

## CASTLEREAGH MACQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CASTLEREAGH MACQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COONAMBLE ON MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup>  
FEBRUARY 2025 COMMENCING AT 10:30AM**

**PRESENT:** Member D Batten, Member N Kinsey, Member Z Holcombe, Member M Cooke, Member P Fisher, Member D Bell, Member M Garnsey, Member G Rummery and Member G Whiteley

**ABSENT:** Member G Peart

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

**WELCOME:** Meeting was opened at 10:30am and Chairman Clr Batten, welcomed all councillors and staff to the meeting.

**01/25/01 Leave of Absence**

**Resolved:**

That the leave a leave of absence received from Member G Peart is accepted and a leave of absence is granted.

**Moved:** Member Kinsey

**Seconded:** Member Cooke

**Carried**

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST- Nil**

### **Public Presentation – Todd Pallister**

*Todd Pallister from LLS – Coordinator for the Hudson Pear Programme, provided Council with a comprehensive update on the Hudson Pear Control Programme. Todd also advised council on the plan to continue awareness of Hudson Pear through events in the community and engage spray contactors to continue controlled spray works in Lighting Ridge and Grawin areas.*

Following Todd's presentation there were questions asked by Members in relation to containment areas and mapping of treatment site. As a result, there was a motion from CMCC members.

**01/25/02 Investigate Satellite Mapping and associated costs****Resolved:**

That Council investigate the use of satellite imagery to establish the Hudson Pear containment lines, in conjunction with mapping work undertaken by Mr Andrew McConnachie.

**Moved:** Member Kinsey

**Seconded:** Member Debra Bell

**Carried**

**01/25/03 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting – 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024****Resolved:**

That the minutes of the ordinary Council meeting held 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024, having been circulated be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

**Moved:** Member Garnsey

**Seconded:** Member Kinsey

**Carried**

**01/25/04 Reports of Committees****Resolved:**

That the reports of the Central West Regional Weeds Committee, North West Weeds Officers Committee, Parthenium Weed Taskforce Meeting and the ARIC be received and noted.

**Moved:** Member Garnsey

**Seconded:** Member Kinsey

**Carried**

**01/25/05 Council's Decision Action Report – February 2025****Resolved:**

That the Resolution Register for February 2025 be received and noted.

**Moved:** Member Kinsey

**Seconded:** Member Rummery

**Carried**

**01/25/06 Circulars Received from the NSW Office of Local****Resolved:**

That the information contained in the following Departmental circulars 24-20 to 25-01 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.

**Moved:** Member Garnsey

**Seconded:** Member Holcombe

**Carried**

**01/25/07 Cash and Investment Report – 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024, 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 and 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025****Resolved:**

That the investment report for 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024, 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 and 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025 be received and noted.

**Moved:** Member Fisher

**Seconded:** Member Rummery

**Carried**

**01/25/08 Quarterly Budget Review Statement – December 2024****Resolved:**

That council adopt the attached Quarterly Budget Review Statement for 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 as tabled.

**Moved:** Member Bell

**Seconded:** Member Holcombe

**Carried**

**01/25/09 Second Quarter Operational Plan 2024/2025 Annual Delivery Program****Resolved:**

That Council accepts the progress made on the 2024/2025 Operational Plan as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 and Annual Delivery Program.

**Moved:** Member Fisher

**Seconded:** Member Whiteley

**Carried**

**01/25/10 Important Dates for Councillors – Upcoming Meetings and Events**
**Resolved:**

That;

1. Council receive and note the list of upcoming meetings and events
2. Council send one (1) delegate to the Bi-annual Weeds conference to be held from the 4<sup>th</sup> to 7th August 2025 at Port Macquarie.

**Moved:** Member Whiteley

**Seconded:** Member Cooke

**Carried**

**01/25/11 Employee Leave Liability as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024**
**Resolved:**

That the General Managers report on Employee Leave Liability be noted.

**Moved:** Member Whiteley

**Seconded:** Member Rummery

**Carried**

**0/25/12 Quarterly Biosecurity Report**
**Resolved:**

That the report be received and noted.

**Moved:** Member Garnsey

**Seconded:** Member Fisher

**Carried**

Date of the next CMCC Council Meeting to be Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025 in Coonamble

**Close of Meeting**

The meeting closed at 12:29pm

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Chairman

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General Manager