

Minutes

Extraordinary Meeting of Council

21 October 2025

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MORUYA
ON TUESDAY 21 OCTOBER 2025

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**MINUTES OF THE
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MORUYA
ON TUESDAY, 21 OCTOBER 2025
COMMENCING AT 10:00 AM**

PRESENT: Councillor Mathew Hatcher, Mayor (in the Chair)
Councillors Laurence Babington, 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 S Westbury, Corporate Manager, Governance and Risk
Miss H Johnson, Minute Secretary

1. WELCOME, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND EVACUATION MESSAGE

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.

2. APOLOGIES

Nil

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST OF MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

4. PUBLIC FORUM (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

Nil

25/153 MOTION Councillor Hatcher/Councillor Schutz

THAT Council resolves the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 10A(1-3) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, to consider the above business as listed, on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of Section 10A(2)(a) of the Act.

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

Division

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

Against the Motion: Nil.

At **10:05am** the Ordinary Meeting of Council moved into Closed Session.

25/154 MOTION Councillor Hatcher/Councillor Schutz

THAT the meeting be re-opened to the public and live streaming resume.

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

Division

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

Against the Motion: Nil.

At **10:15am** the Ordinary Meeting of Council resumed.

The Mayor advised the following recommendations were declared carried in Closed Session.

5. MAYORAL REPORTS

CON25/007 RECRUITMENT OF GENERAL MANAGER

25/155 MOTION Councillor Hatcher/Councillor Constable

THAT:

1. Following the recruitment process, Council resolves to appoint the preferred candidate to the position of general manager subject to the negotiation of a contract.
2. Council delegates to the Mayor to negotiate the contract with the preferred candidate.
3. If those negotiations from recommendations above prove unsuccessful the Council resolves to recommence the recruitment process for the position of general manager.
4. The Council resolves to affix the Council seal to the contract in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*.

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

Division

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

Against the Motion: Nil.

6. QUESTIONS/URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10:16am

CHAIRPERSON

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