

**Mayor:** Cr B Longland

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



# **Minutes**

## **Extraordinary Council Meeting Tuesday 7 August 2012**

held at Murwillumbah Cultural and Civic Centre  
commencing at 2:00pm

## **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 2:00pm.

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

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

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 Meredith Smith (Minutes Secretary).

Cr Milne was not present at the meeting.

## **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 Mayor, Cr B Longland.

*"We pray that You will guide the Councillors and Council staff of the Tweed Shire Council as they meet together today; that they may think calmly and carefully, decide wisely and prayerfully and may their decision be in accordance with Your will and for the welfare of Your people in the Tweed community.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."*

## **APOLOGIES**

Nil. Cr Milne was not present at the meeting.

## **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil.

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

Nil.

**ORDINARY ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**REPORTS THROUGH THE GENERAL MANAGER**

**REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTOR PLANNING AND REGULATION**

- 1 [PR-CM] Council Submission on "A New Planning System for NSW" Green Paper

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Cr D Holdom  
Cr W Polglase

**RESOLVED** that Council endorses that this report forms the basis for a submission to the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure on the document "*A New Planning System for NSW – Green Paper*", July 2012.

The Motion was **Carried**

**FOR VOTE - Voting - Unanimous**  
**ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr K Milne**

## REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTOR TECHNOLOGY AND CORPORATE SERVICES

- 2 [TCS-CM] Destination 2036 - Submission to NSW Independent Local Government Review Panel - Strengthening Your Community Consultation Paper

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**Cr D Holdom**  
**Cr W Polglase**

**RESOLVED** that the:

1. Destination 2036 - Submission to Independent Local Government Review Panel Report be provided to the Local Government Independent Review Panel in response to the Stage One Consultation Phase.
2. Submission provides the basis for the presentation from Council to the Local Government Independent Review Panel at Ballina on Monday 13 August 2012.

The Motion was **Carried**

**FOR VOTE - Voting - Unanimous**  
**ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr K Milne**

There being no further business the Meeting terminated at 2:15pm.

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**Minutes of Meeting Confirmed by Council**

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**Council Meeting held on xxx**

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**Chairman**

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