

**MINUTES OF INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COMMITTEE ROOM, ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, 144 OTHO STREET,
INVERELL
ON WEDNESDAY, 9 NOVEMBER 2022 AT 1.11PM**

PRESENT: Cr Paul King OAM (Chair), Cr Paul Harmon (Mayor), Cr Nicky Lavender and Cr Jo Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE: Cr Stewart Berryman, Cr Di Baker, Cr Jacko Ross and Cr Wendy Wilks.
Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Civil & Environmental Services) and Paul Pay (Director Corporate and Economic Services).

1 APOLOGIES

Cr Dight submitted an apology for the November Economic and Community Sustainability Committee Meeting for business reasons and has requested a leave of absence.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Jo Williams

Seconded: Cr Nicky Lavender

That the apology received from Cr Dight for business reasons be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Jo Williams

Seconded: Cr Nicky Lavender

That the Minutes of the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 12 October, 2022, 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 REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP - ASHFORD SHOW SOCIETY S12.22.1/16

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Jo Williams

Seconded: Cr Paul Harmon

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- a) *Council provide sponsorship to the Ashford Show Society for the amount of \$3000 to cover the cost of the fireworks display; and*
- b) *The sponsorship be funded from the Ashford village grant.*

CARRIED

4.2 COMPLAINTS MANAGEMENT POLICY AND UNREASONABLE CONDUCT BY COMPLAINANTS POLICY S6.8.5

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Paul Harmon

Seconded: Cr Jo Williams

That the Committee recommend to Council that the 'Complaints Management Policy' and the 'Unreasonable Conduct by Complainants Policy' be adopted.

CARRIED

4.3 REFERRAL OF CONFIDENTIAL REPORT S32.10.1

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nicky Lavender

Seconded: Cr Jo Williams

That the Committee move into Closed (Public excluded) meeting of the Committee and that the press and members of the public be asked to leave the chambers whilst the Committee considers the following items:

Item: #6.1 – S32.10.1 – Request for Reduction in Water Usage Account

Authority: Section 10A (2)(b) "The personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer." Local Government Act 1993.

CARRIED

5 GOVERNANCE REPORTS

5.1 GOVERNANCE - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.2

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Paul Harmon

Seconded: Cr Nicky Lavender

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

5.2 QUARTERLY BUDGET AND OPERATIONAL PLAN 2022/2023 S12.5.1**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Nicky Lavender

Seconded: Cr Jo Williams

The Committee recommends to Council that:

- i) Council's Quarterly Operational Plan and Budget Review for 30 September, 2022 be adopted; and*
- ii) The proposed variations to budget votes for the 2022/2023 Financial Year be adopted providing an estimated Cash Surplus at 30 September, 2022 from operations of \$3,603.*

CARRIED

6 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS (COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE)

At 1.25pm, the Chairperson noted that no members of the public or press were in attendance at the meeting therefore the Committee proceeded to consider the motion to close the meeting to the press and public.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Paul Harmon

Seconded: Cr Jo Williams

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 Paul Harmon

Seconded: Cr Jo Williams

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

CARRIED

Upon resuming Open meeting at 1.27pm, 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:

6.1 REQUEST FOR A REDUCTION IN A WATER USAGE ACCOUNT S32.10.6**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Paul Harmon

Seconded: Cr Nicky Lavender

That:

- i. the report be received; and*
- ii. Council issue an amended account for the property known as 5 Park Street, Gilgai for the total of \$84.72, which is based on the average consumption prior to the leak and write off \$3,003.72.*

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Paul Harmon

Seconded: Cr Nicky Lavender

That the recommendations of Closed Committee be adopted.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 1.28pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee held on 8 February, 2023

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CHAIRPERSON