



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held on

Tuesday, 7 FEBRUARY 2023

1:00pm

in

NEWA Meeting Room, Rusden Street

PRESENT: Councillor Tim Bower (Chair), Councillor Lara Gresham,
Councillor Margaret O'Connor, Councillor Paul Packham and
Councillor Dorothy Robinson

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Tim Weeks (General Manager)
Laurie Knight (CFO)
Emma Dunne (Finance & Administration Officer)

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STATEMENT IN RELATION TO RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Cr. Bower advised that the Meeting was *not* being live streamed, however, a video recording of the meeting will be available on the County Council's website.

PRESENT: Councillor Tim Bower (Chair), Councillor Lara Gresham,
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Councillor Dorothy Robinson

IN ATTENDANCE: General Manager – Tim Weeks, Chief Financial Officer – Laurie Knight
Finance and Administration Officer – Emma Dunne

APOLOGIES – Councillor Kermode was absent without leave.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST - NIL

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE NEW ENGLAND COUNTY
COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2022**

1/23 Resolved:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the New England County Council held on Tuesday 29 November, having been distributed to the Members, be adopted as a true and correct record of events.

Moved: Councillor Robinson

Seconded: Councillor O'Connor

The motion being put to the **Vote** was passed UNANIMOUSLY.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF NEW
ENGLAND COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 29 NOVEMBER 2022**

2/23 Resolved

That Resolution 49/22 be amended to read:

1. Having adopted the Model Policies and Model Codes of Practice documents, Councillors reminded the GM that 'model' policies and Model Codes of Practice can and should be adapted to suit local requirements..

Moved: Councillor Packham

Seconded: Councillor Robinson

The motion being put to the **Vote** was passed UNANIMOUSLY.

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ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2022

Laurie Knight, CFO, advised council that financial information extracted from NEWA's historic document management archive, has enabled NEWA to prepare and provide Forsyths (auditors) with analysis of the outstanding item required to complete the audit preparation.

Recommendation:

That Council note the information provided concerning the outcome of completed Annual Financial Statements for the year ending 30 June 2022, ahead of the final sign off by the NSW Audit Office and Public presentation, which is planned for the Extraordinary Meeting to be scheduled for & March 2023.

Moved: Councillor Gresham

Seconded: Councillor O'Connor

The motion being put to the **Vote** was passed UNANIMOUSLY.

GENERAL MANAGERS REPORTS

QUARTERLY BUSINESS REVIEW – Q2 DECEMBER 2022

3/23 Resolved:

1. That Council endorse the changes detailed in the Quarterly Business Review report, and
2. That Council adopt the December 2022 Quarterly Budget Review including the changes agreed to at the 7 February 2023 council meeting.

Moved: Councillor Robinson

Seconded: Councillor Gresham

The motion being put to the **Vote** was passed UNANIMOUSLY.

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WEED CONTROL MATTERS (WEEDS ACTION PROGRAM 2020-2035)

4/23 Resolved:

That the Weeds Control Report summarising outcomes and activities to date, including the 2022-2023 Weeds Action Program (WAP), be received and noted.

Moved: Councillor Robinson

Seconded: Councillor O'Connor

The motion being put to the **Vote** was passed UNANIMOUSLY.

MATTERS OF URGENCY

There were no matters of urgency.

NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY 7th March 2023 at 01:00pm

ATTACHMENTS

- NEWA Annual Financial Statements – GPFS – 2022 Final for Audit Review
2-2-2023

Meeting closed – 2:50pm.