



## MINUTES of

### ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held on 23 February 2021 at 12:33pm

#### Attendance at Meeting:

##### Councillors:

Cr M Pearce (Mayor)  
Cr I Strutt (Deputy Mayor)  
Cr R Bell  
Cr R Crouch  
Cr M Dusting  
Cr N Ledger  
Cr T Toomey  
Cr L Sampson

##### Staff:

Ms K Jessep, General Manager  
Mr S Paul, Chief Financial Officer  
Mr T Seymour, Director Development & Infrastructure  
Ms N Heaton, Coordinator Governance & Risk & Minute Clerk

##### Apology:

Cr T O'Connor

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CONFIRMED

**1 OPENING & WELCOME**

*The Chair declared the meeting opened at 12:33pm.*

**2 PRAYER**

*The Chair read the prayer.*

**3 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY**

*The Chair read the acknowledgement to country.*

**4 WEBCAST INFORMATION**

*The Chair advised the meeting was recorded, with the recording to be made available on Council's website following the meeting.*

**5 APOLOGIES & APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS**

*The Chair advised receipt of a leave of absence from Cr T O'Connor.*

Moved Cr Strutt/ Seconded Cr Toomey  
That Cr O'Connor's leave of absence be accepted.

01.02/21 CARRIED

**6 DISCLOSURES & DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

The Chair received the following declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary Conflict of Interest Declarations in relation to the 23 February 2021 Meeting

COUNCILLOR	ITEM OR REPORT NUMBER	PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST	NATURE OF INTEREST
Cr Bell	15.1	Non Pecuniary	Significant

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements for the meeting

## 7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

*Minutes to be confirmed at the 23 February 2021 Meeting:*

### 7.1 MINUTES 15 DECEMBER 2020 ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Council held 15 December 2020, the chair called for any amendments.

**MOTION Moved: Cr Crouch/ Seconded: Cr Dusting**

That Council adopt the Minutes the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 15 December 2020, with amendments as noted,

1. Amend the Minutes of the 15 December meeting - page 7, Item 7.1, last line of the Recommendation, change "Minutes" to "Meeting".
2. Amend the Minutes Item 29 – CR Robert Cr Crouch – Remove second 'Cr'.

as a true and correct record of the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 15 December 2021.

02.02/21 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 8 TABLING OF REPORTS & PETITIONS

Nil.

## 9 URGENT, SUPPLEMENTARY & LATE ITEMS/REPORTS OF BUSINESS

*The Chair advised there were no urgent, supplementary or late items of business.*

Nil.

## 10 WRITTEN REPORT FROM DELEGATES

### 10.1 WRITTEN DELEGATE REPORT

*The Chair advised there were no Written Delegate Reports.*

### 10.2 ACTIVITIES SUMMARIES

*Councillors provided a verbal account of activities/meetings they have attended for the month.*

COUNCILLOR NAME:	Mark Dusting	
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	23 February 2021	
DATE	COMMITTEE/MEETING/EVENT	LOCATION
15 December 2020	Council Ordinary Meeting	Chambers
21 December 2020	NEWA Admin	iPad
22 December 2020	NEWA Admin	iPad
22 December 2020	NEWA Christmas Drinks (welcome back Armidale)	Armidale
1 January 2021	New England County Council (Proclamation)	Armidale
11 January 2021	NEWA Admin	iPad

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25 January 2021	NEWA Admin	iPad
9 February 2021	Budget Review & Finance Committee	Chambers
10 February 2021	NEWA Presentation to Walcha Council	Walcha
11 February 2021	GM Mid Term Performance Review	Chambers
15 February 2021	NEWA Admin	iPad
17 February 2021	NEWA Admin	iPad
22 February 2021	NEWA Admin	iPad
EXPENSE CLAIMS TABLED - NIL		

