



REPORT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 25 NOVEMBER 2019

PRESENT: Councillors V Etheridge, D Grant, D Gumley, G Mohr, K Parker, J Ryan and B Shields.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The Chief Executive Officer, the Executive Manager People, Culture and Safety, the Manager Governance Operations, the Administration Officer Governance, the Community Support Officer, the Communications Partner, the Director Organisational Performance (J Bassingthwaite), the Director Culture and Economy, the Director Infrastructure, the Director Development and Environment, the Manager Growth Planning, the Growth Planner, and the Director Liveability.

Councillor B Shields assumed chairmanship of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 5.30pm at the Dubbo Civic Administration Building, Council Chamber, with a prayer for Divine Guidance to the Council in its deliberations and activities. The acknowledgement of country was also read by Councillor K Parker.

CCL19/206 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (ID19/1543)

Confirmation of the minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 4 November 2019.

Moved by Councillor G Mohr and seconded by Councillor K Parker

MOTION

That the minutes of the proceedings of the Dubbo Regional Council at the Ordinary Council meeting held on 4 November 2019 comprising pages 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 of the series and Extraordinary Council meeting held on 14 November 2019 comprising pages 16 and 17 of the series be taken as read, confirmed as correct minutes and signed by the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED

CCL19/207 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (ID19/1544)

Requests for leave of absence were received from Councillors J Diffey, A Jones and S Lawrence who were absent from the meeting due to personal reasons.

Moved by Councillor D Gumley and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That such requests for leave of absence be accepted and Councillors J Diffey A Jones and S Lawrence be granted leave of absence from this meeting.

CARRIED

CCL19/208 PUBLIC FORUM (ID19/1545)

The council reports having met with the following persons during Public Forum:

- Karina McLaughlin - regarding CCL19/224 – Draft Community Participation Plan – Results of Public Exhibition.
- Della Burns – regarding CCL19/224 – Draft Community Participation Plan – Results of Public Exhibition.
- Natalie Burns - regarding CCL19/224 – Draft Community Participation Plan – Results of Public Exhibition.
- Greg Smyth – regarding 5G towers – associated health risks

MAYORAL MINUTE

CCL219/208A PARTNERSHIP WITH TEAM RUBICON, CLUBS NSW AND DUBBO REGIONAL COUNCIL

The Council had before it the Mayoral Minute regarding Partnership with Team Rubicon, Clubs NSW and Dubbo Regional Council to deliver water supplies to farmers in the Local Government Area.

Moved by Councillor B Shields

MOTION

1. **That Council provide the supply of potable water via Council's standpipes to Team Rubicon for the delivery of potable water to drought stricken farmers in the Local Government Area.**
2. **That Council promote this wonderful initiative through Council's Corporate Image and Communications branch, Council's Website and other media channels that Council has access to.**

CARRIED

MATTERS CONSIDERED BY COMMITTEES:

**CCL19/209 REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - MEETING
11 NOVEMBER 2019 (ID19/1546)**

The Council had before it the report of the Development and Environment Committee meeting held 11 November 2019.

Moved by Councillor G Mohr and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That the report of the Development and Environment Committee meeting held on 11 November 2019, be noted.

CARRIED

**CCL19/210 REPORT OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND LIVEABILITY COMMITTEE - MEETING
11 NOVEMBER 2019 (ID19/1547)**

The Council had before it the report of the Infrastructure and Liveability Committee meeting held 11 November 2019.

Moved by Councillor G Mohr and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That the report of the Infrastructure and Liveability Committee meeting held on 11 November 2019, be noted.

CARRIED

**CCL19/211 REPORT OF THE CULTURE, ECONOMY AND CORPORATE COMMITTEE-
MEETING 11 NOVEMBER 2019 (ID19/1548)**

The Council had before it the report of the Culture, Economy and Corporate Committee meeting held 11 November 2019.

Moved by Councillor D Gumley and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That the report of the Culture, Economy and Corporate Committee meeting held on 11 November 2019, be noted.

