



WELLINGTON  
SHIRE COUNCIL

# Resolutions in Brief Ordinary Council Meeting

**Tuesday 17 February 2026, commencing at 5:00 PM**

Cr Cindy Madeley (Mayor)

Cr Liz Foat (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Catherine Bannerman

Cr Scott Rossetti

Cr Edward Lowe

Cr Garry Stephens

Cr Carmel Ripper

Cr John Tatterson

Cr Geoff Wells

David Morcom, Chief Executive Officer

Arthur Skipitaris, General Manager Corporate Services

Chris Hastie, General Manager Built and Natural Environment

Renae Littlejohn, Acting General Manager Development

Billie-Jo Thorburn, Acting Manager Customer & Communications

Catie Thomson, Governance Officer

**ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

*Working together to make a difference. We listen and lead to provide quality services that improve life for all.*

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## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

*“Wellington Shire Council acknowledges our offices are located on the traditional lands of the Gunaikurnai nation. We pay our deep respects to their Elders past, present and future and acknowledge their ongoing cultural and spiritual connections to their land and waters.”*

**1. APOLOGIES**

NIL

**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**

<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>
<i>That Council adopt the minutes and resolutions of the past two Ordinary Council Meetings for 16 December 2025 and 3 February 2026.</i>
<b>COUNCILLOR ROSSETTI / COUNCILLOR LOWE</b>
<b>That Council adopt the minutes and resolutions of the past two Ordinary Council Meetings for 16 December 2025 and 3 February 2026.</b>
<b>CARRIED</b>

**4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING/S**

**ACTION OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>FROM MEETING</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>
NIL			

## 5. ACCEPTANCE OF LATE AND URGENT ITEMS

### 5.1. LATE ITEM - NOTICE OF MOTION – COUNCIL CALLING IN PLANNING PERMIT APPLICATION P198/2022 FOR A PROPOSED BROILER FARM, ROSEDALE

A full notice of motion was presented to Councillors for consideration of acceptance as a late item by Councillor Bannerman, as follows:

*That Council ‘call in’ planning permit application P198/2022 for a proposed Broiler Farm (unit 3) development at Rosedale, and that Council determines this application at the 3 March 2026 Council meeting on the basis that there are unique issues with this application relating to the broader odour and nuisance impacts possibly affecting nearby residents.*

***That Council accept Councillor Bannerman’s Notice of Motion regarding Council ‘Calling in’ Planning Permit Application P198/2022 for a proposed Broiler Farm (unit 3) Development in Rosedale.***

**COUNCILLOR BANNERMAN / COUNCILLOR LOWE**

**NOT CARRIED**

**FOR: (4) Cr Stephens, Cr Lowe, Cr Bannerman, Cr Rossetti**

**AGAINST: (5) Cr Madeley, Cr Foat, Cr Wells, Cr Tatterson, Cr Ripper**

## 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 FOAT visited the Fulham Solar Farm along with Mayor Madeley, Councillor Wells, Councillor Ripper and the Chief Executive Officer. They were met by many workers including Andre and Pedro as well as Matt and Rose from Octopus Energy. There are 400 acres of farmland to be used for the solar farm with the aim to have 150,000 solar panels, for which 90 solar panels have already been installed. There were many learnings. It was explained the hexagonal panels can rotate with the sun and are currently in ‘safe mode’ which will be deployed whenever extreme weather circumstances prevail. The project will be in full operation by 2027. During construction and operation, over 100 jobs have been created, but it was suggested it may be closer to 200-300 jobs. When it is ‘up and going’ there will be 10

ongoing operational jobs required (maintenance and overseeing operations). Around 70% of materials and resources will be sourced locally during the construction phase. It was a very informative visit and a valuable opportunity to see how a large-scale renewable energy project operates and contributes to the broader community.

Councillor Madeley added that there will be the potential, once the farm is finished, to graze sheep on this land.

