



**Minutes of the Council Meeting held in the Council Chambers on
Wednesday 21st February, 2018 commencing at 9:15am**

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PRESENT: Cr Matthew Hannan (Mayor)
Crs: Bernard Curtin Ross Bodey, John Taylor, Colin Jones, John Bruce, Denis Glanville, Director of Technical Services (Fred Exton), Development Manager (Laurie Stevens) and General Manager (Rowan Perkins).

1. APOLOGIES

14 **RESOLVED** Crs Glanville and Bodey that an apology for non-attendance be received from Cr Daryll Morris.

2. DECLARATION OF ITEMS OF PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS

Nil

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

15 **RESOLVED** Crs Bodey and Jones that the Minutes of the meeting held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday 17th January, 2018 be confirmed.

5. CLOSED COUNCIL

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, in the opinion of the General Manager, the following business is of a kind as referred to in section 10A(2) of the Act, and should be dealt with in a part of the meeting closed to the media and public.

Set out below is section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993* in relation to matters which can be dealt with in the closed part of a meeting.

The matters and information are the following:

- (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)
- (b) the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer

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- (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business
- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
 - (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
 - (iii) reveal a trade secret
- (e) information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law
- (f) matters affecting the security of the council, councillors, council staff or council property
- (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the grounds of legal professional privilege
- (h) information concerning the nature and location of a place or an item of Aboriginal significance on community land.

5.1 GENERAL MANAGER'S MID YEAR PERFORMANCE REVIEW

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under section 10A(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

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

It is not in the public interest to reveal details of personnel.

- 16 RESOLVED:** Crs Glanville and Jones that the Council move into a closed session to consider the following business together with any reports tabled at the meeting.

And further that pursuant to section 10A(1)-(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of section 10A(2) as outlined above and that the correspondence and reports 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*.

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Council closed its meeting at 9:18am. Rowan Perkins, Laurie Stevens and Fred Exton left the Chamber.

Open Council resumed at 11:12am.

RESOLUTIONS FROM THE CLOSED COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor advised those present of the following resolution made while the meeting was closed to the public.

5.1 GENERAL MANAGER'S MID YEAR PERFORMANCE REVIEW

AUTHOR: General Manager
STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Good government
STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 2.2 Ensure effective governance by Council of Council operations and reporting

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“that the Mayor issue a Memorandum to the General Manager with respect to his Mid Year Performance Review.”

The meeting adjourned at 11:12am.

The meeting resumed at 11:25 Laurie Stevens and Fred Exton present.

6.1 FINANCE - ACCOUNTS

AUTHOR: Finance Manager
STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Good government
STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 2.1 Berrigan Shire 2027 objectives and strategic actions facilitate the effective governance by Council of Council operations and reporting

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19 RESOLVED Crs Jones and Taylor that the Financial Statement, Bank Reconciliation Certificate and Petty Cash Book made up to 31

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January 2018, be received and that the accounts paid as per Warrant No. 01/18 totaling \$3,735,181.55 be confirmed.

6.2 FINANCIAL REVIEW

AUTHOR: Finance Manager

STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Good government
STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 2.1 Berrigan Shire 2027 objectives and strategic actions facilitate the effective governance by Council of Council operations and reporting

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20 RESOLVED Crs Curtin and Glanville that the Council:

1. Note the first quarterly review of the 2017/18 budget and vote the funds contained therein as shown in **Appendix "D"**.
2. Note the Quarterly Budget Review Statement attached also as **Appendix "E"**.

6.3 FINLEY SCHOOL OF ARTS AND WAR MEMORIAL HALL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

AUTHOR: General Manager

STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Good government
STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 2.1 Berrigan Shire 2027 objectives and strategic actions facilitate the effective governance by Council of Council operations and reporting

FILE NO: 04.074.1

21 RESOLVED Crs Curtin and Glanville that the Council:

- A) revoke existing members of the Finley School of Arts and War Memorial Committee of Management.
- B) pursuant to Section 355 of the Local Government Act, 1993, appoint the following persons to the Finley School of Arts and War Memorial Hall Committee of Management:

President: Matt Hannan
Secretary: Jan Gray
Treasurer: Christine

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Committee: Noel A'Vard
Sally Bickerton
Anne Freestone
Ted Gray
Robb Hawkins
Kelly-Anne Lawler
Jill Orro
Dean Russell
Aaron Taylor
Ross Whittaker

6.4 JOINT ORGANISATION

AUTHOR: General Manager

STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Good government

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 2.1 Berrigan Shire 2027 objectives and strategic actions facilitate the effective governance by Council of Council operations and reporting

FILE NO: 13.010.3

22 RESOLVED: Crs Bruce and Taylor in accordance with Part 7 of Chapter 12 of the Local Government Act 1993, the Berrigan Shire Council resolves:

1. That the council inform the Minister for Local Government of the Council's endorsement of the Minister recommending to the Governor the establishment of a 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 one or more of the following council areas: Albury City, Federation, Edward River, Murray River, Balranald, Wentworth, Narrandera, Leeton, Griffith, Murrumbidgee, Carathool and Hay
4. That before 23 March 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.

