

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON THURSDAY, 26 APRIL 2018, COMMENCING AT 3 PM.

PRESENT: Cr P J Harmon (Mayor) [Chairperson], Crs D F Baker, A A Michael, C M Dight, P A King, J N McCosker, S J Berryman, J A Watts and M J Peters.

The General Manager (Paul Henry), Director Corporate & Economic Services (Scott Norman), Director Civil & Environmental Services (Brett McInnes) and Executive Assistant (Sharon Stafford).

SECTION A

APOLOGIES **S13.6.9/11**

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES **S13.5.2/11**

***29/18 RESOLVED** (Baker/Watts) that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 28 March 2018, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

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

There were no interests declared.

PUBLIC FORUM **S13.5.6/11**

At this juncture, the time being 3.03pm, the Mayor welcomed the members of the public and opened the Public Forum Session by inviting members of the public to speak:

Pam McLeay Country Women's Association

Ms McLeay briefed Council on the 'Empowering Young Women' event being held in the Town Hall on 22 September, 2018 and invited Council to partner with them in leading the combat against issues facing young women today.

Ms McLeay was pleased to announce that Danielle Miller, Author, Teen Educator, Speaker and Media Commentator has been secured as the guest speaker for the event. Danielle is a thought leader and expert in fostering resilience in teens.

At the conclusion of the address Ms McLeay asked Council to be an "öngoing partner" with CEA in this program .

The Mayor advised that the request would be considered later in the meeting.

At this juncture, the time being 3.09pm, the Public Forum Session closed and Council resumed the balance of the Agenda.

SECTION B
ADVOCACY REPORTS

Cr Michael Seniors Week

Cr Michael advised Council that he welcomed guests at the Seniors Week Luncheon hosted by Inverell Home Support Program at the Inverell RSM Club on 11 April, 2018. In excess of 200 Seniors enjoyed the occasion.

Cr Michael Aboriginal Elders Olympics

Cr Michael welcomed teams from all over the state to the 17th Annual Aboriginal Elders Olympics held at Varley Oval on 12 April, 2018.

Cr Michael congratulated the South Inverell Bear Eaters on bringing the event to Inverell and the organising Committee for their efforts. The event culminated with a presentation in the Town Hall which catered for 478 people.

Cr Michael The Outback Proms

Cr Michael welcomed guests to an afternoon at “The Outback Proms” held in the Town Hall on 14 April, 2018 and hosted by The Inverell East Rotary Club. A crowd of approximately 240 people were treated to a great afternoon of entertainment by the Clarence Valley Orchestra and Chorus.

Cr Michael W Project

Cr Michael noted the success of the five (5) women’s workshops coordinated by Council and attracting participants from all over the region.

Cr Michael Library Grant

Cr Michael confirmed that Adam Marshall MP, Member for Northern Tablelands attended the Inverell Public Library on 24 April, 2018 to present \$54,895 in funding from the Public Library Infrastructure Grant Program. The funding will purchase software that will enable Library users to more easily access the resources of the Library; enable digitising of the extensive local history resources and establish remote computer access points in Delungra, Ashford and Yetman.

Cr Watts ANZAC Day

Cr Watts attended both the Dawn Service and March at Delungra on ANZAC Day and laid a wreath on behalf of Council.

Cr Watts noted that ANZAC Park was well presented for the event which attracted in excess of 100 people.

Cr Dight ANZAC Day

Cr Dight attended and laid wreaths at both the Ashford and Yetman Services on ANZAC Day. The Services in both villages were well attended.

Cr Dight Mural

Cr Dight was pleased to advise that the murals commissioned by

Council and painted by Kelly Jones have both been completed and have been well received in their respective communities.

MCE-A

Cr Baker

ANZAC Day S26.3.3/11

Cr Baker attended and laid a wreath at the ANZAC Day Service held in Gilgai.

Cr Baker noted some traffic management issues experienced on the day and requested that Council investigate.

Cr King

Seniors Week

Cr King attended the Seniors Week Luncheon held at the Inverell RSM Club on 11 April, 2018.

Cr King noted the efforts of Inverell Home Support Program in creating this opportunity for social interaction for Seniors.

Cr King

Aboriginal Elders Olympics

Cr King noted 400 competitors participated in the event comprising 29 teams from all over the state.

Cr King congratulated the organiser of the event which would have brought 1000 people to Varley Oval for the day's event.

Cr King

ANZAC Day

Cr King attended the ANZAC Day Service in Inverell and noted that the shortened route for the march was well received by those marching.

Cr Harmon

Otho Street Redevelopment

Cr Harmon noted that he had received numerous compliments on the redevelopment from people of all ages and demographics.

Cr Harmon complimented staff on a job well done.

1. **AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMENS ASSOCIATION (ALGWA) CONFERENCE S4.3.1**

30/18 RESOLVED (Baker/King) that the report be received and noted.

**SECTION C
COMMITTEE REPORTS**

CSOP-A

1. **ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - 11 APRIL 2018 S4.11.17/10**

The Mayor reminded Council of the request from Ms McLeay at today's Public Forum for Council to be an "ongoing partner" with the resilience programs.

31/18 RESOLVED (Watts/Dight) that:

- i) *the Minutes of the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 11 April, 2018, be received and noted; and*

ii) *the following recommendations of the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee be adopted by Council:*

1. INVERELL COUNTRY WOMENS ASSOCIATION (CWA) - REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE S12.22.1/11

a) *That financial assistance of \$4K be provided to the Inverell Country Women's Association to assist with their 'Empowering Young Women' event being held in the Town Hall on 22 September, 2018.*

b) *That Council advise the CWA that Council supports the aims of the CWA program and will consider supporting activities when they are formulated by that organization.*

2. 2018/2019 DRAFT ESTIMATES AND OPERATIONAL PLAN, AND LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN S12.5.3

That:

GENERAL ACTIVITIES

1. Draft Operational Plan & Budget

The information be noted.

2. Factors Impacting the Budget

The information be noted.

3. 2018/2019 Budget Programs

3.1 Urban Works Program

That the following works be funded from the Urban Works Vote and be included in the 2018/2019 Budget:

A. Inverell and Villages - Urban Renewal and Upgrade General Fund, Water Fund

Gwydir Highway/Bundarra Road Intersection	\$500K	\$ 0K
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B. Footpaths and Cycleway Construction

\$ for \$ Contribution to PAMP Program (Subject to RMS approving the 2018/2019 Program)	\$43K
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C. Village Works – Community suggested projects

Ashford	\$7.18K
Delungra	\$7.18K
Gilgai	\$5.04K
Yetman	\$7.18K
Oakwood	\$1.06K
Bonshaw	\$1.06K
Graman	\$1.06K
Nullamanna	\$1.06K
Elsmore	\$1.06K
Stannifer	\$1.06K
Gum Flat	\$1.06K

GENERAL FUND GRAND TOTAL
WATER FUND TOTAL

\$577K
\$0K

In addition, the \$1M Budget Provision – Chester Street Heavy Vehicle Route Renewal, in the Internally Restricted Asset, be allocated into the 2018/2019 Budget to enable these works to be completed at the same time.

3.2 Finance & Assistance Grant Local Roads Component (ACRD) 2018/19 Program

That:

- i) the budget allocations of \$1,956K for the 2018/2019 ACRD Program be endorsed; and*
- ii) a further report be presented to the Civil and Environmental Services Committee in respect of the funding allocations and individual works proposed to be undertaken under this program.*

3.3 RMS Supplementary Block Grant Program

That the allocation of the \$160K RMS Supplementary Block Grant Program be the subject of a further report to the Civil and Environmental Services Committee Meeting.

