



Minutes

Ordinary Meeting of Council

12 April 2022

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MORUYA
ON TUESDAY 12 APRIL 2022

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**MINUTES OF THE
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MORUYA
ON TUESDAY, 12 APRIL 2022
COMMENCING AT 11.00AM**

PRESENT: Councillor Mathew Hatcher, Mayor (in the Chair)
Councillors Tanya Dannock, Peter Diskon, David Grace, Tubby Harrison,
Amber Schutz, Rob Pollock OAM and Alison Worthington

Staff: Dr Catherine Dale, General Manager
Mr L Usher, Director, Planning and Sustainability Services
Mr W Sharpe OAM, Director, Infrastructure Services
Mrs K Arthur, Director, Community, Arts and Recreation
Mr J Phillips, Divisional Manager, Governance and Administration
Miss Lauren Evans, Minute Secretary

1. WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the Land, of Elders past and present, whose land we are gathered here today.

3. EVACUATION MESSAGE

The Mayor advised of the Evacuation Procedures.

4. APOLOGIES

22/72 MOTION Councillor Schutz/Councillor Diskon

THAT apologies be received from Councillor Anthony Mayne and leave of absence be granted.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Nil.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

22/73 MOTION Councillor Worthington/Councillor Schutz

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 22 March 2022 be confirmed.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Nil.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST OF MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

7. MAYORAL REPORTS

Nil

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

NOM22/004 CHILDREN SERVICES FORUM

File Ref: S012-T00025

22/74 MOTION Councillor Grace/Councillor Dannock

THAT Council:

1. Acknowledge the efforts of Council staff to take the initiative to lead a collaborative sector-wide approach to sustained change and improvements in the Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) to support economic development, educators, families and children of the Eurobodalla.
2. Endorse the ECEC Action Plan and State of the Industry summary report.
3. Support advocacy to the NSW and Australian governments and relevant peak bodies for meaningful review of programs and pay rates.
4. Endorse the pursual of funding opportunities in collaboration with ECEC services to address actions of the plan.
5. Review progress of the action plan after six months.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Nil.

**NOM22/005 EUROBODALLA SHIRE COUNCIL SUPPORTS AN END TO NATIVE FOREST
LOGGING IN EUROBODALLA SHIRE**

File Ref: S012-T00025

MOTION Councillor Worthington/Councillor Diskon

THAT Council:

1. Notes the growing evidence that native forest logging by Forestry Corporation of NSW (FCNSW) in our State Forests is both economically and environmentally unsustainable.
2. Notes that logging in our State Forests is incompatible with our shire's and our region's investments in nature-based tourism enterprises, climate change mitigation and the protection of biodiversity.
3. Advocates to the NSW State government for the urgent development of a plan for the just transition of the native forest industry to ecologically sustainable plantations.
4. Notes that both WA and Victorian State Governments have announced such transitions and have provided end dates for native forest logging of 2024 and 2030 respectively.
5. Acknowledges and responds to the calls from concerned south coast residents for better management of State Forests to support nature-based tourism enterprises, recreational usage, threatened species habitat protection and carbon sequestration.
6. Advocate that the NSW State government enact plans to manage our State Forests, in partnership with south coast communities and local councils, for their nature-based tourism assets, recreational opportunities, biodiversity values and for carbon sequestration.
7. Write to the NSW Premier Dominic Perrottet, the Minister for Agriculture Dugald Saunders, and the shareholder Ministers for FCNSW the Treasurer and Minister for Energy Matt Kean, and the Minister for Finance and Employee Relations Damien Tudehope, along with the relevant Shadow Ministers, in accordance with item 6.

AMENDMENT Councillor Harrison/Councillor Pollock OAM

THAT Council defer the motion:

1. To seek a briefing from NSW Forestry Corporation on its operations in Eurobodalla and across NSW more broadly;
2. To seek a briefing from an expert on alternative views on forestry practices;
3. And ensure the briefings be undertaken as soon as practicable.

(The Amendment on being put was declared **LOST**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Diskon, T Harrison and R Pollock OAM.

Against the Motion: Crs T Dannock, D Grace, M Hatcher, A Schutz and A Worthington.

MOTION Councillor Worthington/Councillor Grace

THAT Council notes the growing evidence that native forest logging by Forestry Corporation of NSW (FCNSW) in our State Forests is both economically and environmentally unsustainable.

At **11:24 am** Councillor Mayne joined the meeting.

22/75 AMENDMENT Councillor Schutz/Councillor Pollock OAM

THAT Council defer this item until further information is provided by Forestry Corporation in regard to its financial sustainability.

(The Amendment on being put became the motion and on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Diskon, T Harrison, M Hatcher, A Schutz and R Pollock OAM.

Against the Motion: Crs T Dannock , D Grace, A Mayne and A Worthington.

MOTION Councillor Worthington/Councillor Dannock

THAT Council notes that logging in our State Forests is incompatible with our shire's and our region's investments in nature-based tourism enterprises, climate change mitigation and the protection of biodiversity.

22/76 AMENDMENT Councillor Hatcher/Councillor Grace

THAT Council defer this item until further information is provided by Forestry Corporation, Council staff, local indigenous groups and relevant tourism operators.

(The Amendment on being put became the motion and on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM and A Schutz.

Against the Motion: Crs T Dannock and A Worthington.

MOTION Councillor Worthington/Councillor Diskon

THAT Council advocates to the NSW State government for the urgent development of a plan for the just transition of the native forest industry to ecologically sustainable plantations.

22/77 AMENDMENT Councillor Grace/Councillor Pollock OAM

THAT Council defer the item until further information from the NSW Government, Council staff, industry representatives and local indigenous groups.

(The Amendment on being put became the motion and on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher and R Pollock OAM.

Against the Motion: Crs A Mayne, A Schutz and A Worthington.

22/78 MOTION Councillor Worthington/Councillor Schutz

THAT Council notes that both WA and Victorian State Governments have announced such transitions and have provided end dates for native forest logging of 2024 and 2030 respectively.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Nil.

MOTION Councillor Worthington/Councillor Grace

THAT Council acknowledges and responds to the calls from concerned south coast residents for better management of State Forests to support nature-based tourism enterprises, recreational usage, threatened species habitat protection and carbon sequestration.

AMENDMENT Councillor Pollock OAM/Councillor Harrison

THAT Council defer this item to seek further information from Forestry Corporation, EPA and relevant tourism industry operators.

(The Amendment on being put was declared **LOST**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Diskon, T Harrison and R Pollock OAM.

Against the Motion: Crs T Dannock, D Grace, M Hatcher, A Mayne, A Schutz and A Worthington.

22/79 AMENDMENT Councillor Worthington/Councillor Grace

THAT Council acknowledges concerns from south coast residents for better management of State Forests to support nature-based tourism enterprises, recreational usage, threatened species habitat protection and carbon sequestration and raises these concerns with Forestry Corporation.

(The Amendment on being put became the motion and on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, A Mayne, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Cr R Pollock OAM.

GENERAL MOTION Councillor Worthington/Councillor Schutz

THAT Council:

1. advocate that the NSW State government enact plans to manage our State Forests, in partnership with south coast communities and local councils, for their nature-based tourism assets, recreational opportunities, biodiversity values and for carbon sequestration.–
2. write to the NSW Premier Dominic Perrottet, the Minister for Agriculture Dugald Saunders, and the shareholder Ministers for FCNSW the Treasurer and Minister for

Energy Matt Kean, and the Minister for Finance and Employee Relations Damien Tudehope, along with the relevant Shadow Ministers, in accordance with item 1.

22/80 AMENDMENT Councillor Pollock OAM/Councillor Grace

THAT Council defer the motion until further information is provided from NSW Government, Council staff, industry representatives and local indigenous groups.

(The Amendment on being put became the motion and on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, R Pollock OAM and A Schutz.

Against the Motion: Crs A Mayne and A Worthington.

NOM22/006 PROPOSAL TO CONSTRUCT A COMMUNITY RECREATION HUB AT MOGO

File Ref: S012-T00025

22/81 MOTION Councillor Schutz/Councillor Mayne

THAT Council provide in principle support to the Mogo Business Chamber for their proposal to construct a Community Recreation Hub, to be funded via the Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grants program, at Mogo Recreation Park. This support is subject to the proposed uses of the facility being appropriate for the purpose of public recreation and that the proposal for the structure and associated infrastructure is in compliance with all relevant legislation.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Nil.

NOM22/007 AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGY

File Ref: S012-T00025

22/82 MOTION Councillor Grace/Councillor Schutz

THAT Council work proactively with the Eurobodalla Homelessness and Housing Solutions Forum to identify key issues, workshop options and develop an advocacy plan in relation to social housing and homelessness.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Nil.

9. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

Nil

10. PETITIONS

Nil

11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS

GMR22/031 ENDORSEMENT OF EUROBODALLA COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

File Ref: S004-T00030

22/83 MOTION Councillor Harrison/Councillor Dannock

THAT:

1. Council endorse the Community Strategic Plan.
2. A copy of the Community Strategic Plan be posted on Council's website and in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, a copy be provided to the Director-General by notifying the Minister of the appropriate URL link to access the plan within 28 days of adoption.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Nil.

GMR22/032 REQUEST FOR TENDER (RFT) - 2122/060 TRAFFIC CONTROL SERVICE PANEL

File Ref: S004-T00041

22/84 MOTION Councillor Diskon/Councillor Mayne

THAT:

1. Council endorses the selection of the panellists listed for RFT No. 2122-060 within the Confidential Attachment.
2. Accordingly approves the entering into the Deeds of Standing Offers with the proposed panelists as detailed within the Confidential Attachment.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, A Mayne, R
Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Nil.

**GMR22/033 REQUEST FOR TENDER (RFT) - 2122/054 WATER TANKER SUPPORT FOR
COUNCIL'S GRADING TEAM**

File Ref: S004-T00062

22/85 MOTION Councillor Harrison/Councillor Schutz

THAT:

1. Council endorses the selection of the preferred supplier for RFT No. 2122-054 within the Confidential Attachment.
2. Accordingly approves the entering into a Deed of Standing Offer with the preferred supplier as detailed within the Confidential Attachment.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, A Mayne, R
Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Nil.

12. INFRASTRUCTURE REPORTS

IR22/010 LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE NO 6 FOR 2021-22

File Ref: S030-T00018

22/86 MOTION Councillor Schutz/Councillor Grace

THAT:

1. The minutes of the Eurobodalla Local Traffic Committee Meeting No 5 for 2021-22 be received and noted.
 - i) Council Plan No. 5156 Set BQ Sheets 03,19,20 and 21 detailing the signage and line marking associated with the Moruya CBD east Church Street and Queen Street raised pedestrian crossings, Ford Street median and 2 hour parking restrictions as adjusted, be approved.
 - ii) Ongoing discussions be held with Moruya Business Chamber regarding the parking needs for Moruya in the longer term.
 - iii) A summary of the modifications to the scheme arising from the community engagement highlighted in these minutes of the Local Traffic Committee be noted for transparency.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, M Hatcher, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Cr T Harrison.

33. COMMUNITY, ARTS AND RECREATION REPORTS

Nil

44. DELEGATE REPORT

DR22/001 LGNSW SPECIAL CONFERENCE

File Ref: S004-T00019, S012-T00025

22/87 MOTION Councillor Worthington/Councillor Harrison

THAT the Delegate Report from Councillor Alison Worthington be received and noted.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED**)

Division

For the Motion: Crs T Dannock, P Diskon, D Grace, T Harrison, M Hatcher, A Mayne, R
Pollock OAM, A Schutz and A Worthington.

Against the Motion: Nil.

55. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

66. DEALING WITH MATTERS IN CLOSED SESSION

Nil

77. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 12.39PM

CHAIRPERSON

Chairperson of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 26 April 2022 at which meeting the signature hereon was subscribed.