



Minutes

Ordinary Meeting of Council

23 September 2025

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MORUYA
ON TUESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2025

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**MINUTES OF THE
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MORUYA
ON TUESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2025
COMMENCING AT 12:30 PM**

PRESENT: Councillor Mathew Hatcher, Mayor (in the Chair)
Councillors Phil Constable, Mick Johnson, Anthony Mayne (via audio visual link), Rob Pollock OAM, Amber Schutz, Colleen Turner and Sharon Winslade

Staff: Mark Ferguson, General Manager
Mr G Bruce, Director, Planning and Environment
Mr G Attenborough, Director, Infrastructure Services
Mr C Ginger, Acting Director, Community, Arts and Recreation
Mrs S Speedy, Director, Finance and Corporate Services
Mr S Westbury, Corporate Manager, Governance and Risk
Ms K Pisanos, Executive Manager, Public Affairs, Coordination and Communication
Miss H Johnson, Minute Secretary

1. WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the Land, Eurobodalla Shire Council recognises Aboriginal people as the original inhabitants and custodians of all land and water in the Eurobodalla and respects their enduring cultural and spiritual connection to it. Eurobodalla Shire Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land in which we live. Council pays respect to Elders past, present and future. We are on Yuin Country.

3. APOLOGIES

25/141 MOTION Councillor Schutz/Councillor Winslade

THAT apologies be received from Councillor Laurence Babington.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Nil.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

25/142 MOTION Councillor Schutz/Councillor Turner

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26 August 2025 be confirmed.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Nil.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST OF MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

6. PUBLIC FORUM (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

(Minutes of the Public Forum are a summary only and do not purport to be a complete transcript of the proceedings.)

**PF25/040 MM25/006 IMPORTANCE OF THE MORUYA BYPASS PROJECT,
CAR25/013 POST EXHIBITION REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF PROPOSED FEES
AND CHARGES FOR PRIMITIVE CAMPING AT MORUYA SHOWGROUND**

Patricia Hellier addressed Council in relation to MM25/006 and CAR25/013.

A copy of Patricia's presentation is available on Council's website.

7. MAYORAL REPORTS

MR25/006 IMPORTANCE OF THE MORUYA BYPASS PROJECT

25/143 MOTION Councillor Hatcher

THAT Council:

1. Reaffirm its strong and ongoing support for the delivery of the Moruya Bypass as a priority infrastructure project for the Eurobodalla Shire.
2. Advocate to Transport for NSW to ensure the bypass design prioritises effective links to the Moruya town Centre and the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital.
3. Communicate its position to local Members of Parliament, the NSW Minister for Roads, and the Federal Minister for Infrastructure.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Nil.

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

9. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

Nil

10. PETITIONS

Nil

11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS

Nil

12. PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT REPORTS

Nil

13. FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

**FCS25/050 DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025 -
REFERRAL FOR AUDIT**

File Ref: S011-T00002

25/144 MOTION Councillor Winslade/Councillor Johnson

THAT:

1. The draft Annual Financial Statements (including the General-Purpose Financial Statements and the Special Purpose Financial Statements) for the year ended 30 June 2025 be referred to audit.
2. The statement by councillors and management be made pursuant to section 413(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (as amended) and signed by the mayor, deputy mayor (or councillor), general manager and responsible accounting officer with reference to both the General Purpose Financial Statements and the Special Purpose Financial Statements.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, A Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Cr R Pollock OAM.

FCS25/051 DELEGATIONS TO THE GENERAL MANAGER

File Ref: S004-T00010

25/145 MOTION Councillor Schutz/Councillor Johnson

THAT:

1. All previous delegations by Council to the general manager be revoked.
2. Subject to point 1 above, the general manager is delegated all the delegable functions, powers, duties and authorities of Council under any legislation excluding those functions specific in clauses (a) to (u) of Section 377 (1) of the *Local Government Act 1993*.
3. Council fixes the amount of \$10,000 as the amount above which rates, charges and debts owed to the Council may be written off only by resolution of the Council, pursuant to clause 131 of *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*.
4. All functions delegated to the general manager must be exercised at all times in accordance with the applicable statutory requirements, as well as any resolution or policy adopted by Council from time to time.
5. Council note that it can review and revise Delegations to the general manager at any time.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Nil.

**FCS25/052 POST EXHIBITION REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF COUNCILLOR EXPENSES,
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND FACILITIES POLICY**

File Ref: S004-T00014

25/146 MOTION Councillor Schutz/Councillor Winslade

THAT:

1. Council note that the draft Councillor Expenses, Professional Development and Facilities Policy was placed on exhibition for 28 days from 23 July to 19 August 2025 and that no submissions were received.
2. Council adopt the Councillor Expenses, Professional Development and Facilities Policy as exhibited.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Nil.

FCS25/053 INVESTMENTS MADE AS AT 31 AUGUST 2025

File Ref: S011-T00006, S012-T00025

25/147 MOTION Councillor Pollock OAM/Councillor Schutz

THAT the certification of investments as of 31 August 2025, made in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council's Investment Policy and the provision of Clause 1 (Reg. 212) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, be received.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Nil.

FCS25/054 POST EXHIBITION REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF INVESTMENT POLICY

File Ref: S004-T00060

25/148 MOTION Councillor Pollock OAM/Councillor Schutz

THAT Council adopt the updated Investment Policy as attached.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A
Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Nil.

14. INFRASTRUCTURE REPORTS

**IR25/016 POST EXHIBITION REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF EUROBODALLA ROAD SAFETY
PLAN 2025-28**

File Ref: S004-T00023

25/149 MOTION Councillor Johnson/Councillor Schutz

THAT Council:

1. Adopts the Eurobodalla Road Safety Plan 2025-28 as attached to this report.
2. Thanks the community members who made a submission and provide them with a response.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Nil.

IR25/017 LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE NO.2 FOR 2025-26

File Ref: S030-T00018

25/150 MOTION Councillor Hatcher/Councillor Schutz

THAT Council:

1. Approves the following acts for determination from Local Traffic Committee No. 2 for 2025-26:

- **2026.RT.003 George Bass Drive, Rosedale, Bus Zone**

That Council Plan 5520-A-01 to install 'Bus Zone' signage at George Bass Drive, Rosedale be approved.

- **2026.RT.004 Sutcliffe Street, Bodalla, Bus Zone**

That Council Plan 5490-A5-01 to install 'Bus Zone' signage at Sutcliffe Street, Bodalla be approved.

- **2026.RT.005 Sunpatch Parade, Tomakin, Bus Zone**

That Council Plan 5490-A2-01 to install 'Bus Zone' signage at Sunpatch Parade, Tomakin be approved.

- **2026.RT.006 Campbell Street, Moruya, No Stopping**

That Council Plan 5490-A3-01 to install 'No Stopping' signage at Campbell Street, Moruya be approved.

- **2026.RT.007 George Bass Drive, Catalina, No Stopping**

That Council Plan 5490-A4-01 to install No Stopping signage at George Bass Drive, Catalina be approved.

2. Approves the following:

- **2026.IN.001 Local Transport Forum (LTF) - Terms of Reference (TOR)**

That the Terms of Reference for the Eurobodalla Local Transport Forum as attached to this report are adopted for the next two-year period. Transport for NSW has revoked the existing 2011 Delegation to Councils and 2023 Temporary Delegations and replaced it with the 2025 Authorisation and Delegation instrument and that under these reforms the Local Traffic Committee will now be renamed the Local Transport Forum (LTF).

3. Notes the following Informal Items which were endorsed for approval by the LTC:

- **2026.SE.002 Narooma Forest Rally 2025**

That the submitted Traffic Management Plan inclusive of Traffic Guidance Schemes and Event Signage Plan for Narooma Forest Rally 2025 hosted by Brindabella Motor Sport Club Inc, to be held on Saturday 13 September 2025 be approved. NSW Police have approved the rally component of the event: RMS Document D/2025/663675. The LTC considered and recommended approval by the Director Infrastructure Services.

- **2026.SE.003 Sea Otter 2025**

That the submitted Traffic Guidance Scheme for the Sea Otter Australia cycling event to be held in Batemans Bay from Friday 24 until Sunday 26 October 2025 be approved.

4. Renominate its membership of the Local Transport Forum and appoint Councillor Amber Schutz as Chairperson and Councillor Sharon Winslade as an alternate.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Nil.

15. COMMUNITY, ARTS AND RECREATION REPORTS

**CAR25/013 POST EXHIBITION REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF PROPOSED FEES AND CHARGES
FOR PRIMITIVE CAMPING AT MORUYA SHOWGROUND**

File Ref: S004-T00048

25/151 MOTION Councillor Winslade/Councillor Constable

THAT Council defer item CAR25/013 Post exhibition review and adoption of Proposed Fees and Charges for Primitive Camping at Moruya Showground.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Crs M Hatcher, A Schutz and C Turner.

**CAR25/014 POST EXHIBITION REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF MEMORIAL SEAT POLICY AND
FEES AND CHARGES**

File Ref: S020-T00021

25/152 MOTION Councillor Winslade/Councillor Turner

THAT Council:

1. Endorse the Memorial Seat Policy.
2. Endorse the exhibited Memorial Seat fees and charges for 2025-2026.

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

Division

For the Motion: Crs P Constable, M Hatcher, M Johnson, A Mayne, R Pollock OAM, A
Schutz, C Turner and S Winslade.

Against the Motion: Nil.

16. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

17. DEALING WITH MATTERS IN CLOSED SESSION

Nil

18. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 1:14pm

CHAIRPERSON

Chairperson of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 28 October 2025 at which meeting the signature hereon was subscribed.