

MINUTES OF THE CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON
WEDNESDAY, 12 APRIL, 2017, COMMENCING AT 8.30 AM.

PRESENT: Cr D F Baker (Chairperson), Crs P J Harmon, M J Peters, S J Berryman and J N McCosker.

Also in attendance: Crs J A Watts, C M Dight, P A King and A A Michael.

Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Civil and Environmental Services), Ken Beddie (Director Corporate and Economic Services), Justin Pay (Manager Civil Engineering) and Anthony Alliston (Manager Development Services).

SECTION A

APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies received.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that the Minutes of the Civil and Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on 8 March, 2017, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS/PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

There were no interests declared.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

SECTION B
ADVOCACY REPORTS

MCE-A 1. NOTICE OF MOTION - BUKKULLA RECREATION GROUND S13.5.3

RESOLVED (Peters/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that Bukkulla Recreation Ground and building drainage upgrades as discussed be completed.

Cr Harmon Ashford Salami Festival

The Mayor attended the Salami Festival Long Lunch with Cr Michael, Cr Baker and Cr Dight. The event was a success.

SECTION D
DESTINATION REPORTS

1. CONTRACT FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF THE
INVERELL SWIMMING POOL AND THE ASHFORD SWIMMING POOL –
EVALUATION OF TENDERS (T3/2017) S4.19.16

RESOLVED (Berryman/Harmon) that the Supplementary Confidential Report in relation to the evaluation of Tenders for the management and operation of the Inverell Swimming Pool and the Ashford Swimming Pool be considered at a Closed Committee as:

- i) *the matters and information are 'commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.' (Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act, 1993);*
- ii) *on balance the public interest in preserving the confidentiality of the information outweighs the public interest in openness and transparency in Council decision-making by discussing the matter in open meeting; and*
- iii) *all reports and correspondence relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993.*

MCE-A 2. HIGHER MASS LIMIT ASSESSMENT - BRUXNER WAY S15.8.48

RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that the Committee recommend to Council that the entire length of Bruxner Way in the Inverell Shire be approved for Higher Mass Limit vehicle access and that this route be included in the Roads and Maritime Services HML maps.

At this juncture, the time being 8.40am, Cr Baker departed the meeting due to her ongoing pecuniary interest with the Town Centre Renewal Plan. Cr Harmon assumed the Chair.

DCES-A 3. URBAN WORKS PROGRAM S28.21.1/09

RESOLVED (Berryman/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that the Otho Street Town Centre Renewal Plan Upgrade Plan be endorsed and the existing six (6) Plane Trees identified for removal be removed.

At this juncture, the time being 9.09am, Cr Baker returned to the meeting and assumed the Chair.

MCE-A 4. RESTRICTED ACCESS VEHICLE REQUEST – YETMAN AREA
S30.9.11/01

RESOLVED (Harmon/McCosker) that the Committee recommend to Council that;

- i) *The 1.38km section of Tarwoona Road be approved however, the remainder of Tarwoona Road not be approved for B-Double access;*
- ii) *Keetah Road be approved for B-Double access and be gazetted as a B-Double route, subject to risk mitigation measures being completed;*
- iii) *Holdfast Road be approved for B-Double access and be gazetted as a B-Double route, subject to risk mitigation measures being completed, with the exception of the 3km section starting at 12.1km from Bruxner Way;*
- iv) *Council apply for grant funding for the cost of the signage works required to complete the risk mitigation measures;*
- v) *Council notify the applicants of the outcome of their application and proposed course of action.*

DCES-A 5. AQUATIC CENTRE FORWARD PLANNING S5.11.39

RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) *The information be received and noted;*
- ii) *An Aquatic Centre Planning Sunset Committee be convened;*
- iii) *The Committee comprise three (3) members; being the Mayor, Cr King and Cr Berryman; and*

- iv) *The task of the Sunset Committee be:*
 - a) *To consider the contents of the relevant consultant reports and work with staff to develop a Swimming Pools Renewal Strategy; and*
 - b) *Upon completion of the Swimming Pools Renewal Strategy assist in the formulation of a design brief to achieve the outcomes contained in the strategy.*

MCE-A 6. ORCHARD PLACE S28.10.SR235

MOTION (Berryman/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that;

- i) Orchard Place continue to be maintained in accordance with its classification as a 'Rural Collector' road;*
- ii) Council continue to monitor the level of service provided to road users on Orchard Place; and*
- iii) Council formally advise residents who have made previous representations of their decision.*

AMENDMENT (Harmon/Baker) that the Committee recommend to Council that;

- i) Orchard Place continue to be maintained in accordance with its classification as a 'Rural Collector' road;*
- ii) Funding be provided in the 2017/18 Budget to upgrade the southern section to bitumen sealed standard with a cul-de-sac to be constructed immediately north of the old airport runway.*

The amendment on being put to the meeting was lost.

The motion on being put to the meeting was CARRIED.

SECTION E INFORMATION REPORTS

- 1. WORKS UPDATE S28.21.1/10
- 2. WATER PRESSURE AT DELUNGRA S32.13.3

RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 12 April, 2017, be received and noted.

SUPPLEMENTARY SECTION E INFORMATION REPORTS

- 3. LANDFILL REHABILITATION PROGRAM S15.8.58/03

RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that the Landfill Rehabilitation Report be received and noted.

SECTION F GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Peters Performance Management

Cr Peters asked about the Performance Management role of the Committee and how this can be enhanced particularly in the area of efficiency.

SECTION G
CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS IN CLOSED COMMITTEE
(SECTION 10A(2) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993)

At 9.46am, the Chairperson offered the opportunity to members of the public to make representations as to whether any part of the Committee Meeting should not be considered in Closed Committee. There was no response from the public.

CLOSED COMMITTEE REPORTS

RESOLVED (Berryman/McCosker) that the Committee proceed into Closed Committee to discuss the matters referred to it, for the reasons stated in the motions of referral.

Suspension of Standing Orders

At this juncture, the time being 9.50am, the Chairperson sought agreement to suspend Standing Orders to enable a general discussion to take place regarding Council's Pool Facilities.

Resumption of Standing Orders

At this juncture, the time being 10.08am, Standing Orders resumed and the Committee considered the balance of the Agenda.

MDS-A Upon resuming Open Committee at 10.11am, the Chair verbally reported that the Committee, with the Press and Public excluded, having considered the matters referred to it, recommends as follows:

1. CONTRACT FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF THE INVERELL SWIMMING POOL AND THE ASHFORD SWIMMING POOL – EVALUATION OF TENDERS (T3/2017) S4.19.16
 - i) *Council accept the Tender from Community Aquatics Pty Limited for the sum of \$396,000 over the three (3) year term with a two (2) year option at the absolute sole discretion of Council, subject to satisfactory financial checks by an independent agent; and*
 - ii) *The General Manager be authorised to execute the Contract under the common seal of Council.*

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATION

RESOLVED (Harmon/Peters) that the recommendation from Closed Committee be adopted.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.21am.

CR J A WATTS

CHAIRPERSON