

## SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held on

Tuesday, 29 March 2022

10:00am

at

NEWA Meeting Room, Rusden Street

**PRESENT**: Councilor Tim Bower, Councilor Lara Gresham, Councilor Scott Kermode,

Councilor Margaret O'Connor, Councilor Paul Packham and Councilor Dorothy

Robinson

**IN ATTENDANCE**: Mr Tim Weeks (General Manager)

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#### 1. STATEMENT IN RELATION TO RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

The General Manager advised that the Meeting was *not* being Live Streamed, however, a video recording of the Meeting would be available on the County Council's website.

## 2. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

### 3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil

### 4. OATH OF OFFICE FOR COUNCILLORS

## 1/22 RESOLVED

That all Councilors take an oath of office, as required by Section 233A of the *Local Government ACT 1993*.

That it be noted that the following Councilors took the Oath of Office, before the General Manager, prior to the first Ordinary Meeting of the new Council, on 29 March 2022:

- Councilor Tim Bower
- Councilor Lara Gresham
- Councilor Scott Kermode
- Councilor Margaret O'Connor
- Councilor Paul Packham
- Councilor Dorothy Robinson

#### **Moved Cr Kermode**

Seconded Cr O'Connor

The amendment on being put to the vote was CARRIED unanimously.

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## 5. ELECTION OF THE CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

#### 2/22 MOVED

That Council:

- a. Resolve that the ballot be by *open* ballot voting (show of hands).
- b. That the General Manager, as Returning Officer, call for nominations for the election of the Chair for the period of 29 March 2022 to March 2024.
- c. The General Manager, as Returning Officer, call for nominations for the election of Deputy Chair for the period 29 March 2022 to March 2024

#### Moved Cr Packham Seconded Cr O'Connor

#### **Amendment**

That Council:

- a. Resolve that the ballot be by written ballot voting.
- b. That the General Manager, as Returning Officer, call for nominations for the election of the Chair for the period of 29 March 2022 to March 2024.
- c. The General Manager, as Returning Officer, call for nominations for the election of Deputy Chair for the period 29 March 2022 to March 2024

### Moved Cr Packham Seconded Cr Robinson

The amendment on being put to the vote was CARRIED unanimously.

#### The amended motion on being put to the vote was CARRIED.

The General Manager, acting as Returning Officer, called for nominations for the office of Chair. There was only a single nomination.

## The Returning Officer declared Cr Kermode elected as the Chair, for the 2022-2024 term.

The General Manager, acting as Returning Officer, called for nominations for the office of Deputy Chair. There being only a single nomination.

The Returning Officer declared Cr Bower elected as the Deputy Chair, for the 2022-2024 term.

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#### 7. ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING CYCLE for 2021-2022

#### 3/22 RESOLVED

- a. That the Ordinary Council Meeting cycle for the remainder of the 2021-2022 financial year be scheduled for the second Tuesday of the moths, as follows:
  - February Meeting delayed until 29 March 2022, due to GP Council elections
  - May Meeting (Tender, Draft Budget) 10 May 2022
  - June Meeting (Adopt Budget) 14 June 2022
- b. That the time of the Ordinary Council meetings to commence is **10:00am**.
- c. Ordinary Council meetings may be held, by agreement, at the chambers of member councils.
- d. Such dates may be altered when:
  - For good and sufficient reason an Ordinary Council meeting may be altered by resolution of Council at a preceding ordinary meeting.
  - The provisions of the Local Government Act (1993) require.

### **Moved Cr Packham**

Seconded Cr Gresham

### **NEXT MEETING**

The Ordinary Meeting of Council is to be held on 29 March 2022 at 10:45am (following this meeting).

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 10:27am.