MINUTES OF THE CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
HEL D IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON
WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER, 2017, COMMENCING AT 9.00 AM.

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

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), Justin Pay (Manager Civil Engineering), Anthony Alliston (Manager Development Services) and Sharon Stafford (Executive Assistant).

Note: Cr McCosker was not present when the meeting commenced.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Deferred pending arrival of Cr McCosker.

SECTION A

APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies received.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED (Berryman/Baker) that the Minutes of the Civil and Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on 13 September, 2017, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

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

There were no interests declared.

4. PUBLIC FORUM S13.5.6/10

The Chairperson noted that there were no members of the public registered to speak at the public forum session.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

SECTION B

ADVOCACY REPORTS

Cr Harmon Inverell Hospital Redevelopment

Cr Harmon provided the Committee with an update in respect of a positive meeting held on 9 October, 2017 with stakeholders regarding the redevelopment of the Inverell Hospital. Cr Harmon noted that as a result of the meeting the Health Chief has agreed to review the population figures that were used to plan the hospital redevelopment and further consultation will be undertaken.
At this juncture, the time being 9.12am, Cr McCosker arrived at the meeting.

6. **ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON**

The General Manager advised Councillors of the requirements of Council’s Meeting Code and the need to elect a Chairperson for the next one (1) year term.

The General Manager advised Councillors of the entitlement under the Code for the Mayor to Chair Committee Meetings. Cr Harmon declined to exercise the right to Chair the Meeting, inviting the General Manager to call for nominations for the position of Chairperson.

The General Manager called for nominations for the position of Chairperson:

Cr Harmon nominated Cr Baker. Cr Peters nominated Cr Berryman. Cr Berryman declined to accept the nomination.

Cr Baker being the only nomination was declared Chairperson for the ensuing one (1) year period.

At this juncture the time being 9.15am Cr Baker assumed the Chair.

**SECTION D**

**DESTINATION REPORTS**

GM-A 1. **BRUXNER WAY - PROPOSAL FOR FORMATION OF JOINT COMMITTEE S28.10.MR 462**

At this juncture, the time being 9.18am, Cr Watts left the meeting and returned at 9.25am.

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

a) Tenterfield Shire Council be advised of Inverell Shire Council’s in-principle support for the formation of the Bruxner Way Alliance; and

b) Cr Dight be nominated as Council’s delegate on the Committee.

2. **INVERELL HIGH SCHOOL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT S30.11.3**

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

i) The information be received and noted; and

ii) A supplementary report regarding this matter be accepted.

**SUPPLEMENTARY SECTION D DESTINATION REPORTS**

MCE-A 5. **INVERELL HIGH SCHOOL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT S30.11.3**

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

i) The two proposed short term measures be endorsed in principle;

ii) Inverell High School be consulted regarding the two proposed options;

iii) Discussions with the School and the Department of Education include the prospect of establishing a staff carpark across the road from the school with the entry point to the carpark being located in George...
iv) The outcome of the consultations be reported back to the Committee.

AMENDMENT (McCosker/Peters) that the Committee recommend to Council that:

i) The proposed short term parallel parking measure in Brae Street be endorsed in principle;

ii) Inverell High School be consulted regarding the proposed option;

iii) Discussions with the School and the Department of Education include the prospect of establishing a staff carpark across the road from the school with the entry point to the carpark being located in George Street; and

iv) The outcome of the consultations be reported back to the Committee.

The Amendment of being put to the meeting was LOST. The Motion on being put to the meeting was CARRIED.

Cr McCosker requested that his vote against the Motion be recorded.

SECTION D
DESTINATION REPORTS

GM-N 3. INSURER’S REPORT – ROAD NETWORK S30.9.11

RESOLVED (Peters/Berryman) that the Committee recommend to Council that Council maintain its current risk management approach of limiting access to Council’s road network.

MDS-A 4. RESIDENTIAL LAND REVIEW S18.6.51

At this juncture, the time being 10.07am, Cr Berryman left the meeting and returned at 10.09am.

Suspension of Standing Orders

RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that at this juncture, the time being 10.10am, the Chairperson sought agreement to suspend Standing Orders to enable an open discussion on the Residential Land Review.

Resumption of Standing Orders

RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that at this juncture, the time being 10.25am, Standing Orders resumed and the Committee considered the balance of the Agenda.

RESOLVED (Peters/McCosker) that the Committee recommend to Council that:

i) Council continue in a facilitating role monitoring the situation and allow normal market forces to dictate the outcome. A further evaluation of residential land supply and take up could be completed in 12 months time;

ii) Council to investigate a partnership with a Community Housing Provider to possibly facilitate the release of new social housing stock options in Inverell;

iii) A report be brought back to the Committee for consideration on the
options available in respect of possibly reducing water contributions for developers;

iv) A report be brought back to the Committee on a proposal to call for Expressions of Interest for the identified Vernon Street land; and

v) The support for Structure Plans to be prepared for new residential areas be acknowledged.

SECTION E
INFORMATION REPORTS

1. WORKS UPDATE S28.21.1

2. RETURN AND EARN (CONTAINER DEPOSIT) SCHEME S31.3.6

3. PLANNING LEGISLATION FOR GROUP HOMES S18.6.12/100

RESOLVED (Berryman/Harmon) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 11 October, 2017, be received and noted.

SECTION H
GOVERNANCE REPORTS

1. PERFORMANCE REPORTING ON ROAD MAINTENANCE COUNCIL CONTRACTS S1.2.3/09

RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that the information be received and noted.

SECTION F
GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Harmon Positive Feedback

Cr Harmon was pleased to advise that that he recently received positive feedback on the presentation of Inverell from Cr Dawn Crichlow, Gold Coast City Council. Cr Crichlow also thought the Help for Homeless People stickers located in the CBD were a great initiative.

Cr Baker E Waste

Cr Baker requested an update in respect of E Waste.

The Director Civil & Environmental Services advised that the E Waste Recycling Program is now up and running and that there are a number of companies now in the market to collect E Waste. Product from Inverell is being collected, picked up and recycled as part of a larger scale project.

GM-A Cr Baker Cultural Council S26.5.7

On behalf of the Cultural Council Cr Baker requested a template that would assist in guiding the Committee through a community consultation process.

The General Manager advised that he would provide necessary documentation.
Cr Baker requested an update in respect of the development proposed for the abattoir complex.

The Manager Development Services confirmed that he has offered his assistance with progressing the application however noted that the offer has not been taken up at this time.

Manager Development Services

The Manager Development Services briefed the Committee on the water quality of the Inverell pool and confirmed that standard practices and procedures are in place to ensure the quality of the water is maintained at a high level.

Cr Michael requested that his appreciation be passed onto Council for fixing the road that allows access to the flood gauge at Elsmore.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.00am.