

MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL, 144
OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 13 JULY, 2016, COMMENCING AT
10.30AM.

PRESENT: Cr A A Michael (Chairperson), Crs D F Baker, P J Girle, H N Castledine, B C Johnston and D C Jones.

Also in attendance: Paul Henry (General Manager), Ken Beddie (Director Corporate and Economic Services) and Brett McInnes (Director Civil and Environmental Services).

SECTION A

APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Crs P J Harmon and J A Watts.

RESOLVED (Girle/Johnston) that the apologies from Crs P J Harmon and J A Watts be noted.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED (Baker/Jones) that the Minutes of the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 8 June, 2016 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

The following interests were declared:

- Cr Michael declared a pecuniary interest in Section G, Confidential Reports, Item 1, "104 Otho Street, Inverell". The nature of the interest relates to Cr Michael's association with a developer with a possible interest in the property.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

SECTION B
ADVOCACY REPORTS

MTM-A Cr Girle Sapphire City Festival 2016 S26.3.11/08

Cr Girle noted the recent meeting for the 60th Anniversary Festival Event. An event is being planned for past Festival Queens at the Art Gallery. Can Council assist in this matter?

RESOLVED (Girle/Jones) that the Committee recommend to Council that a Mayoral Civic Reception be held for the past Festival Queens as part of the 60th Anniversary 2016 Sapphire City Festival.

Cr Michael Tingha Public Meeting

Cr Michael noted the comprehensive report prepared for the Tingha Public Meeting by the General Manager and commended the General Manager on the quality of the report. The report covered a range of matters which appeared to anticipate the type of matters that were of interest to Tingha residents.

SECTION C
COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. PUBLIC ART SUNSET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 2 JUNE 2016
S26.5.10

RESOLVED (Johnston/Castledine) that:

- i) the Minutes of the Public Art Sunset Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 2 June, 2016, be received and noted; and*
- ii) the following recommendation of the Public Art Sunset Committee be considered by Council:*

1. CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS 2016

That Council proceed with the acquisition of LED lit Christmas decorations for the Campbell Street and Byron/Otho Street roundabouts for Christmas 2016.

SECTION D
DESTINATION REPORTS

1. EXPIRING LEASE AGREEMENT S5.10.63

CSOP-A *RESOLVED (Jones/Johnston) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) Council renew the agreement with Northern Broadcasters Pty Ltd for Part Lot 520, DP 753287, McIlveen Park Lookout, Inverell for a five (5) year period with a further five (5) year option;*
- ii) the lease fee be \$2500.00 per annum (GST inclusive) with a 3% increase per annum; and*
- iii) the Lease Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

2. REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE - INVERELL SHOW SOCIETY S12.22.1/09

CSOP-A *RESOLVED (Girle/Castledine) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) Council advise the Inverell Show Society that it is prepared to consider the opportunities to support the Society for the development of a suitable major multi-use building facility at the Inverell Show Ground; and*
- ii) the Society's attention be drawn to the historic pavilion that was located on the Ground and request the Society consider constructing their facility in a similar manner.*

3. SPONSORSHIP REQUEST – 2016 ASHFORD SALAMI FESTIVAL
S12.22.1/09

CSOP-A *RESOLVED (Baker/Girle) that the Committee recommend to Council that Council provide a \$200 donation to the 2016 Ashford Salami Festival.*

4. INVERELL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY - REQUEST FOR FUNDING S8.5.3

DCS-A *RESOLVED (Baker/Jones) that the Committee recommend to Council that Council provide \$10,000 marketing contribution to the Inverell Chamber of Commerce and Industry for the 2016 WOW Shop Local Advertising Program, subject to Council being*

provided with a report on the expenditure of the funds and the program outcomes.

5. 104 OTHO STREET, INVERELL (LISTING) S5.2.1/18

RESOLVED (Jones/Girle) that the matter be referred to Closed Committee for consideration 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.*

6. INLAND RAIL STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP S30.16.7

GM-A *RESOLVED (Girle/Johnston) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) the information be noted; and*
- ii) Goondooindi Regional Council be advised that Council is prepared to support any community seeking to be served by the Inland Rail, provided the integrity of the project is not compromised.*

SECTION E INFORMATION REPORTS

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AMENDMENT (GOVERNANCE AND PLANNING) BILL 2016 S4.10.5

2. STAFF MOVEMENTS: 1 JANUARY 2016 TO 31 MARCH 2016 S22.25.1

3. STAFF MOVEMENTS: 1 APRIL 2016 TO 30 JUNE 2016 S22.25.1

RESOLVED (Baker/Castledine) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 13 July, 2016, be received and noted.

At this juncture, the time being 11.05am, Cr Johnston left the meeting.

SECTION F QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

General Manager Joint Organisation of Councils (JOC)

The Office of Local Government has been providing training for Councils in this matter, including the proposed make-up of each JOC. At the Armidale training, Armidale Regional Council advised that it is their intention to become part of the Namoi JOC in preference to being part of the New England JOC. This has significant implications for the New England JOC.

SECTION H
GOVERNANCE REPORTS

1. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

EC-A *RESOLVED (Baker/Girle) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and*
- ii) the adjustment of **-\$212.57** be made in the Stores Ledger.*

2. GOVERNANCE - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.2/09

RESOLVED (Jones/Girle) that the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) the report indicating Council's Fund Management position be received and noted; and*
- ii) the Certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted.*

At this juncture, the time being 11.16am, having previously declared a pecuniary interest in Section G, Confidential Reports, Item 1, "104 Otho Street, Inverell", Cr Michael left the meeting and did not participate in the vote in this matter. Cr Castledine assumed the Chair.

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

At 11.17am, the Chairperson noted that no members of the public were present at the meeting to make representations as to whether any part of the Committee Meeting should not be considered in Closed Committee.

CLOSED COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Upon resuming Open Committee, at 11.28am, the Chair verbally reported that the Committee, with the Press and Public excluded, having considered the matters referred to it, recommends as follows:

1. 104 OTHO STREET, INVERELL S5.2.1/18

GM-A *That the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) this allotment be valued by LJ Hooker (Inverell) in accordance with the "valuation of land" proposal accepted by Council at the June, 2016 Council Meeting;*
- ii) after Council determines the price for this allotment, that the property be listed for sale with all local Real Estate Agents; and*
- iii) the conditions of offer shall be that the prospective purchaser:*
 - a. develop a multi-storey building with a mix of retail/commercial/accommodation activities, and*
 - b. the development be of an appropriate scale and capacity complimentary of the three (3) developments on the opposing corners of the site in the*

CBD.

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATION

RESOLVED (Girle/Baker) that the recommendation from Closed Committee be adopted.

At this juncture, the time being 11.29am, Cr Michael returned to the meeting and assumed the Chair.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.31am.

CR A A MICHAEL

CHAIRPERSON