

# **CONFIRMED MINUTES**

# GENERAL MEETING OF ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL

## HELD ST GEORGE STREET, GEORGETOWN ON WEDNESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2018,

COMMENCING AT 8.00AM

#### **CONFIRMED MINUTES – GENERAL MEETING, 19 SEPTEMBER 2018**

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ATTENDANCE

Crs W Devlin\*, W Attwood, T Barnes, W Bethel & T Gallagher

OFFICERS PRESENT

Mr Norm Garsden, Chief Executive Officer Mr David Munro, Director of Corporate and Community Services Mr Michael Brookes, Works Manager Ms Anna Christensen, Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer

\* Cr Devlin attended the meeting via a teleconference, pursuant to section 276 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

## GALLERY

Mr Ian Carroll Mr Trevor Arnett

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 8:00am and welcomed all in attendance.

The Mayor requested that the Deputy Mayor Cr Will Attwood accept the position of Acting Chair for the remainder of the meeting due to his attendance via teleconference.

## WELCOME TO COUNTRY

We respectfully acknowledge the Ewamian People - the traditional custodians of this land where we meet for the General Meeting. We pay our respects to the Ewamian People, especially the Elders, past and present and acknowledge their traditional customs and lores and recognize their continuing connection to this Country.

We look forward to a long and continuing relationship with the Ewamian People and value any opportunities in strengthening relationships and partnerships through collaboration by respecting their Country.

#### DECLARATIONS

Cr Attwood declared a material personal interest on GMCCS2.

Cr Devlin declared a conflict of interest on GMCCS13.

Cr Gallagher declared a conflict of interest on GMCCS1.

Cr Bethel declared a material personal interest on GMCCS1.

#### APOLOGIES AND CONDOLENCES

That Council pass on their sincere condolences to the Norris family on the passing of Agnes.

## **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

## General Meeting – Wednesday 15 August 2018

#### **RESOLUTION:**

That the Minutes of the General Council Meeting held at Georgetown on Wednesday 15 August 2018 be confirmed.

#### **MOVED: Cr Barnes**

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

#### CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2427 5/0

#### Business arising from Minutes – Wednesday 15 August 2018

#### Cr Attwood

- Discussed the Conflict of Interest declarations in Council meetings and requested that a conflict of interest line be included prior to the Executive Summary in the report template.
- Queried whether any communications had been received from North West Remote Health regarding renting two offices in Savannah House.
- Queried his request at the last Council Meeting on re-establishing the Charleston Dam Committee and matters related to the Charleston Dam.
  - Council requested the CEO to prepare a monthly update in the Inform to keep the public up to date and Council discuss the Dam at each Council Meeting.
  - Requested an update from Cr Bethel on the Northern Alliance of Councils Meeting.
- Renewed discussions on the desirability of erecting bollards in Heritage Park.

#### **RESOLUTION**

## That Council request the Chief Executive Officer to arrange the removal of the bollards in Heritage Park.

MOVED: Cr Barnes

## SECONDED: Cr Bethel

#### CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2428 5/0

- Queried progress on the purchases of the Mower, Dolly and Prime Mover.
- Discussed Cr Gallagher's request for reports on the road upgrade into Cemetery Road and furthermore the Kidston Dam Road.

## ATTENDANCE

Mr Michael Brookes, Works Manager left the meeting at 8:32am and returned at 8:36am.

#### Norm Garsden

- Discussed the Shire Centenary and the options for celebrations.
  - Council agreed that sponsoring a race at the Einasleigh Races is an appropriate option and suggested contacting the Einasleigh Rodeo and Races Committees to discuss the matter.
- Asked for Councillor feedback on the Community Consultation at the Forsayth Markets.
  - Council agreed that they would continue on with community consultation at markets and community events as previously agreed.
- Discussed the communications with the Department on offers regarding the purchase of land at Mt Surprise.

## INFORMATION BULLETIN

Discussions regarding reports from Engineering Services, Childcare Centre and Terrestrial Centre. Action Taken List from previous meetings.

#### Business arising from the Information Bulletin

#### Norm Garsden

- Discussed the email forwarded to Councillors on the Charleston Dam Update.
- Informed Council on the option to present at SEGRA.
  - It was decided that the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer would present.
- Informed Council on the appointment of Mr Tony Potter as Engineer for Infrastructure and Strategic Planning, his movements and tasks.
- Updated Council on movements at the Hann Highway site and submission of a tender for the third project stage.
- Informed Council on the flood damage funding being indicated of approximately \$18,000,000, with work commencing in October 2018 and expected to be completed by June 2020.

#### Cr Attwood

- Queried whether Contractors could be placed on the new Hann Highway job in the third stage if successful for the entire duration of the job in order for them to be able to plan their own work accordingly rather than only have 1-2 shifts work at a time (for example).

#### Works Manager

- Discussed the projects around the Shire and the incoming works for the remainder of 2018 and beyond.

#### Norm Garsden

- Mentioned the importance for Council to work as a team.
- Discussed the upcoming delegation from a Brazilian agricultural company arranged by Austrade and the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, scheduled at the Golf Club on Thursday night.
- Informed Councillors on the legal action involving Central Goldmines and the bid to recover outstanding rates.
- Mentioned that the Water Restrictions will shortly escalate from Level 1 to 2 in Georgetown and Level 0 to 1 in Forsayth.
- Discussed the Drought Appeal concept brought up at the FNQROC meeting.
- Discussed the Local Government Grants Commission and Remuneration Tribunal offering the possibility to meet with Councils at the LGAQ Conference.
  - Cr Attwood suggested lobbying for the small amount of FAGS that is received in comparison to larger Councils.

## ATTENDANCE

Cr Gallagher left the meeting at 9:28am and returned at 9:29am.

