

# MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 27 JUNE 2018  
COMMENCING AT 7.10PM  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS



LEETON  
SHIRE COUNCIL

## Present:

### Councillors:

Cr. Paul Maytom (Mayor), Cr. George Weston (Deputy Mayor), Cr. Paul Smith, Cr. Peter Davidson, Cr. Tony Ciccia, Cr. Tony Reneker, Cr. Sandra Nardi, Cr. Tracey Morris and Cr. Michael Kidd.

### Staff:

Jackie Kruger (General Manager), Craig Bennett (Director Corporate and Community), Jackie Hawkins (Manager Finance), Josh Clyne (Manager Open Space and Recreation), Brent Lawrence (Manager Communications and Marketing) and Alison Balind (Governance and Corporate Planning Coordinator).

Press: Talia Pattison (The Irrigator)

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1. **CIVIC PRAYER** Cr Tony Reneker
2. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY** Cr Paul Maytom

3. **APOLOGIES**

Nil

4. **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

18/103

**Resolved**

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 23 May 2018, as circulated, be taken as read and CONFIRMED.

**(Moved Cr Morris, seconded Cr Ciccia)**

5. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Sandra Nardi declared a Pecuniary Interest for Item 8.2 - Adoption of 2018/2019 Annual Operational Plan (Including Draft Budget for 2018/2019) in relation to the Proposed Beauty Salons/Skin Penetration annual inspection fee listed on Page 178. The reason for the declaration is that the Councillor's business could be affected by the charge which impacts hairdressing salons. Councillor Nardi will vacate the Chamber, take no part in the debate or vote on this matter.

Councillor Tony Ciccia declared a Pecuniary Interest for Item 8.13 - Acceptance of Tender - Wade Avenue Enhancement Project. The reason for the declaration is that the Councillor is a land owner in the vicinity of the proposed project. Councillor Ciccia will vacate the Chamber, take no part in the debate or vote on this item.

6. **MAYORAL MINUTES - Nil**

7. **NOTICES OF MOTION**

8. **OFFICER'S REPORT**

**GENERAL MANAGER'S MATTERS**

**Item 8.1 JOINT ORGANISATION PROCLAMATION**

18/104

**Resolved**

THAT Council notes the report and Leeton Shire Council's inclusion into the Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Davidson)**

## **CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY MATTERS**

### **Item 8.2 ADOPTION OF 2018/2019 ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN (INCLUDING DRAFT BUDGET FOR 2018/2019)**

**18/105**

#### **Resolved**

THAT Council endorses in principle the 2018/2019 Annual Operational Plan with the exception of the following:

- Licence for Usage of Footpaths proposed fee listed on Page 178.
- Beauty Salons/Skin Penetration proposed annual inspection fee listed on Page 178.
- Onsite Sewerage Management Facility proposed fees listed on Page 178.
- Multipurpose Community Centre proposed fees listed on Pages 180/181.
- Private Swimming Lesson Instructor proposed fees listed on Page 197.
- Sporting Oval usage proposed fees listed on Page 199.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Smith)**

**18/106**

#### **Resolved**

### **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

THAT Standing Orders be suspended to allow Council to hear from speakers in relation to the 2018/2019 Annual Operational Plan (Including Budget for 2018/2019 and Fees & Charges).

**(Moved Cr Ciccio, seconded Cr Reneker)**

Having so resolved, Standing Orders were suspended, the time being 7.13pm to allow the following community members to speak:

- Ms Jeanine Bird in relation to the Onsite Sewerage Management Facility proposed fees.
- Mr Steve Pauling in relation to the Sporting Oval usage proposed fees.

**18/107**

**Resolved**

THAT Standing orders be resumed.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Davidson)**

Having so resolved, Standing Orders resumed, the time being 7.23pm.

**18/108**

**FEE – LICENCE FOR USAGE ON FOOTPATHS**

**Resolved**

THAT Council amend the proposed License for Usage of Footpaths fee to a flat fee of \$25 for all usage of footpaths.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Reneker)**

**FEE – BEAUTY SALONS/SUN PENETRATION INSPECTION FEE**

**Note:** Councillor Nardi declared a Pecuniary Interest for this Item, specifically for the proposed Beauty Salons/skin Penetration annual inspection fee listed on page 178 of the agenda as the Councillor's business could be affected by the charge which impacts hairdressing salons. Councillor Nardi vacated the Chamber and did not participate in the debate or vote on this matter.

No motion was proposed to vary the exhibited fee.

Cr Sandra Nardi returned to the meeting, the time being 07:35 PM

**18/109**

**Resolved**

**FEE – ONSITE SEWERAGE MANAGEMENT**

THAT:

1. Council amend the Onsite Sewerage Management Administration Service Fee to \$5 per annum.
2. The fee for non-residential and residential fees to be set at the same rate, being the residential rate of \$380 for an Application to install or Construct an Onsite Sewerage Management Facility and \$180 for an Application for the Approval to Alter or Add to an Existing Onsite Sewerage Management Facility.

**(Moved Cr Maytom, seconded Cr Ciccia)**

**18/110**

**FEES – MULTIPURPOSE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**Resolved**

THAT the cost of hiring the CWA Exhibition Hall or Gordon Hall or Training Room or Workshop includes use of both the kitchen and **all** toilets on site including the outside toilet.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Smith)**

**18/111**

**Resolved**

THAT Council amend the Multipurpose Community Centre fees listed for Community Groups for the cost of hiring the CWA Exhibition Hall or Gordon Hall or Training Room or Workshop to \$40 for half a day and \$60 for a full day.

**(Moved Cr Maytom, seconded Cr Smith)**

**18/112**

**Resolved**

**FEE – PRIVATE SWIMMING LESSON INSTRUCTOR**

THAT Council amend the proposed Private Swimming Lesson Instructor fees from \$200 to \$155.

**(Moved Cr Ciccia, seconded Cr Weston)**

**18/113**

**Resolved**

**SUBSIDY – PROVISIONS FOR SPORTING OVAL USE**

THAT Council amend the Sporting Oval usage subsidy guidelines Category Five to provide a flat rate 80% subsidy to local sporting organisations who make application.

**(Moved Cr Maytom, seconded Cr Reneker)**

## MOTION

1. THAT Council adopts the 2018/2019 Annual Operational Plan with the following alterations:
  - a) Under the Operational Plan Action Item 1a.02 – “Enhance skate park facilities at Rotary Park Leeton”– Report on progress with Scoping Study for Stage Two development of Skate Park at Rotary Park Leeton, including information on grant opportunities identified and pursued (noting that Council's only contributions in the 2018/2019 Financial Year will be in kind work and also include a budget allocation of \$10K).
  - b) Under the Operational Plan Action Item 4g.05 – “Review the Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP)” – amend to “Review Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP) to identify and improve accessibility and usage of walkways and cycleways”, such review to be in consultation with community members and with reference to the Disability Inclusion Action Plan. Further, that Council undertake an assessment of lighting and safety needs as part of the review and make applications to access grant funding during this financial year, where possible.
  - c) Under the Operational Plan Action Item 13a.01.3 - Amend references to Leeton’s cultural heritage by positioning the Art Deco Festival so that Leeton is recognised as the Regional Art Deco Capital of Australia.
  - d) Under the Operational Plan Action Item 3g.01 – “Maintain and operate a Multipurpose Community Centre (MCC)” - Include an additional item as follows:

*3g.01.2 - Undertake a survey of Centre users to determine usage, needs and expectations.*
  - e) Under the Operational Plan Action Item 6a.01.4 - Include an additional Action Item under 6a: Offer access to a range of quality sporting facilities as follows:

*6a.01 – “Provide and support sporting ovals in Leeton and Yanco – Crown Lands”, being Item number 6a.01.4 - To ensure sports facilities are managed in accordance with the Crown Land Management Act 2016 with the reporting measure to be “Report on the number of user agreements negotiated”.*
  - f) Under the Operational Plan Action Item 9a.03.2 - Include an additional Action Item under 9a: Provide waste management services as follows:

Amend Action Item 9a.03 – “Prepare a Waste Management Strategy for Leeton Shire” to include an additional measure 9a.03.2 - Investigate costs and logistics of providing alternative waste management options eg. Bulky Waste Kerbside Collection with the reporting measure to be “Report on activity and progress”. Further, that Council undertake a mix of education and awareness raising about reasons for the charges and take strong action against persons who dump waste illegally.