3.4 Roads to Recovery

That:

- i) the budget allocation of \$910K for the 2018/2019 Roads to Recovery Program be endorsed; and*
- ii) a further report be presented to the Civil and Environment Committee in respect of the specific projects to be funded.*

3.5 Block Grant Program – Regional Roads

That the budget allocation of \$2,461K for the 2018/2019 Block Grant Program and \$491K for the RMS Repair Program be endorsed.

4. Revenue & Expenditure Matters

4.1 Revenue

That Council utilises the maximum permissible rate increase allowed by IPART of 7.25% as approved in Council's Special Rate Variation application.

4.2 Expenditure

That:

- i) the information be noted;*
- ii) Council provide an allocation of \$117.8K for joint industry promotions and assistance;*
- iii) the following 2018/2019 Strategic Capital Infrastructure/Projects Program projects be endorsed:*

- *Gwydir Highway/Bundarra Road Intersection* \$ 540K
- iv) *The budget allocation for \$318K for the 2018/2019 Special Projects – Roads Infrastructure Fund be endorsed;*
- v) *A further report be presented to the Civil and Environment Committee in respect of the specific projects to be funding under the Special Projects – Roads Infrastructure Fund;*
- vi) *the transfers to and from Internally Restricted Assets be endorsed;*
- vii) *the list of inclusions as included in the 2018/2019 draft Operational Plan/Budget and listed in section 4.2.2 & 4.2.3 above be endorsed, including:*

	2018/2019
Works Branch Staff Training	30,000
Aerodrome Inspections and Maintenance	25,000
Councillor Staff Training	10,000
Christmas Tree Lighting	3,000
Sapphire City Festival	2,000
Flood Gauges	5,000
White Ribbon Accreditation	(5,000)
River Bank Clean up	25,000
Building/Facilities Minor Maintenance	10,000
Clear Zone Protection	50,000
Art Northwest Membership	11,400
Opera in the Paddock	(5,000)
Cultural Event	(6,400)
TOTALS	155,000

5. Rating Structure

That:

- a) *The following rating categories be utilised for the 2018/19 rating year:*
Residential – Inverell
Residential – General
Residential – Ashford
Residential – Delungra
Residential – Gilgai
Residential – Yetman
Residential – Rural
Business – Inverell Industrial/Commercial
Business – Other
Farmland
Mining
- b) *A General Base Amount of \$212 plus an Ad Valorem Rate be determined for the categories detailed in a) above.*

6. Interest Rate on Outstanding Charges

That the Interest Rate applicable to Outstanding Rates and Charges for 2018/2019 be

set at 7.5% as advised by the Office of Local Government.

7. Waste Management Charges

That the following Waste Management Charges be adopted:

i) Waste Management Charge – All Properties \$ 80.00

ii) Domestic Waste Management - Occupied Charge:

Number of Services per Assessment	Annual Charge per Assessment
1	\$ 320.00
2	\$ 640.00
3	\$ 960.00
4	\$ 1,280.00
5	\$ 1,600.00
6	\$ 1,920.00
7	\$ 2,240.00
8	\$ 2,560.00
9	\$ 2,880.00
10	\$ 3,200.00
11	\$ 3,520.00
12	\$ 3,840.00
13	\$ 4,160.00
14	\$ 4,480.00
15	\$ 4,800.00
	etc

iii) Domestic Waste Management – Unoccupied Charge \$50.00

iv) Other Waste Management Charge

Number of Services	Yearly Charge per Service (Ex GST)
1	\$ 320.00
2	\$ 640.00
3	\$ 960.00
4	\$ 1,280.00
5	\$ 1,600.00
6	\$ 1,920.00
7	\$ 2,240.00
8	\$ 2,560.00
9	\$ 2,880.00
10	\$ 3,200.00
11	\$ 3,520.00
12	\$ 3,840.00
13	\$ 4,160.00
14	\$ 4,480.00
15	\$ 4,800.00
	etc

v) Weekly Commercial Recycling Charge \$ 110.00 ex GST
 Fortnightly Commercial Recycling Charge \$ 55.00 ex GST
 (These Charge are levied per Service, and GST is only charged if applicable)

8. Fees and Charges

That the Fees and Charges, as recommended, be adopted.

9. Stormwater Management Service Charges

That:

- i) the Stormwater Management Service Charge be set at the maximum amount allowable of \$25.00 per Residential Premises, \$12.50 per Residential Strata lot, and \$25.00 for Business Premises for each 350 square metres or additional part thereof, subject to a maximum charge on Business Premises of \$200.00; and*
- ii) the Stormwater Management Program as recommended being Gilgai Drainage Project as per the adopted Gilgai Drainage Upgrade Plan, be adopted.*

10. Fit for the Future

That the information be noted.

11. Summary

That:

- i) the report on the balanced budget be noted;*
- ii) the draft Estimates (incorporating the Operational Plan and Long Term Financial Plans) for the General Activities for 2018/2019 be adopted and placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days as required by Section 405 of the Local Government Act 1993.*

SEWERAGE ACTIVITIES

12. Sewerage Activities

That:

- (i) the Sewerage Charges as listed below be adopted for 2018/2019:*

<i>Sewerage Charge Occupied</i>	<i>\$ 500.00</i>
<i>Sewerage Charge Unoccupied</i>	<i>\$ 313.00</i>
<i>Sewerage Charge Flats/Units</i>	<i>\$ 313.00</i>
<i>Sewerage Charge Nursing Homes</i>	<i>\$2,342.00</i>

<i>Sewerage Charge Hotel/Licensed Clubs</i>	<i>\$1,500.00</i>
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<i>Number of Services per Assessment</i>	<i>Annual Charge Per Assessment</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>\$ 500.00</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>\$ 813.00</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>\$1,126.00</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>\$1,439.00</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>\$1,752.00</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>\$2,065.00</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>\$2,378.00</i>
<i>8</i>	<i>\$2,691.00</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>\$3,004.00</i>
<i>10</i>	<i>\$3,317.00</i>
<i>11</i>	<i>\$3,630.00</i>

12	\$3,943.00
13	\$4,256.00
14	\$4,569.00
15	\$4,882.00

Sewerage Non-Rateable Schools – WC's	\$78.75 per receptacle
Sewerage Non-Rateable Other – WC's	\$130.65 per receptacle
Sewerage Non-Rateable Urinals	\$ 78.75 per receptacle

Charge Structure for Motels and Caravan Parks

In accordance with the new charge structure for Motels and Caravan Parks the following charges are proposed for 2018/2019.

Motel Residence	\$ 500.00
Motel Restaurant	\$ 500.00
Motel Ensuite	\$ 156.60
Caravan Park Residence	\$ 500.00
Caravan Park Amenities Block	\$ 1,500.00
Caravan Park Ensuite Cabins	\$ 156.60

- (ii) *the Draft Estimates (incorporating Operational Plan) for the Sewerage Fund for 2018/2019 be adopted and placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days as required by Section 405 of the Local Government Act 1993.*

WATER ACTIVITIES

13. Water Activities

That:

- i) *a water availability base charge of \$364.00 per assessment (Includes first water meter) be adopted for 2018/2019;*
- ii) *a water charge of \$364.00 per additional water meter, per assessment be adopted for 2018/2019;*
- iii) *a charge of \$1.52 per kilolitre be adopted for commercial water consumption for 2018/2019;*
- iv) *a charge of \$1.52 per kilolitre, 0 to 600 kilolitres and \$1.78 per kilolitre over 600 kilolitres be adopted for residential water consumption for 2018/2019;*
- v) *a charge of \$0.80 per kilolitre be adopted for water consumption - Abattoirs, plus a 20 per cent early settlement discount for 2018/2019;*
- vi) *a charge of \$1.08 per kilolitre be adopted for Sporting Association water consumption;*
- vii) *a charge of \$1.52 per kilolitre be adopted for Armidale Regional Council water consumption;*
- viii) *a charge of \$0.39 per kilolitre adopted for Raw Water consumption for 2018/2019; and*
- ix) *the draft Estimates (incorporating Operational Plan) for the Water Fund for 2018/2019 be adopted and placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days as required by Section 405 of the Local Government Act, 1993*

4. REPRESENTATIVE – WHITE ROCK COMMUNITY FUND S18.6.52/02

That Cr Watts be nominated as Council's representative on the White Rock Community Fund Committee

5. EXPIRING LICENCE AGREEMENT – GARRY AND ROBYN BROWN S5.10.102

That:

- i) Council renew the agreement with Mr Garry and Mrs Robyn Brown for Part Unformed Road, Eastern Boundary of Lots 227 & 333 DP 753287, Inverell;*
- ii) The licence agreement be for a two (2) year period with a two (2) year option;*
- iii) The Licence fee be \$78.78 per annum (GST Inclusive) with a 3% increase per annum; and*
- iv) The Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

6. EXPIRING LICENCE AGREEMENT – MR PAUL HUMPHREYS S5.10.34

That:

- i) Council renew the agreement with Mr Paul Humphreys for Part Public Reserve and Part Unformed Road, Macintyre Street, Inverell.*
- ii) The licence agreement be for a two (2) year period with a two (2) year option;*
- iii) The Licence fee be \$225.10 per annum (GST Inclusive) with a 3% increase per annum; and*
- iv) The Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

7. NEW ENGLAND JOINT ORGANISATION S14.11.2

That Council reiterate its position on the establishment of a joint organization for this region. The position being:

A That Council in accordance with Part 7 of Chapter 12 of the Local Government Act 1993 (Act), the Inverell Shire Council (Council) resolves:

- (1) That the Council inform the Minister for Local Government (Minister) of the Council's endorsement of the Minister recommending to the Governor the establishment of a Joint Organisation (Joint Organisation) in accordance with this resolution.*
- (2) To approve the inclusion of the Council's area in the Joint Organisation's area.*
- (3) That the Joint Organisation be established to cover the Council's area and any two or more of the following Council areas:*
 - a) Armidale Regional Council, Glen Innes Severn Council, Inverell Shire Council, Moree Plains Shire Council, Tenterfield Shire Council and Uralla Shire Council.*

(4) *That before 28 February 2018, the General Manager provide the Minister with a copy of this resolution including the date on which Council made this resolution.*

(5) *That, on the expiry of a period of 28 days from the making of this resolution, the General Manager inform the Minister that this resolution has not been rescinded.*

B *That the preferred name for the Organisation is “New England Joint Organisation”, and*

C. *That the State Government be request to provide ongoing financial support towards the operational costs of the Joint Organisation as the Government has established this governance mechanism to facilitate consultation and co-ordination between State Agencies and Local Government.*

8. PROPOSED CHILD CARE FACILITY S3.16.3

That:

- i) *The information be received and noted;*
- ii) *The Mayor convene a meeting involving both organisations to ascertain the possibility of both proposals being accommodated on the Ross Street site.*

2. **CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 11 APRIL 2018 S4.11.16/11**

32/18 RESOLVED (Baker/King) *that:*

- i) *the Minutes of the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 11 April, 2018, be received and noted; and*
- ii) *the following recommendations of the Civil & Environmental Services Committee be adopted by Council with the exception of Item #4 ‘Rural Road Classifications S16.7.19/05, ii) Loves Lane.’*

1. NOTICE OF BUSINESS – STRUCTURE PLANS FOR NEW RESIDENTIAL AREAS S13.5.3 & S18.6.65

That:

In relation to structural plans for the new residential subdivision (Civil & Environmental meeting 14-3-2018), that Management advise Councillors of:

- i) *The names of owners of the 3 identified “new residential areas”*
- ii) *Do these owners have any conflict of interest with any councillor or staff*
- iii) *The names of any other potential residential areas*
- iv) *What is the commercial value of the work to the developer*
- v) *The paper advised ISC has been approached by “a number of requests for subdivision” by what process were these 3 selected*
- vi) *How does this meet OLG requirement for competitive neutrality?*

2. LOCAL LAND SERVICES PRESENTATION OF NEW LAND MANAGEMENT AND BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION LEGISLATION S11.12.7

That the presentation by Luc Farago, Principal Policy Officer of the Northern Tablelands Local Lands Services in relation to new land management and Biodiversity Conservation Legislation be received and noted.

3. INVERELL HIGH SCHOOL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT S30.11.3

That Council implement the following short term measures:

- i) *The No Stopping signs adjacent to each intersection around the school be erected at a distance of no less than 15m from the intersection kerb line at intersections about the school perimeter.*
- ii) *Some of the long term angle parking in Brae Street in front of the school be converted to short term parallel parking for student drop-off and pick-up. This should at least be implemented in the section of Brae Street across the school frontage to the north-east of the pedestrian crossing.*

4. RURAL ROAD CLASSIFICATIONS S16.7.19/05

That:

- i) *Management Policy – Road Hierarchy be amended to include the updated classifications for Goomerah Lane to “Rural Access” for its entire length and Cooks Road to “No Scheduled Maintenance” for its entire length.*
- ii) *Spring Mountain Road, Wells Crossing Road, Elsmore Road and Mephams Road retain their current classifications.*
- iii) *All respondents be notified of the outcome of the review.*
Voss Road - Council maintains its position in respect to the maintenance classification of Voss Road and advises the owner of “The Angle” of its decision

RURAL ROAD CLASSIFICATIONS S16.7.19/05

33/18 RESOLVED *(Baker/Watts) that further investigation be undertaken by Council in respect of the current classification of Loves Lane following receipt of several submissions from residents.*

5. WASTE MANAGEMENT SUNSET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 26 APRIL 2018 S31.9.3

34/18 RESOLVED *(Michael/Berryman) that a supplementary report on this matter be received.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY SECTION C
COMMITTEE REPORTS**

6. WASTE MANAGEMENT SUNSET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 26 APRIL 2018 S31.9.3

Mr McInnes provided background on the issues discussed by the Committee. Two (2) key issues were:

- a) The cost to charitable organisations for using the waste depot for the disposal of excess material

- b) Operation of Transfer Stations.

35/18 RESOLVED (Watts/Baker) that:

- i) *the Minutes of the Waste Management Sunset Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 26 April, 2018 be received and noted; and*
- ii) *the following recommendations of the Waste Management Sunset Committee be adopted by Council with the exception of Item #3 'Management Options for Ashford and Yetman Waste Transfer Stations – Confidential S15.8.60'.*

1. CHARITABLE AND COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANISATIONS (OPERATING ON COUNCIL OWNED OR MAINTAINED LAND) USING INVERELL LANDFILL S12.8.20

That:

- i) *Council will provide Inverell LGA based registered Charitable Organisations and Community Service not-for-profit Organisations (operating on Council owned or controlled land), free access to dispose of waste at Council's Inverell waste management facility. Access will be via the use of a single swipe card upon application for a period of 12 months.*
- ii) *Council write to all known Charitable and not-for-profit Organisations that frequently use the Inverell Waste Management facility advising them of the new policy and that these new provisions will commence on 1 July, 2018.*
- iii) *That the General Manager be delegated authority to determine applications of this nature based on the following criteria;*
 - i. *The applicant meets the Australian Taxation Office definition of a registered Charity Organisation and Community Service (not-for-profit) Organisations that operate on Council owned or controlled land.*
- iv) *That Council issue one (1) swipe card to approved Organisations once approved.*
- v) *A further report be presented to the Committee after 12 months of implementation to consider the effectiveness of this policy.*

2. UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME S31.3.8 + S31.3.6

That:

- i) *The information be received and noted; and*
- ii) *A further report be presented to the Committee regarding the current Materials Recovery Facility processing contract and proposed options for a profit sharing agreement.*

3. MANAGEMENT OPTIONS FOR ASHFORD AND YETMAN TRANSFER STATIONS S15.8.60 that:

The matter be referred to Closed Council for consider as:

- i) *the report includes 'information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business' (Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993); and*

- ii) *on balance the public interest in preserving the confidentiality of this matter outweighs the public interest in openness and transparency in Council decision-making by discussing the matter in open meeting.*

At this juncture, the time being 3.40pm Brett McInnes left the meeting.

