

Business Papers 2023

MID-WESTERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETINGWednesday 21 June 2023

MINUTES

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council

Held at the Council Chambers, 86 Market Street, Mudgee on 17 May 2023, commencing at and concluding at

PRESENT Cr D Kennedy, Cr P Cavalier, Cr K Dicker, Cr A Karavas (Council

Representative), Cr R Palmer, Cr P Shelley, Cr P Stoddart, Cr JP

Date: 17 May 2023

Thompson.

IN ATTENDANCE General Manager (Brad Cam), Director Community (Simon Jones), Director

Development (Alina Azar), Director Operations (Julian Geddes), Chief Financial Officer (Leonie Johnson), Manager Customer Services & Governance (Richard Cushway) and Executive Administration Assistant

(Kate Newbould).

Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the lands on which we meet, the Wiradjuri people and pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

Item 1: Apologies

88/23 MOTION: Thompson / Cavalier

That the apology received for Cr Sam Paine be accepted.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 2: Disclosure of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

Item 3: Confirmation of Minutes

89/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 19 April 2023 be taken

as read and confirmed.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 4: Matters in Progress

90/23 MOTION: Shelley / Dicker

That Council note the following Matters in Progress as complete:

 That write to the Federal MP Andrew Gee and State MP Dugald Saunders seeking an MRI Machine and engage with medical community to identify priorities of service needs within the LGA.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 5: Mayoral Minute

Nil

Item 6: Notices of Motion or Rescission

6.1 ACCESS TO PROPERTY

GOV400103, GOV400022

Date: 17 May 2023

91/23 MOTION: Shelley / Karavas

That Council:

- amends the ACCESS TO PROPERTIES Policy, to the following:
 - a) Where its states on page 4 under subheading Rural Accesses (or urban areas without kerb and gutter), "Where a crossover is proposed off a sealed road, the crossover shall also be sealed and drained. "Is to be amended to state "Where a crossover is proposed off a sealed road, the crossover shall be constructed to a minimum hard stand (compacted road base) and drained.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

6.2 PERMANENT RESIDENTS IN COUNCIL CARAVAN PARKS
GOV400103, GOV400022

Item 6.2 was withdrawn by Councillor Thompson

6.3 FUTURE PLANS FOR JUBILEE OVAL

GOV400103, GOV400022

Item 6.3 was withdrawn by Councillor Thompson

Item 7: Office of the General Manager

7.1 MRT QUARTERLY REPORT: JANUARY TO MARCH 2023 GOV400103, F0770077

92/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council receive the report by the General Manager on the MRT Quarterly Report: January to March 2023.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 8: Development

8.1 DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN 2013 - AMENDMENT 6
GOV400103, LAN900108

93/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council:

- A. receive the report by the Manager, Planning on the draft Development Control Plan 2013 Amendment 6;
- B. further amend the proposed changes to DCP 2013 as part of Amendment 6 as follows:
 - (a) Figure 3 'indicative street hierarchy' road types to be renamed to be consistent with Table 1 and Table 2 road type descriptions of the Caerleon DCP
 - (b) Table 1 and 2 road type definitions be consistent with Mid-Western Regional Development Control Plan (DCP) 2013 road standards for new development
 - (c) Increase carriage way width of Minor Access Road Cul-de-sac (Longer than100m) to 9.0m to support additional traffic volumes as per Table 1 description
 - (d) Introduce a new road type within Table 1 and Table 2 Sub-arterial Road (Collector Road) to distinguish cross sections of the sub-arterial collector spine road from sub-arterial collector spine road with a median.
 - (e) Provide additional specification to increase Cul-desac court bowl radius to 10m to accommodate turning circle of garbage trucks.
- C. receive a further report following conclusion of the public exhibition period to consider any submissions received, or if at the end of the public exhibition period, no submissions are received, adopt the changes to the DCP as proposed.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

8.2 DRAFT MUDGEE AND GULGONG URBAN RELEASE STRATEGY 2023 UPDATE

GOV400103, LAN900145

Date: 17 May 2023

94/23 MOTION: Palmer / Shelley

That Council:

1. receive the report by the Manager, Strategic Planning on the Draft Mudgee and Gulgong Urban Release Strategy 2023 Update;

3. receive a further report following conclusion of the public exhibition period to consider any submissions received, or if at the end of the public exhibition period, no submissions are received, adopt the Mudgee and Gulgong Urban Release Strategy 2023 Update.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

The following recommendations (item 8.3 to item 8.6) were adopted as a whole, being moved by Cr Shelley seconded by Cr Karavas and carried with Councillors voting unanimously. Each recommendation is recorded with separate resolution numbers commencing at Resolution No. 95/23 and concluding at Resolution No. 98/23.

8.3 ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING

GOV400103, GOV400103

Date: 17 May 2023

95/23 MOTION: Shelley / Karavas

- 1. receive the report by the Manager Economic Development on the Acceptance of Grant Funding;
- 2. if successful, accept the grant funding from the following grant funding bodies:

Grant Fund	Project	Grant Amount Requested
Cricket Australia - Natural Disaster Recovery Fund	Replacement of 2 cricket nets at Rylstone Showground	\$42,000
Australian Government - Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program (Phase 4)	Rylstone Caravan Park Upgrade – installation of 5 new cabins; water, sewer, electrical, internet and fire services; camp sites; drainage; roads; parking; fencing; wash bay; signage; laundry appliances; and landscaping following demolition works.	\$1,525,932

- 3. if successful, amend the 2023/24 and 2024/25 budgets as follows:
 - 3.1 2023/24 set an expenditure budget for Rylstone Showground Cricket Net Replacement of \$42,000 to be fully funded by grants;

- 3.2 2023/24 set an expenditure budget for Rylstone Caravan Park Upgrades of \$466,200 to be funded by grants, and \$574,068 to be funded from unrestricted cash;
- 3.3 2024/25 set an expenditure budget for Rylstone Caravan Park Upgrades of \$1,059,732 to be funded by grants;
- 4. authorise the General Manager to finalise and sign the funding agreements.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

8.4 EVENTS ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

GOV400103, ECO800009, FIN300052

Date: 17 May 2023

96/23 MOTION: Shelley / Karavas

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Events Coordinator on the Events Assistance Applications;
- 2. provide multi-year Events Assistance funding to the below applicants (includes cash and in-kind amounts) for the period of 2023, 2024 and 2025; and

	2023	2024	2025
Rylstone Show Society	\$2500	\$2500	\$2500
Mudgee Dressage Group	\$500	\$500	\$500
Cudgegong Valley Pioneer Club	\$1000	\$1000	\$1000

3. provide Events Assistance to the below applicant (includes cash and in-kind amounts) for Period 1, July – December 2023:

Mudgee Mud Dragons	\$1500
NSW Rural Doctors Network	\$2500
Central Tablelands Branch Australia	\$500
Stockhorse	

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

8.5 COUNTRY UNIVERSITY CENTRE MUDGEE REGION

GOV400103, ECO800022

97/23 MOTION: Shelley / Karavas

- 1. receive the report by the Manager Economic Development on the Country University Centre Mudgee Region; and
- 2. amend the Budget to increase Council's cash commitment to CUC Mudgee Region by \$230,000, funded by cash reserves, and reduce Council's in-kind commitment by \$104,300, per the financial implications in this report.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

8.6 MONTHLY DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS PROCESSING AND DETERMINED

GOV400103, A0420109

Date: 17 May 2023

98/23 MOTION: Shelley / Karavas

That Council receive the report by the Manager Planning on the Monthly Development Applications Processing and Determined.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 9: Finance

9.1 NAMING OF NEW STREET IN A SUBDIVISION OFF PLENTY ROAD, SPRING FLAT

GOV400103, P23444, R0790141

99/23 MOTION: Thompson / Shelley

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Property Support Officer on the naming a new street in a subdivision off Plenty Road, Spring Flat;
- 2. formally approve the name of Mervyns Lane; and
- 3. advertise approved name and submit name to Government Gazette.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

9.2 NAMING OF A PARK AT 2A MARKET STREET, MUDGEE GOV400103, P27002, PAR300020

100/23 MOTION: Shelley / Palmer

- 1. receive the report by the Property Support Officer on the naming of a park at 2A Market Street, Mudgee;
- 2. support the name Dairy Park; and

3. submit Council's recommendation to the Geographical Names Board who are the final authority on naming places.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

The following recommendations (item 9.3 to item 11.2) were adopted as a whole, being moved by Cr Shelley seconded by Cr Cavalier and carried with Councillors voting unanimously. Each recommendation is recorded with separate resolution numbers commencing at Resolution No. 101/23 and concluding at Resolution No. 107/23.

9.3 CLASSIFICATION OF LAND - LOT 2 DP530722 AT 31 PITTS LANE, PUTTA BUCCA

GOV400103, GOV400088

Date: 17 May 2023

101/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Property Officer on the Classification of Land Lot 2 DP530722 at 31 Pitts Lane, Putta Bucca;
- 2. give public notice of a proposed resolution to classify Lot 2 DP530722 as Operational land in accordance with Chapter 6, Part 2, Division 1 Local Government Act 1993 (the Act); and
- 3. receive a further report after the public notice exhibition period to consider any submissions and deal with the next steps in the classification process as required by the Act.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

9.4 MONTHLY BUDGET REVIEW - APRIL 2023

GOV400103, FIN300315

102/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Accountant Reporting & Analysis on the Monthly Budget Review April 2023; and
- 2. note that the General Manager used the emergency delegation conveyed to him at 3.1 of his delegation to authorise the budget to cover the cost of emergency repairs due to water ingress at Mortimer Street commercial building in April 2023.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

9.5 MONTHLY STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS AS AT 30 APRIL 2023

GOV400103, FIN300053

103/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Manager Finance on the Monthly Statement of Investments as at 30 April 2023; and
- 2. note the certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

9.6 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM - MAY 2023

GOV400103, FIN3000159

Date: 17 May 2023

104/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Accountant Reporting & Analysis on the Community Grants Program May 2023;
- 2. provide financial assistance to the following applications in accordance with the criteria and guidelines of the Community Grants Policy:

Cudgegong Valley Physical Culture	\$1,156
Business Mudgee	\$600
Kandos Rylstone Film Society	\$5,000
Rylstone Kandos Business Chamber	\$10,000
Cooks Gap & District Progress	\$4,500
Association	
Pink Up Mudgee	\$2,000
Windeyer Progress Association	\$2,500
Arts Council Gulgong Inc.	\$1,250
The Business Concierge Ltd	\$1,875
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation	\$5,000

3. decline to give financial assistance to the Bingman Landcare – Lue Action Group for the reasons provided in the report.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

9.7 COUNCIL SERVICE DELIVERY BENCHMARKING REPORT - 2020/21 DATA COMPARATIVES

GOV400103, COR400236

105/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

2. note the comparative analysis provided in the OLG Mid-Western Regional Council Report and the Snowy Monaro Group 4 Financial Sustainability Benchmarking Report.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 10: Operations

Nil

Item 11: Community

11.1 LIBRARY SERVICES - QUARTERLY REPORT

GOV400103, F0620020

Date: 17 May 2023

106/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council receive and note the Library Services - Quarterly Report by the Manager Library Services.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

11.2 REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM TENDER - MUDGEE VALLEY CARAVAN PARK STAGE 3 CABINS

GOV400103, FIN300299

107/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

- 1. receive the report by the Director Community on the Request for Exemption from Tender Mudgee Valley Caravan Park Stage 3 Cabins;
- 2. approve an exemption from tender, in accordance with section 55 (3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, for the Mudgee Valley Caravan Park Stage 3 Cabins;
- 3. note the reasons why a satisfactory outcome would not be achieved by inviting tenders are:
 - a) the market has been recently tested via public marketplace on VendorPanel for the Mudgee Valley Caravan Park Stage 2 project (RFT 2021-29) with six responses received and a contract being awarded to Hoek Modular Homes Pty Ltd;
 - b) the same organisations would be targeted if we tendered for this project (via VendorPanel) and

the view is a different result will not be achieved by inviting fresh tenders; and