COUNCILLOR RIPPER attended by invitation the Maffra Band training night and acknowledged the honour to have received the invitation and the importance of the Maffra Band to the community. There are 150 musicians across 8 groups. These 8 groups will continue to grow. The Maffra Band performed over 50 gigs in 2025 for around 20,000 people from Bairnsdale to Traralgon. They have been successful with some grants which amounted to \$62,000 last year for their Building Fund which goes toward a building facility for playing and storage of band equipment. The Band also participates in Anzac Day services in Maffra, Heyfield and Rosedale. Having sat through the rehearsals, Councillor Ripper learnt much about what goes into the making and conducting of an orchestra. Councillor Ripper also engaged with members of the band during the rehearsal break in relation to their instruments and their motivations for joining the band. There is so much joy for the band members participating in the band and their involvement in playing, which includes nursing home performances. This visit has been a most rewarding experience which has resonated for Councillor Ripper.

Councillor Ripper acknowledged the North Gippsland Group of CWA held in the Senior Citizens Room in Stratford. In attendance was the State Office Bearer and Director, Stephanie McCall. The 'Middle of Everywhere' Public Relations (PR) bags were on offer. Stephanie was very impressed by what Gippsland has to offer, indicating a repeat visit is now intended – this is a great tribute to the 'Middle of Everywhere' promotional bag. The CWA has had a long and proud history in the Gippsland region with multiple branches across the Wellington Shire and Gippsland. They 'lend a hand' during fires and floods, offer comfort during difficult times and create space where women can connect. At the request of the President of CWA, Councillor Ripper provided an address on the theme of prevention of violence against women in Gippsland, focussing on the Wellington Prevention of Violence Network, the 16 Days of Activism against gender-based violence and Wellington Shire's Walk Against Violence.

COUNCILLOR MADELEY spoke about the recent fire which occurred at the former Sale Police Station last week and acknowledged and thanked the many CFA volunteers and emergency services personnel involved in response to ensure community safety and protect surrounding buildings. There were 17 Country Fire Authority (CFA) / Fire crews from around the district and from the Latrobe Valley as well.

Wellington Shire Council has previously advised the State Government of the desire to purchase both the former Sale Police station site and the Sale Community College, once available for sale. Both sites have been impacted by Native Title, so this must be resolved by State Government before land is sold and this has been held up by the State Government for over a decade at both sites.

Councillor Madeley stressed that the issue is not with the Gunaikurnai Land and Waters Aboriginal Corporation (GLAWAC), the first nations representatives. Rather, the hold-up has been with the State Government's reluctance to deal with native title claims. Council does not wish to own both sites in the long term. Rather, Council's preferred choice is to remove the buildings, except the old heritage listed Sale high school building and then undergo an Expression of Interest process for commercial developers with the view of private investment, such as hospitality, retail, accommodation etc that would be more in tune with these strategic sites. Wellington Shire Council has not resolved details of this process, as yet, but it is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to turn these key sites into higher order outcomes; something that will benefit the community.

## 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

**ACTION OFFICER: MAYOR CINDY MADELEY**

RECOMMENDATION
<p><i>That the Mayor and Councillors report be noted for December 2025 and January 2026.</i></p> <p><b>COUNCILLOR RIPPER / COUNCILLOR WELLS</b></p> <p><i>That the Mayor and Councillors report be noted for December 2025 and January 2026.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED</b></p>

### DECEMBER 2025

DATE	EVENT	ATTENDEES
1 December	<p>Incident Management Spokesperson Training.</p> <p>Yarram Support Expo and Yarram Historical Society.</p> <p>Maffra Recreation Reserve Community Asset Committee Meeting.</p> <p>Gippsland Art Gallery Advisory Group Meeting.</p>	<p>Mayor Madeley and Deputy Mayor Foat.</p> <p>Cr Stephens</p> <p>Cr Wells</p> <p>Mayor Madeley</p>
3 December	<p>Mayor and Cr Tatterson catch up.</p> <p>Webinar: 16 Days of Activism: Respectful Relationships &amp; Young People.</p>	<p>Mayor Madeley and Cr Tatterson.</p> <p>Mayor Madeley</p>
4 December	<p>2025 MAV Mayors Mandatory Training and Oration.</p> <p>Timber Towns Victoria General Meeting.</p>	<p>Mayor Madeley and Deputy Mayor Foat.</p> <p>Cr Bannerman</p>

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>ATTENDEES</b>
4 December	Hydrotherapy Pool Discussion (Onsite).  Sale College "Shark Tank" competition for Yr 8 Students.  Seaspray Committee Meeting.	Cr Lowe  Cr Wells  Cr Wells
5 December	Yarram Mechanics Hall Meeting. CEO also in attendance.  Rosedale Christmas Carols.	Cr Stephens  Cr Bannerman
5 December	Combined Churches Community Dinner.  Launch of Gippsland Art Gallery Summer Season.	Cr Stephens  Mayor Madeley
6 December	Christmas Community Market, Yarram.	Cr Stephens
7 December	Newry Hall Christmas Concert.  Stratford and District Christmas Carols and Family Fun Time Fair.	Cr Ripper  Mayor Madeley
8 December	Mayor and Cr Lowe catch up.  Deputy Mayor and CEO catch up.  Mayor catch up with ex-Councillor Carolyn Crossley.  Governance Rules and Meeting Procedures Meeting.  Advocacy Meeting (In Person) with Andrew Pomeroy (ex GM Development).	Mayor Madeley and Cr Lowe.  Deputy Mayor Foat  Mayor Madeley  Mayor Madeley  Mayor Madeley
9 December	Strategic Land Use Planning Projects (SLUPP) Review Group Meeting.  Cr Wells and CEO catch up.  Mayor and Cr Wells catch up.  Gippsland Grammar Sponsorship - Awards Presentation.	Cr Bannerman, Cr Tatterson, and Deputy Mayor Foat.  Cr Wells  Mayor Madeley and Cr Wells.  Mayor Madeley

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>ATTENDEES</b>
10 December	Trail Estate Stratford - Completion Celebration / Ribbon Cutting.  Wellington Walk Against Family Violence.  Southerly Ten CAG dinner.  Sale Small Rifles Club: Presentation Night.	Mayor Madeley and Deputy Mayor Foat.  Mayor Madeley, Deputy Mayor Foat, Cr Wells, and Cr Ripper.  Cr Bannerman  Mayor Madeley
11 December	Mayor and Cr Bannerman catch up.	Mayor Madeley and Cr Bannerman.
11 December	Mayor and Cr Ripper catch up.  Gippsland Critical Minerals Community Reference Group Meeting.	Mayor Madeley and Cr Ripper.  Cr Wells
12 December	Sale College Awards Presentation.  ABC Interview.	Deputy Mayor Foat  Mayor Madeley
13 December	Red Knights Motorcycle Club, 27th Annual Keith Hamilton Sale and District Toy Run.	Deputy Mayor Foat
15 December	Meeting with Andrew Pomeroy regarding Shirley's.  Meeting with the owners of Shirley's.  Yarram Secondary College Awards day.	Mayor Madeley  Mayor Madeley  Cr Stephens
16 December	CMT & Councillor Christmas Function.	All
17 December	Filming Christmas Message  Meet & Greet with Danny O'Brien MP and CEO.	Mayor Madeley  Mayor Madeley
18 December	Mayor and Cr Stephens catch up.	Mayor Madeley and Cr Stephens.
21 December	Maffra Christmas Carols.	Cr Ripper

## JANUARY 2026

DATE	EVENT	ATTENDEES
3 January	2026 TRFM Sale Cup, Sale Greyhounds. CEO also in attendance.	Cr Wells
5 January	Mayor and CEO catch up.	Mayor Madeley
8 January	Seaspray Committee Meeting.	Cr Wells
11 January	Dargo Community Meeting.  TRFM Interview.	Mayor Madeley  Mayor Madeley
13 January	Cr Wells and CEO catch up.  Mayor meeting with Anne Fleming.	Cr Wells  Mayor Madeley
19 January	Mayor and A/CEO Chris Hastie catch up.	Mayor Madeley
20 January	Councillor Meeting: Community Facilities.  Waste Policy Overview meeting.	Mayor Madeley, Deputy Mayor Foat, Cr Ripper, Cr Bannerman, Cr Lowe, Cr Stephens, Cr Wells, and Cr Tatterson.  Cr Ripper and Cr Stephens.
21 January	One Gippsland IURC Gippsland Forum.	Mayor Madeley
22 January	Rural Councils Victoria Committee meeting.	Cr Bannerman
23 January	Interview with WIN News.  Sale Australia Day event catch up. CEO also in attendance.	Mayor Madeley  Mayor Madeley
26 January	Citizenship Ceremony and Australia Day event, Sale. CEO also in attendance.  Australia Day event: Loch Sport  Australia Day event: Maffra.  Australia Day event: Stratford.  Australia Day event: Heyfield.	Mayor Madeley  Deputy Mayor Foat  Cr Ripper  Cr Ripper  Cr Bannerman

