



# MINUTES

## Council Meeting

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**6.00pm Tuesday 15 December 2020**

**VENUE:**  
**Golden Plains Civic Centre**  
**Council Chambers**  
**2 Pope Street, Bannockburn**

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING  
6.00pm Tuesday 19 January 2021

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**MINUTES OF GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL  
COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE GOLDEN PLAINS CIVIC CENTRE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2 POPE STREET,  
BANNOCKBURN  
ON TUESDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2020 AT 6.00PM**

**PRESENT:** Cr Helena Kirby (Mayor), Cr Les Rowe, Cr Owen Sharkey, Cr Brett Cunningham, Cr Gavin Gamble, Cr Ian Getsom (Deputy Mayor), Cr Clayton Whitfield

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Eric Braslis (CEO), Phil Josipovic (Director Infrastructure and Development), Philippa O'Sullivan (Director Corporate Services), Lisa Letic (Director Community Services), Annmaree Bowey (Coordinator Governance and Risk)

The Mayor made the following statement:

*"Welcome everyone, my name is Cr Helena Kirby and I am the Mayor of the Golden Plains Shire Council. Tonight this Council Meeting is taking place from the Golden Plains Civic Centre Council Chambers however, in light of the current Coronavirus situation, closed to the public and being presented in a different way, via livestream.*

*As Chair of the Meeting I give my consent for this open Council meeting to be streamed live, recorded and published online, in accordance with Section 14 of Council's Governance Rules of 2020.*

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*Those Councillors and staff in attendance in person tonight, are advised to practice social distancing and the hygiene recommendations of the Department of Health and Human Services.*

*Due to the Coronavirus situation, public presentations and submissions will be presented virtually. For those that do not wish to present their public presentations for Public Question Time, a written response will be provided. The maximum 3 minutes still applies.*

*Thank you."*

## **1 OPENING DECLARATION**

We the Councillors of Golden Plains Shire declare that we will undertake, on every occasion, to carry out our duties in the best interest of the community and that our conduct shall maintain the standards of the code of good governance so that we may faithfully represent and uphold the trust placed in this Council by the people of Golden Plains Shire

## **2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Council acknowledge the traditional Wadawurrung owners of the land where we meet today. Council pays its respects to Wadawurrung Elders both past and present and extends that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People who are part of Golden Plains Shire.

## **3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

## **4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Les Rowe

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That the minutes of the Council Meetings held on 17 November and 24 November 2020 be confirmed.

**CARRIED**

## **5 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Cr Owen Sharkey declared a general conflict of interest in Item 7.3 under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 2020. The nature of the interest being that Cr Sharkey sold the property to the applicant, with a conflicting view to the presented report, Cr Owen Sharkey left the meeting at 6.18pm and returned at 6.24pm . Cr Owen Sharkey was absent whilst this matter was being discussed and considered.

Cr Brett Cunningham declared a general conflict of interest in Item 7.7 under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 2020 .The nature of the interest being that the applicant is Cr Cunningham's brother in law. Cr Brett Cunningham left the meeting at 7.08pm and returned at 7.20pm. Cr Brett Cunningham was absent whilst this matter was being discussed and considered.

Cr Helena Kirby declared a general conflict of interest in Item 7.8 under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 2020 .The nature of the interest being that Cr Kirby's son owns property in the area. Cr Helena Kirby left the meeting at 7.21 pm and returned at 7.26 pm . Cr Helena Kirby was absent whilst this matter was being discussed and considered.

Cr Helena Kirby declared a general conflict of interest in Item 7.15 under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 2020 .The nature of the interest being that Cr Kirby's business Rokewood Takeaway could be perceived as a conflict of interest. Cr Helena Kirby left the meeting at 7.26 pm and returned at 7.32 pm . Cr Helena Kirby was absent whilst this matter was being discussed and considered.

Cr Helena Kirby declared a material conflict of interest in Item 7.16 under Section 128 of the Local Government Act 2020 .The nature of the interest being that Cr Kirby's business Rokewood Takeaway could be perceived as a conflict of interest Cr Helena Kirby left the meeting at 7.33 pm and returned at 7.38 pm . Cr Helena Kirby was absent whilst this matter was being discussed and considered.

## **6 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil

## 7 BUSINESS REPORTS FOR DECISION

### 7.1 MEETING RECORD

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To receive any Meeting Records that disclose any conflict of interests declared since the previous Council meeting.

#### RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Les Rowe  
Seconded: Cr Ian Getsom

That Council receive and note the Meeting Records from 23 September 2020 to 14 December 2020 as attached.

**.CARRIED**

### 7.2 DELEGATES REPORT - 24 NOVEMBER 2020 TO 14 DECEMBER 2020

#### Cr Helena Kirby

24 November	Councillor Induction Session 4
24 November	Council Meeting
25 November	G21 CEO Recruitment Interviews
26 November	Virtual meeting with Richard Riordan MP
27 November	G21 Board Meeting
27 November	G21 Councillor Induction
28 November	Golden Plains Shire Tour
30 November	Meeting with Berrybank Wind Farm
1 December	Corporate Services Portfolio meeting
1 December	Councillor Induction Session 5
2 December	Meeting with Michaela Settle MP
2 December	Audit & Risk Committee meeting
4 December	Berrybank Wind Farm Community Engagement Committee meeting
4 December	Central Highlands Councils Victoria AGM
8 December	Councillor Induction Session 6
8 December	Councillor Briefing meeting
10 December	Water for our Future Regional virtual Forum
11 December	Peri Urban Group Councils virtual meeting
14 December	Implementation Matters virtual forum
14 December	Meredith Community Garden launch

#### Cr Brett Cunningham

24 November	Councillor Induction Session 4
24 November	Council Meeting

27 November	MAV Councillor Induction
27 November	G21 Councillor Induction
28 November	Golden Plains Shire Tour
1 December	Corporate Services Portfolio meeting
1 December	Councillor Induction Session 5
2 December	Audit & Risk Committee meeting
4 December	Tourism Greater Geelong and Bellarine Induction
7 December	G21 Sport & Recreation Pillar virtual meeting
7 December	Tourism Greater Geelong & Bellarine Board virtual meeting
8 December	Councillor Induction Session 6
8 December	Councillor Briefing meeting
10 December	G21 Economic Development Pillar virtual meeting

**Cr Gavin Gamble**

24 November	Councillor Induction Session 4
24 November	Council Meeting
28 November	Golden Plains Shire Tour
1 December	Councillor Induction Session 5
4 December	2020 Virtual G21 - Geelong Region Alliance Stakeholder Forum
7 December	Infrastructure and Development Portfolio meeting
7 December	G21 Environment Pillar virtual meeting
8 December	Councillor Induction Session 6
8 December	Councillor Briefing meeting

**Cr Ian Getsom**

24 November	Councillor Induction Session 4
24 November	Council Meeting
28 November	Golden Plains Shire Tour
1 December	Councillor Induction Session 5
8 December	Councillor Induction Session 6
8 December	Councillor Briefing meeting

**Cr Les Rowe**

24 November	Councillor Induction Session 4
24 November	Council Meeting
1 December	Corporate Services Portfolio meeting
1 December	Councillor Induction Session 5
8 December	Councillor Induction Session 6
8 December	Councillor Briefing meeting

**Cr Owen Sharkey**

24 November	Councillor Induction Session 4
24 November	Council Meeting
26 November	Ballarat University - Q&A session- MBA Group project
27 November	MAV Councillor Induction
27 November	G21 Councillor Induction
28 November	Golden Plains Shire Tour
1 December	Councillor Induction Session 5
2 December	Regional Development Victoria Councillors Briefing
3 December	MAV Councillor Induction
4 December	2020 Virtual G21 - Geelong Region Alliance Stakeholder Forum
10 December	Virtual meeting with Federation Uni
8 December	Councillor Induction Session 6
8 December	Councillor Briefing meeting
10 December	G21 Economic Development Pillar meeting
10 December	Virtual meeting with Federation Uni
11 December	Peri Urban Group Regional Councils virtual meeting
14 December	Meredith Community Garden launch

**Cr Clayton Whitfield**

24 November	Councillor Induction Session 4
24 November	Council Meeting
27 November	MAV Councillor Induction
27 November	G21 Councillor Induction
1 December	Councillor Induction Session 5
2 December	Regional Development Victoria Councillors Briefing
3 December	MAV Councillor Induction
7 December	Infrastructure and Development Portfolio meeting
8 December	Councillor Induction Session 6
8 December	Councillor Briefing meeting
10 December	Water for our Future Regional virtual Forum
11 December	Grampians Central West LG Waste virtual Forum
14 December	Meredith Community Garden launch

**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Les Rowe  
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council receive and note the Delegates Report – 24 November 2020 to 14 December 2020.

**.CARRIED**

Cr Owen Sharkey declared a general conflict of interest in Item 7.3 under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 2020. The nature of the interest being that Cr Sharkey sold the property to the applicant, with a conflicting view to the presented report. Cr Owen Sharkey was absent whilst this matter was being discussed and considered.

At 6.18 pm, Cr Owen Sharkey left the meeting.

### **7.3 P20-106 36 OXLEY RISE, BATESFORD (TWO LOT SUBDIVISION AND COVENANT VARIATION)**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report relates to a planning permit application for the development of land for the purposes of a two lot subdivision and variation of covenant at 36 Oxley Rise, Batesford. The application has been referred to the Council Meeting for determination because there are objections to the application. This report provides a background to the application and a summary of the relevant planning considerations. The Councillors have been provided with a full copy of the application and objections for consideration prior to making a decision.

#### **Speakers**

Luke Gavins (On behalf of applicant)

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Refuse to Grant a Permit for the development of a two lot subdivision and variation to restrictive covenant AK191651C at 36 Oxley Rise, Batesford for the reason that the application does not satisfy the provisions of the Development Plan Overlay – Schedule 11 (Clause 43.04) because the proposed subdivision is not in accordance with the development plan that applies to the land.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Les Rowe

Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council defer the matter until the February 2021 Council meeting.

**CARRIED**

At 6.24 pm Cr Owen Sharkey returned to the meeting.



**7.4 P20-178 271 GLEN AVON RD, BANNOCKBURN (TWO LOT SUBDIVISION AND COVENANT VARIATION)****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report relates to a planning permit application for a two lot subdivision and variation to restrictive covenant AH778818 by removing Clause 1 a) i) any more than single house

The application has been referred to a Council meeting for determination because there are seven (7) objections to the application. This report provides a background to the application and a summary of the relevant planning considerations. Councillors have been provided with a full copy of the application, and objections for consideration prior to making a decision.

**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That Council resolve to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit for Two lot subdivision and to vary restrictive covenant AH778818 by removing Clause 1 a) i) any more than single house, subject to conditions attached to this report.

**CARRIED**

**7.5 P20-061 704 TEESDALE INVERLEIGH RD, TEESDALE (USE OF THE LAND FOR A PLACE OF ASSEMBLY (FUNCTION CENTRE))****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report relates to a planning permit application for the use of the land for a place of assembly (function centre), at 704 Teesdale-Inverleigh Road, Teesdale. This report provides a background to the application and a summary of the relevant planning considerations. The application has been referred to the Council Meeting for determination because there is an unresolved objection to the application. Councillors have been provided with a full copy of the application and objection for consideration prior to making a decision.

**Speakers**

Lachie Morrison (Applicant)

**MOTION**

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield  
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit for the use of the land for a place of assembly (function centre), at 704 Teesdale- Inverleigh Road, Teesdale, subject to the conditions attached to this report.

**AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION**

Moved: Cr Gavin Gamble  
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That council amend the permit conditions, to include road upgrades to the Teesdale-Inverleigh road, Teesdale.

**LOST**

**RESOLUTION**

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit for the use of the land for a place of assembly (function centre), at 704 Teesdale- Inverleigh Road, Teesdale, subject to the conditions attached to this report.

**CARRIED**

**7.6 P20-116 1803 STEIGLITZ ROAD, MAUDE (DWELLING)****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report relates to a planning permit application for the use and development of a dwelling and associated works at 1803 Steiglitz Road, Maude. The application has been referred to the Council Meeting for determination because there are objections to the application. The report provides a background to the application and a summary of the relevant planning considerations. The Councillors have been provided with a full copy of the application and objections for consideration prior to making a decision.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit for a dwelling at 1803 Steiglitz Road, Maude subject to the conditions attached to this report.

**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Gavin Gamble  
Seconded: Cr Clayton Whitfield

That Council defer the matter until the January 2021 Council meeting.

**CARRIED**

Cr Brett Cunningham declared a general conflict of interest in Item 7.7 under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 2020. The nature of the interest being that the applicant is Cr Cunningham's brother in law. Cr Brett Cunningham was absent whilst this matter was being discussed and considered.

At 7.08 pm, Cr Brett Cunningham left the meeting.

## **7.7 P19-273 54 NATIVE HUT DRIVE, TEESDALE (FOUR LOT SUBDIVISION & CREATION OF CARRIAGEWAY EASEMENTS)**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report relates to a planning permit application for the development of land for the purposes of a four-lot subdivision and the creation of carriageway easements at 54 Native Hut Drive, Teesdale. The application has been referred to the Council Meeting for determination because there is one objection to the application. The report provides a background to the application and a summary of the relevant planning considerations. The Councillors have been provided with a full copy of the application and objection for consideration prior to making a decision.

### **Speakers**

Anonymous (Objector)

### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey

Seconded: Cr Clayton Whitfield

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit for a four-lot subdivision and the creation of carriageway easements at 54 Native Hut Drive, Teesdale, subject to the conditions attached to this report.

**CARRIED**

At 7.20 pm, Cr Brett Cunningham returned to the meeting.

Cr Helena Kirby declared a general conflict of interest in Item 7.8 under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 2020. The nature of the interest being that Cr Kirby's son owns property in the area. Cr Helena Kirby was absent whilst this matter was being discussed and considered.

At 7.21 pm, Cr Helena Kirby left the meeting.

Cr Ian Getsom, Deputy Mayor assumed the chair.

## **7.8 AMENDMENT C91GPLA - GENERAL AMENDMENT**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report seeks authorisation to prepare and exhibit an amendment to the Golden Plains Planning Scheme in order to correct a number of mapping and ordinance errors, anomalies and inefficiencies.

### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield

Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council authorise the preparation and exhibition of an amendment to the Golden Plains Planning Scheme to correct a number of mapping and ordinance errors, anomalies and inefficiencies

**.CARRIED**

Cr Helena Kirby declared a material conflict of interest in Item 7.16 under Section 128 of the Local Government Act 2020 .The nature of the interest being that Cr Kirby's business Rokewood Takeaway could be perceived as a conflict of interest. Cr Helena Kirby was absent whilst this matter was being discussed and considered.

Cr Ian Getsom, Deputy Mayor assumed the chair.

## **7.16 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REGISTRATION RENEWAL FEES**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Due to COVID-19, Council has waived registration renewal fees for some businesses (those providing beauty therapy, tattoo and accommodation services) and provided food businesses with an opportunity to apply for a 50% hardship discount.

### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey

Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council note the waiving of fees for some businesses under the provisions *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008* and potential discounts for food businesses under the provisions of the *Food Act 1984* as described in this report

**CARRIED**

Cr Helena Kirby declared a general conflict of interest in Item 7.15 under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 2020 .The nature of the interest being that Cr Kirby's business Rokewood Takeaway could be perceived as a conflict of interest. Cr Helena Kirby was absent whilst this matter was being discussed and considered.

Cr Ian Getsom, Deputy Mayor assumed the chair.

## **7.15 COVID -19 HARDSHIP POLICY AND CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRESS**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides Council with background on both financial and non-financial assistance provided to customers experiencing financial difficulties as a result of COVID-19 impacts. This includes the Council adopted COVID-19 hardship policy which offers rebates for customers who meet specific criteria.

### **BACKGROUND**

COVID-19 has had significant impacts on the Victorian economy and our local communities due to the extended period of government restrictions mandated for the State of Victoria. Council responded to these impacts by establishing a package of financial relief options for local residents and businesses which included waiving interest on rates, promoting customer payment plans and developing a COVID-19 financial hardship policy.

Golden Plains Shire Council have traditionally offered customer assistance in the form of a financial hardship policy that provided the ability to defer the payment of rates, waive interest on rates or enter a payment plan arrangement, however the customer is required to engage a financial counsellor to verify their hardship circumstances. The COVID-19 financial hardship policy recently developed relaxed the eligibility criteria removing the requirement of engaging a financial counsellor and offers a rebate where the criteria is met.

### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey

Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council:

1. Note the customer assistance that has been provided via Councils COVID-19 Hardship Policy.
2. Note the other forms of assistance and support provided to residential and business customers that have been impacted by COVID-19.

**CARRIED**

At 7.32 pm, Cr Helena Kirby returned to the meeting.

## **7.9 GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE COMMUNITY VISION 2040**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The *Local Government Act 2020* (Section 88) requires that a Council must maintain a Community Vision that is developed with its municipality for a period of at least the next 10 financial years. The Community Vision is required to be adopted by 31 October 2021.

The Golden Plains Shire Community Vision 2040 has been developed in partnership with a dedicated Community Reference Group and has been informed by extensive community engagement.

The Draft Golden Plains Shire Community Vision 2040 was presented to Council in August 2020. At this time, Council received the Draft Community Vision and recommended it be presented to the new Council for adoption following the election period.

Since that time, the Draft Community Vision has been made available to the public for further viewing and comment with three written submissions received.

The submissions have been considered and the Golden Plains Shire Community Vision 2040 is now presented for adoption which will provide the strategic direction and framework for development of the Council Plan 2021-2025.

### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield

Seconded: Cr Ian Getsom

That Council:

1. Adopt the Golden Plains Shire Community Vision 2040.
2. Begin preparation of the Council Plan 2021-2025 based on the themes identified within the Golden Plains Community Vision 2040.

**CARRIED**

## **7.10 DRAFT ACTIVE AGEING & INCLUSION PLAN 2020-2024**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Disability Act 2006 (Section 38) requires all Government organisations to have a Disability Action Plan (or similar).

A Disability Action Plan identifies actions to remove physical, civic and attitudinal barriers for people with a disability. It is also designed to increase employment opportunities and influence community attitudes.

The Active Ageing & Inclusion Plan provides the framework for Council to address current and future needs of older residents and people with disability and will assist to improve awareness of ageing, disablement and associated issues.

### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That Council endorse the Draft Active Ageing and Inclusion Plan 2020-2024 (Attachment 1) for community engagement and feedback.

**CARRIED**

## 7.11 PROPERTY MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK 2020

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Property Management Framework (Framework) (Attachment 1) has been developed to provide Golden Plains Shire Council with a guide to managing, leasing, issuing licenses, acquiring, and disposing of property under the Council's ownership, care and control.

The framework will take into account Council's statutory obligations and the desire to promote the wellbeing of all people in the community, through support of recreational and community groups and the provision of high quality and accessible facilities.

The framework is being presented to Council for final consideration and adoption.

### RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield

Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council adopt the proposed Property Management Framework as at 15 December 2020 as presented in Attachment 1.

**CARRIED**

## 7.12 INVERLEIGH PLAY SPACE NAMING

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In late 2018 the Inverleigh community were successful in obtaining grant funding through Pick My Project to provide a new multi age play space for the Inverleigh community.

To assist with easy location and marketing of the feature, the community requested to formally name the space "Inverleigh River Park".

Council followed the procedures for feature naming in the *Naming rules for places in Victoria – Statutory requirements for naming roads, features and localities 2016* to proceed with the community request however the Registrar for Geographic Names rejected the name for non-compliance with the naming rules and has now suggested a public vote on four alternative names.

### RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the letters received from the Registrar of Geographic Names rejecting the Council endorsed name "Inverleigh River Park".
2. Endorse the following names, "Leigh River Park", "Inverleigh Community Park", "Inverleigh Play Park" and "Yerram yaluk bun" for public consultation using the voting method as suggested by the Office of Geographic Names in their letters dated 23 March and 27 July 2020.

**CARRIED**



### **7.13 RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In January 2020 Council commenced a Risk Management Strategy Development Project and appointed an external consultant, Crowe, to deliver the project. The project scope included the review of Council's Risk Management Framework, development of Risk Appetite Statements, review of the Risk Assessment Matrix and review of the Strategic and Organisational Risks.

The Risk Management Framework, Risk Appetite Statements, Risk Assessment Matrix and Strategic and Organisational Risks were endorsed by the Senior Management Team (SMT) at its 27 July 2020 meeting and the Audit and Risk Committee at its 8 September 2020 meeting. The framework is now provided to the Council for final consideration and adoption. Following final adoption, the framework will be and implemented across the organisation and embedded in work practices. This will be supported by the delivery of risk management learning and development.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey  
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council adopt the Risk Management Framework (Attachment 1) including the Risk Appetite Statements, Strategic and Organisational Risks and Risk Assessment Matrix (Attachment 2).

**CARRIED**

### **7.14 COUNCIL POLICY - TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides advice to Council regarding adopting an amended Council Policy - Township Maintenance that updates the existing policy to reflect changes in service delivery and to provide an improved level of service to the community.

This report seeks Council support to adopt the Council Policy - Township Maintenance.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield  
Seconded: Cr Gavin Gamble

That Council adopts the updated Council Policy - Township Maintenance (2020).

**CARRIED**

### **7.17 AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE REPORT - 2 DECEMBER 2020**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report is being submitted to Council to provide a summary of business considered at the 8 September 2020 meeting of the Audit & Risk Committee.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Brett Cunningham  
Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That Council note the minutes from the Audit & Risk Committee meeting held on 2 December 2020

**.CARRIED**

## **7.18 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE REPORTING INDICATORS - FINAL REPORT 19/20**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council is required under the Local Government Act 2020 and Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2020 to report on its performance in accordance with the Local Government Performance Reporting Framework (LGPRF).

Council's performance against LGPRF measures is reported to management, the Audit & Risk Committee and Council on a six-monthly basis and included in the Golden Plains Shire Council Annual Report.

The final progress report for the period 01 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 is provided for the Council's information (Attachment 1).

### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Ian Getsom

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That Council:

1. Receive the report on the Local Government Performance Reporting Indicators (Attachment 1) for the period 01 July 2019 to 30 June 2020.
2. Note the Know Your Council Performance Summary Report 19/20 (Attachment 2).

**CARRIED**

## **7.19 GPSC-RFT-03 - GEGGIES RD BRIDGE, ROKEWOOD**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Golden Plains Shire Council wish to replace Geggies Road Bridge, Rokewood and as a result Council is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced contractor to construct the Geggies Road Bridge replacement. The proposed bridge will replace 2.5-ton load limited single lane bridge with a two-lane concrete bridge, and associated road works, designed for SM1600 loading with 100 years of design life. Councillors have been provided a copy of the confidential tender evaluation documentation under separate cover.

### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Les Rowe

Seconded: Cr Clayton Whitfield

That Council:

1. Resolves to award the Contract for the Geggies Road Bridge, Rokewood to Begbies Contracting for the contract for the sum (incl. contingency) of \$390,857.70 (exclusive of GST).
2. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer or his delegate authority to execute the contract on behalf of Council.

**CARRIED**

**7.20 GPSC-RFT-02 - SLATE QUARRY ROAD BRIDGE, MEREDITH****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Golden Plains Shire Council wish to replace Slate Quarry Road Bridge over the crossing of Moorabool River in Meredith and is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced contractor to construct the Slate Quarry Road Bridge replacement over the crossing of Moorabool River in Meredith. The purpose of the proposed replacement of Slate Quarry Road Bridge is to allow safer access to heavier vehicles across the Moorabool River. Councillors have been provided a copy of the confidential tender evaluation documentation under separate cover.

**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield  
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council:

1. Resolves to award the Contract for the Slate Quarry Road Bridge, Meredith to Bitu-Mill (Civil) Pty Ltd for the contract for the sum (incl. contingency) of \$1,843,070.75 (exclusive of GST).
2. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer or his delegate authority to execute the contract on behalf of Council.

**CARRIED**

**8 NOTICES OF MOTION****8.1 NOTICE OF MOTION**

I, Councillor Owen Sharkey, give notice that at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on 15 December 2020, I intend to move the following motion:-

**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey  
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council consider adoption of a Flag Policy at a future Council Meeting no later than March 2021.

**CARRIED**

## **9 PETITIONS**

### **9.1 PETITION TO PREVENT THE BUILDING OF THE PROPOSED ARBOUR IN MILTON STREET, BANNOCKBURN**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to receive and note the petition requesting that Council prevent the building of the proposed arbour in Milton Street, Bannockburn.

Council received the petition on 27 November 2020. The petition consists of 11 signatures.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Les Rowe

Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council, in accordance with its Governance Rules –

1. Receives the petition requesting Council prevent the building of the proposed arbour in Milton Street, Bannockburn.
2. Requires a report on the petition be presented to the 19 January 2021 Council Meeting.

**.CARRIED**

## **10 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS FOR DECISION**

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

That Council moves in to Closed Council.

**CARRIED**

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield

Seconded: Cr Ian Getsom

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 66 of the Local Government Act 2020:

### **10.1 Golden Plains Shire Council Community Awards 2021**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 3(1) - h of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with confidential meeting information, being the records of meetings closed to the public under section 66(2)(a).

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Les Rowe

Seconded: Cr Gavin Gamble

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

**CARRIED**

**The Meeting closed at 8.39pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 19 January 2021.**

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**CHAIRPERSON**