



# REPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BUSINESS AND CORPORATE COMMITTEE 19 FEBRUARY 2018

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**PRESENT:** Councillors J Diffey, V Etheridge, D Grant, D Gumley, A Jones, S Lawrence, G Mohr, K Parker, J Ryan and B Shields.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

The General Manager, the Director Corporate Services, the Manager Governance and Risk (S Wade), the Administrative Officer Governance, the Director Economic Development and Business, the Communications Coordinator, the Director Infrastructure and Operations, the Manager Transport and Emergency, the Manager Water Supply and Sewerage, the Manager Infrastructure Strategy, the Manager Business Support – Infrastructure, the Director Planning and Environment, the Manager Building and Development Services, the Statutory Planning Services Team Leader, the Manager Strategic Planning Services, the Strategic Planning Supervisor, the Senior Planner, the Director Community and Recreation the Manager Social Services.

Councillor G Mohr assumed chairmanship of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 6.21pm.

**EDBC18/1 REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BUSINESS AND CORPORATE COMMITTEE - MEETING 11 DECEMBER 2017 (ID18/8)**

The Committee had before it the report of the Economic Development, Business and Corporate Committee meeting held 11 December 2017.

Moved by Councillor D Grant and seconded by Councillor K Parker

**MOTION**

**The Committee recommends that the report of the Economic Development, Business and Corporate Committee meeting held on 11 December 2017, be adopted.**

**CARRIED**

**EDBC18/2 2017/2018 OPERATIONAL PLAN - DECEMBER 2017 QUARTERLY REVIEW  
(ID18/217)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 7 February 2018 from the General Manager regarding 2017/2018 Operational Plan - December 2017 Quarterly Review.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

**MOTION**

The Committee recommends:

1. That the Quarterly Operational Plan Review Statements as at 31 December 2017, as attached to the report of the General Manager dated 7 February 2017, be adopted and such sums voted for such purpose.
2. That the Statement of the Responsible Accounting Officer that Council is in a satisfactory financial position having regard to the changes herewith to the original budget, be noted.
3. That the contracts, consultants, legal expenses and cash and investments information be noted.

**CARRIED**

**EDBC18/3 PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR THE MAYOR AND  
COUNCILLORS (ID18/224)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 7 February 2018 from the General Manager regarding Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for the Mayor and Councillors.

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor D Gumley

**MOTION**

The Committee recommends that the policy "Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for the Mayor and Councillors" as attached as Appendix 1 to the report of the General Manager dated 7 February 2018, be placed on Public Exhibition for a period of twenty eight (28) days inviting the public to make submissions.

**CARRIED**

**EDBC18/4 ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT ORGANISATIONS (ID18/230)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 9 February 2018 from the General Manager regarding Establishment of Joint Organisations.

Moved by Councillor B Shields and seconded by Councillor S Lawrence

**MOTION**

The Committee recommends:

1. That Council receive and note the information contained within the report of the General Manager dated 9 February 2018.
2. That Council hold a workshop in March 2018 to review the benefits of a Joint Organisation after the Regulations are released.
3. That a further report regarding Council potentially joining a joint organisation be prepared by the General Manager for Council's consideration in March 2018.

**CARRIED**

**EDBC18/5 MANAGING UNREASONABLE COMPLAINANT CONDUCT (UCC) POLICY (ID18/238)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 12 February 2018 from the Internal Ombudsman regarding Managing Unreasonable Complainant Conduct (UCC) Policy.

Moved by Councillor B Shields and seconded by Councillor D Gumley

**MOTION**

The Committee recommends that the draft Unreasonable Complainant Conduct (UCC) Policy as attached to the report of the Internal Ombudsman dated 12 February 2018 as Appendix 1 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**EDBC18/6 INVESTMENTS UNDER SECTION 625 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT - JANUARY 2018 (ID18/212)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 5 February 2018 from the Director Corporate Services regarding Investments Under Section 625 of the Local Government Act - January 2018.

Moved by Councillor B Shields and seconded by Councillor J Diffey

**MOTION**

The Committee recommends that the information provided within the report of the Director Corporate Services, dated 5 February 2018 be noted.

**CARRIED**

*Councillor K Parker declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Committee and left the room and was out of sight during the Committee's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor K Parker is the Manager of the Dubbo Branch of the Bank of Queensland, a bank that Council has funds invested with.*

**EDBC18/7 INVESTMENTS UNDER SECTION 625 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT -  
DECEMBER 2017 (ID18/211)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 5 February 2018 from the Director Corporate Services regarding Investments Under Section 625 of the Local Government Act - December 2017.

