
**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
THURSDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2014 COMMENCING AT 5:00PM**

PRESENT (C6-15-5)

Councillors Lilliane Brady OAM (Mayor), Tracey Kings (Deputy Mayor), Peter Abbott, Marsha Isbester, Jarrod Marsden, Bob Sinclair and Harley Toomey. Messrs Gary Woodman (General Manager), Kym Miller (Director of Corporate and Community Services), Errol George (Acting Director of Engineering Services) and Stephen Poulter (Acting Director of Planning and Environmental Services) and Mmes Angela Shepherd (Special Projects Officer) and Janette Booth (Executive Assistant to the General Manager).

APOLOGIES (C16-15-6)

- 61FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION:** That the apologies received from Councillors John Harrison, Greg Martin, Peter Maxwell and Ray Wilson be accepted and a leave of absence granted.
Clr Marsden/ Clr Toomey **CARRIED**
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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (FILE C6-15-7)

Nil.

**NOTICE OF MOTION – INVESTIGATION OF
OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUNDING TO ATTRACT GAS FIRED
POWER STATIONS**

FILE: G1-2, D2-1

AOP REFERENCE: 4.2.1.2

AUTHOR: *Councillor, Peter Yench*

- 62FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION:** That the Notice of Motion – Investigation of Opportunities for Funding to Attract Gas Fired Power Stations be moved for discussion.
Clr Marsden/ Clr Toomey **CARRIED**

~~**RECOMMENDATION:** That Council and also its Economic Taskforce investigate opportunities for funding and viability to attract gas fired power stations using 80% gas and 20% invasive scrub within the Cobarr Shire.~~
Clr / Clr **LAPSED**

- 63FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION:** That no further action be taken on the matter.
Clr Marsden/ Clr Kings **CARRIED**
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GENERAL MANAGER

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MAYOR

**REPORT 1A – RESOLUTIONS 2016 LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ELECTIONS BY NSW ELECTORAL COMMISSION**

FILE: E2.3.4

AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

64FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION:

That Cobar Shire Council (“The Council”) resolves:

1. Pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW) (“the Act”) that an election arrangement be entered into by contract for the NSW Electoral Commissioner to administer all elections of the Council.
2. Pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a council poll arrangement be entered into by contract for the NSW Electoral Commissioner to administer all council polls of the Council.
3. Pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a constitutional referendum arrangement be entered into by contract for the NSW Electoral Commissioner to administer all council polls of the Council.

Clr Sinclair/ Clr Kings

CARRIED

**REPORT 2A – PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURES
INTERNAL REPORTING POLICY**

FILE: P5-24

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

65FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION: That Council adopt the attached amended Public Interest Disclosures Internal Reporting Policy.

Clr Sinclair/ Clr Marsden

CARRIED

REPORT 3A – SUPPORT OF MAJOR EVENTS POLICY

FILE: P5-69

AOP REFERENCE: 2.2.2.2

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

66FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION: That Council adopt the attached amended Support of Major Events Policy.

Clr Kings/ Clr Sinclair

CARRIED

**REPORT 4A – PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND PROVISION
OF FACILITIES TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS
POLICY**

FILE: C12-2, P5-4

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5.2

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AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

67FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the attached draft Payment and Expenses and Provision of Facilities to the Mayor and Councillors Policy be adopted by Council.
2. That a copy of the adopted Policy be submitted to the Office of Local Government.

Clr Sinclair/ Clr Marsden

CARRIED

REPORT 5A – LILLIANE BRADY VILLAGE, COBAR HOSPITAL, MULTI-PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE MEETING WITH WESTERN NSW LOCAL AREA HEALTH DISTRICT – STATUS AND DIRECTION

FILE: A10-14, C8-3, C8-4, H1-1 AOP REFERENCE: 1.5.1

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

68FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION: Council agrees in principle for Lilliane Brady Village to be part of a new Multi-Purpose Health Service that continues to provide quality aged care services in Cobar subject to a suitable proposal(s) being provided by Western NSW Local Area Health District and the NSW Government.

Clr Abbott/ Clr Toomey

CARRIED

Councillor Jarrod Marsden asked to have his name recorded as voting against the motion.

REPORT 6A – FIRST QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW OF 2014/2015

FILE: F2-3-21

AOP REFERENCE: 3.3

AUTHOR: *Director of Corporate and Community Services, Kym Miller*

69FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the First Quarter Budget Review of 2014/2015 be received and noted.
2. That the revised estimates for capital and operating items contained in the attachment to the First Quarter Budget Review of 2014/2015 Report be adopted as the revised forecast for 2014/2015 financial year.

Clr Marsden/ Clr Sinclair

CARRIED

REPORT 1B – 2013/2014 ANNUAL REPORT

FILE: A2-2

AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.3

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

70FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION: That the information contained in the 2013/2014 Annual Report be received and noted.
Clr Sinclair/ Clr Kings **CARRIED**

REPORT 2B – BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY SUMMARIES AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2014

FILE: B2-7

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7

AUTHOR: *Manager Finance & Administration, Neil Mitchell*

71FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION: That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as at 31 October 2014.
Clr Isbester/ Clr Abbott **CARRIED**

REPORT 3B – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2014

FILE: R2-1

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6

AUTHOR: *Rates Officer, Jo-Louise Brown*

72FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION: That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 31 October 2014 be received and noted.
Clr Abbott/ Clr Toomey **CARRIED**

REPORT 4B – GRANT FUNDING

FILE: G4-17

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.4

AUTHOR: *Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd*

73FP.11.2014 RECOMMENDATION: That the information contained in the grant funding report detailing grants applied for, grants announced and grants available, as well as the updates on Council's grant capital projects, be received and noted.
Clr Isbester/ Clr Marsden **CARRIED**

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5:25PM

CONFIRMED

MINUTE NO

MAYOR

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