



## ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

held on

Wednesday, 28 September 2022

at

3:16pm

at

Walcha Council Chambers

**The Audio Statement and Acknowledgement of Country  
were read by the Chairman.**

**PRESENT:** Clr EH Noakes (Chairman) Mayor together with Councillors MA Berry, KW Ferrier, NF Hicks, SJ Kermode, AC Pointing, A Reilly and GDM Schaefer.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr Barry Omundson – General Manager, Mr PE Hood – Director Infrastructure & Development, Mrs KMD Kermode – Director Community & Tourism, Mr CC Martin – Manager Corporate & Finance and Mrs EL Hobbs – Executive Assistant.

**1. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**

Nil.

**MINUTES**



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**2. CONFIRMATION OF THE ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES HELD ON WEDNESDAY 31 AUGUST 2022:**

43 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Ferrier and Kermode that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 31 August 2022, copies of which have been distributed to all members, be taken as read and confirmed a **TRUE** record.

**CONFIRMATION OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING MINUTES HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2022:**

44 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Ferrier and Kermode that the Minutes of the ExtraOrdinary Meeting held on Wednesday 21 September 2022, copies of which have been distributed to all members, be taken as read and confirmed a **TRUE** record.

**3. BUSINESS ARISING**

Nil.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**5. MAYORAL MINUTE**

Nil.

**6. SENIOR OFFICERS REPORT**

45 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Ferrier and Kermode that the Senior Officers' Reports be **RECEIVED** for further consideration.

**6.1 Regional Meetings – Annual Meetings with Residents – Proposed Schedule for 2022** **WO/2022/02758**

46 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Reilly and Hicks that Council **APPROVE** the Regional Meetings Schedule for 2022 as follows:

**Monday 10 October 2022**

11:30am Moona/Winterbourne – Europambela Shearers' Quarters  
2:30pm Ingleba Hall

**Wednesday 12 October 2022**

09:00am Yarrowitch Hall  
11:30am Brackendale – "Brockley Park" Woolshed



02:30pm Nowendoc Hall

06:00pm Woolbrook Sport & Recreational Ground

## 6.2 Financial Sustainability Review WO/2022/02807

47 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Berry and Kermode that Council:

1. **NOTE** the comprehensive reports arising from the Financial Sustainability Review (FSR);
2. **UNDERTAKE** a Community dialogue on the meaning and implications arising from the FSR, including community meetings as follows:
  - a Europambela: Monday 10 October 2022 at 11:30am;
  - b Ingleba Hall: Monday 10 October 2022 at 02:30pm;
  - c Yarrowitch Hall: Wednesday 12 October 2022 at 9:00am;
  - d Brockley Park Woolshed: Wednesday 12 October 2022 at 11:30am;
  - e Nowendoc Hall: Wednesday 12 October 2022 at 2:30pm;
  - f Woolbrook: Wednesday 12 October at 6:00pm;
  - g Street Stall Booth: Monday 17 October & Tuesday 18 October from 10:00am to 2:00pm;
  - h Walcha Bowling Club: Wednesday 19 October at 4:00pm.
3. Taking into consideration community feedback, **APPLY** to IPART for a Special Rate Variation with effect 2023-2024 Budget.

## 6.3 Review of Delegated Authorities WO/2022/02732

48 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Hicks that Council, in accordance with Section 380 of the *Local Government Act, 1993*, **REAFFIRM** its delegations.

## 6.4 Pecuniary Interest Annual Returns for Designated Staff & Councillors WO/2022/02731

49 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Hicks and Schaefer that Council formally records that the Ordinary Returns of Pecuniary Interest required to be submitted by Councillors, the General Manager and Designated Staff, for the period of 01 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 have been submitted as required and have been tabled in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.21 and Section 4.25 of the Walcha Council Model Code of Conduct 2020.

## 7. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.



**8. MATTERS OF URGENCY**

Nil.

**9. MANAGEMENT REVIEW REPORTS**

**9.1 Office of the General Manager WO/2022/02809**

50 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Hicks and Kermode that items included in the Office of the General Manager Management Review Report be **NOTED** by Council.

**9.2 Infrastructure WO/2022/02797**

51 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Ferrier that items included in the Infrastructure Management Review Report be **NOTED** by Council.

**9.3 Environment & Development WO/2022/02681**

52 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Hicks and Pointing that items included in the Environment & Development Management Review Report be **NOTED** by Council.

**9.4 Community & Tourism WO/2022/02747**

53 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Hicks that items included in the Community & Tourism Management Review Report be **NOTED** by Council.

**9.5 Corporate & Finance WO/2022/02802**

54 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Pointing that items included in the Corporate & Finance Management Review Report be **NOTED** by Council.

**10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

55 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Hicks and Kermode that Council **RECEIVE** and **NOTE** the Committee Reports as presented

**10.1 Minutes of the Walcha Council Beautification Advisory Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 07 September 2022. WO/2022/02801**

**3.6 Crocodile Bridge**

56 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Reilly and Kermode that Council **APPROVE** the installation of a seat at the end of the path leading to the



Crocodile Bridge pending suitable funding source as part of the works to extend the current garden beds and if within the approved budget.

**10.2 Minutes of the Walcha Council Motorcycle Rally Advisory Committee Meeting held on Thursday 08 September 2022. WO/2022/02792**

**10.3 Minutes of the Walcha Council Capital Advisory Committee Meeting held on Friday 16 September 2022. WO/2022/02796**

**4.2.3 Fixing Country Roads – Round 4**

57 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Schaefer and Kermode that Council APPROVE an application for funding under Fixing Country Roads Round 4 for Old Crockford Rehabilitation (~\$1,000,000) and Lakes Road Intersection (~\$400,000).

**11. DELEGATE REPORTS**

Nil.

**12. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

The Mayor requested a fully up to date budget of the Motorcycle Rally event be tabled at the next Council Meeting, that being 26 October 2022.

**13. CLOSED COUNCIL**

**13A Referral to Closed Council – Award Tender RFT-W22/109 – Walcha Swimming Pool Refurbishment Design**

58 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Hicks that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10A of the Local Government Act, 1993, the matter/s of Award Tender RFT-W22/109 – Walcha Swimming Pool Refurbishment Design be **REFERRED** to be discussed in Closed Council and close the meeting to the public for the reason that the report relates to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

59 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Hicks that Council **RESOLVE INTO** Closed Council and that the press and public be excluded from the entire proceedings of the Meeting of the Closed Council for the reason that the report relates to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.



60 The Meeting resumed in **OPEN** Council on the Motion of Councillors Schaefer and Berry.

**PRESENT:** Present and IN Attendance were the same as listed in the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting with the exception of the press and the public.

The Chairman publicly declared the recommendations passed by the Committee whilst in Closed Council.

**13.1 Award Tender – RFT-W22/109 – Walcha Swimming Pool Refurbishment Design WINT/2022/05849**

CC09/20222023 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Pointing that Council:

1. *ADOPT the Tender for RFT-W22/109 from Built Environment Collective Pty Ltd for \$137,500; and*
2. *ADOPT the total budget allocation for this project nominated in Table 3 of this report, inclusive of all project management and contingency.*

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 3:46PM.**