## Cr Attwood

- Discussed the Action Taken List and a request for timelines on actions to be included even when jobs are ongoing.
- Queried whether Council had appointed a Workshop Supervisor.
- Queried the progress on receiving the Council Marquees.
- Queried the Governance and Compliance Officer position and whether it will be readvertised.
- Brought up the purchases of Mowers, Prime Mover and Dolly.
  - The Works Manager spoke on these purchases on behalf of the Plant and Asset Manager.
- Discussed the invitation for Council to present at the FNQ Trade and Investment Group.
- Requested an expansion on the graph presented on plant usage.
- Queried the Terrestrial's report and comment included on Wifi maximum usage.
  - Cr Barnes suggested that a short survey be implemented as a 'gateway' when people logon to use Wifi.
- Queried the comment made on the Strathmore Road not being made a large road to date in the FNQROC minutes.

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- Sought an expansion on the background to the comment made by Cr Devlin in the FNQROC minutes on the focus on the Reef.

## Cr Barnes

- Brought up 'freedom style camping' and the popularity of this concept and discussed his desire for the Shire to become more RV Friendly.

## ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned for morning tea at 9:49am.

## RESUMPTION

Council resumed the meeting at 10:07am.

## MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST

Cr Bethel declared that he has a material personal interest (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) in Item GMCCS1 as an owner of land within the Gilbert River Irrigation Precinct, as he stands to gain a benefit or suffer a loss depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter

He dealt with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting 10:07am while this matter was discussed and voted on. Cr Bethel returned to the meeting after voting at 10:23am.

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Gallagher declared that he may have a conflict of interest (as defined the Local Government Act 2009, section 175D) in Item GMCCS1 as family members own land within the Gilbert River Irrigation Precinct. Cr Gallagher determined that this personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead him to making a decision on the matter that is contrary to the public interest and advised that he will best perform his responsibility of serving the overall public interest of the whole of the Council's area by participating in the discussion and voting on this matter. However, he acknowledged that the remaining councillors must now determine, pursuant to section 175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009: -

(a) Whether he has a real conflict of interest in this matter or a perceived conflict of interest in this matter; and

(b) If so, whether: -

i. he must leave the meeting while this matter is discussed or voted on; or

ii. he may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter:

## RESOLUTION

That Councillor Gallagher has a perceived conflict of interest in the matter and, notwithstanding the conflict, Councillor Gallagher may participate in the matter, discuss and vote upon it.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

## SECONDED: Cr Barnes

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2429 3/0

## **CONSIDERATION OF OPEN REPORTS**

## GMCCS1.

Gilbert River Irrigation Project

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The CEO has returned a signed copy of the MIPP2 Funding Agreement to the Department of State Development Manufacturing Infrastructure and Planning (DSDMIP). DSDMIP implements the MIPP2.

Quote requests have been issued to 4 potential service providers for the delivery of a Digital Elevation Model.

The Project Officer has begun formulating the Business Case Project Management Plan to be approved by DSDMIP.

Brendan Fry contacted the Project Officer to discuss issues around communications and biosecurity that are arising as they move further into crop production.

## RESOLUTION

That Council proceed to formulate the Detailed Business Case.

MOVED: Cr Devlin

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2430 4/0

Cr Bethel did not vote on this matter due to a material personal interest.

## **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Council has received the MIPP funding and the next step is to use the funding in line with Council's Corporate Plan.

## MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST

Cr Attwood declared that he has a material personal interest (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) in Item GMCCS2 as he holds shares in Genex, as he stands to gain a benefit or suffer a loss depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter.

He dealt with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting 10:24am while this matter was discussed and voted on. Cr Attwood returned to the meeting after voting at 10:41am.

#### GMCCS2.

Development Application:

- A) <u>MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE CODE ASSESSMENT FOR COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE</u> (HYDRO STORAGE FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE);
- B) OPERATIONAL WORKS CODE ASSESSMENT (CLEARING NATIVE VEGETATION);
- C) OPERATIONAL WORKS CODE ASSESSMENT (REFERRABLE DAM); AND
- D) OPERATIONAL WORKS CODE ASSESSMENT (ELECTRICITY INFRASTRUCTURE)

## ON LAND DESCRIBED AS LOT 1 ON SP289310 AND LOT 66 ON SP287774 (VIA GILBERTON ROAD, KIDSTON)

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

AECOM Australia Pty Ltd (AECOM) has prepared a planning report on behalf of Genex Power Limited (the Applicant) (Genex) to provide supporting information for a development application for the proposed Kidston Pumped Storage Hydro Project (the Project).

Council received the Development Application on the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018 seeking a Development Permit under the Planning Act 2016 for the following items of assessable development.

- □ Material Change of Use (Community Infrastructure)
- Operational Work (Referable Dam)
- Operational Work (Vegetation Clearing)
- Operational Work (Electricity Infrastructure)

Council issued a Confirmation Notice on the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018 which was determined to be a properly made application in accordance with the Planning Act 2016.

Genex is an Australian publicly listed company on the ASX which focuses on the generation and storage of renewable energy. Genex is the sole proponent for the Project, and is currently in the process of developing the wider Kidston Renewable Energy Hub in North Queensland.

The Project is a form of hydroelectric energy storage. The method involves storing water within an elevated upper reservoir, allowing energy to be stored in the form of gravitational potential energy. Typically during periods of peak electrical demand, the water is released from the upper reservoir into a lower reservoir via a turbine-generator system that produces electricity.

The Project proposes to utilise two existing mining pits (Wises and Eldridge) of the closed Kidston Gold Mine, as the upper and lower reservoirs. The Wises Pit will be modified via the construction of a dam structure around the pit to increase the storage volume of the pit. The Project generation capability is 250 MW with a storage capacity of 1,870 MWh.

The Project forms a component of the wider Kidston Renewable Energy Hub. Energy produced by the Stage 1 and Stage 2 solar farms constructed on, and around the mine site, will be used to power the pumping of water into the upper reservoir. Once completed, the Project will be the first in the world to utilise two disused mine pits for hydroelectric power generation, and the first hybrid large-scale solar photovoltaic and pumped hydro storage plant.

