

**MINUTES OF INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL
CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COMMITTEE ROOM, ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, 144 OTHO STREET,
INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 12 JUNE 2019 AT 9.00 AM**

PRESENT: Cr Paul Harmon (Mayor), Cr Mal Peters, Cr Stewart Berryman, Cr Di Baker, Cr Neil McCosker

IN ATTENDANCE: Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Civil & Environmental Services), Scott Norman (Director Corporate & Economic Services)

1 APOLOGIES

Nil

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Stewart Berryman

Seconded: Cr Neil McCosker

That the Minutes of the Civil and Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on 8 May, 2019, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

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

Cr Harmon declared a pecuniary interest in Item 4.4 Bus Stops and Shelters as he is the Company Manager for Inverell Bus Service that provides the town service.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

ADVOCACY REPORTS

Cr Harmon	<p>Cr Harmon attended the recent meeting of Country Mayors Association of NSW.</p> <p>Cr Harmon met with Adam Marshall MP and Mr Elliot for an update in regards the new Inverell Police Station. Construction is planned to commence before the end of year.</p> <p>Cr Harmon met with Brad Hazard MP Minister for Health and Medical Research prior to the tour of inspection of the Inverell Hospital Redevelopment Project.</p>
Cr Baker	<p><u>Equestrian Centre</u></p> <p>Cr Baker attended the opening of the Equestrian Centre Stables and commented that the rainy day demonstrated that they were much needed.</p>

4 DESTINATION REPORTS

4.1 PURCHASE OF VARIABLE MESSAGE SIGN BOARDS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Paul Harmon

Seconded: Cr Stewart Berryman

That the Committee recommend to Council that two (2) Variable Message Sign boards be purchased with funding sourced from Council's Internally Restricted Plant Replacement Reserve.

CARRIED

4.2 LAKE INVERELL OFF ROAD RECREATION CIRCUIT

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Stewart Berryman

Seconded: Cr Paul Harmon

That the Committee recommend to Council that the information provided regarding the proposed interim opening of the Off Road Recreational Circuit be noted and endorsed.

CARRIED

4.3 INFILL DEVELOPMENT

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Mal Peters

Seconded: Cr Stewart Berryman

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- 1. The information regarding infill development in the township of Inverell be received and noted;*
- 2. Further information be provided to the committee regarding state government planning reforms, in particular local character overlays as the matters progress; and*
- 3. Given limited strategic justification, Council not seek to progress any changes in regards to planning controls for infill development at this point in time.*

CARRIED

At 9:43 am, Cr Paul Harmon left the meeting having previously declared a pecuniary interest in item 4.4.

4.4 ASSESSMENT AND FUNDING ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROVISION OF BUS STOPS AND SHELTERS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Stewart Berryman

Seconded: Cr Neil McCosker

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- 1. The information regarding assessment and funding associated with the provision of bus stops and shelters be noted by the Committee; and*
- 2. The actions relating to the bus shelter request for the McLean Care Complex be endorsed.*

CARRIED

At 9:45 am, Cr Paul Harmon returned to the meeting.

5 INFORMATION REPORTS

5.1 WORKS UPDATE

Moved: Cr Stewart Berryman

Seconded: Cr Paul Harmon

That the information be received and noted.

CARRIED

6 GOVERNANCE REPORTS

6.1 GOVERNANCE - PERFORMANCE REPORTING ON ROAD MAINTENANCE COUNCIL CONTRACTS

Moved: Cr Mal Peters

Seconded: Cr Stewart Berryman

That the information reports be received and noted.

CARRIED

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Cr Peters had been approached by Ashford Residents seeking materials to fix the Cemetery fence. The Director Civil & Environmental Services requested they be directed to him and he would organise it.

Cr McCosker sought an update on the planned Tingha Roundabout. The Director Civil & Environmental Services replied that a concept design had been approved and funding is now being sought from State Government.

Cr McCosker asked if there is any planned works at the Mansfield St intersection on the Gwydir Highway. The Director Civil & Environmental Services replied that Council had approved concept designs however RMS has stated that it was not high on their priority list and therefore Council would need to fund it and at this stage the Tingha roundabout has priority.

At 10:12 am, Cr Di Baker left the meeting having declared a non-pecuniary interest in the Inverell Police Station discussion item as she is a member of the Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP).

Mr Paul Henry briefed the Committee on the construction of the new Inverell Police Station. It was noted that planning approval will be determined by the Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP).

The Project Manager is currently seeking temporary accommodation for the Police Force and Council has been asked if it has any suitable facilities available. Mr Henry sought the Committee's endorsement to offer the ex RTA building at market rent. There was general consensus to explore the possibility.

At 10:15 am, Cr Di Baker returned to the meeting.

Cr Baker enquired about progress on the Boardwalk at Lake Inverell. The Director Civil & Environmental Services replied that geotech testing has been completed and Council is now waiting for a concept design from LGSS. It is hoped to commence ground works in the next couple of weeks.

Cr Harmon asked what approvals would be needed for the removal of silt from Lake Inverell as he would like to be in a position to seek funding for the project while the water level is low. The Director Civil & Environmental Services undertook to seek an answer.

The Meeting closed at 10.25 am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Civil and Environmental Services Committee held on 10 July 2019.

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CHAIRPERSON