

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
40 CHERRY STREET BALLINA,
ON 15/05/18 AT 5.00 PM**

Attendance

Crs David Wright (Mayor - in the chair), Phillip Meehan, Sharon Parry, Jeff Johnson, Eoin Johnston, Stephen McCarthy, Nathan Willis, Keith Williams, Sharon Cadwallader and Ben Smith.

Paul Hickey (General Manager), John Truman (Group Manager Civil Services), Matthew Wood (Group Manager Development and Environmental Health), Steve Barnier (Group Manager Strategic and Community Facilities), Cheyne Willebrands (Manager Open Spaces & Resource Recovery), Kelly Brown (Manager Risk and Human Resources), Jason Vidler (Team Leader – Open Spaces and Reserves) and Sandra Bailey (Secretary) were in attendance.

There were 30 people in the gallery at this time.

1. Acknowledgement of Country

In opening the meeting the Mayor provided an Acknowledgement of Country.

2. Apologies

Nil

3. Declarations of Interest

Nil

4. Deputations

- **Dr Chris Lowry** – spoke in opposition to Item 5.1 – Notice of Motion – Castle Drive – Fig Tree.
- **Jenny Grinlington** – spoke in favour of Item 5.1 – Notice of Motion – Castle Drive – Fig Tree.

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5. Notices of Motion

5.1 Notice of Motion - Castle Drive - Fig Tree

A **Motion** was moved by Cr Phillip Meehan and seconded by Cr Keith Williams

That prior to the removal of the Castle Drive Fig Tree, Council obtain further advice in respect to at least the following matters:

- that Council engage a suitably qualified contractor to undertake ground probing radar (GBR) as outlined in the Council report
- that Council continue to explore a suitable root barrier as proposed by The Tree Doctor and/or Terra Ark.

That once these costings and reports have been completed that this matter be referred back to Council.

The **Motion** was **LOST**.

FOR VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan, Cr Sharon Parry, Cr Jeff Johnson and Cr Keith Williams

AGAINST VOTE - Cr David Wright, Cr Eoin Johnston, Cr Stephen McCarthy, Cr Nathan Willis, Cr Sharon Cadwallader and Cr Ben Smith

MEETING CLOSURE

6.33 pm

The Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 15/05/18 were submitted for confirmation by council on 24 May 2018 and amendments (if any) are contained in the confirming resolution. Such Minutes were signed by the Mayor at the meeting on 24 May 2018.