

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993* that a **Extraordinary Meeting of Singleton Council** will be held in the **Council Chambers, Queen Street Singleton**, on **Tuesday 4 June 2024**, commencing after the Public Forum at **5.30PM**.

Emergency Evacuation - Council Chambers

In case of an emergency, for example a fire, please evacuate the building via the marked exit doors (*Mayor points to the doors*). The order to evacuate may be signified by an alarm siren or by a Council officer or myself. Please proceed to the green "emergency assembly area" signs either near the cycleway on Queen Street (*Mayor points in direction of Queen Street*) or at the other side of the carpark towards the Gym & Swim (*Mayor points again*). An instruction to evacuate to a marked area should be followed without delay to assist Council in ensuring the Health and Safety of all staff and visitors.

Privacy/Webcasting

In accordance with the NSW *Privacy & Personal Information Protection Act, 1998*, you are advised that all discussion held during the Open Council Meeting is public information. This will include any discussion involving the Mayor, a Councillor, staff member or a member of the public. All persons present or attending via audio-visual link should withhold from making public comments about another individual without seeking the consent of that individual in the first instance.

Please be aware that Council webcasts its Open Council Meetings via its website. All persons should refrain from making any remarks that could potentially be considered defamatory. Council accepts no liability for any defamatory remarks made during the course of the Council Meeting. No other persons are permitted to record the Meeting, unless specifically authorised by Council to do so.

General

All persons present either in the Council Chambers or via audio-visual link are requested to turn their mobile devices to silent during the course of the Council Meeting. Any persons attending via audio-visual link are required to have their camera on at all times.

Statement of Ethical Obligations

The Mayor and Councillors are reminded that they remain bound by the Oath or Affirmation of Office made at the beginning of the Council term to undertake their civic duties in the best interests of the people of the Singleton community and to faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in them under the Local Government Act or any other Act, to the best of their ability and judgement.

Council Officials are also reminded of the requirement to declare and appropriately manage any conflicts of interest they may have in relation to matters considered at this meeting in accordance with the Code of Conduct and Code of Meeting Practice.

AGENDA

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Opening of Meeting

Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to begin by paying my respects to Elders past and present of the Wanaruah, Wonnarua people and acknowledge their custodianship of the land on which we are meeting today. I also pay my respects to all Aboriginal people from other nations that are here today and live in Wanaruah, Wonnarua country.

Apologies and applications for a leave of absence by Councillors

Confirmation of Minutes

1. 21 May 2024

Matters Arising from Minutes

Disclosures of Interests

Withdrawal of Items/Late Items of Business

Mayoral Minute(s)

Presentations

General Manager's Report (Items Requiring Decision)

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Questions with Notice

Closed Council

Melinda Curtis ACTING GENERAL MANAGER

MEETING PRINCIPLES

Council and Committee meetings should be:

- *Transparent:* Decisions are made in a way that is open and accountable.
- Informed: Decisions are made based on relevant, quality information.
- *Inclusive:* Decisions respect the diverse needs and interests of the local community.
- *Principled:* Decisions are informed by the principles prescribed under Chapter 3 of the Act.
- *Trusted*: The community has confidence that councillors and staff act ethically and make decisions in the interests of the whole community.
- *Respectful*: Councillors, staff and meeting attendees treat each other with respect.
- *Effective*: Meetings are well organised, effectively run and skilfully chaired.
- Orderly: Councillors, staff and meeting attendees behave in a way that contributes to the orderly conduct of the meeting.

General Manager's Report (Items Requiring Decision) - GM24/24

GM24/24. General Managers Recruitment Author: Governance Lead

FILE: 24/00037

Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to advise Council that a report has been prepared for consideration in Closed Council in relation to the appointment of a new general manager following the announcement of Mr Linnane's resignation.

RECOMMENDED that Council resolve into Closed Council with the press and public excluded to allow consideration of the report on a staff matter, as provided for under 10A(2) (a) of the Local Government Act, 1993, on the grounds that the matter will involve the discussion of personnel matters concerning particular individuals.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.