

**MINUTES OF LIVERPOOL PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY, 23 APRIL 2025 AT 2:30 PM**

PRESENT: Cr Ken Cudmore, Cr Donna Lawson, Cr Jason Allan, Cr Shawn Cain, Cr Terry Cohen, Cr James Robertson, Cr Charlie Simkin

IN ATTENDANCE: Glenn Inglis (Acting 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 www.liverpooplains.nsw.gov.au so that it is available for viewing by members of the public.

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND COUNCIL PRAYER

Cr Jason Allan recited the Acknowledgement of Country and the Council Prayer.

2 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS OR ATTENDANCE VIA AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

The Mayor invited apologies and applications for leave of absence.

2.1 APPLICATION TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO-VISUAL LINK

RESOLUTION 2025/66

Moved: Cr Jason Allan

Seconded: Cr James Robertson

That the application submitted by Cr Charlie Simkin to attend the meeting by audio-visual link be accepted due to work commitments.

CARRIED

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**3.1 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26 MARCH 2025**

RESOLUTION 2025/67

Moved: Cr Jason Allan

Seconded: Cr Terry Cohen

1. That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 March 2025 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.

Cr Cain declared a pecuniary interest in relation to item 6.6 - Infrastructure & Environmental Services Directorate Report for the reason that he provides services to the Water and Waste Water division of Council. If there are any items that require discussion he will vacate the chamber.

5 MAYORAL MINUTE(S)**5.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - MARCH 2025**

RESOLUTION 2025/68

Moved: Cr Ken Cudmore

Seconded: Cr Donna Lawson

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Mayoral Minute for March 2025.

CARRIED

5.2 MAYORAL MINUTE - DELEGATIONS TO GENERAL MANAGER

RESOLUTION 2025/69

Moved: Cr Ken Cudmore

Seconded: Cr Shawn Cain

That Council:

1. Delegate to Cian Middleton upon his commencement as General Manger on 28 April 2025, the General Manager Instrument of Sub-Delegation and the Financial Delegation limits pursuant to Council resolution 2023/114.

CARRIED

6 REPORTS TO COUNCIL**6.1 EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORT - MARCH 2025.**

RESOLUTION 2025/70

Moved: Cr Terry Cohen

Seconded: Cr Shawn Cain

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Executive Services Report for March 2025.

CARRIED

6.2 RESOLUTIONS REGISTER UPDATE

RESOLUTION 2025/71

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Resolutions Register as at 14 April 2025 as appended at *Annexure 1* and the Resolution Register for 2023 and 2024 as appended at *Annexure 2*.

CARRIED

6.3 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORT MARCH 2025

RESOLUTION 2025/72

Moved: Cr Jason Allan

Seconded: Cr Shawn Cain

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Corporate and Community Services Directorate update report for March 2025.

CARRIED

6.4 COMMUNITY FUNDING PROGRAM ROUND 2 2024/2025

RESOLUTION 2025/73

Moved: Cr Jason Allan

Seconded: Cr James Robertson

That Council:

1. Approve the following grant allocations:

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| • Werris Creek Rugby League Football Club | \$750.00 |
| • Quirindi District Cricket Association | \$800.00 |
| • Club Willow Tree | \$1,000.00 |
| • Quirindi District Historical Society | \$2,000.00 |
| • Challenge Community Services | \$1,190.00 |
| • Plains Inc | \$1,500.00 |
| • Quota International | \$500.00 |
| • Quirindi Rotary Club | \$600.00 |
| • Spring Ridge Rifle Club | \$1,500.00 |
| • Quirindi Rural Heritage Village | \$2,000.00 |
| • Quirindi Pony Club | \$1,000.00 |
| • Wallabadah Racecourse Reserve Trust | \$1,160.00 |

CARRIED

6.5 STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS - MARCH 2025

RESOLUTION 2025/74

Moved: Cr Terry Cohen

Seconded: Cr Donna Lawson

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Statement of Investments as at 31 March 2025 as appended.

CARRIED

6.6 INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORT MARCH 2025

RESOLUTION 2025/75

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Infrastructure & Environmental Services Directorate report for the month of March 2025.

At 2:49pm, Cr Charlie Simkin left the meeting due to an emergency and did not return.

CARRIED

7 DELEGATES REPORTS

Nil

8 NOTICES OF MOTIONS/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

9 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

RESOLUTION 2025/76

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Shawn Cain

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 SPT312425LPSC Wet & Dry Plant Hire

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.

9.2 T022526NAMOI- Provision of Road Stabilising

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.

9.3 RFT 113/2025-Tender for Supply and Delivery of 2 x Tipper Truck and Dog

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.

9.4 RFT110-2024 - Yarraman Creek Bridge - Design and Construction

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

REPORT ON CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**9 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS****9.1 SPT312425LPSC WET & DRY PLANT HIRE**

RESOLUTION 2025/77

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council:

1. Approve all tenders received for Tender No SPT312425LPSC as suppliers for the provision of plant and equipment hire for the period 1 May 2025 to 30 April 2027 .
2. Approve that provision be allowed for 2 x 12-month extension of Tender No SPT312425LPSC

CARRIED

9.2 T022526NAMOI- PROVISION OF ROAD STABILISING

RESOLUTION 2025/78

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr James Robertson

That Council:

1. Approve all the tenders received for the provision of Road Stabilising services for the period 1 May 2025 to 31 December 2026.
2. Allow for a 12-month extension of the contract based on satisfactory supplier performance, which may extend the contract through to 31 December 2027

CARRIED

9.3 RFT 113/2025-TENDER FOR SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF 2 X TIPPER TRUCK AND DOG

RESOLUTION 2025/79

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Shawn Cain

That Council:

1. Accepts the tender submitted by JT Fossey Sales Pty Ltd for the supply and delivery of two Mack Anthem Truck and Dog combinations at a cost of \$996,522.00 (Inclusive GST).

CARRIED

9.4 RFT110-2024 - YARRAMAN CREEK BRIDGE - DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

RESOLUTION 2025/80

Moved: Cr Donna Lawson

Seconded: Cr Jason Allan

That Council:

1. Accepts the tender submitted by Central Industries for the construction of the Yarraman Creek Crossing Culvert at a cost of \$1,156,650.00 (Exclusive GST).

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2025/81

Moved: Cr Shawn Cain

Seconded: Cr Donna Lawson

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED

At 3.27pm the Meeting moved back into Open Council. In accordance with the Liverpool Plains Shire Council Code of Meeting Practice, Sections 14.22 & 14.23, the Acting General Manager provided a summary of the resolutions passed in Closed Council.

The Meeting closed at 3:30pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 May 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON