

**MINUTES OF LIVERPOOL PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY, 24 JULY 2024 AT 2:30PM**

PRESENT: Cr Doug Hawkins OAM, Cr Ken Cudmore, Cr Jason Allan, Cr Terry Cohen, Cr Donna Lawson, Cr Paul Moules, Cr Yvonne Wynne

IN ATTENDANCE: Gary Murphy (General Manager), Dean Frost (Director Corporate and Community Services, Alex Saju (Civil Services Manager), Christie Pearson (Executive Operations)

AUDIO RECORDING OF MEETINGS

The Mayor informed the meeting as follows:

“Consistent with section 747A of the Local Government Act 1993, this meeting of Liverpool Plains Shire Council is being live-streamed to Council’s website.

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

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND COUNCIL PRAYER

Cr Ken Cudmore recited the Acknowledgement of Country and the Council Prayer.

2 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

The Mayor invited apologies and applications for leave of absence.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26 JUNE 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/115

Moved: Cr Paul Moules

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

1. That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 June 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.

General Manager, Gary Murphy noted he had a Pecuniary Interest for Item 9.5 and advised that he would leave the room.

5 MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

5.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - JUNE 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/116

Moved: Cr Doug Hawkins OAM

Seconded: Cr Yvonne Wynne

That Council:

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

CARRIED

6 REPORTS TO COUNCIL

6.1 EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORT - JUNE 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/117

Moved: Cr Yvonne Wynne

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Executive Services Report for June 2024.

CARRIED

6.2 RESOLUTIONS REGISTER UPDATE

RESOLUTION 2024/118

Moved: Cr Ken Cudmore

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Resolutions Register as at 11 July 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 JUNE 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/119

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Yvonne Wynne

That Council:

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

CARRIED

6.4 STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS - JUNE 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/120

Moved: Cr Terry Cohen

Seconded: Cr Ken Cudmore

That Council:

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

CARRIED

6.5 LOCAL ADVISORY GROUPS

RESOLUTION 2024/121

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

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

CARRIED

6.6 INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORT JUNE 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/122

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

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

CARRIED

6.7 TOWN WATER SUPPLY STATUS

RESOLUTION 2024/123

Moved: Cr Ken Cudmore

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

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

CARRIED

7 DELEGATES REPORTS

Nil

8 NOTICES OF MOTIONS/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

9 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

RESOLUTION 2024/124

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

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 REGPRO062425 - Traffic & Safety Signs

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (d)(ii) 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 competitor of the council.

9.2 REGPRO 052425- Tender for the provision of Traffic Control Services

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (d)(ii) 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 competitor of the council.

9.3 RFT 096-2024 Supply and Delivery of Bulk Water Treatment Chemicals

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (d)(ii) 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 competitor of the council.

9.4 Council Administration building - Disabled access and accessibility project

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.

9.5 Appointment of External Facilitator for General Manager's Performance Review 2024-2025

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (a) 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 personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024/130

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

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 REGPRO062425 - TRAFFIC & SAFETY SIGNS

RESOLUTION 2024/131

Moved: Cr Paul Moules

Seconded: Cr Donna Lawson

That Council:

1. Approve tenders received from Artcraft Pty Ltd, Barrier Sales t/a Barrier Signs Pty Ltd, Central Signs Road & Safety (Aust) Pty Ltd and Hunter Valley Signs Pty Limited for the provision of traffic and safety signs for the period 30 July 2024 to 30 July 2026.
2. Allow provision for a 12-month extension of Tender No. REGPRO062425

CARRIED**9.2 REGPRO 052425- TENDER FOR THE PROVISION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL SERVICES**

RESOLUTION 2024/132

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

1. Approve tenders received from Crown Traffic Services, Dubbo Traffic Control, Evolution Traffic, Go Traffic, Lack Traffic Group, Peel Valley Traffic Control and Workforce International for the provision of traffic control Services for the period 30 July 2024 to 30 July 2026.
2. Allow provision for a 12-month extension of Tender No. REGPRO 052425

CARRIED

9.3 RFT 096-2024 SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF BULK WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS

RESOLUTION 2024/133

Moved: Cr Ken Cudmore

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

1. Accepts the Tenders received from
 - (a) Activated Carbon Technologies Pty Ltd
 - (b) Colonial Chemicals Australia Pty Ltd
 - (c) Ixom Operations Pty Ltd
 - (d) Omega Chemicals
 - (e) SNF Australia Pty Ltdwithin RFT 096-2024 Supply and Delivery of Bulk Water Treatment Chemicals for a term of two years.
2. Approve provision for the contract to be extended for 2 x 1-year extensions.

CARRIED

9.4 COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING - DISABLED ACCESS AND ACCESSABILITY PROJECT

RESOLUTION 2024/134

Moved: Cr Ken Cudmore

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council:

1. Accepts the Tender RFT-070-2024 Liverpool Plain Shire Council Administration Disabled Amenities and Access from Hoswell Construction.

CARRIED

9.5 APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL FACILITATOR FOR GENERAL MANAGER'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW 2024-2025

RESOLUTION 2024/135

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

That Council:

1. Authorise the Mayor to engage LG NSW as an external facilitator to assist with the performance appraisal process and the development of any new performance plan for the

2024-2025 period.

2. Note that a further report will be provided to the incoming Council after the September 2024 elections to appoint a Performance Review Panel for the 2024-2025 period.

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The Meeting closed at 3:30pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 13 August 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON