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Ordinary Council Meeting

16 July 2024

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**MINUTES OF GOULBURN MULWAREE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC CENTRE, 184 - 194 BOURKE STREET,
GOULBURN
ON TUESDAY, 16 JULY 2024 AT 6PM**

PRESENT: Mayor Peter Walker, Deputy Mayor Steve Ruddell, Cr Andrew Banfield, Cr Carol James OAM, Cr Bob Kirk, Cr Michael Prevedello, Cr Daniel Strickland, Cr Jason Shepherd & Cr Andy Wood.

IN ATTENDANCE: Aaron Johansson (Chief Executive Officer), Kate Wooll (Acting Director Planning & Environment), Brendan Hollands (Director Corporate and Community Services), George Angelis (Director Assets & Operations), Marina Hollands (Director Utilities) & Shae Aliffi (Executive Support Officer).

1 OPENING MEETING

Mayor Peter Walker opened the meeting 6pm. The Mayor advised that the meeting would be webcast live.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mayor Peter Walker made the following acknowledgement.

“I would like to Acknowledge and pay our respects to the Aboriginal elders both past and present as well as emerging leaders, and Acknowledge the traditional custodians of the Land on which we meet today.”

3 COUNCILLORS DECLARATION AND/OR PRAYER

The opening prayer was read by Cr Jason Shepherd.

4 APOLOGIES

Nil

5 APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

6 ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO VISUAL LINK

7 LATE ITEMS / URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

8 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Cr Peter Walker declared a non-pecuniary/non-significant conflict of interest in Item 16.7 “Request for Financial Assistance – Rotary Club of Goulburn” as he is a member of the Rotary Club of Goulburn. Cr Peter Walker will remain in the meeting while discussions on this item takes place.

Cr Steven Ruddell declared a non-pecuniary/significant conflict of interest in Item 16.7 “Request for Financial Assistance – Rotary Club Goulburn” as he is an immediate past president member of the Rotary Club of Goulburn. Cr Steven Ruddell will leave the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

Cr Carol James OAM declared a non-pecuniary/non-significant conflict of interest in Item 16.7 “Request for Financial Assistance – Rotary Club of Goulburn” as she is a member of the Rotary Club of Goulburn. As the disclosure was not of a significant nature Cr Carol James OAM remained in the meeting while discussion

Cr Carol James OAM declared a non-pecuniary/significant conflict of interest in Item 16.9 “Request for Financial Assistance – Goulburn Lilac City Festival Inc” as she is the President of the Goulburn Lilac City Festival Inc. Cr Carol James OAM will leave the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

Cr Michael Prevedello declared a non-pecuniary/significant conflict of interest in Item 16.8 “Request for Financial Assistance – Marian Procession” as he is a parishioner at the St Peters and Pauls Cathedral. Cr Michael Prevedello will leave the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

Cr Daniel Strickland declared a non-pecuniary/non-significant conflict of interest in Item 16.11 “Tender 2324T0012 Drainage Eastgrove South and Marulan Soccer Fields Upgrade” as a family member is employed by one of the tenderers. Cr Daniel Strickland will remain in the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

Cr Andrew Banfield declared a pecuniary conflict of interest in Item 16.12 “Tender 2324T0013 Range Road Causeway Replacement” as he is an employee of Denrith Group of Companies. Cr Andrew Banfield’s brother-in-law is also a Director of the Denrith Group of Companies. Cr Andrew Banfield will leave the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

Cr Andrew Banfield declared a pecuniary conflict of interest in Item 16.13 “Tender VP 398040 Jerrara Road Blackspot” as he is an employee of Denrith Group of Companies. Cr Andrew Banfield’s brother-in-law is also a Director of the Denrith Group of Companies. Cr Andrew Banfield will leave the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

Cr Jason Shepherd declared a non-pecuniary/significant conflict of interest in Item 16.3 “Planning Proposal Zoning and minimum lot size amendments to part of 20-24 Lockyer Street Goulburn. ” as his employer GHD is referenced in the report. Cr Jason Shepherd will leave the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

Cr Jason Shepherd declared a non-pecuniary/significant conflict of interest in Item 16.8 “Request for Financial Assistance – Marian Procession” as he is a parishioner at the St Peters and Pauls Cathedral. Cr Jason Shepherd will leave the meeting while discussion on this item takes place.

9 PRESENTATIONS

9.1 THANK YOU TO OUTGOING YOUTH MAYOR HOLLY CAFFERY

PRESENTATION

Mayor Peter Walker along with Cr Carol James OAM, Council's representative on the Youth Council Committee presented outgoing Goulburn Mulwaree Youth Council Mayor Miss Holly Caffery with a gift to thank her for her seven years' service to the Goulburn Mulwaree Youth Council with two of those years as Mayor.

10 PUBLIC FORUM

Ms Carolyn Roche addressed Council on Item 16.1 DA/0099/2324 130 Deccan Street Goulburn.

Mr Matthew Wales from Wales and Associates addressed Council on Item 16.1 DA/0099/2324 130 Deccan Street Goulburn.

Mr Mason Stankovic from Patch Planning addressed Council virtually on Item 16.3 Planning Proposal – Zoning and minimum lot size amendments to part of 20-24 Lockyer Street Goulburn.

11 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

11.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 18 JUNE 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/122

Moved: Cr Steven Ruddell

Seconded: Cr Jason Shepherd

That the Council minutes from Tuesday 18 June 2024 and contained in Minutes Pages No 1 to 26 inclusive and in Minute Nos 22024/88 to 2024/121 inclusive be confirmed.

CARRIED

12 MATTERS ARISING

Cr Bob Kirk addressed Council in relation to item 17.1 from the 18 June 2024 Council meeting and requested for the below statement to be recorded

I want to provide an update in relation to Item 17.1 in the minutes code of conduct investigation.

For the record I want to inform Council that under clause 8.12 of the Procedures for the Administration of the Code of Conduct, I have lodged a request for a review of Council's censure motion with the Office of Local Government

In order to maintain the confidence of this investigation, I will not make any comments about the code of conduct complaint, its management or the findings within the report but I do feel it necessary to put my Council colleagues on notice that I've lodged this appeal and submission on which I consider on very strong grounds to the OLG.

I have requested OLG to expedite consideration of the matter in view of the upcoming Local Government elections, and the imperative to clear my good name and reputation which has been potentially defamed by the content of the resolution.

I'd like this statement to be recorded in tonight's minutes.

13 MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

Nil

14 NOTICE OF MOTION(S)

Nil

15 NOTICE OF RESCISSION(S)

Nil

16 REPORTS TO COUNCIL FOR DETERMINATION

16.1 DA/0099/2324 - DEMOLITION OF EXISTING DWELLING AND CONSTRUCTION OF CENTRE BASED CHILDCARE FACILITY FOR 113 CHILDREN, 130 DECCAN STREET GOULBURN

RESOLUTION 2024/123

Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield

Seconded: Cr Steven Ruddell

That Council Move into Committee of the Whole.

Council moved into Committee of the whole at 6:37pm.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024/124

Moved: Cr Steven Ruddell

Seconded: Cr Carol James OAM

That Council Move into open Council.

Council moved into open Council at 6:52 pm.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024/125

Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield

Seconded: Cr Steven Ruddell

That:

- 1. The staff assessment report for development application DA/0099/2324 for the demolition of existing dwelling & associated structures, removal of existing vegetation including one tree and construction of a centre based childcare facility for 113 children be received.**
- 2. The Development Application DA/0099/2324 for the demolition of existing dwelling & associated structures, removal of existing vegetation including one tree and construction of a centre based childcare facility for 113 children located at 130 Deccan Street Goulburn be refused on following grounds:**
 - (a) The proposal by reason of its location, siting of building, setbacks, height, bulk and scale, is inconsistent with the current and desired future character of the locality.**
 - (b) The proposed building visually dominates and detracts from the neighbourhood character and has not been designed to minimise the impact on adjoining**

existing residential development.

