



## **MEETING OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Tuesday 29 June 2021

3:00pm

Community Hub

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Councillors

Liesbeth Long

Gerard Murphy

Wayne Sproull

Geoff Lovett

Grace La Vella

Chris Meddows-Taylor (Mayor)

Anna de Villiers

Confirmed at the Council Meeting

Held on 27 July 2021

# CONFIRMED MINUTES

## 1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING AND WELCOME

The meeting commenced at 3.00pm  
The Mayor, Cr Meddows-Taylor welcomed everybody.

### PRESENT

#### Councillors

Chris Meddows-Taylor (Mayor)  
Liesbeth Long  
Gerard Murphy  
Wayne Sproull  
Grace La Vella  
Geoff Lovett  
Anna de Villiers

### IN ATTENDANCE

#### Officers

Acting Chief Executive Officer, Rebecca Stockfeld  
General Manager Corporate Performance, Mick Smith  
Acting General Manager Community Wellbeing, Emma Little

## 2. APOLOGIES

Nil

## 3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

## 4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

## 5.

Council purported to pass a motion to add an item to the agenda but this motion was not required as the item was included in the notice of meeting.

## 6. OFFICER REPORTS

### 6.1 COUNCILLOR AND MAYORAL ALLOWANCES

The purpose of this report is for to set the annual allowances for Councillors and the Mayor in accordance with section 74(1) of the 1989 Act that requires Council determine the level of the allowances by 30 June 2021.

At the Council Meeting on 25 May 2021 it was agreed to give notice pursuant to section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* of its intention to set the annual allowances for Councillors and the Mayor and to seek public submissions on the proposed allowances. No submissions were received.

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## Council Resolution

*That Council*

1. Set the annual allowances for Councillors and the Mayor as follows:

- Councillors: \$21,049
- Mayor: \$62,884

*with the intention to adjust the above allowances in accordance with any adjustment factor determined by the Minister until such time as the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal has made a determination under the Local Government Act 2020.*

2. Note that there were no submissions made with respect to the review of Councillor and Mayoral allowances following conclusion of the public submission process.

**Moved**      **Cr Sproull**  
**Seconded**    **Cr La Vella**

**Cr La Vella spoke to the motion.**

**CARRIED**

## 6.2 ADOPTION OF REVENUE AND RATING PLAN 2021-2025

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider and adopt the Rating & Revenue Strategy.

## Council Resolution

*That Council*

1) *adopts the Revenue and Rating Strategy 2021-25*

2) *undertakes a further review of rating differentials during 2021-22*

**Moved**      **La Vella**  
**Seconded**    **Long**

**Cr Meddows-Taylor spoke to the motion.**

**CARRIED**

## 6.3 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE SHAPING CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS ADVISORY GROUP

At the April Council Meeting, Council adopted the Shaping Central Goldfields Engagement Plan including a model for deliberative engagement which was developed in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Policy (adopted at the February Council Meeting).

Following the recent Circuit Breaker lockdown (COVID-19 restrictions) it became clear that a more flexible and resilient deliberative engagement model was needed in a COVID-19 recovery context.

The Shaping Central Goldfields Community Advisory Group is a proven model which most councils across Victoria are using to meet their statutory requirements

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for deliberative engagement. The model can be delivered in person or online should this be required.

### **Council Resolution**

**That Council note the process for the Shaping Central Goldfields Advisory Group**

**Moved Cr Long**  
**Seconded Cr De Villiers**

**Cr de Villiers spoke to the motion.**

**CARRIED**

### **Council Resolution**

That Council move in-camera to discuss the confidential information in the attachment, that the information is confidential due to it containing personal information, being information which if released would result in the unreasonable disclosure of information about any person or their personal affairs.

**Moved Cr Murphy**  
**Seconded Cr Lovett**

**CARRIED**

### **Council Resolution**

That the 20 people listed in the confidential minute are appointed to the Shaping Central Goldfields Community Advisory Group.

**Moved Cr Murphy**  
**Seconded Cr Lovett**

**Cr Murphy spoke to the motion.**

**CARRIED**

### **Council Resolution**

That Council go out of camera.

**Moved Cr de Villiers**  
**Seconded Cr Long**

**CARRIED**

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### 14 MEETING CLOSURE

The Chair, Cr Meddows-Taylor declared the meeting closed at 3:53pm.



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