



MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday, 15 August 2023

I hereby give notice that an Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on:

Date: Tuesday, 15 August 2023

Time: 10:00 AM

**Location: Council Chambers, Estates Building Cressy Street
Deniliquin**

**Philip Stone
Chief Executive Officer**

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1. OPENING MEETING

The meeting opened at 10am with a message by the Mayor, Cr Peta Betts.

On behalf of Edward River Council we extend our heartfelt condolences to the soldiers family members and to the wider Australian Defence Force family following the recent helicopter tragedy in Queensland.

2. ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Betts, Deputy Mayor Paul Fellows, Cr Linda Fawns, Cr Harold Clapham, Cr Shirlee Burge, Cr Marc Petersen, Cr Pat Fogarty, Cr Shannon Sampson, Cr Tarria Moore.

In Attendance: Chief Executive Officer, Director Corporate Services, Director Infrastructure, Acting Chief Financial Officer, Acting Senior Governance Officer, Executive Assistant to the CEO

Gallery Members: 3. A further gallery member entered the Chambers at 10.25am bringing the total in the Gallery to 4.

3. LIVE STREAMING STATEMENT

Edward River Council wishes to advise members of the public that Council Meetings will be recorded and will be available after each meeting on Council's website [Councils Website](#). All care will be taken to maintain the privacy of those in attendance, however As a visitor in the public gallery, your presence may be recorded. By remaining In the public gallery, it is assumed your consent is given in the event your image is broadcast. This includes any filming by television cameras if attendance is approved by the Chief Executive Officer or Mayor.

4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Edward River Council acknowledges and embraces the Traditional Owners of the Lands within the Edward River Council area - the Wamba Wamba/Perrepa Perrepa Peoples – and pay our respects to their elders, past, present, and emerging. The Edward River Council also recognises the diversity of different cultures within our community and their contribution.

5. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

I have come here as a Councillor freely and without bias to:

- Represent the views of the community in considering the matters before us today
- To vote in a matter I consider to be in the best interest of the community
- To observe the Code of Conduct and respect the rule of the chair and views of my fellow Councillors.

6. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1. DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 18 JULY 2023

Moved: Deputy Mayor Cr Paul Fellows

Seconded: Cr Pat Fogarty

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/7.1

That Council accept the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 18 July 2023 with minor spelling amendments, as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

8. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

12.2 Local Government Heritage Grants - Mayor Cr Peta Betts declared a Non-Pecuniary Less than significant interest and will leave the Chambers during the debate.

9. MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

Nil

10. URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Cr Shirlee Burge proposed an urgent item of business regarding a request for a meeting of Councillors on a matter which she considered serious.

The Chair ruled that the matter was not urgent.

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

11.1. MINUTES FOR AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE - TUESDAY, 25 JULY 2023

Moved: Cr Linda Fawns

Seconded: Cr Shannon Sampson

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/11.1

That Council note the Minutes of the Airport Advisory Committee Meeting held 25 July 2023.

CARRIED

11.2. MINUTES ABORIGINAL LIAISON COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY 26 JULY 2023

Moved: Cr Linda Fawns

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Paul Fellows

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/11.2

That Council notes the draft minutes of the Aboriginal Liaison Committee meeting held Wednesday 26 July 2023.

CARRIED

11.3. MEMORIAL PARK USER GROUP MINUTES - 26 JULY 2023

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen

Seconded: Cr Linda Fawns

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/11.3

That the minutes of the Memorial Park User Group meeting held 26th July 2023 were tabled and read as true and correct record.

CARRIED

11.4. SALEYARDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES - 27TH JULY 2023

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen

Seconded: Cr Linda Fawns

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/11.4

That the minutes of the Saleyards Advisory Committee meeting held 27th July 2023 were tabled and read as true and correct record.

CARRIED

12. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

12.1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE 12-14 NOVEMBER 2023

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen

Seconded: Cr Tarria Moore

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.1

That Council approve the attendance of the Mayor, Chief Executive Officer, Cr Marc Petersen and Cr Shannon Sampson at the Local Government NSW Annual Conference taking place from 12 to 14 November 2023 at the Rosehill Gardens Racecourse Sydney.

CARRIED

12.2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT HERITAGE GRANTS - LOCAL HERITAGE FUND 2023/24

Mayor Cr Peta Betts left the Chambers at 10.11am and Deputy Mayor Cr Paul Fellows took the Chair.

