



MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

6.00pm Tuesday 23 October 2018

VENUE:
Linton Customer Service Centre
Council Chambers
68 Sussex Street, Linton

NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
6.00pm Wednesday 7 November 2018

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**MINUTES OF GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE LINTON CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTRE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 68 SUSSEX
STREET, LINTON
ON TUESDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2018 AT 6.00PM**

PRESENT: Cr Helena Kirby (Mayor), Cr David Evans, Cr Nathan Hansford, Cr Des Phelan,
Cr Les Rowe, Cr Owen Sharkey

IN ATTENDANCE: Eric Braslis (CEO), Richard Trigg (Director Corporate Services), Greg Anders
(Director Assets and Amenity), Patti Wenn (Acting Director Community
Services)

1 OPENING DECLARATION

The Mayor read the Opening Declaration.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the land and paid her respects
to elders both past and present.

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr Joanne Gilbert

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Evans

Seconded: Cr Des Phelan

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 September 2018 be confirmed.

CARRIED

5 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Owen Sharkey declared for report 6.2 Bannockburn Plaza Planning Application P17-
269 that he has an indirect interest.

6 BUSINESS REPORTS FOR DECISION

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved: Cr Des Phelan

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

A motion was moved that Council suspend standing orders.

6.1 CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

Council would like to congratulate the following residents on their decision to become Australian Citizens:

- Mr John Callus from Malta who resides in Scarsdale
- Ms Daisa Cociuba from Romania who resides in Cambrian Hill
- Ms Farah Mohamad from Lebanon who resides in Gheringhap
- Mr Worasit Phiwphong from Thailand who resides in Lethbridge
- Ms Rose Runge from Philippines who resides in Scarsdale
- Ms Minh Chau Ho from Vietnam who resides in Dereel
- Mrs Tuyet Yeardley from Vietnam who resides in Dereel

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders.

6.2 BANNOCKBURN PLAZA PLANNING APPLICATION P17-269

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The report relates to the planning application for buildings and works associated with the redevelopment/expansion to the existing retail premises. This report seeks to provide clarity regarding several issues raised following the September 2018 Council Meeting.

Cr Owen Sharkey left the meeting due to a declared indirect conflict of interest.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved: Cr David Evans

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

A motion was moved that Council suspend standing orders.

Jack Manion (on behalf of applicant) addressed the Council.

Leanne Adams (objector) addressed the Council.

Patricia Williams (objector) addressed the Council.

Rodney Adams (objector) addressed the Council.

Narelle Dickson (objector) addressed the Council.

Graeme Pye (objector) addressed the Council.

Daniel Nardi (applicant) addressed the Council.

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Evans

Seconded: Cr Nathan Hansford

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit for the building and works associated with the existing retail premises including partial demolition of existing car park, buildings and works to alter access in a road zone category 1, use and development of a restricted recreation facility, buildings and works associated with the construction of pylon, panel, directional, and internally illuminated signage at Lot 1 on PS427300H, PC169885N, CA 10, Section 6, Lot 1 on TP688963H, Lot 1 on TP696893G, CA 2009, Lots 1 & 2 on PS137829, CA 7, 8, & 10, Section 7, Lot 2 on PS115936, and Lots 1 & 2 on PS205032L, Township of Bannockburn, Parish of Wabdallah (High Street, McPhillips Road, Burns Street, & Victor Street, Bannockburn) subject to the attached conditions.

In Favour: Crs Helena Kirby, Nathan Hansford, Des Phelan and Les Rowe

Against: Cr David Evans

Abstained: Crs Owen Sharkey

CARRIED 4/1

Cr Owen Sharkey returned to the meeting.

6.3 AMENDMENT C74 - REZONING OF LAND AT 230 HOPES PLAINS ROAD, INVERLEIGH

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the December 2016 Council meeting Council moved to prepare and exhibit an amendment (C74) to the Golden Plains Planning Scheme. Since this time the amendment has been exhibited and as a result two submissions have been received which remain unresolved.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr David Evans

That Council request the Minister for Planning to appoint a panel pursuant to Section 23(1)(b) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 to consider submissions to amendment C74, and make recommendations regarding the amendment.

CARRIED

6.4 ARTS AND CULTURE STRATEGY 2018 - 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council's previous Arts and Culture Strategy expired in 2017. Following a report from Council in August 2018, the draft strategy has been exhibited for public comment for a period of four weeks. Two submissions were received.

Consultation undertaken in the development of the strategy was via a number of sources including the Golden Plains Shire Council Plan 2017-2021, the Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan, the Community Engagement Strategy 2016-2020 as well survey findings, external research, case studies and academic papers. Specific artist's feedback was sought through targeted focus group meetings.

The new Golden Plains Shire Council Arts and Culture Strategy 2018-2022 (the Strategy) has been prepared to guide programming of arts activities, and support the arts and creative industries in Golden Plains Shire. The arts contribute significantly to the implementation of the Council Plan. The arts also enhance the wellbeing and cohesion of the community, as well as economic development in the Shire. The priorities outlined in the strategy will ensure more equitable access to the arts and broader engagement with the community.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Des Phelan

Seconded: Cr Nathan Hansford

That Council adopts the Golden Plains Shire Council Arts and Culture Strategy 2018-2022

. CARRIED

6.5 G21 REGIONAL HOCKEY STRATEGY DRAFT PUBLIC CONSULTATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Local government authorities within the G21 region, in partnership with Hockey Victoria, commissioned insideEDGE Sport and Leisure Planning to develop a regional strategy to guide the overall direction and development of hockey across the G21 region for the next ten years.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey

Seconded: Cr Nathan Hansford

That Council endorse the draft G21 Regional Hockey Strategy (August 2018) for public exhibition, seeking community feedback.

CARRIED

6.6 G21 AND CRICKET VICTORIA BARWON REGIONAL CRICKET STRATEGY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The draft G21 and Cricket Victoria Barwon Regional Cricket Strategy (the draft Strategy) aims to guide the future planning and development of cricket across the Barwon region to 2028. The strategy provides a framework to support the future management, development and infrastructure outcomes for the sport. The Strategy is a collaborative planning project between the G21 Region Alliance, G21 local government authorities (LGAs), Cricket Victoria, Victorian Government and the local cricket community.

The development of the draft Strategy involved the investigation of issues and opportunities facing cricket identified through extensive consultation with the cricket community and the five G21 LGAs (City of Greater Geelong, Surf Coast Shire, Borough of Queenscliffe, Golden Plains Shire and Colac Otway Shire).

Only cricket sites in Golden Plains Shire that fall within Cricket Victoria's Barwon Region have been included in the scope of this strategy (Bannockburn, Inverleigh, Lethbridge, Meredith, Shelford and Teesdale). Those sites in Cricket Victoria's Central Highlands Region were out of scope for this strategy; however, audit assessments have been conducted at all facilities in Golden Plains Shire and made separately available to Council by Cricket Victoria.

There are no immediate investment or resource implications for Golden Plains Shire Council in the draft strategy. Funding for any future actions noted in the draft strategy will be sought through a range of funding opportunities and through Council's budgetary process. Further detail regarding future priorities are detailed in the discussion section of this report.

The draft strategy highlights that improving the structure and governance of cricket as the main critical priority.

All G21 LGA's are planning to release the draft strategy for public exhibition from 26 October 2018 for a six week period.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey

Seconded: Cr David Evans

That Council endorse the release of the draft G21 and Cricket Victoria Barwon Regional Cricket Strategy (September 2018) for public exhibition and to seek community feedback.

CARRIED

6.7 PERMITS TO BURN BY PRIVATE PERSONS (SCHEDULE 13)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks a determination that Council not continue to issue Schedule 13 Permits to Burn by Private Persons because of the associated risks, but continue to assist with the permit application process during a transitional period.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That Council;

1. Discontinue the service of issuing Schedule 13 Permits to Burn by Private Persons and advise the Country Fire Authority Regional Operations Managers and primary producers accordingly.
2. Continue to provide assistance to primary producers and to the Country Fire Authority with the processing of Schedule 13 Permits to Burn by Private Persons until such time as the Country Fire Authority has the resources to directly receive, assess and issue the permits without the need for assistance from Council.
3. Review the procedure in 12 months.

CARRIED

6.8 GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989* (the LGA), Council is to hold a publically advertised meeting to discuss the Annual report. As well as meeting this requirement, the Annual Report is a good opportunity to capture the highlights, successes, challenges and opportunities over the preceding twelve months.

The unqualified Audit opinions on the 2017-18 Performance Statement and 2017-18 Financial Statements appear in the document and disclose an overall surplus of \$6.0 million, an Adjusted Underlying Result of \$1.5 million and capital expenditure on assets of \$10.1 million.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Des Phelan

Seconded: Cr Nathan Hansford

That Council:

1. Notes the Auditor's unqualified reports on the 2017-18 Performance Statement and 2017-18 Financial Statements;
2. Acknowledges that the Golden Plains Shire Council 2017-18 Annual Report was submitted to the Minister for Local Government on 20 September 2018 in accordance with section 133(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989*; and
3. Adopts the Golden Plains Shire Council 2017-18 Annual Report in accordance the *Local Government Act 1989*.

CARRIED

6.9 COUNCIL PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the progress made in completing the 2018-19 actions contained in the Council Plan 2017-2021.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Evans

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That Council note the report and achievements attained in the implementation of the actions contained in the Council Plan 2017-2021 for the first quarter ending September 2018.

CARRIED

6.10 RURAL COUNCILS TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each of the G21, Central Highlands and Western Victorian Group of Councils are proposing to submit an application to Local Government Victoria (LGV) under the \$20mil Rural Councils Transformation Program (RCTP).

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

That Council acknowledge the \$20mil State Government Rural Councils Transformation program and support Golden Plains Shire's involvement with the G21, Central Highlands and Western Victorian Group of Councils, in submitting an Expressions of Interest to pursue the investigation of a Share Service Model for various Council services and functions.

CARRIED

6.11 ANNUAL REPORT ON AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE OPERATIONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides an overview to Council of the areas of responsibility contained within the Audit & Risk Committee's Charter to ensure they have been carried out. This report indicates that the responsibilities have been completed, however, Management note that there is scope to improve monitoring and reporting to the Committee.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That Council receives the 2018 Audit and Risk Committee Annual report.

CARRIED

6.12 ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE SERVICES (GPS-RFT07/2018) AWARDING OF TENDER**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Tenders were invited for the Provision of Electrical Maintenance Services on 24 February 2018, closing 21 March 2018. Eight [8] tenders were received, and checked for correctness and for omissions/qualifications. Any tenders not meeting the mandatory criteria were excluded from further review.

Due to a change in employee status and project priority during this tender process the evaluation has taken longer than usual. All tenderers were contacted with a request to extend the expiration date of the prices they submitted, and all were happy for their tendered Year 1 rates to take effect from the date of the contract being awarded by Council.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Les Rowe

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That Council award contract GPS-RFT07/2018 Panel of Contractors for Electrical Maintenance Services to the following contractors and for the schedules of rates submitted with their respective tenders:

- QA Electrical Pty Ltd
- GT Electrical
- Stack Electrical & Data

CARRIED

6.13 ROAD CONDITION ASSESSMENT (GPS-RFT12/2018) AWARDING OF TENDER**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report informs Council of the recent procurement process for the Road Condition Assessment of Council's local road network. The report also includes an officer's recommendation for appointment of a contractor to undertake condition assessment in accordance with the project specifications.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Des Phelan

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

That Council approves the awarding of contract No. GPS-RFT12/2018 to ARRB GROUP for the Road Condition Assessment of Council's local road network for the tendered sum of \$182,500 excluding GST.

CARRIED

6.14 BUS SHELTER POLICY 6.1 - REVIEW

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council Policy 6.1 – Bus Shelters was last reviewed on 28/10/2014. This most recent review identified no required changes and determined that the current policy, as attached, was still fit for purpose.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

That Council approves the reviewed Council Policy 6.1 – Bus Shelters as attached.

CARRIED

6.15 DELEGATES REPORT - 26 SEPTEMBER 2018 TO 22 OCTOBER 2018

Mayor Cr Kirby

1 October	Conversation Post at the Teesdale General Store
6 October	Conversation Post for Communications Strategy at Farmers Market
7 October	The opening of "The William Dunbar Johnstone Art Exhibition"
8 October	Committee for Ballarat Annual General Meeting
10 October	'Take the Lead' Women's Leadership Event
11 October	CHCV Mayor's & CEO's Meeting
13 October	Walk around Meredith with Community Coordinators
17 October	Rural Councils Victoria Forum and AGM
18 October	MAV Annual Conference and Dinner
19 October	MAV State Council Meeting
	PUGRC Bi-monthly Meeting
	Linton on Literary Arts (LOLA)
20 October	Blue Pyrenes Avoca Cup
21 October	Rokewood Children's Week celebrations

Cr Owen Sharkey

1 October	Conversation Post at the Teesdale General Store
4 October	G21 Economic Development Pillar
18 October	Tourism Board Meeting
19 October	Lifeline Geelong AGM

Cr Nathan Hansford

MAV Delegate Update

All other Councillors gave a verbal update on their attendances of various Council and community functions over the past month.

6.16 ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To present Council with written records of Assembly of Councillors in accordance with section 80A of the Local Government Act 1989 from 26 September 2018 to 22 October 2018.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Evans

Seconded: Cr Nathan Hansford

That Council notes the Assembly of Councillors Record from 26 September 2018 to 22 October 2018 as attached.

CARRIED

LATE/URGENT BUSINESS

6.17 PROPOSED WORLD HERITAGE LISTING OF THE CENTRAL VICTORIAN GOLDFIELDS - MEMBERSHIP

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City of Ballarat are seeking support from Councils who form part of the Central Victorian Goldfields Region to take the next step in the development of a nomination for World Heritage Listing (WHL) of the Central Victorian Goldfields.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey

Seconded: Cr Nathan Hansford

That Council endorsed Golden Plains Shire's joint participation with the 13 Councils of the Central Victorian Goldfields region in seeking an UNESCO World Heritage listing.

CARRIED

7 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

8 PETITIONS

Nil

9 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil

The Meeting closed at 9.10pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 7 November 2018.

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Mayor Cr Owen Sharkey