



SOUTH BURNETT

REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES

**Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday, 16 October 2024**

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**MINUTES OF SOUTH BURNETT REGIONAL COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE WARREN TRUSS CHAMBER, 45 GLENDON STREET, KINGAROY
ON WEDNESDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2024 AT 9.00AM**

PRESENT:

Councillors:

Mayor Kathy Duff, Cr Jane Erkens, Cr Linda Little, Cr Danita Potter, Cr Deb Dennien, Cr Heath Sander, Cr Ros Heit

Council Officers:

Acting CEO Ray Burton, Kerri Anderson (Acting General Manager Finance & Corporate), Aaron Meehan (General Manager Infrastructure), Rebecca Bayntun (Manager Corporate, Governance & Strategy), Leanne Petersen (Manager Facilities and Parks), Leo Jensen (Manager Environment & Planning), James D’Arcy (Manager Infrastructure Planning), Helen Floyd (Executive Assistant), Kristy Miatt (Executive Assistant Communications)

1 OPENING

Mayor Duff opened the meeting at 9.02am.

2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE / APOLOGIES

Nil

3 PRAYERS

A representative of KDMA, Andrew Clausen offered prayers for Council and for the conduct of the Council meeting.

4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

Cr Linda Little acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which the meeting took place.

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

I, Cr Jane Erkens inform this meeting that I have a prescribed conflict of interest in relation to **Item 12.5 Community Grants Round 1 2024 Grant Applications**. This prescribed conflict of interest arises due to providing supporting letters for applicants. I propose to leave and stay away from the place where the meeting is being held while this matter is discussed and voted on.

I, Cr Linda Little inform this meeting that I have a prescribed conflict of interest in relation to **Item 12.5 Community Grants Round 1 2024 Grant Applications** . This prescribed conflict of interest arises due to providing supporting letters for applicants. I propose to leave and stay away from the place where the meeting is being held while this matter is discussed and voted on.

Attendance

At 9.10am Kerri Anderson entered the meeting.

I, Cr Heath Sander inform this meeting that I have a prescribed conflict of interest in relation to **Item 12.5 Community Grants Round 1 2024 Grant Applications** . This prescribed conflict of interest arises due to providing supporting letters for applicants. I propose to leave and stay away from the place where the meeting is being held while this matter is discussed and voted on.

I, Cr Heath Sander inform this meeting that I have a prescribed conflict of interest in relation to **Item 12.6 Contractual Arrangements Entered Into Over \$200,000 (Ex Gst)**. This prescribed conflict of interest arises because I also sit on the list of contractors with Council, along with my wife, managing Bjelke-Petersen and Boondooma Dams. I propose to leave and stay away from the place where the meeting is being held while this matter is discussed and voted on.

I, Cr Ros Heit inform this meeting that I have a prescribed conflict of interest in relation to **Item 16.3 Wambo Wind Farm Infrastructure Agreement**. This prescribed conflict of interest arises due to a family member (a close associate) being an employee of Cubico Sustainable Investments which is the co-owner of Wambo Wind Farm. I propose to leave and stay away from the place where the meeting is being held while this matter is discussed and voted on.

6 DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS**6.1 DEPUTATION - BUNYA MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY ASSOC INC (BMCAI)**

Bunya Mountains Community Assoc Inc's deputation, comprising President Noel Noack and Secretary Carol Weekes, was presented. The deputation sought Council support for the development of a community centre at Bunya Mountains.

Attendance

At 9.17am Kerri Anderson, Aaron Meehan, Cr Heath Sander left the meeting.

At 9.22am Cr Heath Sander entered the meeting

At 9.23am Kerri Anderson, Aaron Meehan entered the meeting.

At 9.26am Rebecca Baynton entered the meeting.

MOTION

RESOLUTION 2024/174

Moved: Mayor Kathy Duff
Seconded: Cr Linda Little

That Standing Orders be suspended to allow Item 12.8 be brought forward.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

RESOLUTION 2024/175

Moved: Mayor Kathy Duff
Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That Council suspend Standing Orders to allow Bunya Mountains Community Association Inc representatives to further address Council.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

12.8 TRUSTEE LEASE - BUNYA MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

RESOLUTION 2024/176

Moved: Cr Danita Potter
Seconded: Cr Linda Little

That South Burnett Regional Council support the development of a community centre at the Bunya Mountains by:

1. In accordance with section 236(1)(b)(ii) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* dispose of a valuable non-current asset by way of entering a Lease over Lot 80 on FY2562 to the Bunya Mountains Community Association Inc. for a term of 10 years.
2. In accordance with section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, South Burnett Regional Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to negotiate, finalise and execute a lease with the Bunya Mountains Community Association Inc.

3. Establishing a partnership with the Bunya Mountains Community Association Inc. if Regional Precincts and Partnership funding is secured and provide in-kind support in accordance with Council's Grants Program Policy.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

RESOLUTION 2024/177

Moved: Cr Ros Heit

Seconded: Cr Linda Little

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

7.1 MINUTES OF THE CORPORATE RISK & AUDIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 17 SEPTEMBER 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/178

Moved: Cr Ros Heit

Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That the Minutes of the Corporate Risk & Audit Advisory Committee Meeting held on 17 September 2024 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

7.2 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18 SEPTEMBER 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/179

Moved: Cr Deb Dennien
 Seconded: Cr Ros Heit

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 September 2024 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

7.3 MINUTES OF THE CORPORATE RISK & AUDIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3 OCTOBER 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/180

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
 Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That the Minutes of the Corporate Risk & Audit Advisory Committee Meeting held on 3 October 2024 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

8 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MOTION

RESOLUTION 2024/181

Moved: Mayor Kathy Duff
 Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That the meeting considers Item 10.1 prior to consideration of Item 9.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

10.1 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING TABLE FOR ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION 2024/182

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
 Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That the Business Outstanding table for the Ordinary Council Meeting be received for information.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

9 COUNCILLOR DIVISIONAL UPDATES

Mayor, Cr Erkens and Cr Little provided divisional updates.

Attendance

At 9:58am, Cr Jane Erkens left the meeting.

Cr Potter, Cr Dennien, Cr Sander, Cr Heit provided divisional updates.

10 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Item - 10.1 Business Outstanding Table for Ordinary Council Meeting – was considered prior to Item 9.

11 EXECUTIVE SERVICES

11.1 ADOPTION OF COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT 2023/2024

RESOLUTION 2024/183

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
 Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That Council adopt the South Burnett Regional Council 2023/2024 Annual Report for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

11.2 REGIONAL UNIVERSITY STUDY HUBS PROGRAM

RESOLUTION 2024/184

Moved: Cr Danita Potter

Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That Council agree to and commit to fund any net operational expenditure shortfall of the CUC South Burnett and Cherbourg Ltd Regional University Study Hub based in the South Burnett, once operational, for a period of three (3) years, subject to the grant application to the Commonwealth being successful and noting opportunities for third party sponsorship contributions toward operational costs.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0**12 FINANCE & LIVEABILITY****12.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

RESOLUTION 2024/185

Moved: Cr Linda Little

Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That the monthly Financial Report including Capital Works and Works for Queensland (W4Q4) as at 30th September 2024 be received and noted.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0**12.1.1 QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Cr Heath Sander asked about the \$1 land charge on page 96 of the report.

ADJOURN MORNING TEA

RESOLUTION 2024/186

Moved: Mayor Kathy Duff

Seconded: Cr Ros Heit

That the meeting adjourn for morning tea at 10.27am.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

RESUME MEETING

RESOLUTION 2024/187

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That the meeting resume at 11.18am.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit
Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

12.2 1ST QUARTER REVIEW INCLUDING CONTINUED CAPITAL PROJECTS

RESOLUTION 2024/188

Moved: Cr Deb Dennien
Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

1. That in accordance with Section 170(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* the revised 2024/2025 operational budget be adopted.
2. That in accordance with Section 170(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* the revised 2024/2025 capital budget including continued projects from 2023/2024 be adopted.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit
Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

12.3 QUEENSLAND AUDIT OFFICE - 2024 CLOSING MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR SOUTH BURNETT REGIONAL COUNCIL

RESOLUTION 2024/189

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
Seconded: Cr Linda Little

That subject to *Section 213* of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, South Burnett Regional Council receives the 2024 Closing Management Report from the Auditor-General detailing the observation report of South Burnett Regional Council's financial statements as presented for consideration.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit
Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

**12.4 SOUTH BURNETT REGIONAL COUNCIL ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN 2024/2025
1ST QUARTER REVIEW**

RESOLUTION 2024/190

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
 Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That, in accordance with s.174(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council receive the assessment of the progress towards implementing the South Burnett Regional Council Operational Plan 2024/2025.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit
Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

Attendance

At 11:27am, Cr Heath Sander and Cr Linda Little left the meeting.

12.5 COMMUNITY GRANTS ROUND 1 2024 GRANT APPLICATIONS

RESOLUTION 2024/191

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
 Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That the grant recommendations on applications for the Community Grants Program Round 1 2024 as listed in the body of this report be adopted.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien and Ros Heit
Against: Nil

CARRIED 4/0

Attendance

At 11:30am, Cr Heath Sander and Cr Linda Little returned to the meeting.

At 11.33am, Leo Jensen entered the meeting.

12.5.1 COUNCILLOR DISCRETIONARY FUND - MAYOR

RESOLUTION 2024/192

Moved: Cr Danita Potter
 Seconded: Cr Linda Little

That the Councillor Discretionary Fund 2024/25 allocation for the Mayor be increased to \$6,000.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit
Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

12.5.2 DISCRETIONARY FUND LIMIT

RESOLUTION 2024/193

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That the Councillor Discretionary Fund have a limit of \$500 per community group per financial year.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Crs Linda Little and Danita Potter

CARRIED 4/2

Attendance

At 11:48am, Cr Heath Sander left the meeting.

12.6 CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS ENTERED INTO OVER \$200,000 (EX GST)

RESOLUTION 2024/194

Moved: Cr Linda Little
Seconded: Cr Ros Heit

That the report be received for information.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 5/0

Attendance

At 11:52am, Cr Heath Sander returned to the meeting.

12.7 IN-KIND SUPPORT - KINGAROY CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL 2024.

RESOLUTION 2024/195

Moved: Mayor Kathy Duff

Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That the matter be lifted from the table.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

At 11:55am, Cr Jane Erkens returned to the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2024/196

Moved: Cr Danita Potter

Seconded: Cr Linda Little

That South Burnett Regional Council approve the requested In-Kind assistance to the 2024 Kingaroy Christmas Carnival subject to available resources including assistance with the TMP to be prepared after Community Engagement with the surrounding and affected businesses.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

Item - 12.8 Trustee Lease - Bunya Mountains Community Association Inc. – was considered under Item 6 in this meeting.

12.9 REDUCTION IN PERMIT APPLICATION FEE TO KEEP EXCESS DOMESTIC ANIMALS

RESOLUTION 2024/197

Moved: Cr Danita Potter

Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That the Domestic Animal Permit Application Fee to keep excess domestic animals be reduced in the 2024/2025 Financial Year Fees and Charges from the existing fee of \$190.00, down to \$50.00.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

12.10 EXTENSION TO CURRENCY PERIOD FOR EXISTING APPLICATION (MCU21/0019) FOR A PRELIMINARY APPROVAL FOR MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE (MASTER PLANNED COMMUNITY) AND DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR RECONFIGURING A LOT

(1 LOT INTO 23 LOTS PLUS PARKLAND) AT BUNYA HIGHWAY KINGAROY (AND DESCRIBED AS LOT 3 ON SP181686). APPLICANT: KINGAROY INVESTMENTS PTY LTD C/- JFP CONSULTANTS PTY LTD

RESOLUTION 2024/198

Moved: Cr Linda Little
 Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That Council approve the request to extend the Currency Period pursuant to s87 of the *Planning Act 2016* by one (1) additional year, from 25 September 2024 until 25 September 2025. (Refer to Section 85 “Lapsing of approval at end of currency period” of the *Planning Act 2016*).

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

12.11 PROPOSED MAJOR AMENDMENT TO THE SOUTH BURNETT REGIONAL COUNCIL PLANNING SCHEME

RESOLUTION 2024/199

Moved: Cr Danita Potter
 Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That Council:

1. Adopts the major amendment to the South Burnett Regional Planning Scheme 2017 (Major Amendment No. 1) in accordance with Section 22.1 of the Minister’s Guidelines and Rules.
2. Sets Monday 28 October 2024 as the commencement date for the Major amendment to the South Burnett Regional Planning Scheme 2017 (Major Amendment No. 1).
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to complete all necessary steps to give effect to the major amendment to the South Burnett Regional Planning Scheme 2017 (Major Amendment No. 1).

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

Attendance

At 12.05pm James D’Arcy entered the meeting.

12.12 LIST OF CORRESPONDENCE PENDING COMPLETION OF ASSESSMENT REPORT

RESOLUTION 2024/200

Moved: Cr Danita Potter
 Seconded: Cr Ros Heit

That the list of correspondence pending completion of assessment report as of 30 September 2024 be received and noted.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

12.13 DELEGATED AUTHORITY REPORTS (1 SEPTEMBER 2024 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2024)

RESOLUTION 2024/201

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
 Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That the Delegated Authority Report, for the month of September 2024 be received and noted.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

Attendance

At 12.08pm Leo Jensen left the meeting.
 At 12.08pm Leanne Petersen entered the meeting.

13 INFRASTRUCTURE

13.1 FUTURE DROUGHT FUND RESILIENT LANDSCAPE PROGRAM

RESOLUTION 2024/202

Moved: Cr Heath Sander
 Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That Council apply for funding under the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Future Drought Fund Resilient Landscape Program.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

13.2 REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR GRAVE SHORING AT CEMETERIES

RESOLUTION 2024/203

Moved: Cr Danita Potter
 Seconded: Cr Ros Heit

That Council allocate an additional \$19,000 to the Parks and Gardens 2024/25 Capital budget for the purchase of one grave shoring system.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

13.3 REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR UPGRADES TO KUMBIA MEMORIAL HALL

RESOLUTION 2024/204

Moved: Cr Ros Heit

Seconded: Cr Linda Little

That Council supports the Kumbia and District Memorial School of Arts Inc to continue to investigate and submit other grant opportunities to upgrade the Kumbia Hall stumps.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

13.4 HOME CREEK LOOP ROAD BRIDGE

RESOLUTION 2024/205

Moved: Cr Ros Heit

Seconded: Cr Heath Sander

That Council defer the Home Creek Loop Road bridge replacement under the Australian Government Bridge Renewal Program due to industry cost escalation and seek increased funding from eligible programs in the future.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

13.5 ROUND 5 SCHOOL TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM NOMINATIONS

RESOLUTION 2024/206

Moved: Cr Heath Sander

Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That Council nominate the following projects for the Queensland Government School Transport Infrastructure Program with staged delivery over a number of financial years and in order of priority:

1. Benarkin State School, Carparking and Bus Setdown Upgrade
2. St John's Lutheran School, Kingaroy, Carparking Reconfiguration and Upgrade
3. Proston State School, Bus Setdown and Footpath Works
4. Kingaroy State High School, Markwell Street (Mant Street/First Avenue) Carparking

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

13.5.1 SCHOOL TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM

RESOLUTION 2024/207

Moved: Cr Deb Dennien
Seconded: Cr Linda Little

That Council write to the QLD Government post-election to request that the School Transport Infrastructure Program be continued.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

13.6 2028/2029 REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT GROUP (RRTG) FUNDING NOMINATIONS

RESOLUTION 2024/208

Moved: Cr Danita Potter
Seconded: Cr Ros Heit

That Council nominate the following roads to the Regional Roads & Transport Group for the 2028/29 Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS):

- Stuart Street, Kumbia
- Somerset Street, Kingaroy
- Alford Street East, Kingaroy

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

13.7 TARONG WEST WIND FARM ROADS

RESOLUTION 2024/209

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
Seconded: Cr Linda Little

That Council formally seek to engage with RES and Stanwell in relation to possible transport routes for the Tarong West Wind Farm and request that community feedback is also sought on preferred options.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

14 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

15 INFORMATION SECTION

Nil

16 CONFIDENTIAL SECTION

RESOLUTION 2024/210

Moved: Cr Danita Potter

Seconded: Cr Ros Heit

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 254J of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*:

16.1 Yurika Dark Fibre Project - Funding Program Update

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - i of the Local Government Regulation, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with a matter the local government is required to keep confidential under a law of, or formal arrangement with, the Commonwealth or a State..

16.2 Gordonbrook Dam Off Stream Storage Construction

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - i of the Local Government Regulation, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with a matter the local government is required to keep confidential under a law of, or formal arrangement with, the Commonwealth or a State..

16.3 Wambo Wind Farm Infrastructure Agreement

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - g of the Local Government Regulation, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

16.4 Application for concession - Assessment 13162-00000-013

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - d of the Local Government Regulation, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with rating concessions.

16.5 Financial Hardship Rates Application – Assessment Number -21372-00000-000

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - d of the Local Government Regulation, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with rating concessions.

16.6 CUC South Burnett and Cherbourg Limited Board Members

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - g of the Local Government Regulation, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

16.7 Support for Christmas Events 2024

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - c of the Local Government Regulation, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with the local government's budget.

16.8 Additional Funds required to re-roof Boondooma Homestead.

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - g of the Local Government Regulation, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

Attendance

At 12.28pm Cr Heit left the meeting.

At 12.32pm Cr Heit entered the meeting.

At 1.17pm Leanne Petersen left the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2024/211

Moved: Cr Ros Heit

Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

16.1 YURIKA DARK FIBRE PROJECT - FUNDING PROGRAM UPDATE

RESOLUTION 2024/212

Moved: Mayor Kathy Duff

Seconded: Cr Ros Heit

That the matter be lifted from the table.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

RESOLUTION 2024/213

Moved: Cr Danita Potter
 Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That South Burnett Regional Council notes:

1. The approval of funding under Regional Economic Futures Fund for the Yurika Dark Fibre Project;
2. This Milestone 1 Update Report; and
3. Notes the grant contribution of \$6,800,000 for the Roads Infrastructure first quarter adjustment to the 24/25 OpEx budget.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

16.2 GORDONBROOK DAM OFF STREAM STORAGE CONSTRUCTION

RESOLUTION 2024/214

Moved: Mayor Kathy Duff
 Seconded: Cr Ros Heit

That the matter be lifted from the table.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

RESOLUTION 2024/215

Moved: Cr Danita Potter
 Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That South Burnett Regional Council, in line with requirements of the approved funding agreement under Regional Economic Futures Fund:

1. Confirms it is committed to deliver the construction of the Gordonbrook Dam off-stream storage and ancillary works;
2. Acknowledges the responsibility for any funding shortfall if costs or other contributors change;
3. Notes the grant contribution of \$7,084,590 for the Water and Wastewater first quarter adjustment to the 24/25 CapEx budget; and
4. Commits to resourcing the Project Committee and delivery team as required for Milestone 1.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

Attendance

At 1:20pm, Cr Ros Heit left the meeting.

16.3 WAMBO WIND FARM INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION 2024/216

Moved: Cr Linda Little
 Seconded: Cr Deb Dennien

That Council:

1. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate Infrastructure Agreements to manage and mitigate road impacts on Council’s road network as a result of the construction of the Wambo Wind Farm; and
2. Council communicate with local residents the reasons for route selections where appropriate.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien and Heath Sander

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

Attendance

At 1:21pm, Cr Ros Heit returned to the meeting.

16.4 APPLICATION FOR CONCESSION - ASSESSMENT 13162-00000-013

RESOLUTION 2024/217

Moved: Cr Ros Heit
 Seconded: Cr Danita Potter

That South Burnett Regional Council approve an ongoing rate remission policy for assessment 13162-00000-013 under the Service & Other Clubs category as they meet the criteria of the policy.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

16.5 FINANCIAL HARDSHIP RATES APPLICATION – ASSESSMENT NUMBER -21372-00000-000

RESOLUTION 2024/218

Moved: Cr Linda Little
 Seconded: Cr Heath Sander

That South Burnett Regional Council:

1. Request the owner enter into a payment arrangement for Assessment Number 21372-00000-000 for \$120.00 per fortnight commencing 1 November 2024 for a period of 12 months;

2. Payments increasing to \$140.00 per fortnight from 1 November 2025 for a period of 12 months;
3. Payments increasing to \$160.00 per fortnight from 1 November 2026 for a period of 12 months;
4. Payments increasing to \$180.00 per fortnight from 1 November 2027 for a period of 12 months under normal rate arrangement conditions;
5. Payments increasing to \$195.00 per fortnight from 1 November 2028 for a period of 12 months under normal rate arrangement conditions;
6. Suspend interest from accumulating while hardship payment arrangement is maintained;
7. A review of this Payment Plan monthly; or at other times if Council is advised that the Applicant's circumstances have changed significantly;
8. The expiry of this Payment Plan upon payment in full of all outstanding rates and charges; and
9. The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to negotiate a suitable payment plan should the Applicant reject or request a variance of this Payment Plan.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

16.6 CUC SOUTH BURNETT AND CHERBOURG LIMITED BOARD MEMBERS

RESOLUTION 2024/219

Moved: Cr Linda Little

Seconded: Cr Jane Erkens

That the following nominations submitted be accepted as founding Board Directors of CUC South Burnett and Cherbourg Ltd:

- Bruce Simpson
- Eric Law
- Danita Potter
- Mark Pitt
- Kerry O'Brien
- Mark Freeman
- Gaye Binns
- Duncan Taylor
- Sharon Sippel

The four Alternate Directors for the board are:

- Margie Hams
- Wendy Thorsborne
- Jill-Anne Wheeler
- David Thomson

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien and Ros Heit

Against: Cr Heath Sander

CARRIED 6/1

16.7 SUPPORT FOR CHRISTMAS EVENTS 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/220

Moved: Cr Linda Little

Seconded: Cr Ros Heit

That South Burnett Regional Council

1. approve the following cash contributions for Christmas events throughout the region:

- Kumbia and District Memorial School of Arts Inc \$1,000
- Wondai AP&I \$1,500
- Wondai Art Gallery \$500
- Proston Christmas Carols \$1,000
- Blackbutt Lions Club \$1,500

2. and that funding be taken from the Community Grants funding allocation for the 2024/2025 year.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

16.8 ADDITIONAL FUNDS REQUIRED TO RE-ROOF BOONDOOMA HOMESTEAD.

RESOLUTION 2024/221

Moved: Cr Ros Heit

Seconded: Cr Linda Little

That in relation to the re-roofing of Boondooma Homestead, Council allocate \$12,000 of funding from Council’s building assets restricted cash to allow a new roof including new flashings and rainwater goods to be installed.

In Favour: Crs Kathy Duff, Jane Erkens, Linda Little, Danita Potter, Deb Dennien, Heath Sander and Ros Heit

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

17 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 1.26pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 20 November 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON
