

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SINGLETON COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS QUEEN STREET SINGLETON ON TUESDAY 18 JUNE 2024, COMMENCING AT 5.39PM.

PRESENT:

Crs S Moore (Mayor and Chairperson), G Adamthwaite, S George, T Jarrett, H Jenkins, S Johnstone, M McLachlan and T McNamara.

APOLOGY

- 82/24 **MOVED** Cr George **SECONDED** Cr Jenkins that the apology from Cr V Scott for non-attendance at the meeting be accepted.

CARRIED

It was noted that Cr D Thompson had an approved Leave of Absence.

IN ATTENDANCE

Melinda Curtis, Acting General Manager; Vicki Brereton, Director Organisation & Community Capacity; Dwight Graham, Director Corporate & Commercial Services; Aaron Malloy, Acting Director Infrastructure and Planning; Alex Theaker, Acting Executive Manager; Rebecca Bailey, Governance Lead; Samantha Calleja, Executive Assistant; Mark Wiblen, Manager Corporate Services; Briony O'Hara Coordinator Communication and Engagement; Kelly McGowan Chief Financial Officer. There were 40 members of the public present in the gallery.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- 83/24 **MOVED** Cr Adamthwaite **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that the minutes of Meeting of Singleton Council held on Tuesday 4 June 2024, be confirmed.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Jenkins declared a non-significant non-pecuniary interest regarding DI&P38/24 – Council Determination 8.2055.103.4 – Modification to Change Hours of Operation.

Cr George declared a non-significant non-pecuniary interest regarding DI&P32/24 – Draft Amendment to the Singleton Development Control Plan.

Mayor Moore declared a non-significant non-pecuniary interest regarding DI&P32/24 – Draft Amendment to the Singleton Development Control Plan.

WITHDRAWAL OF ITEMS AND LATE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Nil.

Cr Hollee Jenkins retired from the meeting, the time being 05:44 PM

84/24 **MOVED** Cr G Adamthwaite **SECONDED** Cr S Johnstone: that the following matter be brought forward for consideration:

1. DI&P38/24 – Council Determination 8.2055.103.4 – Modification to Change Hours of Operation.

(**MOVED** Cr Adamthwaite **SECONDED** Cr Johnstone)

**DI&P38/24 Council Determination - Council Determination -
8.2005.103.4 - Modification to Change Hours of
Operation – Recommendation for Approval FILE:8.2005.103/06**

85/24 **MOVED** Cr Adamthwaite **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that Council:

Defer consideration of Development Application 8.2005.103.4 pending a site inspection by Councillors during operating hours of the business and use of equipment.

Consider the report following the site inspection.

Upon being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

For the Motion were Crs S Moore, G Adamthwaite, T McNamara, S George, T Jarrett, M McLachlan and S Johnstone Total (7).

Against the Motion was Nil Total (0).

CARRIED

Cr Hollee Jenkins returned to the meeting, the time being 05:50 PM

General Manager's Report (Items Requiring Decision)

GM19/24 Draft Unreasonable Conduct by Complainants Policy FILE:POL/40008

The purpose of this report was for Council to consider and adopt the revised draft Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Policy.

86/24 **MOVED** Cr George **SECONDED** Cr McNamara that Council:

1. Rescind POL/40008.5 Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Policy.
2. Adopt draft POL/40008.6 Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Policy.

CARRIED

GM25/24 2024 Determination - Local Government Remuneration Tribunal**FILE:21/00162**

The purpose of this report was to advise Council that the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal has concluded its review for the year 2024/2025. This now enables Council to set the annual fees payable to the Mayor and Councillors for the 2024/2025 financial year.

- 87/24 **MOVED** Cr George **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that the Mayoral fee be increased to \$49,200 and the Councillor fees be increased to \$22,540 in accordance with the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal's decision for the financial year commencing 1 July 2024.

CARRIED*Corporate and Commercial Services Report (Items Requiring Decision)***DCCS20/24 DRAFT - Procurement Policy****FILE:13/0633**

The purpose of this report was to present the draft updated Procurement Policy to Council for consideration and adoption.

