

MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL, 144  
OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 14 MARCH, 2018, COMMENCING  
AT 11.00AM.

PRESENT: Cr J A Watts (Chairperson), Crs P J Harmon, P A King, A A Michael  
and C M Dight.

Also in attendance: Crs D F Baker, S J Berryman, J N McCosker  
and M J Peters.

Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Civil and  
Environmental Services) and Sharon Stafford (Executive Assistant).

SECTION A

APOLOGIES:

No apologies.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

*RESOLVED (Michael/Harmon) that the Minutes of the Economic and Community  
Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 14 February, 2018 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:

- The General Manager, Paul Henry declared a non-pecuniary interest in Section D  
Destination Reports, Item # 1, Request for Reduction in Rates – Inverell Town and  
Country Club". The nature of the interest relates to Mr Henry's wife being a  
member of the Inverell Town and Country Club.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

National Transport Museum

The General Manager advised that the conditional offer to establish a shed on the  
Museum site was committed to in writing by the Museum Committee. Council has  
proceeded to purchase the shed.

SECTION B  
ADVOCACY REPORTS

Cr Michael Delungra District Development Council

Cr Michael advised that he attended the most recent meeting of the  
Development Council.

Cr Michael National Championships

Cr Michael advised that on behalf of Council he officially opened the  
Inverell RSM Pistol Club National 100 metre Small Bore Metallic  
Silhouette Championships held at Delungra Range on 2 – 4 of  
March, 2018. Cr Michael noted that this event attracted a large  
number of spectators. The presentation was held at the Inverell RSM

Club.

Cr Michael      Gilgai Movie Night

Cr Michael advised that on behalf of Council he welcomed guests to the movie night held at the Gilgai Hall on Saturday 10 March, 2018. This event was part of Council's "It Starts with You" project, funded by the NSW Youth Opportunities Program. Three movie nights will be held this year in villages throughout the Shire. Cr Michael confirmed the event was well attended and acknowledged the considerable efforts of Christy Galbraith and Fiona Adams towards the success of the event.

Cr Harmon      Friendly faces Helping Hands Foundation

Cr Harmon advised that he was pleased to attend the Foundation's Gala Fundraising Ball held at the Ben Lomond Hall on Saturday 3 March, 2018. The event was very well attended and organisers were appreciative of Council's support for the event.

Cr Watts      International Women's Day

Cr Watts advised that Council hosted a very successful International Women's Day event at the Town Hall on Thursday 8 March, 2018. Cr Watts noted many positive comments about the event and the venue and acknowledged the efforts of Fiona Adams and Christy Galbraith in organising the special evening.

Cr King      Toughen Up Challenge

Cr King noted both the Junior and Senior Toughen Up Challenge events were held at the Rugby Club on the 9 -10 March, 2018 were very successful. Cr King advised that the number of team entries in both events continues to grow. The organisers and volunteers were commended for their continued efforts.

#### SECTION D DESTINATION REPORTS

MIPR-A      1.      REQUEST FOR REDUCTION IN RATES – INVERELL TOWN AND COUNTRY CLUB S12.22.18/04

*MOTION (King/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that Council make a donation to the Inverell Town and Country Club equivalent to the General rates and 50% of the Water and Sewerage rates.*

AMENDMENT (Michael/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that Council make a donation to the Inverell Town and Country Club equivalent to 50% of General rates and 50% of the water and sewerage rates.  
The amendment on being put to the meeting was LOST.  
The Motion on being put to the meeting was CARRIED.

GM-A      2.      ARTS NORTH WEST MEMBERSHIP S26.5.4

*RESOLVED (Dight/King) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) Inverell Shire Council rejoin Arts North West for the 2018/2019 financial year; and*
- ii) An information report be brought back to the Committee detailing how the*

*membership fee is to be funded.*

SECTION E  
INFORMATION REPORTS

1. ASHFORD MULTI-SERVICE CENTRE - FIRE SAFETY COMPLIANCE S24.20.1
2. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STATISTICS S24.20.1

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Michael) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 14 March 2018, be received and noted.*

SECTION H  
GOVERNANCE REPORTS

- MFS-N      1. GOVERNANCE - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.2/11

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Michael) 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.*

SECTION F  
QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Cr Baker      Inverell Town and Country Club

Cr Baker queried the heritage status of the Club and sought details on the availability of funding opportunities. The General Manager confirmed the Club is heritage listed and outlined heritage funding opportunities available to the Club. The General Manager confirmed that the Club has previously been successful in obtaining funding through these avenues.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.02am.

CR J A WATTS

CHAIRPERSON