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen

Seconded: Cr Shirlee Burge

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.2

That Council funds the following projects as part of the Local Heritage Fund 2023-2024:

- (a) 115 End Street, Local Heritage Fund contribution being \$5,000, and
- (b) 138 End Street, Local Heritage Fund contribution being \$ 804.

CARRIED

Mayor Betts returned to the Chambers at 10.16am and resume the Chair.

12.3. DA2022/0095 - CHILDCARE CENTRE - 400 WOOD STREET, DENILIQUN

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Paul Fellows

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.3

That Council resolves to: -

1. APPROVE the development application 2022/0095 for a Childcare Centre, on Lot 1 DP 323712, 400 Wood Street, Deniliquin as shown on plans numbered DA00.00, DA02.01, DA03.01, DA03.02, DA04.01, DA05.01, DA06.01, DA06.02 & DA06.03 and described in details accompanying the Development Application, in accordance with section 4.16 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and subject to the following reasons:
 - a) The application complied with the applicable planning controls and has demonstrated to have a satisfactory effect on the environment.
 - b) The application is compliant with the key planning provisions contained within the DLEP 2013 and the Deniliquin Development Control Plan 2016.
 - c) The proposal is appropriate on the site given the existing character of the area.
 - d) The development will have no significant adverse impacts on the natural or built environments.
2. Impose conditions as per Attachment 1

Division:

For: Deputy Mayor Cr Paul Fellows; Cr Linda Fawns; Cr Harold Clapham; Cr Shirlee Burge; Cr Marc Petersen; Cr Pat Fogarty; Cr Shannon Sampson; Cr Tarria Moore; Mayor Cr Peta Betts

Against: Nil

CARRIED 8/0

12.4. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES ACTIVITY REPORT JULY 2023

Moved: Cr Pat Fogarty

Seconded: Cr Linda Fawns

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.4

That Council receive and note the July 2023 Development Services Activity Report.

CARRIED

12.5. DRAFT COMMUNICATIONS & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Moved: Deputy Mayor Cr Paul Fellows

Seconded: Cr Pat Fogarty

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.5

That Council:

1. Endorses the draft Communications & Community Engagement Strategy (CCES) for public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days commencing Friday 18 August 2023
2. Receive a further report on outcomes of the public exhibition
3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to make any necessary amendments to the documents which do not alter the intent or result in material changes to these documents in preparation for public exhibition, including the graphic design of the draft Communications & Community Engagement Strategy.

CARRIED

12.6. AGENCY INFORMATION GUIDE

Moved: Cr Pat Fogarty

Seconded: Cr Tarrina Moore

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.6

That Council adopt the Council Information Guide 2023-24.

CARRIED

Manager Development Services left the Chambers at 10.31am

12.7. DELIVERY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT - JANUARY TO JUNE 2023

Moved: Cr Linda Fawns

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Paul Fellows

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.7

That Council receive and note the six-monthly Delivery Program progress report for the period January to June 2023.

CARRIED

12.8. MAJOR PROJECTS REPORT - JULY 2023

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr Paul Fellows

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.8

That Council receive and note the Major Projects Program – Progress Report for July 2023

CARRIED

12.9. INVESTMENT AND RESERVES REPORT - JULY 2023

Moved: Cr Linda Fawns

Seconded: Cr Tarria Moore

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.9

That Council:

1. Note and receive the July 2023 report on Investments totalling \$45,599,487 inclusive of cash at bank for day-to-day operations.
2. Note that actual interest earned in the month of July 2023 was \$140,324.
3. Note that total interest earned for the year to 31 July 2023 is \$140,324.
4. Note the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer and adopt the Investment Report.

CARRIED

12.10. RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham

Seconded: Cr Pat Fogarty

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.10

That Council note the information in the Resolutions of Council as at 2 August 2023.

CARRIED

12.11. MAYOR, COUNCILLOR, CEO MEETINGS JULY 2023

Moved: Cr Tarria Moore

Seconded: Cr Marc Petersen

RESOLUTION 2023/0815/12.11

That Council

1. Note meetings attended on behalf of Council by the Mayor, Councillors and Chief Executive Officer during the month of July 2023.
2. Continue to advise the Chief Executive Officer's Executive Assistant of their meeting diaries and activities attendance.

CARRIED

13. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Nil

14. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

15. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil

16. CLOSE OF MEETING

Mayor Cr Peta Betts closed the meeting at 10.51am