



WELLINGTON
SHIRE COUNCIL

The Heart of Gippsland

RESOLUTIONS IN BRIEF ORDINARY MEETING

To be read in conjunction with the Council Meeting Agenda 20 July 2021

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Cr Garry Stephens (Mayor)
Cr Scott Rossetti (Deputy Mayor)
Cr Ian Bye
Cr Carolyn Crossley
Cr Gayle Maher
Cr Carmel Ripper
Cr John Tatterson
Cr Jill Wood

OFFICERS PRESENT

Chris Hastie, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Denise Teo, Governance Officer

APOLOGIES

Cr Marcus McKenzie
David Morcom, Chief Executive Officer

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1. APOLOGIES

COUNCILLOR MARCUS McKENZIE
DAVID MORCOM, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT/S OF INTEREST

NIL

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING/S

3.1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

PURPOSE

To adopt the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 6 July 2021.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY

NIL

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the minutes and resolutions of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 6 July 2021.

COUNCILLOR WOOD / COUNCILLOR ROSSETTI

That Council adopt the minutes and resolutions of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 6 July 2021.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

ACTION OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ITEM	FROM MEETING	COMMENTS	ACTION BY
NIL			

5. ACCEPTANCE OF LATE AND URGENT ITEMS

NIL

6. NOTICE/S OF MOTION

NIL

7. RECEIVING OF PETITION OR JOINT LETTERS

7.1. OUTSTANDING PETITIONS

ACTION OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ITEM	FROM MEETING	COMMENTS	ACTION BY
NIL			

7.2. RECEIPT OF PETITION - OBJECTION TO TREES PLANTED AT ANDREWS ROAD AND CUMMING DRIVE, LONGFORD

ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

PURPOSE

To present Council with a petition in relation to an objection to trees planted at Andrews Road and Cumming Drive, Longford.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY

NIL

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the attached petition in relation to an objection to trees planted at Andrews Road and Cumming Drive, Longford.

COUNCILLOR BYE / COUNCILLOR MAHER

That Council receive the attached petition in relation to an objection to trees planted at Andrews Road and Cumming Drive, Longford.

CARRIED

7.3. RESPONSE TO PETITION - BUS STOP BOISDALE STREET, MAFFRA

ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER BUILT ENVIRONMENT

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a petition presented at the Ordinary Council meeting of 15 June 2021 regarding the removal of five trees and two tree stumps from the road reserve in Boisdale Street, Maffra opposite Hillcrest Avenue to improve parking opportunities and provide additional space in the area for use as a school bus stop.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY

NIL

RECOMMENDATION

That, in response to the petition presented at the Ordinary Council meeting of 15 June 2021, Council;

- 1. Decline the request for the removal of five trees from the Boisdale Street Road Reserve in Maffra opposite Hillcrest Avenue;*
- 2. Accept the request to grub two tree stumps from the Boisdale Street Road Reserve in Maffra opposite Hillcrest Avenue; and*
- 3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to write to the head petitioner to advise them of Council's decision in relation to this matter.*

COUNCILLOR RIPPER / COUNCILLOR WOOD

That, in response to the petition presented at the Ordinary Council meeting of 15 June 2021, Council;

- 1. Decline the request for the removal of five trees from the Boisdale Street Road Reserve in Maffra opposite Hillcrest Avenue;*
- 2. Accept the request to grub two tree stumps from the Boisdale Street Road Reserve in Maffra opposite Hillcrest Avenue; and*
- 3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to write to the head petitioner to advise them of Council's decision in relation to this matter.*

CARRIED

8. INVITED ADDRESSES, PRESENTATIONS OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

NIL

9. QUESTION/S ON NOTICE

9.1. OUTSTANDING QUESTION/S ON NOTICE

ACTION OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ITEM	FROM MEETING	COMMENTS	ACTION BY
NIL			

10. MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS REPORT

10.1. MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS REPORT

ACTION OFFICER: COUNCILLOR GARRY STEPHENS

RECOMMENDATION
<i>That the Mayor and Councillors report be noted.</i> COUNCILLOR CROSSLEY / COUNCILLOR MAHER <i>That the Mayor and Councillors report be noted.</i>
CARRIED

11. DELEGATES REPORT

COUNCILLOR CROSSLEY provided a report updating the latest activities by the Gippsland Climate Change Network (GCCN).

GCCN, along with partners Energy Innovation Cooperative and Mallacoota Sustainable Energy Group, were one of the seven community organisations announced by the Hon Lily D'Ambrosio as successful recipients of funds for the new Gippsland Community Power Hub. Eight out of eleven of the shovel-ready projects will be rolled out across Gippsland over the next few months. Further works will continue with the engagement of the local communities.

Sustainability Victoria has contracted GCCN to be an intermediary assistant to help local small businesses access the small business energy saving program due to the complex administration involved in the application process. This will provide small businesses with up to \$2000 going toward replacing assets with more energy-friendly items that will result in cost and energy savings.

12. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

12.1. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

ACTION OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RECOMMENDATION

That the Chief Executive Officer's report be received.

COUNCILLOR ROSSETTI / COUNCILLOR BYE

That the Chief Executive Officer's report be received.

CARRIED

12.2. VICTORIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION REPORT ON 2020 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION

ACTION OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

PURPOSE

For Council to receive the attached report provided by the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) on the Wellington Shire Council 2020 local government election.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY

NIL

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the attached report provided by the Victorian Electoral Commission on the Wellington Shire Council 2020 local government election.

COUNCILLOR CROSSLEY / COUNCILLOR WOOD

That Council receive the attached report provided by the Victorian Electoral Commission on the Wellington Shire Council 2020 local government election.

CARRIED

13. GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

13.1. ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS

ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

OBJECTIVE

To report on all assembly of Councillor records received for the period 28 June 2021 to 11 July 2021.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY

NIL

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note and receive the attached Assembly of Councillor records for the period 28 June 2021 to 11 July 2021.

COUNCILLOR BYE / COUNCILLOR RIPPER

That Council note and receive the attached Assembly of Councillor records for the period 28 June 2021 to 11 July 2021.

CARRIED

13.2. CONSIDERATION OF THE REVIEWED MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES FOR ADOPTION

ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

PURPOSE

For Council to formally adopt the reviewed Mayoral and Councillor allowances; Councillors - \$26,245 and the Mayor - \$81,204, until the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal make its first determination and resolve to forward a copy of the submission received to the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY

NIL

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Formally adopt the reviewed Mayoral and Councillor allowances;

- Councillors - \$26,245***
- Mayor - \$81,204***

until the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal make its first determination; and

2. Resolve to forward a copy of the submission received, to the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal.

COUNCILLOR MAHER / COUNCILLOR CROSSLEY

That Council:

1. **Formally adopt the reviewed Mayoral and Councillor allowances;**
 - **Councillors - \$26,245**
 - **Mayor - \$81,204**

until the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal make its first determination; and
2. **Resolve to forward a copy of the submission received, to the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal.**

CARRIED

14. GENERAL MANAGER BUILT AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

14.1. BOGGY CREEK ROAD LONGFORD SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME - FINAL COST CERTIFICATE

ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER BUILT ENVIRONMENT

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present to Council for consideration the final cost certificate for the Boggy Creek Road Longford Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 1901.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY

NIL

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. **Council adopts the Final Cost Certificate for the Boggy Creek Road Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 1901; and**
2. **Council Officers prepare the final apportionment amounts due from property owners for the Boggy Creek Road Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 1901 based on the total levy amount of \$115,308.**

COUNCILLOR BYE / COUNCILLOR TATTERSON

That:

1. **Council adopts the Final Cost Certificate for the Boggy Creek Road Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 1901; and**
2. **Council Officers prepare the final apportionment amounts due from property owners for the Boggy Creek Road Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 1901 based on the total levy amount of \$115,308.**

CARRIED

14.2. LLOYD STREET (NORTH) STRATFORD SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME - FINAL COST CERTIFICATE

ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER BUILT ENVIRONMENT

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present to Council for consideration the final cost certificate for the Lloyd Street (North) Stratford Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 1902.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY

NIL

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. Council adopts the Final Cost Certificate for the Lloyd Street (North) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 1902; and***
- 2. Council Officers prepare the final apportionment amounts due from property owners for the Lloyd Street (North) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 1902 based on the total levy amount of \$42,000.***

COUNCILLOR RIPPER / COUNCILLOR BYE

That:

- 1. Council adopts the Final Cost Certificate for the Lloyd Street (North) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 1902; and***
- 2. Council Officers prepare the final apportionment amounts due from property owners for the Lloyd Street (North) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 1902 based on the total levy amount of \$42,000.***

CARRIED

14.3. REVOCATION OF UNUSED ROAD LICENCE BEING THE EXTENSION OF GRAHAM ROAD TOONGABBIE

ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER BUILT ENVIRONMENT

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a request from the holder of the unused road licence to relinquish their unused road licence abutting Lots 8A and 9A PS840677 (being the extension of Graham Road, Toongabbie) and to open this road to public traffic.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY

NIL

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. Pursuant to section 407(1) of the Land Act 1958, the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning be requested to revoke the unused***

road licence held over the Government Road abutting Lots 8A and 9A PS840677 as the road is required for public traffic; and

- 2. Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to write to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and the property owner to advise them of Council's decision in relation to this matter.*

COUNCILLOR MAHER / COUNCILLOR ROSSETTI

That:

- 1. Pursuant to section 407(1) of the Land Act 1958, the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning be requested to revoke the unused road licence held over the Government Road abutting Lots 8A and 9A PS840677 as the road is required for public traffic; and*
- 2. Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to write to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and the property owner to advise them of Council's decision in relation to this matter.*

CARRIED

15. GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY AND CULTURE

15.1. MUNICIPAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING PLAN 2021/2025 - APPROVAL DRAFT PLAN AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER COMMUNITIES, FACILITIES AND EMERGENCIES

PURPOSE

For Council to approve the draft municipal public health and wellbeing plan, 'Healthy Wellington 2021-2025', as attached, for release for public consultation for a six-week period.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY

NIL

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approves the draft municipal public health and wellbeing plan, 'Healthy Wellington 2021-2025', as attached, for release for public consultation for a six-week period.

COUNCILLOR MAHER / COUNCILLOR WOOD

That Council approves the draft municipal public health and wellbeing plan, 'Healthy Wellington 2021-2025', as attached, for release for public consultation for a six-week period.

CARRIED

16. FURTHER GALLERY AND ONLINE COMMENTS

Gallery comments are an opportunity for members of the public to raise any particular matter they wish. This allows those in the gallery to speak directly to Councillors but is not a forum designed for open discussion or debate. We will listen respectfully to what you have to say and make the commitment that if your query requires a written response, we will advise you that a response will be forthcoming, and a copy of that response will be circulated to all Councillors.

This is not a forum for members of the public to lodge complaints against individuals, including Councillors and staff, particularly as that individual gets no public right of reply to any matter raised. We take complaints seriously, and in line with the guidance from the Victorian Ombudsman and the local Government Inspectorate, we request that any specific complaint against an individual be put in writing. This way, your concern can be properly dealt with while ensuring fairness to all parties concerned.

If you wish to speak, we remind you that this part of the meeting is being recorded and broadcast on our website. Council's official Minutes will record that you have spoken to Council and the subject you spoke to Council about but will not record specific comments. We ask you to state your name in full, where you are from, and you have three minutes.

ONLINE COMMENTS –

Question from Akarna Bowers: Will Council's Diversity and Inclusion Strategy that is under development include LGBTIQ+ communities?

FURTHER GALLERY COMMENTS –

NIL

Meeting declared closed at: 6:42pm

The live streaming of this Council meeting will now come to a close.