

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE CARRATHOOL SHIRE COUNCIL HELD  
AT THE GOOLGOWI COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
on Tuesday, 11 January 2022 commencing at 10.41am**

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**1. PRESENT**

Councillors: DL Jardine (Mayor), DA Liddicoat, B Furner, GR Peters, MS Armstrong, LW Cashmere, JK Potter, HJ Lyall, DP Fensom and WR Kite.

Staff: General Manager Rick Warren, Director Infrastructure Services Paul Farrell, and Director of Corporate and Community Services Robert Rayner.

**2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

**3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Report	Councillor/Officer	Reason	Pecuniary / Non Pecuniary
10.14	Cr D Fensom	Development Application on own property	Pecuniary

**4. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**0006 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held 19 October 2021 as circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

**5. BUSINESS ARISING**

Nil

**6. MOTIONS & QUESTIONS (NOTICE GIVEN)**

Nil

**7. PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC ADDRESSES (WHERE SCHEDULED)**

**8. MAYORAL REPORTS**

**0007 RESOLVED** that Council note the Mayors report for the January 2022 meeting.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr B Furner

**9. DELEGATES REPORTS**

**0008 RESOLVED** that Council note the Western Riverina Libraries Committee report.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

**10.0 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

**10.1 Ongoing Action from Previous Business Papers**

**0009 RESOLVED** that Council note the update on action report for January 2022.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

**10.2 Precis of Correspondence**

**10.2.1 Hillston Central School – Requesting donation**

**0010 RESOLVED** that due to financial constraints Council is unable to provide financial assistance to the Hillston Central School for their Kitchen/Garden Program.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr B Furner

**10.2.2 St Joseph's Parish School Hillston – Requesting donation**

**0011 RESOLVED** that due to financial constraints Council is unable to provide financial assistance to St Joseph's Parish School for sealing the staff carpark area.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr WR Kite. / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

### **10.3 Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Round 3**

**0012 RESOLVED** that Council approve the inclusion of the Hillston Water Tower relining project under the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Round 3, with other projects to be considered at future Council meetings.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

### **10.4 Gunbar Private Water Supply Board – Carrathool Road Project**

**0013 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. note the status of the Gunbar Private Water Supply Board proposal for it's Carrathool Road Water Project
2. provide a letter of support for a feasibility study to be undertaken in regard to this potential project.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr B Furner

### **10.5 2022/23 Rate Pegging Cap - IPART**

**0014 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. note the inadequacy of the 0.7% rate increase determined by IPART.
2. write to the Minister for Local Government, The Premier of NSW, Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW and the President of Local Government NSW expressing Council's concern at the application the broad brush approach to the method of determination and the impact this has on rural Council's such as Carrathool Shire Council.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

11.50 am Meeting adjourned for photos

12.00 pm Meeting recommenced

### **10.6 Local Government NSW Special Conference**

**0015 RESOLVED** that Council attend the Local Government NSW Special Conference and approve:

1. the nominated delegates to attend the conference are Cr DL Jardine, Cr B Furner and the General Manager.
2. the nominated voting delegate for motions put forward at the conference is Cr DL Jardine.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

### **10.7 Statistics on Code of Conduct Complaints**

**0016 RESOLVED** that Council note there were no reportable code of conduct matters with the Administration of the Code of Conduct for Local Councils during the year ended 30 September 2021.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

### **10.8 Infrastructure Report**

**0017 RESOLVED** that Council note the Infrastructure report for November 2021.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

### **10.9 Flood Damage 2019 - Update**

**0018 RESOLVED** that Council note the progress of the 2019 flood damage rehabilitation works for December 2021.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

### **10.10 Carrathool Road Construction - Fixing Local Roads Round 1 - Update**

**0019 RESOLVED** that Council note the report for the Carrathool Road construction for the month of December.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

### **10.11 Plant Report**

**0020 RESOLVED** that the Plant Report as at 23 November 2021 be received.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

### **10.12 Plant Replacement**

**0021 RESOLVED** that Council receive the Plant Replacement report for November 2021.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr LW Cashmere

### **10.13 Development Applications October 2021**

**0022 RESOLVED** that the Determinations for Development Applications received for October 2021 be noted.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

### **10.14 Development Applications November 2021**

**0023 RESOLVED** that the Determinations for Development Applications received for November 2021 be noted.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