<b>COUNCILLOR NAME:</b>		Robert Crouch
<b>COUNCIL MEETING DATE:</b>		23 February 2021
<b>DATE</b>	<b>COMMITTEE/MEETING/EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
12/01/21	Interview re internal audit	Uralla
01/02/21	Listening post	Uralla
02/02/21	GM Strategic Workshop & Briefing for Councillors:- - Framework - LEMC Operations; - Planning Secretary's Environmental Assessment Regulations; - LSPS Consult Briefing; Code of Meeting Practice Policy Review; - Draft Service Register; - Draft Op. Plan and Budget Layout	Uralla
03/02/21	Community Listening post	Bundarra
03/02/21	Bundarra Hall Committee	Bundarra
09/02/21	ARIC meeting	Uralla
09/02/21	Budget review and finance committee	Uralla
09/02/21	UTEC	Uralla
11/02/21	GM Mid Term Performance Review	Uralla
18/02/21	Local Strategic Planning Statement	Uralla
19/02/21	Local Strategic Planning Statement	Bundarra
23/02/21	RDNJ meeting	Uralla
23/02/21	Ordinary Council meeting	Uralla
EXPENSE CLAIMS TABLED - NIL		

<b>COUNCILLOR NAME:</b>		Natasha Ledger
<b>COUNCIL MEETING DATE:</b>		23 February 2021
<b>DATE</b>	<b>COMMITTEE/MEETING/EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
18-20 January 2021	Australia Day Street Stall	Uralla
25 January 2021	Australia Day Hall Preparations	Memorial Hall
25 January 2021	Australia Day Ambassador Dinner	Michael's Café
26 January 2021	Australia Day Celebrations	Memorial Hall
2 February 2021	GM Strategic Workshop & Briefing for Councillors:- - Framework - LEMC Operations; - Planning Secretary's Environmental Assessment Regulations; - LSPS Consult Briefing; Code of Meeting Practice Policy Review; - Draft Service Register; - Draft Op. Plan and Budget Layout	Chambers

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3 February 2021	Community Listening post	Bundarra
3 February 2021	Bundarra 355 Hall Committee meeting	Uralla
4 February 2021	Community Listening post	Uralla
9 February 2021	Budget Review & Finance Committee Meeting	Chambers
9 February 2021	Audit Risk & Improvement Committee Meeting	Chambers
9 February 2021	UTEC Meeting	Chambers
10 February 2021	NOMs submissions	Chambers
11 February 2021	X Regional Water Conference/ food plain harvesting	Webinar/phone
13 February 2021	X Friends of Munday Lane Reserve	St Nics
14 February 2021	X Pancakes for everyone at Invergowrie Store courtesy of Barny and Nat – a big thank you	Invergowrie Store
18 February 2021	Community Consultation LSPS	Memorial Hall
19 February 2021	Community Consultation LSPS	Bundarra
23 February 2021	Regional Development Australia	Uralla Bowlo
23 February 2021	Council Ordinary Meeting	Chambers
NIL CLAIMS TABLED		

<b>COUNCILLOR NAME:</b>	Levi Sampson	
<b>COUNCIL MEETING DATE:</b>	23 February 2021	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>COMMITTEE/MEETING/EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
25 November 2020	Australia Day Committee Meeting	Chambers
26 January 2021	Australia Day Celebrations	Memorial Hall Uralla
9 February 2021	Budget Review & Finance Meeting	Chambers
23 February 2021	RDANi Meeting	Uralla Bowlo
23 February 2021	Council Meeting	Chambers
EXPENSE CLAIMS TABLED - \$93.84		

<b>COUNCILLOR NAME:</b>	Tara Toomey	
<b>COUNCIL MEETING DATE:</b>	23 February 2021	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>COMMITTEE/MEETING/EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
12 January 2021	UTEC Meeting	Chambers
26 January 2021	Australia Day Celebrations	Memorial Hall Uralla
9 February 2021	Audit Risk & Improvement Meeting	Chambers
9 February 2021	Budget Review & Finance Meeting	Chambers
9 February 2021	UTEC Meeting	Chambers
18 February 2021	LSPS Community Consultation in Uralla	Memorial Hall Uralla
19 February 2021	LSPS Community Consultation in Bundarra	Bundarra Arts Hall
23 February 2021	RDANi Meeting	Uralla Bowlo
23 February 2021	Ordinary Council Meeting	Chambers
EXPENSE CLAIMS TABLED - NIL		

<b>COUNCILLOR NAME:</b>	Robert Bell	
<b>COUNCIL MEETING DATE:</b>	23 February 2021	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>COMMITTEE/MEETING/EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
2 February 2021	GM Strategic Workshop & Briefing for Councillors:- - Framework	Chambers