SECTION D DESTINATION REPORTS

EMCCS-A 1. **CRIME PREVENTION PLAN - PUBLIC EXHIBITION S3.10.4**

At this juncture, the time being 3.42pm Brett McInnes returned to the meeting.

36/18 RESOLVED (Watts/Dight) that;

- i) *Council note the submission of the Community Violence Prevention Team;*
- ii) *Council adopt the 11 recommended actions in respect of the content of the submission;*
- iii) *Council advise the Community Violence Prevention Team of Council's determination; and*
- iv) *Council adopt the Crime Prevention Plan*

2. **INTERNAL AUDIT AND RISK (IA & R) COMMITTEE – MEMBERSHIP (LISTING) S4.11.21**

37/18 RESOLVED (Baker/Dight) that the matter be referred to closed Council for consideration as:

- i) *the report includes 'Personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)' (Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act, 1993); and*
- ii) *on balance the public interest in preserving the confidentiality of this matter outweighs the public interest in openness and transparency in Council decision-making by discussing the matter in open meeting.*

DCES-A 3. **INVERELL MACINTYRE LIONS CLUB – SHOPPING CENTRE TOILET FACILITIES S5.11.43**

38/18 RESOLVED (Michael/Dight) that Council staff investigate the options available for the establishment of public toilet facilities in the Otho Street Shopping Precinct.

DCES-A 4. **INVERELL MACINTYRE LIONS CLUB – VICTORIA PARK S21.8.31**

39/18 RESOLVED (King/Baker) that in conjunction with the preparation of the Inverell Swimming Pool Complex Masterplan, Council staff investigate the options for establishing a Rotunda in Victoria Park in partnership with Inverell Macintyre Lions Club.

SECTION E INFORMATION REPORTS

- 1. **PROJECT UPDATE - YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM S15.8.77**
- 2. **STAFF MOVEMENTS: - 01 OCTOBER 2017 TO 31 DECEMBER 2017 S22.25.1**
- 3. **STAFF MOVEMENTS: - 01 JANUARY 2018 TO 31 MARCH 2018 S22.25.1**

4. CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES APPROVED FOR MARCH 2018 S7.2.4/11
5. COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES APPROVED DURING MARCH 2018 S7.2.4/11
6. SUMMARY OF BUILDING CONSTRUCTION FOR MARCH 2018 S7.2.4/11
7. DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS AND REFUSALS DURING MARCH 2018 S18.10.2/11
8. VARIATION TO DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS APPROVED DURING MARCH 2018 S18.10.2/11
9. SEPTIC TANK APPROVALS FOR MARCH 2018 S29.19.1
10. ORDINANCE ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR MARCH 2018 S18.10.1
11. FUNDING FOR PRIORITY WEEDS MANAGEMENT S11.12.6
12. STRATEGIC TASKS – ‘SIGN OFF’ – APRIL 2018 S4.13.2
13. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – APRIL 2018 S13.5.5/11

40/18 RESOLVED (Michael/Watts) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 26 April 2018, be received and noted.

SECTION F QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

QWN/ORD 11 /18 Project Update – Youth Opportunities Program
Cr Baker

Cr Baker questioned whether there is any funds remaining.

The General Manager confirmed that a number of events are still to be held. It is envisaged that all grant funds received will be utilised.

QWN/ORD 12/18 Housing Loans
Cr Berryman

Cr Berryman noted in the LGNSW Weekly, that the State Government has announced, as part of Government's comprehensive Housing Affordability package, a low cost loan initiative to help eligible Councils fund critical infrastructure projects that support new homes.