CARRIED

**CCL19/212 REPORT OF THE DUBBO REGIONAL AIRPORTS COMMITTEE - MEETING 14
NOVEMBER 2019 (ID19/1567)**

The Council had before it the report of the Dubbo Regional Airports Committee meeting held 14 November 2019.

Moved by Councillor G Mohr and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

That the report of the Dubbo Regional Airports Committee meeting held on 14 November 2019, be adopted.

CARRIED

**CCL19/213 REPORT OF THE AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - MEETING 18
NOVEMBER 2019 (ID19/1568)**

The Council had before it the report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting held 18 November 2019.

Moved by Councillor K Parker and seconded by Councillor G Mohr

MOTION

That the report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting held on 18 November 2019, be adopted.

CARRIED

NOTICES OF MOTION:

CCL19/214 TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION WELLINGTON (ID19/1570)

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 19 November 2019 from Councillor D Grant regarding the Temporary Accommodation Wellington.

Moved by Councillor D Grant and seconded by Councillor G Mohr

MOTION

- 1. That the Chief Executive Officer investigate the possibilities of making land available in the Wellington township to help facilitate the construction of temporary accommodation with a report to be presented at the February 2020 Council meeting.**
- 2. That such land that council sees suitable for this type of accommodation arrangement**
- 3. That any such construction on this council owned or managed land would be of a temporary nature and not be undertaken by council.**

CARRIED

CCL19/215 EXTENSION OF BUSHRANGERS CREEK ROAD WALKING PATH (ID19/1571)

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 19 November 2019 from Councillor D Grant regarding the Extension of Bushrangers Creek Road Walking Path.

Moved by Councillor D Grant and seconded by Councillor G Mohr

MOTION

1. That the Chief Executive Officer provide a report to the April 2020 Council meeting on the extension of the Bush Rangers Creek Road walking path from Brennan's Way to the start of Scenic Drive at the base of Mount Arthur (Stage 2).
2. That the report include full costings, concept plan and potential funding avenues to see this project achieved.

CARRIED

CCL19/216 CASINO LICENCE FOR DUBBO (ID19/1573)

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 19 November 2019 from Councillor J Ryan regarding the Casino Licence for Dubbo.

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That the Chief Executive Officer be requested to advocate to the State Government to change the current regulations to permit a restricted gaming licence in Dubbo.
2. That council note its immediate preference that any third casino not contain poker machines.
3. That the report be included for consideration for the April 2020 meeting of Dubbo Regional Council."

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

CCL19/217 WATER STRATEGY - NOVEMBER 2019 (ID19/1542)

The Council had before it the report dated 13 November 2019 from the Chief Executive Officer regarding Water Strategy - November 2019.

Moved by Councillor D Gumley and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

1. That report of the Chief Executive Officer dated 13 November 2019, be noted.
2. That Council develop a suite of local water supply initiatives across the LGA based on an integrated water supply system which effectively addresses the immediate water supply needs during the current drought as well as providing long term resilience for future droughts. These initiatives include, but are not limited to:

- a. The development of additional groundwater sources in Dubbo and Wellington and the re-establishment of groundwater sources in Geurie.
 - b. The targeted use of recycled water as replacement water for existing surface or groundwater supplies, where these existing supplies can then be used to augment town water supplies.
 - c. Development of urban stormwater harvesting schemes.
 - d. The re-use of backwash water at the Dubbo Water Filtration Plant.
 - e. Securing additional groundwater for town water use through either temporary trading or permanent purchase.
 - f. Investigating the development of a Managed Aquifer Recharge Scheme.
3. That Council proceed with necessary infrastructure works to deliver these initiatives including:
- a. Investigation of new groundwater sources in Wellington, with development of new bores if suitable groundwater supplies are found.
 - b. Re-establishment of bores in Geurie.
 - c. Development of an integrated groundwater supply network in Dubbo which optimises the effectiveness of individual bores and maximises the efficiency of the entire network, without long term adverse impact on the groundwater resource.
 - d. Construction of a pipe network in Dubbo which:
 - i. Connects existing recreational bores in the City to the Water Filtration Plant to enable groundwater extractions from these bores to be used to augment the City's water supply; and
 - ii. Enables high quality recycled water to be piped from the Sewage Treatment Plant to appropriate locations across the City for re-use as a replacement water source, including key open space areas, Taronga Western Plains Zoo and other identified locations where recycled water use offers the highest value outcome to Council.
 - e. Construction of a backwash re-use system at Dubbo Water Filtration Plant.
 - f. Development of Stage 1 of the Dubbo Stormwater Harvesting Scheme.
4. That Council develop a Recycled Water Management Plan to identify the necessary levels of additional treatment required to ensure recycled water use is of an appropriate quality standard for its intended re-use, and deliver these additional treatment processes as part of the implementation of the Plan.
5. That Council review its current use of recycled water at Greengrove, and the supply of recycled water to existing commercial operators, with a further confidential report on this issue to be prepared for Council early in the New Year.
6. That Council consider the outcomes of the current Expression of Interest process to secure additional temporary or permanent water through the water market, with responses used to develop agreements which offer the greatest benefit to Council and authorise the Chief Executive Officer to enter into water trading purchase agreements on behalf of Council.
7. That Council support, in principle, the development of a Regional Water Supply Pipe Network to enhance the long term security of urban water to all communities currently supplied by the Macquarie River downstream of Burrendong Dam.
8. That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to finalise and sign the Dubbo Drought and Groundwater Infrastructure Project Funding Deed with Department

Planning Industry and Environment.

9. That Council jointly seek funding assistance from the NSW Government, as a matter of urgency, in conjunction with Narromine Shire, Bogan Shire, Warren Shire and Cobar Shire councils to:
 - a. Undertake a comprehensive business case assessment of the Regional Water Supply Pipe Network project.
 - b. Develop a long term financial model for the project which is sustainable for Council.
 - c. Develop a governance model for the development and operation of the pipeline project based on regional collaboration amongst associated Councils; and
 - d. Progress the technical development of the project to a 'shovel ready' stage by April 2020.
 - e. Engage a suitably qualified consultant to act for the group of councils in developing each stage of the project planning process.
10. That Council examine options, in collaboration with Department Planning Industry and Environment Water and Water NSW, to extend critical urban water supplies in the lower Macquarie River catchment and fast-track delivery of the Regional Water Supply Pipe Network project, including staged construction options, with the aim of ensuring a continued supply of water to all urban centres supplied by the Macquarie River downstream of Burrendong Dam.

CARRIED

CCL19/218 2018/2019 ANNUAL REPORT (INCLUDING STATUTORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS) (ID19/1436)

The Council had before it the report dated 12 November 2019 from the Chief Executive Officer regarding 2018/2019 Annual Report (including Statutory Reporting Requirements).

Moved by Councillor D Grant and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That the 2018/2019 Annual Report as attached Appendix 1 to the report of the Chief Executive Officer dated 12 November 2019 be adopted.
2. That the 2018/2019 Annual Report be published on Council's website.
3. That the 2018/2019 Annual Report be forwarded to the Office of Local Government.

CARRIED

CCL19/219 SEPTEMBER 2019 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENTS (ID19/1492)

The Council had before it the report dated 4 November 2019 from the Chief Executive Officer regarding September 2019 Quarterly Budget Review Statements.

Moved by Councillor D Gumley and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

- 1. That the Quarterly Budget Review Statements as at 30 September 2019, as attached to the report of the Chief Executive Officer dated 4 November 2019, 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.**

CARRIED

CCL19/220 PRESENTATION OF COUNCIL'S 2018/2019 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (ID19/1558)

The Council had before it the report dated 14 November 2019 from the Chief Financial Officer regarding Presentation of Council's 2018/2019 Financial Statements.

Moved by Councillor G Mohr and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That the General Purpose Financial Statements and the Special Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2019 be accepted by Council.