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	- LEMC Operations; - Planning Secretary's Environmental Assessment Regulations; - LSPS Consult Briefing; Code of Meeting Practice Policy Review; - Draft Service Register; - Draft Op. Plan and Budget Layout	
9 February 2021	Budget Review & Finance Meeting	Chambers
18 February 2021	LSPS Community Consultation in Uralla	Memorial Hall Uralla
19 February 2021	LSPS Community Consultation in Bundarra	Bundarra Arts Hall
23 February 2021	Ordinary Council Meeting	Chambers
EXPENSE CLAIMS TABLED - NIL		

<b>COUNCILLOR NAME:</b>	Tom O'Connor	
<b>COUNCIL MEETING DATE:</b>	23 February 2021	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>COMMITTEE/MEETING/EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
23 February	On Leave	

<b>COUNCILLOR NAME:</b>	Isabel Strutt	
<b>COUNCIL MEETING DATE:</b>	23 February 2021	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>COMMITTEE/MEETING/EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
12 January 2021	UTEC Strategic Planning Session	Chambers
26 January 2021	Australia Day Celebration	Memorial Hall Uralla
1 February 2021	Listening Post Uralla	Uralla- CSS
2 February 2021	GM Strategic Workshop & Briefing for Councillors:- - Framework - LEMC Operations; - Planning Secretary's Environmental Assessment Regulations; - LSPS Consult Briefing; Code of Meeting Practice Policy Review; - Draft Service Register; - Draft Op. Plan and Budget Layout	Chambers
3 February 2021	Community Listening Post	Bundarra Store
4 February 2021	Community Listening Post	Uralla CSS
9 February 2021	Audit Risk & Improvement Committee	Chambers
9 February 2021	Budget Review & Finance Committee	Chambers
9 February 2021	UTEC Meeting	Chambers
11 February 2021	GM Mid Term Performance Review	Chambers
23 February 2021	RDANi Meeting	Uralla Bowling Club
23 February 2021	Council Ordinary Meeting	Chambers
EXPENSE CLAIMS TABLED - NIL		

<b>COUNCILLOR NAME:</b>	Michael Pearce	
<b>COUNCIL MEETING DATE:</b>	23 February 2021	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>COMMITTEE/MEETING/EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
16 December 2020	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
17 December 2020	Mayor's Office - Admin.	Uralla
18 January 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin.	Uralla



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19 January 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
20 January 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
21 January 2021	Mayor's Office – Admin. Bundarra Sewerage Scheme Construction Announcement.	Uralla Bundarra
22 January 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
25 January 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
26 January 2021	Mayor's Office – Admin. Australia Day activities and Citizenship Ceremony.	Uralla
27 January 2021	Mayor's Office – Admin. Funding announcement for Visitor Information Centre	Uralla
28 January 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
01 February 2021	Mayor's Office – Admin. Community Listening Post, Uralla Street Stall.	Uralla
02 February 2021	Mayor's Office – Admin. GM Strategic Workshop & Briefing for Councillors:- - Framework - LEMC Operations; - Planning Secretary's Environmental Assessment Regulations; - LSPS Consult Briefing; Code of Meeting Practice Policy Review; - Draft Service Register; - Draft Op. Plan and Budget Layout	Uralla
03 February 2021	Community Listening Post Bundarra General Store.	Bundarra
04 February 2021	Mayor's Office – Admin. Community Listening Post, Uralla Street Stall	Uralla
08 February 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
09 February 2021	Mayor's Office – Admin Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (Observer ) Budget, Review and Finance Committee meeting.	Uralla
10 February 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
11 February 2021	Mayor's Office – Admin, GM Mid Term Performance Review	Uralla
15 February 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
16 February 2021	New England Bush Fire Management Committee meeting.	Armidale
17 February 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
18 February 2021	Mayor's Office - Admin	Uralla
18 February 2021	Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS ) Community consultation	Uralla
19 February 2021	Local Strategic Planning Statement Community consultation	Bundarra
22 February 2021	New England Joint Organisation Board meeting	Tenterfield
23 February 2021	RDANi Meeting	Uralla Bowling Club
23 February 2021	Mayor's Office – Admin. Council Ordinary Meeting	Uralla
EXPENSE CLAIMS TABLED - \$784.00		

The Chair advised the Delegates' reports have been tabled.

## 11 ITEMS PASSED IN BULK

*The Mayor called for agenda items dealt with, in bulk, by exception – as per Section 13 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice.*

*Councillors indicated which items of business they wished to speak on or may vote against. The following item(s) were then moved in bulk.*

**PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Sampson/ Seconded: Cr Dusting**

That Council adopt the Officer's Recommendation of the following items of business on the agenda by way of a single resolution:

- Reports of Committees:
  - ✓ 14.1 Budget Review & Finance Committee meetings held
    - 14.1.1 8 December 2020
    - 14.1.2 9 February 2021
  - ✓ 14.4 Uralla Township & Environs Committee Strategic Planning Workshop held 12 January 2021
- Reports to Council:
  - ✓ 15.2 Cash at Bank and Investment as at 31 December 2020
  - ✓ 15.3 Cash at Bank and Investment as at 31 January 2021
  - ✓ 15.5 Integrated Water Cycle Management Plan and Water Sewer Asset Management Plans

03.02/21 CARRIED

### 14.1 BUDGET REVIEW & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD

- 14.1.1 8 December 2020
- 14.1.2 9 February 2021

**MOTION Moved: Cr Sampson/ Seconded: Cr Dusting**

1. That the minutes of the Budget Review & Finance Committee meetings held on 8 December 2020, and 9 February 2021 be noted; and
2. Council endorse the following recommendations:
  - a) That Council undertake community consultation regarding the sustainability of the Shire's water supply with consideration of pricing options (8 December 2020 meeting);
  - b) That the service review information be developed in conjunction with the Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy; (9 February 2021 meeting)
  - c) That Council work with ZNet and undertake community engagement on water price model structure options as part of the preparation of the 2021/22 Operational Plan. (9 February 2021 meeting)
  - d) Note the Budget Review Committee has reviewed the Horizontal Service Review – Priority 3 Actions Summary and recommend Council confirm the proposed actions marked R & I. (9 February 2021 meeting)

04.02/21 CARRIED

#### 14.4 URALLA TOWNSHIP & ENVIRONS COMMITTEE STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP HELD 12 JANUARY 2021

MOTION Moved: Cr Sampson/ Seconded: Cr Dusting

That the Uralla Township & Environs Committee minutes of the strategic planning workshop held on 12 January 2021 be noted.

05.02/21 CARRIED

#### 15.2 Cash at Bank and Investments as at 31 December 2020

MOTION Moved: Cr Sampson/ Seconded: Cr Dusting

That:

1. Council note the cash position as at 31 December, 2020 consisting of cash and overnight funds of \$2,763,183, term deposits of \$15,526,569 totalling \$18,289,752 of readily convertible funds.
2. Council note the loan position as at 31 December, 2020 totalling \$2,081,135.

06.02/21 CARRIED

#### 15.3 CASH AT BANK AND INVESTMENTS AS AT 31 JANUARY 2021

MOTION Moved: Cr Sampson/ Seconded: Cr Dusting

1. Council note the cash position as at 31 January, 2021 consisting of cash and overnight funds of \$2,938,216, term deposits of \$15,507,319 totalling \$18,445,535 of readily convertible funds.
2. Council note the loan position as at 31 January, 2021 totalling \$2,080,741.

07.02/21 CARRIED

#### 15.5 INTEGRATED WATER CYCLE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND WATER SEWER ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANS

MOTION Moved: Cr Sampson/ Seconded: Cr Dusting

That Council receive and note the report on the status of Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy and Water and Sewer Asset Management Plans.

08.02/21 CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Toomey/ Seconded: Cr Strutt

That item 16.4 be brought forward following item 15.1.

09.02/21 CARRIED

## 12 MAYORAL MINUTE

*The Chair advised there was no Mayoral Minute.*

## 13 PUBLIC FORUM/PRESENTATIONS

*Cr Bell declared an interest and left the room at 12.57pm.*

### 13.1 SPEAKER 1: MRS AMANDA ADAMS – ITEM 15.1 DA -45-2020 313 GOSTWYCK ROAD URALLA

*The Chair introduced the Speaker.*

*The Speaker made a presentation to Council speaking for Item 15.1.*

*The Chair invited questions from Councillors.*

*The Chair thanked the Speaker for her presentation to Council.*

*Cr Bell returned to the meeting at 1.02pm.*

### 13.2 SPEAKER 1: DR JULIAN PRIOR – ITEM 16.4 COUNCILLORS INVOLVEMENT IN THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR STATE AND REGIONAL SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT

*The Chair introduced the Speaker.*

*The Speaker made a presentation to Council speaking for Item 16.4.*

*The Chair invited questions from Councillors.*

*The Chair thanked the Speaker for his presentation to Council.*

### 13.3 SPEAKER 2: KATH WOLF – ITEM 16.4 COUNCILLORS INVOLVEMENT IN THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR STATE AND REGIONAL SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT

*The Chair introduced the Speaker.*

*The Speaker made a presentation to Council speaking for Item 16.4.*

*The Chair invited questions from Councillors.*

*The Chair thanked the Speaker for her presentation to Council.*

## 14. REPORT OF COMMITTEES

### 14.2 AUDIT RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 9 FEBRUARY 2021

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Toomey/ Seconded: Cr Bell

That the report lay on the table until the documents referred to at 8.1, 9.6 and 9.7 are formally received by Council.

10.02/21 CARRIED

### 14.3 URALLA TOWNSHIP & ENVIRONS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 8 DECEMBER 2020

*Cr Ledger left the meeting at 1.26pm.*

*Cr Ledger returned to the meeting at 1.27pm.*

*The Meeting was adjourned at 1.30pm for ten minutes.*

*The meeting resumed at 1.41pm.*

**MOTION Moved: Cr Toomey / Seconded: Cr Strutt**

**That Council:**

1. receive and note the minutes of the Uralla Township & Environs Committee meeting held 8 December 2020, including the following recommendations to Council:
  - a. That Mr Guy Crossley be invited to present to Council his concept design and installation of Fibonacci Park.
  - b. (i) That the Uralla Township Environs Committee is supportive of the proposal to change the name of Hampden Park to Sunny Jim Mackay Park.  
(ii) That public consultation be sought for the change of name of Hampden Park to Sunny Jim Mackay Park.
  - c. (i) That consideration be made with respect to the allocation of open space resources to improve the service levels of the Bridge Street Blister gardens.  
(ii) That the Uralla Main Street garden upgrade project be added to Council's project list subject to funding.
  - d. (i) That Council investigate the free camping options within Uralla Shire, including the site at The Glen, as part of the development of the Open Spaces Strategy.  
(ii) That Council liaise with Uralla Rotary Club about the potential reconfiguration of Rotary Park to include the RV Dump-Ezy facility.
2. invites Mr Guy Crossley to present the Fibonacci concept plan to a future workshop,
3. undertake a public notification process and an online survey soliciting opinions from the community regarding the proposed name change of Hampden Park to Sunny Jim Mackay Park, and
4. considers service levels for the Bridge Street Gardens in preparation of the 2021/2022 budget.
5. request the Consultant delivering the Open Spaces Strategy attend a UTEC meeting and engage with the Committee as part of developing the Opens Spaces Strategy.
6. fund the additional cost, if any, from reserves.

11.02/21 CARRIED

### 15 REPORTS TO COUNCIL

#### 15.1 DA-45-2020 – 313 GOSTWYCK ROAD URALLA – MR D ADAMS

*Cr Bell declared an interest and left the meeting at 1.49pm.*

**PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Crouch/ Seconded: Cr Toomey**

*To move to Committee of the Whole and Standing Orders be suspended.*

12.02/21 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Strutt / Seconded: Cr Sampson**

*To resume Standing Orders.*

13.02/21 CARRIED

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MOTION Moved: Cr Crouch / Seconded: Cr Strutt

That Council approve the Development Application 45/2020 for a quarry at 313 Gostwyck Road Uralla (Lot 298 DP 755827) subject to the following conditions of consent:

*PRESCRIBED CONDITIONS (under Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000)*

*Nil*

*GENERAL CONDITIONS*

1. The development shall be implemented in accordance with:
  - (a) All documentation and correspondence submitted by the applicant, or their agents, in support of the Development Application,
  - (b) The details set out on the plans approved and stamped by authorised officers of Council, except as amended by the conditions of this development consent.

*Reason: To ensure that the development proceeds in the manner proposed by the applicant and approved by Council.*
2. The owner of the property is to ensure that any structure is installed:
  - (a) to meet the setback requirements of the approved plans,
  - (b) to be located within the confines of the lot, and;
  - (c) so that it does not interfere with any easements or covenants upon the land.

