



**LEETON**  
SHIRE COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY  
COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2021  
COMMENCING AT 7.00PM  
AT THE LEETON SHOWGROUND GRANDSTAND**

**Present:**

**Councillors:**

Cr. Paul Maytom (Emeritus 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), Kerrie-Anne Hare (Executive Manager IPR Governance), Francois Van Der Berg (Manager Planning, Building and Health), Josh Clyne (Manager Open Space and Recreation), Chris Lashbrook (Manager Roads and Drainage), Brent Lawrence (Manager Visitor Services and Local Activation), Gary Taylor (Manager People and Organisational Development), Gerard Simms (Manager Information Communication and Technology) and John Pearson (Manager Water and Waste Water)

**Press:** Nil

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

Nil

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

21/150

**Resolved**

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 27 October 2021, as circulated, be taken as read and CONFIRMED.

THAT the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on Thursday 4 November 2021, as circulated, be taken as read and CONFIRMED.

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

#### 5. **DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

Cr Weston declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.3 Round One of the 2021/22 Community Strengthening Grants Program Allocation as he is a member of Leeton Family and Local History Society and his grandsons are Scouts.

Cr Reneker declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.3 Round One of the 2021/22 Community Strengthening Grants Program Allocation as he is President of the Leeton Family and Local History Society.

#### 6. **PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS**

Nil

#### 7. **MAYORAL MINUTES**

Nil

#### 8. **REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

##### **Council Resolution**

21/151

**Resolved**

THAT:

Item 8.9 Annual Financial Statements for the Year ended 30 June 2021 be brought forward to accommodate Auditor representation.

Item 8.2 State of the Shire Report be the final item of the Reports to Council to accommodate the General Manager's presentation.

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

**Item 8.9 ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021  
21/152**

**Resolved**

THAT Council notes the presentation on the 2020/21 Financial Reports and Auditor's Reports for Leeton Shire Council by Mr Brad Bohun from Crowe in Albury representing the Auditor General.

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

**Move into Committee of the Whole**

**21/153**

**Resolved**

THAT Council moves into a Committee of the Whole at 7.11pm to hear the Audit Report from Brad Bohun from Crowe, Albury.

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

**Move out of Committee of the Whole**

**21/154**

**Resolved**

THAT Council moves out of Committee of the Whole

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

**GENERAL MANAGER'S MATTERS**

**Item 8.1 LEETON SHIRE COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2021**

**21/155**

**Resolved**

THAT Council:

1. Notes the activities and progress made during the 2020/21 financial year, as outlined in the Annual Report, towards achieving Council's Delivery Program commitments.
2. Endorses the Leeton Shire Council Annual Report 2021.
3. Notes that the Leeton Shire Council Annual Report 2021 will be posted on Leeton Shire Council's website on 29 November 2021, that the Minister will

be advised of its availability on that date, and that the Leeton community will be advised of its availability after the 4 December 2021 elections have taken place.

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

**Item 8.3 ROUND ONE OF THE 2021/22 COMMUNITY STRENGTHENING GRANTS PROGRAM ALLOCATIONS**

**21/156**

**Resolved**

THAT Council approves the following applications for assistance under Round One of the 2021/22 Community Strengthening Grants program:

1st Leeton Scout Group	\$500
Gralee School	\$1,000
Leeton Art Society	\$1,000
Leeton Aviators Club	\$1,000
Leeton Family and Local History Society Inc	\$1,000
Leeton Showground Land Managarees	\$1,500
Leeton Yanco Swimming Club	\$2,000
Parkview Public School P and C.	\$500
Riverina Writing House Inc	\$500
Water Wheel Garden Club/Pieces N Patches Group	\$2,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$11,000</u></b>

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

**Item 8.4 QUICK RESPONSE GRANT APPLICATION**

**21/157**

**Resolved**

THAT Council awards Leeton Rainbow Pride Collective Inc a \$176 Quick Response Grant to assist with purchasing a tear drop flag for promotion of World AIDS Day on 1 December 2021.

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

**Item 8.5 MINUTES OF THE LEETON MEN'S SHED COMMITTEE - 9 OCTOBER AND 10 NOVEMBER 2021 AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 10 NOVEMBER 2021**

**21/158**

**Resolved**

THAT Council receives for information:

1. The minutes of the Leeton Men's Shed Committee meeting held on

Wednesday 13 October 2021.

2. The minutes of the Leeton Men's Shed Committee AGM held on Wednesday 10 November 2021.
3. The minutes of the Leeton Men's Shed Committee meeting held on Wednesday 10 November 2021.

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

Recorded that Cr Nardi is against the motion.

**Item 8.6 MINUTES OF COUNTRY MAYORS MEETING - 5 NOVEMBER 2021**

**21/159**

**Resolved**

THAT Council receives for information the Minutes of the Country Mayors Association meeting held on Friday 5 November 2021.

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

**Item 8.7 ANNUAL DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST RETURNS BY COUNCILLORS AND DESIGNATED PERSONS - 1 JULY 2020 - 30 JUNE 2021**

**21/160**

**Resolved**

THAT Council receives and notes the report on the 2020/21 Annual Disclosure of Interest Returns by Councillors, senior management and designated persons.

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

**Item 8.8 DISSOLVING THE LEETON MEN'S SHED SECTION 355 COMMITTEE**

**21/161**

**Resolved**

THAT Council defers a decision of Item 8.8 Dissolving the Leeton Mens Shed 355 Committee until the establishment of the new Leeton Shire Council.

