

**MINUTES OF INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL  
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE COMMITTEE ROOM, ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, 144 OTHO STREET,  
INVERELL  
ON WEDNESDAY, 11 SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 10.30 AM**

**PRESENT:** Cr Paul Harmon (Mayor), Cr Kate Dight, Cr Anthony Michael (Deputy Mayor),  
Cr Neil McCosker and Cr Di Baker.

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

**1 APOLOGIES**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Di Baker

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

*That the apologies received from Crs King and Watts who both requested leave of absence for  
personal reasons, be accepted and leave granted.*

**CARRIED**

**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

*That the Minutes of the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 14  
August, 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**

Nil

**4 DESTINATION REPORTS**

**4.1 CONDUCT OF THE 2020 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION S4.11.17/11**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Kate Dight

Seconded: Cr Di Baker

*That the Committee recommends to Council that:*

- i. Pursuant to s. 296(2), (3) and (5A) of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) ("the Act") that an election arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all elections of the Council;*
- ii. Pursuant to s. 296(2), (3) and (5A) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a council poll arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all council polls of the Council; and*
- iii. Pursuant to s. 296(2), (3) and (5A) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a constitutional referendum arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all constitutional referenda of the Council.*

**CARRIED**

#### **4.2 REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION - MOVIE NIGHT - LONG PLAIN HALL AND RECREATIONAL RESERVE S5.13.11**

##### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Di Baker

Seconded: Cr Anthony Michael

*That the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i. The request from the Board of Managers of the Long Plain Public Hall be received and acknowledged;*
- ii. The Board of Managers of the Long Plain Public Hall be informed that unfortunately there is no funding for this activity in Council's current budget; and*
- iii. Council assist with identifying funding for a Movie Night at Long Plain Hall by either incorporating the activity in an appropriate grant application or assisting the Board to apply for funding in their own right, which ever opportunity presents itself first.*

**CARRIED**

#### **4.3 REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE - BONSHAW DROUGHT RELIEF EVENT S5.13.3**

##### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Kate Dight

Seconded: Cr Di Baker

*That the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i. The request from the Bonshaw Hall Committee be received and acknowledged;*
- ii. That Council assist with identifying funding for the men's breakfast by either incorporating the activity in an appropriate grant application or assisting the Committee to apply for funding in their own right, which ever opportunity presents itself first; and*
- iii. That if no funding is identified in time for the event then Council donates \$200 towards the cost of holding the event.*

**CARRIED****4.4 DONATION REQUEST - GARDEN ARTIST OF THE YEAR COMPETITION S12.22.1/12****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Kate Dight

Seconded: Cr Di Baker

*That the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i. The request from the Down to Earth Inverell Garden Group be received and acknowledged;*
- ii. Council provide a donation of \$200 towards prizes for the Garden Artist of the Year Competition;*
- iii. Council nominate a representative to present awards to the first and second prize winners; and*
- iv. Council suggest that next years competition be held in conjunction with the Sapphire City Festival.*

**CARRIED****4.5 REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION - REQUEST TO WAIVE FULL OR PARTIAL HIRE FEE OF TOWN HALL - UNSTOP-ABILITY S5.24.4****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

*That the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i. The request from Stephanie Marshall and Michele Jedlicka from Unstop-Ability be received and acknowledged;*
- ii. Council provide a donation of \$200 towards the costs of staging the Unstop-Ability production.*

**CARRIED****4.6 REQUEST FOR REDUCTION ON WATER ACCOUNT S32.10.1/12****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Di Baker

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

*That the matter be referred to Closed Council for consideration as the matters and information are:*

- a personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).*

*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 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.*

**CARRIED****4.7 NORTHERN INLAND ACADEMY OF SPORT S26.4.15****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Di Baker

*That the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i. Council renew its NIAS partnership for 2019/20 at a cost of \$2, 000 (plus GST).*
- ii. The cost of the NIAS partnership be funded from the Inverell Sports Council allocation.*

**CARRIED****5 INFORMATION REPORTS****5.1 TINGHA PLATEAU FIRES S9.18.7****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

*That the information report be received and noted.***CARRIED****6 GOVERNANCE REPORTS****6.1 GOVERNANCE - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S4.11.17/11****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Di Baker

Seconded: Cr Anthony Michael

*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.*

**CARRIED****7 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS (COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE)**

At 11.01am, the Chairperson noted that no members of the public or press were in attendance at the meeting therefore Council proceeded to consider the motion to close the meeting to the press and public.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Di Baker

Seconded: Cr Anthony Michael

*That the Committee proceeds into Closed Committee to discuss the matters referred to it, for the reasons stated in the motions of referral.*

**CARRIED****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Kate Dight

Seconded: Cr Di Baker

*That the Committee proceeds out of Closed Committee into Open Committee.*

**CARRIED**

Upon resuming Open Committee at 11.03am, the Chairperson verbally reported that the Committee had met in Closed Committee, with the Press and Public excluded, and had resolved to recommend to Council the following:

**7.1 REQUEST FOR REDUCTION ON WATER ACCOUNT S32.10.1/12****RECOMMENDATION:**

*That the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i. the report be received and noted; and*
- ii. Council issue an amended account of \$111.72 for the last quarter based on the average consumption of accounts prior to the leak and write off \$2, 153.08.*

**ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Kate Dight

Seconded: Cr Di Baker

*That the recommendations of Closed Committee be adopted.*

**CARRIED**

**The Meeting closed at 11.04am**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee held on 9 October 2019.**

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**CHAIRPERSON**