



**TWEED**  
SHIRE COUNCIL

**Mayor:** Cr Kevin Skinner

**Councillors:** B Longland (Deputy Mayor)  
D Holdom  
K Milne  
W Polglase  
J van Lieshout  
P Youngblutt

# Minutes

## **Extraordinary Council Meeting Friday 24 September 2010**

held at Murwillumbah Cultural & Civic Centre  
commencing at 10.00am

### **COUNCIL'S CHARTER**

Tweed Shire Council's charter comprises a set of principles that are to guide Council in the carrying out of its functions, in accordance with Section 8 of the Local Government Act, 1993.

Tweed Shire Council has the following charter:

- to provide directly or on behalf of other levels of government, after due consultation, adequate, equitable and appropriate services and facilities for the community and to ensure that those services and facilities are managed efficiently and effectively;
- to exercise community leadership;
- to exercise its functions in a manner that is consistent with and actively promotes the principles of multiculturalism;
- to promote and to provide and plan for the needs of children;
- to properly manage, develop, protect, restore, enhance and conserve the environment of the area for which it is responsible, in a manner that is consistent with and promotes the principles of ecologically sustainable development;
- to have regard to the long term and cumulative effects of its decisions;
- to bear in mind that it is the custodian and trustee of public assets and to effectively account for and manage the assets for which it is responsible;
- to facilitate the involvement of councillors, members of the public, users of facilities and services and council staff in the development, improvement and co-ordination of local government;
- to raise funds for local purposes by the fair imposition of rates, charges and fees, by income earned from investments and, when appropriate, by borrowings and grants;
- to keep the local community and the State government (and through it, the wider community) informed about its activities;
- to ensure that, in the exercise of its regulatory functions, it acts consistently and without bias, particularly where an activity of the council is affected;
- to be a responsible employer.

The Meeting commenced at 10am.

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Cr K Skinner (Mayor), Cr B Longland (Deputy Mayor), Cr D Holdom, Cr K Milne, Cr W Polglase, Cr J van Lieshout and Cr P Youngblutt.

Also present were Mr Mike Rayner (General Manager), Mr Troy Green (Director Technology & Corporate Services), Mr Patrick Knight (Director Engineering & Operations), Mr Vince Connell (Director Planning & Regulation), Mr David Oxenham (Director Community & Natural Resources), Mr Neil Baldwin (Manager Corporate Governance/Public Officer) and Mrs Meredith Smith (Minutes Secretary).

### **ABORIGINAL STATEMENT**

The Mayor acknowledged the Bundjalung Aboriginal Nation with the following statement::

*"We wish to recognise the generations of the local Aboriginal people of the Bundjalung Nation who have lived in and derived their physical and spiritual needs from the forests, rivers, lakes and streams of this beautiful valley over many thousands of years as the traditional owners and custodians of these lands."*

### **PRAYER**

The meeting opened with a Prayer by the Mayor.

### **APOLOGIES**

Cr J van Lieshout. Cr van Lieshout has advised the General Manager that she would attend the meeting late.

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**Cr D Holdom**

**Cr K Milne**

**RESOLVED** that the apology of Cr van Lieshout be accepted.

The Motion was **Carried**

**FOR VOTE - Unanimous**

**ABSENT-DID NOT VOTE - Cr J van Lieshout**

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Cr K Skinner  
Cr D Holdom

**RESOLVED** that Standing Orders be suspended to allow Councillors time to read correspondence on the subject Agenda item.

The Motion was **Carried**

**FOR VOTE - Unanimous**  
**ABSENT-DID NOT VOTE - Cr J van Lieshout**

#### **ATTENDANCE AT MEETING**

Cr van Lieshout attended the meeting at 10.13AM

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Cr K Skinner  
Cr D Holdom

**RESOLVED** that Standing Orders be resumed.

The Motion was **Carried**

**FOR VOTE - Unanimous**

#### **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Cr K Milne declared a perceived pecuniary, non significant interest in this item. The nature of the interest is that Cr Milne has a debt outstanding to Rally Australia.

Cr K Skinner declared a perceived pecuniary, non significant interest in this item. The nature of the interest is that Cr Skinner has an accommodation business within the shire.

#### **MAYORAL MINUTE**

1 [MM-ECM] World Rally Championship Event

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Cr K Skinner  
Cr D Holdom

**RESOLVED** that members of the public, two (2) for and two (2) against, be permitted to address the meeting.

The Motion was **Carried**

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**FOR VOTE - Voting - Unanimous**

Mr Gary Thornton addressed Council speaking for maintaining the World Rally Championship in Tweed Shire.

Mr Chris Degenhardt addressed Council speaking against maintaining the World Rally Championship in Tweed Shire.

Ms Toni Zuschke, President Murwillumbah Business Chamber, address Council speaking for maintaining the World Rally Championship in Tweed Shire.

Dr Fiona McCormack, GP, addressed Council speaking against maintaining the World Rally Championship in Tweed Shire.

**680**

**Cr W Polglase  
Cr P Youngblutt**

**RESOLVED** that:-

1. Tweed Shire Council supports the World Championship Rally to be held in 2011 and through to and continuing to 2017 in Tweed Shire.
2. Supports the request of Thomas George as per his letter of 24 September 2010 (paragraph 3):

*Further, I request that your government convenes a meeting between all the parties involved in organising the World Rally Event, including the FIA World Rally Championship, Events NSW, CAMS and the Homebush Motor Racing Authority, the Tweed and Kyogle Shire Councils and the local Members of Parliament to seek a resolution to problems that have not even been officially presented to Councils or the community.*

3. A comprehensive, peer reviewed economic analysis be undertaken by the Southern Cross University including a full benefit cost analysis that includes the full cost of public spending.

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**681**

**Cr D Holdom  
Cr K Milne**

**RESOLVED** that council suspends standing orders to allow Councillors to debate the matter in Workshop mode.

The Procedural Motion was **Carried**

**FOR VOTE - Cr D Holdom, Cr B Longland, Cr K Milne, Cr J van Lieshout, Cr K Skinner**  
**AGAINST VOTE - Cr P Youngblutt, Cr W Polglase**

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**Cr W Polglase**  
**Cr P Youngblutt**

**RESOLVED** that Council resumes in Ordinary Council.

The Motion was **Carried**

**FOR VOTE - Unanimous**

The Motion at Minute Number 680 was **Carried**.

**FOR VOTE - Cr P Youngblutt, Cr W Polglase, Cr D Holdom, Cr K Skinner**  
**AGAINST VOTE - Cr B Longland, Cr K Milne, Cr J van Lieshout**

There being no further business the Meeting terminated at 12.04pm.



**Minutes of Meeting Confirmed by Council**  
**at Meeting held .....**

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**Chairman**