2. THAT Council adopts the 2018/2019 Annual Budget (including Fees and Charges) with the following alterations:

- a) Revise the level of financial support for the Leeton Golf Club to \$125,000 per annum (from \$150,000 per annum).
- b) Include a maximum cash contribution by Council of \$10,000 towards a \$90,000 Roller Derby Project – funds to be conditional on confirmation that the Roller Derby Club is regularly active and will do some fund raising themselves towards the project. Council will endeavour to seek grant funding for the remainder of the costs.
- c) Amend the proposed fees and charges for sports grounds as follows:

License for Usage of Footpaths \$25.

Onsite Sewerage Management Facility Administration Service Fee \$5.

Applications for the Approval to Install or Construct an Onsite Sewerage Management Facility – Non-residential \$380.

Applications for the Approval to Alter or Add to an Existing Onsite Sewerage Management Facility – Non-residential \$180.

CWA Exhibition Hall or Gordon Hall or Training Room or Workshop including the kitchen and all toilets \$40 (half day) and \$60 (full day).

Private Swimming Lesson Instructors – Annual Fee \$155.

- d) Delete in cost centre 151 the service and fee for line marking sports field; line marking (netball/basketball) and amenities casual user (per hour, half day and full day).
- e) Amend the Sporting Oval usage subsidy guidelines Category Five to provide a flat rate 80% subsidy to local sporting organisations who make application.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Smith)**

**AMENDMENT**

THAT Council amend the 2018/2019 Draft Budget by:

- Reducing the recycling contingency by \$225,000 and
- Increasing the Federal Assistance Grants by \$167,982.

**(Moved Cr Morris, seconded Cr Davidson)**

**The Amendment was included as part of the Motion moved by Councillor Weston and seconded by Councillor Smith.**

**AMENDMENT**

THAT the 2018/2019 Operational Plan item 1b.01 be amended as follows:

1b.01 - Participate in the Local Health Advisory Committee. Use all avenues to advocate for quality health services within the Leeton Community.

**(Moved Cr Kidd, seconded Cr Maytom)**

**The Amendment was included as part of the Motion moved by Councillor Weston and seconded by Councillor Smith.**

**18/114**

**Resolved**

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**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Smith)**

**Item 8.3 THE MAKING OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE 2018/2019 FINANCIAL YEAR**

18/115

**Resolved**

THAT Council authorises the General Manager to prepare and serve the following 2018/2019 Rate Notices or in her absence they may be served by the Director Corporate and Community.

**1. Ordinary Rates**

**a) Ordinary Rate - Residential**

In accordance with section 494 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council make the Base Amount \$452 for Ordinary Rates for the 2018/2019 Financial Year, which represents 48% of the Total Revenue for the Residential Rating category and make the Ad Valorem component of the rate at 0.817171 cents in the dollar on all land value of all rateable land within the Residential Rating category.

**b) Ordinary Rate - Farmland**

In accordance with section 494 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council make the Base Amount \$702 for Ordinary Rates for the 2018/2019 Financial Year, which represents 20% of the Total Revenue for the Farmland Rating category and make the Ad Valorem component of the rate at 1.047112 cents in the dollar on all land value of all rateable land within the Farmland Rating category.

**c) Ordinary Rate – Business**

In accordance with section 494 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council make the Base Amount \$299 for Ordinary Rates for the 2018/2019 Financial Year, which represents 25% of the Total Revenue for the Business Rating category and make the Ad Valorem component of the rate at 0.868347 cents in the dollar on all land value of all rateable land within the Business Rating category.

**2. Charges – Sewerage Local Fund**

**a) Sewerage Annual Charge - Residential**

That Council make the Sewerage Annual Charge – Residential for the 2018/2019 Financial Year \$585 for each parcel of land categorised as Residential land within the Leeton, Yanco and Whitton Sewerage Local Rate Areas in accordance with section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993.

**b Sewerage Annual Charge – Non-Residential**

That Council make a usage charge of \$1.09 per kilolitre with a minimum charge equivalent to the Residential Sewerage Annual Charge of \$585 calculated in accordance with Guidelines for Best Practice Pricing as set down by the NSW Office of Water.

The charge is to apply to each water meter attached to the assessment categorised as Non Residential land within the Leeton, Yanco and Whitton Sewerage Local Rate Areas in accordance with section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993.

The Non Residential Sewer Access charge be as follows:

Meter Size	Access Charge \$
20mm	124.72
25mm	194.88
32mm	319.28
40mm	498.88
50mm	779.50
80mm	1,995.52
100mm	3,118.00
150mm	7,015.50
200mm	12,472.00

**3. Interest Rate on Overdue Rates and Charges**

That the interest rate to be charged on all overdue Rates and Charges and arrears during the 2018/2019 Financial Year to be set at 7.5%.

**4. Domestic Waste Management Charge**

That Council make a Domestic Waste Management Charge under section 496 of the Local Government Act 1993 of \$263 on all rateable parcels of land for which there is a full service.

**5. Waste Management Charge**

That Council make a Waste Management Charge under section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993 of \$263 to the non-residential and non-rateable parcels of land in the Leeton Shire Council area being rendered a full service.

**6. Landfill Access Charge**

That Council make a Landfill Access Charge under section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993 of \$53 (GST Inclusive) to all parcels of land not having access to the Domestic Waste Collection Service under section 496 and Waste Collection Services under section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993.

That Council make a Landfill Access Charge under section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993 of \$53 (GST Inclusive) for each parcel of rateable land for which the service is available and is unoccupied.

**7. Recycling Service Charge**

That Council make a Recycling Service Charge under section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993 of \$131 on all parcels of land for which there is a full Domestic Waste Collection Service.

Recycling Services for non-residential and non-rateable properties will be optional and those properties wishing to use the service will be charged at the rate of \$131 per annum.

**8. Water Charges**

That Council make the following water charges:

**a) Access Charges**

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>\$</u>
20mm	268
25mm	268
32mm	686
40mm	1,072
50mm	1,675
65mm	2,831
80mm	4,288
100mm	6,600
150mm	11,255

**b) Consumption Charges – Residential**

- for the first 300 kilolitres (kl) = \$1.06 per kl
- from 301 kilolitres to 600 kilolitres = \$1.55 per kl
- thereafter = \$2.70 per kl

Strata Properties with single meter \$1.68 per kl for all consumption.

**c) Consumption Charges – Non Residential**

- for the first 300 kilolitres (kl) = \$1.06 per kl
- thereafter = \$1.55 per kl

**9. Stormwater Management Charge**

That Council make a Stormwater Management Charge under section 496A of the Local Government Act 1993 of \$25 for developed residential properties, \$12.50 for each residential strata unit and \$25 for eligible properties within the Ordinary Business Rating category area and \$12.50 for each business strata title unit.

**10. On-site Sewerage Management Service Fee**

That Council make an annual service fee under Section 608 (2) of the Local Government Act 1993 of \$5 per annum for an approval to operate a system of sewerage management.

**11. Fees and Charges**

That Council make the Fees and Charges for the 2018/2019 Financial Year as per the Adopted 2018/2019 Operational Plan (which includes the Revenue Policy (Fees and Charges) for 2018/2019).

**(Moved Cr Nardi, seconded Cr Davidson)**

**Item 8.4 INVESTMENTS REPORT MAY 2018**

**18/116**

**Resolved**

THAT the information contained in the Investments Report for May 2018 be noted.

**(Moved Cr Morris, seconded Cr Kidd)**

**Item 8.5 YOUTH WEEK FORUM 2018**

**18/117**

**Resolved**

THAT Council notes the report provided by students Georgia Saddler and Tyler Dunn (both School Captains at Leeton High School) on the experience of attending the 2018 Youth Week Forum held in Sydney during April 2018.

**(Moved Cr Kidd, seconded Cr Smith)**

**Item 8.6 COMMUNITY STRENGTHENING GRANT SCHEME - YOUTH DEVELOPMENT GRANT - VULA WATE**

**18/118**

**Resolved**

THAT Council awards Vula Wate a \$250 Youth Development Grant from the Quick Response part of the Community Strengthening Grants Scheme to assist with the costs involved in representing Leeton and the Riverina at the 2018 New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association Rugby League Championships, which were held at Kingscliff on Tuesday 19 to Thursday 21 June 2018.

**(Moved Cr Smith, seconded Cr Kidd)**

**Item 8.7 MINUTES OF THE YANCO HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (FEBRUARY 2018 TO MAY 2018)**

**18/119**

**Resolved**

THAT Council receives for information the Minutes of the Yanco Hall Management Committee for 12 February 2018, 12 March 2018, 9 April 2018 and 14 May 2018 and notes the information contained within the Minutes.

**(Moved Cr Nardi, seconded Cr Kidd)**

**Item 8.8 MINUTES OF THE WHITTON TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

**This item was withdrawn as the Minutes were presented to the Ordinary Council Meeting of Council on 23 May 2018.**

**Item 8.9 ESTABLISHMENT OF A LEETON SHIRE COUNCIL AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

**18/120**

**Resolved**

THAT:

1. Council resolves to establish a committee titled "Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee".
2. Council endorses the Draft Charter for the "Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee" and in accordance with Section 160 of the Local Government Act 1993 places the Draft document on public exhibition for a period of not less than twenty eight (28) days and allows forty two (42) days for any public submissions to be made to Council on the Draft Charter.

3. Council requests the General Manager to undertake an open Expression of Interest process to identify potential independent members of the "Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee", and provide a report to the 26 September 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting of the Leeton Shire Council, on the appointment of independent members of that Committee.
4. In the event that Council receives a greater number of Expressions of Interest above the Independent Member positions available on the Committee, a merit-based assessment process be undertaken with the General Manager to provide a confidential report to Council at the 26 September 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting in order to allow Councillors the opportunity to review recommendations on the prioritised applicants.
5. Council sets no fee for the independent committee members of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee.
6. Council sets a fee for the independent chair of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee of up to \$500 per meeting plus disbursements.

**(Moved Cr Reneker, seconded Cr Nardi)**

**Item 8.10 GOSSAMER PARK - CROWN RESERVE 93647 - ADDITIONAL PURPOSE**

**18/121**

**Resolved**

THAT Council requests approval from the Department of Industry – Crown Lands to add the purpose of Community Purposes (or another purpose which may be appropriate) to Crown Reserve 93647 (Gossamer Park).

**(Moved Cr Davidson, seconded Cr Smith)**

**ENVIRONMENT AND ENGINEERING MATTERS**

**Item 8.11 LEETON SHIRE COUNCIL ROAD SAFETY ACTION PLAN 2018-2021**

**18/122**

**Resolved**

THAT Council receives and approves the Leeton Shire Council Road Safety Action Plan 2018-2021 with the addition of:

- Program on driver distraction;
- Promotion of the "Lights On" campaign; and
- Advocate for Police presence within the local government area between the hours of 10pm and 5am as indicated by the crash data.



**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Morris)**

**Item 8.12 DRAFT LEETON SHIRE COUNCIL ONSITE SEWAGE  
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM STRATEGY**

**18/123**

**Resolved**

THAT the Draft Leeton Shire Council Onsite Sewage Management System Strategy be placed on public notification for twenty eight (28) days and should there be no submissions received by Council at the completion of this period, the Leeton Shire Council Onsite Sewage Management System Strategy is to become adopted.

**(Moved Cr Kidd, seconded Cr Reneker)**

The Mayor, Cr Paul Maytom left the meeting, the time being 09:00 PM. With the Mayor having vacated the chair, the Deputy Mayor Councillor George Weston assumed the Chair.

**Item 8.13 ACCEPTANCE OF TENDER - WADE AVENUE ENHANCEMENT  
PROJECT**

**Note:** Councillor Ciccia declared a Pecuniary Interest for this Item as he is a land owner in the vicinity of the proposed project. Councillor Ciccia vacated the Chamber and did not participate in the debate or vote on this matter.

**18/124**

**Resolved**

THAT Council accepts the tender from GHD Woodhead for the planning and preparation of tender documents for the Wade Avenue enhancement project.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Kidd)**

Cr Tony Ciccia returned to the meeting, the time being 09:00 PM.

Cr Paul Maytom returned to the meeting, the time being 09:01 PM. Cr Weston vacated the chair which was assumed by the Mayor, Cr Maytom.

**Item 8.14 WAMOON SEWERAGE SCHEME PROGRESS REPORT**

**18/125**

**Resolved**

THAT Council notes the progress on the Wamoon Sewerage Scheme Project.

**(Moved Cr Kidd, seconded Cr Smith)**

## **9. STATEMENTS BY COUNCILLORS**

### **Cr George Weston**

Police presentation: Cr Weston said he valued the engagement with Police at the Community Safety Precinct Committee meeting held at the Council Chambers on 21 June 2018. He hoped these meetings could be held more regularly.

Local Government National General Assembly: Attended by Cr Weston, the Mayor and General Manager. Raised concerns regarding the volume of e-waste and hoped Council could start to address this more actively. Raised the opportunity of more solar lighting and noted the move towards smaller housing occupation numbers.

### **Cr Peter Davidson**

Mallee Street: Could this be raised at the next Traffic Committee Meeting.

### **Cr Tony Ciccia**

Gallery numbers: It was impressive to see the number of people who turned out for the meeting this evening. Felt everyone who wanted to speak had the opportunity and were heard.

### **Cr Michael Kidd**

Traffic matters: Residents within the Gralee area have been disturbed by truck air braking on Main Road 80. Signage has been installed.

Roundabouts: Concerned about truck tyre marks that are located in garden beds. Would it be worth looking at having CCTV in that area to help monitor this issue?

Recycling: There is some confusion around what soft plastics can be recycled. Could there be some education around what can and can't be recycled?

### **Cr Paul Smith**

Road Safety: What is the situation with line marking around our Shire? Has travelled on a couple of roads where the line marking has been non-existent eg. Vance Rd, Colinroobie Rd, Brobenah Hall Rd?

Cr George Weston left the meeting, the time being 09:17 pm.

Cr George Weston returned to the meeting, the time being 09:17 pm.

### **Cr Paul Maytom**

Mayoral role: The Mayoral column is going in the paper this week but does not always contain all that the Mayor does or the meetings that are attended. But the Mayor does try to keep councillors advised.

LG National General Assembly (motions): Three motions were put to the Assembly regarding the implementation of rumble strips, container deposit scheme roll out and the issues with citizenship application processes. Cr Weston, the General Manager and the Mayor had opportunities to speak to the Member for Farrar, Sussan Ley. Her office indicated that they would take the citizenship matter on board. The Mayor has been provided with a list of refugees who have been waiting for more than 12 months which will be provided to Ms Ley's office.

LG National General Assembly (presentations): The Mayor and Cr Weston attended the presentation on waste which provided detail around Councils doing more to reduce waste. Information was provided on a number of innovative projects for waste reuse.

### **General Manager – Jackie Kruger**

Joint Organisations: First meeting of the new JO will be held this Friday 29 June 2018.

#### Staffing Matters:

- Interim Director Environment and Engineering - Mr Chris Watson will be filling the role in the short term while Council undertakes the recruitment process to fill the position.
- Library Manager and Community Services Manager positions interviews were held this week. It is anticipated that these positions will be finalised in the coming week.
- Council's Work Health and Safety Coordinator will be moving to a position with Griffith City Council at the end of this week. Council has been able to secure the services of a person with significant WHS experience to assist in the interim.
- Regulatory Services Coordinator position – minor restructure within the Health, Building and Planning department as Council has been unsuccessful recruiting an Environmental Health Officer. Instead Council will combine health elements with the ranger positions.

### **Director Corporate and Community – Craig Bennett**

Grants Workshop – Community Development Coordinator will be attending the July workshop to go through the review of the grants program.

Audit Office – current contract with Crowe Horwath will come to an end in the near future and the Auditor General's Office will be going out to tender.

## **10. CLOSED COUNCIL – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, in the opinion of the General Manager, the following business is of a kind as referred to in Section 10A(2) of the Act, and should be dealt with in a part of the meeting closed to the media and public.

**Note:** Pursuant to Section 10A(4), the public were invited to make representations to the Council meeting before any part of the meeting is closed, as to whether that part of the meeting should be closed.

**18/126**

### **Resolved**

THAT:

1. Council move into Closed Council to consider business identified, together with any late reports tabled at the meeting.
2. In accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting to enable Council to determine items listed in Confidential Matters for the reasons indicated.
3. The report relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by Section 11(2) of the Local Government Act 1993.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Davidson)**

### **Item 10.1 WESTERN RIVERINA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2018-2022**

This report is considered confidential in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, as the report contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business (Section 10A(2)c).

### **Item 10.2 OFFER TO PURCHASE 39 MASSEY AVENUE AND 43 MASSEY AVENUE, VANCE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE**

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**Item 10.3 OFFER TO PURCHASE 43-49 RIDLEY AVENUE LEETON**

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The Mayor asked the gallery if there were any objections to Council going into Closed Session to consider the matters listed.

No objections were received from the Gallery.

Council closed its meeting at 9.34pm and the public and press left the Chambers.

**Item 10.1 WESTERN RIVERINA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY  
2018-2022**

**18/127**

**Resolved**

THAT Council endorses the Western Riverina Economic Development Strategy 2018-2022.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Reneker)**

**Item 10.2 OFFER TO PURCHASE 39 MASSEY AVENUE AND 43 MASSEY  
AVENUE, VANCE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE**

**MOTION**

THAT:

1. Council rejects the offer of \$70,000 (excluding GST) made for the purchase of Lot 1, DP 1166151, 39 Massey Avenue, Leeton and rejects the offer of \$70,000 (excluding GST) made for the purchase of Lot 2, DP 1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton, and makes a counter offer of \$78,000 for each lot (excluding GST) being full valuation.
2. Council offers to grant an option to purchase Lot 2, DP 1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton, at the raised price of \$78,000 (excluding GST) at full valuation with a non-refundable option fee of 10% payable up front and with the option to be executed within 22 months allowing a settlement period thereafter of 56 days.
3. If the counter offers are accepted for one or both lots, Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to sign and seal all documentation in relation to the sales of Lot 1, DP 1166151, 39 Massey Avenue, Leeton, and Lot 2, DP1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton.

**(Moved Cr Smith, seconded Cr Morris)**

## **AMENDMENT**

THAT:

1. Council rejects the offer of \$70,000 (excluding GST) made for the purchase of Lot 1, DP 1166151, 39 Massey Avenue, Leeton and rejects the offer of \$70,000 (excluding GST) made for the purchase of Lot 2, DP 1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton, and makes a counter offer of a minimum of \$75,000 for each lot (excluding GST).
2. Council offers to grant an option to purchase Lot 2, DP 1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton, at the raised price of no less than \$75,000 (excluding GST) with a non-refundable option fee of 10% payable up front and with the option to be executed within 22 months allowing a settlement period thereafter of 56 days.
3. That if the counter offer is accepted and is less than full valuation, Council publically exhibits the proposal to accept an offer from Maryanne Nolan to the amount agreed (excluding GST) for the sale of Lot 1, DP 1166151, 39 Massey Avenue, Leeton, and Lot 2, DP1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton including the difference between the sale price and the valuation price should there be any, in accordance with Section 356 of the Local Government Act, 1993.
4. If the counter offers are accepted for one or both lots, Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to sign and seal all documentation in relation to the sales of Lot 1, DP 1166151, 39 Massey Avenue, Leeton, and Lot 2, DP1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton.

**(Moved Cr Maytom, seconded Cr Ciccia)**

**The Amendment was put and became the Motion.  
The Motion was put and carried.**

**18/128**

### **Resolved**

THAT:

1. Council rejects the offer of \$70,000 (excluding GST) made for the purchase of Lot 1, DP 1166151, 39 Massey Avenue, Leeton and rejects the offer of \$70,000 (excluding GST) made for the purchase of Lot 2, DP 1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton, and makes a counter offer of a minimum of \$75,000 for each lot (excluding GST).

2. Council offers to grant an option to purchase Lot 2, DP 1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton, at the raised price of no less than \$75,000 (excluding GST) with a non-refundable option fee of 10% payable up front and with the option to be executed within 22 months allowing a settlement period thereafter of 56 days.
3. That if the counter offer is accepted and is less than full valuation, Council publically exhibits the proposal to accept an offer from Maryanne Nolan to the amount agreed (excluding GST) for the sale of Lot 1, DP 1166151, 39 Massey Avenue, Leeton, and Lot 2, DP1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton including the difference between the sale price and the valuation price should there be any, in accordance with Section 356 of the Local Government Act, 1993.
4. If the counter offers are accepted for one or both lots, Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to sign and seal all documentation in relation to the sales of Lot 1, DP 1166151, 39 Massey Avenue, Leeton, and Lot 2, DP1166151, 43 Massey Avenue, Leeton.

**(Moved Cr Maytom, seconded Cr Ciccia)**

### **Item 10.3 OFFER TO PURCHASE 43-49 RIDLEY AVENUE LEETON**

#### **MOTION**

THAT:

1. Council rejects the offer of \$155,000 (excluding GST) made for the purchase of Lot 11, DP 1053574, 43-45 Ridley Avenue, Leeton and Lot 13, DP 1053574, 47-49 Ridley Avenue, Leeton, and makes a counter offer of \$162,000 for both lots or \$81,000 for each lot (excluding GST) being at full valuation.
2. If the counter offers are accepted for one or both lots, Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to sign and seal all documentation in relation to the sales of Lot 11, DP 1053574, 43-45 Ridley Avenue, Leeton, and Lot 13, DP 1053574, 47-49 Ridley Avenue, Leeton.

**(Moved Cr Smith, seconded Cr Weston)**

#### **AMENDMENT**

THAT:

1. Council rejects the offer of \$155,000 (excluding GST) made for the purchase of Lot 11, DP 1053574, 43-45 Ridley Avenue, Leeton and Lot 13, DP 1053574, 47-49 Ridley Avenue, Leeton, and makes a counter offer of a minimum of \$160,000 for both lots or minimum \$80,000 for each lot (excluding GST).

2. If the counter offer is accepted and is less than full valuation, Council publically exhibits its intention to accept the offer by Mr Peter Thompson to purchase Lot 11, DP 1053574, 43-45 Ridley Avenue, Leeton and Lot 13, DP 1053574, 47-49 Ridley Avenue, Leeton for the agreed amount including the difference between the sale price and the valuation price, should there be any, in accordance with Section 356 of the Local Government Act, 1993.
3. If the counter offers are accepted for one or both lots, Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to sign and seal all documentation in relation to the sales of Lot 11, DP 1053574, 43-45 Ridley Avenue, Leeton, and Lot 13, DP 1053574, 47-49 Ridley Avenue, Leeton.

**(Moved Cr Ciccica, seconded Cr Nardi)**

**The Amendment was put and became the Motion.  
The Motion was put and carried.**

**18/129**

**Resolved**

THAT:

1. Council rejects the offer of \$155,000 (excluding GST) made for the purchase of Lot 11, DP 1053574, 43-45 Ridley Avenue, Leeton and Lot 13, DP 1053574, 47-49 Ridley Avenue, Leeton, and makes a counter offer of a minimum of \$160,000 for both lots or minimum \$80,000 for each lot (excluding GST).
2. If the counter offer is accepted and is less than full valuation, Council publically exhibits its intention to accept the offer by Mr Peter Thompson to purchase Lot 11, DP 1053574, 43-45 Ridley Avenue, Leeton and Lot 13, DP 1053574, 47-49 Ridley Avenue, Leeton for the agreed amount including the difference between the sale price and the valuation price, should there be any, in accordance with Section 356 of the Local Government Act, 1993.
3. If the counter offers are accepted for one or both lots, Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to sign and seal all documentation in relation to the sales of Lot 11, DP 1053574, 43-45 Ridley Avenue, Leeton, and Lot 13, DP 1053574, 47-49 Ridley Avenue, Leeton.

**(Moved Cr Ciccica, seconded Cr Nardi)**



**REVERSION TO OPEN COUNCIL**

**18/130**

**Resolved**

THAT this meeting of the Closed Council revert to an open meeting of the Council, the time being 10.08 pm.

**(Moved Cr Smith, seconded Cr Morris)**

The Mayor advised that during the Closed Council three resolutions were passed. The General Manager read out the resolutions made in Closed Council for Items.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.09pm.

..... signed by  
the Chairman of the meeting held on  
25/07/2018 at which meeting the  
signature hereon was subscribed.