

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING`
OF THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
40 CHERRY STREET, BALLINA,
ON 15/02/23 AT 4.00PM**

Attendance

Crs Sharon Cadwallader (Mayor - in the chair), Kiri Dicker, Jeff Johnson, Simon Chate, Eoin Johnston, Stephen McCarthy, Nigel Buchanan, Phillip Meehan and Rodney Bruem.

Paul Hickey (General Manager), John Truman (Director, Civil Services Director), Matthew Wood (Director, Planning and Environmental Health Division) (part of meeting only), Kelly Brown (Director, Corporate and Community Division), Linda Coulter (Manager Financial Services), Caroline Klose (Manager Communications and Customer Service), Paul Tsikleas (Manager Commercial Services) and Sandra Bailey (Secretary) were in attendance.

There were no people in the gallery at this time.

1. Acknowledgement of Country

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

2. Apologies

An apology was received from Cr Eva Ramsey.

RECOMMENDATION

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Jeff Johnson)

That such apology be accepted and leave of absence granted.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Eva Ramsey

3. Declarations of Interest

Nil

4. Deputations

Nil

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5. Committee Reports

5.1 Alstonville Cultural Centre - Future Operation

RECOMMENDATION

(Cr Eoin Johnston/Cr Rodney Bruem)

1. That Council notes the contents of this report that the estimate to re-open the Alstonville Cultural Centre is \$830,000 based on the need to replace the roof and repair other water damage related works.
2. That based on the historical low usage levels for the Alstonville Cultural Centre in its current condition, along with advice that the roof will need to be realigned when the Centre is redeveloped, Council's preference is to keep the Centre closed, excluding the library facilities, and proceed as a priority with the redevelopment of the Centre.
3. That the development of the 2023/24 to 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan include a funding strategy to undertake the redevelopment works, based on a mixture of Section 7.11 contributions, grant funds, loans, and land sale proceeds.
4. That Council make on-going representations to the State and Federal Governments to secure grant funds to assist with funding the redevelopment of the Alstonville Cultural Centre.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Eva Ramsey

5.2 Waste Collection - Service Delivery Review

RECOMMENDATION

(Cr Phillip Meehan/Cr Eoin Johnston)

That in response to the procurement review of the waste collection service, Council progresses the implementation of a fully outsourced waste collection service model subject to:

1. A further assessment following the completion of the formal consultation with affected employees in accordance with Clause 41 - Workplace Change of the NSW Local Government State Award and the outcomes of a tender process for the service.
2. That following the Award process and the outcomes of the tender process that the matter be reported back to Council for further consideration.

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FOR VOTE - Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Cr Kiri Dicker, Cr Simon Chate, Cr Eoin Johnston, Cr Stephen McCarthy, Cr Nigel Buchanan, Cr Phillip Meehan and Cr Rodney Bruem

AGAINST VOTE - Cr Jeff Johnson

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Eva Ramsey

MEETING CLOSURE

5.00pm