MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF MURRUMBIDGEE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COLEAMBALLY ON TUESDAY 22 OCTOBER 2024 COMMENCING AT 2.00PM

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mayor McRae paid respect to the traditional custodians of the lands and waters of Murrumbidgee Local Government Area, and to all Aboriginal Elders, past and present and emerging.

RECORDING OF MEETING

Mayor McRae advised those present the meeting is being recorded and the recording will be placed on Council's website. By speaking at a Council or Committee Meeting, members of the public agree to being recorded.

PRESENT

Present were Councillors R McRae OAM (Mayor), R Black (Deputy Mayor), F Bryce, T Mauger, C Chirgwin, T Strachan, R Curphey, J Saxvik and H Heath.

Also present was General Manager, John Scarce, Director of Planning & Infrastructure, Garry Stoll and Chief Financial Officer, Kaitlin Salzke.

APOLOGIES

NIL

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

125/10/24 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Saxvik and Chirgwin that the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on 3 October 2024, as printed and circulated, be confirmed.

CARRIED

PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

A pecuniary interest declaration was received from Councillor Christine Chirgwin in relation to item 5 – Local Heritage Fund Grant Scheme 2024/25.

NOTICE OF RESCISSION

NIL

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General Manager Mayor

NOTICE OF MOTION

NIL

MAYORAL REPORT

SC217

126/10/24 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Black and Mauger that the information contained in the Mayoral Report be noted.

CARRIED

DELEGATES' REPORTS

NIL

OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

GENERAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

SC218

Moved on the motion of Councillors Black and Strachan that the information contained in the General Manager's monthly report be noted, and Council:

- a) In relation to the land swap with Waddi Housing & Advancement Corporation:
 - Amend its Young Street subdivision offering for 31 Carrington Street, Darlington Point from 6 and 9 Edwards Street to 47 Helena Parade and 1 Young Street Darlington Point.
 - ii. Authorise the General Manager to advise Council's conveyancer and execute all associated contracts of sale.
- b) Delegate to the General Manager the option to accept, reject or counter any offer presented to Council, in line with market appraisal by Council's real estate agent, on the sale of 49 Barwidgee Boulevard, Darlington Point, in turn authorising the General Manager to sign all contract documents and reporting back to Council at the earliest opportunity.
- c) Approve the establishment of Powell Street, Jerilderie, as a one way street, and refer same to the Murrumbidgee Council Traffic Committee for comment. Upon agreement from the Murrumbidgee Council Traffic Committee, proceed with works and installation of signage to facilitate Powell Street, Jerilderie as a one way street.

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General Manager Mayor

d) Forward the attached submission on the Councillor Conduct Framework Review to the Office of Local Government under a cover letter signed by Mayor Ruth McRae OAM.

Amendment to Motion

Councillor Curphey moved section a) i) be removed from the recommendation. Seconded by Councillor Chirgwin.

The amendment became the motion, was put to the meeting and was carried.

- **127/10/24** Resolved on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Chirgwin that the information contained in the General Manager's monthly report be noted, and Council:
 - a) In relation to the land swap with Waddi Housing & Advancement Corporation, authorise the General Manager to execute all associated contracts of sale.
 - b) Delegate to the General Manager the option to accept, reject or counter any offer presented to Council, in line with market appraisal by Council's real estate agent, on the sale of 49 Barwidgee Boulevard, Darlington Point, in turn authorising the General Manager to sign all contract documents and reporting back to Council at the earliest opportunity.
 - c) Approve the establishment of Powell Street, Jerilderie, as a one way street, and refer same to the Murrumbidgee Council Traffic Committee for comment. Upon agreement from the Murrumbidgee Council Traffic Committee, proceed with works and installation of signage to facilitate Powell Street, Jerilderie as a one way street.
 - d) Forward the attached submission on the Councillor Conduct Framework Review to the Office of Local Government under a cover letter signed by Mayor Ruth McRae OAM.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF RETURNS BY COUNCILLORS, AUDIT RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND DESIGNATED PERSONS SC286: SC130: SC56

Resolved on the motion of Councillors Mauger and Curphey that the information contained within the Disclosure of Returns by Councillors, Audit Risk & Improvement Committee Members and Designated Persons Report be noted, and disclosures be made publicly available in accordance with legislative requirements.

CARRIED

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PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURE AND SALE OF HORNEMAN LANE LOGIE BRAE SC177

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Resolved on the motion of Councillors Mauger and Curphey that Council, as Roads Authority, close Horneman Lane, Logie Brae, between Duncans Road and Rolfe Road, by a notice published in the Government Gazette, and:

- a) Council authorise the sale of the closed road to Agosta Nominees Pty Ltd for \$23,520.00 (plus GST);
- b) All costs associated with the road closure be borne by Agosta Nominees Pty Ltd;
- c) The Common Seal of Council be affixed to any document requiring to be sealed, and delegate to the General Manager authority to sign any documentation necessary to give effect to this resolution; and
- d) The purchaser be made aware of existing biodiversity and the details of approvals required for any future vegetation removal.

