



MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

8 July 2024

**MINUTES OF KYOGLE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE KYOGLE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, STRATHEDEN STREET, KYOGLE
ON MONDAY, 8 JULY 2024 AT 2PM**

PRESENT: Cr Kylie Webster (Mayor), Cr Tom Cooper (Deputy Mayor), Cr Danielle Mulholland, Cr John Burley, Cr Janet Wilson, Cr Maggie May (via audio/video conferencing), Cr Hayden Doolan (via audio/video conferencing), Cr Robert Cullen, Cr James Murray

IN ATTENDANCE: Acting General Manager, Executive Manager Corporate Services, Manager Infrastructure Works, Finance Manager, Executive Assistant to the General Manager.

1 OPEN MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting at 2pm and advised those present that the meeting was being webcast (meetings are recorded and the recording is then uploaded to Council's website). The Mayor cautioned anyone speaking at the meeting to refrain from making defamatory statements or comments. The Mayor advised everyone at the meeting that Council accepted no responsibility for any damages 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

Councillors Maggie May and Hayden Doolan submitted requests to attend the meeting via audio/video conferencing because of work commitments.

2.1 ATTENDANCE AT MEETING VIA AUDIO VIDEO CONFERENCING

RESOLVED CO/0724/1

Moved by Cr Danielle Mulholland, seconded by Cr Robert Cullen

That Council permit Councillors Maggie May (work commitments) and Hayden Doolan (work commitments) to attend the meeting via audio-video conferencing.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Crs Kylie Webster, Tom Cooper, Danielle Mulholland, John Burley, Janet Wilson, Hayden Doolan, Robert Cullen and James Murray

ABSENT DID NOT VOTE - Cr Maggie May

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.

Mayor Cr Kylie Webster advised the meeting that she had withdrawn Item 11.1 Delegates Report General Manager's Recruitment and Review Subcommittee.

5 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Nil

6 PUBLIC FORUM

Mr Ross Brown spoke to Item 10.1 Questions With Notice, specifically Cr Janet Wilson's question on the appointment of a general manager.

Cr Maggie May joined the meeting at 2.09pm.

Ms Lindy Worgan spoke in favour of Item 11.3 – Delegate's Report: Cr Janet Wilson – Arts Northern Rivers – New Policy Direction In Arts and Culture.

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**7.1 COUNCIL REPORT - 11 JUNE 2024****RESOLVED CO/0724/2**

Moved by Cr John Burley, seconded by Cr Tom Cooper

That Council receives and notes the minutes of the Council meeting of 11 June 2024.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

8 MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

9 NOTICES OF MOTION**9.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR JOHN BURLEY: KOALA SANCTUARY****RESOLVED CO/0724/3**

Moved by Cr John Burley, seconded by Cr Janet Wilson

That Council investigate the feasibility of establishing a koala sanctuary (or other form of protected reserve) within the land recently purchased by council at Fairy Mount whilst not compromising the previously identified public access aspirations for the land, and commit to further public consultation on the future use and management options for the site.

CARRIED

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

AGAINST VOTE - Cr James Murray

10 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

10.1 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

RESOLVED CO/0724/4

Moved by Cr Danielle Mulholland, seconded by Cr Janet Wilson

That Council receives and notes the report, *Questions With Notice*.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

11 REPORTS FROM DELEGATES

**11.1 DELEGATE'S REPORT - CR KYLIE WEBSTER: GENERAL MANAGER'S
RECRUITMENT AND REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE**

WITHDRAWN

**11.2 DELEGATE'S REPORT - CR ROB CULLEN: AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT
COMMITTEE**

RESOLVED CO/0724/5

Moved by Cr Robert Cullen, seconded by Cr Tom Cooper

That Council receives and notes Cr Cullen's Delegate's Report on the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

11.3 DELEGATE'S REPORT: CR JANET WILSON - ARTS NORTHERN RIVERS - NEW POLICY DIRECTION IN ARTS AND CULTURE**RESOLVED CO/0724/6**

Moved by Cr Janet Wilson, seconded by Cr Danielle Mulholland

That Council:

1. Advise Arts Northern Rivers that their continued support to Kyogle LGA through local experiences for creative practitioners and the creative industries is valued, and that continued engagement with the Kyogle LGA is important;
2. Congratulates Arts Kyogle on their commitment to reinvigorating arts and creative industries by engaging with local practitioners and groups to contribute to the local community economy through activities which support local business by creating a vibrant environment for Kyogle as a destination for visitors and local residents.
3. Refer the matter of Arts Kyogle becoming an advisory body to Council to the incoming council in September, with a view to providing a delegate to Arts Kyogle.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

12 INFORMATION REPORTS**12.1 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT - JUNE 2024****RESOLVED CO/0724/7**

Moved by Cr Danielle Mulholland, seconded by Cr Janet Wilson

That Council receives and notes the information contained in the report, *Monthly Finance Report – June 2024*.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

Cr Maggie May left the meeting at 3.09pm.

12.2 WORKS PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT - JUNE 2024**RESOLVED CO/0724/8**

Moved by Cr Tom Cooper, seconded by Cr Robert Cullen

That Council receives and notes the information contained in the report, *Works Program Progress Report – June 2024*.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Crs Kylie Webster, Tom Cooper, Danielle Mulholland, John Burley, Janet Wilson, Hayden Doolan, Robert Cullen and James Murray

ABSENT DID NOT VOTE - Cr Maggie May

13 STAFF REPORTS

Nil

14 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

15 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS PAPER

Nil

16 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 3.14pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 12 August 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON