



MINUTES

of the

General Meeting of the Council

held in the

Council Chambers, 118 Victoria Street, St George

on

Thursday 31st October 2019

Commencing at 9:00am

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OPENING

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 9:05am

COUNCIL PRAYER

The Mayor led the Council in the Opening Prayer.

ATTENDANCE

Cr RW Marsh (Mayor), Crs FM Gaske (Deputy Mayor), RG Fuhrmeister, SC O'Toole, RI Paul, SS Scriven and ID Todd

Mrs Michelle Clarke (Director Financial & Corporate Services), Mr Digby Whyte (Director Community & Environmental Services) and Mr Andrew Boardman (Director Infrastructure Services)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Mr Matthew Magin

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 19 September, 2019 be confirmed

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Marsh** declared a Perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in FCS6 - Extension of Time - Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Rate Scheme, on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Cr Marsh's cousin M Beardmore of Beardmore Pty Ltd is a cousin and has an application in the Communities Combating Pest and Weeds Impacts during Drought Funding – Wild Dog Exclusion Fence.

Councillor Marsh advised that he will voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009.

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor O'Toole** declared a Perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in FCS6 - Extension of Time – Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Rate Scheme, on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is that both her and her Husband Jason O'Toole's neighbour on the adjoining property to their Moolabah Airstrip is an applicant in the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing special rate scheme.

Councillor O'Toole advised that she will voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009.

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In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Gaske** declared a Perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in FCS6 - Extension of Time – Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Rate Scheme, on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Andrew Sevil is an applicant in the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing special rate scheme and is married to her cousin.

Councillor Gaske advised that she will voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009.

In accordance with s175C(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Todd** declared a material personal interest in respect to matters contained in FCS6 - Extension of Time – Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Rate Scheme , on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is that he is an applicant in other Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing funding programs and recipient of the CCWI funding that is mentioned in the background of the report.

Councillor Todd advised that he will voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175C(2) of the Local Government Act 2009.

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Scriven** declared a Perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in FCS6 - Extension of Time – Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Rate Scheme, on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is he is a recipient of the CCWI funding and it is mentioned in the background of the report.

Cr Scriven advised that he will request to remain in the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009.

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor O'Toole** declared a Real Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in IFS5 2019 St George Christmas Carnival – Road Closure , on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Cr O'Toole is Treasurer of the St George & District Chamber of Commerce which is applying for the Road Closure.

Cr O'Toole advised that she will voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009.

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Marsh** declared a Real Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in CES1 Community Grants & Assistance – St George RSL Sub Branch , on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Cr Marsh is an Invited Guest to the 100th Anniversary Dinner and the St George RSL Sub-branch is the beneficiary of the application for a donation.

Councillor Marsh advised that he will voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009.

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In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor O'Toole** declared a Perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in CES4 RADF Application Balonne Kindergarten association , on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Cr O'Toole's daughter is a student at the Balonne Kindergarten which is the applicant for a donation.

Cr O'Toole advised that having given due consideration to her position she would request Council grant approval for her to remain in the meeting. She advised she would voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009 for Council to make that decision.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nil

DEPUTATIONS

Nil

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Scriven seconded

That Council receive and note the Councillor reports on their activities during the preceding month.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEETING BUSINESS BY CORPORATE FUNCTION (CEO) CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Nil

(FCS) FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

FCS1

REQUEST TO SUPPORT APPLICATION FOR LAND LOT 1 STG8554 ST GEORGE

Request to support application for Lot 1 STG8554, St George

Cr Paul moved and Cr Fuhrmeister seconded:

That Council, as trustee of the park and recreation reserve known as Lot 1 STG8554 provide a letter of support to the owner of Lot 11 STG8537 for the revocation of part of Lot 1 STG8554 being the area shown in Attachment 2 'Marked area' and support the application for Department of Natural Resources Mines & Energy to sell the encroachment area on the condition that:

- a) a 2.5m buffer from the toe of the levee bank be maintained;
- b) all application, surveying fees, title lodgement fees etc be at applicant's expense.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FCS2

AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MINUTES 8 OCTOBER 2019

The Audit and Risk Committee met on 8 October 2019.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That Council receive and adopt the Audit and Risk Committee minutes for 8 October 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FCS3