CARRIED

SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION IN JERILDERIE STREET AND STURT HIGHWAY AND TURNING LANES ON KIDMAN WAY SC20

130/10/24 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Black and Saxvik that Council:

- 1. Approve the commencement of a community consultation process regarding the following proposals:
 - a) Reducing the speed limit in Jerilderie Street between Kennedy and Bolton Streets to 40km/h;
 - b) Extending the 80 km/h speed limit area on both ends of the Sturt Highway at Waddi;
 - c) Creating turning lanes on the Kidman Way at the northern junction with Pine Drive.
- Upon receiving community feedback, authorise the preparation of a detailed submission to the Traffic Committee, leveraging community support to advocate for these changes with Transport for NSW (TfNSW).

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General ManagerMayor

Councillor Christine Chirgwin declared her pecuniary interest in this matter and departed the building.

131/10/24 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Mauger that Council approve and increase the funding amounts for the 2024/2025 Local Heritage Fund recipients as follows:

Amount	Project		
\$4,771	Toganmain Woolshed - Fix drainage situation at shearers quarters		
\$7,730	Hay Road Church, Darlington Point - Repair doors and window		
	frames		
\$4,290	Catholic Church, Darlington Point - Upgrade and enhance the		
	lighting for better visibility		
\$6,860	Punt Road Café, Darlington Point - Paint of exterior of building		

CARRIED

Councillor Chirgwin returned to the meeting.

STATE OF THE AREA REPORT

SC50

Resolved on the motion of Councillors Curphey and Strachan that Council note the Murrumbidgee Council State of the Area Report for the year 2021-2024, and the Report be published on Council's website.

CARRIED

INVESTMENT POLICY REVIEW

SC49

133/10/24 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Mauger and Black that the revised Investment Policy be adopted by Council.

CARRIED

REPORTS/MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

NIL

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OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR NOTING

MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT - OCTOBER 2024

SC133

134/10/24

Resolved on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Curphey that Council note the monthly Investment Report identifying all money Council has invested under Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

CARRIED

STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND - SEPTEMBER 2024

SC137

135/10/24

Resolved on the motion of Councillors Strachan and Curphey that the contents of the Stronger Communities Fund Report be noted.

CARRIED

NEW COUNCIL IMPLEMENTATION FUND - SEPTEMBER 2024 SC59

136/10/24

Resolved on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Curphey that the contents of the New Council Implementation Fund - September 2024 Report be noted.

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION APPROVED UNDER DELEGATION, SEPTEMBER 2024 SC210

137/10/24

Resolved on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Saxvik that the information contained in the Development Application Approved Under Delegation - September 2024 Report be noted.

CARRIED

ITEM WITHOUT NOTICE - CONFIDENTIAL

TENDER - STABILISATION OF UNBOUND PAVEMENT SUPPLY SC739

138/10/24

Resolved on the motion of Councillors Mauger and Curphey that this item without notice be accepted and referred to today's meeting, as it requires resolution before the next scheduled meeting.

CARRIED

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General Manager Mayor

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

TENDER – RIVERSIDE CARAVAN PARK CABINS

SC736

139/10/24

Resolved on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Saxvik that this item be referred to the CONFIDENTIAL section of the Ordinary Council Meeting which is closed to the public. This item is classified as confidential in accordance with Section 10A (2) (d) (i) and (ii) and (f) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

- d) Commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
- i. Prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
- ii. Confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council
- f) Matters affecting the security of the Council, Councillors, Council staff or Council property

CARRIED

TENDER - STABILISATION OF UNBOUND PAVEMENT SUPPLY SC739

140/10/24

Resolved on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Saxvik that this item be referred to the CONFIDENTIAL section of the Ordinary Council Meeting which is closed to the public. This item is classified as confidential in accordance with Section 10A (2) (d) (i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

- d) Commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
- i. Prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

CARRIED

Council closed its meeting to the public at 3.03pm. Recording was stopped.

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141/10/24 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Black and Mauger that Council:

- Decline to accept any of the tenders in accordance with clause 178 (1) (b) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 for the following reason:
 - The supply of ten cabins, based on the tenders received, exceeds Council's budget of \$1m.
- 2. Resolve to enter into negotiations with selected tenderers, in accordance with clause 178 (3) (e) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, with a view to entering into a contract in relation to the supply of a minimum of three x 2 bedroom cabins and one accessible cabin for the following reason:
 - To ensure that the number of cabins, including at least one accessible cabin, will be maximised within the scope of the available funding.

CARRIED

ITEM WITHOUT NOTICE

TENDER - STABILISATION OF UNBOUND PAVEMENT SUPPLY SC739

142/10/24 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Mauger that:

- Council endorse the recommendation of the Tender Evaluation Panel, accepting a panel comprising of tenderers Stibilfix, Riverina Stabilisers and Stabilco, for stabilising of unbound pavement for 2 years, with a further option of 2 years, the maximum allowable contract period being 4 years.
- 2. The contract documents, and any other associated documents, be executed on behalf of Council in accordance with cl 165 of the Local Government Regulation, by the General Manager as the Principal's representative.

CARRIED

143/10/24 Resolved on the motion of Councillors Bryce and Chirgwin that open Council resume.

CARRIED

Open Council resumed at 3.19pm, with the meeting re-opened to the public. Recording resumed.

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The Mayor informed the meeting of resolutions 142/10/24 and 143/10/24 as adopted in the Confidential section of the meeting.				
There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.21pm.				
Cr R E McRae OAM				
MAYOR				
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General Manager				