*Reason: To avoid any structures being erected in a location where it would be inappropriate.*
3. The quarry must not:
  - a) obtain or process for sale, or reuse, more than 30,000 cubic metres of extractive material per year, or
  - b) disturb a total surface area of more than 2 hectares of land by—
    - (i) clearing, or excavating, or
    - (ii) constructing dams, ponds, drains, roads or conveyors, or
    - (iii) storing or depositing overburden, extractive material or tailings.

*Reason: To ensure compliance with Schedule 3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.*
4. Developer contributions under Sections 7.11 and 7.12 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (or equivalent) are to be made quarterly for the life of the development.

*Reason: To ensure compliance with Council's Developer Contributions Plans..*
5. No more than 15 truck movements per day relating to the quarry operations are permitted on Munsies Road.

*Reason: To preserve the amenity of the locality.*
6. For all construction work required on Council land (e.g. storm water, footpaths, kerb and gutter etc.) the applicant is to submit an Application to Conduct Work on Land to Which Council is the Regulatory Authority. The application must be approved prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate.

*Reason: To ensure pedestrian and vehicular safety during construction.*

**CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION**

7. The owner of the property is to ensure that any building is constructed:
  - (a) to meet the setback requirements of the approved plans,
  - (b) to be located within the confines of the lot, and;
  - (c) so that it does not interfere with any easements or covenants upon the land.

*Reason: To avoid any buildings being erected in a location where it would be inappropriate.*
8. The applicant shall ensure that noise pollution is minimised during construction and operation. The use of machinery and/or similar noise producing activities shall be limited to the following hours:-

Monday to Friday	7.30 AM to 4.00 PM
Saturday, Sunday & public holidays	No quarry activities are to take place.

*Reason: To ensure that public amenity is not unduly affected by noise.*

Following debate a DIVISION was called with the result recorded as follows:

FOR: Cr M Pearce, Cr R Crouch, Cr M Dusting, Cr L Sampson, Cr I Strutt, Cr T Toomey

AGAINST: Cr N Ledger

ABSENT: Cr O'Connor (Leave of Absence)

14.02/21 CARRIED

*Cr Bell was not present at time of voting.*

*Cr Bell returned to the meeting at 2.04pm.*

**16.4 COUNCILLORS INVOLVEMENT IN THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR STATE AND REGIONAL SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT – CR R CROUCH**

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved Cr Bell / Seconded Cr Dusting

To move to Committee of the Whole and Standing Orders be suspended.

15.02/21 CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved Cr Toomey / Seconded Cr Bell

To resume Standing Orders.

16.02/21 CARRIED

MOTION Moved: Cr Crouch / Seconded: Cr Toomey

That:

1. Councillors be kept fully informed in a timely manner (subject to commercial in confidence constraints) of communication with the Department of Planning regarding the development of renewable energy developments within Uralla Shire.
2. Councillors be canvassed to provide comment on the Thunderbolt Energy Hub SEARs and a letter outlining Council's expectations for issues to be considered in the Environmental Impact Statement for Thunderbolt Energy Hub be sent to the Developer, The Department of Planning and the Hon Adam Marshall.

3. All future requests for comment relating to Council comments on Regional Significant Projects be brought before Council to ensure community and Councillor concerns are addressed as early in the process as possible and that Councillors are kept fully informed of renewable energy developments in Uralla Shire.
4. Council invites representatives from the Department of Planning to present at a future General Manager's workshop on the planning processes for State Significant Development;
5. Council notes that it has already established Council's position in regards to renewable projects in that Council endorses sustainable development within the Shire, and expects the Development Application to be considered in the context of our Community Strategic Plan, particularly the following stated goals:
  - a) *To Preserve, protect and renew our beautiful environment*
  - b) *Maintain a healthy balance between development and the environment*
  - c) *An attractive environment for business, tourism and industry*
  - d) *Growing and diversified employment, education and tourism opportunities*
  - e) *Further:*
  - f) *A 'cradle to grave' approach should be taken to ensure the project is environmentally sustainable during construction, operation, and decommissioning through appropriate bonding arrangements with the NSW Government*
  - g) *That local employment be preferred*
  - h) *Systems be put in place to preserve environmental values*
  - i) *Any upgrades and maintenance to Council infrastructure to service the construction and/or operation of the development should be at the developer's expense*
  - j) *No council infrastructure should be negatively impacted by the renewable energy projects construction and or operation, and*
  - k) *Protection of the amenity of residents surrounding the renewable energy projects and along transport routes should be the paramount consideration in the decision making process.*

*Cr Ledger left the room at 2.27pm.*

*Cr Ledger was absent from the room at the time of voting.*

17.02/21 CARRIED

*Cr Ledger returned to the meeting at 2.29pm.*

#### 15.4 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW SUMMARY

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Crouch / Seconded: Cr Sampson

That Council move to Committee of the Whole and Standing Orders be suspended.

