



## MINUTES

Extra Ordinary Meeting of Council  
held  
Monday 27 April 2020  
Adjourned from 20 April 2020

via Video Conferencing at  
Council Administration Centre  
180 Mort Street, Lithgow

at 6:00 pm

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The Mayor declared the meeting open at 06:00 pm.

## **1. Acknowledgement of Country**

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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**

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Public: Nil

His Worship the Mayor Councillor R Thompson  
Councillor W McAndrew  
Councillor C Coleman  
Councillor D Goodsell  
Councillor D Goodwin  
Councillor S Lesslie  
Councillor S Ring  
Councillor J Smith  
Councillor M Statham

Also in attendance

Mr Graeme Faulkner, General Manager  
Mr Andrew Muir, Director Economic Development and Environment  
Mr Ross Gurney, Chief Financial and Information Officer  
Mr Daniel Buckens, Director Water and Wastewater  
Mr Jonathon Edgecombe, Director Infrastructure Services  
Mr Michael McGrath, Director People and Services  
Mrs Trinity Newton, Minutes Secretary  
Mrs Ally Shelton, IT Manager

## **3. Apologies**

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All being present there were nil apologies.

## **4. Declaration of Interest**

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The Mayor asked if there were any declarations of interest. There were Nil declared.

## **5. Commemorations and Announcements**

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Councillor R Thompson commemorated the passing of Mr George Schurr who passed away recently. Mr Schurr was an active member of the community and was involved with the railway, he was a unionist, a Labor Party Member and a former Councillor of Lithgow City Council.

Councillor Thompson also acknowledged the efforts of Councillors on Anzac Day in laying of wreaths across the LGA and specifically to Councillor Joe Smith who initiated the wreath laying.

Councillor Smith thanked the community for their efforts on Anzac Day and the respect and commemoration to the Anzacs displayed.

## **6. Mayoral Minutes**

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### **6.1. Mayoral Minute - Confidential - 27/04/2020 - Staff Issues**

**Report by** Mayor – Councillor Ray Thompson

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#### **Reason for Confidentiality**

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: -

- (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)

#### **PROCEDURAL MOTION**

That the Mayoral Minutes and All Confidential reports be brought forward and discussed at this point in the meeting in Closed Confidential Council in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993.

**MOVED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Ring

**CARRIED:**

#### **Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** Councillor S Lesslie

**20 -99 RESOLVED**

THAT if the council meeting is suspended due to technical difficulties the meeting be adjourned.

**MOVED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**SECONDED:** Councillor C Coleman

**CARRIED:** Unanimously

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** nil

**10. Closed Council**

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The Mayor asked if there were any objections from the Public with regards to the confidential reports being in closed Council.

There were Nil objections.

**20 -100 RESOLVED**

**THAT** Council resolve to move into Closed Council to consider the confidential reports as listed in the Agenda.

**MOVED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**SECONDED:** Councillor J Smith

**CARRIED:** Unanimously

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** nil

The Mayor informed the Public that the webcasting will be turned off at this point in the meeting and will be reopened at the end of the confidential Council meeting.

## 10.1. Mayoral Minute - Confidential - 27/04/2020 - Staffing Matters

Report by Mayor – Councillor Ray Thompson

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### Reason for Confidentiality

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(a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)

### 20 -101 RESOLVED

THAT

1. Council receive and note the presentations from the candidates for the position of General Manager.
2. Delegate authority to the Mayor, Councillor Ray Thompson, to make an offer of employment the successful candidate determined by the Council for a three year contract.
3. That Mr Craig Butler has been unanimously selected to be the new General Manager of Lithgow City Council.

**MOVED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**SECONDED:** Councillor J Smith

**CARRIED:** Unanimously

### Divisions

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** nil

## 10.2. GM - Confidential - 27/04/2020 - Commercial Rent Relief - Response to Covid-19 Situation.

Report by General Manager

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### Reason for Confidentiality

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: -

(b) the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer

### 20 -102 RESOLVED

That:

1. Council provide a 50% reduction in rental to the commercial tenants on the attached list from the 1st rental period applicable from 1 April 2020 until the last rental period applicable to 30 June 2020.
2. The Matter be reviewed at the 22 June 2020 Council meeting.

**MOVED:** Councillor S Ring

**SECONDED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**CARRIED:** Unanimously

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** nil

**10.3. GM - Confidential - 27/04/2020 - Costs - New Era Defendo**

**Report by** General Manager

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**Reason for Confidentiality**

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: -

- (e) information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law
- (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

THAT Councillor Lesslie be suspended from the meeting.

**MOVED:** Councillor R Thompson

**SECONDED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**CARRIED:**

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith

**AGAINST:** Councillor C Coleman, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor M Statham

Councillor S Lesslie left the meeting at 06:28 pm.

**20 -103 RESOLVED**

THAT the information in the confidential report be noted.

**MOVED:** Councillor S Ring

**SECONDED:** Councillor J Smith

**CARRIED:**

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## Divisions

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith

**AGAINST:** Councillor M Statham

### 10.4. WWW - Confidential - 27/04/2020 - Tender for the Upgrade of the Tweed Mills Sewage Pump Station

**Report by** Director of Water & Wastewater

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## 20 -105 RESOLVED

THAT

1. Council's General Manager, in accordance with Clause 178(1) (a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* accept the tender submission from JAC Pumping Services for the refurbishment of the Tweed Mills SPS for the amount of \$456,841.00 inc GST under his delegation.
2. Council's General Manager, in accordance with Clause 178(1) (a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* accept the tender submission from Turnkey Innovative Engineering Pty Ltd for the Electrical Infrastructure Upgrade of the Tweed Mills SPS for the amount of \$108,000.00 inc GST under his delegation.
3. Council approve the transfer of \$850,000.00 from the sewer reserve to PJ 300039.
4. Authorise the General Manager to execute contracts for the works.

**MOVED:** Councillor J Smith

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Ring

**CARRIED:** Unanimously

## Divisions

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** nil

### 10.5. WWW - Confidential - 27/4/2020 - Clarence Colliery Pipeline Project - Pre-Feasibility Report

**Report by** Director of Water & Wastewater

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## Reason for Confidentiality

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- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed
    - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
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- (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
- (iii) reveal a trade secret,

**20 -104 RESOLVED**

THAT

1. Council adopt option 3 as the preferred option and to proceed to Feasibility Study stage.
2. Council enter a Memorandum of Understanding regarding the ongoing development of the preferred option and access to water now and in the future.
3. Delegate authority to the General Manager to negotiate and execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

**MOVED:** Councillor J Smith

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Ring

**CARRIED:** Unanimously

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** nil

**20 -106 RESOLVED**

THAT Council resolved to refer to open Council and inform the public of the resolutions of Closed Council at 6:40 pm.

**MOVED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Ring

**CARRIED:** Unanimously

The Mayor announced to the public the resolutions of the Closed Council.

Councillor D Goodwin left the meeting at 06:40 pm.

Councillor S Ring left the meeting at 6:40 pm.

Councillor S Ring returned to the meeting at 06:45 pm.

Councillor D Goodwin returned to the meeting at 06:45 pm.

Councillor S Lesslie returned to the meeting at 6:45 pm.

## 7. Staff Reports

### 7.1. People and Services Reports

#### 7.1.1. PS - 20/04/2020 - Farmers Creek Share Path Along Burton street

Report by Director of People & Services

#### 20 -107 RESOLVED

THAT

1. The matter be put on hold
2. An information session be held to review the Farmers Creek Masterplan and the council's intentions.

**MOVED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Ring

**CARRIED:**

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith

**AGAINST:** Councillor M Statham

#### 7.1.2. PS - 20/04/2020 - Drought Communities Program - Round 2

Report by Director of People & Services

MOTION

THAT

1. Council note the submissions received and respond accordingly.
2. Council submit an application under the Drought Communities Program for the following projects:

| Priority 1 Projects |   |                       |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------|
|                     |   | Estimate              |
| 1.                  | Wallerawang and Portland Skateparks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Installation of 2 twin Exeloos</li> <li>• Installation of shade structures over park and playground facilities.</li> </ul> | \$476,00              |
| 2.                  | Footpaths – Wallerawang <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wallerawang Police Station to pedestrian refuge in Barton Avenue/Tweedie Street.</li> <li>• James Parade</li> </ul>                    | \$15,000<br>\$100,000 |
| 3.                  | Union Theatre – Front of House Works  | \$99,054              |
| 4.                  | Community Halls Upgrade <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wallerawang Memorial Hall</li> <li>• Vale of Clwydd Hall</li> </ul>  | \$187,500             |

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|              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hermitage Hall</li> </ul>   |                    |
| 5.           | Sporting Fields Irrigation Systems Installation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marjorie Jackson Oval</li> <li>• Watsford Oval</li> <li>• Conran Oval</li> <li>• Tony Luchetti Field 2</li> </ul> | \$135,000          |
| <b>Total</b> |  | <b>\$1,012,554</b> |

3. The following programs be considered for funding under Council's 2020/21 Financial Assistance Program:

| <b>Additional Projects</b> |   |          |
|----------------------------|---|----------|
|                            |   | Estimate |
| 1.                         | Yvonne Martyn Motorsport Park <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Installation of a 14,500l rainwater tank and transfer pump.</li> </ul> | \$2,289  |
| 2.                         | Lowther War Memorial boundary fencing   | \$8,000  |
| 3.                         | Headspace Lithgow – Breakfast Club – Portland & Lithgow High Schools  | \$2,900  |

4. Council investigate whether land at Hermitage Flat adjoining the Lithgow Community Nursery would be suitable for future development as a community space for the Lithgow Women's Shed Group and Lithgow Information & Neighbourhood Centre.

**MOVED:** Councillor J Smith

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Ring

**AMENDMENT**

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| 5.                         | Capertee playground improvements - Capertee   | \$135,000             |

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|              | Soil Conservation Society - dam construction and erosion control workshops - Capertee and Hartley   |                    |
|              | Lowther War Memorial boundary fencing   |                    |
|              | Tarana Farmers Market site<br>- Footpath along the northern side of Mutton falls Road linking the site to The Tarana Pub and Cafe,<br>- 110,000l rainwater tank |                    |
|              | Capertee Valley Landcare - Hydrological Landscape Part 2  |                    |
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**MOVED:** Councillor C Coleman

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Lesslie

**LOST**

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor C Coleman, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith

The Amendment was PUT and LOST

**AMENDMENT**

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| 5.           | Tarana Farmers Market Site \$25,000<br><br>Yvonne Martyn Motorsport Park \$2,289<br><br>Lowther War Memorial boundary fencing \$8,000<br><br>Headspace Lithgow – Breakfast Club \$2,900<br><br>Remaining funding for new amenities - Lithgow Womens Shed – Clubhouse and LINC Community Facility | \$135,000             |
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**MOVED:** Councillor M Statham

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Lesslie

**LOST**

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor C Coleman, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith

The Amendment was PUT and LOST.

**20 -108 RESOLVED**

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**MOVED:** Councillor J Smith

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Ring

**CARRIED:**

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith

**AGAINST:** Councillor M Statham

## 8. Council Committee Reports

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### 8.1. IS - 20/04/2020 - TALC Committee Meeting Minutes - 5 March 2020

**Report by** Director of Infrastructure & Services

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#### MOTION

THAT

1. Council adopt the minutes of the TALC Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2020; and
2. Council repaint the disabled parking signage on the road surface with detailed linage of the space and move the signage to a more appropriate height using a common sense approach.
3. Due to sight constraints and minimal effective holding capacity, the request for removal of the concrete median outside 20 Caroline Avenue be declined.

**MOVED:** Councillor J Smith

**SECONDED:** Councillor D Goodwin

#### AMENDMENT

THAT

1. Council adopt the minutes of the TALC Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2020; and
2. Council repaint the disabled parking signage on the road surface with detailed linage of the space and move the signage to a more appropriate height using a common sense approach.
3. Only as much as necessary of the concrete barrier to allow access to the driveway to 20 Caroline Ave be removed.

**MOVED:** Councillor S Lesslie

**SECONDED:** Councillor C Coleman

#### LOST

#### Divisions

**FOR:** Councillor C Coleman, Councillor S Lesslie

**AGAINST:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

The Mayor declared that Councillor Ring's comments out of order in relation comments to Councillor Lesslie.

Councillor Ring called a Point of Order on Councillor Coleman's as the item discussed was under current discussion.

The Mayor upheld the Point of Order.

The Amendment was PUT and LOST.

The Mayor declared that Councillor Lesslie's comment aimed at Councillor Goodwin were out of line.

## 20 -109 RESOLVED

THAT

1. Council adopt the minutes of the TALC Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2020; and
2. Council repaint the disabled parking signage on the road surface with detailed linage of the space and move the signage to a more appropriate height using a common sense approach.
3. Due to sight constraints and minimal effective holding capacity, the request for removal of the concrete median outside 20 Caroline Avenue be declined.

**MOVED:** Councillor J Smith

**SECONDED:** Councillor D Goodwin

**CARRIED:**

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** Councillor C Coleman, Councillor S Lesslie

## 8.2. FIN - 20/04/2020 - Finance Committee Meeting Minutes 9 March 2020

**Report by** Chief Financial & Information Officer

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MOTION

THAT Council:

1. Adopt the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 9 March 2020 and note the items not requiring a resolution of Council.
2. Endorse the recommendations proposed in the Council Investments Report for February 2020.

**MOVED:** Councillor C Coleman

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Ring

AMENDMENT

THAT Council:

1. Adopt the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 9 March 2020 and note the items not requiring a resolution of Council.
2. Endorse the recommendations proposed in the Council Investments Report for February 2020.
3. That the Lidsdale business and residential sub category be abolished and placed in the sub category rural business and rural residential sub-category.

**MOVED:** Councillor S Lesslie

**SECONDED:** Councillor M Statham

**LOST**

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## Divisions

**FOR:** Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith

The Amendment was PUT and LOST.

## 20 -110 RESOLVED

THAT Council:

1. Adopt the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 9 March 2020 and note the items not requiring a resolution of Council.
2. Endorse the recommendations proposed in the Council Investments Report for February 2020.

**MOVED:** Councillor C Coleman

**SECONDED:** Councillor S Ring

**CARRIED:**

## Divisions

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith

**AGAINST:** Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor M Statham

## 9. Business of Great Urgency

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In accordance with Clause 241 of the Local Government Act (General) Regulations 2005 business may be transacted at a meeting of Council even though due notice of the business has not been given to the Councillors. However, this can happen only if:

- a) A motion is passed to have the business transacted at the meeting; and
- b) The business proposed to be brought forward is ruled by the Chairperson to be of great urgency. The Mayor asked if there were any matters to be considered as matters of great urgency.

Councillor McAndrew raised the issue of Lithgow and Blue Mountains being announced as a Covid 19 hotspot and the information which Council and Councillors are not receiving.

The Mayor declared the matter to be urgent.

## 20 -111 RESOLVED

That Council write to the appropriate authorities to mandate from them that the Mayor be briefed in relation to Covid 19 to be able to impart information adequately onto the community.

**MOVED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**SECONDED:** Councillor J Smith

**CARRIED:** Unanimously

**Divisions**

**FOR:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

**AGAINST:** nil

Councillor Lesslie requested that Administration put in a submission to the National Bushfire Royal Commission.

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

**20 -112 RESOLVED**

THAT the request administration lodge a submission to the National Bushfire Royal Commission be declared as business of great urgency.

**MOVED:** Councillor S Lesslie

**SECONDED:** Councillor W McAndrew

**CARRIED:** Unanimously

**Division**

**For:** Councillor R Thompson, Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor M Statham

**Against:** nil

Councillor Smith raised the issue of Angus Place submissions required to be lodged by tomorrow and requested the communities support.

This was not declared as urgent business.

**10. Closed Council**

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Closed Council was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 07:53 pm.