- 88/24 **MOVED** Cr McLachlan **SECONDED** Cr George that Council:

1. Rescind POL/6001.4 Procurement Policy.
2. Adopt Draft POL/6001.5 Procurement Policy

CARRIED**DCCS10/24 T2023.024 - Brunners Bridge****FILE:T2023.024**

The purpose of this report was to advise Council that a report has been prepared for Council's consideration in Closed Council as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (the Tenderers).

- 89/24 **MOVED** Cr McLachlan **SECONDED** Cr Johnstone that the report on T2023.024 – Brunners Bridge be considered in Closed Council with the press and public excluded in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act, 1993* on the grounds that it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

CARRIED

DCCS21/24 Draft Asset Disposal Policy**FILE:POL/6010**

The purpose of this report was for the consideration and adoption of the Asset Disposal Policy to ensure that Council surplus assets are disposed of in a responsible and accountable manner.

90/24 **MOVED** Cr Adamthwaite **SECONDED** Cr George that Council:

1. Rescind POL/6010.4 Asset Disposal Policy; and
2. Adopt POL/6010.5 draft Asset Disposal Policy.

CARRIED**DCCS22/24 Purchase/Transfer of Sections of Closed Roads****FILE:24/00201**

The purpose of this report was to advise Council that a report has been prepared for Council's consideration in Closed Council as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

91/24 **MOVED** Cr Adamthwaite **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that the report on the Purchase/Transfer of Sections of Closed Roads be considered in Closed Council with the press and public excluded in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act, 1993* on the grounds that the report contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

CARRIED

*Organisation and Community Capacity Report (Items Requiring Decision)***DOCC18/24 Draft Childrens Services Policy****FILE:POL/7004**

The purpose of this report was for Council to consider the draft Childrens Services Policy.

92/24 **MOVED** Cr McNamara **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that:

1. Council place draft POL/7004.5 Childrens Services Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and provide public notice of its intention to adopt the draft Policy subject to consideration of submissions received.
2. Draft POL/7004.5 be adopted following the public exhibition period subject to submissions received, provided there are no objections and POL/7004.3 Childrens Services Policy be rescinded.
3. Should objections be received a further report be presented to Council for the adoption of the draft Childrens Services Policy with consideration of the submissions received during the public exhibition period.

CARRIED**DOCC19/24 Draft Library Services Policy****FILE:21/00656**

The purpose of this report was for Council to consider the draft Library Services Policy.

93/24 **MOVED** Cr George **SECONDED** Cr Johnstone that:

1. Council place the draft Library Services Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and provide public notice of its intention to adopt the draft Policy subject to consideration of submissions received.
2. Adopt the draft Library Services Policy following the public exhibition period subject to submissions received and provided there are no objections.
3. Should objections be received a further report be presented to Council for the adoption of the draft Library Services Policy with consideration of the submissions received during the public exhibition period.

CARRIED

DOCC20/24 Draft Volunteering Program Policy**FILE:POL/7032**

The purpose of this report was for Council to consider the draft Volunteering Program Policy.

94/24 **MOVED** Cr Adamthwaite **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that:

1. Council place draft POL/7032.5 Volunteering Program Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and provide public notice of its intention to adopt the draft Policy subject to consideration of submissions received.
2. Adopt draft POL/7032.5 following the public exhibition period subject to submissions received, provided there are no objections and POL/7032.4 Volunteering Program be rescinded.
3. Should objections be received a further report be presented to Council for the adoption of the draft Volunteering Program Policy with consideration of the submissions received during the public exhibition period.

CARRIED**DOCC21/24 Draft Youth Services Policy****FILE:POL/21084**

The purpose of this report was for Council to consider the draft Youth Services Policy.

95/24 **MOVED** Cr McLachlan **SECONDED** Cr George that:

1. Council place draft POL/21084.3 Youth Services Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and provide public notice of its intention to adopt the draft Policy subject to consideration of submissions received.
2. Adopt draft POL/21084.3 following the public exhibition period subject to submissions received, provided there are no objections and POL/21084.2 Youth Services Policy be rescinded.
3. Should objections be received a further report be presented to Council for the adoption of the draft Youth Services Policy with consideration of the submissions received during the public exhibition period.

CARRIED

**DOCC22/24 Singleton Socio-economic Development Strategy
2024-2028 for public exhibition****FILE:19/00516/004**

The purpose of this report was to seek approval for the public exhibition of the draft Singleton Socio-economic Development Strategy 2024-2028 (**Attachment 1**) prior to formal adoption by Council.

96/24 **MOVED** Cr Adamthwaite **SECONDED** Cr Johnstone that:

1. The draft Singleton Socio-economic Development Strategy 2024-2028 be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and public notice be given of Council's intention to adopt the draft document subject to consideration of submissions received.
2. The draft Singleton Socio-economic Development Strategy 2024-2028 be adopted following the public exhibition period, provided that no submissions or objections are received and that no alterations are required to the draft document.
3. Should any objections or submissions be received or any alterations be required to the draft document, a further report be presented to Council prior to adopting the draft Singleton Socio-economic Development Strategy 2024-2028.

CARRIED**DOCC23/24 Appointment of Independent Members of Audit, Risk
and Improvement Committee****FILE:23/00689**

The purpose of this report was to advise Council that a report has been prepared for Council's consideration in Closed Council as the matter will involve the discussion of personnel matters concerning a particular individual.

97/24 **MOVED** Cr George **SECONDED** Cr Jenkins that the report on Appointment of Chair of Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee be considered in Closed Council with the press and public excluded in accordance with Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act, 1993 on the grounds that the report addresses personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

CARRIED

*Infrastructure & Planning Report (Items Requiring Decision)***DI&P31/24 Dividend Payment from Water and Sewerage Businesses****FILE:19/00223/003**

The purpose of this report was for Council to consider payment of a dividend from its water and sewerage business to the general fund as per the provisions under Section 409(5) of the *Local Government Act, 1993*.

98/24 **MOVED** Cr Johnstone **SECONDED** Cr George that Council confirm it has complied with the requirements of Section 4.2 and 4.3 of the Guidelines, which are set out in the *Regulatory and assurance framework for local water utilities* and that it intends to apply to the Department of Planning and Environment to pay a dividend from its water and sewerage businesses for the 2022/23 financial year. Specifically, that Council confirms it has:

1. Calculated the dividend payment in accordance with the methodology in the *Regulatory and assurance framework for local water utilities*;
2. Demonstrated there is a surplus;
3. Demonstrated full cost-recovery pricing and developer charges;
4. In place effective, evidence-based strategic planning in accordance with the *Regulatory and assurance framework for local water utilities*;
5. Demonstrated that its financial reports are a true and accurate reflection of the business; and
6. Demonstrated that the overhead reallocation charge is a fair and reasonable cost.

The value of the total dividend payable will be equal to the maximum amount payable under the Guidelines, being \$215,940 from its water business (comprising of a tax-equivalent dividend of \$21,594 and a dividend from surplus of \$194,346) and \$182,640 from its sewerage business (comprising of a tax-equivalent dividend of \$18,264 and a dividend from surplus of \$164,376).

CARRIED

Cr Sue George retired from the meeting, the time being 05:56 PM

Cr Sue Moore retired from the meeting, the time being 05:57 PM

DI&P32/24 Draft Amendment to the Singleton Development Control Plan**FILE:45.2024.1/05-01**

The purpose of this report was to seek Council's endorsement to place the draft amended Singleton Development Control Plan (DCP) 2014 on public exhibition for 28 days in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (NSW) and *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation, 2021* (NSW).

99/24 **MOVED** Cr Adamthwaite **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that:

1. Council exhibit the draft amended Singleton Development Control Plan 2014 for a period of 28 days in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* (NSW) and *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation, 2021* (NSW).
2. If no objections are received, approve the plan as exhibited, without a further report to Council, and provide public notice in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation, 2021*.