FEES AND CHARGES 2019/20 - DIRRANBANDI COURT SPORTS FACILITY

Dirranbandi Court Sports Facility

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council amend the Register of Cost Recovery Fees and Commercial Charges for the 2019/20 financial year in accordance with Section 97 and Section 262(3)(c) of the Local Government Act 2009 to include the following:

| DIRRANBANDI COURT SPORTS HALL (keys available from Town Supervisor) | | | | |
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| Full-Day Function (over 6 hours) (Includes time taken for setup of facility on the day of hire (or day prior if the facility is available). Clean-up is required by 10am on the following day.) per day | 520-1611 | Commercial | | \$110.00 |
| Part-Day Function (per hour up to 6 hours) - Minimum Charge 2 hours | 520-1611 | Commercial | | \$55.00 |
| Annual access charge for small operators to hold fitness classes | 520-1611 | Commercial | | \$55.00 |
| One-off access charge for small operators to hold fitness classes | 520-1611 | Commercial | | \$25.00 |

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FCS4

ANNUAL REPORT 2018/19

Annual Report 2018/19

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That Council adopt the Annual Report 2018/19 in accordance with Section 182 of the Local Government Regulations 2012.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FCS5

LEASE OF LAND - GRAIN CORP - THALLON

Lease of Land – Grain Corp - Thallon

Cr Gaske moved and Cr Todd seconded:

That Council delegate to the Chief Executive Officer under Section 257(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 2009 to enter into negotiations and settle on the terms and conditions of a lease arrangement with Grain Corp for:

- Lot 34 SP 134934 (camping grounds) off William Street, Thallon, including an easement over the levee bank; and
- Lot 31 SP 134934 (cattle yards) off Noondoo Thallon Road, including an easement to access the facilities from a public road.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr Andrew Boardman (Director Infrastructure Services) entered the meeting at 10:02am.

In accordance with s175C(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Todd** declared a material personal interest in respect to matters contained in FCS6 Extension of Time – Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Rate Scheme , on the grounds that:

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the nature of the interest is Cr Todd an applicant in another Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Council program and is a recipient of the CCWI grant funding that it is mentioned in the background of the report.

Councillor Todd voluntarily left the meeting, in accordance with s175C(4) of the Local Government Act 2009 at 10:03am and did not partake in any discussion or decision in relation to the matter.

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Marsh** declared a Perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in FCS6 - Extension of Time - Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Rate Scheme, on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Cr Marsh's cousin M Beardmore of Beardmore Pty Ltd is a cousin and has an application in the Communities Combating Pest and Weeds Impacts during Drought Funding – Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing CCWI funding round.

Councillor Marsh advised that he will voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009.

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor O'Toole** declared a Perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in FCS6 - Extension of Time – Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Rate Scheme, on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is that both her and her Husband Jason O'Toole's neighbour on the adjoining property to their Moolabah Airstrip is an applicant in the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing special rate scheme.

Councillor O'Toole advised that she will voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009.

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Gaske** declared a Perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in FCS6 - Extension of Time – Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Rate Scheme, on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Andrew Sevil is an applicant in the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing special rate scheme and is married to her cousin.

Councillor Gaske advised that she will voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009.

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Scriven** declared a perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in FCS6 Extension of Time – Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Rates Scheme, on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Cr Scriven is a recipient of the CCWI funding and it is mentioned in the background of the report.

Cr Scrive advised that having given due consideration to his position she would request Council grant approval for him to remain in the meeting. He advised he would voluntarily leave the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009 for Council to make that decision.

It was determined that a majority of the councillors at a meeting had informed the meeting about personal interests in the matter under subsection 175E(2), and therefore Council must delegate deciding the matter under section 257, to the Chief Executive Officer. It was noted that a councillor does not contravene Section 175E(5) by participating in the meeting, or being present while the matter is discussed and voted on, if the councillor's participation or presence is for the purpose of delegating deciding the matter under subsection (6).

