

NAMBUCCA VALLEY COUNCIL

Ordinary Council Meeting

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 12 SEPTEMBER 2024

The following document is the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held **12 SEPTEMBER 2024**. These minutes are subject to confirmation as to their accuracy at the next meeting to be held on Thursday 17 October 2024 and therefore subject to change. Please refer to the minutes of **17 OCTOBER 2024** for confirmation.

PRESENT

Cr Rhonda Hoban OAM (Mayor)
Cr Martin Ballangarry OAM
Cr Susan Jenvey
Cr Troy Vance

Cr James Angel
Cr Ricky Buchanan
Cr David Jones
Cr John Wilson (Deputy Mayor)

ALSO PRESENT

Bede Spannagle (General Manager)
David Moloney (Director Engineering Services)
Evan Webb (Chief Financial Officer)

Matthew Sykes (Director Corporate Services)
Daniel Walsh (Manager Development Environment)
Suzanne Sullivan (Minute Secretary)

APOLOGIES

Nil

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the Gumbaynggirr people who are the Traditional Custodians of this Land. I would also like to pay respect to the elders both past and present and extend that respect to any Aboriginal People present.

COUNCIL MEETING AUDIO RECORDINGS

This meeting is being webcast and those in attendance should refrain from making any defamatory statements

PRAYER

Pastor Sydney Coetzee from the Nambucca Christian Life Church offered a prayer on behalf of the Nambucca Minister's Association.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 29 AUGUST 2024

296/24 **RESOLVED:** (Wilson/Angel)

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 29 August 2024 be confirmed.

NOTICE OF MOTION - CR HOBAN OAM

ITEM 5.1 SF3422 120924 Notice of Motion - Council Motor Vehicle Leaseback Policy

297/24 **RESOLVED:** (Hoban/Vance)

That Council:

- 1 Refers future reviews of the Motor Vehicle Leaseback Policy to the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee for consideration prior to adoption.
 - 2 When priorities permit and in consultation with staff ARIC compare the financial and administrative efficiency of the current leaseback arrangements with the option of providing pool vehicles offset with an additional salary component for affected staff.
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NOTICE OF MOTION - CR HOBAN OAM

ITEM 5.2 SF3422 120924 Notice of Motion - Australia Post Infrastructure Expansion

298/24 **RESOLVED:** (Hoban/Angel)

That Council writes to the Chief Executive Officer of Australia Post requesting an infrastructure expansion to cater for current and future services provided by Macksville Post Office.

NOTICE OF MOTION - CR HOBAN OAM

ITEM 5.3 SF3422 120924 Notice of Motion - Bowraville Healthcare

299/24 **RESOLVED:** (Hoban/Wilson)

That Council:

- 1 Writes to the Minister of Health requesting the provision of funding for additional General Practitioner hours at the Bowraville Health One facility in order to improve health outcomes for Bowraville and surrounding residents and reduce the extensive waiting list
 - 2 Makes a submission to the New South Wales Government's Special Commission of Inquiry into Healthcare Funding supporting the Bowraville General Practitioner funding arrangements as a means of effectively and efficiently delivering high quality, timely, equitable and accessible patient-centred care and health services to rural and disadvantaged communities.
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QUESTIONS FOR CLOSED MEETING WHERE DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN RECEIVED

There were no questions for Closed Meeting where due notice has been received.

ASKING OF QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM 7.1 SF2897 120924 Question with Notice - Claim Against Roads and Maritime -
Water Main under Pacific Highway

Director Engineering Services addressed Council verbally in response to this question with notice.

Council has been in contact with Transport for NSW over the past 2 or 3 months just trying to push this along. I have had a call as recently as this afternoon from them to arrange a call back tomorrow to discuss the claim and how it has advanced. It is only because Council has been pushing it that the claim has been moving along so we will continue to do that tomorrow and try and get a resolution as soon as we can.

ITEM 7.2 SF2897 120924 Question with Notice - Compensation Arrangements with
Property Owner on Valla Entrance to the Bowra Dam

Director Engineering Services addressed Council verbally in response to this question with notice.

I have done a review of the Council records in and around the arrangements that we had where we needed to acquire the property when we did need the entrance road and it appears based on the records that, that issue has been resolved. The Council does now have that access road as a road even though it is a closed road in there. So from the access point of view, yes, that's all been sorted. As to the opening so just on a review of the documentation as well, as its a road it can be open so an initial assessment there doesn't appear to be any barriers to opening the road and creating viewing area, however it would probably be prudent to have a lawyer just run over it and get legal advice on the agreement that we had with the property owners to make sure we are not contravening anything that was in those legal agreements.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORTS

ITEM 9.1 SF959 120924 Outstanding Actions and Reports

300/24 **RESOLVED:** (Angel/Buchanan)

That Council notes the list of outstanding actions and reports.

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ITEM 9.2 SF3337 120924 Report regarding Accessing the Mid Coast Joint Organisation's Simtable

301/24 **RESOLVED:** (Angel/Vance)

That Council notes the report regarding accessing the Mid Coast Joint Organisations Simtable.

DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM 10.1 SF1031 120924 Revised Library Management Policies

302/24 **RESOLVED:** (Wilson/Jenvey)

That Council approves the following revised policies:

- 1 G16 - Library Management Waiving of Charges Policy**
- 2 G17 - Library Management Internet Policy**
- 3 G18 - Library Management Loans Policy**
- 4 G28 - Library Virtual Reality and Gaming System Policy**

ITEM 10.2 SF399 120924 Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grant 2024-25

303/24 **RESOLVED:** (Angel/Buchanan)

That Council notes the letter from the Local Government Grants Commission and its associated appendices attached relating to the 2024-25 Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grant.

ITEM 10.3 SF3321 120924 Duress Alarms for Library Staff

304/24 **RESOLVED:** (Jenvey/Buchanan)

That Council allocates an additional budget of \$17,000 for the installation of duress alarms at the Macksville and Nambucca Heads Libraries.

MANAGER DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT REPORTS

ITEM 11.1 SF226 120924 Fenced Off Leash Dog Park

305/24 **RESOLVED:** (Jenvey/Jones)

That Council exhibits the potential locations for fenced off leash dog parks as listed in this report for a period of 21 days and that any submissions received will be reported back to Council for consideration.

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ITEM 11.2 SF453 120924 Waste Management Quarterly Report - April to June 2024

306/24 **RESOLVED:** (Buchanan/Angel)

That Council notes the information provided in the quarterly report for the period 1 April to 30 June 2024.

ITEM 11.3 SF948 120924 Council's Rangers' Report and Penalties Issued for July 2024

307/24 **RESOLVED:** (Wilson/M Ballangarry)

That Council:

- 1 Receives the Rangers' Impounding Statistics for the month of July 2024.**
- 2 Notes the penalties issued for the month of July 2024 in the attachment 1.**

DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM 12.1 SF843 120924 Minutes of the Vehicular Access to Beaches Committee - 9
August 2024

308/24 **RESOLVED:** (Vance/Buchanan)

That Council:

- 1 Notes the minutes of the Vehicular Access to Beaches Committee meeting held on 9 August 2024.**
- 2 Considers the pedestrian connection at Main Beach Nambucca Heads between the surf club and Beilbys Beach as part of the Community Strategic Plan development.**

CLOSURE

There being no further business the Mayor then closed the meeting the time being 6:32 PM.

Confirmed and signed by the Mayor on **17 OCTOBER 2024**.

**MAYOR
(CHAIRPERSON)**