



SNOWY MONARO
REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

18 March 2021

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 81 COMMISSIONER STREET, COOMA NSW 2630
ON THURSDAY 18 MARCH 2021**

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

**ON THURSDAY, 18 MARCH 2021
COMMENCING AT 5:00PM**

- PRESENT:** Mayor Peter Beer
Deputy Mayor Lynley Miners
Councillor John Rooney
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:** Gina Woodward, Chief Communications Officer
Beth Barratt-Browne, Chief Workforce Officer
- Staff:** Peter Bascomb, Chief Executive Officer
David Rawlings, Chief Strategy Officer
Jeff Morgan, Chief Operating Officer
Nick Byrne, Chief Financial Officer
Jessica Buttriss, EA to CEO, Mayor and Councillors
Erin Donnelly, Governance Officer

1. OPENING MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting at 5:05PM

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

At 5.05pm The Mayor Conducted the Citizenship Ceremony

3. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

38/21

That the leave of absence requested by Councillor Haslingden for the June 2021 Council meeting be granted.

Moved Deputy Mayor Miners

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Castellari, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Haslingden, Councillor Last, Councillor Maslin, Deputy Mayor Miners, Councillor Old, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Nil.

Clr Old joined the meeting at 5.20pm.

4. CITIZENSHIP CEREMONIES

At 5.20pm the meeting adjourned to conduct public forum.

The meeting resumed at 5.44pm.

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

39/21

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:

1. Item 7.1 Adoption of minutes from previous Ordinary Council Meeting held 18 February 2021
2. Item 7.2 Adoption of minutes of the closed session of Ordinary Council Meeting held 18 February 2021
3. Item 7.3 Adoption of minutes from Extraordinary Council Meeting held 4 March 2021
4. Item 9.1.1 Bombala Exhibition Ground and Bredbo Hall Management Committee minutes
5. Item 9.1.2 Monthly Funds Management Report – February 2021
6. Item 9.1.3 Nimmitabel Public School – Snowy Mountains PSSA Cross Country

7. Item 9.1.4 Work Health and Safety Policy and Statement
8. Item 9.2.1 Section 355 SMRC Tourism Advisory Committee December 2020 Minutes
9. Item 9.3.1 Draft Snowy Monaro Regional Council Waste Management Strategy for Public Exhibition
10. Item 9.3.2 Michelago Master Plan Growth Scenarios
11. Item 9.3.3 Highdale Carpark Improvements – Design Endorsement and Approval to implement
12. Item 9.3.5 Bundarra road – Completion of Council Actions 258/19 and 386/19
13. Item 9.3.6 Adaminaby Sewage Treatment Plant Augmentation – Funding Request
14. Item 9.4.1 Grants Applications – Activity Synopsis as at 28 February 2021
15. Item 9.4.3 Development of Rates Structure (Harmonisation)
16. Item 9.4.4 Answers to Questions with Notice
17. Item 9.4.5 Resolution Action Sheet Update
18. Item 13.1 – Cooma Sports Hub Detailed Design Tender Approval

B. That the Officer’s Recommendations in the reports listed above are hereby adopted.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Castellari, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Haslingden, Councillor Last, Councillor Maslin, Deputy Mayor Miners, Councillor Old, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Nil.

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 18 FEBRUARY 2021

COUNCIL RESOLUTION **40/21**

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 February 2021 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer’s recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

7.2 CLOSED SESSION OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 18 FEBRUARY 2021

COUNCIL RESOLUTION **41/21**

THAT the minutes of the Closed Session of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 February 2021 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer’s recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

7.3 EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 4 MARCH 2021

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

42/21

THAT the minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 04 March 2021 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

8. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION MATTERS

Nil

9. OTHER REPORTS TO COUNCIL

9.1 KEY THEME 1. COMMUNITY

9.1.1 BOMBALA EXHIBITION GROUND AND BREDBO HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Strategy Officer
Author:	Governance Officer
Key Theme:	1. Community Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	1.3 Recreation, sporting and leisure facilities encourage all ages to live in an active and healthy lifestyle
Delivery Program Objectives:	1.3.3 Council's recreational facilities, parks and public open spaces are safe, well managed and accessible
Attachments:	1. Minutes - Bombala Exhibition Ground s355 Management Committee Meeting held 11 November 2020 2. Minutes - Bombala Exhibition Ground s355 Management Committee Meeting held 9 December 2020 3. Minutes - Bredbo Hall s355 Management Committee meeting held 17 February 2021

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has received minutes of the meetings from the following management committees:

- Bombala Exhibition Ground, meeting held on 11 November and 9 December 2020
- Bredbo Hall, meeting held 17 February 2021

These minutes are attached for Councils information.

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

43/21

That Council receive the minutes of Bombala Exhibition Ground and Bredbo Hall management committees meetings.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.1.2 MONTHLY FUNDS MANAGEMENT REPORT - FEBRUARY 2021

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Financial Officer
Author:	Finance Officer
Key Direction:	7. Providing Effective Civic Leadership and Citizen Participation
Delivery Plan Strategy:	DP7.6 Increase and improve Council's financial sustainability.
Operational Plan Action:	OP7.18 Effective management of Council funds to ensure financial sustainability.
Attachments:	
Cost Centre	Financial Services
Project	Funds Management
Further Operational Plan Actions:	OP7.2 Completion of reporting requirements in accordance with legislation.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The following report details the funds management position for the reporting period ending 28 February 2021.

Cash and Investments are \$71,113,816.