The General Manager indicated that Council, if eligible, will consider taking up the offer. Further examination of the program guidelines will be undertaken.

QWN/ORD 13 /18 Inverell Town Hall
Cr Watts

Cr Watts noted a number of operational issues that need to be attended to at the Town Hall.

QWN/ORD 14/18 Otho Street Redevelopment
Cr Watts

Cr Watts requested clarification on whether a U – Turn was permitted in Otho Street over the at grade median, and if so, could this be communicated to the public.

The Director Civil and Environmental Services confirmed a U-Turn is permitted over the at grade median in Otho Street.

Cr Watts also sought clarification on loading zones in the CBD.

The Director Civil & Environmental Services confirmed that traffic audits, analysis and investigations in respect of loading zones in the CBD are continuing.

GM-A **QWN/ORD 15/18** Recognition S3.15.16
Cr McCosker

Cr McCosker noted a request to recognise a local citizen and queried Council's protocol in respect of responding to such requests.

The General Manager to investigate.

DCES-A **QWN/ORD 16/18** Otho Street S28.27.2
Cr Michael

Cr Michael requested that further investigations be carried out to identify and secure more parking for shop keepers in close proximity to their places of work.

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

At 4.28pm, the Chairperson offered the opportunity to members of the public to make representations as to whether any part of the Council Meeting should not be considered in Closed Council. There was no response.

CLOSED COUNCIL REPORTS

41/18 RESOLVED (Watts/Dight) *that Council proceed into Closed Council to discuss the matters referred to it, for the reasons stated in the motions of referral.*

42/18 RESOLVED (Baker/Dight) *that Council proceeds out of Closed Council into Open Council.*

Upon resuming Open Council at 5.32pm, the Chair verbally reported that the Council had met in Closed Council, with the Press and Public excluded, and had resolved to recommend to Council the following:

DCES-N MANAGEMENT OPTIONS FOR ASHFORD AND YETMAN TRANSFER STATIONS
S15.8.60

That:

- i) Council declines to accept the fee proposal from Northaven Ltd to manage and operate the Waste Transfer Stations at Ashford and Yetman.*
- ii) the Rural Waste Transfer Stations operate for the following periods excluding public holidays*

<i>Restricted Hours of Operation</i>		
	<i>Ashford</i>	<i>Yetman</i>
<i>Monday</i>		
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>9am - 1pm</i>	
<i>Wednesday</i>		
<i>Thursday</i>		<i>9am – 1pm</i>
<i>Friday</i>		
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>12pm - 4pm</i>	
<i>Sunday</i>		<i>12pm – 4pm</i>

- iii) *Council utilises day labour to manage the Rural Waste Transfer Stations for a period of 12 months to allow for the collection data that may be used in the preparation of any future contract management arrangement.*
- iv) *The disposal fees as nominated be included in the 2018/2019 Operational Plan for public exhibition.*
- v) *No disposal fees be charged for the first 2 months of operation of the transfer stations.*
- vi) *At the conclusion of a 12 month operating period a further report be prepared for the committee regarding operating statistics, suitability of operating hours, cost implications and management options.*
- vii) *That a public notification strategy consistent with the one outlined in the report is implemented.*

GM-A 1. INTERNAL AUDIT AND RISK (IA & R) COMMITTEE – MEMBERSHIP S4.11.21

That:

- i) *The level of remuneration for the Independent members of the Committee be \$500 per meeting.*
- ii) *Council readvertise (locally) the vacant independent members positions on the Committee; and*
- iii) *Council advise the current applicants that their applications will still be considered.*

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

43/18 RESOLVED *(Baker/King) that the recommendations of Closed Council be adopted.*

Cr Michael requested that his vote against the resolution be recorded due to the course of action to be taken in respect of the Internal Audit & Risk Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.35pm.

CR P J HARMON

CHAIRPERSON