

**MINUTES OF LIVERPOOL PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY, 22 MAY 2024 AT 2:30PM**

PRESENT: Cr Doug Hawkins OAM, Cr Jason Allan, Cr Terry Cohen, Cr Donna Lawson, Cr Yvonne Wynne

IN ATTENDANCE: Gary Murphy (General Manager), Dean Frost (Director Corporate and Community Services), Nathan Skelly (Director Infrastructure and Environmental Services), Christie Pearson (Executive Operations)

AUDIO RECORDING OF MEETINGS

The Mayor informed the meeting as follows:

A webcast of this meeting will be published to Council's website at lpsc.nsw.gov.au so that it is available for viewing by members of the public."

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND COUNCIL PRAYER

Cr Doug Hawkins, Mayor made the following acknowledgment and recited the Acknowledgement of Country and the Council Prayer:

I would like to take this opportunity to pay our respects to Mayor Tony Bleasdale OAM of our Sister City, Blacktown City Council who passed away at the beginning of May.

Mayor Bleasdale was not only a good friend of mine but a strong advocate for the Liverpool Plains and worked hard to form a strong sister city bond between both our Councils.

Our deepest sympathies are with Nina, Tony's wife and his family at this time.

Can you all please stand for a moments silence.

2 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

RESOLUTION 2024/66

Moved: Cr Jason Allan

Seconded: Cr Yvonne Wynne

That apologies from Cr Ken Cudmore and Cr Paul Moules be received and accepted.

CARRIED

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 24 APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/67

Moved: Cr Terry Cohen

Seconded: Cr Donna Lawson

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1. That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 April 2024 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

CARRIED

4 DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

The Mayor requested Councillors disclose any conflicts of interest in matters under consideration at the Ordinary Meeting, in accordance with Part 4 and part 5 of the Code of Conduct.

Nil disclosures were made

5 MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

5.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/68

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Mayoral Minute for April 2024.

CARRIED

6 REPORTS TO COUNCIL

6.1 EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORT - APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/69

Moved: Cr Jason Allan

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Executive Services Directorate Report for April 2024

CARRIED

6.2 RESOLUTIONS REGISTER UPDATE

RESOLUTION 2024/70

Moved: Cr Terry Cohen

Seconded: Cr Yvonne Wynne

That Council:

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1. Receive and note the Resolutions Register as at 9 May 2024 appended at *Annexure A* and the Resolution Register for 2022 and 2023 as appended at *Annexure B*.

CARRIED

6.3 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORT APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/71

Moved: Cr Terry Cohen

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Corporate and Community Services Directorate briefing for April 2024 as detailed in this report.

CARRIED

6.4 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 MARCH 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/72

Moved: Cr Terry Cohen

Seconded: Cr Donna Lawson

That Council:

1. Adopts the Quarterly Budget Review Financial Statement *Annexure A* for the period ending 31 March 2024 incorporating the variations disclosed as the revised budget.

CARRIED

6.5 STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS - APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/73

Moved: Cr Jason Allan

Seconded: Cr Yvonne Wynne

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Statement of Investments as of 30 April 2024 as appended at *Annexure A*.

CARRIED

6.6 DRAFT COMPLAINT HANDLING POLICY

RESOLUTION 2024/74

Moved: Cr Terry Cohen

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council:

1. Place the draft Complaint Handling Policy, as appended at *Annexure A*, on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and adopt the draft policy as exhibited, subject to no submissions being received.
2. Requests a further report at the conclusion of the public exhibition period if submissions are received.

CARRIED

6.7 LOCAL ADVISORY GROUP

RESOLUTION 2024/75

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Yvonne Wynne

That Council:

1. Receive and note the minutes of the Currabubula Local Advisory Group as appended at *Annexure A*.

CARRIED

6.8 INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORT APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/76

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Infrastructure & Environmental Services Directorate report for the month of April 2024

CARRIED

6.9 REQUEST FOR WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF FEES FOR SPRING RIDGE RECREATION GROUNDS

RESOLUTION 2024/77

Moved: Cr Yvonne Wynne

Seconded: Cr Donna Lawson

That Council:

1. Waive the casual hire fee of \$536.00 for the Spring Ridge Charity 10's Cricket Weekend pursuant to Section 610E of the Act and Council's Waiver of Fees and Charges Policy, to be held on 28 and 29 September 2024.

CARRIED

6.10 TOWN WATER SUPPLY STATUS

RESOLUTION 2024/78

Moved: Cr Jason Allan

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Town Water Supply Status Report.

CARRIED

6.11 SHED - DA 2023/54 - HALL STREET, WILLOW TREE

RESOLUTION 2024/79

Moved: Cr Yvonne Wynne

Seconded: Cr Donna Lawson

That Council:

1. Determine Development Application 2023/54 pursuant to Section 4.16 of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979* by the granting of consent subject to the conditions contained in this report.

In Favour: Crs Doug Hawkins OAM, Yvonne Wynne, Terry Cohen, Donna Lawson and Jason Allan

Against: Nil

CARRIED 5/0

6.12 SHED - DA 2024/056 - 181 ROWNTREES LANE, QUIRINDI

RESOLUTION 2024/80

Moved: Cr Terry Cohen

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council:

1. Determine Development Application 2024/56 pursuant to Section 4.16 of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979* by the granting of consent subject to the conditions contained in this report.

In Favour: Crs Doug Hawkins OAM, Yvonne Wynne, Terry Cohen, Donna Lawson and Jason Allan

Against: Nil

CARRIED 5/0**7 DELEGATES REPORTS**

Nil

8 NOTICES OF MOTIONS/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

9 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

RESOLUTION 2024/81

Moved: Cr Terry Cohen

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

9.1 Werris Creek Industrial Precinct - Construction Tender and Project Status

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (c) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024/83

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED

REPORT ON CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

The Mayor reported as follows on the matters considered in the confidential section of the meeting:

9.1 WERRIS CREEK INDUSTRIAL PRECINCT - CONSTRUCTION TENDER AND PROJECT STATUS

RESOLUTION 2024/84

MOTION

Moved: Cr Doug Hawkins OAM

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council:

1. Defers this matter to the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held 26 June 2024.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 3:03pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 June 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON