



**LEETON**  
SHIRE COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY  
COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2021  
COMMENCING AT 7.16PM  
AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**Present:**

**Councillors:**

Cr Paul Maytom (Mayor), Cr George Weston (Deputy Mayor), Cr Paul Smith,  
Cr Peter Davidson, Cr Tony Ciccia, Cr Tony Reneker, Cr Sandra Nardi,  
Cr Tracey Morris and Cr Michael Kidd

**Staff:**

Jackie Kruger (General Manager), Mandy Rogers (Group Manager Corporate),  
Tom Steele (Group Manager Operations), Andrew Reilly (Group Manager Shire  
Activation) and Kerrie-Anne Hare (Executive Manager IPR, Governance and  
Engagement)

**Press:** Nil

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1. **CIVIC PRAYER** – Cr George Weston
2. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY** – Mayor Cr Paul Maytom
3. **APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

21/115

**Resolved**

Cr Sandra Nardi is an apology for lateness.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Davidson)**

4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING**

21/116

**Resolved**

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 25 August 2021, as circulated, be taken as read and CONFIRMED.

**(Moved Cr Kidd, seconded Cr Smith)**

5. **DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

Cr Anthony Reneker declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item 8.4 – Dissolving the Leeton Men's Shed Section 355 Committee.

The reason for the declaration is that Cr Reneker is a financial member of the Leeton Men's Shed organisation.

Having made the declaration, Cr Reneker advised of his intent to remain in the meeting, participate in the debate and vote on this matter as he does not believe that the interest is significant enough to affect his ability to make a decision on the matter.

6. **PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS**

Nil

7. **MAYORAL MINUTES**

**Item 1.1 REVIEW OF CONSULTATION PROCESS AND CRITERIA FOR SETTING SPEED LIMITS IN NSW**

21/117

**Resolved**

THAT Council:

1. Endorses Mayoral advocacy on behalf of Leeton Shire to the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, the Hon. Paul Toole MP, calling for TfNSW to increase and improve its consultation with local authorities well before

the installation of new speed zones in NSW, with such consultation needing to be both authentic and timely, and noting that the reasoning behind revised speed zones requires the thorough assessment of safety risks.

2. Endorses Mayoral advocacy that RAMJO, Country Mayors and LGNSW be asked to collaborate on a campaign calling for more sensible application of speed zones.

**(Moved Cr Maytom, Mayor)**

**Item 2.2 INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTIONS REFORM - CALL FOR WITHDRAWAL  
21/118**

**Resolved**

THAT Leeton Shire Council:

1. Calls on the NSW Government to withdraw the Environmental Planning and Assessment (Infrastructure Contributions) Bill 2021 (the Bill) from the NSW Parliament.
2. Calls on the NSW Government to undertake further consultation with local government on any proposed reforms to the infrastructure contributions system.
3. Writes to the Local Member for Murray, to advocate on this position.

**(Moved Cr Maytom, Mayor)**

**8. REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

**GENERAL MANAGER'S MATTERS**

The General Manager advised that she has delegated the Executive Manager IPR, Governance and Engagement to be the Returning Officer for the election of the Deputy Mayor in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993* and the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005*.

**Item 8.1 ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR**

**21/119**

**Resolved**

THAT:

1. As the sole nominee for the position of Deputy Mayor, Cr George Weston was declared the Deputy Mayor for the remainder of the current Council term.
2. No fees be paid to the Deputy Mayor.

**(Moved Cr Nardi, seconded Cr Davidson)**

The newly re-elected Deputy Mayor, Cr George Weston thanked Mayor Cr Paul Maytom for all his work.

**Item 8.2 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE  
MEETING - 9 SEPTEMBER 2021**

**21/120**

**Resolved**

THAT:

1. Council endorses the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 9 September 2021 and notes the information contained in the Chairman's Report on the meeting and the DRAFT Financial Statements for the year ending 30 June 2021.
2. Council is satisfied that it should not recognise Rural Fire Service plant, equipment, land and building assets in its annual financial statements, noting that this treatment for land and buildings will only commence in the 2021/22 financial year.