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6.5 FINLEY COMMUNITY HELP GROUP AND SECOND-HAND SHOP

AUTHOR: Director Corporate Services

STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Supported and engaged communities

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 3.1 Create safe, friendly and accessible communities

FILE NO: 05.005.4

23 RESOLVED: Crs Bodey and Bruce that the Council

1. formally dissolve the Finley Community Help Group and Second-Hand Shop Committee of Management established under s355 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, effective from 1 April 2018

2. Thank the committee for its valuable work as a volunteer committee of the Council and offer our support in-kind into the future.

6.6 PROPOSED COUNCILLOR INDUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES

AUTHOR: General Manager

STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Good government

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 2.1 Berrigan Shire 2027 objectives and strategic actions facilitate the effective governance by Council of Council operations and reporting

FILE NO: 22.178.6

24 RESOLVED: Crs Bruce and Taylor that the Council support the draft Councillor Induction and Professional Development Guidelines.

6.7 SUSPENSION OF ALCOHOL FREE ZONE – WOLLAMAI STREET, FINLEY

AUTHOR: Finance Manager

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STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Supported and engaged communities

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 3.1 Create safe, friendly and accessible communities

FILE NO: 24.128.1

- 25** **RESOLVED:** Crs Bodey and Taylor that the Council, subject to Police approval and development consent being given, suspend the Alcohol Free Zone for the area closed to traffic on Wollamai Street, Finley from 12:00pm to 4:00pm on Saturday 10 March, 2018 in accordance with Section 645 of the *Local Government Act* 1993.

6.8 BAROOGA TOWN ENTRY SIGNS

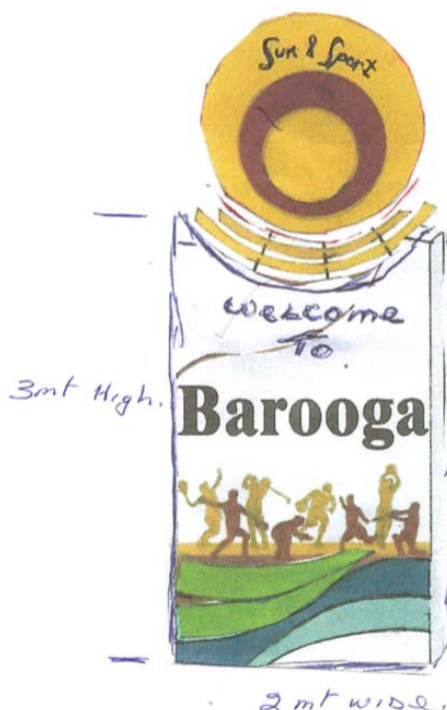
AUTHOR: Strategic & Social Planning Coordinator

STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Supported and engaged communities

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 3.1 Create safe, friendly and accessible communities

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- 26** **RESOLVED:** Crs Bruce and Jones that the following Barooga Town Entry sign be adopted for the Barooga Town Entry improved plan.



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6.9 2018 CORPORATE WORKSHOP

AUTHOR: General Manager

STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Good government

**STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 2.1 Berrigan Shire 2027 objectives
and strategic actions facilitate the
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27 RESOLVED: Crs Jones and Glanville:

That in relation to the Council's Delivery Program the following be reviewed:

- Corporate Services and Community Assets Plan;
- The Children's, Youth and Families Strategy; and
- Ongoing review of the Council's LEP.

That in relation to the proposed new upstairs area of the Tocumwal Visitor information Centre;

- The future management of the proposed upstairs area of the Tocumwal Visitor Information Centre be on a commercial hospitality basis with the Council adopting a landlord only role.
- That at the appropriate time the Council call for expression of interest from potential tenant(s) so that they can be involved in the internal design of the new space.
- That the Council consider demolition of the existing Visitor Information Centre to allow a complete new space to be developed in its place.

That the Council:

- Install battery storage at the Shire Office building and at the library during 2018/19.
- Complete a scoping study/feasibility assessment across sites immediately.
- Conduct a Feasibility Study for Mid-scale power generation with the use of a Clean Energy Grant during 2018/19.

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That in relation to Tourism Infrastructure Development – promoting hospitality and food:

- The Council speak to Food Trucks Festival organisers and see if any food outlets they know of would be interested in operating/considering its proposal.
- The Council consider the amount of funds they are prepared to invest in this proposal.
- That the Council Investigate premises and opportunities that could be used to develop the proposal.

That the Council consider the following for a funding application under the Stronger Country Communities funding program Round 2:

- Refurbish Recreation Facilities
Projects to include:
 - Berrigan Pool
 - Tocumwal Timekeepers Box
 - Tocumwal Cricket Clubrooms
 - Electronic Scoreboard at Berrigan
- Develop Strategic Plans for Barooga Lions Park/Finley Railway Park.
- Tocumwal Historic Aerodrome Museum Feasibility Study - Collection Curation and Display Options.
- Active Communities – Trail and Walking Paths upgrades.
- Finley Showgrounds clubrooms.

That the Council further develop reinvention of its annual business awards along the following lines:

- Target a new event in 2019 to allow for the changes to be marketed to the business community.
- Be clear that we are creating an event to Market and Promote Local Business.
- Theme a major business dinner event: Berrigan Business Showcase
 - 2019 – Innovation Year
 - 2020 – Export Year
 - 2021 – Technology Year
 - 2022 – Main Street Year

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(Examples only)

- Have a selection committee responsible for research and nomination of businesses. Possibly between 6 and 8 businesses.
- Select a guest speaker to introduce and background the theme in Berrigan Shire.
- Fund and present a high quality video case study of each nominated business.
- Hold awards for the theme and have the nominated businesses judged by external judges.
- Precede the new awards with an introductory networking session during November 2018.

That the Council:

- Write to Chambers of Commerce etc. and request that their events not clash with the official Australia Day Awards event.
- review the nomination process for the Australia Day Awards.

That the Mayor contact the Mayor of Leeton Shire Council to gain an understanding of that Council's concern with the RAMROC based Joint Organisation proposal.

That the Council:

- Meet the cost of the National School Cricket Championships dinner; and;
- That a Sponsorship Policy be developed to clarify the basis on which Council events sponsorship is provided.

6.10. DELIVERY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT

AUTHOR: Strategic & Social Planning Coordinator

STRATEGIC OUTCOME: Good government

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE: 2.1 Berrigan Shire 2027 objectives and strategic actions facilitate the

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- 28** **RESOLVED:** Crs Taylor and Curtin that the Council Note the Delivery Program Progress Report and December 2017 Quarterly Report and Review of the Annual Operational Plan 2017/18 circulated as Appendix "I"

The Council adjourned at 12 noon.

The Leadership Group here made a presentation to the Council.

Council resumed at 1:12pm.

7. ITEMS FOR NOTING

**7.1 DEVELOPMENT DETERMINATION FOR MONTH OF
 JANUARY 2018**

- 29** **RESOLVED** Crs Glanville and Jones that Items for Noting numbered 7.1 be received and noted.

8. MAYORS REPORT

Cr Hannan reported that he had attended the following during the period:

- Staff briefing
- Disability Inclusion Day Old Woperana
- Australia Day awards
- Corporate Workshop
- Finley War Memorial Hall & School of Arts AGM
- Finley Chamber of Commerce meeting
- Finley Regional Care meeting
- Finley Chamber of Commerce sub-committee meeting

- 30** **RESOLVED** Crs Curtin and Jones that the Mayors report be received.

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9. DELEGATES REPORTS

Cr Bruce

- Barooga Advancement Group meeting x2
- Chamber Presidents meeting
- Finley Regional Care meeting
- Finley Chamber sub-committee meeting
- Cobram Barooga tourism meeting

Cr Jones

- Central Murray County Council meeting
- Tocumwal Chamber of Commerce meeting

Cr Glanville

- Australia Day awards
- Cobram Barooga tourism meeting

Cr Curtin

- Inland Rail meeting
- Australia Day awards
- Corporate Workshop
- Bendigo Bank committee
- Finley Regional Care meeting
- Berrigan Swimming Pool committee of management

Cr Taylor

- Corporate Workshop
- Finley War Memorial Hall & School of Arts AGM
- Finley Chamber of Commerce meeting
- Finley Chamber sub-committee meeting

Cr Bodey

- Tocumwal Chamber of Commerce meeting
- Australia Day awards
- Corporate Workshop
- Finley Regional Care meeting

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Bodey

- Tocumwal IGA new verandah material
- Tocumwal IGA access way & carpark
- Library extension?
- Networking funding – Tom Ellicott?
 - Moira Business breakfast

Cr Taylor

- Refugee resettlement

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Cr Curtin

- Development in Davis Street
- Operation of Visitor Information Centre

Cr Glanville

- Nil

Cr Jones

- Tocumwal Chamber signs
- Judy Renner Ingo Renner Park

Cr Bruce

- Finley Regional Care meeting – parties need to get together including the Council.
- Rural Fire Service plant relocation
- Central Murray County Council meeting

Development Manager

- Nil

Director Technical Services

- Nil

Mayor

- Con Carr shed
- Lewis Crescent lots
- Cobram Barooga RSL dedication
- Police service awards

General Manager

- Murray Darling Association Press Release support plan not politicising it
- Letter to Close's
- Central Murray Council meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2:10pm.