



**WELLINGTON**  
SHIRE COUNCIL

# **Resolutions in Brief Ordinary Council Meeting**

**Tuesday 19 August 2025, commencing at 5:00 PM**

**To be read in conjunction with the Council Meeting Agenda 19 August 2025.**

Cr Scott Rossetti (Mayor)

Cr Cindy Madeley (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Catherine Bannerman

Cr Liz Foat (Online)

Cr Edward Lowe

Cr Carmel Ripper

Cr John Tatterson

Cr Geoff Wells

David Morcom, Chief Executive Officer

Arthur Skipitaris, General Manager Corporate Services

Andrew Pomeroy, General Manager Development

Chris Hastie, General Manager Built and Natural Environment

Kim Salleh, Manager Customer and Communications

Catie Thomson, Governance Officer

## **APOLOGIES**

Cr Garry Stephens

**ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL  
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## 1. APOLOGIES

COUNCILLOR STEPHENS

## 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: MANAGER GOVERNANCE**

RECOMMENDATION	
<i>That Council adopt the minutes and resolutions of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 5 August 2025.</i>	
COUNCILLOR WELLS / COUNCILLOR MADELEY	
That Council adopt the minutes and resolutions of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 5 August 2025.	
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			

## 8. INVITED ADDRESSES, PRESENTATIONS OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

COUNCILLOR MADELEY attended the Gippsstar Awards in Moe on Thursday evening, an event that celebrates outstanding sporting achievements across Gippsland. Several talented individuals from the Wellington Shire were recognised, including Darcy Wade for showjumping, Jessica Jackson for surf life saving, Sierra Roberts for Hockey and Mimi McLeod for Taekwondo. Whilst Kevin Lanigan, Hannah Wilms and Beau Tassie were not in attendance, they were recognised for cricket, polocrosse and pistol shooting. There was strong representation in the club and team categories as well, with nominations for the Sale United Football Club and Phoenix Field Archers, Sale Pistol Club and the Stratford Swans. These nominations reflect the depth of talent and dedication in the local sporting community. Councillor Madeley congratulated all nominees and winners for their hard work and passion.

COUNCILLOR FOAT acknowledged and congratulated Ashley (Ash) Centra on her debut game with the Australian Football League Women's (AFLW). Ash stepped out onto the field for the first time at the elite level and marked the occasion with her very first kick. This is a remarkable milestone and what promises to be an exciting career. Councillor Foat looks forward to witnessing her growth impacting the seasons to come. This is just the beginning.

## 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: MAYOR SCOTT ROSSETTI**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That the Mayor and Councillors report be noted for July 2025.*

**COUNCILLOR MADELEY / COUNCILLOR WELLS**

**That the Mayor and Councillors report be noted for July 2025.**

**CARRIED**

## 11. DELEGATES REPORT

COUNCILLOR TATTERSON attended the South East Australian Transport Strategy Inc. (SEATS) Annual General Meeting which was held in East Gippsland Shire at the Lakes Entrance office and provided a brief update.

It was a good meeting attended by a number of Councillors and officers from across Southern New South Wales and Victoria. Key focus areas include the Sale alternative truck route and getting the Traralgon bypass back on the Agenda for the future State/Federal Government.

It was a very productive meeting held over a couple of days.

The minutes will be sent to the General Manager Development.

## 12. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

### 12.1. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

**ACTION OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That the Chief Executive Officer's report be received for July 2025.*

**COUNCILLOR RIPPER / COUNCILLOR LOWE**

**That the Chief Executive Officer's report be received for July 2025.**

**CARRIED**

## **13. GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES**

### **13.1. ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS REPORT**

**ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER GOVERNANCE**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council note and receive the attached Assembly of Councillor records for the period 28 July to 10 August 2025.*

**COUNCILLOR TATTERSON / COUNCILLOR WELLS**

That Council note and receive the attached Assembly of Councillor records for the period 28 July to 10 August 2025.

**CARRIED**

### **13.2. COUNCIL PERFORMANCE REPORT - JUNE 2025**

**ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council receive and note the June 2025 Council Performance Report as attached.*

**COUNCILLOR MADELEY / COUNCILLOR LOWE**

That Council receive and note the June 2025 Council Performance Report as attached.

**CARRIED**

### **13.3. INTENTION TO DISPLAY DRAFT DOMESTIC ANIMAL MANAGEMENT PLAN 2026 - 2029**

**ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER GOVERNANCE**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council approve a four week period of community engagement for the draft Domestic Animal Management Plan 2026–2029, to be conducted from Thursday 28 August 2025 to Wednesday 24 September 2025.*

**COUNCILLOR TATTERSON / COUNCILLOR WELLS**

That Council approve a four week period of community engagement for the draft Domestic Animal Management Plan 2026–2029, to be conducted from Thursday 28 August 2025 to Wednesday 24 September 2025.

**CARRIED**

#### 13.4. REMUNERATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

**ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES**

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

***That Council:***

- 1. Note and receive the minutes from the Remuneration Committee meeting held on 5 August 2025 as attached; and***
- 2. Endorse the actions from the Remuneration Committee meeting held on 5 August 2025 as detailed in the attached minutes.***

**COUNCILLOR BANNERMAN / COUNCILLOR LOWE**

***That Council:***

- 1. Note and receive the minutes from the Remuneration Committee meeting held on 5 August 2025 as attached; and***
- 2. Endorse the actions from the Remuneration Committee meeting held on 5 August 2025 as detailed in the attached minutes.***

**CARRIED**

#### 13.5. FUTURE WELLINGTON: ADOPTION OF COUNCIL PLAN 2025-29, FINANCIAL PLAN, ASSET PLAN, MUNICIPAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING PLAN - LIVE WELL IN WELLINGTON.

**ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER GOVERNANCE**

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

***That Council adopt the following plans, as attached:***

- Council Plan 2025-29***
- Financial Plan***
- Asset Plan***
- Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan – Live Well in Wellington.***

**COUNCILLOR MADELEY / COUNCILLOR FOAT**

***That Council adopt the following plans, as attached:***

- Council Plan 2025-29***
- Financial Plan***
- Asset Plan***
- Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan – Live Well in Wellington.***

**CARRIED**



### 13.6. ADOPTION OF THE REVENUE AND RATING PLAN 2025-2029

**ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER CORPORATE FINANCE**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council adopt the Revenue and Rating Plan 2025-2029 as attached.*

**COUNCILLOR TATTERSON / COUNCILLOR BANNERMAN**

**That Council adopt the Revenue and Rating Plan 2025-2029 as attached.**

**CARRIED**

## 14. GENERAL MANAGER DEVELOPMENT

### 14.1. MONTHLY PLANNING DECISIONS - JUNE 2025

**ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER PLANNING AND BUILDING**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council note the report on recent Planning Permit trends and Planning Application determinations between 1 and 30 June 2025.*

**COUNCILLOR FOAT / COUNCILLOR WELLS**

**That Council note the report on recent Planning Permit trends and Planning Application determinations between 1 and 30 June 2025.**

**CARRIED**

## 15. GENERAL MANAGER BUILT AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

### 15.1. 2026-001 DUKE STREET RECONSTRUCTION WORKS YARRAM - STAGE 2

#### ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER ASSETS AND PROJECTS

##### RECOMMENDATION

##### *That Council:*

- 1. *Adopt the recommendations contained in the confidential attachment 15.1.2 - 2026-001 Tender Contract Evaluation Report for Duke Street Reconstruction Works Yarram – Stage 2; and***
- 2. *Note that the information contained in the confidential attachment 15.1.2 - 2026–001 Tender Contract Evaluation Report for Duke Street Reconstruction Works Yarram – Stage 2, was designated confidential by the General Manager Built and Natural Environment on 06 August 2025 because it contains confidential information as defined in section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020;***
  - (a) Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released except that once this recommendation has been adopted the name of the successful tenderer can be made public.***

##### COUNCILLOR MADELEY / COUNCILLOR BANNERMAN

##### *That Council:*

- 1. Adopt the recommendations contained in the confidential attachment 15.1.2 - 2026-001 Tender Contract Evaluation Report for Duke Street Reconstruction Works Yarram – Stage 2; and**
- 2. Note that the information contained in the confidential attachment 15.1.2 - 2026–001 Tender Contract Evaluation Report for Duke Street Reconstruction Works Yarram – Stage 2, was designated confidential by the General Manager Built and Natural Environment on 06 August 2025 because it contains confidential information as defined in section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020;**
  - (a) Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released except that once this recommendation has been adopted the name of the successful tenderer can be made public.**

**CARRIED**

The Mayor announced the successful tenderer as Hugh Patrick Pty Ltd T/A BJ's Earthmoving for the Duke Street Reconstruction Works - Stage 2.

## 15.2. 2026-002 KERB AND CHANNEL RECONSTRUCTION

### ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER ASSETS AND PROJECTS

#### RECOMMENDATION

***That:***

- 1. Council adopt the recommendations contained in the confidential attachment 15.2.2 - 2026-002 Tender Contract Evaluation Report for the Annual Kerb and Channel Reconstruction; and***
- 2. Note that the information contained in the confidential attachment 15.2.2 - 2026-002 Tender Contract Evaluation Report relating to the Annual Kerb and Channel Reconstruction, was designated confidential by the General Manager Built and Natural Environment on 6 August 2025 because it contains confidential information as defined in section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020;***
  - (a) Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released except that once this recommendation has been adopted the name of the successful tenderer can be made public.***

**COUNCILLOR TATTERSON / COUNCILLOR FOAT**

***That:***

- 1. Council adopt the recommendations contained in the confidential attachment 15.2.2 - 2026-002 Tender Contract Evaluation Report for the Annual Kerb and Channel Reconstruction; and***
- 2. Note that the information contained in the confidential attachment 15.2.2 - 2026-002 Tender Contract Evaluation Report relating to the Annual Kerb and Channel Reconstruction, was designated confidential by the General Manager Built and Natural Environment on 6 August 2025 because it contains confidential information as defined in section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020;***
  - (b) Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released except that once this recommendation has been adopted the name of the successful tenderer can be made public.***

**CARRIED**

The Mayor announced the successful tenderer as GBM Contractors (Vic) Pty Ltd for the Kerb and Channel Reconstruction.

### 15.3. 2026-008 GRAVEL ROAD RESHEETING PROGRAM – EAST

#### ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER ASSETS AND PROJECTS

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. *Council adopt the recommendations contained in the confidential attachment 15.3.2 - 2026-008 Tender Contract Evaluation Report relating to the Gravel Resheeting Program (East)*
2. *Note that the information contained in the confidential attachment 15.3.2 - 2026-008 Tender Contract Evaluation Report relating to the Gravel Resheeting Program (East), was designated confidential by the General Manager Built and Natural Environment on 6 August 2025 because it contains confidential information as defined in section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020;*
  - (a) *Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released except that once this recommendation has been adopted the name of the successful tenderer can be made public.*

##### **COUNCILLOR RIPPER / COUNCILLOR TATTERSON**

1. Council adopt the recommendations contained in the confidential attachment 15.3.2 - 2026-008 Tender Contract Evaluation Report relating to the Gravel Resheeting Program (East)
2. Note that the information contained in the confidential attachment 15.3.2 - 2026-008 Tender Contract Evaluation Report relating to the Gravel Resheeting Program (East), was designated confidential by the General Manager Built and Natural Environment on 6 August 2025 because it contains confidential information as defined in section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020;
  - (a) Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released except that once this recommendation has been adopted the name of the successful tenderer can be made public.

**CARRIED**

The Mayor announced the successful tenderer as LSK Contracting Pty Ltd for the Gravel Re-Sheeting Program (East).

## 15.4. 2026-009 GRAVEL ROAD RESHEETING PROGRAM – SOUTH

### ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER ASSETS AND PROJECTS

#### RECOMMENDATION

***That:***

1. ***Council adopt the recommendations contained in the confidential attachment 15.4.2 - 2026-009 Tender Contract Evaluation Report relating to the Gravel Resheeting Program (South);***
2. ***Note that the information contained in the confidential attachment 15.4.2 - 2026-009 Tender Contract Evaluation Report relating to the Gravel Resheeting Program (South), was designated confidential by the General Manager Built and Natural Environment on 6 August 2025 because it contains confidential information as defined in section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020;***
  - (a) ***Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released except that once this recommendation has been adopted the name of the successful tenderer can be made public.***

#### COUNCILLOR RIPPER / COUNCILLOR TATTERSON

***That:***

1. **Council adopt the recommendations contained in the confidential attachment 15.4.2 - 2026-009 Tender Contract Evaluation Report relating to the Gravel Resheeting Program (South);**
2. **Note that the information contained in the confidential attachment 15.4.2 - 2026-009 Tender Contract Evaluation Report relating to the Gravel Resheeting Program (South), was designated confidential by the General Manager Built and Natural Environment on 6 August 2025 because it contains confidential information as defined in section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020;**
  - (a) **Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released except that once this recommendation has been adopted the name of the successful tenderer can be made public.**

**CARRIED**

The Chair announced the successful tenderer as Dirt Maintenance Pty Ltd for the Gravel Re-Sheeting Program (South).

## 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**

NIL

## **FURTHER GALLERY COMMENTS**

NIL

Meeting declared closed at: 5.29pm.

The live streaming of this Council meeting came to a close.

## **17. IN CLOSED SESSION**

***That the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to section 66(2) of the Local Government Act 2020 to consider confidential matters under section 66(5)(b) as defined by section 3(1) being:***

- a) Council business information***
- b) Security information***
- c) Land use planning information***
- d) Law enforcement information***
- e) Legal privileged information***
- f) Personal information***
- g) Private commercial information***
- h) Confidential meeting information***
- i) Internal arbitration information***
- j) Councillor Conduct Panel confidential information***
- k) Information prescribed by the regulations to be confidential information***
- l) Information that was confidential information for the purposes of section 77 of the Local Government Act 1989***

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**IN CLOSED SESSION**

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NIL