**(Moved Cr Kidd, seconded Cr Morris)**

**Item 8.3 CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR ARRANGEMENTS**

**21/121**

**Resolved**

THAT:

1. Council's Depot, Administration Office, Library and Visitor Information Centre (VIC) be closed to the public for the Christmas/New Year period from Saturday 25 December 2020 until Sunday 9 January 2022 (inclusive) and reopen on Monday 10 January 2022.
2. The Leeton Museum and Gallery remain open from 10am to 3pm on days that are not public holidays, staffed by officers with minimal leave, volunteers and/or casuals.
3. Except for a skeleton team for Operations, landfill, swimming pools, ranger services and on-call services, staff be permitted to take annual leave or other authorised leave for the 7 days which are not public holidays during the closure period.
4. Extensive pre-Christmas publicity be given to the changes to Council's operations over the Christmas/New Year Period.
5. Signage stating that the VIC is temporarily operating from the Leeton Museum and Gallery be prominently displayed at the VIC during the Christmas/New Year period.

**(Moved Cr Smith, seconded Cr Reneker)**

## **CORPORATE MATTERS**

### **Item 8.4 DISSOLVING THE LEETON MEN'S SHED SECTION 355 COMMITTEE**

**21/122**

#### **Resolved**

THAT Council defers Item 8.4 for one month to allow time to arrange for an opportunity for the Men's Shed to meet with Council to discuss options.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Reneker)**

### **Item 8.5 INVESTMENTS REPORT FOR AUGUST 2021**

**21/123**

#### **Resolved**

THAT Council notes the information contained in the Investments Report for August 2021.

**(Moved Cr Reneker, seconded Cr Morris)**

## **OPERATIONAL MATTERS**

### **Item 8.6 MINUTES OF THE LEETON LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - 26 AUGUST 2021**

**21/124**

#### **Resolved**

THAT Council notes the Minutes and endorses the recommendations of the Local Area Traffic Committee meeting held on 26 August 2021.

**(Moved Cr Ciccio, seconded Cr Nardi)**

## **ACTIVATION MATTERS**

### **Item 8.7 SERVICE NSW PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT**

**21/125**

#### **Resolved**

THAT Council delegates authority to the General Manager to enter into an agreement with Service NSW and endorses any necessary documents be authorised for execution under the Common Seal of Council, if required.

**(Moved Cr Kidd, seconded Cr Davidson)**

**Item 8.8 DRAFT DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS DEFERRED PAYMENT POLICY**

**21/126**

**Resolved**

THAT Council:

1. Endorses the DRAFT Developer Contributions Deferred Payment Policy for public exhibition for a period of 28 days from Friday 24 September 2021 for community comment.
2. Adopts the Developer Contributions Deferred Payment Policy if no submissions regarding the document are received by the completion of the exhibition period.

**(Moved Cr Smith, seconded Cr Nardi)**

**Item 8.9 ADOPTION OF GOGELDRIE WEIR RECREATION RESERVE MASTER PLAN**

**21/127**

**Resolved**

THAT Council:

1. Notes the feedback from the community on the DRAFT Gogeldrie Weir Masterplan.
2. Endorses the Water Park being changed to a Playground in the Master Plan concept drawing.
3. Adopts the Gogeldrie Weir Recreation Reserve Master Plan, noting that the proposed swimming beach is subject to further safety assessments.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Smith)**

Mayor Cr Paul Maytom left the meeting, the time being 8.41pm. Deputy Mayor Cr George Weston took the chair.

**Item 8.10 MINUTES OF THE SUNRICE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE - MARCH TO JULY 2021**

**21/128**

**Resolved**

THAT:

1. Council receives for information the Minutes of the Leeton SunRice Festival Committee meetings held on 17 March, 20 May, 17 June and 15 July 2021.
2. That Leeton Shire Council send a letter of appreciation to Mr Carl King.

**(Moved Cr Davidson, seconded Cr Kidd)**

Cr Paul Maytom returned to the meeting, the time being 8.43pm.

**9. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**10. COUNCILLOR ACTIVITY REPORTS**

**Item 10.1 COUNCILLOR ACTIVITY REPORT**

**21/129**

**Resolved**

THAT Council notes the Councillor Activity Reports for the period 25 August 2021 to 22 September 2021.

**(Moved Cr Weston, seconded Cr Reneker)**

**11. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

**12. CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.03 pm.

..... signed by  
the Chairman of the meeting held on  
27 Oct 2021 at which meeting the  
signature hereon was subscribed.