MINUTES OF THE BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE CHAMBERS, BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY CENTRE, ON 16 MAY 2023, COMMENCING AT 6.00PM

Present:

Crs S Ferguson (Mayor), A Ewin, C Gosewisch, J Newstead, M Pryse Jones and B Reynolds with Cr D Somervaille (Deputy Mayor) (via Audio Visual Link)

General Manager (Mr M Dicker), Director Corporate Services (Mr A Franze), Director Infrastructure Services (Mr J Hogan), Director Planning & Environmental Services (Mr A Muir) and Executive Assistant to the General Manager (Mrs L Ferson)

RECORDING OF MEETING STATEMENT

REQUEST FOR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO VISUAL LINK

2305/001

RESOLVED:

That Council approves the attendance of Councillor Somervaille to the May 2023 Council Meeting by audio visual link.

(Pryse Jones/Newstead)

CARRIED

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The Mayor reported the following Disclosure of Interest form had been submitted:

Councillor /Staff	Interest	Item	Pg	Report	Reason
Mark Dicker	Pecuniary	12	48	Assignment of Lease for Part 97 Adelaide Street, Blayney	Wife is Director of Ironbark Espresso Pty Ltd which is the current leaseholder of the Café at 97 Adelaide Street, Blayney

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING HELD 18 APRIL 2023

2305/002

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 April 2023, being minute numbers 2304/001 to 2304/013 be confirmed.

(Ewin/Gosewisch)

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil

NOTICES OF MOTION

NOTICE OF MOTION - EXTENSION OF THE BATHURST BULLET TRAIN SERVICE

2305/003

RESOLVED:

That Council:

- 1. Supports the extension of the Bathurst Bullet passenger train services through to Orange, stopping in the Shire at Blayney and Millthorpe.
- 2. Send a letter supporting the concept to the Local Member, Premier and Minister for Transport and the Joint Organisation.
- 3. Approach Orange 360 about supporting an extension of the current services through Blayney Shire.

(Reynolds/Pryse Jones)

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION - THE VOICE REFERENDUM

2305/004

RESOLVED: That Council:

- Supports holding "The Voice" referendum.
- 2. Supports the dissemination of appropriate information, from either side, to the community over the coming months including community information sessions led by relevant individuals and organisations and make the Community Centre available, free of charge, for these events.

(Pryse Jones/Ewin)

CARRIED

EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS

QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE AT THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING HELD 18 APRIL 2023

2305/005

RESOLVED:

That the questions taken on notice at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 April 2023 and the subsequent response be received and noted.

(Gosewisch/Newstead)

CARRIED

APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2305/006

RESOLVED:

That Council approve the Leave of Absence application submitted by Councillor Ewin for the 6 June 2023 and 27 June 2023 Council meetings.

(Newstead/Reynolds)

CARRIED

BLAYNEY SHIRE DISABILITY INCLUSION WORKING GROUP

2305/007

RESOLVED:

That Council nominate Councillor Pryse Jones as Chair of the Blayney Shire Disability Inclusion Working Group.

(Ferguson/Reynolds)

CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

REPORT OF COUNCIL INVESTMENTS AS AT 30 APRIL 2023

2305/008

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the report indicating Council's investment position as at 30 April 2023 be received.
- 2. That the certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer be received and the report be adopted.

(Pryse Jones/Gosewisch)

CARRIED

QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT - MARCH 2023 RESOLVED:

2305/009

1. That the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the quarter ending 31 March 2023 be received.

2. That the supplementary votes of \$398k nett proposed in the Quarterly Budget Review Statement be adopted, resulting in an increase to capital expenditure of \$160k, a decrease to operating expenditure of \$141k and an increase in income of \$417k (which includes an increase of \$22k in capital income). (Reynolds/Gosewisch)

CARRIED

<u>DRAFT 2023/24 - 2026/27 DELIVERY PROGRAM AND 2023/24</u> <u>OPERATIONAL PLAN</u>

2305/010

RESOLVED:

That Council:

- 1. Endorses the draft 2023/24 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan.
- 2. Places the draft 2023/24 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24; Operational Plan on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days.
- 3. Note that the 2023/24 Draft Operational Plan forecasts a Net Operating Result before Capital Items of (\$1.05m) deficit (\$1.14m deficit for General Fund and \$91k surplus for Sewer Fund) and continued deficits thereafter throughout Council's Delivery Plan.
- 4. Continue with the consideration of and implementation of recommendations in the 2022 Strategic Financial Review to improve Council's long term financial sustainability.

(Newstead/Ewin)

CARRIED

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT

2305/011

RESOLVED:

That the Infrastructure Services Monthly Report for May 2023 be received and noted.

(Reynolds/Somervaille)

CARRIED

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS

PLANNING PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE BLAYNEY LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2012 - CLARKE STREET RECLASSIFICATION

2305/012

RESOLVED:

That Council:

- Endorses the draft Planning Proposal for submission to the Minister for Planning in accordance with Section 3.34(1) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, requesting a Gateway Determination, pursuant to Section 3.34(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
- 2. Request delegation to finalise and make the draft Local Environmental Plan, pursuant to Section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

(Gosewisch/Pryse Jones)

The **DIVISION** was taken and the names of the Councillors voting FOR and AGAINST were as follows:

FOR

AGAINST

Councillor Ewin

Councillor Ferguson

Councillor Somervaille

Councillor Revnolds

Councillor Newstead

Councillor Pryse Jones

Councillor Gosewisch

Total (7)

Total (0)

CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING

2305/013 RESOLVED:

That the meeting now be closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A of the Local Government Act, 1993 for consideration of the following matter:

ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE FOR PART 97 ADELAIDE STREET

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) (e) of the Local Government Act, as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law.

(Reynolds/Newstead)

CARRIED

Mark Dicker, having declared an interest, left the meeting and did not return.

CONFIDENTIAL MEETING REPORTS

ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE FOR PART 97 ADELAIDE STREET

2305/014

- RESOLVED:
- 1. That the report on Assignment of Lease for Part 97 Adelaide Street be received.
- 2. That Council endorse transfer of the existing lease of Part 97 Adelaide Street, Blayney (Lot 25 Section 14 DP 758121) to the new business proprietor.
- 3. That Council endorse execution of the associated lease documentation by the Mayor, Deputy Mayor or Councillors under Council seal if required.

(Newstead/Pryse Jones)

CARRIED

2305/015 RESOLVED:

That as consideration of the matters referred to in the closed meeting has been concluded, the meeting now be opened to the public.

(Gosewisch/Pryse Jones)

CARRIED

AT THE RE-OPENING OF THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC, THE MAYOR ANNOUNCED THE OUTCOMES OF RESOLUTION NUMBER 2305/014.

The Mayor acknowledged the sad of passing Darryl Reilly, Council's former Director Environmental Services, who was employed with Council from 1994 to 2006. Condolences will be passed onto his family.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 7.22pm.

The Minute Numbers 2305/001 to 2305/015 were confirmed on 6 June 2023 and are a full and accurate record of proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on 16 May 2023.

Cr S Ferguson

MAYOR

Mr M Dicker

GENERAL MANAGER