

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
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**Attendance**

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

Paul Hickey (General Manager), John Truman (Director, Civil Services Division), Matthew Wood (Director, Planning and Environmental Health Division), Caroline Klose (Director, Corporate and Community Division), Janelle Snellgrove (Executive Support Officer – Corporate and Community) and Nikki Glassop (Administration Officer – Corporate and Community) were in attendance.

There were five people in the gallery at this time.

**1. Australian National Anthem**

The National Anthem was played.

**2. Acknowledgement of Country**

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

**3. Apologies**

An apology was received from Cr Phillip Meehan.

**270624/1 RESOLVED**

(Cr Eva Ramsey/Cr Rodney Bruem)

That such apology be accepted and leave of absence granted.

That Council accepts a request from Cr Nigel Buchanan to attend the meeting online, based on this being the third consecutive meeting he has attended by audio visual link.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

**4. Confirmation of Minutes**

**270624/2 RESOLVED**

(Cr Jeff Johnson/Cr Eva Ramsey)

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That Council confirms the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Ballina Shire Council held on Thursday 23 May 2024.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

**5. Declarations of Interest and Reportable Political Donations**

- **Cr Nigel Buchanan** – declared an interest in Item 9.7 – Construction of Depot Storage and Administration Building. (Nature of Interest: significant, non-pecuniary – his son’s business has submitted a tender for the project). He left the meeting while the matter was discussed and did not vote.
- **Cr Jeff Johnson** – declared an interest in Item 9.7 – Construction of Depot Storage and Administration Building. (Nature of Interest: non-significant, non-pecuniary – his business may have sub-contracted to one of the tenderers). He left the meeting while the matter was discussed and did not vote.
- **Cr Sharon Cadwallader** – declared an interest in Item 9.8 – Delivery Program and Operations Plan – Adoption (Review) specifically concerning the Donations Program. (Nature of Interest: non-significant, non-pecuniary – her husband Bruce Cadwallader being a Rotary member). She remained in the meeting while the matter was discussed and voted on the matter.

There were no reportable political donations.

**6. Deputations**

- **Steve Connelly, Planners North** – spoke in opposition to Item 8.5 LEP Amendment Request - 34 Racecourse Road, Ballina.
- **Matthew Bertram, Ballina Jockey Club and Function Centre** – spoke in favour of Item 8.5 LEP Amendment Request - 34 Racecourse Road, Ballina.
- **Denise Quintal, EcoNorfolk Foundation Inc** – spoke on Item 8.3 Sharpes Beach Car Park Upgrade.

**7. Mayoral Minutes**

Nil items.

**Change in Order of Business**

**270624/3            RESOLVED**

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That Council change the order of business to deal with items as per the Deputations received.

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FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate, Cr Nigel Buchanan and Cr Phillip Meehan

**8. Planning and Environmental Health Division Reports**

**8.5 LEP Amendment Request - 34 Racecourse Road, Ballina**

**270624/4            RESOLVED**

(Cr Jeff Johnson/Cr Simon Chate)

That Council does not support Planning Proposal PP-2024-1016, as detailed in this report, as the proposal may give rise to land use conflicts between existing adjoining equine land uses and the proposed use.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

**8.3 Sharpes Beach - Car Park Upgrade**

A **Motion** was moved by Cr Eva Ramsey and Cr Rodney Bruem

That Council endorses Option 3, as per Attachment 4 to this report, as the basis for the redevelopment of the Sharpes Beach car park upgrade.

An **Amendment** was moved by Cr Rodney Bruem and seconded by Cr Stephen McCarthy

That Council defer this matter for another month and considers the redevelopment using a combination of Options 3 and 4, while also holding a workshop to consider the following points:

1. Ensuring vegetation planting doesn't impede scenic oceans vistas along the Coast Road
2. Redesigning the amenities block with a view to providing additional shelter from the elements
3. Allocating space within the plan for a future beach pavilion or shelter shed

Prioritising planning for the overflow car park to the north and reporting on whether a temporary gravel car park in that area would be feasible.

The **Amendment** was **LOST**

FOR VOTE - Cr Stephen McCarthy, Cr Nigel Buchanan, Cr Eva Ramsey and Cr Rodney Bruem  
AGAINST VOTE - Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Cr Kiri Dicker, Cr Jeff Johnson, Cr Simon Chate and Cr Eoin Johnston  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

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An **Amendment** was Moved by Cr McCarthy and seconded by Cr Dicker

1. That Council confirms Option 4 per Attachment 5 to this report, as the preferred option for the redevelopment of the Sharpes Beach car park upgrade.
2. That Council receive a report back to the July 2024 Ordinary meeting based on Option 4, along with potential improvements that provide improved car parking outcomes and the retention of the Norfolk Pines.

The **Amendment** was **CARRIED**

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

That the **Amendment** became the **Motion** and was **CARRIED**  
**270624/5            RESOLVED**

(Cr Stephen McCarthy/Cr Kiri Dicker)

1. That Council confirms Option 4 per Attachment 5 to this report, as its preferred option for the redevelopment of the Sharpes Beach car park upgrade.
2. That Council receive a report back to the July 2024 Ordinary meeting with Option 4, along with potential improvements that provide improved car parking outcomes and the retention of the Norfolk Pines.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

**Adjournment**

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 10.31am.

The meeting resumed at 11.00am. Cr Jeff Johnson did not return to the meeting.

**8.1    DA 2023/448 - Alterations and Additions - 24 Hillcrest Drive, Tintenbar**

**270624/6            RESOLVED**

(Cr Eva Ramsey/Cr Stephen McCarthy)

1. That Council endorses the proposed variation to Clause 4.3 Height of Buildings development standard under the Ballina Local Environmental Plan 2012, to enable alterations and additions to an existing dwelling, including additional bedrooms, bathrooms, garage, swimming pool and rooved decks, for the reasons outlined in this report.

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2. That Development application 2023/488 for “Alterations and additions to an existing dwelling, including additional bedrooms, bathrooms, garage, swimming pool and rooved decks” be **APPROVED** subject to the application of the conditions of consent contained in Attachment 5, and including standard planning, building, engineering and environmental health conditions applicable to this type of development.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr Jeff Johnson and Cr Phillip Meehan

Cr Jeff Johnson returned to the meeting at 11:02 am.

**8.2     DA 2017/643 - 78 Moon Street, Ballina - Developer Contributions**

**270624/7             RESOLVED**

(Cr Kiri Dicker/Cr Stephen McCarthy)

1. That based on the 14 September 2007 Ministerial Direction relating to social housing providers and contributions, Council approves the reduction of the contributions and charges applying to DA 2017/643 by not applying Section 7.11 contributions for open space, community facilities or roads in the amount of \$157,961.78 (subject to annual indexing from the issue of the development consent).
2. That Council write to the Minister for Planning to ask that the 2007 Ministerial Direction be reviewed based on the contemporary market for this form of housing.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

**8.4     Planning Proposal - Tuckombil Quarry Alstonville - Finalisation**

**270624/8             RESOLVED**

(Cr Eoin Johnston/Cr Rodney Bruem)

1. That Council endorses the amendment to rezone the Tuckombil Quarry site at Gap Road, Alstonville to part SP4 Enterprise and part C2 Environmental Conservation, as outlined in Planning Proposal BSCPP 22/006 included as Attachment 1 to this report.
2. That Council submit planning proposal BSCPP 22/006 to the Department of Planning, Housing, and Infrastructure for finalisation.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

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**8.6     Local Environmental Plan Amendments and Planning Proposals - Status**

**270624/9            RESOLVED**

(Cr Stephen McCarthy/Cr Eva Ramsey)

That Council notes the contents of this status report on LEP amendments and planning proposals.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

**8.7     Electric Vehicle Charger - Pole Mounted Trial**

**270624/10          RESOLVED**

(Cr Rodney Bruem/Cr Stephen McCarthy)

1. That Council approves participation in the EVX/Essential Energy pole mounted Electric Vehicle Charger trial until the end of 2026, with a review to be completed at the end of 2025.
2. That Council designates two car parking bays at 44 Cherry Street, Ballina and two car parking bays at 1 Ross Street, Lennox Head for installation of an EVX pole mounted EV charger.
3. That Council mark the car parking bays and provide signage that states 'EV Charging only', with parking spaces time limited to four hours.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

**8.8     Policy (Review) - Public Art**

**270624/11          RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Eoin Johnston)

1. That Council adopts the revised Public Art Policy, as per Attachment 1 to this report.
2. That Council place this policy on exhibition for public comment, with any submissions received to be resubmitted back to Council. If no submissions are received, no further action is required.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

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Cr Simon Chate left the meeting at 11:44 am.

**9. Corporate and Community Division Reports**

**9.1 Use of Council Seal**

**270624/12 RESOLVED**

(Cr Eoin Johnston/Cr Stephen McCarthy)

That Council affix the Common Seal to the following document.

