



# **TAMWORTH REGIONAL COUNCIL**

## **ORDINARY COUNCIL MINUTES**

of the **Meeting of Tamworth Regional Council** held in the **Council Chambers**,  
**Lands Building, 25-27 Fitzroy Street, Tamworth**

**29 APRIL 2025**

**PAUL BENNETT**  
**GENERAL MANAGER**

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25-27 Fitzroy Street, Tamworth  
**TUESDAY 29 APRIL 2025 at 6.30PM**

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**PRESENT:** Cr Russell Webb (Mayor), Cr Jeff Budd, Cr Charles Impey, Cr Mark Rodda, Cr Brendon North, Cr Matt Sharpham (via Audio Visual Link), Cr Marc Sutherland, Cr Ryan Brooke.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** The General Manager, Director Liveable Communities, Director Regional Services, Acting Director Water and Waste, Executive Manager Creative Communities and Experiences and Acting Executive Manager Strategy and Performance.

## 1 **APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

An apology was announced as having been received from Cr Stephen Mears who is unable to attend the Meeting due to personal leave.

### **MOTION**

#### **Moved Cr Brooke/Cr Sutherland**

That the apology be accepted and Cr Stephen Mears be granted leave of absence from the Meeting.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham
7. Cr Marc Sutherland
8. Cr Russell Webb

Nil

**86/25 RESOLVED**

## 2 **COMMUNITY CONSULTATION**

### **2.1 ITEM 6.1 ENDORSE A POSITION OF ADVOCATING FOR THE OLD BANKSIA MENTAL HEALTH UNIT BUILDING TO BE REPURPOSED AS A DRUG AND ALCOHOL DETOXIFICATION CENTRE**

Sandy Hawley addressed Council in support of the recommendation

### **2.2 ITEM 6.1 ENDORSE A POSITION OF ADVOCATING FOR THE OLD BANKSIA MENTAL HEALTH UNIT BUILDING TO BE REPURPOSED AS A DRUG AND ALCOHOL DETOXIFICATION CENTRE**

Geoff Flynn addressed Council in support of the recommendation

### 3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

#### MOTION

#### Moved Cr Budd/Cr Impey

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday, 8 April 2025, copies of which were circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings of the Meeting.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>FOR</b> THE DECISION	COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>AGAINST</b> THE DECISION
1. Cr Ryan Brooke	Nil
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd	
3. Cr Charles Impey	
4. Cr Brendon North	
5. Cr Mark Rodda	
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham	
7. Cr Marc Sutherland	
8. Cr Russell Webb	

**87/25 RESOLVED**

### 4 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

**Cr Brendon North** declared a conflict of interest in Item 10.1 “NSWRL Funding Request” of the Business Paper, for the reason that his business supplies to the host venue. Cr North further stated that this was a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest and that he would stay in the Chamber and participate in the debate.

**Cr Brendon North** declared a conflict of interest in Item 10.3 “Tennis Australia Funding Request” of the Business Paper, for the reason that his business supplies to the host venue. Cr North further stated that this was a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest and that he would stay in the Chamber and participate in the debate.

**Cr Brendon North** declared a conflict of interest in Item 12.2 “Proposed Licence Agreement of Accommodation Blocks at the International Flight Training Tamworth (IFTT) Facility – Tamworth Regional Airport” of the Business Paper, for the reason that his business may supply goods to a supplier of the Lessee. Cr North further stated that this was a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest and that he would stay in the Chamber and participate in the debate.

**Cr Charles Impey** declared a conflict of interest in Item 6.1 “Notice of Motion – Endorse a Position of Advocating for the Old Banksia Mental health Unit Building to be repurposed as a Drug and Alcohol Detoxification Centre” of the Business Paper, for the reason that as a community member he has been a part of the DART Committee and also participated in meetings with them in the past in a professional capacity through his employment. Cr Impey further stated that this was a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest and that he would stay in the Chamber and participate in the debate.

**Cr Matt Sharpham** declared a conflict of interest in item 12.3 “Tender T062/2025 – Cooper Street Barraba Sewer Pump Station Electrical Upgrade” of the Business Paper, for the reason that his brother wrote the report. Cr Sharpham further stated

that this was a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest, however, in accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice would not be able to participate in the debate.

## 5 MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

## 6 NOTICE OF MOTION

**Cr Charles Impey** declared a conflict of interest in this item of the Business Paper, for the reason that as a community member he has been a part of the DART Committee and also participated in meetings with them in the past in a professional capacity through his employment. Cr Impey further stated that this was a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest and that he would stay in the Chamber and participate in the debate.

### 6.1 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR RYAN BROOKE - ENDORSE A POSITION OF ADVOCATING FOR THE OLD BANKSIA MENTAL HEALTH UNIT BUILDING TO BE REPURPOSED AS A DRUG AND ALCOHOL DETOXIFICATION CENTRE

Reference: Item 10.1 to Ordinary Council 14 May 2024 - Minute No 97/24  
Item 10.2 to Ordinary Council 14 May 2024 - Minute No 98/24

#### MOTION

Moved Cr Brooke/Cr Impey

That Council:

- (i) endorse the position that the site of the current Banksia Mental Health Unit could be repurposed as a drug and alcohol detoxification centre once the new Banksia Mental Health Unit is operational;
- (ii) write to the NSW Premier, NSW Minister for Health and the Local State Member the Hon. Kevin Anderson advocating for the repurposing of the current Banksia Mental Health building for this purpose;
- (iii) request a report on actions taken by Council to assist in building a business case for a residential drug and alcohol rehabilitation centre in relation to the Council resolution made at the Ordinary Council Meeting on the 14 May 2024, as detailed in supporting commentary; and
- (iv) request that the facility, once operational, be appropriately staffed and serviced.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham
7. Cr Marc Sutherland
8. Cr Russell Webb

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

Nil

**88/25 RESOLVED**

## OPEN COUNCIL REPORTS

### 7 ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

#### 7.1 PROPOSED ROAD NAMES FOR APPROVED STAGED SUBDIVISION KNOWN AS ARCADIA WEST - DA2023-0232 DURI ROAD, HILLVUE (LOT 6 DP 1211122) - RN2025-0085

DIRECTORATE: LIVEABLE COMMUNITIES  
AUTHOR: Sam Lobsey, Manager - Development

#### MOTION

##### Moved Cr North/Cr Impey

That, in relation to the report 'Proposed Road Names for Approved Staged Subdivision known as Arcadia West - DA2023-0232 Duri Road, Hillvue (Lot 6 DP 1211122) - RN2025-0085', Council:

- (i) approve in principle the road names 'Cinnibar' Street, 'Bloodstone' Circuit, 'Obsidian' Place, 'Diamond' Drive, 'Vulcanite' Street, 'Moonstone' Way, 'Ammolite' Street, 'Hematite' Street, 'Aquamarine' Way, 'Tourmaline' Drive, 'Schorl' Drive, 'Onyx' Drive, 'Epidote' Street, 'Sunstone' Way, 'Malachite' Street, 'Grandite' Way, 'Pearl' Drive and 'Natrolite' Way;
- (ii) advertise the proposed road names as required by the Roads Act 1993 Section 162, Roads Regulation 2018 Part 2 Division 1 Section 7 to enable interested parties the opportunity to make comment; and
- (iii) provided no submissions are made which object to the proposed road names, proceed to publish the adopted names in the Government Gazette.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham
7. Cr Marc Sutherland
8. Cr Russell Webb

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

Nil

**89/25 RESOLVED**



## 7.2 PROPOSED ROAD NAMES FOR APPROVED SUBDIVISION - FOREST ROAD, MOORE CREEK (LOT 307 DP 1103639 AND LOT 69 DP 753851)

**DIRECTORATE:** LIVEABLE COMMUNITIES  
**AUTHOR:** Sam Lobsey, Manager - Development

### MOTION

#### Moved Cr Budd/Cr Sutherland

That, in relation to the report '**Error! No document variable supplied.**', Council:

- (i) approve in principle the road names:
  - a. 'Penrose' Drive;
  - b. 'Bodalla' Close; and
  - c. 'Kerewong' Close.
- (ii) advertise the proposed road names as required by the Roads Act 1993 Section 162, Roads Regulation 2018 Part 2 Division 1 Section 7 to enable interested parties the opportunity to make comment; and

provided no submissions are made which object to the proposed road name, proceed to publish the adopted name in the Government Gazette.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>FOR</b> THE DECISION	COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>AGAINST</b> THE DECISION
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| 1. Cr Ryan Brooke      | Nil |
| 2. Cr Jeffrey Budd     |     |
| 3. Cr Charles Impey    |     |
| 4. Cr Brendon North    |     |
| 5. Cr Mark Rodda       |     |
| 6. Cr Matthew Sharpham |     |
| 7. Cr Marc Sutherland  |     |
| 8. Cr Russell Webb     |     |