Certification

I, Nicholas Byrne, Responsible Accounting Officer of Snowy Monaro Regional Council hereby certify, as required by Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, that investments as detailed in this report have been invested in accordance with Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the Regulations and Council's Investment Policy.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

44/21

That Council:

- A. Receive the report indicating Council's cash and investments position as at 28 February 2021; and
- B. Receive the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.1.3 NIMMITABEL PUBLIC SCHOOL - SNOWY MOUNTAINS PSSA CROSS COUNTRY

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Operating Officer
Author:	Project Specialist
Key Theme:	1. Community Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	1.3 Recreation, sporting and leisure facilities encourage all ages to live in an active and healthy lifestyle
Delivery Program Objectives:	1.3.3 Council's recreational facilities, parks and public open spaces are safe, well managed and accessible
Attachments:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Notice of Intention to Organise an Event (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)2. Police Traffic Management Plan (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)3. Risk Assessment (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)4. Schedule 1 and Check List (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)5. Nimmitabel PS Cross Country - Traffic Control Plan - Signed (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)6. Responses from LTC Members (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)
Cost Centre	Infrastructure Administration
Project	Snowy Monaro Local Traffic Committee

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Nimmitabel Public School will once again hold the Snowy Mountains Primary School Sports Association Cross Country. This will be the third year that Nimmitabel Public has hosted this event.

To ensure the safety of students and spectators the School is requesting the temporary closure of a section of two roads in the vicinity of the School. They are:

- Miller Street – from approximately 280 metres from the Monaro Highway to the corner of Wolfe Street, and
- Wolfe Street – from approximately 75 metres from the corner with Miller Street.

The School has requested that the roads be temporarily closed from 6:00 am to 3:00 pm on 24 March 2021.

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

45/21

That Council approve the request from Nimmitabel Public School for temporary road closures from 6:00 am to 3:00 pm on 24 March 2021 associated with conducting the Snowy Mountains Primary School Sports Association Cross Country for the following roads:

- Miller Street – from approximately 280 metres from the Monaro Highway to the corner of Wolfe Street, and
- Wolfe Street – from approximately 75 metres from the corner with Miller Street.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.1.4 WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY AND STATEMENT

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Workforce Officer
Author:	Workforce Administration Support Officer
Key Theme:	4. Leadership Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	10.4 Council will manage service delivery in an efficient and sustainable way as an employer of choice
Delivery Program Objectives:	10.4.2 Council provides a workplace that ensures the health, safety and wellbeing is maintained through the management of potential risk
Attachments:	1. Work Health and Safety Policy 2. Work Health and Safety Statement

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The attached documents have been developed to assist Council define and summarise the system and principles supporting its Work Health and Safety (WHS) undertakings, to effectively maintain the safety of its people and engender a safety culture.

The objectives of the Health and Safety Policy are to:

- Ensure compliance with WHS legislation
- Ensure CEO and Management are committed to health and safety
- Provide information, instruction, training and supervision to workers including contractors, volunteers and visitor to ensure their health and safety
- Provide and implement appropriate consultation mechanisms between person conducting business or undertaking (PCBU) and workers
- Develop and implement safe systems of work to ensure workers conduct their work in a safe manner
- Develop and implement incident management systems
- Establish effective return to work programs to ensure injured workers return to work within a timely manner
- Provide programs of health and safety activities and procedures for work practices which are continually updated and effectively carried out

- Establish processes to identify hazards, assess the risk and implement control measures in accordance with the Hierarchy of Controls
- Continually monitor and improve WHS
- Provide adequate facilities, equipment and resources to enable workers to perform their duties safely

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

46/21

That Council:

- A. Receive and note the report and its attachments
- B. Authorise the commencement of adopting the WHS Policy through the appropriate processes.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.2 KEY THEME 2. ECONOMY

9.2.1 SECTION 355 SMRC TOURISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE DECEMBER 2020 MINUTES

Record No:

Responsible Officer: Coordinator Economic Development
Author: Coordinator Tourism and Events
Key Theme: 2. Economy Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy: 6.1 The Snowy Monaro region is a destination that offers a variety of quintessential year – round experiences, attractions and events
Delivery Program Objectives: 6.1.1 Promote tourism and enhance the Snowy Monaro Region as a year round destination of choice through a collaborative approach between all stakeholders and interest groups
Attachments: 1. SMRC Tourism Advisory Committee December 2020 meeting minutes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Minutes of the SMRC Tourism Advisory Committee meeting held on 16 December 2020 attached.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

47/21

That Council receive the minutes of The Tourism Advisory Committee meeting held 16 December 2020.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.3 KEY THEME 3. ENVIRONMENT

9.3.1 DRAFT SNOWY MONARO REGIONAL COUNCIL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Strategy Officer
Author:	Project Specialist
Key Theme:	3. Environment Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	7.1 Protect, value and enhance the existing natural environment
Delivery Program Objectives:	7.1.2 The significance and protection of the region's natural assets along with the efficient and equitable planning of public services, infrastructure and amenities is provided for in Council's Local Environmental and associated plans
Attachments:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Snowy Monaro Regional Council Waste Management Strategy Summary (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)2. Snowy Monaro Regional Council Waste Management Strategy (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)3. Addendum to the Landfill Options Analysis Report (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)4. Landfill Options Analysis (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)5. Rationalisation of Transfer Stations (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)6. Jindabyne Regional Waste Management Facility Feasibility Analysis New Landfill Cell (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)7. Appendices - JRWMF Feasibility Analysis (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)8. Waste Management Strategy Risk Assessment (<i>Under Separate Cover</i>)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Snowy Monaro Regional Council Waste Strategy (The Strategy) was identified under Action 7.1.2.1 of the 2020 Operational and Delivery Plan.

The Draft Strategy has now been prepared after consultation with Councillors, Council staff and virtual community consultation due to COVID-19 restrictions the document is now ready to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 calendar days.

