geographic areas as shown in the map.		
Moved Councillor Castellari	Seconded Councillor Corbett	CARRIED

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8:28PM

CHAIRPERSON

The above minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of Snowy Monaro Regional Council held on 5 April 2018 were confirmed by Council at a duly convened meeting on 19 April 2018 at which meeting the signature hereon was subscribed.