

CASTLEREAGH MACQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CASTLEREAGH MACQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COONAMBLE ON MONDAY 26th AUGUST 2024 COMMENCING AT 10:31AM

PRESENT: Clr D Batten, Clr I Woodcock, Clr N Kinsey, Clr P Cullen, Clr G Peart, Clr Z Holcombe, Clr G Whiteley, and Clr D Todd,

ABSENT: Clr M Cooke and Clr B Fisher

STAFF MEMBERS: M. Urquhart (General Manager), A. Fletcher (Senior Biosecurity Officer), R Wilson (Administration Services Officer).

WELCOME: Meeting was opened at 10:31am and Chairman Clr D Batten welcomed all councillors and staff to the meeting.

04/24/01 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Resolved:

That the leave of absence received from Clr B Fisher is accepted and a leave of absence granted.

Moved: Clr Kinsey

Seconded: Clr Cullen

Carried

ABSENT- Councillor M. Cooke

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST- Nil

04/24/02 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting – 24th June 2024

Resolved:

That the minutes of the ordinary Council meeting held 24th June 2024, having been circulated be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: Clr Kinsey

Seconded: Clr Holcombe

Carried

04/24/03 Reports of Committees - Minutes of North West Regional Weeds Committee and Central West Regional Weeds Committee Meetings

Resolved:

That the minutes of the North West Regional Meeting and the Central West Regional Weeds Committee be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Holcombe

Seconded: Clr Whiteley

Carried

04/24/04 Council's Decision Action Report – August 2024

Resolved:

That the Resolution Register for August 2024 be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Peart

Carried

The General Manager advised Council that the invitation to the Minister for Agriculture to attend the next CMCC Council meeting has been accepted. The Hon. Minister Moriarty has agreed to meet via teams meeting on the 25th November 2024.

04/24/05 Circulars Received From the NSW Office of Local Government

Resolved:

That the information contained in the following Departmental circulars 24-12 to 24-15 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Whiteley

Seconded: Clr Kinsey

Carried

04/24/06 Cash and Investment Report – 30th June 2024

Resolved:

That the investment report for 30th June 2024 be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Todd

Seconded: Clr Whiteley

Carried

04/24/07 Fourth Quarter Operational Plan 2023/2024 and Annual Delivery Program**Resolved:**

That Council accept the progress made on the 2023/2024 Operational Plan as at 30th June 2024 and Annual Delivery Program.

Moved: Clr Peart

Seconded: Clr Holcombe

Carried**04/24/08 Annual Financial Statements 2023/2024****Resolved:**

1. The Draft Annual Financial Reports for 2023/2024 be referred to Council's Auditor.
2. The Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson, General Manager be authorised to sign the necessary Financial Statements.
3. On receipt of the Audit Report, a copy be forwarded to the Office of Local Government and any other relevant statutory body.
4. Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to set the date at which the Auditor's report and the Financial Statements be presented to the public, additionally be reviewed/adopted by Council formally as required, subject to Section 418 of the Local Government Act 1993 and it's requirements.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Kinsey

Carried**04/24/09 Payment of Expenses & Provision of Facilities to Councillors Policy****Resolved:**

That;

1. the General Managers Report be received.
2. Council adopt the "Payment of Expenses & Provision of Facilities to Councillors" policy as tabled
3. The policy be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and public submissions be invited.

Moved: Clr Holcombe

Seconded: Clr Todd

Carried

04/24/10 Review of Media Policy**Resolved:**

That a Media Policy be presented to Council, to include provisions for wider coverage of CMCC public events, news stories and public exhibition documents through online advertising platforms.

Moved: Clr Whiteley

Seconded: Clr Cullen

Carried

04/24/11 Revised Investment Policy**Resolved:**

That;

1. the report be received
2. Council adopts the revised Investment Policy as presented.

Moved: Clr Todd

Seconded: Clr Kinsey

Carried

04/24/12 Important Dates for Councillors – Upcoming Meetings and Events**Resolved:**

That;

1. the report be received and noted.
2. it be noted that the Council meeting scheduled for 2nd December 2024, be changed to 25th November 2024.

Moved: Clr Kinsey

Seconded: Clr Holcombe

Carried

04/24/13 Quarterly Biosecurity Report**Resolved:**

That the report be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Peart

Seconded: Clr Woodcock

Carried

04/24/14 Moved Into Closed Session

Time: ...11:25am

Resolved:

That the public be excluded from the meeting pursuant to Sections 10A of the Local Government Act 1993 on the basis that the items deal with:

(2) (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)

Moved: Clr Kinsey

Seconded: Clr Todd

Carried**04/24/16 Return to Open Session**

Time: ...11:30am

Resolved:

That Council return to open session.

Moved: Clr Holcombe

Seconded: Clr Cullen

Carried

The confidential reports discussed in closed session were brought forward and read in open session by Chairman, Clr Doug Batten.

04/24/15 General Manager Half Yearly Performance Review**Resolved:**

That the Chairmans report on the General Managers half yearly performance review being assessed as "More than Satisfactory" be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Kinsey

Seconded: Clr Peart

Carried**Carried**

02/24/17 Adoption Of Closed Session Reports

Resolved:

That Council adopt the recommendations of the Closed Committee Reports

Moved: Clr Kinsey

Seconded: Clr Holcombe

Carried

Prior to the closing of the meeting, Chairman Clr Doug Batten read out a letter sent to CMCC from outgoing Clr Bill Fisher. The letter detailed that Councillor Fisher had thoroughly enjoyed his time as a Coonamble Council delegate. Clr Fisher congratulated CMCC for its work to date in the control of noxious weed and wish all parties good fortune and health going forward.

Date of the next CMCC Council Meeting to be Monday 28th October 2024 in Coonamble

Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 11:39am

Chairman

General Manager