Mrs Tracy Lee (Manager Financial Services), entered the Meeting at 10:04am

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FCS6

EXTENSION OF TIME - WILD DOG EXCLUSION FENCING RATE SCHEME

Extension of time WDEF Special Rate Scheme

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council delegates under Section 257(1)(b) to the Chief Executive Officer to make a decision on whether to grant an extension of time for landholder agreements to 31 January 2020 for all wild dog exclusion fencing special rate scheme approved in 2019/20 financial year, in accordance with S175E(7) as four of the Councillors' have a perceived Conflict of Interest in this matter and one councillor has a material personal interest.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr Todd returned to the Meeting at 10:14am.

Mrs Tarnia Porter (Administration Officer – Rates) entered the Meeting at 10:24am.

Cr Gaske left the meeting at 10:28am.

Cr Gaske returned to the meeting at 10:32am.

FCS7

MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT SEPTEMBER 2019

Monthly Finance Report September 2019

Cr Todd moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That Council resolve:

1. That the monthly Financial Management Report for the period ending 30 June 2019, as tabled, be received and noted; and
2. That a letter be written to Minister Stirling Hinchliffe and Minister Anthony Lynham to express concern over the loss of rates on State leasehold land; and
3. that management pursue all options for rate recovery.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 10:47am, and resumed at 11:03am, with Mr Digby Whyte (Director Community & Environmental Services) in attendance.

(IFS) INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

IFS1

REQUEST TO SEAL TULLY STREET, MUNGINDI QLD

Request to Seal Tully Street, Mungindi QLD

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council resolve to notify the requester that there is currently no budget allocation to seal Tully Street and that the works are currently not included in future planned works programmes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IFS2

TEELBA ROAD - MOOMBAAH STATION SEAL REQUEST

Teelba Road – Moombah Station

Cr Scriven moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

The Council resolve to notify the requester that there is currently no budget allocation to complete the works and that the works are currently not planned in future works programmes. The works will not be considered unless the full capital, additional ongoing maintenance and future renewals for the works are covered by the landholder.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council noted that Management will develop a policy on sealing roads in front of homesteads.

IFS3

ROADS TO RECOVERY - LOCAL ROAD RESEALS IN BOLLON, DIRRANBANDI, MUNGINDI, THALLON AND ST GEORGE; AND 2.5KM RESEALING OF THE WHYENBAH RD

Roads to Recovery – Local Road Reseals in Bollon, Dirranbandi, Mungindi, Thallon and St George; and 2.5km resealing of the Whyenbah Rd

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council resolve to allocate \$930,000 of Roads to Recovery funding in the 2019/20 budget to the following reseal works:

- Mungindi Residential Street Reseals - \$150,000 (Barwon, Bridge, George, Gregory & Stephen Streets)
- Thallon Residential Street Reseals - \$150,000 (Booligar, Currawildi, Garah, Pine, Railway & William Streets)
- Bollon Residential Street Reseals - \$165,000 (George, Jane & Mary Streets and Fernlee Road)
- St George Residential Street Reseals - \$150,000 (Andrew, Ann, Arthur, Bowen, Elizabeth, Munro Streets)
- Dirranbandi Residential Street Reseals - \$140,000 Hannah, Horace, Ida, Kirby and Theodor Streets
- Whyenbah Road 2.5km reseal on Dirranbandi End - \$175,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IFS4

SPEED LIMIT REVIEW CARNARVON HIGHWAY

Speed Limit Review Carnarvon Highway

Cr Scriven moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council resolve to write to the Department Transport and Main Roads South West District requesting a speed limit review of the Carnarvon Highway between Mungindi and Surat be undertaken to increase the speed limit to 110kph.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor O'Toole** declared a Real Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in IFS5 2019 St George Christmas Carnival – Road Closure , on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Cr O'Toole is Treasurer of the St George & District Chamber of Commerce which is applying for the Road Closure.

Cr O'Toole voluntarily left the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009 at 11:26am.

IFS5

2019 ST GEORGE CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL - ROAD CLOSURE

2019 St George Christmas Carnival – Road Closure

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That Council resolve to:

1. support the St George & District Chamber of Commerce's road closure request and
2. advise the St George & District Chamber of Commerce it may apply for funding for traffic management through the Community Grants and Assistance Programme.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr O'Toole returned to the meeting at 11:45am.

