

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF
BREWARRINA HELD AT THE BREWARRINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON FRIDAY
25TH AUGUST 2023**

Meeting commenced at 10:00 am

1: PRESENT:

Councillors

**Vivian SLACK-SMITH
Noel SHERIDAN
Thomas STANTON
Donna JEFFRIES
Angelo PIPPOS
Patricia FRAIL *via Teleconference*
Douglas GORDON
Isaac GORDON**

General Manager

David KIRBY

Executive Assistant

Laura GORDON

2: APOLOGIES

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RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor SHERIDAN; Seconded by Councillor JEFFRIES; That Council grant the leave of absences for Councillor BROWN for the Friday 25th AUGUST 2023 Ordinary Business Meeting.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED.

3: TELEPHONE CONFERENCE

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RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor STANTON; Seconded by Councillor GORDON; that Council grant for Councillor FRAIL to attend via Teleconference for the Friday 25th AUGUST 2023 Ordinary Business Meeting.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED.

4. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

- NIL

5: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Confirmation of the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Friday 21st July 2023

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RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor JEFFRIES; Seconded by Councillor PIPPOS; that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Friday 21st July 2023 covered by resolutions 93/23 to 105/23 action request be adopted.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED.

6: MAYORAL MINUTE:

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the possible day change of the September Ordinary Meeting of Council 2023.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council resolve to change the Ordinary Council meeting day from Friday 22nd September to Friday the 15th September 2023.

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RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor PIPPOS, Seconded by Councillor I GORDON;
That;

- 1. Council meeting to be moved to Friday 15th September 2023. Council;**
- 2. Public notice of meeting date change to be posted on Facebook & Western Herald.**

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED.

7: REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- NIL

8: REPORTS FOR ACTION TO COUNCIL:

ITEM 1: BANK RECONCILIATION & INVESTMENTS

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to present the reconciliation of Council's cashbook and bank statement as at 31st July 2023. The presentation of this information is not a requirement of any Act, however it has been provided historically for the information of Councillors.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council;

- 1. The bank reconciliation report is received as information.**
- 2. The Certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer for compliance with the Investment Policy and the Ministerial Investment Order dated 28 April 2017 be received and noted.**

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RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor JEFFRIES, Seconded by Councillor D GORDON;

That;

- 1. The bank reconciliation report is received as information.**
- 2. The Certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer for compliance with the Investment Policy and the Ministerial Investment Order dated 28 April 2017 be received and noted.**

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED.

ITEM 2: ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORTS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to refer the 2022/23 Annual Financial Statements to audit.

RECOMMENDATION:

That;

1. Councils' Financial Reports for the year ending 30 June 2023 to be referred to audit;
2. The necessary elected members and staff be authorised to sign the statements on the annual General Purpose Financial Report and the Special Purpose Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2023; and
3. Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to "finalise the date" at which the auditor's report and financial statements are to be presented to the public as per Section 418(1).

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RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor PIPPOS, Seconded by Councillor D GORDON;

That;

1. Councils' Financial Reports for the year ending 30 June 2023 to be referred to audit;
2. The necessary elected members and staff be authorised to sign the statements on the annual General Purpose Financial Report and the Special Purpose Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2023; and
3. Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to "finalise the date" at which the auditor's report and financial statements are to be presented to the public as per Section 418(1).

The MOTION on being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED.

**ITEM 3: POLICY REVIEW INTERNAL REPORTING
– PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURES**

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to review and adopt the Internal Reporting Policy – Public Interest Disclosures.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council;

Council review and approve the Internal Reporting Policy – Public Interest Disclosures.

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RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor JEFFRIES, Seconded by Councillor SHERIDAN;

That;

Council review and approve the Internal Reporting Policy – Public Interest Disclosures.

The MOTION on being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:

The purpose of this report is for Councillors to receive the Status Report, Councils Information Reports as well as the items for Correspondence.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Status Report, Information Reports, which are listed from a-n, and the Items for Correspondence be received as information.

9: REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

- a) Status Report, General Manager and Mayors Diary
- c) Plant
- d) Utilities
- f) Economic Development
- m) Human Resources
- o) Correspondence

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RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor SHERIDAN; Seconded by Councillor PIPPOS;

That;

The status Report, Information Reports and Items of Correspondence be received and noted.

The MOTION on being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED.

10: NOTICE OF MOTION/ QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE:

- NIL

11: CLOSED SESSION

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RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor D GORDON, Seconded by Councillor JEFFRIES; that Council move to close the Meeting to the public as per section of the Local Government Act 1993:

Section 10B (2) (a) of the Local Government Act 1993, the discussion of personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors)

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Meeting moved into closed session at 10:52am

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D Gordon excused himself from the Chambers at 11:12am

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RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor SHERIDAN, Seconded by Councillor JEFFRIES;

That Council move into open session

Council resumed open session at 11:14am

D Gordon returned to the Chambers at 11:14am

12: OPEN SESSION

CONFD – PROPOSED NAMING OF GOODOOGA ROAD

- That Council to not consider the report and the original motion still stands as it.

Meeting concluded at 11:15am