



# **MINUTES**

## **Extraordinary Council Meeting**

**Tuesday, 25 June 2024**

**I hereby give notice that an Extraordinary Council Meeting will be held on:**

**Date: Tuesday, 25 June 2024**

**Time: 8:30 AM**

**Location: Council Chambers, Wanderer Street Deniliquin**

**Mark Dalzell  
Acting Chief Executive Officer**

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## 1. OPENING MEETING

**Present:** Mayor Cr Peta Betts, Deputy Mayor Cr Marc Petersen, Cr Shirlee Burge, Cr Harold Clapham, Cr Linda Fawns, Cr Pat Fogarty, Cr Tarrisa Moore, Cr Shannon Sampson, Acting Chief Executive Officer

**In Attendance:** Director Corporate Services, Acting Director Infrastructure, Manager Governance, Safety and Risk, Manager Community & Economy, Executive Assistant

**In Attendance via Teams:** Acting Chief Financial Officer

**Gallery: 8**

Meeting opened at 8.32am

## 2. LIVE STREAMING STATEMENT

Edward River Council wishes to advise members of the public that Council Meetings will be recorded and will be available after each meeting on Council's website [Councils Website](#). All care will be taken to maintain the privacy of those in attendance, however, as a visitor in the public gallery, your presence may be recorded. By remaining in the public gallery, it is assumed your consent is given in the event your image is broadcast. This includes any filming by television cameras if attendance is approved by the Chief Executive Officer or Mayor.

## 3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Edward River Council acknowledges and embraces the Traditional Owners of the Lands - the Wamba Wamba/Perrepa Perrepa Peoples – and pay our respects to their elders, past, present, and emerging. The Edward River Council also recognises the diversity of different cultures within our community and their contribution.

## 4. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

I have come here as a Councillor freely and without bias to:

- Represent the views of the community in considering the matters before us today
- To vote in a matter I consider to be in the best interest of the community
- To observe the Code of Conduct and respect the rule of the chair and views of my fellow Councillors.

## 5. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

## 6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Nil

## 7. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Nil

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**8. REPORTS TO COUNCIL****8.1. NOTICE OF INTENTION FROM THE MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO ISSUE COUNCIL A PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT ORDER**

Moved: Cr Shannon Sampson

Seconded: Cr Tarria Moore

**RESOLUTION 20224/2506/8.1**

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the Minister for Local Government's correspondence, dated 17 June 2024, notifying Council of the Minister's intention to issue a Performance Improvement Order on Council under Section 438A of the Local Government Act 1993,
2. Advises the Minister that it accepts the '*Reasons for the Order*' as detailed in Schedule 1, accepts the '*Action required to improve performance*' in Schedule 2, and accepts the proposal for '*Appointment of temporary advisers*' in Schedule 3, as proposed in the draft Order,
3. Provides all necessary assistance to the proposed '*temporary advisor*' when appointed, including access to relevant documents and video files, and electronic correspondence,
4. Makes a submission to the Minister for Local Government regarding the Notice of Intention to issue Council with a Performance Improvement Order, noting that it accepts all items detailed in Schedules 1, 2 and 3 of the draft Order.

**CARRIED**

**Motion**

Moved: Cr Pat Fogarty

Seconded: Cr Harold Clapham

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the Minister for Local Government's correspondence, dated 17 June 2024, notifying Council of the Minister's intention to issue a Performance Improvement Order on Council under Section 438A of the Local Government Act 1993,
2. Advises the Minister that it accepts the '*Reasons for the Order*' as detailed in Schedule 1,
3. That this Council suggests to the new Council to engage a '*temporary advisor*' if they feel it is necessary to assist them in the role.
4. Makes a submission to the Minister for Local Government regarding the Notice of Intention to issue Council with a Performance Improvement Order, noting that it accepts all items detailed in Schedules 1, 2 and 3 of the draft Order.

**LOST**

9.21am Cr Tarria Moore left the Council Chambers and returned at 9.23am

Moved: Deputy Mayor Cr Petersen

Seconded: Nil

**Motion**

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2. Advises the Minister that it accepts the '*Reasons for the Order*' as detailed in Schedule 1, accepts the '*Action required to improve performance*' in Schedule 2
3. Accepts the proposal for a temporary advisor with costings provided to Council. Provides all necessary assistance to the proposed '*temporary advisor*' when appointed, including access to relevant documents and video files, and electronic correspondence
4. Makes a submission to the Minister for Local Government regarding the Notice of Intention to issue Council with a Performance Improvement Order, noting that it accepts all items detailed in Schedules 1, 2 and 3 of the draft Order.

**LAPSED**

**9. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The Meeting Closed at 9.49am.