

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
40 CHERRY STREET BALLINA,  
ON 28/11/24 AT 9:00 AM**

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**Attendance**

Crs Sharon Cadwallader (Mayor - in the Chair), Simon Kinny, Damian Loone, Therese Crollick, Simon Chate, Phil Meehan, Erin Karsten and Kiri Dicker (Online).

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) and Nikki Glassop (Executive Assistant - General Manager and Mayor) were in attendance.

There were 13 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**

Apologies were received from Cr Eva Ramsey and Cr Michelle Bailey.

**281124/1 RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Damian Loone)

That such apologies be accepted and leave of absence granted.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**4. Confirmation of Minutes**

**281124/2 RESOLVED**

(Cr Damian Loone/Cr Therese Crollick)

That Council confirms the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Ballina Shire Council held on Thursday 24 October 2024.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

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

- **Cr Simon Chate** – declared an interest in Item 8.1 Hampton Park Master Plan (Draft) – son is a tennis player (Nature of Interest: non-significant, non-pecuniary). Cr Chate will remain in the meeting while the matter is discussed.
- **Cr Phil Meehan** – declared an interest in Item 8.1 Hampton Park Master Plan (Draft) – Cr Meehan has two grandchildren that are tennis club members (Nature of Interest: non-significant, non-pecuniary). Cr Meehan will remain in the meeting while the matter is discussed.

**6. Deputations**

- **Steve Bergan, Northern Rivers Pickleball Club** – spoke in opposition to Item 8.1 Hampton Park – Master Plan (Draft).

**Extension of time for Deputation**

**281124/3            RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Erin Karsten)

That Mr Bergan be granted an extension of time for his Deputation.

FOR VOTE - Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Cr Simon Kinny, Cr Damian Loone, Cr Therese Crollick, Cr Simon Chate, Cr Erin Karsten and Cr Kiri Dicker

AGAINST VOTE - Cr Phil Meehan

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

- **Graham Kean** – spoke in favour of Item 8.1 Hampton Park – Master Plan (Draft).
- **Matthew Gepner** – spoke in favour of Item 11.4 Notice of Motion – Lynwood Stockpile Site
- **Penelope Benton, National Association for the Visual Arts (NAVA)** – spoke in favour of Item 11.7 Notice of Motion – Support for Music and Arts in the Northern Rivers.

**7. Mayoral Minutes**

Nil items

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**Change in Order of Business**

**281124/4          RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Damian Loone)

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

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

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

**8.1     Hampton Park - Master Plan (Draft)**

A **Motion** was moved by Cr Phil Meehan and seconded by Cr Therese Crollick

1. That Council place the draft Master Plan Report for Hampton Park, as per Attachment 5 to this report and inclusive of access from Moon Street based on Option D, on public exhibition, for at least four weeks, to invite further community feedback.
2. That the public exhibition phase of the draft master plan include direct engagement with the Cherry Street Sports Club and other existing user groups regarding the use, configuration and management of the vehicular access between Burnet Street and the rear of the Sports Club.

An **Amendment** was moved by Cr Kiri Dicker and seconded by Cr Simon Chate

In addition to exhibiting the option stated that we also exhibit an option as Option D minus the two croquet courts, and including one additional tennis court and the access from Moon Street.

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

FOR VOTE - Cr Kiri Dicker

AGAINST VOTE - Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Cr Simon Kinny, Cr Damian Loone, Cr Therese Crollick, Cr Simon Chate, Cr Phil Meehan and Cr Erin Karsten

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

An **Amendment** was moved by Cr Simon Chate

That Council exhibits Option D but replace the two croquet courts with three tennis hard courts in place of the current access road.

The **Amendment** **LAPSED** as there was no seconder.

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

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AGAINST VOTE - Cr Erin Karsten  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**281124/5            RESOLVED**

(Cr Phil Meehan/Cr Therese Crollick)

1. That Council place the draft Master Plan Report for Hampton Park, as per Attachment 5 to this report and inclusive of access from Moon Street based on Option D, on public exhibition, for at least four weeks, to invite further community feedback.
2. That the public exhibition phase of the draft master plan include direct engagement with the Cherry Street Sports Club and other existing user groups regarding the use, configuration and management of the vehicular access between Burnet Street and the rear of the Sports Club.

FOR VOTE - Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Cr Simon Kinny, Cr Damian Loone, Cr  
Therese Crollick, Cr Simon Chate, Cr Phil Meehan and Cr Kiri Dicker  
AGAINST VOTE - Cr Erin Karsten  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**11.4    Notice of Motion - Lynwood Stockpile Site**

**281124/6            RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Erin Karsten)

That Council investigate alternate stockpile locations on the plateau, as compared to the current residential site at the junction of Uralba Road and Dee's Lane, Lynwood.

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

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**11.7 Notice of Motion - Support for Music and Arts in the Northern Rivers**

**281124/7        RESOLVED**

(Cr Kiri Dicker/Cr Erin Karsten)

That Council:

- notes the critical role that music and creative arts play in the vibrancy, diversity, and resilience of the Northern Rivers, including during recovery from disasters and pandemics
- calls on Southern Cross University to reconsider its recent decision to discontinue its undergraduate programs in art and design, contemporary music and digital media from 2025.
- writes to the relevant Federal Ministers urging them to restore equity to the cost of Arts Degrees to ensure that young people can pursue in a career in music and the creative arts without undue financial burden; and
- writes to relevant State Ministers to take urgent action to increase funding and other support for regional arts and music events, noting the negative impact that the cancellation of large music events such as Bluesfest and Splendour in the Grass will have on Ballina's local economy.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**8.2 Bicentennial Park - Master Plan (Draft)**

**281124/8        RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Kinny/Cr Erin Karsten)

1. That Council place the draft Master Plan for Bicentennial Park, as per Attachment 1 to this report, on public exhibition, for at least four weeks, to invite community feedback.
2. If no submissions that necessitate review of the elements of the draft plan are received in response to the public exhibition, that Council adopts the Bicentennial Park Master Plan, and no further reporting is required.
3. If submissions that necessitate review of the elements of the draft plan are received, the draft Master Plan for Bicentennial Gardens and outcomes of the exhibition process are to be reported back to Council.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

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**8.3 Ballina Shire - Public Art Trail**

**281124/9      RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Therese Crollick)

That Council endorses the establishment of a Public Art Trail as per Option 1 to be overseen through the Public Art Advisory Panel, as detailed in this report.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**Adjournment**

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 10.26 am.

The meeting resumed at 10.48 am.

**8.4 Ballina Shire DCP - Amendment 17 - Finalisation**

A **Motion** was moved by Cr Kiri Dicker and seconded by Cr Therese Crollick

1. That Council adopts the amendments to the *Ballina Shire Development Control Plan 2012* incorporating the changes recommended in this report as highlighted in yellow and green in Attachments 1 to 5.
2. That Fact Sheets be prepared on Allowable Activities for Landholders, and Allowable Activities – Environmental Protection Works, as discussed in this report and when finalised references to their availability be inserted in DCP Chapter 2a Vegetation Management.
3. That Council notify the adoption of the Amendment 17 to *Ballina Shire Development Control Plan 2012*, with the amended provisions to take effect from the date of publication on Council's website.
4. That Council provide a copy of the amended *Ballina Shire Development Control Plan 2012* to the Planning Secretary, as required by the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*.
5. That persons who made submissions be advised of Council's decision.

An **Amendment** was moved by Cr Simon Kinny and seconded by Cr Damian Loone

1. That Council adopts the amendments to the *Ballina Shire Development Control Plan 2012* incorporating the changes recommended in this report as highlighted in yellow and green in Attachments 1 to 5. That the figure of 0.1ha be increased to 0.5ha in respect to camphor laurel trees.
2. That Fact Sheets be prepared on Allowable Activities for Landholders, and Allowable Activities – Environmental Protection Works, as discussed

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4. That Council provide a copy of the amended *Ballina Shire Development Control Plan 2012* to the Planning Secretary, as required by the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*.
5. That persons who made submissions be advised of Council's decision.

The **Amendment** was **CARRIED** on the casting vote of the Mayor

FOR VOTE - Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Cr Simon Kinny, Cr Damian Loone and Cr Phil Meehan

AGAINST VOTE - Cr Therese Crollick, Cr Simon Chate, Cr Erin Karsten and Cr Kiri Dicker

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

The **Amendment** then became the **Motion** and was **CARRIED**

**281124/10      RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Kinny/Cr Damian Loone)

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5. That persons who made submissions be advised of Council's decision.

FOR VOTE - Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Cr Simon Kinny, Cr Damian Loone, Cr Therese Crollick, Cr Simon Chate and Cr Phil Meehan

AGAINST VOTE - Cr Erin Karsten and Cr Kiri Dicker

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

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**8.5 Policy (Review) - Asbestos Management**

**281124/11      RESOLVED**

(Cr Damian Loone/Cr Phil Meehan)

1. That Council adopts the amended Asbestos Management Policy, as per Attachment 1 to this report.
2. That Council place this policy on exhibition for public comment, with any significant submissions received to be resubmitted back to Council.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**9. Corporate and Community Division Reports**

**9.1 Use of Council Seal**

**281124/12      RESOLVED**

(Cr Therese Crollick/Cr Simon Chate)

That Council affix the Common Seal to the following documents.

US2024/17	<p>1. That Council, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 and the Crown Land Management Act 2016, enters into the following lease of community land:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left; padding: 2px;">Property</th> <th style="text-align: left; padding: 2px;">Tenant</th> <th style="text-align: left; padding: 2px;">Tenure</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Part lot 1 DP 1051004 (Council is Crown Land Manager of Reserve R87280)</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Richmond River Sailing and Rowing Club Incorporated</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Three-year lease at a rent equal to the statutory minimum charged by Crown Lands (currently \$604 per annum plus GST)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>2. Council authorises the General Manager to affix the seal to the lease/licence documents in point one and any other documents required to allow tenure to be granted in accordance with point one.</p> <p>3. That prior to points one and two being actioned, statutory public notification relating to the proposed lease of community land be undertaken, with a report to be presented to Council if an objection of a substantive nature is received to the grant of the proposed lease.</p>	Property	Tenant	Tenure	Part lot 1 DP 1051004 (Council is Crown Land Manager of Reserve R87280)	Richmond River Sailing and Rowing Club Incorporated	Three-year lease at a rent equal to the statutory minimum charged by Crown Lands (currently \$604 per annum plus GST)
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US2024/19	Variation to Lease Agreement – P W & R M Stewart Lease with Ballina Shire Council for property at Lots 4 and 5 DP 1184436, known as Sharpes Beach Car Park.						
US2024/20	Ballina Shire Council Lease with Commonwealth of Australia as represented by the Bureau of Meteorology for part Lot 1 DP 1277071, 210 Southern Cross Drive, Ballina known as Ballina Byron Gateway Airport. The lease is for five years at a \$1 per year if requested.						

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

**9.2 Investments Summary - October 2024**

**281124/13      RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Erin Karsten)

That Council notes the contents of this report on banking and investments for October 2024.

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

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**9.3 Annual Report - 2023/24**

**281124/14      RESOLVED**

(Cr Erin Karsten/Cr Simon Chate)

1. That Council endorses the Annual Report for 2023/24, as per the contents of this report.
2. That Council notify the Office of Local Government of the Annual Report by 30 November 2024 and publish it on Council's website.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**9.4 State of the Ballina Shire Report - 2022 to 2024**

**281124/15      RESOLVED**

(Cr Therese Crollick/Cr Simon Chate)

That Council notes the contents of the State of the Ballina Shire Report 2022 to 2024.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**9.5 Donation - Australian Representation**

**281124/16      RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Erin Karsten)

That Council approves the donation of \$800 for Joel Taylor towards travel expenses to compete at the World Para Surfing Championships held in the USA as per Council's Donations – Australian Representation Policy.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**9.6 Community Engagement Strategy - Review**

**281124/17      RESOLVED**

(Cr Therese Crollick/Cr Simon Chate)

1. That Council adopts the draft Community Engagement Strategy, as per Attachment 1 to this report.

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2. That Council place the Community Engagement Strategy on public exhibition for public comment, with any submissions received to be reported back to Council.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**9.7 Tender - High Pressure Cleaning**

**281124/18      RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Kinny/Cr Erin Karsten)

1. That Council in accordance with the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 Section 178(1)(a)*, accepts the tender and awards the contract to AQUAJET Pressure Clean for the Tender - High Pressure Cleaning for the total amount of \$543,660 (excluding GST).
2. That Council authorises the General Manager to sign the contract documents.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**9.8 Policy (New) - Modern Slavery Prevention**

**281124/19      RESOLVED**

(Cr Therese Crollick/Cr Erin Karsten)

1. That Council adopts the Modern Slavery Prevention Policy, as per Attachment 1 to this report.
2. That Council place this policy on exhibition for public comment, with any significant submissions received to be resubmitted back to Council.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**9.9 Policy (New) - Information Assets**

**281124/20      RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Therese Crollick)

1. That Council adopts the Information Assets Policy, as per Attachment 1 to this report.

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2. That Council place this policy on exhibition for public comment, with any significant submissions received to be resubmitted back to Council.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**9.10 Legal Matters - Update**

**281124/21      RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Chate/Cr Simon Kinny)

That Council notes the contents of this Legal Matters – Update report.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**9.11 Financial Statements - 2023/24**

**281124/22      RESOLVED**

(Cr Erin Karsten/Cr Simon Chate)

That the Audited Financial Statements and Auditors Report be presented to the public in accordance with Section 419 of the Local Government Act, 1993.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**9.12 Financial Year 2024/25 - 30 September 2024 Review**

**281124/23      RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Kinny/Cr Simon Chate)

That Council notes the contents of this report for the September 2024 Quarterly Financial Review and approves the budget changes identified within the report.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

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**10. Civil Services Division Reports**

**10.1 Boundary Fence Repairs - Vicinity of Sneaths Road**

**281124/24 RESOLVED**

(Cr Phil Meehan/Cr Therese Crollick)

That, in accordance with Section 67(2)(b) of the *NSW Local Government Act 1993*, Council approves the completion of fencing works valued at approximately \$4,000 on private land at 12 Gilmore Close Wollongbar, at nil cost to the property owner for the following reasons:

- The temporary works are required in response to the length of time required for Council to obtain the Essential Public Asset Restoration (EPAR) funding for the landslip repair at Sneaths Road
- The cost of the works will be claimed as eligible expenditure against an approved grant.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**11. Notices of Motion**

**11.1 Notice of Motion - Ballina Surf Club - Disabled Car Park Protection**

**281124/25 RESOLVED**

(Cr Therese Crollick/Cr Simon Chate)

That Council receive, as part of the preparation of the 2025/26 Delivery Program and Operational Plan, information on the cost to provide a shelter to protect the two additional disabled car parks located within the car park at the Ballina Lighthouse Beach / Surf Club car park, along with options to fund the shelter.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**11.2 Notice of Motion - Roundabout - Green Street, Ballina Road - Alstonville**

A **Motion** was moved by Cr Therese Crollick and seconded by Cr Kiri Dicker

That Council, as part of the preparation of the 2025/26 Delivery Program and Operational Plan, receive a report on the feasibility of installing a roundabout at the intersection of Green Street and Ballina Road, Alstonville.

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

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FOR VOTE - Cr Therese Crollick and Cr Kiri Dicker  
AGAINST VOTE - Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Cr Simon Kinny, Cr Damian Loone,  
Cr Simon Chate, Cr Phil Meehan and Cr Erin Karsten  
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**11.3 Notice of Motion - Geoff Watt and Crawford Park Ovals - Car Parking**

**281124/26      RESOLVED**

(Cr Therese Crollick/Cr Simon Chate)

That Council, as part of the preparation of the 2025/26 Delivery Program and Operational Plan, receive a report on the scope of works, estimated cost and funding options to formalise the current informal / default parking areas at Geoff Watt Oval, both Ballina Road and Deegan Drive, and Crawford Park, Alstonville, with sealing, line marking and signage.

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

**11.5 Notice of Motion - Ballina Shire Melanoma Incidence Rates**

**281124/27      RESOLVED**

(Cr Simon Kinny/Cr Damian Loone)

That given that Ballina Shire has the highest incidence of melanoma in all of NSW, Council, perhaps with the assistance of the Cancer Council, insert the 'slip, slop, slap and wrap' sun protection message into the next edition of Community Connect.

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

**11.6 Notice of Motion - Environment and Sustainability Advisory Committee**

A **Motion** was moved by Cr Kiri Dicker and seconded by Cr Therese Crollick

That Council:

- 1) Establish an Environment and Sustainability Advisory Committee, with the objective of providing evidence-based advice to Councillors on matters relating to environmental protection and sustainability in the Ballina Shire.
- 2) Call for expressions of interest for membership of the Committee which will include:

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- representatives from Council
- representatives from incorporated environmental groups operating in the Ballina Shire
- residents of the Ballina Local Government Area with expertise in a relevant environmental science discipline.

3) Receive a further report on other aspects of the Committee's operations, based on similar committees in other councils in the Northern Rivers.

The **Motion** was **LOST** on the casting vote of the Mayor

FOR VOTE - Cr Therese Crollick, Cr Simon Chate, Cr Erin Karsten and Cr Kiri Dicker

AGAINST VOTE - Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Cr Simon Kinny, Cr Damian Loone and Cr Phil Meehan

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey and Cr Eva Ramsey

**Adjournment for Public Question Time**

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 12.54pm for Public Question Time. There were 2 members of the gallery present.

The meeting resumed at 12.59pm.

Cr Kiri Dicker returned to the meeting at 1.01pm.

**11.8 Notice of Motion - River Drive, Keith Hall**

**281124/28      RESOLVED**

(Cr Erin Karsten/Cr Therese Crollick)

That Council write to the relevant NSW State Government Ministers and the State Member for Ballina requesting that urgent funding be allocated to implement river embankment stabilisation works for the Richmond River adjacent to River Drive to ensure public safety.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey, Cr Kiri Dicker and Cr Eva Ramsey

**12. Advisory Committee Minutes**

Nil Items

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
40 CHERRY STREET BALLINA,  
ON 28/11/24 AT 9:00 AM**

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

**13.1 Mayoral Meetings**

**281124/29      RESOLVED**

(Cr Damian Loone/Cr Erin Karsten)

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

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Michelle Bailey, Cr Kiri Dicker and Cr Eva Ramsey

**MEETING CLOSURE**

The meeting was closed at 1.07pm.

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 28/11/24 were submitted for confirmation by council on 12 December 2024 and amendments (if any) are contained in the confirming resolution. Such Minutes were signed by the Mayor at the meeting on 12 December 2024.