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>ATTENDEES</b>
26 January	Australia Day event: Rosedale. Australia Day event: Yarram. Australia Day event: Seaspray	Cr Bannerman Cr Stephens Cr Wells
28 January	Sale Food Support Visit. Seaspray engagement de-brief. Certificate of Appreciation Presentation: Ethan Monck. Gippsland Goannas Cricket Presentation.	Mayor Madeley and Deputy Mayor Foat. Mayor Madeley Mayor Madeley Cr Wells
29 January	Launch of the Maffra Rotary Family Mardi Gras. Interview with ABC Radio.	Mayor Madeley and Cr Ripper. Mayor Madeley
30 January	Coffee with Steph Morgan, Latrobe City Councillor.	Mayor Madeley
31 January	VicGrid Information Session, Woodside. Visit to Kuchs Road, Darriman.	Cr Stephens Cr Stephens

## 11. DELEGATES REPORT

COUNCILLOR FOAT provided an update on the Business Boost Reference Group meeting which was held last week. The main focus of this group is to support local businesses, strengthening the local economy and building confidence, whether the businesses are big or small, new or established. This is particularly important with several new businesses opening.

There is presently an online survey open called 'Businesses in Wellington' which is designed for local businesses in Wellington to share "how things are going", the challenges, the opportunities and to comment on what is changing locally. This feedback will help to shape future workshops, support programs and assist in collection of feedback about 'what is next' in the 'Taking Care of Business' e-newsletter.

Councillor Foat read out some of the many events which are taking place over February and March 2026 in the Shire, including:

- Gippy Rocks Festival: Friday 20 - Sunday 22 February 2026
- Heyfield Timber Festival: Saturday 21 February 2026
- VEGuary 2026 and Open Gardens: 1 - 28 February 2026
- Featuring Open Gardens: 22 February 2026 and Saturday 28 February 2026
- Sale Music Festival – Sale Botanic Gardens: Sunday 29 March 2026

- Maffra Mardi Gras: Saturday 14 March 2026
- Anzac Weekend Airshow: 18-19 April 2026. Children under 14 attend for free.

Councillor Foat encouraged interested individuals to visit the Wellington website for information on any of these events and encouraged the following of the “Middle of Everywhere” Instagram. Councillor Foat explained that staff member Michael hosts the ‘Out and About’ sessions, which showcase various locations across the Wellington Shire. Councillor Foat also noted a further content segment, ‘The Local Lowdown’, hosted by staff member Rachel, which features and interviews local businesses. Local businesses are encouraged to ‘get in touch’ with Rachel to participate.

COUNCILLOR BANNERMAN provided an update on the Wellington Disability Advisory Committee, a group of dedicated volunteers who come together to provide feedback and a vision on how Wellington Shire can be a more inclusive and equitable space to live and work in.

Some of the ideas discussed at the recent meeting included an expansion of technology (icons) that collects information about events. This has been very well received.

Other discussions included plans to improve the information on disability access available on the Shire’s website page such as access to recharge points, mobility scooters, accessible walks and a ‘tradie guide’ for building / building-to-code.

Councillor Bannerman also provided a brief update on the Audit and Risk Committee, a committee which oversees Council’s risk and exposure across a broad array of factors. Some factors which were recently discussed include the ‘balance point’ in terms of how Council can ideally bring about further improvements to workplace health and safety without ‘tying everyone up in knots’ with the creation of impossible risk standards. Another main area of discussion was around the State Government’s rollout of the new workplace psycho-social requirements and the associated responsibilities and obligations that organisations have for training, policy development and risk considerations.