**. (Moved Cr Ciccia, seconded Cr Weston)**

## **CORPORATE MATTERS**

### **Item 8.10 2021/22 BUDGET REVIEW FOR THE QUARTER ENDING 30 SEPTEMBER 2021**

**21/162**

#### **Resolved**

THAT Council review and consider the QBR as at 30 September 2021, and approve the changes as recommended by Management.

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

### **Item 8.11 INVESTMENTS REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2021**

**21/163**

#### **Resolved**

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

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

## **OPERATIONAL MATTERS**

### **Item 8.12 ADOPTION OF THE ENERGY MASTER PLAN**

**21/164**

#### **Resolved**

THAT Council:

1. Adopts the Energy Master Plan compiled by "100% Renewables".
2. Endorses the development of a revolving energy fund as identified in the Energy Master Plan.

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

### **Item 8.13 MINUTES OF THE LEETON TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - 28 OCTOBER 2021**

**21/165**

#### **Resolved**

THAT Council endorses the Minutes of the Leeton Tree Advisory Committee Meeting held on 28 October 2021.

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

**Item 8.14 MINUTES OF THE LEETON LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING  
 - 16 NOVEMBER 2021**

**21/166**

**Resolved**

THAT Council notes the Minutes and endorses the recommendations of the Local Area Traffic Committee meeting held on 16 November 2021.

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

**ACTIVATION MATTERS**

**Item 8.15 LOCAL HERITAGE PLACES GRANT 2021/2022**

**21/167**

**Resolved**

THAT Council approves the following Local Heritage Places Grant offers for 2021/22:

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Address/ Property</b>	<b>Work to be done</b>	<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>Funding Requeste d</b>	<b>Funding Recommen ded</b>	<b>Applicant's Contributio n</b>
Keith Camilleri	9 Main Ave, Yanco	Roof Repairs at former Post Office	\$2,970	\$1,485	\$1,500	\$1,470
Beverly Johnson	9 Melbergen St, Whitton	Repairs to flooring at former church	\$10,670	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,670
Fr Robert Murphy (St Peters Church)	Cnr Oak and Church Sts, Leeton	External Painting to Church Hall	\$2,684	\$1,342	\$1,350	\$1,334
Russell Magelarkis	119-121 Pine Ave, Leeton	Repairs to east and west walls of shop	\$12,350	\$5,000	\$4,500	\$7,850
Leeton Show Society	Acacia Ave, Leeton	Recladding of Secretary's Office at Showground	\$27,940	\$5,000	\$3,650	\$24,290
Trustee for Showground Trust	Acacia Ave, Leeton	Recladding of Agricultural Pavilion at Showground	\$14,850	\$5,000	\$3,500	\$11,350
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>(incl GST)</b>		<b>\$84,464</b>	<b>\$27,827</b>	<b>\$19,500</b>	<b>\$51,946</b>

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

**Amendment**

THAT Council agrees to include \$5,000 to be contributed to the Historic Hydro Motor Inn with the additional funds to be expensed from working capital budget.

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

The Amendment was put and carried. The Amendment then became the Motion.

**21/168**

**Resolved**

THAT Council:

1. Approves the following Local Heritage Places Grant offers for 2021/22:

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2. Agrees to include \$5,000 to be contributed to the Historic Hydro Motor Inn with the additional funds to be expensed from working capital budget.

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



**Item 8.16 DRAFT HOUSING STRATEGY**

**21/169**

**Resolved**

THAT Council:

1. Endorses the DRAFT Leeton Shire Housing Strategy for placement on public exhibition for a period of at least 28 days.
2. Adopts the Leeton Shire Housing Strategy on completion of the public exhibition period if no formal submissions requiring substantive changes are received.

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

**Item 8.17 MINUTES OF THE YANCO TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
- 8 NOVEMBER 2021**

**21/170**

**Resolved**

THAT Council receives for information the Minutes of the Yanco Town Improvement Committee meeting held on Monday 8 November 2021.

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

**Item 8.18 MINUTES OF THE YANCO COMMUNITY HALL COMMITTEE MEETING - 8  
NOVEMBER 2021**

**21/171**

**Resolved**

THAT Council receives for information the Minutes of the Yanco Community Hall Committee meeting held on Monday 8 November 2021.

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

**Item 8.19 MINUTES OF THE YANCO COMMUNITY HALL COMMITTEE MEETING -  
11 OCTOBER 2021**

**21/172**

**Resolved**

THAT Council receives for information the Minutes of the Yanco Community Hall Committee meeting held on Monday 11 October 2021.

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

**Item 8.20 MINUTES OF THE SUNRICE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 28 OCTOBER 2021**

**21/173**

**Resolved**

THAT Council receives for information the Minutes of the Leeton SunRice Festival Committee Annual General Meeting held on 28 October 2021.

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

**Item 8.21 MINUTES OF THE LIGHT UP LEETON COMMITTEE - 30 SEPTEMBER TO 4 NOVEMBER 2021**

**21/174**

**Resolved**

THAT Council receives for information the Minutes of the Light Up Leeton Committee meetings held on 30 September, 14 October, 28 October and 4 November 2021.

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

**9. NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

**10. COUNCILLOR ACTIVITY REPORTS**

**Item 10.1 COUNCILLOR ACTIVITY REPORT**

**21/175**

**Resolved**

THAT Council notes the Councillor Activity Reports for the period 28 October 2021 to 24 November 2021.

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

**Item 8.2 STATE OF THE SHIRE REPORT 2016-2021**

**21/176**

**Resolved**

THAT Council notes the State of the Shire Report 2016–2021 for information and endorses the report being made available to the public via Council's website after the Local Government elections have taken place on 4 December 2021.

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

**11. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

Nil

**12. CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.09pm.

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