

CASTLEREAGH MACQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CASTLEREAGH MACQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COONAMBLE ON MONDAY 24th
JUNE 2024 COMMENCING AT 10:35AM**

PRESENT: Clr D Batten, Clr B Fisher, Clr I Woodcock, Clr N Kinsey, Clr G Peart, Clr Z Holcombe, Clr G Whiteley, Clr M Cooke and Clr D Todd

ABSENT: Clr P Cullen

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

WELCOME: Meeting was opened at 10:35am and Chairman Clr D Batten welcomed all councillors and staff to the meeting.

03/24/01 Leave of Absence

Resolved:

That the leave of absence received from Clr P Cullen is accepted and a leave of absence granted.

Moved: Clr Fisher

Seconded: Clr Kinsey

Carried

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST- Nil

Presentation.

Mr. Todd Pallister from LLS gave an update on the Hudson Pear Containment program, including landowner/land manager consultation. Mr. Pallister also provided information on containment spraying that has been undertaken by LLS under the programme since January 2024. He also stated that LLS has been attending different tourist hotspot sites, erecting an information stand to raise community and traveller awareness.

03/24/02 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting – 29th April 2024**Resolved:**

That the minutes of the ordinary Council meeting held 29th April 2024, having been circulated be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting, with an amendment as per Clr Todd's request to change from absent to an apology.

Moved: Clr Peart

Seconded: Clr Cooke

Carried

03/24/03 Reports of Committees - Minutes of Central West Regional Weeds Committee and Central West Regional Weeds Committee Operational Group Meetings**Resolved:**

That the agenda and minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee and the Central West Regional Weeds Committee be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Whiteley

Seconded: Clr Holcombe

Carried

03/24/04 Correspondence for April 2024**Resolved:**

That;

1. the correspondence be received and noted
2. the General Manager draft a letter of appreciation to Mr Geoff Wise on behalf of CMCC Chairman.

Moved: Clr Peart

Seconded: Clr Todd

Carried

03/24/05 Risk Register**Resolved:**

That Council adopts the Revised Risk Register of 3rd May 2024

Moved: Clr Fisher

Seconded: Clr Kinsey

Carried

03/24/06 Council's Decision Action Report – May 2024**Resolved:**

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

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Holcombe

Carried

03/24/07 Circulars Received From the NSW Office of Local Government**Resolved:**

That the information contained in the following Departmental circulars 24-06 to 24-11 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Peart

Seconded: Clr Kinsey

Carried

03/24/08 Cash and Investment Report – 30th April 2024 and 31st May 2024**Resolved:**

That the investment report for 30th April and 31st May 2024 be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Fisher

Carried

03/24/09 Draft Operational Plan 24/25, Statement of Revenue policy, Long Term Financial Plan 24/235 to 33/34, Asset Management Plan 24/25 to 33/34 & Workforce Plan

Resolved:

That Council, after having considered any submissions received by the 4th June 2024, adopts the Draft Operational Plan for 2024/25 (scenario 1), Long Term Financial Plan 24/25 to 33/34, Asset Management Plan 24/25 to 33/34 and Workforce Plan.

Moved: Clr Kinsey

Seconded: Clr Holcombe

Carried

03/24/10 Member Fees, Local Government Renumeration Tribunal

Resolved:

That the Member Fees be set at the minimum level set by the local Government Renumeration Tribunal for a County Council Category.

- a) The Member fee for 2024/2025 be fixed at \$2,030.00
- b) The Chairperson fee for 2024/2025 be fixed at \$4,360.00
- c) Makes a superannuation contribution payment of 11.50% to its Councillor's/Members in accordance with section 254B of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Moved: Clr Todd

Seconded: Clr Fisher

Carried

03/24/11 Important Dates for Councillors – Upcoming Meetings and Events

Resolved:

That the report be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Kinsey

Carried

03/24/12 Quarterly Biosecurity Report**Resolved:**

That the report be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Todd

Seconded: Clr Kinsey

Carried

03/24/13 Moved Into Closed Session

Time: ...11:50pm

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) (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed
 (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it

Moved: Clr Whiteley

Seconded: Clr Fisher

Carried

03/24/16 Return to Open Session

Time: ...12:21pm

Resolved:

That Council return to open session.

Moved: Clr Peart

Seconded: Clr Kinsey

Carried

The confidential reports discussed in closed session were brought forward and read in open session by General Manager Michael Urquhart.

03/24/14 Intellectual Property (IP) Agreement (Compliance System) with Upper Macquarie County Council (UMCC)

Resolved:

That;

1. Council enter into an Intellectual Property (IP) Agreement with Upper Macquarie County Council for (free of charge) licensing of the Inspection and Compliance System, commencing 1 July 2024.
2. The General Manager be delegated authority to execute the Intellectual Property (IP) Agreement.

Moved: Clr Kinsey

Seconded: Clr Woodcock

Carried

03/24/15 General Manager's Contract

Resolved:

That the council seal be affixed to the General Manager's contract.

Moved: Clr Whiteley

Seconded: Clr Kinsey

Carried

02/24/17 Adoption Of Closed Session Reports

Resolved:

That Council adopt the recommendations of the Closed Committee Reports

Moved: Clr Todd

Seconded: Clr Fisher

Carried

Date of the next CMCC Council Meeting to be Monday 26th August 2024 in Coonamble

Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 12:25pm

Chairman

General Manager