



GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

MINUTES

Council Meeting

6.00pm Tuesday 24 August 2021

VENUE:
Virtual Meeting

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING
6.00pm Tuesday 28 September 2021

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**MINUTES OF GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
HELD VIRTUALLY
ON TUESDAY, 24 AUGUST 2021 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 at the Golden Plains Shire Council. Tonight this Council Meeting is taking place virtually and being presented in a different way, via livestream.

The public are encouraged to watch virtual meetings through live streaming which is available on Council's website and YouTube page.

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

The stream will stop at the conclusion of the meeting.

Should technical issues prevent the continuation of the stream, every effort will be made to bring the stream back online as soon as possible.

A recording will be made available on Council's website following the meeting.

I will now run through the procedures to ensure the meeting runs as smoothly as possible.

In accordance with Requirement 1 of the Ministers Good Practice Guideline, I will address each Councillor individually to confirm the following:

- *they can hear the proceedings;*
- *they can see other Councillors in attendance;*
- *they can be seen by other Councillors; and*
- *they can be heard when speaking.*

If a Councillor is unable to confirm that they can hear and see the proceedings, or if they cannot be seen or heard, they will be recorded as absent in the Minutes and be ineligible to vote on Agenda items.

I will now confirm that all Councillors can be seen and heard:

- *Deputy Mayor, Cr Ian Getsom, can you please confirm that I can be seen and heard?
Cr Ian Getsom: Yes Madam Mayor.*
- *Deputy Mayor, Cr Ian Getsom, can you please now confirm that you can hear and see other Councillors?
Cr Ian Getsom: Yes correct.*

- *Cr Brett Cunningham, can you please confirm that you can hear and see other Councillors?*
Cr Brett Cunningham: I can Madam Mayor, thank-you.
- *Cr Gavin Gamble, can you please confirm that you can hear and see other Councillors?*
Cr Gavin Gamble: Yes thank-you Mayor Kirby, I can see everyone.
- *Cr Les Rowe, can you please confirm that you can hear and see other Councillors?*
Cr Les Rowe: Madam Mayor, I can see and hear other Councillors clearly thank-you.
- *Cr Owen Sharkey, can you please confirm that you can hear and see other Councillors?*
Cr Owen Sharkey: Thank-you very much Madam Mayor, yes I can see and hear all other Councillors very clearly, thank-you.
- *Cr Clayton Whitfield, can you please confirm that you can hear and see other Councillors?*
Cr Clayton Whitfield: I can see and hear all other Councillors thanks Madam Mayor.

If any Councillor drops out during the meeting, they will be recorded as having left the meeting at that time and the meeting will continue as normal.

If a Councillor re-joins the meeting, I will in accordance with Requirement 1 of the Ministers Good Practice Guideline again ask the Councillor to confirm that they can hear the proceedings, see others in attendance and can be heard. Upon this confirmation it will be recorded in the minutes that the Councillor re-joined the meeting.

Councillors, if you would like to move or second a motion, please raise your hand in a manner that can be clearly seen on your computers camera.

Councillors, when voting on a matter, please also raise your hand either for or against the motion in a manner that can be clearly seen on your computers camera. Please leave your hand raised until I have declared the motion as being carried or lost.

If you wish to speak to an item during debate, please also raise your hand in a manner that can be clearly seen on your computers camera and leave your hand raised until I have asked you to speak. This will allow me, as the Mayor, to manage the debate accordingly.

When you are not speaking please ensure you are on mute.

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

Golden Plains Shire spans the Traditional lands of the Wadawurrung and Eastern Maar people. We acknowledge them as the Traditional Owners and Custodians. Council pays its respects to Wadawurrung Elders past, present and emerging. Council also respects Eastern Maar Elders past, present and emerging.

Council extends that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People who are part of the Golden Plains Shire.

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Ian Getsom

Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 July 2021 be confirmed.

CARRIED**5 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Nil

6 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

7 BUSINESS REPORTS FOR DECISION**7.1 DELEGATES REPORT - 27 JULY 2021 TO 23 AUGUST 2021****RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Les Rowe

Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council receive and note the Delegates Report – 27 July 2021 to 23 August 2021.

CARRIED**7.2 P20341 1115 SHELFORD-MT MERCER ROAD, SHELFORD (BROILER FARM)****Speaker**

Jack Kraan (on behalf of Applicant)

Carolyn Morton (Objector) presented by Mayor Cr Kirby as proxy

Kylie Walton (Objector) presented by Mayor Cr Kirby as proxy

Joe & Maxine Argento (Objector) presented by Mayor Cr Kirby as proxy

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report relates to a planning permit application for a broiler farm at 1115 Shelford-Mt Mercer Road, Shelford. The 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 are 15 objections to the application, and given the number of submissions and media attention, officers are of the opinion that the application is considered significant to the municipality. The matters raised by objectors include odour, environmental impacts, traffic and roads, noise, visual impact, power and water supply, avian influenza and animal welfare. Councillors have been provided with

a full copy of the application and objections for consideration before making a decision.

The issue of a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit is recommended, subject to the conditions attached to this report.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey

Seconded: Cr Clayton Whitfield

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit P20341 for the use and development of the land for the purposes of a broiler farm and associated buildings and works at 1115 Shelford-Mt Mercer Road, Shelford subject to the conditions attached to this report.

In Favour: Crs Les Rowe, Owen Sharkey and Clayton Whitfield

Against: Crs Helena Kirby, Brett Cunningham, Gavin Gamble and Ian Getsom

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7.3 P20426 1115 SHELFORD-MT MERCER ROAD, SHELFORD (MATERIALS RECYCLING)**Speaker**

Jack Kraan (on behalf of Applicant)

Carolyn Morton (Objector) presented by Mayor Cr Kirby as proxy

Joe & Maxine Argento (Objector) presented by Mayor Cr Kirby as proxy

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report relates to a planning permit application for materials recycling at Lot 1, PS824764X, 1115 Shelford-Mt Mercer Road, Shelford. The 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 objections have been received to the application and this application relates directly to another application (P20341) for the same property which has been forwarded to Council given it is considered significant for the region. The matters raised by objectors include increased traffic, noise, dust, fire risk, health concerns, disruption to power supply, visual impact and environmental impacts. Councillors have been provided with a full copy of the application and objections for consideration before making a decision. The issue of a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit is recommended, subject to the conditions attached to this report.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved: Cr Brett Cunningham

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

A motion was moved to suspend standing orders to take a break at 7.33pm.

CARRIED

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved: Cr Brett Cunningham

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders at 7.47pm.

CARRIED

MOTION

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield

Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council defer this item until the next Council Meeting.

LOST

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey

Seconded: Cr Clayton Whitfield

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit P20426 for the use and development of the land for the purposes of materials recycling and associated buildings and works at 1115 Shelford-Mt Mercer Road, Shelford subject to the conditions attached to this report.

CARRIED

7.4 P20370 LOT 1 AND 3, 1805 ROKEWOOD-SHELFORD ROAD, ROKEWOOD (USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF LAND FOR EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRY)

Speaker

Adam Walton (Objector)
Russell Coad (Objector)
Andrew Natoli (on behalf of Applicant)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report relates to a planning permit application for Use and development of the land for Extractive industry under clause 35.07-1 (FZ), carrying out of works associated with a section 2 use under clause 35.07- 4 (FZ), use and development of the land for earth and energy resources industry under clause 52.08-1 (Earth and energy resources industry) and alteration to access in a Road Zone Category 1 (RDZ1) under clause 52.29-2 in accordance with endorsed plans at 1805 Rokewood-Shelford Road, Shelford. The report provides a background to the application and a summary of the relevant planning considerations.

This application has been referred to the Council meeting for a position because there are four (4) objections to the application and the changed delegations from the July 2021 Council meeting will not be formally adopted until the August 2021 Council meeting.

Objectors have cited matters including: -

- Impact on catchment
- Cultural heritage concerns and the requirements for a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP)
- Impact on broilga breeding
- Impact on surrounding roads
- Impact on nearby dwellings
- Impact on agricultural activity from the proposed use
- Visual impact (large mounds, hard surface and machinery)
- Access inadequate from Rokewood-Shelford Road
- Noise
- Traffic management

Consideration of this matter will result in Council forming its position in relation to this application rather than resolving to issue a Notice of Decision (NOD) because an appeal has been lodged by the applicant under Section 79 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* against Council's failure to grant a permit within the prescribed time (60 days). Council received a VCAT order dated 10 June 2021 that outlines the application as being listed at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) for a compulsory conference on 6 October 2021 and is also listed for a major cases hearing on 8-9 December 2021; Council is required to form a position prior to the hearing date.

Councillors have also been provided with a full copy of the application and objections for consideration prior to forming a position.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey
Seconded: Cr Clayton Whitfield

That Council resolves to form a position of non-support for the application P20370 which seeks the use and development of the land for extractive industry and alteration of access from a Road Zone Category 1 at 1805 Rokewood-Shelford Road, Rokewood on the following basis:

1. Until such time as the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal have heard applications for review of P604/2021 and P500/2021 and P501/2021 (workers cottage / second dwelling) which will determine the legal status of the permit subject to these hearings. Council is unable to determine if the proposed location of the quarry is suitable, having regards to:
 - a. Amenity impacts, including but not limited to separation distances between the two uses;
 - b. Potential noise impacts from blasting and the proposed two uses; and
 - c. Visual impacts, including but not limited to the impact on the agricultural landscape.
2. If the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal resolves to cancel the permits or amend the permits subject to P604/2021 and P500/2021 and P501/2021 hearings, to be in line with a workers cottage, Council would then support the application for the Quarry at 1805 Rokewood-Shelford Road, Rokewood P20370 in accordance with the officer report and recommendation including the proposed permit conditions including the amendment to condition number 12c.

CARRIED

7.5 LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Section 91 of the *Local Government Act 2020* includes a new requirement for Councils to prepare a ten year financial plan in accordance with its deliberative engagement practices which is required to be approved by 31 October 2021.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Les Rowe
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council:

1. Note the requirement to develop and adopt the Long Term Financial Plan by 31 October 2021 in accordance with Section 91 of the *Local Government Act 2020*.
2. Endorse the Draft Long Term Financial Plan (Attachment 1) to be made available for public exhibition and submissions from 25 August until 13 September 2021.
3. Receive a report to adopt the Long Term Financial Plan at the 26 October 2021 Council meeting.

CARRIED

7.6 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Community Service and Infrastructure Plan (CSIP) has been developed over the last 18 months and provides a Vision, Planning Principles, an evidence-base and methodology to identify potential improvements to community services and facilities provision across the Shire.

The CSIP has been supported by an extensive data collection and analysis process and identifies the requirements to meet current and future community needs including optimising and upgrading existing facilities, identifying infrastructure that may be surplus to requirements and recommending where and when new infrastructure will be required.

The Vision for Community Infrastructure and the Community Infrastructure Planning Principles (Attachment One) in the CSIP have been developed as overarching elements of the framework to provide clarity, consistency and strategic alignment in the planning and delivery of community infrastructure.

The full CSIP report was provided to the Councillor Briefing on 17 August and details the extensive methodology, research and data collection undertaken throughout the CSIP process. This data can be regularly updated and will be utilised internally as the evidence base to guide decision making and investment in community facilities and infrastructure. The report analyses the data into a series of strategic findings and recommendations that Council can prioritise and implement going forward.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That Council:

1. Adopt the Community Infrastructure Planning Principles (Attachment 1) that have been developed to support the vision for Community Infrastructure and can be applied as a rationale in determining investment in community infrastructure.
2. Note the receipt of the full Community Services and Infrastructure Plan.

CARRIED

7.7 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PREMISES REGISTRATION FEE CHANGES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

New Premises Registration Fees

After benchmarking with neighbouring Councils, it was found that Golden Plains is the only Council which does not currently apply pro rata to new premises registration fees. The only variance amongst our neighbours was how pro rata is being applied (which ranged from monthly to quarterly to bi-annually).

Applying pro rata to new food and public health and wellbeing registration fees is a fairer approach and common practice for the majority of Victorian local government authorities.

New Registration Applications Made Within Last Quarter of Registration Period

The *Food Act 1984* was recently amended to make things simpler and easier for Councils and businesses. By enabling businesses (who apply in the last quarter of the registration period) to register until the end of the following registration period will reduce a significant amount of administration and inspection time.

Cancelled Premises Unused Registration Fees

Applying pro rata refunds to cancelled registrations is a fairer approach and common practice for the majority of Victorian local government authorities. The number of cancellations is set to increase as recent *Food Act 1984* amendments have removed the ability to transfer registration after a business is sold

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Gavin Gamble
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council:

1. Adopts a quarterly pro rata approach to new premises registration fees as attached.
2. Amends fees to allow new premises registrations (when applied for in last quarter) to extend to following registration period (up to 15 months) as attached.
3. Adopts a quarterly pro rata refund approach to cancelled registration fees as attached.

CARRIED

7.8 ENVIRONMENTAL UPGRADE FINANCE AGREEMENTS FEASIBILITY**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides background and discussion around Environmental Upgrade Finance (EUF). The discussion includes an overview of some of the benefits and some of the implications to Council of EUF agreements. The reporting and compliance statements note further implications for the organisation should Council wish to consider entering into EUF arrangements.

The report recommends that Council does not facilitate these agreements at this time but reconsider once a new Property and Ratings system has been implemented. In the meantime, Council can continue to work with other partner organisations to deliver environmental sustainability upgrades to local properties.

The conclusion acknowledges some of the benefits offered by EUF but notes that larger Councils are more suited to accommodating this type of arrangement.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council:

1. Do not facilitate Environmental Upgrade Finance (EUF) Agreements for businesses and homeowners at this time.
2. Continue to partner with organisations like Geelong Sustainability and Regional Sustainability Alliance Ballarat to deliver programs that assist property owners to access environmental upgrades.
3. Include EUF opportunities in the development of the Climate Action Plan, including whether there are any similar arrangements for businesses.

CARRIED

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved: Cr Helena Kirby
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

A motion was moved to suspend standing orders to take a break at 9.32pm.

CARRIED

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved: Cr Helena Kirby
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders at 9.41pm.

CARRIED

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7.9 COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT OF CROWN LAND (MEREDITH POLICE PADDOCKS AND HAPPY VALLEY RESERVE)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report introduces the proposal from the Ballarat Environment Network to exchange land management rights with Golden Plains Shire Council. This exchange is proposed between the Meredith Police Paddocks and the Happy Valley Reserves. The background provides a brief introduction to the various stakeholder groups associated with this issue.

The discussion provides a short chronological outline of the lead up to the proposal and notes the need for careful and thoughtful consideration prior to making a decision.

The report provides a summary of each reserve before addressing the reporting and compliance topics associated with such a proposal. The summary of the reporting and compliance issues provides some insight into the potential concerns associated with such a proposal. The most notable implications are associated with finances, resources, risk and community engagement.

A suite of options are outlined for consideration. However, the final recommendation is to maintain the status quo at this time.

The report concludes by recognising that Meredith Police Paddocks are a valuable public open space asset and the reserve strongly aligns with strategic objectives found within the Council plan 2021-25. It goes on to conclude that Golden Plains Shire Council is not in a position whereby it would be advisable to agree to such a land exchange, primarily due to the ongoing management requirements of the Meredith Police Paddocks and the ongoing issues with the reservoir at the Happy Valley Reserve.

MOTION

Moved: Cr Gavin Gamble

Seconded: No Seconder

That Council adopts Option 3 Page 90, that we agree to the exchange or swap of the different lands:

(Option 3 – Agree to the proposed “land swap”. Divest the Happy Valley Reserves to the BEN, retain the management of the reservoir, take on management of the Meredith Police Paddocks. This option is not recommended by officers as it substantially increases Council’s risk profile and has direct implications on its program of works, resources and budgets. This would leave Council in an unfavourable position of having to continue manage a reservoir asset on a land parcel it would no longer control. It is likely that community pressure would start to be applied to Council to increase service levels and further embellish the Meredith Police Paddocks).

LAPSED

The motion lapsed for want of a seconder

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ian Getsom

Seconded: Cr Clayton Whitfield

That Council:

1. Decline the proposed “land swap” and retain the status quo with Council managing the Happy Valley Reserves and the Ballarat Environment Network managing the Meredith Police Paddocks.
2. Delegate the CEO to respond to the Ballarat Environment Network on behalf of Council. Include within the response a request that the Ballarat Environment Network work with the Meredith Police Paddocks Support Group and DELWP to find a mutually agreeable outcome that does not involve Golden Plains Shire Council at this time.

3. Request the CEO to develop a plan for the reservoir wall remediation that can be considered in future budget submissions.

CARRIED

7.10 COUNCIL GOVERNANCE RULES REVIEW - DRAFT FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Governance Rules were adopted by Council on 25 August 2020, in accordance with section 60 of the *Local Government Act 2020* (LGA20). Following a period of review by council officers, opportunities for improvement and clarification of the Governance Rules have been identified and it is proposed that the Governance Rules are amended.

The LGA20 enables Council to amend its Governance Rules (s 60(3)) and, in doing so, Council must ensure that a process of community engagement is followed (s 60(4)). It is proposed that Council endorse the draft amendment to the Governance Rules and place the document on public exhibition in order to meet this requirement.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council:

Defer this item until the next Council Meeting so that Councillors can use the time between now and then to discuss the implications of the proposed amendments.

CARRIED

7.11 REVIEW OF INSTRUMENTS OF DELEGATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The legislation referred to in the attached *Instruments of Delegation – Council to Members of Staff* (Attachments 2 and 3) enables Council to delegate functions, duties and powers, other than specific exemptions, to Council staff.

A review of the instruments of delegation from Council to members of Council staff has been undertaken. The review included:

- Changes required under the instrument template issued by Maddocks Lawyers (July 2021) including new powers conferred to Council by the *Environment Protection Act 2017* and the Instrument of Delegation of the Environment Protection Authority under the Act dated 4 June 2021
- An internal review to ensure alignment with overall organisational requirements, structure and position responsibilities; and
- Minor cosmetic changes.

The *Instrument of Delegation to Chief Executive Officer* must be re-made periodically to ensure it remains up to date and captures powers made or amended since the delegation was previously resolved by Council.

The changes are summarised in detail within the report.

Three instruments of delegation are presented for Council's adoption:

- *S5 Instrument of Delegation to Chief Executive Officer* (Attachment 1)
- *S18 Instrument of Sub-delegation under the Environment Protection Act 2017 – Council to Members of Staff* (Attachment 2)
- *S6 Instrument of Delegation – Council to Members of Staff* (Attachment 3)

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Gavin Gamble

Seconded: Cr Owen Sharkey

That Council, in the exercise of the powers conferred by the legislation referred to in the attached Instruments of Delegation, Golden Plains Shire Council, resolves that:

1. There be delegation to the members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the offices or positions referred to in the attached:
 - 1.1 S5 Instrument of Delegation to Chief Executive Officer (Attachment 1)
 - 1.2 S18 Instrument of Sub-Delegation under the Environment Protection Act 2017 (Attachment 2)
 - 1.3 S6 Instrument of Delegation to Members of Council Staff (Attachment 3) the powers, duties and functions set out in those instruments, subject to the conditions and limitations specified in those Instruments.
2. The instruments come into force immediately once the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument.
3. On the coming into force of the instruments all previous versions of the same are revoked.
4. The duties and functions set out in the instrument must be performed, and the powers set out in the instruments must be executed, in accordance with any guidelines or policies of Council that it may from time to time adopt.

CARRIED

7.12 AWARD OF TENDER (RFT-05-2021) CONSTRUCTION STAGE 1 (14 LOT DEVELOPMENT) LOMANDRA DRIVE SUBDIVISION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Following a public tender process, this report recommends awarding of a contract to a suitably qualified and experienced contractor to complete the construction of Stage 1 (14 lot development) Lomandra Drive, Teesdale.

Councillors have been provided with a copy of the confidential Tender Evaluation Panel Report for consideration prior to making a decision.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council:

1. Resolves to award the Contract GPSC-RFT-05-2021 Construction Stage 1 (14 lot development) Lomandra Drive, Teesdale to Civil Force (Vic) Pty Ltd for the sum of \$1,176,985.20 exclusive of GST.
2. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer or his delegate authority to execute the contract on behalf of Council.

CARRIED

7.13 AWARD OF TENDER (RFT-02-2021) PUBLIC TOILET AND BBQ CLEANING

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report outlines the process that was followed for Golden Plains Shire Council officers to make a recommendation to Council to award a contract for the cleaning of Public Toilets and BBQ's. The report highlights some of the key considerations given based upon the reporting and compliance aspects of the Local Government Act 2020.

The report concludes by highlighting the importance of ensuring the most appropriate contractor for this service is appointed.

Councillors have been provided with a copy of the confidential Tender Evaluation Panel Report for consideration prior to making a decision.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Clayton Whitfield
Seconded: Cr Brett Cunningham

That Council:

1. Resolves to award GPSC-RFT-02-2021-Cleaning of Public Toilets and BBQs to ACS Property Services Pty Ltd for a period of 3 years with two options of 12 months based upon the nominated schedule of rates.
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 - WILDLIFE CROSSING FATALITIES ON LOCAL ROADS

I, Councillor Owen Sharkey, give notice that at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on 24 August 2021, I intend to move the following motion:-

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Owen Sharkey

Seconded: Cr Gavin Gamble

That Council request officers to prepare a detailed report on wildlife related road issues to be presented to Councillors at a briefing day this year. The report is to consider roles and responsibilities and implications for Council, both from a staff resourcing and financial point of view.

CARRIED

9 PETITIONS

Nil

10 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS FOR DECISION

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Les Rowe

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 Kerbside Collection Contract Extension - Confidential

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 3(1) - a 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 Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Les Rowe

Seconded: Cr Ian Getsom

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 10.58pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 28 September 2021.

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CHAIRPERSON