## RESOLUTION

## That Council:

In accordance with Section 63(2) of the Planning Act 2016, resolve to approve a Development Application for:

- a) Application for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use Code Assessment for Community Infrastructure (Hydro Storage Facility) and Associated Infrastructure;
- b) Operational Works Code Assessment (Clearing Native Vegetation);
- c) Operational Works Code Assessment (Referable Dam); and
- d) Operational Works Code Assessment (Electricity Infrastructure)

on land described as Part of Lot 66 on SP258871 situated along the Kidston-Gilberton Road, Kidston; and Subject the conditions as set out below and included in the Decision Notice Approval:

#### 1. ADMINISTRATION

- □ The Developer and his employee, agent, contractor or invitee is responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this development approval.
- □ Where these Conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or to be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by the Council.
- □ All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed:
  - to Council's satisfaction;
  - at no cost to Council.
- □ The following further Development Permits must be obtained prior to the commencement of any works associated with their purposes:
  - Building Works
  - Plumbing & Drainage Works

- □ The development shall be undertaken substantially in accordance with the approved drawings and/or documents and in accordance with the specifications, facts and circumstances as set out in the application submitted to Council.
- □ The conditions of the Development Permit must be affected prior to Commencement of Use, except where specified otherwise in these conditions of approval.
- □ The developer shall be responsible for securing a permanent and ongoing water supply for the development.
- The Applicant shall liaise with and comply with any requirements that the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) may require in relation to this development. The Applicant shall provide council copies of any agreements and/or conditions which CASA determine necessary for this development.

## 2. TIME AND EFFECT

□ The Development Approval shall lapse six (6) years after the date the Development Approval takes effect in accordance with the provisions of Section 85 of the Planning Act 2016.

## 3. APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

□ The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved pans and documents, except where amended by any condition of this development approval:

Plan / Document Name	Plan / Document Reference	<u>Dated</u>
Figure 1 – Indicative Project Area	Figure 1	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Clearing & Excavation Layout Plan	Drawing No. 91603592-KPSP04.01 DWG-2061	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Embankment Layout Plan	Drawing No. 91603592-KPSP04.03 DWG-2061	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Embankment	Drawing No. 91603592-KPSP04.03 DWG-2062	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Embankment	Drawing No. 91603592-KPSP04.03 DWG-2063	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Embankment Longitudinal Section	Drawing No. 91603592-KPSP04.03 DWG-2064	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Embankment Longitudinal Section	Drawing No. 91603592-KPSP04.03 DWG-2065	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Embankment Spillway	Drawing No. 91603592-KPSP04.03 DWG-2066	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
General Arrangement	Drawing No. 377551-KST-FS-DWG-130	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
General Arrangement	Drawing No. 377551-KST-FS-DWG-700	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
General Arrangement	Drawing No. 377551-KST-FS-DWG-711	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018

□ Where conditions require the above plans or documents to be amended, the revised document(s) must be submitted for approval by Council.

## 4. WASTE MANAGEMENT

□ Construction Waste<sup>1</sup> generated during the construction of the Project will be required to be transported to Townsville or to an alternative landfill site outside of the Etheridge Shire area that has the capacity to meet the volume of Construction Waste which is in line with the Applicants Development Report, page 17,Clause 5.2.2.5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Construction waste" means any substance, matter or thing which is generated as a result of construction work and abandoned whether or not it has been processed or stockpiled before being abandoned.

□ The Applicant will be required to transport and dispose of all Commercial Waste<sup>2</sup> from the Development Site as a result of the activities generated from this Development to an alternative Landfill Site outside of the Etheridge Shire area that has the capacity to meet the volume of Commercial Waste (i.e. Townsville) as the Waste Facility (landfill) located in the Township of Einasleigh does not have the capacity to meet the estimated increase in volume of Commercial Waste that is to be generated during the construction phase of this development and furthermore Councils current ERA Permit (EPR00239313) has limitations on Council as to the amount of the yearly volume of waste that can be disposed of within Council's four (4) licenced Landfill Facilities.

## 5. BUSHFIRE MANAGEMENT

- □ The Applicant shall ensure the Hydro Storage Facility infrastructure will be designed and constructed to ensure that it is not susceptible to damage from bushfire.
- A Bushfire Management Plan will be prepared in accordance with Part E (4) of State Planning Policy (July 2017) - Assessment Benchmarks – natural hazards, risk and resilience to the satisfaction of Council's Delegated officer.
- The approved use shall comply with the requirements of the Bushfire Management Plan at all times.
- The Applicant shall ensure that the development can be accessed by the Rural Fire Service & Emergency Management Personnel in the event of bushfire, to the satisfaction of that organisation
- 6. SERVICES
  - □ The Applicant shall be responsible for the cost of necessary alterations to existing public utility mains, services or installations required by works in relation to the proposed development or any works required by condition(s) of this approval.
- 7. ROADS INTERNAL (ACCESS ROADS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY)
  - □ The Applicant shall ensure where practicable access and movement within the site/s shall be sited during the period of construction and for the life of the project. The design shall minimize cut and fill, road drainage and soil erosion and interference with natural drainage lines. Care should also be taken to minimise impacts on visual and landscape values and environmentally sensitive areas with final design to the satisfaction of Council's delegated officer.

## 8. ROADS – EXTERNAL (GILBERTON ROAD)

- □ The Developer is to enter into a Road Use Deed of Agreement with Council whereby the Road Use Deed Agreement outlines the agreed activities pertaining to Road and Bridge Assessment requirements under Section 3 of the Agreement; Upgrades or Repairs to Roads and Bridges contained under Section 4 of the Agreement and Road Improvement Works as outlined under Section 5 of the Agreement.
- The Road Use Deed Agreement may need to reviewed and or amended by Council (Assessment Manager) in the event that the Developer lodges any future Development Applications pertaining to the development and construction works associated with future Stages of the Kidston Renewable Energy Hub Project.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> **Commercial waste** consists of **waste** from premises used mainly for the purposes of a **trade** or **business** or for the purpose of sport, recreation, education or entertainment, but excluding household, agricultural or industrial **waste**.

