

**Mayor:** Cr B Longland

**Councillors:** Cr M Armstrong (Deputy Mayor)  
G Bagnall  
K Milne  
C Byrne  
W Polglase  
P Youngblutt



**TWEED**  
SHIRE COUNCIL

# Minutes

## **Extraordinary Council Meeting Friday 1 February 2013**

held at Murwillumbah Cultural and Civic Centre  
commencing at 3.00pm

### **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 3.00pm.

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Cr B Longland (Mayor), Cr M Armstrong (Deputy Mayor), Cr G Bagnall, Cr C Byrne, Cr K Milne, Cr W Polglase and Cr P Youngblutt.

Also present were Mr David Keenan (General Manager), Mr Troy Green (Director Technology and Corporate Services), Mr Patrick Knight (Director Engineering and Operations), Mr Vince Connell (Director Planning and Regulation), Mr David Oxenham (Director Community and Natural Resources), Mr Neil Baldwin (Manager Corporate Governance/Public Officer) and Mrs Maree Morgan (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 lead by the Mayor.

### **APOLOGIES**

Nil.

### **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil.

## ORDINARY ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### 1 [NOR-Crs P Youngblutt, W Polglase, C Byrne] Local Environmental Plan

#### NOTICE OF RESCISSION:

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

**RESOLVED** that the Minute Number 57, Item 45 of meeting held Thursday 24 January 2013 being:

*"that:*

1. *The Minister for Planning and Infrastructure be invited to urgently meet with the Tweed Shire Councillors to discuss local concerns about environmental protection measures in the Tweed Local Environmental Plan.*
2. *Given the unique biodiversity of our region:*
  - (a) *The recommendations contained within the document presently known as the draft Environment Strategy (based on the Tweed Vegetation Management Strategy) be accepted as a late submission to the Draft Local Environmental Plan 2012.*
  - (b) *The recommendations included in the Tweed Coast Koala Habitat Study (2011) relating to environmental protection be also accepted as a late submission to the Draft Local Environmental Plan 2012."*

**be rescinded.**

The Motion was **Lost**

**FOR VOTE - Cr P Youngblutt, Cr W Polglase, Cr C Byrne**  
**AGAINST VOTE - Cr M Armstrong, Cr K Milne, Cr G Bagnall, Cr B Longland**

#### 2 [NOM-Cr W Polglase] Local Environmental Plan

#### NOTICE OF MOTION:

Due the Notice of Rescission not being supported this Notice of Motion did not proceed.

**REPORTS THROUGH THE GENERAL MANAGER**

**REPORTS FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER**

Cr W Polglase left the meeting at 03:23 PM

Cr W Polglase has returned from temporary absence at 03:26 PM

**3 [GM-CM] January 2013 Flood Event Update**

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**Cr B Longland  
Cr M Armstrong**

**RESOLVED** that this report be considered in conjunction with further information verbally provided at this meeting.

The Motion was **Carried**

***FOR VOTE - Unanimous***

There being no further business the Meeting terminated at 3.39pm.



**Minutes of Meeting Confirmed  
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**Chairman**

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