

# MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Purpose: For Council to consider the Aged Care Services Review Financial Report, the 2019-20 Budget Review and the Shire's COVID-19 Recovery Plan

Held

Monday 6 April 2020

Commencing at 5.30 pm

Location - eMeeting

**Ben Rose** 

**Chief Executive Officer** 

8 April 2020

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# SHIRE OF DONNYBROOK BALINGUP MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

eMeeting Monday 6 April 2020 at 5.30 pm

#### 1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Prior to commencement of this eMeeting attendee connections were tested and confirmed.

### **Shire President – Acknowledgment of Country**

The Shire President to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land, the Noongar People, paying respects to Elders, past, present and emerging.

The Shire Present declared the meeting open at 5.50pm.

#### **Shire President - Notification of eMeeting Procedures**

The Local Government (Administration) Regulations have been amended to allow eMeetings to be held during the COVID-19 pandemic situation and in accordance with Government quidelines.

Members of the public are advised that public questions need to be received by 3pm the day of the meeting. Under the amended *Local Government (Administration) Regulations*, Council can determine at the meeting whether to respond to the question at the meeting, or to take the question on notice and respond at a later date.

In accordance with Regulation 14E(b), the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection following the meeting.

### 2 ATTENDANCE

# **MEMBERS PRESENT (VIA E-MEETING)**

The Shire President asked Councillors and staff to confirm their connection and attendance with the following confirmed:

COUNCILLORS	STAFF
Cr Brian Piesse (President)	Ben Rose – Chief Executive Officer
Cr Jackie Massey (Deputy President)	Paul Breman – Executive Manager Corporate and
	Community
Cr Shane Atherton	Steve Potter – Executive Manager Operations
Cr Anita Lindemann	Bob Lowther – Managed Aged Care Services
Cr Anne Mitchell	Jaimee Earl – Minute Taker
Cr Chaz Newman	
Cr Shane Sercombe	
Cr Chris Smith	
Cr Leanne Wringe	

It is noted that all Council members participated in the eMeeting from a 'suitable place' as defined in Clause 14A of the *Local Government Administration Regulations*.

#### **PUBLIC GALLERY**

Nil. No public attendance available via eMeeting.

#### 2.1 APOLOGIES

Nil.

# 2.2 APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

#### 2.3 APPLICATION FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

# 3 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM PRESIDING MEMBER

Nil.

### 4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Division 6: Sub-Division 1 of the *Local Government Act 1995*. Care should be taken by all Councillors to ensure that a financial/impartiality interest is declared and that they refrain from voting on any matter, which is considered to come within the ambit of the Act.

Cr Mitchell declared an impartiality interest in item 7.1.1 Aged Care Services Review as she manages a residential aged care facility in Wagin.

#### 4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Shire President to advise the Shire will accept any questions in writing to the Chief Executive Officer by 3pm the day of the meeting. If the question is unable to be answered at the meeting, it may be taken on notice by the Council for a later response.

It was noted that no public questions had been received.

### 6 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Nil.

# 7 MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

#### 7.1 MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY BE CLOSED

The following confidential report and recommendation has been distributed separately and is not for circulation:

#### 7.1.1 AGED CARE SERVICES REVIEW

This report is confidential in accordance with Section 5.23 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

(c) a contract entered into, or which may be entered into, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting.

#### 7.1.2 BUDGET REVIEW 2019-20

This report is confidential in accordance with Section 5.23 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

- (a) a matter affecting an employee or employees.
- (c) a contract entered into, or which may be entered into, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting.

#### 7.1.3 SHIRE OF DONNYBROOK BALINGUP COVID-19 RECOVERY PLAN

This report is confidential in accordance with Section 5.23 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

(a) a matter affecting an employee or employees.

#### **EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

That the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with section 5.23(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995* to discuss confidential items 7.1.1, 7.1.2 and 7.1.3.

## COUNCIL RESOLUTION 40/20

#### **Moved Cr Atherton**

#### Seconded Cr Sercombe

That the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with section 5.23(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995* to discuss confidential items 7.1.1, 7.1.2 and 7.1.3.

**CARRIED 9/0** 

The meeting was closed to consider confidential items at 5.53pm.

The meeting was re-opened at 9.35pm.

#### 7.2 PUBLIC READING OF RESOLUTIONS THAT MAY BE MADE PUBLIC

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION 45/20**

That item 7.1.3 be deferred to a Special Council Meeting to be held at 5pm Tuesday 14 April 2020.

#### 6 CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 9.35pm

These Minutes were confirmed by the Council as a true and accurate record at the Ordinary Council Meeting held 22 April 2020.

Cr Brian Piesse

SHIRE PRESIDENT