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25) <u>INDEPENDENT PLANNING COMMISSION - NEW PUBLIC HEARING</u> <u>DATE - MCPHILLAMYS GOLD PROJECT</u>

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Recommendation:

That Council note the new dates for the public hearing into the McPhillamys Gold Project is 6,7 and 8 February 2023.

Item:

The Public Hearing into the McPhillamys Gold Project originally scheduled for 7, 8 and 12 December 2022 was postponed following the sudden and sad passing of Commissioner Chris Fell.

On 16 December 2022, the Independent Planning Commission issued a statement advising; the new panel member and dates for the public hearing.

Enclosures (following report)

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Attachments (separate document)

Nil



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MCPHILLAMYS GOLD PROJECT

Friday 16 December 2022

The Commission has allocated 6, 7 and 8 February 2023 as the new dates for the public hearing into the McPhillamys Gold Project, with the intention that it be conducted in Blayney. Speakers who were due to speak at the cancelled public hearing in December 2022 will be contacted to ascertain their availability for the new dates. The Commission will also give an opportunity to people not previously registered to speak to register for the new dates. The deadline for written submissions will also be extended to 5pm AEDT on 15 February 2023.

The Chair of the Commission has determined that Dr Peter Williams and Ms Clare Sykes will continue on the Panel for the McPhillamys Gold Project. Dr Williams has now been appointed to Chair the Panel and Professor Neal Menzies has been appointed as the third member of the Panel.

(END OF STATEMENT)