### **10.15 Carrathool Shire Council Community Participation Plan**

**0024 RESOLVED** that due to no submissions being received during the public exhibition period Council adopt the Draft Carrathool Shire Council Community Participation Plan.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

### **10.16 Finance Report – Statement of Bank Balances – October 2021**

**0025 RESOLVED** that Council note the Statement of Bank Balances as at 31 October 2021 and confirm payment of accounts as summarised in the reconciliation statement totalling \$2,434,147.58.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

### **10.17 Finance Report – Investments Schedule – October 2021**

**0026 RESOLVED** that Council note the Schedule of Investments as at 31 October 2021.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr WR Kite / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

### **10.18 Finance Report – Statement of Bank Balances – November 2021**

**0027 RESOLVED** that Council note the Statement of Bank Balances as at 30 November 2021 and confirm payment of accounts as summarised in the reconciliation statement totalling \$7,359,918.56.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

### **10.19 Finance Report – Investments Schedule – November 2021**

**0028 RESOLVED** that Council note the Schedule of Investments as at 30 November 2021.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr B Furner

1.05 pm Meeting adjourned for lunch

1.48 pm Meeting returned from lunch

### **10.20 Audit Report on Annual Financial Statements for 2020/21**

**0029 RESOLVED** that Council note the 2020/21 independent audit reports on the annual financial statements.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr JK Potter

### **10.21 Annual Report**

**0030 RESOLVED** that Council adopt the Annual Report for 2020/2021 Financial Year.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

## **10.22 Council Policy 019 - Investment of Surplus Funds Policy**

**0031 RESOLVED** that Council adopt the unchanged Council Policy 19 – Investment of Surplus Funds.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

## **10.23 Transfer of Land to Council**

**0032 RESOLVED** that:

1. Council approve the transfer of the land to Council's name for the value of the unpaid rates.
2. the land is to be classified as operational land.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr WR Kite / Seconded: Cr LW Cashmere

## **10.24 Council Meeting Dates**

**0033 RESOLVED** that Council hold Council meetings at the following venues and times for the 2022 calendar year.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Time</b>
15/02/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Hillston	10.00 am
15/03/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Goolgowi	10.00 am
19/04/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Hillston	10.00 am
17/05/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Goolgowi	10.00 am
21/06/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Hillston	10.00 am
19/07/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Goolgowi	10.00 am
16/08/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Carrathool	10.00 am
20/09/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Hillston	10.00 am
18/10/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Goolgowi	10.00 am
15/11/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Hillston	10.00 am
20/12/22	Ordinary Council Meeting	Goolgowi	10.00 am

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

## **10.25 Economic Development Unit Report – November/December 2021**

**0034 RESOLVED** that Council note the Economic Development Officer's report for December 2021.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

## **11.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Nil

## **12.0 CLOSED COUNCIL REPORTS**

**CLOSED COUNCIL** 2.14 pm

**0035 RESOLVED** that Council resolve into closed council pursuant to Section 10A of the *Local Government Act 1993*, to consider the closed Council reports.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

## **12.1 Rural Water Schemes Waterline Vegetation Clearing**

**0036 RESOLVED** that Council fund the vegetation clearing of the Yoolaroi Rural Water Scheme under the Local Road and Community Infrastructure Grant for the sum of \$178,200 with the contract awarded to McMahon's Earth Moving & Tree Services.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr LW Cashmere

## **12.2 Hillston Medical Centre - Status**

**0037 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. note the information regarding the operation of the Hillston Medical Centre.
2. continue to negotiate with prospective managers of the Hillston Medical Centre.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

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CR DL JARDINE, CHAIRMAN

**OPEN COUNCIL**

2.40 pm

**0038 RESOLVED** that Council resolve into open Council.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

**CLOSED COUNCIL REPORT**

The resolutions of Council made while the meeting was closed to the public were read to the open Council meeting by the General Manager.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

**13.0 NEXT MEETING**

The next **Ordinary Meeting** of Council will be held at the **Hillston District Office** on **Tuesday 15 February 2022** commencing at **10.00am**.

**CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the meeting terminated at 2.45 pm.

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held on Tuesday, 11 January 2022 were confirmed at the subsequent Ordinary Meeting of Council on Tuesday, 15 February 2022

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Chairman of the Meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held on Tuesday, 15 February 2022, at which meeting the above signature was subscribed.