## 9. DECOMMISSIONING OF THE SITE

Prior to the commencement of decommissioning, the Applicant will provide a Decommissioning and Rehabilitation Plan to Council for approval.

MOVED: Cr Bethel

## **SECONDED: Cr Gallagher**

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2431 4/0

## Cr Attwood did not vote on this matter due to a material personal interest.

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Description of the development	The proposed development is for a Material Change of Use (Code Assessment) for Community Infrastructure (Hydro Storage Facility) and Associated Ancillary Infrastructure assessable against a Planning Scheme					
	The proposed development was assessed against the following assessment benchmarks:					
Assessment Benchmarks	<ul> <li>Rural Zone</li> <li>General Development Code</li> <li>Community Infractivity Zone Code</li> </ul>					

- Community Infrastructure Zone Code
- Good Quality Agricultural Land Overlay Code
- □ Bushfire Management Overlay Code (Medium Bushfire Hazard)

Reasons for decision

(list non-compliance items and how they were resolved) The development was assessed against all of the assessment benchmarks listed above and complies with all of these.

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Bethel declared that he has a conflict of interest (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) in Item GMCCS3 as he was involved with works on the below mentioned development. Cr Bethel did not vote on this matter.

## GMCCS3.

**Development Application:** 

A) <u>MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE – IMPACT FOR A 24 BEDROOM</u> <u>ACCOMODATION BUILDINGS IN ASSOCIATION WITH AN EXISTING</u> <u>CARAVAN PARK</u> <u>ON LAND DESCRIBED AS LOT 600 ON E5081 (BAROOTA STREET, EINASLEIGH)</u>

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Gilvear Planning has prepared a planning report on behalf of Surveyor Mining Pty Ltd (the 'applicant') in support of a Development Application to Etheridge Shire Council, seeking a Development Permit for the development of Accommodation Buildings at Copperfield Caravan Park Baroota Street, Einasleigh and described as Lot 600 on E5081 ('the subject site').

It is proposed to develop the site to contain, in addition to the existing caravan park, accommodation buildings providing twenty-four (24) ensuite bedrooms in three relocatable buildings. The buildings would be located in the southern half of the site immediately adjacent the area developed for the purpose of the caravan park. The proposed accommodation units would be used by both business tourists and recreation tourists, including mine workers whose permanent residential address is elsewhere.

The proposal is considered to satisfy the relevant Development Assessment benchmarks and is considered to be a suitable development on the site. The development is consistent in terms of nature of land use, intensity, bulk, form, height and scale to existing development in the locality and would not adversely affect the amenity of the adjoining residential occupiers.

#### RESOLUTION

#### That Council:

In accordance with Section 63(2) of the Planning Act 2016, resolve to approve a Development Application for:

e) Application for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use – Impact Assessment for 24 Bedroom Accommodation Buildings in Association with an existing Caravan Park; on land described as Lot 600 on E5081 situated along Baroota Street, Einasleigh Qld; and Subject the conditions as set out below and included in the Decision Notice Approval:

#### ADMINISTRATION

- The Developer and his employee, agent, contractor or invitee is responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this development approval.
- Where these Conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or to be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by the Council.
- All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed:
  - to Council's satisfaction;
  - at no cost to Council.

- The following further Development Permits must be obtained prior to the commencement of any works associated with their purposes:
  - Building Works
  - Plumbing & Drainage Works
- The development shall be undertaken substantially in accordance with the approved drawings and/or documents and in accordance with the specifications, facts and circumstances as set out in the application submitted to Council.
- The conditions of the Development Permit must be affected prior to Commencement of Use, except where specified otherwise in these conditions of approval.
- The developer shall be responsible for securing a permanent water supply for the development and a permanent potable water supply for the operations of the Caravan Park.

## TIME AND EFFECT

• The Development Approval shall lapse six (6) years after the date the Development Approval takes effect in accordance with the provisions of Section 85 of the Planning Act 2016.

## APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

• The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans and documents, except where amended by any condition of this development approval:

Plan / Document Name	Plan / Document Reference	<u>Dated</u>
Figure 1 – Site Plan Layout	Figure 1	27 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Accommodation Unit Design	Drawing No. 5419-01	27 <sup>th</sup> June 2018

• Where conditions require the above plans or documents to be amended, the revised document(s) must be submitted for approval by Council.

#### **BUSHFIRE MANAGEMENT**

- A Bushfire Management Plan will be prepared in accordance with Part E (4) of State Planning Policy (July 2017) Assessment Benchmarks natural hazards, risk and resilience to the satisfaction of Council's Delegated officer.
- The approved user shall comply with the requirements of the Bushfire Management Plan at all times.
- The Applicant shall ensure that the development can be accessed by the Rural Fire Service & Emergency Management Personnel in the event of bushfire, to the satisfaction of that organisation

## SERVICES

• The Applicant shall be responsible for the cost of necessary alterations to existing public utility mains, services or installations required by works in relation to the proposed development or any works required by condition(s) of this approval.

ROADS - INTERNAL (ACCESS ROADS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY)

• The Applicant shall ensure where practicable access and movement within the site/s shall be sited during the period of construction and for the life of the project. The design shall

minimize cut and fill, road drainage and soil erosion and interference with natural drainage lines. Care should also be taken to minimise impacts on visual and landscape values and environmentally sensitive areas.

#### WASTE BINS & STORAGE AREAS

• The waste bin and storage areas must be screened from view of adjoining properties and road frontages to the satisfaction of the Assessment Manager at all times.