Date: 17 May 2023

- c) that with a significant amount of existing infrastructure at Mudgee Valley Caravan Park already therefore recently been provided by Hoek Modular Homes Pty Ltd, a consistent presentation and efficiencies in ongoing maintenance can be achieved by working with the same supplier;
- 4. delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to enter negotiations with Hoek Modular Homes Pty Ltd within the existing budget already provided; and
- 5. delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to then finalise the contract for the Mudgee Valley Caravan Park Cabins Project and approve contract variations within the approved budget for the project, provided a satisfactory outcome can be negotiated with Hoek Modular Homes Pty Ltd.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 12: Reports from Committees

Nil

Item 13: Urgent Business Without Notice

Nil

Item 14: Confidential Session

Nil

Item 15: Urgent Confidential Business Without Notice

108/23 MOTION: Cavalier / Stoddart

That pursuant to the provisions of Section 10 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the meeting be closed to the public.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Following the motion to close the meeting being moved and seconded, the General Manager announced that the following matters would be considered in confidential session and the reason why it was being dealt with in this way.

15.1 Council Organisational Structure

The reason for dealing with this report confidentially is that it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, relates to personnel matters concerning particular individuals other than Councillors in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act, 1993.

Discussion of this matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest as it involves discussion of personnel matters concerning particular individuals other than Councillors.

Following an enquiry from the Mayor, the General Manager advised that there were no written representations in respect of this matter and that no person in the gallery wished to make verbal representations.

15.1 ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

GOV400103

Date: 17 May 2023

109/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

- 1. receive the report by the General Manager on the proposed Council Organisational Structure;
- 2. support in principle the changes to the Council organisational structure presented by the General Manager and authorises the General Manager to continue and finalise the consultation process with staff and unions over the changes;
- 3. confirm that consultation was undertaken with the General Manager over the changes to senior staff; and
- 4. propose changes to the senior staff as documented in this report.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 16: Open Council

110/23 MOTION: Palmer / Stoddart

That Council move to Open Council

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

The General Manager announced the decisions taken in Confidential Session.

Item 17: Closure

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 5.47pm.

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council

Held at the Council Chambers, 86 Market Street, Mudgee on 24 May 2023, commencing at 5.30pm and concluding at 5.32pm.

PRESENT Cr S Paine (Chair), Cr P Cavalier, Cr K Dicker, Cr A Karavas, Cr R Palmer,

Cr P Shelley, Cr P Stoddart and Cr JP Thompson.

IN ATTENDANCE General Manager (Brad Cam), Director Community (Simon Jones),

Director Operations (Julian Geddes), Chief Financial Officer (Leonie Johnson), Manager Customer Services & Governance (Richard Cushway)

Date: 24 May 2023

and Executive Assistant (Mette Sutton).

In the absence of Mayor Kennedy, the meeting was chaired by the Deputy Mayor, Cr Sam Paine.

Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the lands on which we meet, the Wiradjuri people and pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

Item 1: Apologies

An apology was received for Cr D Kennedy.

111/23. MOTION: Cavalier / Palmer

That the apology received for Cr D Kennedy be accepted.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously

: Confirmation of Minutes

112/23 MOTION: Shelley / Karavas

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 17 May 2023 be taken

as read and confirmed.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 2: Disclosure of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

Item 3: Office of the General Manager

Nil

Item 4: Development

The following recommendations (item 4.1 to item 5.3) were adopted as a whole, being moved by Cr Shelley seconded by Cr Cavalier and carried with Councillors voting unanimously. Each

recommendation is recorded with separate resolution numbers commencing at Resolution No. 113/23 and concluding at Resolution No. 116/23.

4.1 MOOLARBEN OC3 VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT GOV400103, LAN900125

113/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Director Development on the Moolarben OC3 Voluntary Planning Agreement;
- 2. place the draft Voluntary Planning Agreement on public exhibition for 28 days;
- 3. authorise the General Manager to finalise and execute the Voluntary Planning Agreement if no objections are received during the exhibition period; and
- 4. receive a further report following the exhibition period if objections are received.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 5: Finance

5.1 T022324HUN READY MIX CONCRETE TENDER - REGIONAL PROCUREMENT

GOV400103, A0210007

Date: 24 May 2023

114/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Procurement Officer on the T022324HUN Ready Mix Concrete Tender Regional Procurement;
- 2. enter into contracts with Boral Resources (Country) Pty Ltd, J&S.K Kuchta Pty Ltd and Mudgee Concrete for the Supply and Delivery of Ready Mix Concrete to Mid-Western Regional Council;
- accept the term on the contract to be 3 years, commencing
 July 2023 with an optional 12 month extension subject to supplier performance; and
- 4. delegate the authority to the Procurement and Fleet Manager to accept or decline the optional 12 month extension period, subject to supplier performance.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

5.2 SUBMISSIONS TO THE DRAFT 2023/24 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND 2024/27 DELIVERY PROGRAM

GOV400103, FIN300202

Date: 24 May 2023

115/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Manager Finance on the Submissions to the Draft 2023/24 Operational Plan and 2024/27 Delivery Program;
- 2. receive all public submissions to the Draft 2023/24 Operational Plan and 2023/26 Delivery Program as listed below, with the General Manager required to respond to each submissions as follows:
 - 2.1 Mr Gerald Norton-Knight be thanked for his submission and Council confirms support for a \$2,500 increase to the annual Sculptures in the Garden program;
 - 2.2 Mr Clinton McKenzie be thanked for his submission and Council confirms there are no new fees proposed for 2023/24
 - 2.3 Ms Lia Finnie be thanked for her submission and for Council to direct Gulgong Arts Council to the Community Grants application forms and to provide assistance.
- 3. make the following amendments to the Draft 2023/24 Operational Plan and 2023/26 Delivery Program including Fees & Charges as exhibited;
 - 3.1 Community Submissions
 - 3.1.1 increase expenditure on the Sculptures in the Garden program by \$2,500 funded from unrestricted cash in 2023/24, 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27;

3.2 Management Submissions

- 3.2.1 allocate \$6,760,000 to the Mudgee Valley Park Expansion to be loan funded, with \$1,760,000 being allocated in 2023/24 and \$5,000,000 to be allocated to 2024/25;
- 3.2.2 increase expenditure on the Solar Farm Stage 3 by \$278,000, funded from unrestricted cash;

- 3.2.3 increase expenditure on Central West Young Entrepreneurs Summit in 2023/24 by \$15,000 to be funded by grants;
- 3.2.4 increase the Flavours of Mudgee 2023
 Marketing expenditure budget by \$30,000 in 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 to be funded by grants;
- 3.2.5 allocate an operating budget for Mudgee Riverside with a net operating surplus of \$508,000, and reduce rental income by \$110,000, in 2023/24, 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27 (with an unrestricted cash impact of \$398,000 per annum);
- 3.2.6 amend the 2023/24 budget to increase the Landfill extension project by \$1,296,904 funded from Waste Fund Reserves;
- 3.2.7 amend the 2023/24 budget to allocate \$1,100,000 for the purchase of easement rights and construction of drainage channels to service Bombira, funded from unrestricted cash:
- 3.2.8 increase expenditure on the Mudgee Arts Precinct Exhibition and Education Program, to be funded from grants, as follows:

2024/25 - \$80,000

2025/26 - \$83,000

2026/27 - \$85,000

- 3.2.9 allocate operating budgets for the Mudgee valley Park as follows:
 - a. allocation of annual loan repayments of \$584,853 to be included from 2024/25 to 2026/27 (unrestricted cash)
 - b. increase the operational budget for Mudgee Valley Park, with a net operating surplus of \$335,000 (unrestricted cash) for 2023/24
 - c. increase the operational budget for Mudgee Valley Park, with a net operating surplus of \$670,000 (unrestricted cash) from 2024/25 to 2026/27
- 3.2.10 increase resources to maintain Council's expanding fleet of vehicles and heavy plant,

- \$139,000 in each year of the budget, funded from unrestricted cash;
- 3.2.11 increase resources in risk management by \$21,000 in each year of the budget, funded from unrestricted cash;
- 3.2.12 allocate \$85,000 in 2023/24 for the purchase of a replacement the events and economic development Van, funded from unrestricted cash;
- 3.2.13 allocate \$22,000 in 2023/24 for the purchase of a buggy at Mudgee Valley Park for use by the cleaning team; funded from unrestricted cash;
- 3.2.14 allocate \$20,000 in 2023/24 to replace the enter and exit door for the weighing scales at Mudgee saleyards, funded from Saleyards Reserve;
- 3.2.15 increase resources in Information Technology to support capital project delivery across Council by \$30,000 per annum, funded from unrestricted cash:
- 3.2.16 allocate \$180,000 to fund a Council trainee program, to support the delivery of the operational plan and provide opportunities for local job development;
- 3.2.17 defer budget of \$2,471,000 for part the Mudgee Landfill Rehabilitation project from 2023/24 to 2024/25, funded from Waste Reserves;
- 3.2.18 defer budget of \$3,000,000 for part of the Sewer Augmentation Mudgee project from 2023/24 to 2024/25, funded from Sewer Developer Contribution;
- 3.3 March 2023 Quarterly Budget Review Statement amendments where budgets are amended;
- 4. make the following changes to the 2023/24 Fees and Charges as exhibited:
 - 4.1 The Section 603 certificate fee has been determined to be \$95
 - 4.2 The maximum interest rate on overdue rates and charges will be 9% per annum; and
- 5. note that the amended 2023/24 Operational Plan and 2024/27 Delivery Program will be brought back to Council at the June

Ordinary Council Meeting for endorsement, including making of the rates.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

5.3 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW - MARCH 2023

GOV400103, FIN300240

Date: 24 May 2023

116/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Manager Finance on the Quarterly Budget Review March 2023;
- 2. amend the 2022/23 Budget in accordance with the proposed variations as listed in the Quarterly Budget Review Statement attachment to this report; and
- 3. note the opinion of the Responsible Accounting Officer regarding the satisfactory financial position of Council.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 6: Urgent Business Without Notice

117/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council accept two items of Urgent Business Without Notice for consideration.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

The following recommendations (item 6.1 to item 6.2) were adopted as a whole, being moved by Cr Shelley seconded by Cr Cavalier and carried with Councillors voting unanimously. Each recommendation is recorded with separate resolution numbers commencing at Resolution No. 118/23 and concluding at Resolution No. 119/23.

6.1 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE - COALITION OF REGIONAL ENERGY MAYORS

GOV400103, GOR500040

118/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

- 1. receive the report by the Director Community on the Urgent Business Without Notice Coalition of Regional Energy Mayors;
- 2. endorse the formation of the Coalition of Regional Energy Mayors; and

3. allocate \$5,000 for membership of the Coalition of Regional Energy Mayors to be funded from existing budget.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

6.2 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE - ELECTRICITY SUPPLY CONTRACTS FOR 1 JULY 2023 TO 30 JUNE 2024

GOV400103, ENE100001

Date: 24 May 2023

119/23 MOTION: Shelley / Cavalier

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Manager Finance on the Urgent Business Without Notice Electricity Supply Contracts for 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024;
- 2. make the following budget amendments to the 2023/24 Budget and Draft 2023/24 Operational Plan and 2023/26 Delivery Program
 - 2.1 increase the street lighting expense budget by \$70,000, funded by unrestricted cash
 - 2.2 increase the electricity expense budget by a total of \$572,000 funded by unrestricted cash across each fund as follows; \$276,000 General, \$142,000 Sewer, \$146,000 Water, \$4,000 Saleyards and \$4,000 Waste
- 3. note the significant increases in energy contract prices received through the reverse auctions and tender process and that the General Manager will exercise his delegation to finalise contracts with the retailers offering the best value to Council.

The motion was carried with the Councillors voting unanimously.

Item 7: Urgent Confidential Business Without Notice

Nil

Item 8: Open Council

Item 9: Closure

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 5.32pm.