

MEETING OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday 28 June 2022 6:00pm Meeting held in person

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 26 July 2022

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING AND WELCOME

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm
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

Chief Executive Officer, Lucy Roffey Acting General Manager Infrastructure Assets and Planning, Alan Jones General Manager Community Wellbeing, Emma Little General Manager Corporate Performance, Mick Smith

2. APOLOGIES

Nil

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Murphy declared conflict of interest for Item 8.7 Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Funding - Progress Update

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

To present for confirmation the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 May 2022.

Mayor declared minutes are confirmed with corrections made to two absences.

6. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Nil

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7. PETITIONS

Nil

8. OFFICER REPORTS

8.1. MAY FINANCIAL REPORT 2022

The purpose of this report is to advise Council on its financial performance for the year to date, how it is tracking against the adopted budget as well as updated forecast.

Council Resolution

That Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the attached Finance Report for the period to 31 May 2022.
- 2. Council notes an update to the year end forecast, an operating surplus of \$7.5m and capital works program of \$15.4m

Moved Cr Murphy Seconded Cr Lovett

Cr Murphy spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

8.2. RATING AND REVENUE PLAN - 2022/23 UPDATE

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider amendments to the Rating Revenue Plan and adopt the updated plan.

Council Resolution

That Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the amendments to the attached Rating and Revenue Plan for the 2022/23 financial year; and
- 2. Adopts the updated Rating and Revenue Plan

Moved Cr Sproull Seconded Cr Long

Cr Sproull spoke to the motion.

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CARRIED

8.3. BUDGET FEEDBACK

The purpose of this report is to table the feedback which has been received from the community following the Budget Feedback consultation period.

Council Resolution

That Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the community feedback on the 2022/23 budget
- 2. Council provides responses directly to those who have provided contact details, and

for others, includes responses in the report.

Moved Cr de Villiers Seconded Cr La Vella

Crs de Villiers, Cr La Vella and Meddows-Taylor spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

8.4. CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS SHIRE COUNCIL BUDGET 2022/23

The purpose of this report is to provide Council a finalised budget for the 2022/23 financial year.

Council Resolution

That Council:

- 1. Thanks all submitters for providing feedback on the draft 2022/23 draft Budget;
- 2. Notes that the 2022/23 Budget has been prepared in accordance with Section 94 of the Local Government Act 2020; and
- 3. Having considered all the submissons received on the draft 2022/23 Budget, pursuant to Section 94 of the Local Government Act 2020 adopts the 2022/23 Budget in Attachment 1.

Moved Cr Lovett Seconded Cr Murphy

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Cr Lovett, Cr Murphy spoke to the motion. Cr Meadows-Taylor acknowledged the work of the Officers involved in the budget.

CARRIED

8.5. CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

The purpose of this report is to present the draft Central Goldfields Climate Action Plan 2022-2030 for consideration of adoption by Council. The purpose of the Climate Action Plan is to fulfil Council's responsibility and duty of care and diligence to consider climate risk in their activities under the Climate Change Act 2017 (Vic) and Local Government Act 2020 (Vic).

Council Resolution

That Council:

1. Adopts the Central Goldfields Climate Action Plan 2022-2030

Moved Cr Sproull Seconded Cr Long

Crs Sproull, Long and Meadows-Taylor spoke to the motion. Crs thanked the officers for their work on the plan.

CARRIED

8.6. CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS SHIRE COUNCIL ASSET PLAN

The purpose of this report is for Council to review and consider the Asset Plan for adoption.

Council Resolution

That Council:

1. That Council adopts the Central Goldfields Shire Council Asset Plan

Moved Cr La Vella Seconded Cr de Villiers

Crs La Vella and Murphy spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

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8.7. LOCAL ROADS AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING - PROGRESS UPDATE

Cr Murphy left the chamber at 6:26PM due to declared conflict of interest.

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the status of the projects undertaken through the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Grant for Phase 1 and Phase 2 and provides the project nominations for the Phase 3 of the program

Council Resolution

That Council:

- 1. Note the progress update on the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure funding for Phases 1 & 2;
- 2. Endorse the project nominations for the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure funding for Phase 3.

Moved Cr Long Seconded Cr Sproull

Crs Long and Meadows-Taylor spoke to the motion. Cr Long acknowledged CEO Lucy Roffey and Officers for their work on the project.

CARRIED

Cr Murphy re-entered Council chambers at 6:30pm.

8.8. MARYBOROUGH RETAIL RECOVERY PROGRAM

The purpose of this report is to present the Maryborough Retail Recovery Program to Council for adoption.

Council Resolution

That Council:

- 1. Adopts the Maryborough Retail Recovery Program; and
- 2. Receives a report at a future meeting of Council outlining a proposed implementation plan

Moved Cr La Vella Seconded Cr Lovett

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Crs La Vella, Lovett spoke to the motion. Cr Murphy spoke against the motion.

CARRIED

9 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10 URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

11 OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 ADVOCACY - LETTER TO THE TREASURER

The purpose of this report is for Council to note the letter sent to the Treasurer Hon Tim Pallas following the meeting with the Treasurer on Friday 6 May, advocating for State Government support on a range of issues impacting the Central Goldfields Shire community.

Council Resolution

That Council:

1. Note the letter to the Treasurer Hon Tim Pallas and the issues and projects requiring support from the State Government of Victoria.

Moved Cr Lovett Seconded Cr La Vella

Crs Meddows-Taylor, Lovett, La Vella and Long spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

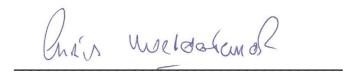
12. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

13 MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 6:48pm.

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