US2024/8	Ballina Shire Council Variation to Lease to Elmia Air Pty Ltd for Part Lot 1 DP 1277071, 210 Southern Cross Drive, Ballina known as the Salt Bar and Beach Grill, Ballina Byron Gateway Airport Terminal. The variation to lease is to add an additional five-year term to the current lease at market rent.
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FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

Cr Nigel Buchanan left the meeting at 11:46 am.

**9.2 Investment Summary - May 2024**

**270624/13 RESOLVED**

(Cr Rodney Bruem/Cr Stephen McCarthy)

That Council notes the report of banking and investments for May 2024.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate, Cr Nigel Buchanan and Cr Phillip Meehan

**9.3 Policy (Review) - Investments**

A **Motion** was moved by Cr Stephen McCarthy and seconded by Cr Rodney Bruem

1. That Council adopts the revised Investment Policy, as per Attachment 1 to this report.
2. That Council place this policy on exhibition for public comment, with any submissions received to be resubmitted back to Council. If no submissions are received, no further action is required.

Cr Nigel Buchanan returned to the meeting at 11:54 am.

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An **Amendment** was moved by Cr Dicker and seconded by Cr Johnson

1. That Council adopts Items 9.3, 9.4, 9.5 and 9.6
2. That Council place these policies on exhibition for public comment, with any submissions received to be resubmitted back to Council. If no submissions are received, no further action is required.
3. That Council explores developing a Financial Assistance (Hardship) Policy for business rates.

The **Amendment** was **LOST**

FOR VOTE - Cr Kiri Dicker, Cr Jeff Johnson and Cr Rodney Bruem

AGAINST VOTE - Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Cr Eoin Johnston, Cr Stephen McCarthy, Cr Nigel Buchanan and Cr Eva Ramsey

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

The **Motion** was **CARRIED**

**270624/14      RESOLVED**

(Cr Stephen McCarthy/Cr Rodney Bruem)

1. That Council adopts the revised Investment Policy, as per Attachment 1 to this report.
2. That Council place this policy on exhibition for public comment, with any submissions received to be resubmitted back to Council. If no submissions are received, no further action is required.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**9.4      Policy (Review) - Rates and Charges - Debt Recovery**

**270624/15      RESOLVED**

(Cr Stephen McCarthy/Cr Rodney Bruem)

1. That Council adopts the revised Rates and Charges Debt Recovery Policy, as per Attachment 1 to this report.
2. That Council place this policy on exhibition for public comment, with any submissions received to be resubmitted back to Council. If no submissions are received, no further action is required.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan



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**9.5     Policy (Review) - Financial Assistance (Hardship) - Rates and Charges**

**270624/16       RESOLVED**

(Cr Stephen McCarthy/Cr Rodney Bruem)

1. That Council adopts the revised Financial Assistance (Hardship) – Rates and Charges Policy, as per Attachment 1 to this report.
2. That Council place this policy on exhibition for public comment, with any submissions received to be resubmitted back to Council. If no submissions are received, no further action is required.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**9.6     Policy (Review) - Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Policy**

**270624/17       RESOLVED**

(Cr Stephen McCarthy/Cr Rodney Bruem)

1. That Council adopts the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and Policy, as per Attachment 1 to this report.
2. That Council notes the contents of the EEO Management Plan, as per Attachment 2 to this report.
3. That Council place this policy and plan on exhibition for public comment, with any submissions received to be reported back to Council. If no submissions are received, no further action is required.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

Cr Nigel Buchanan and Cr Jeff Johnson left the meeting at 12:03 pm.

**9.7     Tender - Construction of Depot Storage and Administration Building**

**270624/18       RESOLVED**

(Cr Stephen McCarthy/Cr Kiri Dicker)

1. That Council in accordance with the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 Section 178(1)(a)*, accepts the tender and awards the contract to Alder Constructions Pty Ltd for the Tender - Construction of Depot Storage and Administration Building for the total amount of \$6,026,426.33 (excluding GST).

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2. That Council authorises the General Manager to sign the contract documents.
3. That based on the preferred tender, Council approves an increase of \$1.1m in the budget for this project as per the following table:

<b>Funding Sources</b>	<b>Amount (\$) (Ex GST)</b>
2024/25 Wastewater Fund Reserves	412,500
2024/25 Water Fund Reserves	412,500
2024/25 General Fund – Admin Centre and Depot Reserve	89,400
2024/25 General Fund – Building Assets Renewal Reserve	185,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,100,000</b>

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Jeff Johnson, Cr Simon Chate, Cr Nigel Buchanan and Cr Phillip Meehan

Cr Nigel Buchanan and Cr Jeff Johnson returned to the meeting at 12:05 pm.

**9.8 Delivery Program and Operational Plan - Adoption**

**270624/19      RESOLVED**

(Cr Rodney Bruem/Cr Eva Ramsey)

1. That Council adopts the 2024/25 to 2027/28 Draft Delivery Program and 2024/25 Operational Plan, which includes the Long-Term Financial Plan (budget), Workforce Management Plan, Fees and Charges, and Strategic Asset Management Plan as exhibited, inclusive of any amendments arising from this meeting.
2. That Council approves the formation of a Working Party, consisting of all Councillors, to review the submissions received for Community Donations and Capital Works Assistance for Sporting Groups, as per Tables One and Two of this report. The recommended allocation of the funding from the Working Party is to be reported to the July 2024 Ordinary meeting.
3. That Council notes the contents of this report in respect to the submissions received on works and services, and thanks the people making the submissions for their time and effort in writing to Council.
4. That Council resolves to make a base rating structure applicable to all rateable land for the levy of the 2024/25 Ordinary Rates as per the following structure.

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Rate Category	Rate in Dollar (cents in \$)	Base Amount (\$)	% Income from Base Amount
Residential	0.092240	634	49.89
Business	0.549000	634	14.94
Farmland	0.081810	634	31.89
Mining	0.549000	634	0.00

The rate in the dollar for 2024/25 applies to the land value of all rateable land within the relevant category.

5. That Council resolves to make the annual charges for 2024/25 as detailed in the Fees and Charges document that forms part of the Delivery Program and Operational Plan for Domestic Waste Management, Stormwater, Waste Management Operations, Water Services, Wastewater Services and Onsite Septic Management.
6. That Council resolves in the 2024/25 Fees and Charges document that Regular Community Based Activities (RCBA) rate (0% discount) be applied to government agencies to hire community facilities.
7. That Council resolves, in accordance with section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, to not undertake a tender process for the renewal of the Civica Authority Enterprise Software platform due to extenuating circumstances, that would not result in a satisfactory outcome for Council and cause significant operational disruption and additional costs to the organisation.
8. That Council, in accordance with section 610F of the Local Government Act, provide public notice of its intention to adopt a Fee for the Access to the West Ballina Overland Flood Model with the rate of this fee being \$900 excluding GST for 2024/25.
9. That Council approves the revised cash flows and budgets for the capital expenditure program, as per Attachments 3, 4 and 5 to this report, for inclusion in the 2024/25 to 2027/28 Delivery Program and Operational Plan.
10. That Council authorises the calling of tenders for the redevelopment of the Alstonville Cultural Centre based on the revised cash flows and funding sources as detailed in this report.
11. That Council also approves an update to the Section 7.11 Open spaces and Community Facilities Developer Contributions Plan to reflect the revised estimate for the Alstonville Cultural Centre redevelopment.
12. That Council include in the Delivery Program and Operational Plan an action for 2024/25, to undertake a master planning process for Treelands Reserve and the Kentwell Centre to examine options to provide an expanded mixture of services and facilities to the community, including youth activities, as well as sporting activities where there is an identified shortfall.

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13. That Council adopts the maximum interest payable on overdue rates and charges for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (inclusive) of 10.5% per annum as determined by the Minister for Local Government.
14. That Council adopts the maximum Councillor and Mayoral fees for 2024/25 as determined by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal, being 3.75%.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**Adjournment for Public Question Time**

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 12.44pm for Public Question Time. There was one member of the gallery present.

The meeting resumed at 12.50pm.

**Adjournment for Lunch**

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 12.51pm.

The meeting resumed at 1.30pm.

**Delivery Program and Operational Plan - Adoption**

**270624/20      RESOLVED**

(Cr Eoin Johnston/Cr Nigel Buchanan)

That Council install a defibrillator and surf safety kit on Council owned land at Patchs Beach.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**270624/21      RESOLVED**

(Cr Eoin Johnston/Cr Nigel Buchanan)

That Council investigate the installation of a bus shelter on the corner of Plateau Drive and Rifle Range Road, Alstonville including modifications to improve bus access.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

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**270624/22      RESOLVED**

(Cr Eoin Johnston/Cr Nigel Buchanan)

That the General Manager investigate options to provide and fund a door / windbreak on the southwest corner of the surrounding structure of the Alstonville 25m pool.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**270624/23      RESOLVED**

(Cr Eoin Johnston/Cr Kiri Dicker)

That Council receive a report on bushland regeneration approaches and maintenance for the Wollongbar Rainforest Reserve.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**270624/24      RESOLVED**

(Cr Sharon Cadwallader/Cr Kiri Dicker)

That Council receive a report on a suitable site in the Ballina Shire to accommodate a disaster recovery shed.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**270624/25      RESOLVED**

(Cr Sharon Cadwallader/Cr Eva Ramsey)

That Council investigate options to increase the recurrent funding allocated to sports field asset renewal from \$200,000 to \$400,000 per annum.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**270624/26      RESOLVED**

(Cr Sharon Cadwallader/Cr Eva Ramsey)

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That Council engage an independent consultant to assess options that could be implemented to improve development assessment times.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**10. Civil Services Division Reports**

**10.1 Water and Wastewater Development Servicing Plans - Adoption**

**270624/27      RESOLVED**

(Cr Rodney Bruem/Cr Kiri Dicker)

That Council adopts the Development Servicing Plan for Water Supply and the Development Servicing Plan for Wastewater and Recycled Water, as exhibited, and forwards these plans for registration with the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**10.2 Rural Bin Collection Service - Review**

**270624/28      RESOLVED**

(Cr Eoin Johnston/Cr Kiri Dicker)

1. That Council notes the information detailed in this report regarding the poorer performance of the rural bin collection service, from the perspective of relatively high waste generation rates and low landfill diversion rates, when compared to other collection service models.
2. That Council investigate a proposal to change the rural bin collection service, to a fortnightly landfill bin and fortnightly recycling bin collection, by undertaking a trial as detailed in this report.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**11. Notices of Motion**

**11.1 Notice of Motion - Skennars Headland - Parking and Access**

**270624/29      RESOLVED**

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1. That Council receive a report on options to provide safer vehicular parking on the edge of the Coast Road and safer access to Skennars Headland to meet the needs of whale watchers, surfing wave watchers, day visitors, and maintain a safe and efficient Coast Road transportation link while preserving the character, views and amenity of the surrounding area.
  2. That this report confirms, either through the Traffic Committee, or other means, whether the amount parking available is quantifiable in respect to the amount of parking accumulating in this location.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**11.2 Notice of Motion - Pathway Behind Lennox Head**

**270624/30      RESOLVED**

(Cr Stephen McCarthy/Cr Eva Ramsey)

1. That Council receives a report on a proposed recreational path that travels north from the Shell Service Station, Lennox Head to the existing path near Barrett Drive.
2. This route travels along an existing grassy fire trail and paved area then continues to Lake Ainsworth on an existing cleared boundary zone and fire trial.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phillip Meehan

**11.3 Notice of Motion - State Government Housing**

**270624/31      RESOLVED**

(Cr Jeff Johnson/Cr Kiri Dicker)

1. That Council makes representations to the Premier, Minister for Lands and the Member for Ballina to encourage NSW Crown Lands to activate vacant Crown land in the urban areas of Ballina Shire for the provision of housing, community purposes and other development for the social and economic benefit of the local and regional community.
2. That Council identify parcels of Crown land that would be suitable for housing and community purposes to include with the representations.

Cr Nigel Buchanan left the meeting at 02:49 pm.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate, Cr Nigel Buchanan and Cr Phillip Meehan

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**12. Advisory Committee Minutes**

**12.1 Commercial Services Committee Minutes - 12 June 2024**

**270624/32      RESOLVED**

(Cr Rodney Bruem/Cr Eva Ramsey)

That Council confirms the minutes of the Commercial Services Committee meeting held 12 June 2024 and that the recommendations contained within the minutes be adopted.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate, Cr Nigel Buchanan and Cr Phillip Meehan

**13. Reports from Councillors on Attendance on Council's behalf**

**13.1 Mayoral Meetings**

**270624/33      RESOLVED**

(Cr Stephen McCarthy/Cr Eva Ramsey)

That Council notes the contents of the report on Mayoral meetings.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Simon Chate, Cr Nigel Buchanan and Cr Phillip Meehan

**MEETING CLOSURE**

2.59pm

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27/06/24 were submitted for confirmation by council on 25 July 2024 and amendments (if any) are contained in the confirming resolution. Such Minutes were signed by the Mayor at the meeting on 25 July 2024.