CARRIED

Cr Sue Moore returned to the meeting, the time being 05:57 PM

Cr Sue George returned to the meeting, the time being 05:58 PM

DI&P33/24 Adoption of the Civic Park Master Plan and Sports Pavilion Concept Design**FILE:22/00228/005**

The purpose of this report was for Council to consider the adoption of the Civic Park Master Plan and the Sports Pavilion Concept Design.

100/24 **MOVED** Cr McNamara **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that Council adopt the Civic Park Master Plan and the Sports Pavilion Concept Design.

CARRIED

**DI&P35/24 Redbank Power Station Restart Project - Submission
on the Environmental Impact Statement****FILE:150.2023.10**

The purpose of this report was to present to Council preliminary advice on the Redbank Power Station Restart Project Environmental Impact Statement (**the Project**), identifying how the Applicant has addressed the matters of concern raised by Council in its input to the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements and seeking further information through the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure. A preliminary holding submission was provided to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure on Monday 18 March 2024, subject to the endorsement of this submission by Council.

- 101/24 **MOVED** Cr George **SECONDED** Cr Adamthwaite that Council endorses the preliminary advice on the Environmental Impact Statement for the Redbank Power Station Restart Project with the inclusion of the following paragraph:

in addition, the EIS compares the impacts on air quality to those of coal as a means to justify the Project. The Air Quality Impact Assessment states that, for biomass firing compared to tailings firing scenarios, the concentration of PM10 and PM2.5 were substantially the same. Given there is no intention of using tailings as part of the proposed Project, the comparison seems odd. The air quality impact assessment should exclude comparative references to tailings as a fuel and emission source to enable a meaningful assessment of the impacts on the local community.

CARRIED

DI&P36/24 Minutes - Local Traffic Committee - 23/5/2024**FILE:23/00696**

The Local Traffic Committee held its ordinary meeting on 23 May 2024. The minutes of the meeting were circulated with the report for Council's consideration.

102/24 **MOVED** Cr George **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that Council:

1. Note the minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 23 May 2024.
2. Adopt the following recommendations made by the Local Traffic Committee:

Item 1 - Library Car Park - Amendments to parking controls and speed limit

Approve the installation of the regulatory signage and line marking in the library car park as per drawing 'PS24-010 - Library Car Park - Regulatory signage and line marking', with an amendment to retain the 5 Council vehicle parking spots.

Item 2 - Event - Singleton Triathlon 2024/2025 - Temporary Traffic Management

Endorse the Traffic Management Plan for the following events to be conducted by the Singleton Triathlon Club on:

- Sunday 7 July 2024
- Sunday 4 August 2024
- Sunday 1 or 8 September 2024
- Sunday 6 or 13 October 2024
- Sunday 3 or 10 November 2024
- Sunday 1 or 8 December 2024
- Sunday 5 or 12 January 2025
- Sunday 2 or 9 February 2025
- Sunday 2 or 9 March 2025
- Sunday 6 or 13 April 2025
- Sunday 4 or 11 May 2025
- Sunday 1 June 2025

and approves the events in accordance with this plan under Section 144 of the *Roads Act, 1993* and the following conditions:

1. This approval is subject to Singleton Triathlon obtaining written approval by the NSW Police Force pursuant to Section 115 of the *Road Transport Act, 2013*. **If Police approval is not granted, the event cannot take place.**
2. All race participants must follow the rules of the road unless special traffic control is provided.
3. Riders are to never cross the centreline of the road. Sanctions for crossing a centreline are to be put in place and issued to riders if necessary.
4. Compliance with Traffic Guidance Schemes (TGS's) must take precedence over any operational or competitive expedience encountered in the conduct of a race.
5. As per the *Work Health and Safety Act, 2011*, traffic controllers and marshals must:

- a. be properly inducted by the Event Organiser
 - b. receive training for their specific work site
 - c. be aware of their responsibilities in emergencies
 - d. be provided with proper personal protective equipment.
6. The Event Organiser is responsible for ensuring that the traffic control measures set out in the TGS's are properly and fully implemented at an appropriate time before a race passes any given point.
7. Marshals, or any other person associated with the event, have no legal power to stop, hold, or direct traffic on any public road (unless they hold current accreditation).
8. If Traffic Controllers are used, they must hold current traffic controller certification – 'Traffic Controller' (previously blue card)
9. Traffic Controllers can only operate in accordance with a TGS that has been authorised by the relevant Roads Authority, under Roads Regulation 2018
10. Traffic controllers must display their authorisation when controlling traffic.
11. Traffic controllers shall be relieved after two hours work and may be either rested or placed on other duties for a period of at least 15 minutes before being returned to traffic control duties.
12. The implementation of TGS's must be undertaken by a person that holds current certification – 'Implement Traffic Control Plans' (previously yellow card)

Item 3 - Wilcox Avenue - Pedestrian Refuge, NO STOPPING restrictions and footpath

Note that the pedestrian refuge and NO STOPPING restrictions that were proposed to be installed in the vicinity of number 16 and 18 Wilcox Avenue are no longer being progressed and that instead the new footpath on the eastern side of Wilcox Avenue will be extended southwards to join the existing footpath on Blaxland Avenue.

Item 4 - John Street - Parking space removal

Approve the removal of the single parking space on John Street fronting property number 175 as per drawing 'MB24-001 - John Street-Parking space removal'.

Item 5 - Event - Broke Village Fair & Vintage Car Display 2024 - Temporary Traffic Management

Endorse the Traffic Management Plan (TMP) for the Broke Village Fair & Vintage Car Display 2024 and approves the implementation of the temporary traffic control measures required to run this event in accordance with the TMP with the following conditions:

1. As per the Work Health and Safety Act 2011, traffic controllers and marshals must:
 - a. be properly inducted by the Event Organiser
 - b. receive training for their specific work site
 - c. be aware of their responsibilities in emergencies
 - d. be provided with proper personal protective equipment.

2. The Event Organiser is responsible for ensuring that the traffic control measures set out in the TGS's are properly and fully implemented at an appropriate time before the event commences.
3. Marshals, or any other person associated with the event, have no legal power to stop, hold, or direct traffic on any public road (unless they hold current accreditation).
4. If Traffic Controllers are used, they must hold current traffic controller certification – 'Traffic Controller' (previously blue card)
5. Traffic Controllers can only operate in accordance with a TGS that has been authorised by the relevant Roads Authority
6. Traffic controllers must display their authorisation when controlling traffic.
7. Traffic controllers shall be relieved after two hours work and may be either rested or placed on other duties for a period of at least 15 minutes before being returned to traffic control duties.
8. The implementation of TGS's must be undertaken by a person that holds current certification – 'Implement Traffic Control Plans' (previously yellow card)
9. Any changes or modifications to the TGS's can only be made by a person that holds appropriate current certification – 'Prepare a Work Zone Traffic Management Plan' (previously red card)

Item 6 - Boundary Street - NO PARKING restrictions

Approve the deferral of the installation of the NO PARKING restriction on the western side of Boundary Street from Bishopsgate Street up to the existing NO STOPPING restriction approximately 90m north of Broughton Street as per drawing 'PS24-019 - Boundary Street - NO PARKING' subject to public consultation.

Item 7 - Event - Society of Saint Pius X Procession - Temporary Traffic Management

Notes that the Mayor, under Section 226 of the Local Government Act, endorsed TGS number WTTTC-TCP-11007 and approved the implementation of the temporary traffic control measures required to run this event in accordance with this plan subject to the following conditions:

1. As per the Work Health and Safety Act 2011, traffic controllers and marshals must:
 - a. be properly inducted by the Event Organiser
 - b. receive training for their specific work site
 - c. be aware of their responsibilities in emergencies
 - d. be provided with proper personal protective equipment.
2. The Event Organiser is responsible for ensuring that the traffic control measures set out in the TGS's are properly and fully implemented at an appropriate time before the event commences.
3. Marshals, or any other person associated with the event, have no legal power to stop, hold, or direct traffic on any public road (unless they hold current

- accreditation).
4. If Traffic Controllers are used, they must hold current traffic controller certification – 'Traffic Controller' (previously blue card)
 5. Traffic Controllers can only operate in accordance with a TGS that has been authorised by the relevant Roads Authority
 6. Traffic controllers must display their authorisation when controlling traffic.
 7. Traffic controllers shall be relieved after two hours work and may be either rested or placed on other duties for a period of at least 15 minutes before being returned to traffic control duties.
 8. The implementation of TGS's must be undertaken by a person that holds current certification – 'Implement Traffic Control Plans' (previously yellow card)
 9. Any changes or modifications to the TGS's can only be made by a person that holds appropriate current certification – 'Prepare a Work Zone Traffic Management Plan' (previously red card)

Item 8 - Event - Lake St Clair Bike Ride

Endorses the Traffic Management Plan for the Lake St Clair Bike Ride, as submitted by the Rotary Club of Singleton, and approve the event in accordance with this plan subject to the following conditions:

1. As per the Work Health and Safety Act 2011, traffic controllers and marshals must:
 - a. be properly inducted by the Event Organiser
 - b. receive training for their specific work site
 - c. be aware of their responsibilities in emergencies
 - d. be provided with proper personal protective equipment.
2. Marshals, or any other person associated with the event, have no legal power to stop, hold, or direct traffic on any public road (unless they hold current accreditation).

Item 9 - Wattle Ponds Road/Wilson Street - Driver Behaviour

Notes:

- the concerns raised by Cr Jenkins in relation to the current driver behaviour at the intersection of Wattle Ponds Road and Wilson Street
- that the planned guardrail to be installed on the central nature strip of Wattle Ponds Road between the end of the concrete median and the proposed pedestrian crossing point will address the immediate issue of drivers crossing this area
- that once the guardrail is installed, site observations will be carried out to understand driver behaviour and enable targeted enforcement to be carried out and/or the need for additional traffic management measures to be identified.

CARRIED

DI&P37/24 Minutes - Heritage Advisory Committee - 24/05/2024 FILE:20/00035

The Singleton Heritage Advisory Committee held its ordinary meeting on 24 May 2024. The minutes of the meeting were circulated with the report for Council's consideration.

103/24 **MOVED** Cr Adamthwaite **SECONDED** Cr Jenkins that Council:

1. Notes the minutes of the Singleton Heritage Advisory Committee meeting held on 24 May 2024.
2. Endorses the recommendations of the Singleton Heritage Advisory Committee meeting held on the 24 May 2024, and resolves the following:
 - a. In principle, the Council supports TfNSW's proposed awning structure to protect the heritage pumps at Water Works Lane.
 - b. The General Manager (through the delegated officer) to continue to negotiate with TfNSW around the provision of public access to the heritage pumps.
 - c. The General Manager (through the delegated officer) to clarify with TfNSW the height of the proposed awning and if there is an alternate solution to lift the awning in consideration of public safety.
 - d. The General Manager (through the delegated officer) to negotiate with TfNSW on suitable fence material rather than the proposed cyclone fencing.
 - e. The General Manager (through the delegated officer) requests TfNSW to install a mowing strip around the perimeter of the fence line to facilitate efficient maintenance activities.

CARRIED

**DI&P38/24 Council Determination - Council Determination -
8.2005.103.4 - Modification to Change Hours of
Operation – Recommendation for Approval**

FILE:8.2005.103/06

This item was considered earlier in the meeting.

General Manager's Report (Items for Information)

GM27/24 Waste 2024 Conference Summary Report

FILE:24/00008

Cr Jenkins attended the Waste 2024 Conference at Opal Cove Resort, Coffs Harbour from 14 to 16 May, 2024. Cr Jenkins provided a copy of the Waste 2024 Conference Summary Report for Councillors information.