IFS6

LIGHT VEHICLE FLEET POLICY

Light Vehicle Fleet Policy

Cr Paul moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council resolve to:

1. rescind Vehicle Private Use Policy last reviewed 18 September 2003; and
2. adopt the Light Vehicle Fleet Policy, as attached.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IFS7

REPLACEMENT GIS EQUIPMENT

Replacement GIS Equipment

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That Council resolve to, in accordance with Section 170 (3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, amend it's 2019/20 budget, increasing the capital works budget twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to purchase GIS equipment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IFS8

LOCAL ROADS OF REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE REVIEW

Local Roads of Regional Significance Review

Cr Paul moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council resolve to:

- 1) support the addition of Whyenbah, Hebel-Goodooga and Noondoo-Mungindi Roads as Local Roads of Regional Significance, and
- 2) submit a request to the South West Regional Roads Group for Whyenbah, Hebel-Goodooga and Noondoo-Mungindi Roads to be included as additional Local Roads of Regional Significance for the Shire.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr Digby Whyte retired from the Meeting at 11:59pm and returned at 12:01pm.

IFS9

EUMERELLA SOUTH ALL WEATHER ACCESS ROAD UPGRADE REQUEST

Eumerella South All Weather Access Road Upgrade Request

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

The Council resolve to notify the requester that there is currently no budget allocation to complete the works and that the works are currently not planned for future works programmes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mrs Mareea Lochel (Community Collective and Wellbeing Services Coordinator) entered the Meeting at 12:05pm.

IFS10

THERMAL SPRINGS FEES & CHARGES AND OPERATION HOURS

Thermal Springs Fees & Charges and Operation Hours

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That Council resolve to:

- 1) endorse the St George Swimming Pool operational hours as the St George Thermal Springs operational hours, and;
- 2) amend the Register of Cost Recovery Fees and Commercial Charges for the 2019/20 financial year in accordance with Section 97 and Section 262(3)(c) of the *Local Government Act 2009* to include the following fees and charges for the St George Thermal Springs.

| ST GEORGE THERMAL SPRINGS | | | 19/20 |
|--|------------|--|----------|
| Adult – Entry Fee* | Commercial | | \$8.00 |
| Adult (Non Swimming) – Entry Fee* | Commercial | | \$4.00 |
| Age 2 and under – Entry Fee* | Commercial | | Free |
| Child (Ages 2 and under 18) – Entry Fee (includes when under school supervision) * | Commercial | | \$6.00 |
| Child (Non Swimming) (Ages 2 and under 18) – Entry Fee* | Commercial | | \$2.00 |
| Adult - Pension Seniors Card* | | | \$6.00 |
| Family – Entry Fee* | | | \$25.00 |
| Season Adult Pass* | | | \$180.00 |
| Season Child (Ages 2 and under 18) Pass* | | | \$135.00 |
| Season Family Pass* | | | \$320.00 |
| Season Pass Pensioners | | | \$110.00 |
| Event or Function Hire Cost /hr including Lifeguard* | | | \$50.00 |
| Facility Hire for exercise or learn to swim classes Cost /hr including Lifeguard* | | | \$50.00 |
| *ALL THERMAL SPRING ENTRY INCLUDES ST GEORGE POOL ENTRY *EXISTING POOL SEASON PASS HOLDERS MAY PAY THE DIFFERENCE TO RECEIVE A THERMAL SPRINGS ENTRY | | | |

- 3) waive all entry fees and charges to the St George Pool and St George Thermal Springs for December 8th 2019 for the Thermal Springs official opening community day.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IFS11

BOLLON AERODROME FENCING UPGRADE

Bollon Aerodrome Fencing Upgrade

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Fuhrmeister seconded:

That Council resolve to, in accordance with Section 170 (3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, amend it's 2019/20 budget, increasing the capital works budget thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) to install exclusion fencing around the Bollon Aerodrome.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr Andrew Boardman (Director Infrastructure Services) retired from the Meeting at 12:39pm.