- (c) The proposal as assessed does not promote and co-ordinate the orderly and economic use and development of land in the area. Therefore, the proposal does not satisfy Section 1.2(2)(a) of the Goulburn Mulwaree Local Environmental Plan 2009 (GM LEP 2009), and does not satisfy Objective 1.3(c) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
- (d) The proposal does not comply with a number of controls within the Child Care Planning Guideline 2021, including emergency and evacuation requirements, parking requirements and is also reliant upon on street car parking to achieve parking requirements, indicating that the proposed development is an overdevelopment of the site.
- (e) The proposal does not adequately demonstrate that it will not overshadow existing development and permit at least three hours of solar access to the living areas of neighbouring property.
- (f) The proposal does not satisfy Part 4 Section 4.1.10.1 of the “GM DCP 2009” as the development has a rear setback of less than six (6) metres, and is therefore inconsistent with the current and desired future character of the locality.
- (g) Insufficient information has been provided addressing geotechnical issues. The proposal is not supported by detailed geotechnical investigations as recommended by the submitted Initial Geotechnical Investigation Report.
- (h) Insufficient information has been provided to determine if the location and design of the driveway crossover on Mount Street is provided with safe sight lines particularly the gradient of the crossover and proposed wall adjoining to laneway will obscure the visibility.
- (i) The location of the proposed pedestrian path within the basement is subject to conflicting pedestrian and vehicle movement, both forward and reverse, throughout peak periods and is potentially unsafe particularly for children.
- (j) The proposal does not demonstrate how exhaust fumes will be managed in the basement parking area.
- (k) The passing swept paths at the basement entry/exit does not demonstrate if two B99 vehicles can achieve safe passing.
- (l) The proposed 1.8 metre high acoustic wall adjoining the proposed driveway to Mount Street is located within the front setback area, which is not in character with surrounding residential development, and also obscures sight lines for vehicles exiting the development, which is potentially dangerous for vehicles and pedestrians. The removal or reduction of the acoustic wall will have acoustic impacts, indicating that the proposed development is an overdevelopment of the site.
- (m) The proposal as assessed having regard to the provisions of Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, is unsatisfactory and therefore, is not in the public interest.

Section 375A of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires General Managers to record which Councillors vote for and against each planning decision of the Council, and to make this information publicly available.

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs Andrew Banfield, Carol James OAM, Bob Kirk, Michael Prevedello, Steven Ruddell, Daniel Strickland, Jason Shepherd, Peter Walker and Andy Wood

Against: Nil

16.2 DA/0195/2324 - 3 LOT TORRENS TITLE SUBDIVISION, 6 PARK STREET GOULBURN**RESOLUTION 2024/126****Moved: Cr Steven Ruddell****Seconded: Cr Jason Shepherd****That:**

1. The staff assessment report for development application DA/0195/2324 for the proposed Three (3) Lot Torrens Title Subdivision be received.
2. Consent be granted for DA/0195/2324 for a three (3) Torrens Title Subdivision located at 6 Park Street and 65 Citizen Street, Goulburn subject to the conditions in the Attachment.

Section 375A of the Local Government Act 1993 requires General Managers to record which Councillors vote for and against each planning decision of the Council, and to make this information publicly available.

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs Andrew Banfield, Carol James OAM, Bob Kirk, Michael Prevedello, Steven Ruddell, Daniel Strickland, Jason Shepherd, Peter Walker and Andy Wood

Against: Nil

16.3 PLANNING PROPOSAL - ZONING AND MINIMUM LOT SIZE AMENDMENT TO PART OF 20-24 LOCKYER STREET, GOULBURN

Cr Jason Shepherd declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matter. At 6:56 pm, Cr Jason Shepherd left the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2024/127**Moved: Cr Michael Prevedello****Seconded: Cr Carol James OAM****That:**

1. The report from the Senior Strategic Planner regarding the proposed zoning amendment to the Goulburn Mulwaree Local Environmental Plan 2009 be received.
2. Council prepare a planning proposal to amend the Goulburn Mulwaree Local Environmental Plan 2009 to:
 - (a) Amend the land use zoning of part of Lot 2, DP1238214 at 20-24 Lockyer Street, Goulburn from RU2 Rural Landscape to E4 General Industrial.
 - (b) Remove the current 100ha minimum lot size and apply no minimum lot size restriction to the entirety of Lot 2, DP1238214 at 20-24 Lockyer Street, Goulburn.
3. Subject to 3 (a) below, the planning proposal be forwarded to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for a Gateway determination in accordance with section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
 - (a) The submission to Council of a full Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report in accordance with *The Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation in NSW* (DECCW 2010), *Aboriginal cultural heritage requirements of proponents* (DECCW, 2010) and advice prepared by Heritage NSW in Attachment 2.
4. The Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure be advised that Council wishes to be the delegated plan making authority for this proposal.
5. If the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure issues a Gateway

determination to proceed with the planning proposal, consultation be undertaken by Council with the community and government agencies in accordance with any directions of the Gateway determination.

6. The fees charged in this Planning Proposal are as per the 2023-2024 fees and charges due to it being lodged in the previous financial year.

Section 375A of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires General Managers to record which Councillors vote for and against each planning decision of the Council, and to make this information publicly available.

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs Andrew Banfield, Carol James OAM, Bob Kirk, Michael Prevedello, Steven Ruddell, Daniel Strickland, Peter Walker and Andy Wood

Against: Nil

At 7:00 pm, Cr Jason Shepherd returned to the meeting.

16.4 POST EXHIBITION REPORT - GOULBURN DRINKING WATER TREATMENT PLANT PLANNING PROPOSAL - 233-234 WHEEO RD, GOULBURN

RESOLUTION 2024/128

Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield

Seconded: Cr Andy Wood

That:

1. The post exhibition report from the Business Manager Strategic Planning concerning the rezoning of part of 233-234 Wheeo Road, Goulburn be received.
2. Council endorses the draft planning proposal to rezone part of No 233- 234 Wheeo Road, Goulburn (Lot 1 DP 1030749) from RE1 Public Recreation to SP2 Infrastructure (Public Utility Undertaking).
3. A Draft Instrument be prepared that is consistent with the above amendment.
4. The Chief Executive Officer be issued with the delegation to sign the draft amending Instrument on behalf of the Council as the local plan making authority.
5. Council request that the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure notify the draft amendment once signed.

Section 375A of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires General Managers to record which Councillors vote for and against each planning decision of the Council, and to make this information publicly available.

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs Andrew Banfield, Carol James OAM, Bob Kirk, Michael Prevedello, Steven Ruddell, Daniel Strickland, Jason Shepherd, Peter Walker and Andy Wood

Against: Nil

16.5 POTENTIAL HERITAGE ITEMS AND HERITAGE CONSERVATION AREA**RESOLUTION 2024/129****Moved: Cr Carol James OAM****Seconded: Cr Daniel Strickland****That:**

- 1. The staff assessment report on the planning proposal to amend schedule 5 Environmental Heritage of the Goulburn Mulwaree Local Environmental Plan 2009 be received.**
- 2. Council prepares a planning proposal to amend the Goulburn Mulwaree Local Environmental Plan 2009 by adding 30 additional heritage items, 1 additional Heritage Conservation Area and correct errors on Schedule 5 Environmental Heritage.**
- 3. The planning proposal, once prepared, be submitted to the NSW Department of Planning Housing and Infrastructure for a gateway determination in accordance with Section 3.34 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979*.**
- 4. The NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure be advised that Council wishes to be identified in the gateway determination as the delegated plan making authority for this planning proposal.**
- 5. If the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure issues a gateway determination to proceed with the planning proposal, consultation be undertaken with the landowners, community and government agencies in accordance with any directions of the gateway determination.**

Section 375A of the Local Government Act 1993 requires General Managers to record which Councillors vote for and against each planning decision of the Council, and to make this information publicly available.

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs Andrew Banfield, Carol James OAM, Bob Kirk, Michael Prevedello, Steven Ruddell, Daniel Strickland, Jason Shepherd and Peter Walker

Against: Cr Andy Wood

16.6 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GOULBURN MULWAREE HOUSING TRUST**AMENDMENT**

Moved: Cr Bob Kirk

Seconded: Cr Andrew Banfield

That

1. The Report from the Chief Executive Officer be received and noted.
2. The Chief Executive Officer prepares the required documentation for an application through the Office of Local Government for the Ministers consent to establish the Goulburn Mulwaree Trust under section 358(1)a.
3. A further report and the required documentation be presented to Council for consideration.

In Favour: Crs Andrew Banfield, Bob Kirk and Michael Prevedello

Against: Crs Carol James OAM, Steven Ruddell, Daniel Strickland, Jason Shepherd, Peter Walker and Andy Wood

The amendment was put and lost.

RESOLUTION 2024/130

Moved: Cr Daniel Strickland

Seconded: Cr Jason Shepherd

That

1. **The Report from the Chief Executive Officer be received.**
2. **The Chief Executive Officer be given delegated authority to:**
 - a) **Prepare and make an application through the Office of Local Government for the Minister's consent to establish the Goulburn Mulwaree Housing Trust under section 358(1)(a).**
 - b) **The legal entities be established should Ministerial consent be granted.**

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs Carol James OAM, Steven Ruddell, Daniel Strickland, Jason Shepherd, Peter Walker and Andy Wood

Against: Crs Andrew Banfield, Bob Kirk and Michael Prevedello

16.7 REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - ROTARY CLUB OF GOULBURN

Cr Steven Ruddell declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matter. At 8:08 pm, Cr Steven Ruddell left the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2024/131

Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield

Seconded: Cr Bob Kirk

That

- 1. The report from the Director Corporate & Community Services on Request for Financial Assistance – Rotary Club of Goulburn be received.**
- 2. Council support the 2024 Southern Tablelands Science and Engineering Challenge with the following funding from the 2024/25 Financial Assistance Budget:**
 - A cash contribution of \$3,000.00**
 - 50% venue hire costs of \$180.00**

CARRIED

At 8:11 pm, Cr Steven Ruddell returned to the meeting.

16.8 REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - MARIAN PROCESSION

Cr Michael Prevedello & Cr Jason Shepherd declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matter. At 8:11 pm, Cr Jason Shepherd & Cr Michael Prevedello left the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2024/132

Moved: Cr Carol James OAM

Seconded: Cr Daniel Strickland

That:

- 1. The report from the Director Corporate & Community Services regarding the request for Financial Assistance be received.**
- 2. Council provide in-kind support for the Marian Procession to the amount of \$2,900.37 for traffic control for a temporary road closure to be funded from the Financial Assistance budget.**

CARRIED

At 8:14 pm, Cr Jason Shepherd & Cr Michael Prevedello returned to the meeting.

16.9 REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - GOULBURN LILAC CITY FESTIVAL INC.

Cr Carol James OAM declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matter. At 8:14 pm, Cr Carol James OAM left the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2024/133

Moved: Cr Steven Ruddell
Seconded: Cr Daniel Strickland

That

- 1. The report of the Director of Corporate & Community Services on the Request for Financial Assistance – Goulburn Lilac City Festival be received.**
- 2. Council provides a cash donation of \$5,000 towards the running of the 2024 Lilac City Festival.**
- 3. Council provides traffic control to the value of \$2,600 for road closures funded from the events traffic control budget.**

CARRIED

At 8:19 pm, Cr Carol James OAM returned to the meeting.

16.10 REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - GOULBURN & DISTRICT ART SOCIETY INC.**RESOLUTION 2024/134**

Moved: Cr Bob Kirk
Seconded: Cr Andy Wood

That

- 1. The report of the Director of Corporate & Community Services on Requests for Financial Assistance – Goulburn & District Art Society be received.**
- 2. Council provides a cash donation of \$2,500 toward the Goulburn & District Art Society Annual Art Prize event funded from the Financial Assistance budget.**

CARRIED

16.11 TENDER 2324T0012 DRAINAGE EASTGROVE SOUTH AND MARULAN SOCCER FIELDS UPGRADE**RESOLUTION 2024/135****Moved: Cr Steven Ruddell****Seconded: Cr Michael Prevedello****That**

- 1. The report from the Business Manager Community Facilities on Tender 2324T0012 Drainage Eastgrove South and Marulan Soccer Fields Upgrade be received.**
- 2. Council decline to accept tenders from the respondents for Tender 2324T0012 Drainage Eastgrove South and Marulan Soccer Fields Upgrade, for the reasons set out in Confidential Attachment 1 of this report, under Clause 178.3 (a) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021.**
- 3. Council, under Clause 178.3 (e) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 enter into negotiations with any person (whether or not the person was a tenderer) with a view to entering into a contract in relation to the subject matter of the tender;**
- 4. Council notes that the reason for declining to invite tenders or fresh applications are: that doing so would not attract additional suitable service providers over and above those that have submitted a tender;**
- 5. The Chief Executive Officer be given delegated authority to award the contract after negotiations have been finalised.**

CARRIED**16.12 TENDER 2324T0013 RANGE ROAD CAUSEWAY REPLACEMENT**

Cr Andrew Banfield declared an interest in Items 16.12 & 16.13 and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matters. At 8:27 pm, Cr Andrew Banfield left the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2024/136**Moved: Cr Steven Ruddell****Seconded: Cr Carol James OAM****That:**

- 1. The report from the Business Manager Community Facilities on Tender 2324T0013 Range Road Causeway Replacement be received.**
- 2. The Tender from Denrith Pty Ltd is accepted for the Range Road Causeway Replacement for the lump sum price of \$391,075.20 (GST Exclusive), in accordance with the specification and documents for Tender 2324T0013.**

CARRIED

16.13 TENDER - VP 398040 JERRARA ROAD BLACKSPOT**RESOLUTION 2024/137****Moved: Cr Bob Kirk****Seconded: Cr Jason Shepherd****That**

1. The report from the Natural Disaster Coordinator on the Request for Quotation VP398040 for the Jerrara Road Blackspot Project be received.
2. The Request for Quotation from Denrith Pty Ltd is accepted for the Jerrara Road Blackspot Project for \$2,527,523.17(Incl GST) in accordance with the specifications and Request for Quotation documents for VP398040.