Following receipt of community feedback the final document will be amended where appropriate and presented to council for adoption. The strategy will assist in development of future delivery and operational plans.

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

48/21

That Council endorse the Draft Snowy Monaro Regional Council Waste Management Strategy and Draft Snowy Monaro Regional Council Waste Management Strategy Summary to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 calendar days.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.3.2 MICHELAGO MASTER PLAN GROWTH SCENARIOS

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Strategy Officer
Author:	Team Leader Strategic Planning
Key Theme:	3. Environment Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	8.1 Plan for rural, urban and industrial development that is sensitive to the region's natural environment and heritage
Delivery Program Objectives:	8.1.1 New development and land use is facilitated in appropriate locations with areas of environmental value protected
Attachments:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Draft Michelago Master Plan Scenarios2. Michelago Water and Wastewater Scoping Study3. Michelago Master Plan - Preliminary Consultation Summary
Cost Centre	WO 441
Project	Michelago Masterplan

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Michelago is a village located approximately 50km south of Canberra and 60km north of Cooma. Canberra heavily influences Michelago, with many residents choosing to live in Michelago for a rural lifestyle close to the services and employment in Canberra. High underlying land values and strong demand for a rural residential product has resulted in significant development pressures. Councils Local Strategic Planning Statement action 8.6 recommended Council undertake a specific plan for Michelago to guide growth and development in this area. Council has engaged WSP to undertake a Master Plan.

WSP has now developed four (4) draft growth scenarios based on the Community feedback and the Councillor workshop. These scenarios consider the economics of service delivery and are modelled at differing densities. The scenarios utilised best practice land-use planning principles to inform a future village structure.

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

49/21

That Council:

- A. Receive and note the report by the Team Leader of Strategic Planning on Michelago Master Plan Growth Scenarios
- B. Place Michelago Master Plan Growth Scenario's on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.3.3 HIGHDALE CARPARK IMPROVEMENTS - DESIGN ENDORSEMENT AND APPROVAL TO IMPLEMENT

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Operating Officer
Author:	Manager Infrastructure
Key Theme:	3. Environment Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	9.1 Transportation corridors throughout the region are improved and maintained
Delivery Program Objectives:	9.1.2 Our local road network is planned, built and repaired to improve movement across the region
Attachments:	1. Highdale Carpark - Design Proposal
Cost Centre	1863 - Carparks
Project	Highdale Carpark Improvement

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the December 2020 meeting of Council, a report was considered in relation to proposed Highdale carpark improvements in Berridale. This report contained the design at 80% completion along with the results of Council's community consultation process.

The recommendation proposed in that report and Council resolution was:

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1/20

That Council:

- A. Acknowledge the report on community consultation in relation to proposed Highdale Carpark Improvements;
- B. Receive and note the revised preliminary design; and
- C. Endorse proceeding with further, targeted consultation with specific members of the business and school communities to further improve the design to address outstanding concerns in relation to bus parking and vehicle access to businesses.

The purpose of this report is to:

- Provide Council with an update on the targeted consultation process; and

- Propose endorsement of the design, proceeding to 100% ready for construction and implementation of the design by December 2021.

As part of the targeted consultation process, staff undertook a selection of one-on-one meetings with:

- Local building and property owners;
- Parents;
- Local School Bus Companies; and
- Local School representatives.

It is acknowledged that not all residents of Berridale's local community support movement of the current bus zone from Park Street to Highdale carpark; however all stakeholders agree that Highdale carpark in its current configuration is dangerous and does not present Berridale's CBD in a manner that attracts increased visitation. More importantly, there is support for the design from key stakeholders i.e. parents, local schools and local school bus companies to suggest Council endorsement would be a positive step for the improvement of Berridale and the CBD.

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

50/21

That Council:

- A. Acknowledge completion of the targeted consultation process in relation to proposed improvements to Highdale Carpark, Berridale;
- B. Endorse the current 80% design to progress to 100% design ready for construction; and
- C. Approve construction to commence with the aim of delivering proposed improvements by 30 December 2021.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.3.4 POST EXHIBITION REPORT LAND USE STRATEGIES

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Strategy Officer
Author:	Team Leader Strategic Planning
Key Theme:	3. Environment Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	8.1 Plan for rural, urban and industrial development that is sensitive to the region's natural environment and heritage
Delivery Program Objectives:	8.1.2 Land use is optimised to meet the social, environment and economic needs of the region
Attachments:	1. Consultation Report - Draft Rural Land Use Strategy
Cost Centre	WO 47
Project	Rural Land Use and Settlements Strategies

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Between 19 October 2020 and 1 February 2021 Council received more than 300 pieces of written feedback. In person and online consultation sessions were undertaken with landholders, farmers, community groups, and Government Agencies. The Snowy Monaro YourSay Page on the Rural Land Use Strategy has been accessed more than 5000 times. The Settlements Strategy YourSay page has also been accessed over 2500 times.

Many submissions raised concerns about the application of zone E3 Environmental Management and changes to minimum lot size (MLS) though many other issues and concerns were raised. Council staff have prepared a consultation report (attachment 1) providing a summary of feedback received throughout this consultation. It is expected that considered changes to the Rural Land Use Strategy will take time, and community concerns should be comprehensively addressed.

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

Amendment to Motion

Councillor Sue Haslingden has given notice that at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 18 March 2021, she will move the following amendment.

Carried Motion

An amendment to the original motion moved by Councillor Sue Haslingden and Seconded by Councillor James Ewart was put to vote and CARRIED. The carried amendment replaced the original motion as below;

That Council:

- A. *Receive and note the post exhibition report land use strategies;*
- B. *Send the consultation report to all who provided written feedback and place on YourSay page for community to view*
- C. *Publish all submissions on Councils YourSay page with personal details of individuals redacted*
- D. *Establish an internal working group consisting of all Councillors and relevant staff*
- E. *Amend proposed E3 Environmental Management zoning by;*
 - *Maintain existing E3 Environmental Management zoning as per current LEPs*
 - *Initially remove all newly proposed E3 Environmental Management zoning in the draft Rural Land Use Strategy*
 - *Review E3 Environmental Management methodology in conjunction with the working group.*
 - *Consult and work with individual land owners affected to seek agreement on the revised approach.*
 - *Report back to Council individually on proposed new E3 zones where agreement cannot be reached with the land owners.*
- F. *Review proposed minimum lot size to provide a tailored approach based on sub-regions identified in the Local Strategic Planning Statement.*
- G. *Consider all feedback and amend draft land use strategies as appropriate*

At 6:10pm Councillor Brian Old left the meeting, returning at 6.11pm

At 6:12pm Councillor Brian Old left the meeting, returning at 6.14pm.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

51/21

That Council:

- A. Receive and note the post exhibition report *Consultation Report – Draft Rural Landuse Strategy March 2021*;
- B. Send the *Consultation Report – Draft Rural Landuse Strategy March 2021* to all who provided written feedback and place the report on SMRC YourSay page for community view;
- C. Publish all submission with personal details of all individuals redacted;
- D. Amend proposed Environmental zones to be maintained as existed in the Bombala, Cooma-Monaro and Snowy River LEP’s prior to merger. (i.e. remove all proposed new environmental zones as identified in the Draft Rural Landuse Strategy and Draft Settlement Strategy.);
- E. Consult and work with individual landowners on the revised approach;
- F. Establish a steering/advisory working group/committee as soon as practical, consisting of all Councillors and relevant staff. Permit this working group/committee to invite representatives, as necessary. The working group/committee’s principle aim is to:
 - a. Review and progress land use planning, zoning and methodologies used in the Draft Rural Landuse Strategy consistent with Ministerial direction(s), legislation(s) and regulation(s).
 - b. Completely review the methodology behind Minimum Lot Sizes
 - c. Review and progress the relationship between the Draft Rural Landuse Strategy and Settlement Strategy
 - d. Report to the Council briefing sessions, as necessary
 - e. Consider all feedback and amend the Draft Rural Landuse Strategy;
- G. When developed, re exhibit the revised Draft Rural Landuse Strategy for 56 days for feedback;
- H. When developed, re exhibit the Draft Settlement Strategy for 56 days further feedback
- I. Cooma and Berridale heavy vehicle alternate routes be moved to the long term strategic plan

Moved Councillor Haslingden

Seconded Councillor Ewart

CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Haslingden, Councillor Last, Councillor Maslin, Deputy Mayor Miners, Councillor Old and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Councillor Castellari and Councillor Rooney.

At 6:13pm Councillor Miners left the meeting, returning at 6.14pm.

9.3.1 BUNDARRA ROAD - COMPLETION OF COUNCIL ACTIONS 258/19 AND 386/19

Record No:

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Author: Chief Operating Officer

Key Theme: 3. Environment Outcomes

CSP Community Strategy: 9.1 Transportation corridors throughout the region are improved and maintained

Delivery Program Objectives:	9.1.2 Our local road network is planned, built and repaired to improve movement across the region
Attachments:	1. CEO Letter to Owners Lot 20 - Confidential 2. Letter to CEO from Solicitor for Owners Lot 20 - Confidential
Cost Centre	1802 – Road Operations
Project	Bundarra Road

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to advise Council that:

- Part A of Council Resolution 258/19, relating to Bundarra Road, that required staff to "*Negotiate with the owner of Lot 15 to realign the road over the track through his property*" has been enacted and the owner of lot 15 is unwilling to negotiate access.
- All actions relating to Resolution 368/19 (Bundarra Road) have been completed.

Staff consider resolutions 258/19 and 368/19 as complete or at a point where they cannot be progressed any further given the unwillingness of the owner of Lot 15 to negotiate to realign the road over the track through his property; therefore no further action in relation to either resolution is required.

Furthermore, advice has been obtained in relation to the impact Council's acquisition of the Crown road located within Lot 20 in Deposited Plan 655382 (Lot 20) including the impact the acquisition had or may have on the rights of the registered proprietors of Lot 20 to restrict the use of the road by members of the public.

Bundarra Road – Through Lot 15



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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

52/21

That Council:

- A. Acknowledge actions relating to resolutions 258/19 and 368/19 are complete with no further action by Council required.
- B. Acknowledge that the provisions of Section 4(2) of the *Inclosed Lands Protection Act (1901)* apply to the road located within Lot 20 in Deposited Plan 655382 regardless of which agency is responsible for the road.
- C. Advise the parties to this matter that while Council has provided an interpretation of Section 4(2) of the *Inclosed Lands Protection Act (1901)* and its application to this matter, it is not to be considered legal advice and that the parties should seek their own independent legal advice.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer’s recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.3.6 ADAMINABY SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT AUGMENTATION - FUNDING REQUEST

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Operating Officer
Author:	Manager Water Wastewater Operations
Key Theme:	3. Environment Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	8.2 Improve and maintain our public owned infrastructure and assets and facilities to a high standard
Delivery Program Objectives:	8.2.1 Council maximises its Asset utilisation to deliver services today and into the future
Attachments:	Nil
Cost Centre	WO333-4560-410
Project	Adaminaby Sewage Treatment Plant - Augmentation
Further Operational Plan Actions:	N/A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council approval for the allocation of increased funding for the Adaminaby Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) Augmentation.

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

53/21

That Council approve use of additional sewer reserve funds of \$3,881,144 over 3 years.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.3.7 NOMINATION OF COUNCILLOR TO NSW ASBESTOS COORDINATION COMMITTEE

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Chief Operating Officer
Key Theme:	3. Environment Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	8.2 Improve and maintain our public owned infrastructure and assets and facilities to a high standard
Delivery Program Objectives:	8.2.6 Council's infrastructure is maintained to meet compliance standards and to deliver high level services

Attachments: 1. NACC Terms of Reference
Cost Centre N/A
Project Membership of NSW Asbestos Coordination Committee
Further Operational Plan Actions:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

LGNSW is seeking applications from mayors and councillors to represent local government on the NSW Government's Asbestos Coordination Committee (NACC).

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

54/21

That Council nominate Clr Ewart to the NSW Government's Asbestos Coordination Committee.

Moved Councillor Haslingden

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Castellari, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Haslingden, Councillor Last, Councillor Maslin, Deputy Mayor Miners, Councillor Old, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Nil.

9.4 KEY THEME 4. LEADERSHIP

9.4.1 GRANTS APPLICATIONS - ACTIVITY SYNOPSIS AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2021

Record No:

Responsible Officer: Chief Strategy Officer

Author: Grants Officer

Key Theme: 4. Leadership Outcomes

CSP Community Strategy: 11.2 Council utilises sound fiscal management practices, pursues and attracts other sources of income

Delivery Program Objectives: 11.2.3 Alternative sources of revenue to rating income are identified and maximised

Attachments: Nil

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This calendar year Council has been successful in 3 grants totalling \$ 421,105.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

55/21

That Council receive and note the information related to grants activity up to 31 January 2021.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.4.2 NOMINATION OF COUNCILLORS FOR COOMA SALEYARDS COMMITTEE

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Strategy Officer
Author:	Governance Officer
Key Theme:	4. Leadership Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	10.2 Sound governance practices direct Council business and decision making
Delivery Program Objectives:	10.2.2 Councillors are supported to make informed decisions in the best interest of the community and to advocate on behalf of the community
Attachments:	Nil

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council, at its meeting on 17 September 2020, appointed only Councillor Lynley Miners to the Cooma Saleyards Committee and resolved the following.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION	183/20
That Council	
A. Extend the term of the representatives on external committees to the end of the Council term and notify the external committees of the extension of appointments; and	
B. Extend the term of the remaining internal advisory and management committees until December 2021 and notify the members of the extension of appointments.	
Moved Deputy Mayor Miners	Seconded Councillor Corbett
CARRIED	

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

Council Resolution	56/21
That Council	
A. Appoint Clr Stewart and Clr Corbett to the Sale Yard Committee;	
B. Appoint the Chief Operations Officer, Manager Community Services as staff members and Coordinator Community Facilities as alternate.	
Moved Councillor Ewart	Seconded Councillor Rooney
CARRIED	

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Castellari, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Haslingden, Councillor Last, Councillor Maslin, Deputy Mayor Miners, Councillor Old, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Nil.

9.4.3 DEVELOPMENT OF RATES STRUCTURE (HARMONISATION)

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Chief Strategy Officer
Key Theme:	4. Leadership Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	11.1 Public services and processes are delivered reliably and efficiently in response to community needs
Delivery Program Objectives:	11.1.3 Rates, Fees and Charges are rationalised to support community needs and services
Attachments:	1. Additional charts and information
Cost Centre	
Project	
Further Operational Plan Actions:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council is required to introduce a new rating structure to comply with legislation. This will lead to changes to individual's rates, but no change to the overall level of rates raised.

Three farmland and residential rate categories need to be combined into one to meet the legislative requirements. Currently there are very different approaches taken across the three former areas in the rates structures.

It is considered that the community would want a rate structure that is easy to understand and equitable. Landowners should be able to see the principles used to determine why they are paying a certain contribution and how that determines their contribution.

There will be concerns in the community over any increases that impacts on individual landowners. It is expected, based on discussion held so far, that the community will prefer models that do not deliver large increases. It will not be possible to do this entirely, due to the legislative constraints, but minimising impacts in an important principle in this process for the community.

The rating structure should be based on the following principles:

- Minimise Impacts: Where there is opportunity to minimise increases through the change these should be strongly considered.
- Equitable & fair: It should ensure that it provides and equitable and fair outcomes. This can be interpreted different ways, but the council will need to find a suitable balance between
 - Those who benefit pay: The concept that the beneficiaries of a service should contribute for what they have access to, and
 - Capacity to Pay: The ability of the landowner to pay the taxes levied.
- Reflect the services available: the contribution of landowners should reflect the services available to them. This is not seen as requiring a full user pays type system, but the end result should generally reflect the relative accessibility of services.
- Simple: It should be as simple as possible and easy for people to understand how it works and the principles being applied.

19 models have been built, based around three main approaches:

- Reflect the services provided: Net service costs have been mapped against localities and rates are then set to recover the revenue required.
- Common good: Most services benefit all ratepayers, either directly or via improving social outcomes we all benefit from. Under this approach everyone contributes to the cost of the services provided.
- Minimum change: Only do the minimum changes required to reduce the impact on landowners.

Of the models developed the following have been recommended to progress for consultation with the community. It does not mean that any particular model will be adopted, but this starts the conversation around the principles and how they end up being reflecting in the rate structure and eventual distribution of rates.

Model 1A: Service Linked

This model shows the result should the Council use the net costs of services to derive its rate distribution. Under this model centres of population are treated separately as far as is possible with the current data. For each sub category the base rates is calculated on the essential services and the corporate services. This creates a higher base rate, which within the modelling increases the number of landowners who get and increases, but reduced the amount of those increases, compared to a low base model.

It is expected that many in the community will call for a system that reflects the level of service they received. The expectations as to what that means in terms of rates is often going to vary from the outcomes based on the costs of services provision. Despite this the community needs to be able to see this as an option.

It is recommended that while this model is placed on exhibition the Council indicate that it does not favour this model as the impact on smaller communities is not seen as fair or equitable or reflect the capacity of people in those areas to pay.

Model 1C: Service Linked (Larger Urban Centres)

This model is the same as Model 1A, with the exception that smaller urban centres are combined with the general residential. This leads to a sharing of costs across the general residential and farmland. This is a viable model for consideration. It reflects the principle of rates aligning with the services available in the locality where the land is.

The model still results in variations in the average rates for Bombala that are unlikely to be supported by landowners in that area. Despite this, the model provides what would have to be the outcomes if a model of reflecting the cost of services is utilised. Stepping back from this model effectively leads to the use of a common good approach.

Model 2A: Community sharing - Maximum Minimums

Of the models in this series this version is seen as best meeting the principle of seeking to minimise impacts. The higher base rates leads to the lowest number of landowners seeing increases above 10% and it minimises the overall transfer of rates towards farmland.

As this model uses minimums it will lead to more of the changes being seen in the former Cooma area as those landowners will be changing from a base system to a minimum system.

Model 2D: Community sharing – Base rate model

This model also applies the approach of using the land values to distribute the rates. It utilises a higher base value instead of minimums. Providing this model will allow the community to see the difference between using the two main approaches allowed under the rating structures.

Model 3E: Minimum change

Feedback provided through the working group strongly indicated support for reducing the negative impacts on landowners of the change. Of the models developed this one has the lowest number of landowners that would have an increase of over 10% in rates.

This is achieved by using minimum rates and collecting the same yield as has historically been collected. The downside of this model is that there is no reason that can be given for why the yield is split between the different rate categories.

Note: The Office of Local Government are indicating that legislation will be enacted to allow councils to be able to bring in changes over a four year period. It is not known what those changes will entail or when the legislation will come into effect.

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

57/21

That Council undertake consultation on the following rate structure models:

- A. The full cost recovery model with localities (Model 1A).
- B. The full cost recovery model without localities (Model 1C).
- C. The community sharing model using minimum rates (Model 2A)
- D. The community sharing model using minimum rates (Model 2D)
- E. The minimum change model (Model 3E)
- F. The maximum minimum model (Model 3E)

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.4.4 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Record No:

Responsible Officer: Chief Strategy Officer

Author: CIS Project Administration Support Officer

Key Theme:	4. Leadership Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	10.2 Sound governance practices direct Council business and decision making
Delivery Program Objectives:	10.2.2 Councillors are supported to make informed decisions in the best interest of the community and to advocate on behalf of the community
Attachments:	1. In Progress Questions up to the end of February 2021

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As per clause 3.13 of Code of Meeting Practice a councillor may, by way of a notice submitted under clause 3.9, ask a question for response by the Chief Executive Officer about the performance or operations of the Council.

In order to provide Councillors with updates on questions asked by Councillors, a report has been generated with a summary of questions that are current and have recently been completed, for the period ending February 2021.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

58/21

That Council receive the answers to questions with notice for the period ending February 2021.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

9.4.5 RESOLUTION ACTION SHEET UPDATE

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Chief Strategy Officer
Author:	CIS Project Administration Support Officer
Key Direction:	7. Providing Effective Civic Leadership and Citizen Participation
Delivery Plan Strategy:	DP7.1.1.2 Council's leadership is based on ethics and integrity to enable informed and appropriate decisions in the community's best interest.
Operational Plan Action:	OP7.7 Provide timely, accurate and relevant information to Council to enable informed decision making.
Attachments:	1. In Progress Actions up to end of February 2021
Cost Centre	3120

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In order to provide Councillors with updates on resolutions of Council, a report has been generated with a summary of actions that are current and have recently been completed, for the period ending

February 2021.

The In Progress Resolution Action Sheet for period ending December 2020 is attached to this report.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

59/21

That Council receive the In Progress Resolution Action Sheet Update for the period ending February 2021.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Rooney

CARRIED

Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

11. MAYORAL MINUTES

11.1 AFFORDABLE HOUSING

BACKGROUND:

The housing crisis in our LGA has reached the point of urgency. At least one school in Cooma has been unable to find accommodation for teachers, and emergency services have been unable to find accommodation for their staff.

Housing blocks owned by the NSW state government (Landcom) exist in Cooma, and are serviced with water, electricity and sewer services.

This solution is the best avenue at present to ensure that new homes (including townhouses and dual occupancy) can begin to be constructed and help alleviate the current accommodation crisis.

Rents have risen dramatically as a result of the shortage of rental properties, and properties for sale.

Council needs to act strategically to work with NSW department of housing and other necessary agencies to make housing available for families requiring housing that move to our LGA.

Amendment to Mayoral Minute - Carried Motion

An amendment to the original motion moved by Councillor Sue Haslingden and seconded by Mayor Beer was put to vote and CARRIED. The carried amendment being;

Inclusion of item (d) That the Mayor and Council invite Peter Stutchbury Architect to present to Council new and emerging thoughts/philosophies around creating and developing Snowy Monaro residential areas that are environmentally respectful and sustainable.

At 6:18pm Councillor Last left the meeting, returning at 6.19pm.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

60/21

Councillor Peter Beer

Affordable Housing

Motion:

That Council

(a) As a matter of urgency, request that the NSW Minister for Housing Melinda Pavey, release the housing blocks in Cooma at Zelka Heights, for sale or auction on the open market, in order to help address the current chronic housing shortage within Cooma, the surrounding towns, including Jindabyne and Berridale.

Given that local schools are unable to employ teachers, and emergency services are unable to procure accommodation, this initiative is urgently required. In addition many locals on lower incomes are struggling to meet current rental payments, and find their housing needs.

(b) Encourage construction of new housing in all villages and towns to assist in the alleviation of housing stress.

(c) Encourage the local non-for-profit company Southern Cross Housing to join Council in providing more affordable housing within the LGA.

(d) That the Mayor and Council invite Peter Stutchbury Architect to present to Council new and emerging thoughts/philosophies around creating and developing Snowy Monaro residential areas that are environmentally respectful and sustainable.

Moved Mayor Beer

CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Castellari, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Haslingden, Councillor Last, Councillor Maslin, Deputy Mayor Miners, Councillor Old, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Nil.

11.2 ALGA CONFERENCE MOTIONS FOR SUBMISSION – REMOTE CONFERENCE TECHNOLOGY

Background:

Teleconference options for Councillors is widely supported, particularly in rural and remote regions, however there is varying acceptance from state to state. Among reasons for supporting the videolink option is to ensure equal opportunity for disabled persons, and parents of young children to become elected Councillors of Local Government and attend meetings from their place of residence. Another reason is to ensure equal opportunity across rural and regional electorates, for councillors to attend meetings regardless of distance or road hazards in driving to and from meetings.

This initiative most certainly addresses one of the Themes of the ALGA conference, which is the question of resilience in smaller country towns.

Since the coronavirus response with people working from their computers at home, council meetings have been conducted with many Councillors attending via videolink.

This has been an excellent innovation for councillors who live long distances from the central town where the meetings are usually held.

For example in the NSW Snowy Monaro council region, about half of the councillors live at least one

hour's drive from the council headquarters in Cooma. One Councillor lives more than 1.5 hours away, which is a three hour round trip to attend a briefing or a meeting. In the winter here in the high country, there are always road hazards especially at night returning from meetings. Kangaroos, wombats, deer and snow are among the serious hazards.

The cost to council for vehicle repair insurance claims is not insignificant.

For a region like Snowy Monaro which spans large distances, there is a disincentive for citizens who live a long way from the Council HQ, to put themselves forward to represent their community as Councillors. Conversely there are likely to be many more citizens who live five minutes from Council HQ, to stand for Council.

This has obvious implications for the more remote communities in our region and in many others in Australia. Since the amalgamation of the three previous councils here, it has become clear that the driving burden for some Councillors is a real consideration.

Having the best mix of councillors, from all sections of the population in the council area, is vital for the democratic principle of local governments across Australia.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

61/21

Councillor Peter Beer

Motion:

That the National General Meeting support the continuation of the option for Councillors to attend Council meetings via remote teleconference technology, e.g. Zoom or Team Viewer, to ensure equal opportunity for all, across all states and territories in Australia.

Moved Mayor Beer

CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Castellari, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Haslingden, Councillor Maslin, Councillor Old and Councillor Rooney.

Councillors Against: Councillor Corbett, Councillor Last, Deputy Mayor Miners and Councillor Stewart

11.3 ALGA CONFERENCE MOTIONS FOR SUBMISSION – CLIMATE CHANGE

BACKGROUND:

Motion: Climate Change

The National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to work with ALGA and State and Territory governments, to urgently develop, in addition to any other funding currently provided to local government, a discrete, equitable, apolitical funding formula, which provides local governments with the resources needed to mitigate the current and longer-term impacts of climate change on local physical and social infrastructure.

National Objective

Climate change affects all Australians. The preceding decade is the hottest on record; climate scientists predict heating to continue while rain events become less frequent, but significantly more intense. Impacts of climate change on ageing and ill adapted infrastructure across local government areas include:

- Bushfire impacts on people and built infrastructure

- Road, river, and drinking water management problems resulting from heat and flood.
- Coastal erosion caused by intense storm events and king tides, necessitating costly rehabilitation to retain coastal integrity and biodiversity; compounded by visitation as people seek to escape the heat.
- Urban and peri-urban centres confronting potentially lethal heat zones, generated by the loss of green space and heating effects of built infrastructure; energy demands during peak activity will exert stress on the grid and our buildings.
- Local emergency and medical services experiencing greater demand; heat stroke is a major cause of death and disability for vulnerable people, especially the aged. Respiratory illness will likely rise as the levels of CO₂ in the atmosphere increase.
- Social infrastructure disrupted by the loss of significant volunteer services of older/retired Australians; losing these people will decimate our capacity to provide social infrastructure such as voluntary respite carers, community transport, and social activities.

Summary of Key Arguments

Infrastructure across Australia is ageing, frequently dating from the post-war period; there are already significant costs associated with its maintenance, and these will be exacerbated by the impacts of current and future climate change.

Much of Australia's built infrastructure is vulnerable to heating and large-scale rain events predicted to become more intense as the climate changes; as well we can expect communities' physical and mental health to suffer. Councils already struggle to meet the costs of delivering services to local communities; climate change will place additional and intolerable stresses on their capacity and resources.

The personal economic impacts of climate change on populations will likely reduce income and increase debt, particularly in rural areas dependent on agriculture, forecast to suffer under a changing climate.

Councils can expect higher levels of late or no payment on rates and charges and strong rejection from residents of any rise in charges to meet shortfalls.

Inadequate regional infrastructure is likely to feel significant strain as populations desert crowded urban centres seeking space and a cooler climate.

