



TWEED
SHIRE COUNCIL

Mayor: Cr B Longland (Mayor)

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

Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting Thursday 24 January 2013

held at Murwillumbah Cultural and Civic Centre
commencing at 6.00pm

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.

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).

ORDINARY ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

REPORTS THROUGH THE GENERAL MANAGER

REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTOR PLANNING AND REGULATION

4 [PR-CM] Variations to Development Standards under State Environmental Planning Policy No. 1 - Development Standards

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Cr W Polglase
Cr P Youngblutt

RESOLVED that Council notes the December 2012 Variations to Development Standards under State Environmental Planning Policy No. 1 - Development Standards.

The Motion was **Carried**

FOR VOTE - Unanimous

5 [PR-CM] Composting Toilets

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Cr P Youngblutt
Cr C Byrne

RESOLVED that the report on composting toilets be received and noted.

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AMENDMENT 1

Cr G Bagnall
Cr K Milne

PROPOSED that Council develops a separate policy on composting toilets to promote this option to the community as a viable alternative, which will reduce water consumption. In addition, that no fees charged as a more proactive stance by the Council to promote water efficient waste management and that Council includes composting toilets in future demand management rebate schemes.

The Amendment 1 was **Lost**

FOR VOTE - Cr M Armstrong, Cr K Milne, Cr G Bagnall

AGAINST VOTE - Cr P Youngblutt, Cr W Polglase, Cr C Byrne, Cr B Longland

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AMENDMENT 2

**Cr K Milne
Cr G Bagnall**

PROPOSED that a report be brought back on whether the fees and charges can be waived for composting toilets.

The Amendment 2 was **Lost**

FOR VOTE - Cr K Milne, Cr G Bagnall

AGAINST VOTE - Cr P Youngblutt, Cr W Polglase, Cr C Byrne, Cr M Armstrong, Cr B Longland

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AMENDMENT 3

**Cr G Bagnall
Cr K Milne**

PROPOSED that Council includes composting toilets in future water demand management rebate schemes.

The Amendment 3 was **Lost**

FOR VOTE - Cr K Milne, Cr G Bagnall

AGAINST VOTE - Cr P Youngblutt, Cr W Polglase, Cr C Byrne, Cr M Armstrong, Cr B Longland

The Motion was **Carried** (Minute No 4 refers)

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

AGAINST VOTE - Cr K Milne