Ms Dani Kinnear (Community and Multicultural Development Officer) entered the Meeting at 12:39pm

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Marsh** declared a Real Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in CES1 Community Grants & Assistance – St George RSL Sub Branch, on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is he is an Invited Guest to the 100th Anniversary Dinner and St George RSL Sub Branch is the beneficiary of the application for a donation.

Councillor Marsh voluntarily left the meeting, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009 at 12:40pm.

Cr Gaske (Deputy Mayor) assumed the Chair.

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor O'Toole** declared a Real Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in CES1 Community Grants & Assistance – St George RSL Sub-Branch , on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Cr O'Toole is Treasurer of the St George & District Chamber of Commerce and the Community Development Officer mentioned the Chamber of Commerce when presenting the report.

Cr O'Toole voluntarily left the Meeting at 12:41pm, in accordance with s175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009.

(CES) COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

CES1

COMMUNITY GRANTS AND ASSISTANCE - ST GEORGE RSL SUB-BRANCH

Community Grants and Assistance donation request from St George RSL Sub-Branch

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council donates \$2,000 to St George RSL Sub-Branch for their 100th Anniversary Dinner to be held in December from the Community Grants and Assistance Program

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr Marsh returned to the Meeting at 12:46pm and resumed the Chair

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Cr O'Toole returned to the meeting at 12:46pm

CES2 **FEE WAIVER - BOLLON CHARITY RODEO ASSOCIATION**

Bollon Charity Rodeo Association have request a fee Waiver for the Bollon Showgrounds

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That Council waive the Bollon showgrounds hire fees for Bollon Champagne Draft and Rodeo on the 20-22nd September 2019 to the approximate value of \$800, due to the effects of the ongoing drought.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CES3 **THE BEST OF BANDSTAND TOURING PRODUCTION**

Council has received a request to sponsor a musical touring production in late October 2020.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That Council resolve to fund the No 3 Battle of the Voices evening event and charge an entry fee to assist in recouping costs.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Meeting adjourned for Lunch at 1:01pm and resumed at 1:51pm with Mrs Mareea Lochel (Community Collective and Wellbeing Services Coordinator), Mrs Di Francisco (Environmental Health Officer) and Ms Kim Wildman (Manager Tourism) in attendance.

In accordance with s175E(2) of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor O'Toole** declared a Perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in CES4 RADF Application Balonne Kindergarten association , on the grounds that:

the nature of the interest is Cr O'Toole's daughter is a student at the Balonne Kindergarten which is the applicant for a donation.

Having given due consideration to her position, Cr O'Toole states that she would vote on this matter in the public interest and requested that she be granted approval to remain in the meeting.

Cr Scriven moved Cr Fuhrmeister seconded:

That Cr O'Toole has a Perceived Conflict of Interest in respect to matters contained in CES4 and that she may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter and vote on the matter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CES4 **RADF APPLICATION - BALONNE KINDERGARTEN ASSOCIATION**

Balonne Kindergarten Association has submitted an out-of-round Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) application.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That Council approves the Balonne Kindergarten Association Regional Arts Development Fund application of \$2,500 for the Indigenous Garden – totem pole project, and encourages the applicant

to have student participation.

CARRIED 6-1

CES5

BALONNE EMERGING LEADERS BURSARY

Balonne Emerging Leaders bursary policy, guidelines and application form.

Cr Gaske moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council resolve to:

1. adopts the Emerging Leaders Bursary policy; and
2. adopt the Balonne Emerging Leaders Bursary Guidelines and Application form; and
3. appoint Cr Gaske and Cr O'Toole to be part of the assessment panel of the bursary nominations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CES6

OPERA EAGLES NEST

Proposal to support the 2020 tour production of "A Touch of Andrew Lloyd-Webber A Taste of Tim Rice" by Opera Eagles Nest.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council host one performance of 'A Touch of Andrew Lloyd-Webber A Taste of Tim Rice' by Opera Eagles Nest at St George at a cost of \$3,500 and charge a cover charge for tickets to recoup the cost of the production.

CARRIED 6-1

Mrs Mareea Lochel retired from the Meeting at 2:04pm

CES7

WILD DOG ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - 27 AUGUST 2019

From the Project Support Officer reporting the proposed actions and recommendations from the Wild Dog Advisory Committee (WDAC) Meeting held on 27 August 2019.

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council resolve to:

1. receive the Wild Dog Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes;
2. acknowledges the actions that have come out of the meeting; and

| ACTIONS | | |
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| Agenda Reference | Proposed Action | Officer Responsible |
| Syndicate Updates | That the QFPI finalised reports be circulated for the WDAC Committee. | Tayla Willis |
| Reporting to the Syndicate Head | That the Wild Dog Scalp bounty and retainer reports are sent to the syndicate heads as per the Policy & Procedure. | Tayla Willis |

3. add the proposed recommendation to the Terms of Reference

| COMMENDATIONS | |
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| Agenda Subject | RECOMMENDATION |
| 1 Terms of Reference | <p>Proposal to be put to Council for the change the voting rights of membership is from the Syndicate Representatives and that we accept the Terms of Reference– change to make in Terms of Reference as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. NEW HEADING Voting - Quorum will be defined as 50% plus one of the Syndicate representatives 4. Teleconference facilities are made available for all meeting |

AMENDMENT

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Fuhrmeister seconded:

That Council hold over this item to a later Meeting of the Council.

The Amendment on being put became the substantive motion and was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CES8

DIRRANBANDI THERMAL HOT SPRINGS

Update from the Manager Tourism regarding the Dirranbandi Thermal Hot Springs.

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That Council invites Expressions of Interest proposing the location and operation of the proposed Dirranbandi Thermal Hot Springs, in accordance of Section S228(3)(a) of the Local Government Regulations 2012.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ms Kim Wildman (Manager Tourism) retired from the Meeting at 2:20pm

CES9

BALONNE SHIRE BIOSECURITY PLAN

Balonne Shire Biosecurity Plan submitted by Director Community and Environmental Sustainability for consideration of public submissions and approval

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council:

1. Receive the report
2. Considers public submissions and final changes and adopts the Balonne Shire Biosecurity Plan
3. Makes the Balonne Shire Biosecurity Plan broadly available to the public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSED MEETING

Cr Gaske moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That Council go into its Meeting as a Closed Meeting to discuss confidential items, the time being

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2:29pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

During the Closed Meeting the following occurred:

Cr Marsh left the meeting at 2:37pm.

Cr Gaske assumed the Chair.

Cr Marsh returned to the meeting at 2:39pm and resumed the Chair.

Mr Andrew Boardman (Director Infrastructure Services) entered the Meeting at 2:50pm.

Mrs Di Francisco (Environmental Health Officer) retired from the Meeting at 2:54pm.

OPEN MEETING

Cr Gaske moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council resume its Meeting as an Open Meeting, the time being 3:18pm

CARRIED

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

(CCEO) CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CCEO1

APPOINTMENT OF A COMMUNITY DROUGHT SUPPORT OFFICER

Council needs to play an important role in understanding the myriad of services, support and assistance available to both landholders and the wider business community and help them to navigate their way through the applications, paperwork and regulatory processes in order to be able to access those services, support and assistance.

Recommendation:

That Council resolves to:

- a) recruit a Community Drought Support Officer for the purpose of providing assistance to our landholders and business community so they better understand what support and assistance is available and how to successfully access it; and
- b) to seek external funding for the position for a period of 12 months and if no grant funding available Council will amend its current budget in accordance with Section 170(3) of the Local Government Act 2012 and fund the position from its own resources up to \$130,000.

Council resolved to hold this matter over to consider all available options in a workshop and the matter be returned to Council at a later meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(CIFS) INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

CIFS1

2019-20 COUNCIL RESEAL TENDER

Roads to Recovery – Local Road Reseals in Bollon, Dirranbandi, Mungindi, Thallon and St George; and 2.5km resealing of the Whyenbah Road

Cr Gaske moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council resolve to,

award the following works to COLAS Queensland PTY LTD as the lowest bidding tenderer for all the following work schedules submitted below:

1. Schedule A – Salmon Rd Reseal (1035) Ch 0.4 – 6.12km - \$210,360.62
2. Schedule C – Bollon Dirranbandi Rd (4002) Ch 83.98 – 90.28km (Geofabric Reinforced Seal) - \$366,508.50
3. Schedule E – 24B Carnarvon Highway (St George – Surat) Pavement Widening Ch 1.57 – 8.86km - \$347,580.07