## **BUILDING MATERIAL**

• The exterior of the buildings are to be constructed of materials sympathetic to the surrounding environment and visible surfaces as any flashing, guttering and downpipes are to be of non-reflective and natural colours to the requirements and satisfaction of the Assessment Manager at all times.

## LIGHTING

- All lighting must be designed and constructed so as to ensure that the light emitted from the subject land does not create an environmental nuisance having regard to the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1994 and Environmental Protection Regulation 1988 (Part 2A Environmental Nuisance) to the satisfaction of the Assessment Manager at all times.
- The applicant / owner is to ensure that all night lighting is designed and constructed so as to ensure that the light emitted from the subject land does not create an environmental nuisance having regard to the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1994 and Environmental Protection Regulation 1988 (Part 2A Environmental Nuisance) to the satisfaction of the Assessment Manager at all times.

#### ON-SITE WASTE WATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM

• The applicant / owner must ensure the development is provided an on-site waste water disposal system which is designed and constructed in accordance with the Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code, prior to commencement of the development, to the satisfaction of the Assessment Manager.

#### CAR PARKING

• The applicant/owner will ensure that the development has sufficient car parking spaces within the subject land in accordance with Etheridge Shire Councils Planning Scheme (as amended) – Table 5.11 and also in accordance with the National Construction Code – Building Code of Australia, Section D3.5 Accessible Car Parking.

Table 5.11 – Etheridge Shire Councils Planning Scheme

TABLE 5.11 – NUMBER OF CAR PARKING SPACES REQUIRED	

Purpose					Minimum Number of Parking Spaces
Accommodation Multiple Dwelling		Duplex	Dwelling	and	1 covered space per unit plus 1 space per 10 units or part thereof for visitor parking.

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#### Table D3.5 Car Parking Spaces for People with a Disability

Class of building to which the <i>carpark</i> or carparking area is associated			Number of accessible carparking spaces required		
Clas	s 1b and 3				
(a)	Boarding house, guest house, hostel, lodging house, backpackers	To be calculated by multiplying the total number of carparking spaces by the percentage of—			
	accommodation, or the residential part of a hotel or motel.	(i)	accessible sole-occupancy units to the total number of sole-occupancy units; or		
		(ii)	accessible bedrooms to the total number of bedrooms; and		
			alculated number is to be taken to the next e figure.		
(b)	Residential part of a <i>school</i> , accommodation for the aged, disabled or children, residential part of a <i>health- care building</i> which accommodates members of staff or the residential part of a <i>detention centre</i> .	1 space for every 100 carparking spaces or pa thereof.			

• The applicant/owner will ensure that the car parking facility is spaced and designed in accordance with Etheridge Shire Council Planning Scheme (as amended) – Table 5.10.

Table 5.10 – Etheridge Shire Councils Planning Scheme

Type of Car Parking Space	Clear Minimum Width (metres)	Clear Minimum Length (metres)
Unobstructed, i.e. not contiguous to a wall or obstruction	2.75	6.2
Contiguous to wall or obstruction on one side	2.8	6.2
Contiguous to wall or obstruction on both sides	3.2	6.2

#### WATER

- The applicant/owner will undertake a water test of the existing bore located on the subject land and have the water sample sent to a NATA<sup>3</sup> approved laboratory to ensure that the water is of an acceptable and potable standard, with the applicant / owner providing the results of the water sampling to the Assessment Manager for confirmation.
- In the event that the water testing does not meet the standards contained within the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines 2011, then the applicant / owner will need to provide some form of on-site water treatment to meet the potable drinking standards as defined within the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines 2011.<sup>4</sup>

#### **BUILDING WORKS**

• The applicant/owner will need to demonstrate compliance with the requirements contained within the National Construction Code – Building Code of Australia, and ensure that Part – D3 of the Building Code is addressed and all other relevant sections of the Building Code of Australia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The National Association of Testing Authorities, Australia (NATA) is Australia's national accreditation body for the accreditation of laboratories, inspection bodies, calibration services, producers of certified reference materials and proficiency testing scheme providers throughout Australia. NATA accreditation is formal recognition that facilities produce reliable technical results which increases community confidence and trust in a facility's services, mitigates risk, improves tendering success and facilitates trade.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> When treated reticulated (town) water is not available, an alternative source of water is required; this alternative supply is referred to as a private water supply. If the private water supply is used for drinking, then the water supply is referred to as a private drinking water supply.

Such supplies exist at: Tourist attractions/accommodation businesses (eg: Bed and breakfast businesses that are not connected to town water systems) Under the Public Health Act 2005, local government is responsible for the regulation of private drinking water supplies.

MOVED: Cr Devlin

## SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2432 3/1

Cr Bethel did not vote on this matter due to a conflict of interest.

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Council note that the developer had been advised of the requirement for development approval prior to construction; however made a conscious decision to proceed with construction despite the requirement for development approval and approval can now only be given retrospectively.

## STATEMENT OF REASIONS

Description of the development	The proposed development is for a Material Change of Use (Impact Assessment) for 24 Bedroom Accommodation Buildings in Association with an existing Caravan Park assessable against a Planning Scheme					
Assessment Benchmarks	The proposed development was assessed against the following assessment benchmarks: Rural Zone General Development Code Accommodation Building Code Tourism Code Bushfire Management Overlay Code (Medium Bushfire Hazard)					
Reasons for decision (list non- compliance items and how they were resolved)	The development was assessed against all of the assessment benchmarks listed above and complies with all of these.					

#### GMCCS4.

Concept Plan – Industrial Precinct (West Georgetown)

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

At the May 2018 General Meeting under Resolution No. 2018/GM2341, Request the Chief Executive Officer to obtain quotes to engage the relevant consultant to assist Council with preparing a concept plan for industrial land off the Gulf Development Road west of Georgetown.

Management have been working with the consultant over the past months in the development of a concept plan / master plan for an Industrial Precinct west of Georgetown to support the Gilbert River Irrigation Project, the Cattle Industry, and also the Tourism Industry.

This report provides Council with the first draft Master Plan for the Industrial Precinct and also incorporates high end costs to develop the Plan in its entirety.

#### **RESOLUTION**

That Council: Council notes & receives the Officers report.

**MOVED: Cr Gallagher** 

SECONDED: Cr Barnes

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2433 5/0

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Agreement on the elements of a concept plan will increase Council's prospects of success for future funding opportunities and reflects Council's long term vision for the industrial precinct.

GMCCS5.

Concept Plan – Charleston Recreational Precinct

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As part of the overall Charleston Dam Water Upgrade project, the development of a recreational precinct forms part of the overall Business Plan. Council has been successful in obtaining a grant from the Local Government Grants & Subsidy Program (LGGSP 17-19) to assist Council implement a recreational area at Charleston Dam.

At the June Special Meeting, Council requested that Management provide Council with a concept plan for the Recreational Area.

This report provides a detailed concept / masterplan for the Recreational precinct and costings.

#### RESOLUTION

That Council:

Council receives and endorses the Officers report and authorises the commencement of stage 1 of the Charleston Dam recreation area.

MOVED: Cr Barnes

**SECONDED:** Cr Bethel

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2434 5/0

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

That the concept plan reflects Councils vision for the recreation area at Charleston Dam in line with Councils Unearth Etheridge Campaign and the Corporate Plan.

GMCCS6.

Get Ready QLD 18-19 Funding

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council has been successful in obtaining funding from the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning under the Get Ready Queensland grants program. This funding has to be expended before the end of the 2019 financial year. Direction is sought for use of the funds.

#### RESOLUTION

#### That Council:

Notes and receives the officer's report and furthermore approves the budget and resource considerations to utilise the 2018/19 Get Ready Queensland funding of \$6,780.00 to organise to provide first aid training for community members.

MOVED: Cr Gallagher

#### **SECONDED: Cr Barnes**

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2435 5/0

## **REASONS FOR DECISION**

The activity can be provided within the budget, will create an awareness of the importance of disaster preparedness and will provide the opportunity for interested locals to attain or update their life preservation skills through first aid training.

#### GMES1.

Write off of Stock Item

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Upon inspection of the De-K9 factory baits held in Stores, it was found that the shelf life is no longer valid (they have been in stock since December 2014). The baits were requested by Michael Kitzelmann (former CEO) to Aerial bait the river systems; however, this did not eventuate. Further, oil has now leaked through the bags and the supplier cannot guarantee that the poison will still be viable. Moving forward, it is believed that Council should not keep baits on stock as they can be purchased when required from Georgetown Rural Supplies.

#### **RESOLUTION**

That Council resolves to write off all De-K9 factory baits, valued at \$5058.22 in accordance with the Stocktake Report.

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2436 5/0

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

The baits have become unviable as the shelf life has been exceeded and oil has leaked through the bags. Baits can now be purchased from Georgetown Rural Supplies.

#### GMCCS7.

Staff Break Up & Community Christmas Party

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report outlines the amended budget for the Council Staff Break Up and Community Christmas Party as per Council's request at the August 2018 General Meeting.

#### RESOLUTION

That Council: Notes and receives the officer's report and furthermore approves the amended budget. MOVED: Cr Barnes

## **SECONDED: Cr Bethel**

#### CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2437 5/0

## **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Council is responding to community expectations for a community Christmas celebration.

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Ms Anna Christensen, Executive Assistant, declared that she has a conflict of interest in Item GMCCS8 as the Secretary of the Georgetown Horse and Pony Club and chose not to be present during discussions on GMCCS8.

Ms Christensen dealt with this conflict of interest by leaving the meeting 11:36am while this matter was discussed and returned to the meeting after voting at 11:40am.

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Bethel declared that he has a conflict of interest in Item GMCCS8 as the President of the Georgetown All Sports and was not to be present during discussions on GMCCS8. Cr Bethel did not vote on this matter.

Cr Bethel dealt with this conflict of interest by leaving the meeting 11:36am while this matter was discussed and returned to the meeting after voting at 11:40am.

#### GMCCS8.

Request Lease over Part of the Recreation Reserve (Lot 18 on CP850073) – Georgetown Horse & Pony Club Inc.

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has received a written request from the Georgetown Horse & Pony Club Inc. seeking Councils assistance for the following:

- 1. To have the trustee lease transferred for the Georgetown Recreational Reserve from the Georgetown All-Sports Association to the Georgetown Horse & Pony Club Inc. to allow the Association to apply for Grant Funding;
- 2. Provide the Association with a letter of support for their Grant Application;
- 3. Provide the Association with financial assistance through the Georgetown Infrastructure Fund as part of their pending grant application for improvements to their infrastructure

#### RESOLUTION

That Council support:

- 1. The preparation of a new Trustee Lease for the Georgetown Horse & Pony Club Inc. over Part of Lot 18 on CP850073 (Recreation Reserve) for a term of 5 years with an option to renew for a further term of 5 years;
- 2. The grant application by the Georgetown Horse & Pony Club Inc; and
- 3. Endorse the transfer of \$10,000 to the Georgetown Infrastructure Fund following notification to Council that the Georgetown Horse & Pony Club Inc. that their grant application was successful.

MOVED: Cr Gallagher

SECONDED: Cr Barnes

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Council is responding to community expectations for upgraded facilities at the Georgetown Recreation area.

#### GMCCS9.

Financial Performance (Actual v Budget) for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

It is a statutory requirement under Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 that the Chief Executive Officer must present a Financial Report of its accounts to the Local Government at least monthly.

#### RESOLUTION

That Council:

Resolve to adopt the monthly Financial Report which incorporates the monthly statutory financial statements (Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position & Statement of Cashflows) pursuant to and in accordance with Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the period ending 31 August 2018.

**MOVED: Cr Gallagher** 

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2439 5/0

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 states that the Chief Executive Officer must present a Financial Report of its accounts to the Local Government and furthermore that the financial statements must be presented if the local government holds its ordinary meetings monthly or less frequently to each meeting and the Financial Report presented to a meeting must be for the period of the financial year up to a day as near as practicable to the end of the previous month.

GMCCS10.

Internal Audit – Fraud Management Framework Audit

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with and pursuant to S.207 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 it clearly states that each local government must establish an efficient and effective internal audit function.

The role of internal audit is to provide independent assurance that an organisation's risk management, governance and internal control processes are operating effectively.

Council's Internal Auditor has completed their audit on Council's Fraud Management Framework and has provided Council with their audit findings. Council has provided the Auditor with Management Responses to areas identified within the internal audit for improvement.

As a result of the Internal Audit, Management have implemented a number of new policies, procedures, registers in response to the audit improvements plan pertaining to the Fraud Management Framework Audit.

This report details the findings of the audit and also incorporates the new Policies, Procedures, & registers for Council's adoption.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Resolve to endorse the Internal Auditors Report on Etheridge Shire Councils Fraud Management Framework and furthermore that Council endorse the actions taken by Management to implement the Improvement Plan and furthermore that Council adopt the following Policies, Procedures and Forms:

- 1. Etheridge Shire Councils Conflict of Interest Policy, Procedures & Forms;
- 2. Etheridge Shire Councils Gifts & Benefits Policy, & Forms;

And furthermore that Council adopt the reviewed Policies & Procedures for:

- 1. Etheridge Shire Council Related Party Disclosure Policy;
- 2. Etheridge Shire Council Fraud & Corruption Management Policy & Framework;
- 3. Etheridge Shire Council Enterprise Risk Management Policy & Framework and Risk Register pertaining to Fraud & Corruption

MOVED: Cr Devlin

SECONDED: Cr Barnes

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2440 5/0

## **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Governance is an important concept and impacts on council as a whole and on all sectors of the community. The practice of good governance is increasingly seen as critical for ensuring that:

- the organisation meets legal and ethical compliance
- decisions are made in the interests of stakeholders
- the organisation behaves as a good corporate citizen should.

Good governance encompasses authority, accountability, stewardship, leadership, direction and control. It allows our council to evaluate, direct and monitors its activities.

## GMCCS11.

Closure of Shire Offices, Depot Administration, Workshop, Outside Work Crews, Town Crews, Terrestrial Centre & Little Gems Children's Centre between Christmas and New Year

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each year council has closed the Shire operations over the Christmas and New Year period to allow staff to enjoy the festive season with family and friends, in appreciation of the dedication to Council throughout the year.

#### RESOLUTION

## That Council:

Endorses the closure of:

- the Shire and Depot Administration Offices, Terrestrial Centre, Little gems Childcare Centre, Town Crews and Workshop from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2018 to 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019 with the return to work date being Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019;
- the Road and RMPC Crews from end of shift Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018 to 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 with the return to work date being Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019,

Subject to appropriate on call arrangements with senior staff being put into place for emergency matters.

MOVED: Cr Gallagher

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2441 5/0

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

The closure of Council over the Christmas and New Year period has been a consistent decision of Council to recognise the dedication and work that has been undertaken throughout the year by its employees.

#### GMCCS12.

Vacant Land – Agistment Purposes (Georgetown)

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has approved the use of several unoccupied vacant allotments within the Georgetown Township for the purpose of agistment based on applications received from members of the public over the past years. Council is in receipt of an application from a resident of the community seeking the approval to lease an area for the sole purpose of agistment of horses.

This report identifies current land under agistment plus any vacant land that Council has available and deemed suitable for the purpose of agistment.

#### RESOLUTION

#### That Council:

Notes and receives the Officer's report and furthermore approves the lease (via a Permit to Occupy) for a 12 month term subject to the following conditions:

- 1. the area will need to be fenced with a stock proof fence;
- 2. the area will need to be maintained in accordance with Council's Pest Management Plan;
- 3. the purpose of the "Permit to Occupy" is for grazing;
- 4. no other use will be permitted;
- 5. any infrastructure placed on the defined area within part of Lot 7 on SP206970 must not be of a permanent nature;
- 6. if the subject allotment is developed by council in the future then the Permit of Occupy will be terminated with council providing sufficient time for the holder of the Permit to Occupy to remove any infrastructure and to relocate any livestock on the defined area;
- 7. term of the Permit to Occupy 1 year with an option to renew at expiry.
- 8. The Permit is non-transferrable to another party

**MOVED: Cr Gallagher** 

SECONDED: Cr Barnes

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2442 5/0

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

The leasing of the said allotment is consistent with previous decisions of Council to lease out vacant land under Council control.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

## Cr Gallagher

- Requested that a noticeboard be installed outside the Council office and that a notice be displayed on the Contractors that earn over \$200,000 on the board, pursuant to section 237 of the Local Government Regulations 2012.
- Received a request from Kevin Young to fix the access road into Dells Hole.

## MOTION:

That Council request that a lockable noticeboard be installed outside the Council office and that a notice be displayed in this noticeboard of the Contractor arrangements over \$200,000.

**MOVED:** Cr Gallagher

#### SECONDED: Cr Devlin

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM 2/2

Cr Bethel declared a conflict of interest, as a contractor for Council.

Cr Attwood used his casting vote to vote to defeat this motion.

#### Cr Barnes

- Discussed the blackspot program and Councils choices for the application.

#### **RESOLUTION:**

That Council request an application be made for the blackspot funding program for the following areas in the Shire:

- 1. Einasleigh
- 2. The Lynd.

MOVED: Cr Barnes

**SECONDED: Cr Gallagher** 

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2443 5/0

## Cr Bethel

- Discussed the purchases of a Mower and Prime Mover.