**90/25 RESOLVED**

## 7.3 DRAFT TAMWORTH REGIONAL RURAL LANDS STRATEGY - PROPOSED PUBLIC EXHIBITION

**DIRECTORATE:** LIVEABLE COMMUNITIES  
**AUTHOR:** Mitchell Gillogly, Team Leader – Strategic Planning

### MOTION

#### Moved Cr Impey/Cr Sutherland

- (i) approve the public exhibition of the Draft Tamworth Regional Rural Lands Strategy for a period of 28 days; and
- (ii) receive a subsequent report to a future Meeting of Council to detail the outcomes of the public exhibition process with a recommendation as to the potential adoption of the Tamworth Regional Rural Lands Strategy.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>FOR</b> THE DECISION	COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>AGAINST</b> THE DECISION
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| 1. Cr Ryan Brooke | Nil |
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2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham
7. Cr Marc Sutherland
8. Cr Russell Webb

**91/25 RESOLVED**

## **8 INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES**

### **8.1 TAMWORTH REGIONAL LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - 2 APRIL 2025**

**DIRECTORATE:** REGIONAL SERVICES  
**AUTHOR:** Graeme McKenzie, Manager - Strategy, Assets and Design

#### **MOTION**

##### **Moved Cr Budd/Cr Sutherland**

That in relation to the report "Tamworth Regional Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 2 April 2025", Council:

- (i) approve the reduction in loading zone hours fronting West Tamworth Bowling Club on Belmore Street, West Tamworth;
- (ii) approve the installation of 90 degree 'rear to kerb' parking bays and associated signage (as per the attached signage plan) on Bourke Street, Tamworth between Marius Street and the railway line;
- (iii) approve the installation of two disabled parking bays and formalised line marked parking bays fronting Tamworth Public School on Bourke Street, East Tamworth;
- (iv) approve the installation of a BL2 centre-line marking on Moore Creek Road, Moore Creek between Maysteers Lane and Davidsons Lane;
- (v) approve the installation of an additional Give Way (R1-2) sign at the intersection of Marsden Park Road and Whitehouse Lane, Calala; and
- (vi) approve the installation of a larger 'kiss and drop' area on Rowan Street, Manilla and a new disabled parking bay on Court Street, Manilla, along with various sign relocations as per the attached signage plan.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham
7. Cr Marc Sutherland
8. Cr Russell Webb

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

Nil

**92/25 RESOLVED**

## 9 GOVERNANCE, STRATEGY AND FINANCE

### 9.1 COUNCIL INVESTMENTS MARCH 2025

**DIRECTORATE:** OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER  
**AUTHOR:** Sherrill Young, Manager - Financial Services  
 Hannah Allwood, Accountant

#### MOTION

##### Moved Cr Brooke/Cr Sutherland

That in relation to the report “**Error! No document variable supplied.**”, Council receive and note the report.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>FOR</b> THE DECISION	COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>AGAINST</b> THE DECISION
1. Cr Ryan Brooke 2. Cr Jeffrey Budd 3. Cr Charles Impey 4. Cr Brendon North 5. Cr Mark Rodda 6. Cr Matthew Sharpham 7. Cr Marc Sutherland 8. Cr Russell Webb	Nil

**93/25 RESOLVED**

### 9.2 DRAFT SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

**DIRECTORATE:** OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER  
**AUTHOR:** Karen Litchfield, Internal Auditor

#### MOTION

##### Moved Cr Impey/Cr Sharpham

That in relation to the report “Draft Social Media Policy”, Council:

- (i) endorse the Draft Social Media Policy to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days; and
- (ii) request a further report to Council to consider any feedback received throughout the public exhibition period and present for formal adoption of the final Social Media Policy.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>FOR</b> THE DECISION	COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>AGAINST</b> THE DECISION
1. Cr Ryan Brooke 2. Cr Jeffrey Budd 3. Cr Charles Impey 4. Cr Brendon North 5. Cr Mark Rodda 6. Cr Matthew Sharpham 7. Cr Marc Sutherland 8. Cr Russell Webb	Nil

**94/25 RESOLVED**

### 9.3 ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN 2024/2025 BUDGET VARIATION REPORT - MARCH 2025

**DIRECTORATE:** CORPORATE AND GOVERNANCE  
**AUTHOR:** Laura Mills, Corporate Accountant

**Reference:** Item to Ordinary Council 25 June 2024 - Minute No 148/24

#### MOTION

##### Moved Cr Sutherland/Cr North

That in relation to the report “Annual Operational Plan 2024/2025 Budget Variation Report - March 2025”, Council note and approve the variations to the existing budget as listed in ATTACHED refer ANNEXURE 1 to the report.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham
7. Cr Marc Sutherland
8. Cr Russell Webb

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

Nil

**95/25 RESOLVED**

### 9.4 APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT CHAIR TO AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

**DIRECTORATE:** OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER  
**AUTHOR:** Karen Litchfield, Internal Auditor

#### MOTION

##### Moved Cr Sharpham/Cr Budd

That in relation to the report “Appointment of Independent Chair to Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee”, Council appoint Mr Robert Lagaida as Chair to the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee until April 2029.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham
7. Cr Marc Sutherland
8. Cr Russell Webb

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

Nil

**96/25 RESOLVED**

## 10 COMMUNITY SERVICES

**Cr Brendon North** declared a conflict of interest in this Item of the Business Paper, for the reason that his business supplies to the host venue. Cr North further stated that this was a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest and that he would stay in the Chamber and participate in the debate.

### 10.1 NSWRL FUNDING REQUEST

**DIRECTORATE:** CREATIVE COMMUNITIES AND EXPERIENCES  
**AUTHOR:** Linda Bridges, Coordinator Visitor Economy

#### MOTION

##### Moved Cr Impey/Cr North

That in relation to the report “NSWRL Funding Request”, Council approves the request of \$20,000 for the NSWRL Regional Magic Round 2025.

#### COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR** THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham
7. Cr Marc Sutherland
8. Cr Russell Webb

#### COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST** THE DECISION

Nil

**97/25 RESOLVED**

### 10.2 TAMWORTH REGIONAL PRECINCT ADVISORY COMMITTEES - DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE AND OPERATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS.

**DIRECTORATE:** LIVEABLE COMMUNITIES  
**AUTHOR:** Gina Vereker, Director Liveable Communities

#### MOTION

##### Moved Cr Budd/Cr Brooke

- (iii) commences the process to establish the following Precinct Advisory Committees in:
  - Barraba;
  - Dungowan/Nundle;
  - Kootingal/Moonbi/Bendemeer; and
  - Manilla;
- (iv) adopt the boundaries and localities contained within each precinct as indicated on the region map attached to this report;
- (v) undertake a broad reaching Expression of Interest process to invite community members to apply for membership of each Precinct Advisory Committee;

- (vi) acknowledge that the required support and management of the new Precinct Advisory Committees will necessitate an additional staff resource within Council's Place Management team with the budget to be sourced from the General Fund;
- (vii) workshop the Terms of Reference for Tamworth Regional Precinct Advisory Committees with the intent of achieving the best outcomes possible to allow the community to achieve its goals and aspirations; and
- (viii) request a further report to Council once the Terms of Reference have been finalised for adoption and appoint community members to the Precinct Advisory Committee.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham
7. Cr Marc Sutherland
8. Cr Russell Webb

Nil

**98/25 RESOLVED**

**Cr Brendon North** declared a conflict of interest in this Item of the Business Paper, for the reason that his business supplies to the host venue. Cr North further stated that this was a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest and that he would stay in the Chamber and participate in the debate.

### 10.3 TENNIS AUSTRALIA FUNDING REQUEST

This Item Removed from the Business Paper prior to the Meeting for further investigation.

## 11 REPORTS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED COUNCIL

At 7.16pm, the Chairperson offered the opportunity to members of the public to make representations as to whether any part of the Council Meeting should not be considered in Closed Council.

The General Manager advised the Chairperson that no written public submissions or representations had been received as to whether or not part of the Meeting should be closed to the public. The Chairperson asked any members of the Council whether any part of the Council Meeting should not be considered in Closed Council.