- 2) reallocate the savings from the Salmon Rd Reseal to the Bollon Dirranbandi Rd Reseal and submit a request to the South West Regional Roads Transport Group to adjust the 2019/20 Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) funds for the reallocation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(CCES) COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

CCES1

ST GEORGE LIBRARY HUB CONCEPT DESIGN ENGAGEMENT REPORT

St George Library Hub Concept Design Engagement Report

Cr Gaske moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That Council:

- a) receive and note the St George Library Hub Concept Design Engagement Report; and
- b) the report be made public removing the names of individuals and any other personal email addresses etc.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CCES2

CONSIDERATIONS FOR CHANGES WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT

The Department of Environment and Science [DES] carried out an inspection on 1 & 2 July 2019. The compliance team from DES visited Hebel, Dirranbandi, Nindigully and St George landfills.

Recommendation:

The recommendation from the Waste Advisory Committee is as follows:-

That Council:

1. amend the operational budget in accordance with S170(3) of the Local Government Regulations 2012 by \$30,000 to appoint a consultant to complete the review of the ERA licence;
2. a) reclassify the Nindigully landfill site to be a transfer station (ERA 62) with 2 x 3m² front lift bins that will be collected by JJ Richards fortnightly, to be funded within the existing maintenance budget; and

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- b) inform the local community of Council's decision; and
 - c) makes the minor amendment to the land title for Hebel Landfill.
3. carry out the procedure to notify Department of Environment and Science when a non-compliance occurs at the Dirranbandi landfill (burning of trench).
4. amend the Site Based Management Plan, in consultation with the contractor of the St George landfill, to address the burning of the green waste;
5. construct a dirt bund wall around the chemical and battery site at the Dirranbandi landfill to be funded within the existing Dirranbandi landfill maintenance budget;
6.
 - a) immediately cease the burning of the green waste at Dirranbandi, Bollon and Thallon and store the waste on site; and
 - b) call for expressions of interest for a contract - commercial operator to mulch the green waste on these sites and a further report be submitted to council should a budget amendment be required.
7. amend its licence to incorporate an ERA62 for the JJ Richards recycling transfer station at St George.

Council resolved that this matter be held over to consider all the recommendations in a workshop and be returned to Council at a later meeting.

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GENERAL BUSINESS

That Council respond to the Mungindi Residents wishing to connect to a private bore outside Mungindi accepting the deputation request for 21 November.

Cr Gaske left the meeting at 3:28pm.

Cr Gaske returned to the meeting at 3:28pm.

INFORMATION REPORTS

(ICEO) CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ICE01

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE SEPTEMBER 2019

Economic Development Update September 2019

ICE02

MONTHLY REPORT

This is an information report from the Communications & Disaster Management Officer for the month of September and October 2019

ICE03

MONTHLY REPORT

Grants Officer information report 5 July – 18 October 2019

(IFCS) FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

ICFS1

MONTHLY REPORT - DIRECTOR FINANCE & CORPORATE SERVICES

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Monthly Information Report – Director Finance & Corporate Services

ICFS2 **MONTHLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION REPORT SEPTEMBER 2019**

Monthly Financial Information Report for the period ended 30 September 2019.

ICFS3 **MONTHLY REPORT**

WHS Monthly Information Report

(IIFS) INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

IIFS1 **MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE OCTOBER 2019 COUNCIL MEETING**

From the Director of Infrastructure Services - reporting for the month of September.

(ICES) COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

ICES1 **MONTHLY REPORT - RURAL SERVICES AND COMPLIANCE**

Manager of Rural Services report for September 2019 is presented to Council for information.

ICES2 **MONTHLY REPORT**

The Community & Environmental Sustainability Report for the month of September 2019 is presented for Council's information.

ICES3 **JOHNATHAN THURSTON FINAL REPORT**

An Information report of the Johnathan Thurston Event

There being no further business, the Meeting closed, the time being 3:33pm.

Confirmed at a General Meeting of the Council held on 21 November 2019.

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MAYOR