18.02/21 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*Cr Sampson left the room at 2.31pm and returned to the meeting at 2.32pm.*

*The meeting adjourned at 2.59 pm.*

*The meeting resumed at 3.16pm.*



PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Crouch/ Seconded: Cr Ledger  
To resume Standing Orders.

19.02/21 CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Crouch/ Seconded: Cr Ledger  
The meeting adjourned at 3.36 pm.

20.00/21 CARRIED

*The meeting resumed at 3.45 pm.*

MOTION Moved: Cr Crouch / Seconded: Cr Toomey

1. That the second quarter budget review summary for the 2020/21 financial year be received and noted; and
2. That the adjustments to budget allocations, including transfers to and from reserves, be adopted except that savings be found in Quarterly Budget Review 3 to offset the additional employee grade costs for Governance.

21.02/21 CARRIED

#### 15.6 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR – URALLA TOWNSHIP AND ENVIRONS COMMITTEE

MOTION Moved: Cr Strutt / Seconded: Cr Ledger

That Council appoint Mr Bob Anderson to the role of Chairperson for the Uralla Township and Environs Committee for a 12 month period.

22.02/21 CARRIED

#### 15.7 WORKS PROGRESS REPORT AS AT 31 JANUARY 2021

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Crouch / Seconded: Cr Toomey

That Council move to Committee of the Whole and Standing Orders be suspended.

23.02/21 CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Strutt / Seconded: Cr Dusting  
To resume Standing Orders.

24.02/21 CARRIED

MOTION Moved: Cr Ledger/ Seconded: Cr Strutt

That the report be received and noted for the works completed or progressed during December 2020 and January 2021, and works programmed for February 2021.

25.02/21 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 15.8 WINTERBOURNE WIND FARM COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Pearce / Seconded: Cr Bell

That Council move to Committee of the Whole and Standing Orders be suspended.

26.02/21 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Bell / Seconded: Cr Strutt

To resume Standing Orders.

27.02/21 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Bell / Seconded: Cr Sampson

That Council

- a) Nominate the General Manager as Returning Officer to conduct a secret ballot to determine the nominees for item 15.8.

28.02/21 CARRIED

MOTION Moved: Cr Bell/ Seconded: Cr Dusting

That Council

- b) Nominate Cr Crouch as Council's representative, and the General Manager as Council's alternate representative, for the Winterbourne Wind Farm Community Consultative Committee.
- c) Invite Armidale Regional Council, Tamworth Regional Council and Walcha Council to participate in a joint Council workshop to identify common issues of concern and opportunities in relation to the Regional Energy Zone (REZ).

29.02/21 CARRIED

## 15.9 OPERATIONAL PLAN 2020-21 QUARTERLY REPORT AS AT JANUARY 2021

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Bell / Seconded: Cr Crouch

That Council move to Committee of the Whole and Standing Orders be suspended.

30.02/21 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Dusting/ Seconded: Cr Bell

To resume Standing Orders.

31.02/21 CARRIED

MOTION Moved: Cr Bell / Seconded: Cr Strutt

That Council receive and note the 2020-21 Operational Plan Progress Report at 31 December 2020.

32.02/21 CARRIED

## 15.10 CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE REVIEW

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Toomey/ Seconded: Cr Crouch

That Council move to Committee of the Whole and Standing Orders be suspended.

33.02/21 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Strutt / Seconded: Cr Bell

To resume Standing Orders.

34.02/21 CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Strutt / Seconded: Cr Sampson

That an extension be sought to extend the Council meeting past 5:00 pm.

35.02/21 CARRIED

MOTION Moved: Cr Toomey / Seconded: Cr Crouch

1. Delete Clause 3.33
  - 3.33 Pre-meeting briefing sessions are to be held in the absence of the public.
2. Include 11.11
  - 11.11 – All voting at Council meetings must be recorded in the minutes of meetings with the names of Councillors who voted for and against each motion or amendment, (including the use of the casting vote), being recorded.
3. Amend 4.3 & 4.13 to include “the topic”, allowing addresses to Council on items not on the agenda:
  - 4.3 would become – To speak at a public forum, a person must first make an application to the Council in the approved form. Applications to speak at the public forum must be received 1 day before the date on which the public forum is held, and must identify the item of business on the agenda of the Council meeting the person wishes to speak on, or the topic, and whether they wish to comment on, or speak for or against the item.
  - 4.13 would become – Speakers at public forums must not digress from the item on the agenda of the Council meeting or the topic they applied to address Council on. If a speaker digresses to irrelevant matters, the chairperson is to direct the speaker not to do so. If a speaker fails to observe a direction from the chairperson, the speaker will not be further heard.
4. Amend 4.6 as follows:
  - [as written]. the general manager or their delegate must give reasons in writing for a decision to refuse an application and this must be communicated as soon as practicable. This communication must include the right to make a written appeal to Council through the Mayor.

5. Amend 4.10 as follows:
  - [as written]. The general manager or their delegate may refuse to allow such material to be presented and must provide written reasons for doing so. This communication must include the right to make a written appeal to Council through the Mayor.
6. Amend 4.22 as follows:
  - Where a speaker engages in conduct of the type referred to in clause 4.19, the Council may refuse further applications from that person to speak at public forums for such a period as the Council considers appropriate. Council will consider advice from the General Manager in reaching their decision.
7. Amend 5.22 as follows:
  - A recording of each meeting of the Council and Committee of the Council is to be retained on the Council's website for 12 months. Recordings of meetings may be disposed of in accordance with the State Records Act 1998.
8. That the amended Code of Meeting Practice be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and if no submissions are received, that the amended Code be adopted.

36.02/21 CARRIED

#### 15.11 POLICY UPDATE

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Toomey / Seconded: Cr Crouch

That Council move to Committee of the Whole and Standing Orders be suspended.

37.02/21 CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Strutt / Seconded: Cr Bell

To resume Standing Orders.

38.02/21 CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION Moved: Cr Crouch / Seconded: Cr Dusting

That item 15.11 Policy Update lay on the table for discussion at a future workshop.

39.02/21 CARRIED

*Cr Ledger requested that her vote against the motion be recorded.*

#### 15.12 RESOLUTION REGISTER ACTION STATUS

MOTION Moved: Cr Toomey / Seconded: Cr Sampson

That Council receive and note the Resolution Action Status as at 17 February 2021.

40.02/21 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 16 MOTIONS ON NOTICE QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

### 16.1 QUESTION WITH NOTICE

MOTION Moved: Cr Strutt/ Seconded: Cr Ledger

That the questions on notice be received and the responses noted.

41.02/21 CARRIED

### 16.2 DIRECT INDUSTRIAL MARKETING – CR N LEDGER

MOTION Moved: Cr Ledger / Seconded: Cr Sampson

1. To invite regional councils with industrial land on offer, to collectively identify attributes for each individual site to be collated for marketing purposes.
2. To request that collectively together with the JO, we create a marketing/ strategy/ campaign/ package, to achieve industrial expansion throughout regional NSW.

LOST.

### 16.3 SIGNAGE AND COMMUNITY NOTICES – CR N LEDGER

MOTION Moved: Cr Ledger

That Council liaise with community information outlet, or emerging networks to create new Council notice boards to be individually retro fitted in each location.

The Motion lapsed due to a lack of Seconder.

### 16.5 MEDIA POLICY – MAYOR (CR) M PEARCE

MOTION Moved: Cr Pearce / Seconded: Cr Dusting

Through the General Manager, Council draft a Media Policy for Council's consideration.

42.02/21 CARRIED

### 16.6 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO MANAGEMENT & STAFF – CR I STRUTT

MOTION Moved: Cr Strutt / Seconded: Cr Bell

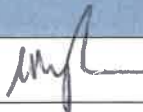
That Council acknowledge the exemplary level of management and service provision in the McMaugh Gardens Aged Care Facility and commend management and staff for the outcome of the granting of an additional year of Accreditation for the facility.

43.02/21 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 17 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting was closed at 6.01pm.

## 18 COUNCIL MINUTES CONFIRMED

COUNCIL MINUTES CONFIRMED BY:	
RESOLUTION NUMBER:	
DATE:	25/03/2021
MAYOR:	Councillor Michael Pearce

CONFIRMED