



MINUTES

Extra Ordinary Meeting of Council

held at

Council Administration Centre

180 Mort Street, Lithgow

on

Monday 16 January 2023

at 6:00 PM

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The Mayor declared the meeting open at 6:04 pm.

1. Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional custodians of this land we are on here today, and paid respect to their elders both past, present and emerging.

The Mayor went on to inform all those in attendance at this meeting, that the meeting is being webcast and that those in attendance should refrain from making any defamatory statements concerning any person, Councillor or employee, and refrain from discussing those matters subject to Closed Council proceedings as indicated in clause 14.1 of the code of meeting practice.

2. Present

Public: Nil

Her Worship the Mayor Councillor M Statham
Councillor A Bryce
Councillor C Coleman
Councillor D Goodsell
Councillor D Goodwin
Councillor S Lesslie
Councillor S McGhie
Councillor E Mahony
Councillor C O' Connor

Also in attendance
Craig Butler, General Manager
Ross Gurney, Chief Financial and Information Officer
Trinity Newton, Minutes Secretary
Sarah Lewis, Minutes Secretary

3. Apologies

All being present there were no apologies.

4. Declaration of Interest

The Mayor called for any declarations of interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

5. Public Forum

At 6:06 pm members of the public gallery were invited to participate in the Public Forum Session.

There was no person wishing to present.

6. Presentations

6.1. Presentation - Financial Statements presented by Crowe Australasia

PROCEDURAL MOTION

THAT a recess be held until technical difficulties are resolved.

MOVED: Councillor S Lesslie

SECONDED: Councillor A Bryce

CARRIED

The meeting recessed at 6:06pm.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

THAT Council meeting be resumed.

MOVED: Councillor C Coleman

SECONDED: Councillor S Lesslie

CARRIED

The Council meeting resumed at 6:22pm.

23 -1 RESOLVED

THAT Council receive and note the presentation regarding the 2021/22 Audited Financial Statements by a representative of Crowe Australasia on behalf of the Audit Office of New South Wales (the Council's external auditor).

MOVED: Councillor A Bryce

SECONDED: Councillor D Goodsell

CARRIED

7. Mayoral Minutes

There were no Mayoral Minutes tabled.

8. Staff Reports

8.1. Finance and Assets Reports

8.1.1. FIN - 14/12/22 - Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2022

23 -2 RESOLVED

THAT Council:

1. Receive the audited Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2022 pursuant to Section 419 of the Local Government Act 1993.
2. Pursuant to Section 420 of the Local Government Act 1993, endorse the Financial Statements to be made available to the public to make submissions for a period of seven days.
3. Note the presentation by a representative of Crowe Australasia on behalf of the Audit Office of New South Wales, the Council's external auditor, to the Council meeting in respect of the Audited Financial Statements.

MOVED: Councillor D Goodsell

SECONDED: Councillor E Mahony

CARRIED

A **DIVISION** was called by Councillor S Lesslie.

Divisions

FOR: Councillor M Statham, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor A Bryce, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S McGhie, Councillor E Mahony and Councillor C O'Connor

AGAINST: Councillor S Lesslie

9. Business of Great Urgency

The Mayor asked if there were any matters to be considered as matters of great urgency.

Councillor D Goodwin raised the traffic lights at Main Street / Lithgow Street sequence has not been resolved since the November meeting of Council where it was raised in Business of Great Urgency.

The Mayor declared the matter to be of great urgency in accordance with Clause 241 of the Local Government (General) Regulations.

23 -3 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Council continues its advocacy for a resolution of the delays with the phasing of the traffic lights at the Main/Lithgow Streets intersection and other parts of the city centre.
2. Representations be made to Transport for NSW and Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, Hon. Sam Faraway in relation to this matter.

MOVED: Councillor D Goodwin

SECONDED: Councillor A Bryce

CARRIED

Councillor S Lesslie raised a matter of correspondence to Councillors not being forwarded in a timely manner.

The Mayor declared the matter not to be of great urgency in accordance with Clause 241 of the Local Government (General) Regulations.

The General Manager undertook to investigate this and prevent any further recurrence.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 6:57 pm.