## 12. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

### 12.1. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

#### ACTION OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>
<i>That the Chief Executive Officer's report be received for December 2025 and January 2026.</i>
<b>COUNCILLOR RIPPER / COUNCILLOR ROSSETTI</b>
<i>That the Chief Executive Officer's report be received for December 2025 and January 2026.</i>
<b>CARRIED</b>

#### DECEMBER 2025

DATE	EVENT AND ATTENDEES
1 December	Meeting with Sara Rhodes-Ward / Xavier Csar, Director Regional Development Victoria.  Attended Gippsland Regional Plan Steering Committee with Sara Rhodes-Ward and Kellie O'Callaghan, regional Development Australia (Gippsland) Chair.
4 December	Attended Committee for Wellington - End of Year Breakfast.
5 December	Meeting regarding Yarram Mechanics Hall. Cr Stephens also in attendance.  Attended Gippsland Art Gallery Launch of Summer Season. Mayor Madeley also in attendance.
8 December	CEO catch up with Deputy Mayor Madeley.  Attended Gippsland Regional Plan Steering Committee with Sara Rhodes-Ward and Kellie O'Callaghan.
9 December	Discussion with Kevin Johnson, Managing Director Geografia regarding structure of the Gippsland Regional Plan.
10 December	Attended Wellington Shire Council Leaders Group Committee meeting.  Attended Wellington Walk Against Family Violence.
15 December	Attended Municipal Association of Victoria CEO Connect briefing online.
17 December	Attended introductory meeting with Mayor and Danny O'Brien MP, Leader of the Nationals and Member for Gippsland South.

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT AND ATTENDEES</b>
17 December	Attended Wellington Shire: Your Call Service Training.
19 December	LGPro working lunch at Warragul.
22 December	Quarterly meeting with Darrin McKenzie, DEECA Regional Director Gippsland.

## **JANUARY 2026**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT AND ATTENDEES</b>
3 January	2026 TRFM Sale Cup, Sale Greyhounds. Cr Wells also in attendance.
5 January	CEO regular catch up with Mayor.
8 January	Meeting with Leo O'Brien, Gippsland Real Estate.  Attended Gippsland Regional Plan Steering Committee with Sara Rhodes-Ward and Kellie O'Callaghan.
9 January	Meeting with Acting CEO Central Gippsland Health, Mandy Pusmucans regarding CGH Childcare Proposal.
12 January	Attended Operational Meeting with Emergency Recovery Victoria regarding January 2026 Bushfires.
13 January	Regular catch up with Cr Wells.
14 January	Note: CEO on leave 14-22 January. Chris Hastie Acting CEO.  Attended Mayors, CEOs X MAV Fire Response & Recovery Priorities online meeting (A/CEO).
19 January	Attended Municipal Association of Victoria CEO Connect briefing online (Acting CEO).  CEO regular catch up with Mayor Madeley (Acting CEO).
20 January	Waste Policy Overview with Cr Stephens and Cr Ripper (Acting CEO).
23 January	CEO meeting with Mayor Madeley regarding Australia Day function.
25 January	CarbonNet 2026 Melbourne Park Function.
26 January	Attended Citizenship ceremony & Australia Day event in Sale. Mayor Madeley also in attendance.
27 January	Attended online meeting with Danny O'Brien MP regarding Gippsland Regional Plan development.

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT AND ATTENDEES</b>
27 January	Confidential West Sale Airport EOI Discussion with Lorenzo De Virgilio and Brett Singh from Marathon Electrical.  Attended MAV State Council Briefing - Advocacy, Communications and Governance Officer online briefing.
29 January	Meeting with Michelle Dowsett, Executive Officer, Gippsland Community Foundation.  Attended meeting with Alacaston Partners, Marine Nincevic regarding West Sale Airport.
30 January	Attended Wellington Police Service Area (PSA) Community Safety Initiative Meeting with Inspector Melanie Hampshire.  Meeting with Helene Boothe from John Leslie Foundation.  Attended project briefing meeting with Department of Transport and Planning regarding Sale Alternative Truck Route (Maffra Sale Rd & Myrtlebank-Fulham Road Int Upgrade).  Attended online meeting with Wayne Farnham MP regarding Gippsland Regional Plan development.

### **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 26 January 2026 to 8 February 2026.***

**COUNCILLOR LOWE / COUNCILLOR ROSSETTI**

**That Council note and receive the attached Assembly of Councillor records for the period 26 January 2026 to 8 February 2026.**

**CARRIED**

## 14. GENERAL MANAGER DEVELOPMENT

### 14.1. MONTHLY PLANNING DECISIONS - NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2025

**ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER PLANNING AND BUILDING**

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council note the reports on recent Planning Permit trends and Planning Application determinations between 1 November and 31 December 2025.*

**COUNCILLOR FOAT / COUNCILLOR TATTERSON**

**That Council note the reports on recent Planning Permit trends and Planning Application determinations between 1 November and 31 December 2025.**

**CARRIED**

### 14.2. PROPOSED SALE OF LAND (SUBMISSIONS) - AUSNET RESERVE (PRINCES HIGHWAY, SALE)

**ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council:*

- 1. Note no submissions have been received regarding the proposed sale; and*
- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to finalise the terms of the proposed sale where the financial consideration is at the assessed market value.*

**COUNCILLOR ROSSETTI / COUNCILLOR WELLS**

**That Council:**

- 1. Note no submissions have been received regarding the proposed sale; and**
- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to finalise the terms of the proposed sale where the financial consideration is at the assessed market value.**

**CARRIED**

### 14.3. REQUEST TO ESTABLISH PAYMENT IN LIEU OF RATES FRAMEWORK - OFFSHORE WIND ELECTRICITY GENERATION

**ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER DEVELOPMENT**

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council:*

*Submit a motion to the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) State Council requesting that the MAV write to the Minister for Energy and Resources to request support for the establishment of a Payment in Lieu of Rates (PiLoR) framework for offshore electricity generators to contribute to payments in lieu of Local Government rates in Victoria. In submitting the motion to the MAV State Council,*

*provision is made for the Council's CEO to authorise any minor changes to improve the wording of the motion and/or to update the motion relative to any changes to the issue that may have occurred between this council meeting and the date of lodgement with the MAV.*

**COUNCILLOR ROSSETTI / COUNCILLOR TATTERSON**

**That Council:**

**Submit a motion to the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) State Council requesting that the MAV write to the Minister for Energy and Resources to request support for the establishment of a Payment in Lieu of Rates (PiLoR) framework for offshore electricity generators to contribute to payments in lieu of Local Government rates in Victoria. In submitting the motion to the MAV State Council, provision is made for the Wellington Shire Council's CEO to authorise any minor changes to improve the wording of the motion and/or to update the motion relative to any changes to the issue that may have occurred between this council meeting and the date of lodgement with the MAV.**

**CARRIED**

## **15. GENERAL MANAGER BUILT AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT**

### **15.1. COONGULLA TOWNSHIP (CENTRAL AREA) SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION SCHEME - FINAL COST CERTIFICATE**

**ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER BUILT AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

***That Council:***

- 1. Adopt the Final Cost Certificate for the Coongulla Township (Central Area) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 2102; and***
- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to prepare the final apportionment amounts due from property owners for the Coongulla Township (Central Area) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 2102 based on the total levy amount of \$158,400.***

**COUNCILLOR TATTERSON / COUNCILLOR WELLS**

**That Council:**

- 1. Adopt the Final Cost Certificate for the Coongulla Township (Central Area) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 2102; and**
- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to prepare the final apportionment amounts due from property owners for the Coongulla Township (Central Area) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 2102 based on the total levy amount of \$158,400.**

**CARRIED**

## 15.2. COONGULLA TOWNSHIP (EASTERN AREA) SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION SCHEME - FINAL COST CERTIFICATE

**ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER BUILT AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT**

### RECOMMENDATION

***That Council:***

- 1. Adopt the Final Cost Certificate for the Coongulla Township (Eastern Area) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 2007; and***
- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to prepare the final apportionment amounts due from property owners for the Coongulla Township (Eastern Area) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 2007 based on the total levy amount of \$316,800.***

**COUNCILLOR BANNERMAN / COUNCILLOR ROSSETTI**

***That Council:***

- 1. Adopt the Final Cost Certificate for the Coongulla Township (Eastern Area) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 2007; and***
- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to prepare the final apportionment amounts due from property owners for the Coongulla Township (Eastern Area) Special Charge Street Construction Scheme – Scheme No 2007 based on the total levy amount of \$316,800.***

**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

NIL

### FURTHER GALLERY COMMENTS

NIL

Meeting declared closed at: 5.42pm.

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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**NIL**