### MOTION

#### Moved Cr Budd/Cr North

That the confidential reports as listed be considered in a Meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North

Nil

5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Matthew Sharpham
7. Cr Marc Sutherland
8. Cr Russell Webb

**99/25 RESOLVED**

**11.1 PROPOSED LEASE OF COUNCIL LAND - VRA RESCUE SHED IN BARRABA**

**DIRECTORATE: OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER**

**AUTHOR: Nicholas Hawkins, Commercial Property Officer**

**Reference: Item 12.2 to Ordinary Council 6 June 2023 - Minute No 132/23**

The Council will determine this matter in part of the Meeting closed to the public pursuant to Section 10A(2) (c)&(d)i of the Local Government Act 1993 on the grounds that the matter and information is information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

**11.2 PROPOSED LICENCE AGREEMENT OF ACCOMMODATION BLOCKS AT THE INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT TRAINING TAMWORTH (IFTT) FACILITY - TAMWORTH REGIONAL AIRPORT**

**DIRECTORATE: OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER**

**AUTHOR: Nicholas Hawkins, Commercial Property Officer  
Billy Gleeson-Barker, Manager Aviation Precinct**

**Reference: Item 12.1 to Ordinary Council 10 October 2023 - Minute No 261/23**

**Item 12.5 to Ordinary Council 13 August 2024 - Minute No. 223/24**

The Council will determine this matter in part of the Meeting closed to the public pursuant to Section 10A(2) (c)&(d)i of the Local Government Act 1993 on the grounds that the matter and information is information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

**11.3 TENDER T062/2025 - COOPER STREET BARRABA SEWER PUMP STATION ELECTRICAL UPGRADE**

**DIRECTORATE: WATER AND WASTE**

**AUTHOR: Benjamin Sharpham, Water Engineer - Roatation  
Daniel Coe, Manager - Water and Environmental Operations**

**1 CONFIDENTIAL ENCLOSURES ENCLOSED**

The Council will determine this matter in part of the Meeting closed to the public pursuant to Section 10A(2) (d)i of the Local Government Act 1993 on the grounds that the matter and information is commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

**11.4 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - E060/2025 - 428 WALLAMORE ROAD WESTDALE PROPOSED LEASE OR LICENCE AGREEMENT OF RURAL LAND**

**DIRECTORATE: OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER**

**AUTHOR: Nicholas Hawkins, Commercial Property Officer**



**Daniel Coe, Manager - Water and Environmental Operations**

**Reference: Item 12.2 to Ordinary Council 13 August 2024 - Minute No 219/24**

The Council will determine this matter in part of the Meeting closed to the public pursuant to Section 10A(2) (c)&(d)i of the Local Government Act 1993 on the grounds that the matter and information is information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it. Cr Matthew Sharpham, who attended via audio visual link, left the Meeting, the time being 7:16pm, in accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice.

## **12 CLOSED COUNCIL REPORTS**

Cr Matt Sharpham left the meeting at 7.19pm, in accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice.

### **12.1 PROPOSED LEASE OF COUNCIL LAND - VRA RESCUE SHED IN BARRABA**

**DIRECTORATE: OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER**  
**AUTHOR: Nicholas Hawkins, Commercial Property Officer**

**Reference: Item 12.2 to Ordinary Council 6 June 2023 - Minute No 132/23**

#### **MOTION**

**Moved Cr Rodda/Cr Brooke**

That in relation to the report "Proposed Lease of Council Land - VRA Rescue Shed in Barraba", Council:

- (i) authorise the Mayor and General Manager to negotiate the Lease of the Council land referred to in the body of this report; and
- (ii) authorise the affixing of the Seal of Council to the Lease and any other documentation required to give effect to Council's Resolution.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Marc Sutherland
7. Cr Russell Webb

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

Nil

**100/25 RESOLVED**

**Cr Brendon North** declared a conflict of interest in this item of the Business Paper, for the reason that his business from may from time to time supply the Lessee with goods. Cr North further declared that this was a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest and would stay in the chamber and participate in the debate.

### **12.2 PROPOSED LICENCE AGREEMENT OF ACCOMMODATION BLOCKS AT THE INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT TRAINING TAMWORTH (IFTT) FACILITY - TAMWORTH REGIONAL AIRPORT**



**DIRECTORATE:**  
**AUTHOR:**

**OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER**  
**Nicholas Hawkins, Commercial Property Officer**  
**Billy Gleeson-Barker, Manager Aviation Precinct**

**Reference:**

**Item 12.1 to Ordinary Council 10 October 2023 - Minute No 261/23**  
**Item 12.5 to Ordinary Council 13 August 2024 - Minute No. 223/24**

## **MOTION**

### **Moved Cr Budd/Cr Sutherland**

That in relation to the report “Proposed Licence Agreement of Accommodation Blocks at the International Flight Training Tamworth (IFTT) Facility - Tamworth Regional Airport”, Council:

- (i) authorise the Mayor and General Manager to negotiate the terms and enter into new licence agreements as set out in the body of this report; and
- (ii) authorise the affixing of the Seal of Council to the licence agreement, and any other associated documentation in order to give effect to Council's Resolution.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

1. Cr Ryan Brooke
2. Cr Jeffrey Budd
3. Cr Charles Impey
4. Cr Brendon North
5. Cr Mark Rodda
6. Cr Marc Sutherland
7. Cr Russell Webb

Nil

**101/25 RESOLVED**

**Cr Matt Sharpham** declared a conflict of interest in this item of the Business Paper, for the reason that his brother wrote the report. Cr Sharpham further stated that this was a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest however, in accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice would not be able to participate in the debate.

## **12.3 TENDER T062/2025 - COOPER STREET BARRABA SEWER PUMP STATION ELECTRICAL UPGRADE**

**DIRECTORATE:**  
**AUTHOR:**

**WATER AND WASTE**  
**Benjamin Sharpham, Water Engineer - Rotation**  
**Daniel Coe, Manager - Water and Environmental Operations**

**1 CONFIDENTIAL ENCLOSURES ENCLOSED**

## **MOTION**

### **Moved Cr Brooke/Cr Sutherland**

That in relation to the report “Tender T062/2025 - Cooper Street Barraba Sewer Pump Station Electrical Upgrade”, Council accept the tender submission from Shay Brennan Pty Ltd as the preferred contractor to undertake the works as detailed in the body of the report.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

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| 1. Cr Ryan Brooke     | Nil |
| 2. Cr Jeffrey Budd    |     |
| 3. Cr Charles Impey   |     |
| 4. Cr Brendon North   |     |
| 5. Cr Mark Rodda      |     |
| 6. Cr Marc Sutherland |     |
| 7. Cr Russell Webb    |     |

**102/25 RESOLVED**

**12.4 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - E060/2025 - 428 WALLAMORE ROAD  
WESTDALE PROPOSED LEASE OR LICENCE AGREEMENT OF RURAL LAND**

**DIRECTORATE:** OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER  
**AUTHOR:** Nicholas Hawkins, Commercial Property Officer  
Daniel Coe, Manager - Water and Environmental Operations

**Reference:** Item 12.2 to Ordinary Council 13 August 2024 - Minute No 219/24

**MOTION**

**Moved Cr Budd/Cr North**

That in relation to the report "Expression of Interest - E060/2025 - 428 Wallamore Road Westdale Proposed Lease or Licence Agreement of Rural Land", Council:

- (i) receive and note the outcome of Expression of Interest E060-2025 – 428 Wallamore Road, Westdale - Proposed Lease or Licence Agreement of Rural Land;
- (ii) notify the proponents of the outcome of the Expression of Interest;
- (iii) authorise the Mayor and General Manager to negotiate and enter into a licence agreement with the nominated party, being Party 1, on the terms set out in the body of this report;
- (iv) authorise the affixing of the Seal of Council to the licence agreement and any other associated documentation in order to give effect to Council's Resolution; and
- (v) request an appropriate financial instrument be put in place to guarantee the works to remediate the property are undertaken to a suitable standard for Party 1.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **FOR**  
THE DECISION

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| 1. Cr Ryan Brooke     |
| 2. Cr Jeffrey Budd    |
| 3. Cr Charles Impey   |
| 4. Cr Brendon North   |
| 5. Cr Mark Rodda      |
| 6. Cr Marc Sutherland |
| 7. Cr Russell Webb    |

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED **AGAINST**  
THE DECISION

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Nil

**103/25 RESOLVED**

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## 13 RESOLUTIONS PASSED IN CLOSED COUNCIL

### MOTION

#### Moved Cr Budd/Cr North

That Council move into Open Council.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>FOR</b> THE DECISION	COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED <b>AGAINST</b> THE DECISION
1. Cr Ryan Brooke 2. Cr Jeffrey Budd 3. Cr Charles Impey 4. Cr Brendon North 5. Cr Mark Rodda 6. Cr Marc Sutherland 7. Cr Russell Webb	Nil

### 104/25 RESOLVED

At 7.28pm the Meeting moved back into Open Council.

In accordance with the Tamworth Regional Council Code of Meeting Practice, Section 14.21, the Chairperson provided a summary of the resolutions passed in Closed Council.

**Closure:** There being no further business the Ordinary Meeting of Council concluded at 7.29pm

Cr Russell Webb, Chairperson

Tuesday, 13 May 2025

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