



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

19 DECEMBER 2023

PRESENT

Councillors

D Batten (Mayor)
G Babbage (Via Teams)
A Bunter
I Freeth
P Mann
B Mockler
N Mudford
G Peart
A Walker (Deputy Mayor) (Via Teams)

Employees

D Neeves
General Manager

N Alchin
Director Growth and Liveability

D Dobson
Director Aged Care & Disabilities

D Colwell
Director Infrastructure

M Welsh
Executive Leader Transformational
Change

R Berryman
Executive Assistant

K Cosier
Planning and Development Manager

K Larkin
Project Manager Strategy and
Collaboration

M Kouroulis
Activation and Communications Manager

Liz McCutcheon
Library Hub Manager

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4:00pm.

ATTENDANCE VIA AUDIO-VISUAL MEANS

Cr Babbage and Cr Walker have requested to be able to attend the meeting via audio visual means.

RESOLVED 231/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Mann
That approval be granted for Cr Babbage and Cr Walker to attend the meeting via audio visual means.	

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

NIL

ADJOURNMENTS

NIL

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Babbage – *Big Ideas Program*. Cr Babbage’s business has submitted an application for funding under this program.

Cr Mudford – *Big Ideas Program*. Cr Mudford’s family member has submitted an application for funding under this program.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED 232/23	Cr Mudford/Cr Mann
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 21 November 2023, which were circulated to members prior to this meeting, be hereby confirmed as a faithful record of the meeting referred to.	

LISTING OF MATTERS
TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED COUNCIL

RESOLVED 233/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Mockler
That Council note the following matters to be listed as specified under Section 10(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> :	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Organisational Update (a)• Tender T262324OROC Supply and Delivery of Bitumen Emulsion (d)• Tender T272324OROC Provision of Traffic Control (d)• Gilgandra Caravan Park Request for Rent Reduction (d)	

RESOLVED 234/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Mockler
That the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the matters to be considered in line with the confidentiality policy of Council and Section 10(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> , relating to financial matters, staff matters, industrial matters, acceptance of tenders, personal affairs of private individuals, possible or pending litigation and such other matters considered appropriate at 4:05pm.	

(GO.CO.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE - 21/23
MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

SUMMARY

To advise of the Mayor's activities since the 21 November 2023 meeting.

RESOLVED 242/23	Cr Batten
That the report be noted.	

(CR.SD.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE – 22/23
TOUR DE OROC 2024 SPONSORSHIP

SUMMARY

To advise dates for the Toyota Tour de OROC and determine Council's level of involvement.

RESOLVED 243/23	Cr Batten
1. That the dates of the Tour de OROC be noted.	
2. That Council commit to support the event by way of Silver Sponsorship at a cost of \$1,500.	

(CS.LP.1)

MAYORAL MINUTE – 23/23
NAME OF MEETING ROOM IN THE NEW LIBRARY HUB

SUMMARY

To seek Council's support in naming the 42-seat meeting room in the new library after former Librarian Glenys Prout.

RESOLVED 244/23	Cr Batten
That Council approved the naming of the 42-seat meeting room in the new Library Hub as the Glenys Prout Room.	

Proceedings in Brief

Mrs Kathryn Larkin entered the room at 4:44pm.

(CM.TE.1)

REAL COUNTRY TOURISM EXPERIENCE STRATEGY AND
INFRASTRUCTURE BUSINESS CASE

SUMMARY

To present Council with the Draft documentation regarding the Real Country Tourism Experience Strategy and Infrastructure Business Case project in collaboration with Coonamble Gilgandra and Warrumbungle Shire Councils, supplied by People, Place and Partnership.

RESOLVED 245/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Mockler
1. That the Real Country Tourism Experience Strategy and Infrastructure Business Case be endorsed for public exhibition	
2. That public exhibition of the documents is undertaken in accordance with the Exhibition Engagement Plan including:	
a. Real Country Destination Strategic Plan	
b. Real Country Engagement Report - Summary	
c. Real Country Business Case	
3. That public exhibition commences 20 December 2023 and concludes 9 February 2023	

Proceedings in Brief

Mrs Kristy Cosier, Planning and Development Manager, entered in the room at 4:51pm.

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PREPARATION OF PLANNING PROPOSAL

SUMMARY

To amend details of the land proposed to be rezoned as part of a Council initiated Planning Proposal from RU1 Primary Production to E4 General Industrial as endorsed at the Council meeting held 21 November 2023.

Proceedings in Brief

Mr David Neeves advised Council that this report has been withdrawn due to change in situation resulting in Council's previous resolution to be found valid and no further consideration by Council required at this stage.

(A2419)

**REQUEST FOR VARIATION TO DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN –
20 WAMBOIN STREET, GILGANDRA**

SUMMARY

To consider a request for variation to Council's Development Control Plan 2011 (DCP).

RESOLVED 246/23	Cr Mann/Cr Mockler
1. That permission be granted to vary Clause 7.2.4 "Setbacks" of Gilgandra Shire Council's Development Control Plan 2011 for the property 20 Wamboin Street, Gilgandra (Lot A DP371414).	

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| 2. That, in accordance with section 375A of the <i>Local Government and Planning Legislation Amendment (Political Donations) Act 2008</i> , the names of Councillors who support and oppose the decision be recorded. |
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Division

For: Crs Batten, Walker, Babbage, Bunter, Freeth, Mann, Mockler, Mudford, Peart

Against: Nil

(RC.EM.1)

UNDER THE GUMS FESTIVAL 2024

SUMMARY

To determine Council's financial commitment by way of underwriting the Under the Gums Festival 2024 to allow for planning to progress.

RESOLVED 247/23	Cr Mann/Cr Freeth
That Council commit up to \$100,000 in the 2024/25 budget towards underwriting the Under the Gums Festival 2024 in order for planning to continue.	

Proceedings in Brief

Mrs Kristy Cosier, Planning and Development Manager, and Mrs Liz McCutcheon, Library Hub Manager, left the room at 5:02pm.

Cr Mudford and Cr Babbage left the room and meeting via Microsoft Teams at 5:02pm due to their disclosed conflicts.

Miss Merscia Kouroulis, Activation and Communications Manager, entered the room at 5:03pm.

(GS.PG.1)

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT GRANT (BIG IDEAS) PROGRAM

SUMMARY

To consider and determine applications for the BIG Ideas Program.

RESOLVED 248/23	Cr Mockler/Cr Peart
1. That Council support the recommendations as presented for the businesses ranked 1-9 with CWME and The Shed applications being reduced from \$10,000 to \$7,500. .	
2. That Council review the Big Ideas eligibility criteria prior to the next round of funding being advertised.	

Proceedings in Brief

Mrs Kathryn Larkin, Project Manager Strategy and Collaboration, and Miss Merscia Kouroulis, Activation and Communications Manager, left the room at 5:14pm.

MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for notation.

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<u>Interagency Committee</u>	23 November 2023
<u>Local Emergency Management Committee</u>	28 November 2023
<u>Traffic Committee</u>	22 November 2023

RESOLVED 249/23	Cr Bunter/Cr Mann
That the above listed Committee minutes be noted.	

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present reports for information and notation.

RESOLVED 250/23	Cr Mudford/Cr Freeth
That the reports be noted.	

PRECIS OF CATEGORY B CORRESPONDENCE

SUMMARY

To pass on relevant information from correspondence received.

RESOLVED 251/23	Cr Mann/Cr Freeth
That receipt of the Category B correspondence be noted.	

RESOLVED 252/23	Cr Freeth/Cr Mann
That the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the matters to be considered in line with the confidentiality policy of Council and Section 10(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> , relating to financial matters, staff matters, industrial matters, acceptance of tenders, personal affairs of private individuals, possible or pending litigation and such other matters considered appropriate at 5:17pm.	

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5:30PM.

Cr D Batten
Mayor