This motion asks the Federal government to recognise the economic and social impacts of climate change on our nation, and to develop a just resourcing plan that will ensure local governments can deliver services at a level consistent with the expectations of a modern developed country.

Links and references

<https://www.sydney.edu.au/news-opinion/news/2019/11/27/how-climate-change-impacts-infrastructure--experts-explain.html>

<https://www.epa.gov/heatislands/learn-about-heat-islands>

<https://www.epa.gov/heatislands/heat-island-impacts>

<https://www.epa.gov/heatislands/heat-island-cooling-strategies>

<https://www.science.org.au/learning/general-audience/science-climate-change/7-what-are-impacts-of-climate-change>

<https://www.smh.com.au/national/australia-lagging-behind-in-tackling-health-impacts-of-climate-change-report-20201202-p56jvo.html>

At 6:39pm Councillor Old left the meeting, returning at 6.44pm

Carried Amendment to Mayoral Minute

An amendment to the original Mayoral Minute moved by Councillor Bob Stewart and Seconded by Councillor Brian Old was put to vote and CARRIED. The carried amendment replaced the original motion.

Record of Voting for motion

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Castellari, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Maslin, Deputy Mayor Miners, Councillor Old, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Councillor Haslingden and Councillor Last.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Councillor Peter Beer

62/21

Amended Motion: 11.3 Mayoral Minute – ALGA Conference Motions for Submission

- A. All references within the ALGA motion to 'Climate Change' be amended to 'Extreme Weather Event'
- B. The National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to work with ALGA and State and Territory governments, to urgently develop, in addition to any other funding currently provided to local government, a discrete, equitable, apolitical funding formula, which provides local governments with the resources needed to mitigate the current and longer-term impacts of extreme weather events on local physical and social infrastructure.

Moved Mayor Beer

CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Castellari, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Haslingden, Councillor Maslin, Deputy Mayor Miners, Councillor Old, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Councillor Last.

12. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

12.1 HISTORIC SOCIETY

RECOMMENDATION

Councillor John Last

Question: Did the Historical Society approach the GM to occupy the old building alongside the Heritage Barber Shop.

Did the GM say no on the basis that the building is contaminated even though he allowed the tourist bureau to occupy the building . Is he looking for space for the Historical Society?

12.2 RE ZONING

RECOMMENDATION

Councillor Lynley Miners

Question: How is Council going to get the much needed housing shortage in our towns and villages fixed in the short term?

We keep coming up against zoning problems which will take a long term solution to fix.

12.3 ACCOMMODATION CRISIS

RECOMMENDATION

Councillor Anne Maslin

Question: Can Council use its communications platforms and communications team to ensure all owners of unused accommodation such as houses and cottages in local towns and on farms, are aware of the housing crisis and the urgent need of rental accommodation across the region?

The aim being that some rental accommodation might become available in the short term, to alleviate the crisis affecting schools, emergency services and the tourism industry, which cannot find accommodation for staff. Local owners of unused housing may not be aware of the current opportunity to rent out their cottages.

12.4 MICHELAGO CAUSEWAY

RECOMMENDATION

Councillor John Rooney

Question: Can the Executive guarantee that the grant money for the Michelago Causeway will not be lost, and that the causeway will eventually be built?

12.5 INDUSTRIAL LAND

RECOMMENDATION

Councillor Brian Old

Question: Can Council receive a report on releasing more industrial land in Jindabyne – how are we progressing with that and what will happen to the future of the Leeseville land.

At 7.00pm the meeting adjourned for a dinner break.

At 7.34pm the meeting resumed.

At 7:34pm Chief Operating Officer, Jeff Morgan, the Chief Finance Officer, Nick Byrne and Governance Officer, Erin Donnelly left the meeting.

13. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

63/21

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:

13.1 Cooma Sports Hub Detailed Design Tender Approval

Item 13.1 is confidential in accordance with s10(A)(2)(c) of the Local Government Act because it

contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

13.2 CEO's annual performance review

Item 13.2 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 Ewart

Seconded Councillor Old

CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Castellari, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Haslingden, Councillor Last, Councillor Maslin, Deputy Mayor Miners, Councillor Old, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Nil.

Note 1: 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 2: Confidential Session of Committee

At 7.35pm the meeting was closed to the press and public.

At 7:35pm CEO Peter Bascomb and Chief Strategy Officer David Rawlings left the meeting.

Note 3: Resumption of Open Committee Meeting

At 8.41 pm the Closed Session ended and the Council meeting continued in Open Session.

14. REPORT FROM CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

13.1 COOMA SPORTS HUB DETAILED DESIGN TENDER APPROVAL

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

64/21

That Council

- A. Endorse CK Architecture as the winning tenderer for the Cooma Sports Hub Detailed Design contract
- B. Authorise the CEO to sign the relevant contractual documents.

Moved Mayor Beer	Seconded Councillor Corbett	CARRIED
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Motions Without Debate

The above officer’s recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 40/21 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

13.2 CEO'S ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

COUNCIL RESOLUTION	65/21	
That Council		
A. Endorse the report of the CEO Performance Review Panel		
B. Adopt the proposed action plan items 1, 2, 6 and 7, in the Performance Review Panel report		
Moved Mayor Beer	Seconded Councillor Corbett	CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Mayor Beer, Councillor Castellari, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Haslingden, Councillor Maslin, Deputy Mayor Miners, Councillor Old, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Councillor Last.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 08.42PM



CHAIRPERSON

The above minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of Snowy Monaro Regional Council held on 18 March 2021 were confirmed by Council at a duly convened meeting on 15 April 2021 at which meeting the signature hereon was subscribed.