NOTED

GM26/24 Upper Hunter County Council**FILE:21/00711**

The Upper Hunter County Council held its meeting on 16 May, 2024. The Agenda and minutes were circulated with the report for Council's consideration.

NOTED**GM28/24 Minutes - Combined Rural Halls - 16 May
Hall Reports - May 2024
Create Singleton****FILE:24/00008**

Cr George attended the Combined Rural Halls Committee Meeting on 16 May, 2024. Attached for Councillors information are the Minutes and Hall Report were circulated with the report for Council's consideration

NOTED*Corporate and Commercial Services Report (Items for Information)***DCCS23/24 Investment Report - May 2024****FILE:23/00420**

In accordance with clause 212 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation, 2021* details were provided of the funds invested under section 625 of the *Local Government Act, 1993* as at 30 April 2024.

NOTED*Organisation and Community Capacity Report (Items for Information)***DOCC24/24 Singleton Council Reconciliation Action Plan 2024 -
2026****FILE:24/00121**

The purpose of this report was to provide information on the Singleton Council Reconciliation Action Plan 2024-2026.

NOTED**DOCC25/24 Minutes - Audit Risk and Improvement Committee -
15/05/2024****FILE:23/00689/002**

The Audit Risk and Improvement Committee held its ordinary meeting on 15 May 2024. The minutes of the meeting were circulated with the report for Council's consideration.

NOTED

Questions Given

QG5/24 Questions of Which Notice Has Been Given - 21 May 2024**FILE:24/00199**

Responses were provided to the following questions:

1. Cr George – Grading of Jerrys Plains Recreation Reserve
2. Cr George – Drainage Works at Jerrys Plains be funded from road funds
3. Cr Jenkins – Project Tender Information

NOTED

104/24 **MOVED** Cr Jenkins **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that Council **MOVE** to Closed Council (Confidential Section of Ordinary Meeting – Closed to the Public) at **6.08PM**

CARRIED**OPEN COUNCIL RESUMED AT 6.15PM.***Closed Council***CC7/24 T2023.024 - Brunners Bridge****FILE:T2023.024**The Committee **RECOMMENDED** to Council that:

1. Award the tender for T2023.024 – Brunners Bridge to Saunders Civilbuild Pty Ltd for the total sum of \$5,339,059.98 excluding GST.
2. Notes the prior budget approval of \$6,500,000 by Council (report DI&P12/23) at the March 2023 Council meeting.

CC11/24 Purchase/Transfer of Sections of Closed Roads**FILE:23/00708**The Committee **RECOMMENDED** to Council that:

1. Transfer the closed portions of Stoney Creek Road (Lot 1 and Lot 2 DP1252874) to the Bloomfield Group at no cost to Bloomfield with Bloomfield to pay all reasonable costs in connection with this transfer.
2. Transfer the closed portion of Middle Falbrook Road (Lot 1 DP1271370) to the Bloomfield Group for the compensation of \$165,000 payable to Council and note the transfer of the closed portion is related to a historical agreement.
3. Note that Bloomfield Group is to pay all reasonable costs in connection with both transfers.

CC13/24 Appointment of Independent Members of Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee**FILE:23/00708**

The Committee **RECOMMENDED** to Council that appoint Dr Meredith Caelli and Mr Tony Harb to position of independent member of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee for a three-year term commencing 1 July 2024.

105/24 **MOVED** Cr Jenkins **SECONDED** Cr McLachlan that the recommendations of Closed Council be adopted.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 6.18PM and the minutes pages 1 to 16 were confirmed on 16 July 2024 and are a full and accurate record of proceedings of the meeting held on 18 June 2024.

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Mayor/Chairperson

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General Manager

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Speakers

Speakers For the recommendation	
Name and address	Representing self/organisation

Speakers Against the recommendation	
Kelleigh Rutherford	• Self
Frank Ferraro	Self