Moved by Councillor B Shields and seconded by Councillor D Gumley

**MOTION**

**The Committee recommends that the information provided within the report of the Director Corporate Services, dated 5 February 2018 be noted.**

**CARRIED**

*Councillor K Parker declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Committee and left the room and was out of sight during the Committee's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor K Parker is the Manager of the Dubbo Branch of the Bank of Queensland, a bank that Council has funds invested with.*

**EDBC18/8 CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE (ID18/210)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 5 February 2018 from the Manager Governance and Risk regarding Code of Meeting Practice.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor B Shields

**MOTION**

**The Committee recommends that the draft Code of Meeting Practice and Meeting Procedures as appended to the report of the Manager Governance and Risk dated 5 February 2018 be adopted.**

**CARRIED**

**EDBC18/9 COMMUNITY SUPPORT BASED PROCUREMENT POLICY (ID18/245)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 12 February 2018 from the Manager Financial Operations regarding Community Support Based Procurement Policy.

Moved by Councillor B Shields and seconded by Councillor D Gumley

**MOTION**

**The Committee recommends that the draft Community Support Based Procurement Policy as attached to the report of the Manager Financial Operations dated 12 February 2018 be adopted.**

**CARRIED**

**EDBC18/10 REQUEST FOR REVIEW OF WATER CONSUMPTION AND NON-RESIDENTIAL SEWER CHARGES ISSUED FOR 135-141 BRISBANE STREET DUBBO (ID18/202)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 1 February 2018 from the Revenue Accountant regarding Request for review of Water Consumption and Non-Residential Sewer Charges issued for 135-141 Brisbane Street Dubbo.

Moved by Councillor S Lawrence and seconded by Councillor D Grant

**MOTION**

**The Committee recommends:**

- 1. That the Non-Residential Sewer Charges issued for the period 1 December 2016 to 2 June 2017, being billing periods 3 and 4 of the 2016/2017 financial year, be adjusted with the accounts to be based on average water consumption for the corresponding billing periods for the last three financial years.**
- 2. That as a result of recommendation 1 above an amount of \$20,698.70 be written off.**

**CARRIED**

*Councillor D Gumley declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Committee and remained in the room during the Committee's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Dubbo Court House is a location where Councillor D Gumley performs a significant part of his employment and that such interest would not impair his decision making on the matter.*

*Councillor G Mohr declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Committee and remained in the room during the Committee's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor G Mohr is employed by the Department of Justice, Dubbo Court House is one of his work locations and that such interest would not impair his decision making on the matter.*

**EDBC18/11 REQUEST FOR ADJUSTMENT TO NON-RESIDENTIAL SEWER AND TRADE WASTE ACCOUNTS FOR 161 BRISBANE STREET DUBBO (ID18/193)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 1 February 2018 from the Revenue Accountant regarding Request for Adjustment to Non-Residential Sewer and Trade Waste Accounts for 161 Brisbane Street Dubbo.

Moved by Councillor K Parker and seconded by Councillor D Grant

**MOTION**

The Committee recommends:

1. That the Non-Residential Sewer Charges and Trade Waste Treatment Charges for the period 2 June 2017 to 1 December 2017, being billing period 1 and 2 of the 2017/2018 financial year, be adjusted with the accounts to be based on the average water consumption for the corresponding billing periods for the last three financial years.
2. That as a result of recommendation 1 above an amount of \$21,190.32 be written off.

**CARRIED**

At this juncture the meeting adjourned, the time being 6.34pm.

The meeting recommenced at 6.36pm.

**EDBC18/12 THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROPOSED AEROMEDICAL FACILITY AT THE DUBBO CITY REGIONAL AIRPORT (T17-050) (ID18/244)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 12 February 2018 from the Director Economic Development and Business regarding The Construction of the Proposed Aeromedical Facility at the Dubbo City Regional Airport (T17-050).

Moved by Councillor D Gumley and seconded by Councillor A Jones

**MOTION**

The Committee recommends that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).

**CARRIED**

Moved by Councillor B Shields and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

**MOTION**

The Committee recommends:

1. That the tender from MAAS Civil Pty Ltd be accepted in the amount of \$2,095,347.24 (ex GST).
2. That any necessary documentation in relation to this matter be executed under the common seal of the Council.
3. That the documents and considerations in regard to this matter remain confidential to Council.

**CARRIED**

**EDBC18/13 QUOTATION FOR THE RELOCATION OF BUILDINGS AT THE RURAL FIRE SERVICE TRAINING FACILITY (Q17-042) (ID18/231)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 9 February 2018 from the Manager Property Assets regarding Quotation for the Relocation of Buildings at the Rural Fire Service Training Facility (Q17-042).

Moved by Councillor D Gumley and seconded by Councillor A Jones

**MOTION**

The Committee recommends that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).

**CARRIED**

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor D Grant

**MOTION**

The Committee recommends:

1. That negotiations are carried out with the three building owners and an alternative arrangement be approved by the General Manager and the Project Working Group with regard to their relocation/demolition.
2. That the documents and considerations in regard to this matter remain confidential to Council.

**CARRIED**

The meeting closed at 6.37pm.

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CHAIRMAN