

Mayor: Cr K Milne

Councillors: P Allsop R Byrnes C Cherry (Deputy Mayor) R Cooper J Owen W Polglase

Minutes

Extraordinary Council Meeting Friday 28 July 2017

held at Council Chambers, Murwillumbah Civic & Cultural Centre, Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah commencing at 5.30pm

Principles for Local Government

The object of the principles for Tweed Shire Council, as set out in Section 8 of the Local Government Amendment (Governance and Planning) Bill 2016, is to provide guidance to enable council to carry out its functions in a way that facilitates a local community that is strong, healthy and prosperous.

Guiding Principles for Tweed Shire Council

(1) Exercise of functions generally

The following general principles apply to the exercise of functions by Tweed Shire Council:

- (a) Provide strong and effective representation, leadership, planning and decision-making.
- (b) Carry out functions in a way that provides the best possible value for residents and ratepayers.
- (c) Plan strategically, using the integrated planning and reporting framework, for the provision of effective and efficient services and regulation to meet the diverse needs of the local community.
- (d) Apply the integrated planning and reporting framework in carrying out their functions so as to achieve desired outcomes and continuous improvements.
- (e) Work co-operatively with other councils and the State government to achieve desired outcomes for the local community.
- (f) Manage lands and other assets so that current and future local community needs can be met in an affordable way.
- (g) Work with others to secure appropriate services for local community needs.
- (h) Act fairly, ethically and without bias in the interests of the local community.
- (i) Be responsible employers and provide a consultative and supportive working environment for staff.

(2) Decision-making

The following principles apply to decision-making by Tweed Shire Council (subject to any other applicable law):

- (a) Recognise diverse local community needs and interests.
- (b) Consider social justice principles.
- (c) Consider the long term and cumulative effects of actions on future generations.
- (d) Consider the principles of ecologically sustainable development.
- (e) Decision-making should be transparent and decision-makers are to be accountable for decisions and omissions.

(3) Community participation

Council should actively engage with the local community, through the use of the integrated planning and reporting framework and other measures.

The Meeting commenced at 4.05pm.

IN ATTENDANCE

Cr Katie Milne (Mayor), Cr Chris Cherry (Deputy Mayor), Cr Pryce Allsop, Cr Ron Cooper, Cr James Owen and Cr Warren Polglase

Also present were Mr Troy Green (General Manager), Ms Liz Collyer (Director Corporate Services), Mr David Oxenham (Director Engineering), Mr Vince Connell (Director Planning and Regulation), Mr Lindsay McGavin (Manager Development Assessment and Compliance), Mr Danny Rose (Manager Roads and Stormwater), Mr Shane Davidson (Executive 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 read by the General Manager.

APOLOGIES

Attendee Cr Reece Byrnes has informed the General Manager that their absence is caused by him being out of the Shire.

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Cr K Milne Cr C Cherry

RESOLVED that the apology from Cr R Byrnes be accepted and the necessary leave of absence be granted.

FOR VOTE - Unanimous ABSENT, DID NOT VOTE - Cr R Byrnes

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

ITEMS TO BE MOVED FROM ORDINARY TO CONFIDENTIAL - CONFIDENTIAL TO ORDINARY

Nil.

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Cr C Cherry Cr R Cooper

RESOLVED that Item 1, being [PR-EXT] Class 1 Appeal - DA16/0059 for Demolition of Existing Building, Erection of Service Station and Ancillary Signage and Roadworks in Alma Street, Hayes Lane and Tweed Valley Way, South Murwillumbah, be moved into Confidential Session

FOR VOTE - Unanimous ABSENT, DID NOT VOTE - Cr R Byrnes

REPORTS THROUGH THE GENERAL MANAGER

REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTOR PLANNING AND REGULATION

1 [PR-EXT] Class 1 Appeal - DA16/0059 for Demolition of Existing Building, Erection of Service Station and Ancillary Signage and Roadworks in Alma Street, Hayes Lane and Tweed Valley Way, South Murwillumbah

This Ordinary Item was moved and dealt with in Confidential Committee.

CONFIDENTIAL COMMITTEE

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

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Cr K Milne Cr C Cherry

RESOLVED that Council resolves itself into a Confidential Committee in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 (as amended) and that the press and public be excluded from the whole of the Committee Meeting, because, in the opinion of the Committee, publicity of the proceedings of the Committee would be prejudicial to the public interest, by reasons of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

The Motion was Carried

FOR VOTE - Unanimous ABSENT, DID NOT VOTE - Cr R Byrnes

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

The General Manager reported that the Confidential Committee had excluded the press and public from the whole of the Committee Meeting because, in the opinion of the Committee, publicity of the proceedings of the Committee would be prejudicial to the public interest, by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, and made the following recommendations to Council:-

REPORTS THROUGH THE GENERAL MANAGER IN COMMITTEE

REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTOR PLANNING AND REGULATION IN COMMITTEE

C1 [PR-EXT] Class 1 Appeal - DA16/0059 for Demolition of Existing Building, Erection of Service Station and Ancillary Signage and Roadworks in Alma Street, Hayes Lane and Tweed Valley Way, South Murwillumbah

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIALITY:

This report deals with legal matters affecting Council operations.

Local Government Act

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: -

(g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

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That:

- 1. In respect of the Class 1 Appeal for DA16/0059 for demolition of existing building, erection of service station and ancillary signage and roadworks in Alma Street, Hayes Lane and Tweed Valley Way, South Murwillumbah, Council delegates to the General Manager and the Mayor authority to manage the conduct of the proceedings in accordance with advice from Council's experts and legal representatives and in accordance with the tabled document provided at this meeting.
- 2. ATTACHMENT 1 is CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, because it contains:-
 - (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

FOR VOTE - Unanimous ABSENT, DID NOT VOTE - Cr R Byrnes 359

Cr W Polglase Cr P Allsop

RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Confidential Committee be adopted.

The Motion was Carried

FOR VOTE - Unanimous ABSENT, DID NOT VOTE - Cr R Byrnes

There being no further business the Meeting terminated at 5.13 PM

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Minutes of Meeting Confirmed by Council at the Meeting held on xxx

Chairman