CARRIED

CCL19/221 'DESTINATION DUBBO': INTERNATIONAL READY - PROJECT OVERVIEW (ID19/1458)

The Council had before it the report dated 14 November 2019 from the Director Culture and Economy regarding 'Destination Dubbo': International Ready - Project Overview.

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

- 1. That the information in the report by the Director Culture and Economy dated 14 November 2019 be noted.**
- 2. That to progress with construction of the Old Dubbo Gaol Heritage Plaza, that the CEO be authorised to undertake the required acquisition of 92 Macquarie Street, Dubbo.**
- 3. That the CEO be authorised to undertake an Expressions of Interest process and make subsequent appointments to the Wiradjuri Technical Advisory Panel that will provide advice to Council on the development of the Dubbo Wiradjuri Tourism Centre and Aboriginal interpretation across the other 'Destination Dubbo' projects.**

CARRIED

CCL19/222 INITIATIVES TO BUILD LOCAL BUSINESS CONFIDENCE AND SUPPORT LOCAL SPEND. (ID19/1540)

The Council had before it the report dated 12 November 2019 from the Manager Economic Development and Marketing regarding Initiatives to build local business confidence and support local spend.

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor D Grant

MOTION

That the report from Manager Economic Development and Marketing dated 12 November 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED

CCL19/223 WESTERN PLAINS CULTURAL CENTRE - DRAFT FEES AND CHARGES - 2019/2020 (ID19/1414)

The Council had before it the report dated 14 November 2019 from the Manager Regional Experiences regarding Western Plains Cultural Centre - Draft Fees and Charges - 2019/2020.

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor D Gumley

MOTION

- 1. That the report from the Manager Regional Experiences dated 14 November 2019 be noted.**
- 2. That the proposed changes to the Western Plains Cultural Centre Fees and Charges 2019/2020 as amended and included here in Appendix 1, be adopted by Council and commence operation on 1 January 2020.**
- 3. That the proposed fee for “(community) Annual Hire Fee – Licence Agreement – Per Room \$2,500.00 ” as included here in Appendix 1, be adopted by Council, commence operation on 1 January 2020 and be carried through to the adoption of the 2020/2021 Revenue Policy.**
- 4. That all existing Permanent Hire Agreements currently held with Community Groups remain in affect until the expiry date of the agreement.**
- 5. That any Community Group that does not have an Annual Hire Fee – Licence Agreement must vacate the Western Plains Cultural Centre by 31 December 2019.**

CARRIED

CCL19/224 DRAFT COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION PLAN - RESULTS OF PUBLIC EXHIBITION (ID19/1480)

The Council had before it the report dated 8 November 2019 from the Growth Planner regarding Draft Community Participation Plan - Results of Public Exhibition.

Moved by Councillor D Gumley and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That Council adopt the Community Participation Plan as attached to the report of the Growth Planner dated 8 November 2019,
2. That the following sections of the Dubbo and Wellington Development Control Plans be repealed:
 - a) Chapter 2.1 Notification of Development within the Dubbo Development Control Plan 2013; and
 - b) Chapter A11 Notification and advertising of Development Applications within the Wellington Development Control Plan 2013.
3. That those who made a written submission be acknowledged and advised of Council's determination in this matter.
4. That Council submit the Community Participation Plan to the Department of Planning Industry and Environment, for the purpose of notation.

CARRIED

CCL19/225 30TH ANNIVERSARY VISIT TO MINOKAMO BY DUBBO DELEGATION (ID19/1537)

The Council had before it the report dated 11 November 2019 from the Sister Cities Officer regarding 30th Anniversary Visit to Minokamo by Dubbo Delegation.

Moved by Councillor G Mohr and seconded by Councillor D Gumley

MOTION

That Council continue to support the sister city partnership with Minokamo and investigate ways of increasing cooperation in the areas of youth exchange, tourism, health and wellbeing.

CARRIED

CCL19/226 COMMENTS AND MATTERS OF URGENCY (ID19/1569)

There were no matters recorded under this clause.

The meeting closed at 6.29pm.

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CHAIRMAN