

## CASTLEREAGH MACQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CASTLEREAGH MACQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER WALGETT ON MONDAY 21 DECEMBER 2015 COMMENCING AT 10:00AM

**PRESENT:** R. Greenaway (Acting Chairman), M. Coe, I. Woodcock, A. Van Lubeck, D. Schieb, P. Shinton, M. Webb and D. Batten.

**Staff Members:** D. Ramsland (General Manager), J. Unwin (Acting Chief Weeds Officer), C. Molloy, I. Prout, K. Watling, J. Miller and B. Timmins (Weeds Officers)

**Visitors:** Jeff Shanks (Luka Group – Auditors)

In Councillor Noel Kinsey's absence, Councillor Greenaway chaired the meeting.

- 1. WELCOME:** Clr Greenaway welcomed all councillors and staff to the meeting.
- 2. APOLOGIES:** N. Kinsey (Chairman) and G. Peart

#### **12/15/1 Resolved:**

That apologies from N. Kinsey (Chairman) and G. Peart be accepted and leave of absence be granted.

**Moved:** Clr Webb  
**Seconded:** Clr Batten

**Carried**

### **3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### **12/15/2 Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Castlereagh Macquarie County Council meeting held at Coonamble on Monday 19 October, 2015, having been circulated, be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

**Moved:** Clr Batten  
**Seconded:** Clr Coe

**Carried**

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil

**5. COUNCIL AUDITORS REPORT**

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and note the Auditor's Report for 2015 and formally adopt the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June, 2015. Further that a copy of Auditor Jeff Shank's presentation to Council be attached to these minutes.

**12/15/3 Resolved:**

That Council receive and note the Auditor's Report for 2015 and formally adopt the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June, 2015. Further that a copy of Auditor Jeff Shank's presentation to Council be attached to these minutes.

**Moved:** Clr Woodcock

**Seconded:** Clr Batten

**Carried**

Clr Greenaway thanked Mr Shanks for his detailed presentation.

Mr Shanks left the meeting at 10.45am.

**6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

In Councillor Kinsey's absence, no Chairperson's report was presented.

**7. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

**Item 7.1 Reconciliation Certificate 31 October & 30 November 2015**

**Recommendation:** That the Statement of Bank Balances as 31 October, 2015 and 30 November, 2015 be received and noted.

**12/15/4 Resolved:**

That the Bank Reconciliations as at 31 October, 2015 and 30 November, 2015 be received and noted.

**Moved:** Clr Van Lubeck

**Seconded:** Clr Coe

**Carried**

**Item 7.2 Quarterly Budget Review Statement – Period Ended 10 December, 2015**

**Recommendation:** That the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the period ended 10 December 2015 be received and noted and the recommended variations to the revised budget as detailed in the attached statement be adopted.

**12/15/5 Resolved:**

That the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the period ended 10 December 2015 be received and noted and the recommended variations to the revised budget as detailed in the attached statement be adopted.

**Moved:** Clr Webb

**Seconded:** Clr Coe

**Carried**

**Item 7.3 Organisational Restructure – Update – December 2015**

Held over until Confidential Session of the Meeting.

**Item 7.4 2014/15 Financial Statements and Auditors Report**

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and note the Financial Statements received from the Auditor's for 2014/2015.

**12/15/6 Resolved:**

That Council receive and note the Auditor's Report for 2015 and formally adopt the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June, 2015.

**Moved:** Clr Webb

**Seconded:** Clr Woodcock

**Carried**

**Item 5. Annual Report**

**Recommendation:** That Council consider and adopt the 2014/2015 Annual Report.

**12/15/7 Resolved:**

That Council consider and adopt the 2014/2015 Annual Report.

**Moved:** Clr Batten

**Seconded:** Clr Shinton

**Carried**

**Item 6. Matters for Brief Mention or Information Only**

**Recommendation:** That the General Manager's Report with regards to Matters for Brief Mention or Information Only be received and noted.

**12/15/8 Resolved:**

That the General Manager's Report with regards Matters for Brief Mention or Information Only be received and noted.

**Moved:** Clr Coe  
**Seconded:** Clr Webb

**Carried**

At 11.30am C. Molloy, K. Watling, I. Prout, J. Miller and B. Timmins left the meeting and did not return.

**8. ACTING SENIOR WEEDS OFFICER'S REPORT**

**Item 8.1 Acting Senior Weeds Officer's Report**

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and note the Acting Senior Weeds Officer's Report.

**12/15/9 Resolved:**

That Council receive and note the Acting Senior Weeds Officer's report for October/November 2015.

**Moved:** Clr Woodcock  
**Seconded:** Clr Van Lubeck

**Carried**

**Item 8.2 Noxious Plant Reports**

**Coonamble Noxious Plant Report**

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and note the Noxious Plant report for Coonamble.

**12/15/10 Resolved:**

That Council receive and confirm Noxious Plant report for Coonamble.

**Moved:** Clr Webb  
**Seconded:** Clr Shinton

Carried

**Item 8.3 Gilgandra Noxious Plant Report**

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and note the Noxious Plant report for Gilgandra

**12/15/11 Resolved:**

That Council receive and confirm Noxious Plant report for Gilgandra

**Moved:** Clr Webb

**Seconded:** Clr Shinton

Carried

**Item 8.4 Walgett Noxious Plant Report**

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and note the Noxious Plant report for Walgett.

**12/15/12 Resolved:**

That Council receive and confirm Noxious Plant report for Walgett.

**Moved:** Clr Webb

**Seconded:** Clr Shinton

Carried

**Item 8.5 Warren Noxious Plant Report**

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and note the Noxious Plant report for Warren.

**12/15/13 Resolved:**

That Council receive and confirm Noxious Plant report for Warren.

**Moved:** Clr Webb

**Seconded:** Clr Shinton

Carried

**Item 8.6 Warrumbungle Noxious Plant Report**

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and note the Noxious Plant report for Warrumbungle.

**12/15/14 Resolved:**

That Council receive and confirm Noxious Plant report for Warrumbungle.

**Moved:** Clr Webb

**Seconded:** Clr Shinton

**Carried**

**CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

**1. Motion to move in to Confidential Session**

**12/15/15 Resolved:**

That at 11.30 am Council move into Confidential session and that the public be excluded from the meeting pursuant to Section 10A (2) (a) and (c) of the Local Government Act 1993 on the basis that the matters being considered are in relation to staff and/or commercial in confidence.

**Moved:** Clr Van Lubeck

**Seconded:** Clr Shinton

**Carried**

**2. Property Inspections Report**

**Recommendation:** That the Property Inspections Report be received and noted as a whole

**12/15/16 Recommendation:**

That Council receive and note all confidential Property Inspections report matters as a whole.

**Moved:** Clr Van Lubeck

**Seconded:** Clr Schieb

**Carried**

**3. Organisational Restructure**

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and note the General Manager's report in respect of the progress in the organisational restructure process and endorse the action taken so far.

**12/15/17 Recommendation:**

That Council receive and note the General Manager's report in respect of the progress in the organisational restructure process and endorse the action taken so far.

**Moved:** Clr Shinton  
**Seconded:** Clr Batten

**Carried**

**4. Employee Uniform**

**Recommendation:** That Council make arrangements for uniforms to be issued to each employee. (3 x Shirts and 3 x Trousers each)

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**Moved:** Clr Schieb  
**Seconded:** Clr Van Lubeck

**Carried**

**5. Motion to move out of Confidential Session**

**12/15/19 Resolved:**

That at 11.58am Council move out of Confidential Session.

**Moved:** Clr Coe  
**Seconded:** Clr Van Lubeck

**Carried**

**Adoption of Closed Section Reports**

That Council adopt the recommendations of the Closed Committee Reports.

- Property Inspections Report
- Organisational Restructure
- Employee Uniforms

**Moved:** Clr Webb  
**Seconded:** Clr Van Lubeck

**Carried**

**General Business**

**1. Local Lands Services Weed Control**

Councillor Van Lubeck suggested that CMCC approach the LLS to provide additional reports in regards to the works being carried out on the stock routes as well as continue to respond to the control orders issued by CMCC. It was also suggested that CMCC work towards a collaborative approach with the LLS to ensure the eradication of noxious weeds and eliminate the duplication of work.

**2. Depot facilities**

Councillors requested that the General Manager provide a detailed report based on the facilities for each area and provide an update on the Coonamble depot.

**3. Grant Funding-**

That Council actively seeking funding for St John's Wort and Hudson Pear during the coming year.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 15 February, 2016 at Gilgandra.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 12.18PM**

**To be confirmed as a true and accurate record at the Council Meeting held on 15 February, 2016.**

**CHAIRMAN**

**GENERAL MANAGER**