



MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

10 July 2023

**MINUTES OF KYOGLE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE KYOGLE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, STRATHEDEN STREET, KYOGLE
ON MONDAY, 10 JULY 2023 AT 2PM**

PRESENT: Cr Kylie Thomas (Mayor), Cr Tom Cooper (Deputy Mayor), Cr Danielle Mulholland, Cr Janet Wilson, Cr Maggie May, Cr Hayden Doolan, Cr Robert Cullen (via teleconference), Cr James Murray

IN ATTENDANCE: The General Manager, Director Assets and Infrastructure, Director Planning and Community Development, Executive Manager Corporate Services, Executive Assistant to the Director Assets and Infrastructure

1 OPEN MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 2pm and advised those present that the meeting was being webcast – the meetings are recorded and the recording is then uploaded to Council’s website. As such, all speakers at the meeting are advised to refrain from making any defamatory statements or comments. Council accepts no liability for any damage that may result from defamatory statements made by anyone speaking at the meeting. All liability rests with the individual making the comments.

2 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Councillor John Burley submitted an apology for the meeting and sought a leave of absence.

APOLOGY

RESOLVED CO/0723/1

Moved by Cr Danielle Mulholland, seconded by Cr Maggie May

That the apology received from Cr John Burley be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

MOTION

RESOLVED CO/0723/2

Moved by Cr Maggie May, seconded by Cr Danielle Mulholland

That Council permit Cr Robert Cullen to attend today’s meeting via video conferencing.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

3 OPENING PRAYER

The Mayor read the opening prayer.

4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional lands of the Bundjalung people and acknowledged Elders, past, present, and emerging.

5 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cr Danielle Mulholland declared a non-pecuniary interest in the following item:

- Item 9.2- Notice of Motion – Cr Danielle Mulholland: Purchase of Bonalbo Op Shop due to being Patron of Bonalbo CWA.

6 PUBLIC FORUM**7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES****7.1 COUNCIL REPORT - 13 JUNE 2023****RESOLVED CO/0723/3**

Moved by Cr Danielle Mulholland, seconded by Cr Maggie May

That Council confirms the minutes of the Council meeting of 13 June 2023.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

8 MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

9 NOTICES OF MOTION

9.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR KYLIE THOMAS: VOICE TO PARLIAMENT

MOTION

Moved by Cr Kylie Thomas, seconded by Cr Maggie May

That Council accepts the invitation of the First Nations People to walk with them by supporting the YES vote in the referendum to establish a Voice to parliament enshrined in the constitution.

AMENDMENT

Moved by Cr Maggie May, seconded by Cr Janet Wilson

1. That Council accepts the invitation of the First Nations People to walk with them by supporting the YES vote in the referendum to establish a Voice to parliament enshrined in the constitution.
2. That Council endorses the referendum on Creating an Aboriginal Voice to Parliament by providing information to the community in the Council newsletter and website, and takes opportunities to partner with agencies, local Aboriginal elders and community in presenting information on the Referendum to community members.

FORESHADOWED MOTION

Moved by Cr Kylie Thomas, seconded by Cr Tom Cooper

Cr Kylie Thomas foreshadowed a motion

That Council accepts the invitation of the First Nations People to walk with them by supporting the referendum by providing information to the community in the Council newsletter and website, and takes opportunities to partner with agencies, local Aboriginal elders and community in presenting information on the Referendum to community members.

The amendment was dealt with before the foreshadowed motion and was put to the vote.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE – Crs Tom Cooper, Danielle Mulholland, Janet Wilson, Maggie May, Hayden Doolan, And Robert Cullen

AGAINST VOTE – Crs Kylie Thomas And James Murray

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

The amendment then became the motion.

RESOLVED CO/0723/4

Moved by Cr Maggie May, seconded by Cr Janet Wilson

1. That Council accepts the invitation of the First Nations People to walk with them by supporting the YES vote in the referendum to establish a Voice to parliament enshrined in the constitution.
2. That Council endorses the referendum on Creating an Aboriginal Voice to Parliament by providing information to the community in the Council newsletter and website, and takes opportunities to partner with agencies, local Aboriginal elders and community in presenting information on the Referendum to community members.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Crs Tom Cooper, Danielle Mulholland, Janet Wilson, Maggie May, Hayden Doolan and Robert Cullen

AGAINST VOTE - Crs Kylie Thomas and James Murray

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

With the adoption of the motion, the foreshadowed motion lapsed.

9.2 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR DANIELLE MULHOLLAND: PURCHASE OF BONALBO OP SHOP

RESOLVED CO/0723/5

Moved by Cr Danielle Mulholland, seconded by Cr Tom Cooper

That Council investigates the offer by the Uniting Church to transfer the title and subsequent ownership of the old Bonalbo Op Shop to Council for \$1 pending a satisfactory building inspection by qualified Council staff.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

10 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

Nil

11 REPORTS FROM DELEGATES

11.1 CLIMATE CHANGE WORKING GROUP MEETINGS - 6 MARCH 2023 AND 1 MAY 2023

RESOLVED CO/0723/6

Moved by Cr Maggie May, seconded by Cr Danielle Mulholland

1. That Council receives and notes the report on the Climate Change Working Group Meetings held 6 March 2023 and 1 May 2023.
2. That Council undertakes an assessment of alternative fuel, hybrid, and EV vehicles to provide advice to Council on the opportunities and barriers for Council to begin the transition to purchase EV and hybrid driven fleet and plant.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE – Crs Kylie Thomas, Tom Cooper, Danielle Mulholland, Janet Wilson, Maggie May, Hayden Doolan and Robert Cullen

AGAINST VOTE – Cr James Murray

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

11.2 AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2023**RESOLVED CO/0723/7**

Moved by Cr Maggie May, seconded by Cr Robert Cullen

1. That Council receives and notes the report from delegates to the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association held 13 June 2023.
2. That Council investigates the possibility of forming a sister town relationship with a suitable town in Ukraine.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Crs Kylie Thomas, Tom Cooper, Danielle Mulholland, Maggie May, Hayden Doolan, Robert Cullen and James Murray

AGAINST VOTE - Cr Janet Wilson

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

12 INFORMATION REPORTS**12.1 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT - JUNE 2023****RESOLVED CO/0723/8**

Moved by Cr Danielle Mulholland, seconded by Cr James Murray

That Council receives and notes the information contained in the report, *Monthly Finance Report – June 2023*.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

12.2 WORKS PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT - JUNE 2023**RESOLVED CO/0723/9**

Moved by Cr Hayden Doolan, seconded by Cr Tom Cooper

That Council receives and notes the information contained in the report, *Works Program Progress Report – June 2023*.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

12.3 ROUS COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT REPORTING**RESOLVED CO/0723/10**

Moved by Cr Janet Wilson, seconded by Cr Hayden Doolan

That Council receives and notes the report *Rous County Council Service Level Reporting*.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

13 STAFF REPORTS**13.1 WOODENBONG CBD MASTER PLAN - ADOPTION****RESOLVED CO/0723/11**

Moved by Cr Janet Wilson, seconded by Cr Danielle Mulholland

1. That Council receives and notes the contents of the report *Woodenbong CBD Master Plan – Adoption*;
2. That Council adopts the Woodenbong CBD Master Plan, subject to the final revision to retain the existing parking arrangements in front of the hall.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

13.2 CHILD PROTECTION POLICY REVIEW**RESOLVED CO/0723/12**

Moved by Cr Janet Wilson, seconded by Cr Danielle Mulholland

1. That Council receives and notes the report, Child Protection Policy Review;
2. That Council adopts the attached Child Protection Policy.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

13.3 COUNCIL-RELATED DEVELOPMENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY - ADOPTION

RESOLVED CO/0723/13

Moved by Cr Janet Wilson, seconded by Cr Danielle Mulholland

1. That Council receives and notes the report *Council-Related Development Conflict of Interest Policy - Adoption*;
2. That Council adopts the Council-Related Development Conflict of Interest Policy.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr John Burley

Cr Kylie Thomas called for a division under Section 735A of the Local Government Act 1993, which requires a division to be called whenever a planning decision is put at a Council or committee meeting.

For	Against
Cr Kylie Thomas	
Cr Maggie May	
Cr Janet Wilson	
Cr Danielle Mulholland	
Cr Hayden Doolan	
Cr Tom Cooper	
Cr James Murray	
Cr Robert Cullen	

14 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil

15 QUESTIONS FOR NEXT ORDINARY MEETING

Nil

16 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS PAPER

Nil

17 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 3:55pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 14 August 2023.

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CHAIRPERSON