



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

25 JUNE 2024

PRESENT

Councillors

D Batten (Mayor)

G Babbage

A Bunter

I Freeth

P Mann

B Mockler

N Mudford

G Peart

A Walker (Deputy Mayor)

Employees

D Neeves
General Manager

N Alchin
Director Growth and Liveability

D Colwell
Director Infrastructure

D Dobson
Director Aged Care and Disabilities

M Welsh
Executive Leader Transformational
Change

R Berryman
Executive Assistant

M Kouroulis
Acting Activation and Communications
Manager

K Cosier
Planning and Development Manager

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4:00pm.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

NIL

ADJOURNMENTS

NIL

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Mockler – *Gilgandra Region Events Activation Tourism (Its GREAT) Program.*

Cr Mockler is Treasurer for the Tooraweenah Show Rodeo and Member of the Tooraweenah Gold Club both of which submitted for this grant.

Cr Mudford – *Gilgandra Region Events Activation Tourism (Its GREAT) Program.*

Cr Mudford is a member of the Curban Hall Committee which submitted for this grant.

Cr Walker – *Tender 8/24 Hire of Trucks and Plant*. Cr Walker’s business PlumbnCivil Pty Ltd has submitted for this tender.

Mr N Alchin - *Tender 8/24 Hire of Trucks and Plant*. Mr Joseph Alchin is the principal of Alchin Contracting which is Mr N Alchin’s son.

Mr N Alchin - *Gilgandra Region Events Activation Tourism (Its GREAT) Program*.

The owners of The Old Bank who submitted for this program are Mr Alchin’s brother in law and sister in law.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED 83/24	Cr Mudford/Cr Walker
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 21 May 2024, which were circulated to members prior to this meeting, be hereby confirmed as a faithful record of the meeting referred to.	

LISTING OF MATTERS
TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED COUNCIL

RESOLVED 84/24	Cr Bunter/Cr Peart
That Council note the following matters to be listed as specified under Section 10(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> :	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tender 8/24 Hire of Trucks and Plant (d)• Tender 142425OROC Supply and Delivery of Aggregates and Raw Material (d)• Library Hub Project Update (d)• Relocation of Orana Living (c)• Collection and Recycling of Used Tyres (d)	

RESOLVED 85/24	Cr Bunter/Cr Peart
That the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the matters to be considered in line with the confidentiality policy of Council and Section 10(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> , relating to financial matters, staff matters, industrial matters, acceptance of tenders, personal affairs of private individuals, possible or pending litigation and such other matters considered appropriate at 4:02pm.	

(GO.CO.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE - 7/24
MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

SUMMARY

To advise of the Mayor's activities since the 21 May 2024 meeting.

RESOLVED 92/24	Cr Batten
That the report be noted.	

(PE.1071.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE - 8/24
GENERAL MANAGER'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW

SUMMARY

To enable Councillors to have input into the General Manager's annual Performance Review.

RESOLVED 93/24	Cr Batten
1. That Councillors note the proposed review and provide written advice of any issues they wish raised at the General Manager's yearly performance review.	
2. That in this instance Council not go to the expense of engaging Local Government New South Wales to assist with the review.	

(CM.CF.1)

2024 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROFESSIONALS CONFERENCE

SUMMARY

To obtain authority for the General Manager to attend the 2024 Local Government Professional Conference.

RESOLVED 94/24	Cr Mann/Cr Bunter
That Council grant approval for the General Manager to attend the 2024 Local Government Professional Conference.	

(CM.CF.1)

AR BLUETT MEMORIAL AWARD

SUMMARY

To obtain authority to lodge an application for the AR Bluett Memorial Award.

RESOLVED 95/24	Cr Babbage/Cr Peart
That Council supports the lodgement of an application for the AR Bluett Award.	

(PE.GN.1)

**APPOINTMENT OF AUDIT RISK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE
INDEPENDENT MEMBERS**

SUMMARY

To advise Council of the proposed Independent Members for the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee during the recruitment process.

RESOLVED 96/24	Cr Mockler/Cr Babbage
That Council appoint Mr Sam Helweh and Ms Meredith Caelli as the independent members for the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee.	

(CM.CF.1)

**THE AGED CARE CAPITAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, THIN MARKETS,
MULTIPLE STREAM**

SUMMARY

To consider the outcome of the application for the Aged Care Capital Assistance Program.

RESOLVED 97/24	Cr Mann/Cr Peart
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That Council endorse the signing of the deed and accept the offer of the grant for staff accommodation for Residential aged care staff and a further report be provided regarding the Deed2. That Council endorse the grant to enable the commencement of the project.3. That the General Manager be authorised to commence negotiations on prospective land purchases.	

(CM.TE.1)

GILGANDRA REGION COMMUNITY HEALTH VISION

SUMMARY

To present Council with the Draft documentation for the Community Health Vision.

RESOLVED 98/24	Cr Mockler/Cr Bunter
That the Draft Community Health Vision be endorsed and placed on public exhibition, with a view to Council adopting the final strategy at its July 2024 meeting.	

(CS10693)

FINALISATION OF THE BIDDON CREEK EROSION STABILISATION WORKS

SUMMARY

To inform Council that the erosion works at Biddon Creek are now complete and to provide a summary of issues and outcomes.

RESOLVED 99/24	Cr Mudford/Cr Walker
That Council be advised that the Biddon Creek Erosion Stabilisation project is complete and note the information provided within this report.	

(CM.TE.1)

VILLAGE MANAGEMENT PLANS

SUMMARY

To present Council with the Draft Armatree and Tooraweenah Village Management Plans.

RESOLVED 100/24	Cr Bunter/Cr Mockler
That the Draft Armatree and Tooraweenah Village Management Plans be endorsed and placed on public exhibition, with a view to Council adopting the final plans at its July 2024 meeting.	

(FM.PL.1)

**ADOPTION OF DELIVERY PROGRAM AND OPERATIONAL PLAN
2024/25 AND LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2024/25 – 2033/34**

SUMMARY

To consider submissions received during the public exhibition period and, subject to any amendments determined, adopt the Delivery Program and Operational Plan for 2024/25 and Long Term Financial Plan 2024/25 – 2033/34.

RESOLVED 101/24	Cr Peart/Cr Bunter
That the draft 2024/25 Delivery Program and Operational Plan and 2024/25 – 2033/34 LTFP be adopted.	

(CM.TE.1)

GILGANDRA REGION COMMUNITY CHILDCARE STRATEGY

SUMMARY

To present Council with the Draft Community Childcare Strategy.

RESOLVED 102/24	Cr Bunter/Cr Babbage
That the Draft Gilgandra Region Community Strategic Childcare Strategy be endorsed and placed on public exhibition, with a view to Council adopting the final strategy at its July 2024 meeting.	

(PH.AV.1)

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SERVICE ACCREDITATION

SUMMARY

To advise of the process for Councils Gilgandra Housing & Homelessness Service accreditation through Australian Service Excellence Standards (ASES).

RESOLVED 103/24	Cr Babbage/Cr Bunter
1. That Council note the positive result of the accreditation audit of its Housing and Homelessness Service.	
2. That Councils Youth and Recreation Manager Monica Mudford and Housing and Homelessness Case Worker Tracey Stevenson be congratulated for their efforts towards achieving this result.	

(SA.TE.1)

DRAFT BUSH FIRE PRONE LAND MAP 2024

SUMMARY

To highlight the draft Bush Fire Prone Land Map 2024 for the Gilgandra Shire Council prepared by NSW Rural Fire Services (NSW RFS). The purpose of this report is to provide information on the update to Bush Fire Prone Land Map and explain the principals and implications of the map.

RESOLVED 104/24	Cr Mockler/Cr Freeth
1. That Council note the current review of the Bush Fire Prone Land Map.	
2. That Council staff work with NSW Rural Fire Services to progress the map and prepare the buffers based on the draft map attached.	
3. That a follow up report be provided to Council seeking endorsement of the Bush Fire Prone Land Map with Buffers for the purpose of certification.	

Proceedings in Brief

Mrs Kristy Cosier, Planning and Development Manager entered the meeting 4:22pm

(WM.PL.1)

NSW EPA CONSULTATION – WASTE LEVY REVIEW AND ORGANICS COLLECTION

SUMMARY

To form a position on the consultation currently underway by the NSW Environment Protection Authority for review of waste levy and food and garden organics mandate.

RESOLVED 105/24	Cr Walker/Cr Bunter
1. That Council prepare a submission on the Waste Levy Review advocating for the regulated area not to be extended.	
2. That Council prepare a submission on the Food and Garden Organics Mandate advocating the proposed mandates apply only to regulated area and addressing the key points outlined in the report relating to businesses and households.	

DONATION OF LIBRARY SHELVING

SUMMARY

To consider two requests from community groups for donation of the existing redundant library shelving.

RESOLVED 106/24	Cr Bunter/Cr Freeth
1. That the shelving be donated to Gilgandra Public School and Gilgandra Community Garden, in line with their requests, and conditional on the recipients being prepared to safely dismantle the shelves and remove them at an appropriate time.	
2. That if any shelving or unwanted furniture remains, an EOI from other local community groups be sought.	

MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR ADOPTION

SUMMARY

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for consideration and adoption.

.....

<u>Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee</u>	4 June 2024
<u>Disability Services Advisory Board</u>	28 May 2024

RESOLVED 107/24	Cr Mockler/Cr Freeth
That the above listed Committee minutes be adoption with the amendment to change references from 'NDIS' to 'Disability Services Advisory Board' in the 28 May 2024 minutes and resolution 4/24.	

MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for consideration and notation.

.....

<u>Interagency Committee</u>	23 May 2024
<u>Local Emergency Management Committee</u>	28 May 2024
<u>Traffic Committee</u>	22 May 2024

RESOLVED 108/24	Cr Babbage/Cr Peart
That the above listed Committee minutes be noted.	

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present reports for information and notation.

RESOLVED 109/24	Cr Bunter/Cr Mudford
That the reports be noted.	

PRECIS OF CATEGORY B CORRESPONDENCE

SUMMARY

To pass on relevant information from correspondence received.

RESOLVED 110/24	Cr Peart/Cr Mockler
That receipt of the Category B correspondence be noted.	

Proceedings in Brief

- Cr Mockler, Cr Mudford, and Mr N Alchin declared an interest and left the meeting at 4:34pm
- Ms Kouroulis entered the meeting at 4:34pm

(GS.PG.1)

GILGANDRA REGION EVENTS ACTIVATION TOURISM (IT'S GREAT) PROGRAM

SUMMARY

To consider and determine applications for the It's GREAT local events program.

RESOLVED 111/24	Cr Walker/Cr Mann
That Council determine the level of funding to be allocated to the eight eligible applications received under the 2023/24 It's GREAT Program, in line with the individual application rankings as outlined in this report.	

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4:40PM.

Cr D Batten
Mayor