CARRIED

At 8:32 pm, Cr Andrew Banfield returned to the meeting.

16.14 PURCHASE OF 24 RAILWAY PARADE, TALLONG**RESOLUTION 2024/138****Moved: Cr Jason Shepherd****Seconded: Cr Carol James OAM****That:**

1. The report on the purchase of 24 Railway Parade, Tallong from the Business Manager Property & Community Services be received.
2. Council enters into a Funding Deed and Service Level Agreement with Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) to meet all costs associated with Council purchasing 24 Railway Parade, Tallong, and its ongoing maintenance including, but not limited to;
 - \$140,000 plus GST, representing the purchase price.
 - All professional legal fees and disbursements
 - Supply and installation of boundary fencing, or barrier of a type determined jointly by Council and DCCEEW (at an approximate value not exceeding \$10,000 plus GST).
 - Implementation of protection and management measures determined jointly by Council and DCCEEW, such as weed management and watering as required.
3. Council agrees to manage this land in perpetuity as a reserve for the purposes of protection, monitoring and research of threatened biodiversity.
4. A suitable covenant be registered on the title of 24 Railway Parade, Tallong (Lot 32 DP 236707) in relation to the biodiversity under s88B of the *Conveyancing Act 1900*.
5. Council allows DCCEEW access to this land for the purposes of monitoring and ongoing research of species on the land.
6. Council's seal be affixed to all documentation necessary to complete this land acquisition.

CARRIED

16.15 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

RESOLUTION 2024/139

Moved: Cr Andrew Banfield

Seconded: Cr Andy Wood

That

- 1. The report by the Director Corporate & Community Services on the Monthly Financial Report be received.**
- 2. Council approves the following adjustments to the 2023-24 budget to account for the reduced advance payment of the 2024-25 Financial Assistance Grant:**
 - a. Financial Assistance Grant – Road Component reduced from \$2,351,363 to \$2,077,906**
 - b. Financial Assistance Grant – General Component reduced from \$4,473,642 to \$4,090,339**
 - c. Transfer from Financial Assistance Grant reserve increased from \$0 to \$656,760**

CARRIED

16.16 STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS & BANK BALANCES

RESOLUTION 2024/140

Moved: Cr Bob Kirk

Seconded: Cr Carol James OAM

That the report on the Statement of Investments and Bank Balances be noted.

CARRIED

16.17 RATES OUTSTANDING REPORT

RESOLUTION 2024/141

Moved: Cr Jason Shepherd

Seconded: Cr Andy Wood

That the report from the Revenue Coordinator on Rates Outstanding be received.

CARRIED

16.18 DEBTORS OUTSTANDING

RESOLUTION 2024/142

Moved: Cr Andy Wood

Seconded: Cr Andrew Banfield

That the report from the Revenue Officer on Debtor Collections be received.

CARRIED

16.19 WATER CHARGES OUTSTANDING REPORT**RESOLUTION 2024/143****Moved: Cr Andy Wood****Seconded: Cr Bob Kirk**

That the report from the Administration Team Leader on water charges outstanding be received.

CARRIED**16.20 GRANTS UPDATE****RESOLUTION 2024/144****Moved: Cr Michael Prevedello****Seconded: Cr Carol James OAM**

That the report on the grants update from the Senior Grants Officer and the Director of Corporate and Community Services be received.

CARRIED**16.21 MINUTES OF THE RECREATION AREA COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1 MAY 2024****RESOLUTION 2024/145****Moved: Cr Andy Wood****Seconded: Cr Jason Shepherd**

That the report from Business Manager Community Facilities regarding the Recreation Area Committee minutes from Wednesday 1 May 2024 be received.

CARRIED**16.22 MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING 4 JULY 2024****RESOLUTION 2024/146****Moved: Cr Jason Shepherd****Seconded: Cr Carol James OAM**

That the report from Director Utilities regarding the Sustainability Advisory Committee minutes from 4 July 2024 be received.

CARRIED**17 CLOSED SESSION**

Council must resolve to move into Closed Session to deal with any items under s10 *Local Government Act 1993*.

There were no closed session reports for determination.

18 CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

The Meeting closed at 9.06pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 13 August 2024.

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**Cr Peter Walker
Mayor**

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**Aaron Johansson
Chief Executive Officer**