#### **RESOLUTION:**

That Council resolves, subject to a satisfactory inspection to accept the following quote for the supply of a new Ferris Mower, as specified in the quotation documentation previously provided to Council

Plant	Item for Trade	Recommended Tender	Purchase Price
	Ferris IS51008 Gravely 260	TCC Parts and Smash Repairs Pty Ltd	\$27,272.73 (incl GST)

**MOVED: Cr Barnes** 

**SECONDED: Cr Bethel** 

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2444 5/0

#### **RESOLUTION:**

That Council requests a report on the purchase of an appropriate prime mover to tow a float that will be utilised for the purpose of moving Council plant throughout the Shire.

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2445 5/0

## Cr Attwood

- Discussed the 50 year centenary of the Georgetown Student Hostel.
- Requested that an application be made for the area on top of the hill at the Forsayth-Georgetown road entrance into Georgetown near the water tank be made into a designated drinking area.

#### Cr Devlin

- Discussed the guard rail being installed on Newcastle Range and the recent death of a motorcycle rider.

## ATTENDANCE

Cr Devlin left the meeting at 12:27pm and did not return.

Members of the Gallery left the meeting at 12:27pm and did not return.

#### SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

#### MOTION:

That Council suspends standing orders at 12:27pm.

MOVED: Cr Barnes

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2446 <u>4/0</u>

## ATTENDANCE

Ms Anna Christensen, Executive Assistant left the meeting at 12:27pm and returned at 12:50pm.

#### CLOSURE OF MEETING

#### MOTION:

That in accordance with Section 275(1) (d), (e) and (h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following matters;

- Proposal to Purchase Lot 134 on G1884 & Lot 2 on RP700335 situated in St George Street, Georgetown
- Tender No. ESC2018-005 (Management of the Einasleigh Town Common)
- Rate Arrears Payment.

**MOVED:** Cr Gallagher

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2447 4/0

#### **RESUMPTION OF MEETING**

#### MOTION:

That Council re-open the meeting to the public at 12:50pm.

MOVED: Cr Barnes

#### SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2448 4/0

## CONSIDERATION OF CLOSED REPORTS

GMCCS13.

Proposal to Purchase Lot 134 on G1884 & Lot 2 on RP700335 situated in St George Street, Georgetown

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In August 2012, Council advertised for Expressions of Interest for the purchase and development of Lot 134 on G1884 and Lot 2 on RP700335 situated along St George Street, Georgetown based on community interest.

Council received no Expressions of Interest for the said allotments from the community or wider market and has not received any additional interest from any potential developers since this time.

However, Council has received a written proposal dated 12<sup>th</sup> August 2018 from an interested party expressing a real interest in purchasing and developing the said allotments within a 12 month time frame.

#### RESOLUTION

That Council:

Resolve to place the allotments described as Lot 134 on G1884 and Lot 2 on RP700335 and other surplus vacant residential land owned by Council for sale by Public Auction, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That the successful purchaser must have in place within 6 months of the sale date the appropriate Town Planning Approvals and Building & Plumbing Approvals;
- 2. That the successful purchaser must have commenced construction of the approved infrastructure within 12 months of the sale date;
- 3. If the successful purchaser fails to undertake the above conditions (1 & 2), Council will enter into a Buy Back Arrangement for the land at the same price that the land was sold for (under a Buy Back Agreement) with Council placing a Caveat over the allotments for the sole purpose of its Buy Back Arrangement.

Council also requests that the Chief Executive Officer inform Council on all remaining vacant allotments in all townships.

MOVED: Cr Barnes

#### SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2449 <u>4/0</u>

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

The reasons for the decision were discussed in closed session and disclosure may prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

#### GMCCS14.

Tender No. ESC2018-005 - (Management of the Einasleigh Town Common)

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has been trustee of the land commonly known as the Einasleigh Common which takes into account several different allotments and reserve tenures.

In 2013, Council resolved to place the management of the Einasleigh Common out for Tender for an agreed term of five (5) years. This management agreement expired as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018, however Council resolved to extend the agreement until the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 or until Council awards the new Tender for the Management of the Common.

Council met with the community of Einasleigh on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018 to discuss the future requirements and management of the Town Common.

At the Council Meeting dated 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018, Council resolved to place the Management of the Einasleigh Common out for Tender, with the Tender closing on the 17<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

#### RESOLUTION

#### That Council:

Resolve to award Tender ESC2018-005 (Management of the Einasleigh Town Common) for a term of 5 years to Tenderer Einasleigh Rodeo Committee subject to the Tenderer entering into a Trustee Lease and providing Council with the appropriate Insurances, including quarterly reporting.

MOVED: Cr Bethel

#### **SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2450 3/1

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

The reasons for the decision were discussed in closed session and disclosure may prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

#### GMCCS15.

**Rate Arrears Payment** 

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 Council: -

- 1. must make and levy general rates (which includes determining differential general rates and minimum general rates); and
- 2. may also levy separate rates and charges. special rates and charges and utility charges

to assist in funding the operation and maintenance of Council services and facilities. Where possible, Council will endeavour to base all rates and charges on a full cost recovery basis.

Council will exercise its rate recovery powers in order to reduce the overall rate burden on ratepayers. It will be guided by the principles of:

- transparency by making clear the obligations of ratepayers and the processes used by Council in assisting them meet their financial obligations
- making the processes used to recover outstanding rates and charges clear, simple to administer and cost effective
- equity by having regard to providing the same treatment for ratepayers with similar circumstances
- flexibility by responding where necessary to changes in the local economy.

#### RESOLUTION

## That Council:

Resolve to waive the accumulated penalty interest from 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018 to 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018 amounting to \$764.75 against assessment number 00496-0.

**MOVED:** Cr Barnes

#### **SECONDED: Cr Gallagher**

CARRIED RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2451 3/0

Cr Bethel declared a conflict of interest and did not vote on this matter.

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

The reasons for the decision were discussed in closed session and involved rating concessions.

CONCLUSION

There being no further business the Acting Chair declared the Meeting closed at 1:02pm.

These minutes will be confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

MAYOR

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