

# REPORT

## ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

### 24 OCTOBER 2024

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**PRESENT:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, P Toynton, K Richardson, A Ryan, and M Wright.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

The Chief Executive Officer, the Director Organisational Performance, the Manager Corporate Governance, the Governance Team Leader, the Governance Officers, the Director Strategy, Partnerships and Engagement, the Director Development and Environment, the Acting Director Infrastructure, the Director Community, Culture and Places, the Communications Services Team Leader, the Manager Growth Planning, the Manager Regional Experiences, the IT Infrastructure Specialist, the IT Support Team Leader, the Chief Financial Officer, the Statutory Accountant and the Manager People, Culture and Safety.

Councillor J Black assumed the Chair of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 5.31pm at the Dubbo Civic Administration Building, Council Chamber, with a prayer for Divine Guidance to the Council in its deliberations and activities. The Acknowledgement of Country was also read by Councillor A Ryan.

**CCL24/243 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (ID24/1894)**

A request for leave of absence was received from Councillor P Wells who was absent from the meeting due to personal reasons.

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

**That such request for Leave of Absence be accepted and Councillor P Wells be granted leave of absence from this meeting.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/244    CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (ID24/1895)**

The following Conflicts of Interest were declared:

Councillor J Black - CCL24/296 – Pecuniary, Significant.

**CCL24/245    PUBLIC FORUM (ID24/1896)**

The Council reports having met with the following persons during Public Forum:

- Marcus Hanney -  
CCL24/256 - Village Committee  
CCL24/258 – Village Roadshow  
CCL24/263 - Water Supply Stuart Town
- Melissa Cox - CCL24/271 – Historical Society request for operating location(s) for Wellington Museum.
- Anthony Yeates - CCL24/266 – Planning agreement VPA23-001

**CCL24/246    CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (ID24/1923)**

Confirmation of the minutes of the proceedings of the Extraordinary Council meetings held on 5 September and 3 October 2024.

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

**That the minutes of the proceedings of the Dubbo Regional Council at the Extraordinary Council meetings held on 5 September 2024 and 3 October 2024 (as attached) be taken as read, confirmed as correct minutes and signed by the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**INFORMATION ONLY MATTERS:**

**CCL24/247    INVESTMENT UNDER SECTION 625 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT - AUGUST 2024 (ID24/1774)**

The Council had before it the report dated 2 September 2024 from the Revenue Accountant regarding Investment Under Section 625 of the Local Government Act - August 2024.

Moved by Councillor P Toynton and seconded by Councillor M Wright

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the Investment under Section 625 of the Local Government Act Report be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/248 INVESTMENT UNDER SECTION 625 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT - SEPTEMBER 2024 (ID24/1875)**

The Council had before it the report dated 3 October 2024 from the Revenue Accountant regarding Investment Under Section 625 of the Local Government Act - September 2024.

Moved by Councillor P Toynton and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the Investment under Section 625 of the Local Government Act Report be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/249 2023/2024 ANNUAL REPORT - DUBBO REGIONAL COUNCIL (ID24/1842)**

The Council had before it the report dated 23 September 2024 from the Director Strategy, Partnerships and Engagement regarding 2023/2024 Annual Report – Dubbo Regional Council.

Moved by Councillor J Cowley and seconded by Councillor P Toynton

**MOTION**

- 1. That the 2023/2024 Annual Report, provided under separate cover, be noted.**
- 2. That any minor corrections or typographical errors be corrected prior to the finalised document being published on Council's website and the Office of Local Government be notified no later than 30 November 2024.**
- 3. That a copy of the 2023/2024 Annual Report be printed and made available for reading at the Dubbo Civic Administration Building, Wellington Administration Building and Macquarie Regional Library (Dubbo and Wellington branches).**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/250     STATE OF OUR REGION REPORT - DUBBO REGION 2021-2024 (ID24/1843)**

The Council had before it the report dated 23 September 2024 from the Director Strategy, Partnerships and Engagement regarding State of Our Region Report – Dubbo Region 2021-2024.

Moved by Councillor J Cowley and seconded by Councillor K Richardson

**MOTION**

1.    **That the State of Our Region Report – Dubbo Region 2021-2024, attached at Appendix 1, be noted, and appended to the 2023/2024 Annual Report.**
2.    **That any minor corrections or typographical errors be corrected prior to the finalised document being published on Council's website no later than 30 November 2024.**
3.    **That a copy of the document be printed and made available for reading at the Dubbo Civic Administration Building, Wellington Administration Building and Macquarie Regional Library (Dubbo and Wellington branches).**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/251     MONTHLY REPORTING SNAPSHOT FOR COUNCILLORS - SEPTEMBER 2024 (ID24/1888)**

The Council had before it the report dated 23 September 2024 from the Corporate Strategy Performance Coordinator regarding Monthly Reporting Snapshot for Councillors – September 2024.

Moved by Councillor P Toynton and seconded by Councillor M Wright

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the report of the Corporate Strategy and Performance Coordinator, dated 8 October 2024, be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/252    ANNUAL REPORT ON COMPLAINT STATISTICS UNDER COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT - 2023/2024 REPORTING PERIOD (ID24/1846)**

The Council had before it the report dated 25 September 2024 from the Manager Corporate Governance regarding Annual Report on Complaint Statistics Under Council's Code of Conduct - 2023/2024 Reporting Period.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor R Ivey

**MOTION**

1.    **That the information contained within the report of the Manager Corporate Governance, dated 25 September 2024, be noted.**
2.    **That that the annual Code of Conduct statistics be reported to the Office of Local Government in line with statutory requirements.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/253    MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS AND MEETINGS - MAYOR MATHEW DICKERSON (ID24/1905)**

The Council had before it the report dated 14 October 2024 from the Chief Executive Officer regarding Mayoral Appointments and Meetings - Mayor Mathew Dickerson.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor M Wright

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the report be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/254    MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS AND MEETINGS - MAYOR JOSH BLACK (ID24/1909)**

The Council had before it the report dated 14 October 2024 from the Chief Executive Officer regarding Mayoral Appointments and Meetings - Mayor Josh Black.

Moved by Councillor A Ryan and seconded by Councillor J Cowley

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the report be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**NOTICES OF MOTION:**

**CCL24/255 24 HOUR POLICE PRESENCE IN WELLINGTON (ID24/1920)**

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 17 October 2024 from Councillor L Butler regarding the 24 Hour Police Presence in Wellington.

Moved by Councillor L Butler and seconded by Councillor A Ryan

**MOTION**

1. That it be noted that the community of Wellington remains concerned about a lack of a 24 hour police station and a 24 hour police presence.
2. That the Superintendent Orana Midwestern Police District be invited to meet the elected body for a briefing on crime in Wellington, how the community is serviced by police and to hear of the community's concern.
3. That a representative of BOCSAR (the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics & Research) be invited to present to a Councillor workshop on the latest crime statistics and trends for the Local Government Area.
4. That subject to the outcomes of the briefing and workshop, a further report be provided by the CEO detailing options for the next steps to obtain better policing in Wellington including consideration within the draft Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan that is under development.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/256 REINSTATEMENT OF THE VILLAGES COMMITTEE (ID24/1906)**

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 14 October 2024 from Councillor J Cowley regarding the Reinstatement of the Villages Committee.

Moved by Councillor J Cowley and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

**That the CEO provide a report to Council in November 2024 on the reinstatement of the**

**Villages Committee to ensure full and strategic representation for all Villages within our Local Government Area.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/257 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF DUBBO (ID24/1911)**

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 15 October 2024 from Councillor S Chowdhury regarding the 175th Anniversary of Dubbo.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor K Richardson

**MOTION**

**That Dubbo Regional Council include a celebration of 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dubbo at the Dubbo Day event being held on 21 November 2024.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/258 VILLAGE ROADSHOW PROGRAM (ID24/1899)**

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 11 October 2024 from Councillor S Chowdhury regarding the Village Roadshow Program.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor J Cowley

**MOTION**

**That the CEO prepare a report for the November 2024 Council meeting, outlining a potential schedule and budget for a "Village Roadshow Program." This program will facilitate feedback opportunities and foster stronger relationships and dialogue among village residents, Councillors, and Executive staff.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/259 COMMUNITY FUNDING (ID24/1913)**

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 15 October 2024 from Councillor M Dickerson

regarding the Community Funding.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

1. Review all existing separate funding programs currently available to organisations and community groups, including but not limited to:
  - a. Community Venue Hire Program;
  - b. Corporate Sponsorship;
  - c. SPARC Support Program;
  - d. Community Services Fund;
  - e. Community Events Fund;
  - f. Destination Events Fund;
  - g. Discretionary funds under the control of the Mayor and/or CEO.
2. Consider, as part of the review, the establishment of a single Community Fund with an annual budget allocation of \$250,000. This fund will support applications for financial assistance, requests for venue hire fee reductions, use of discretionary funds and other similar requests.
3. Ensure the review results in a streamlined, transparent, and user-friendly application process for community funding. This review should include:
  - a. Implementing four funding rounds annually (quarterly);
  - b. Allocating one-quarter of the total annual budget to each round;
  - c. Rolling over unallocated funds to the next funding round.
4. Develop and adopt guidelines for the proposed Community Fund, using previous eligibility criteria as a base, that ensure:
  - a. All applications are assessed against the total annual budget;
  - b. The process is transparent and easily understandable;
  - c. Funding decisions are made on merit and aligned with Council's strategic objectives.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Councillors J Black and K Richardson

**CCL24/260 FINANCIAL REPORTING (ID24/1900)**

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 11 October 2024 from Councillor M Dickerson regarding the Financial Reporting.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor M Wright.

**MOTION**

**That Dubbo Regional Council resolves to:**

1. Undertake a comprehensive review of the accounting practices and reporting requirements of all Council-operated business units.



2. Ensure the review delivers an accurate representation of the financial performance of each business unit to facilitate improved strategic decision-making and enhance long-term sustainability, while also adhering to the accounting standards outlined in the Local Government Act.
3. Include in the review, but not be limited to, the following elements:
  - a. Evaluate the internal overhead allocation methodology to ensure it accurately reflects the true cost of services provided;
  - b. Assess internal charges applied to Council-operated businesses, including rates, water and other fees, to determine consistency with external business practices;
  - c. Review the current fixed dividend structure, which currently mandates a set dollar figure to be returned to general revenue irrespective of individual business unit performance.
4. Implement any proposed changes as part of the 2025/2026 Draft Budget and Operational Plan process.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/261 CONTINUATION OF MEMBERSHIP OF ASSOCIATED LG ORGANISATIONS  
(ID24/1902)**

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 11 October 2024 from Councillor R Ivey regarding the Continuation of Membership of Associated LG Organisations.

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

1. That Council maintain membership of and participation in the following umbrella organisations.
  - a. The Alliance of Western Councils
  - b. Regional Cities NSW
  - c. Regional Capitals Australia
  - d. Country Mayors
  - e. Local Government NSW
  - f. Regional Leaders Network
  - g. Mining and Energy Related Councils
2. That Council's ongoing membership of/participation in each of these organisations be reviewed and a report be brought to Council prior to the expiration of the current term of Council.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/262 NEWELL HIGHWAY BYPASS DUBBO (ID24/1901)**

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 11 October 2024 from Councillor R Ivey regarding the Newell Highway Bypass Dubbo.

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

1. To facilitate Council's long-term planning, including land releases, that potential alignments for a Newell Highway bypass be identified
2. That the Chief Executive Officer prepare a report to the February 2025 Ordinary Council meeting that considers the following:
  - costs of undertaking the body of work,
  - identify any impacts on existing work activities,
  - the relationship with the City-Wide Traffic Model being developed,
  - steps moving forward including timing for completion of the work.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/263 FEASIBILITY AND ESTIMATED COSTS OF EXTENDING TOWN WATER SUPPLY MUMBIL TO STUART TOWN (ID24/1903)**

Council had before it a Notice of Motion dated 11 October 2024 from Councillor P Toynton regarding the Feasibility and Estimated Costs of Extending Town Water Supply Mumbil to Stuart Town.

Moved by Councillor P Toynton and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

**That as part of the 2025 – 2029 Four Year Delivery Plan and associated Operational Plans and budget, Council undertake the feasibility and options analysis in the 2025/2026 financial year for the provision of town water (potable water) to the Stuart Town village.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**REPORTS FROM STAFF:**

**CCL24/264      PRESENTATION OF COUNCIL'S 2023/2024 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
(ID24/1881)**

The Council had before it the report dated 4 October 2024 from the Chief Financial Officer regarding Presentation of Council's 2023/2024 Financial Statements.

Moved by Councillor A Ryan and seconded by Councillor R Ivey

**MOTION**

- 1. That the General Purpose Financial Statements and the Special Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 be accepted by Council.**
- 2. That Council authorises the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, the Chief Executive Officer and the Responsible Accounting Officer to sign the General Purpose Financial Statements.**
- 3. That Council authorises the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, the Chief Executive Officer and the Responsible Accounting Officer to sign the Special Purpose Financial Statements.**
- 4. That Council authorises the display of the Annual Financial Statements and Auditor's Reports for the year ended 30 June 2024.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

Clr S Chowdhury left the meeting, the time being 07:00pm.

Clr S Chowdhury returned to the meeting, the time being 07:02 pm and was present for voting.

**CCL24/265      PLANNING PROPOSAL R24-003 - COUNCIL-OWNED ROAD CLOSURE AS  
EXEMPT DEVELOPMENT - RESULTS OF PUBLIC EXHIBITION (ID24/1769)**

The Council had before it the report dated 27 September 2024 from the Manager Growth Planning regarding Planning Proposal R24-003 - Council-Owned Road Closure as Exempt Development - Results of Public Exhibition.

Moved by Councillor M Wright and seconded by Councillor K Richardson

**MOTION**

- 1. That Council adopt the Planning Proposal (attached in Appendix 1) to amend the Dubbo Regional Local Environmental Plan 2022 and make the subdivision of a Council-owned road for the purposes of a road closure under the Roads Act 1993, Part 4, Division 3, as exempt development.**
- 2. That Council prepare and submit the Planning Proposal Finalisation Package to the NSW Government Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure, who are the local-plan making authority.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/266 DRAFT PLANNING AGREEMENT VPA23-001 - WELLINGTON SOUTH BATTERY  
ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM - RESULTS OF EXHIBITION (ID24/1655)**

The Council had before it the report dated 27 September 2024 from the Manager Growth Planning regarding Draft Planning Agreement VPA23-001 - Wellington South Battery Energy Storage System - Results of Exhibition.

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

1. That Council enter into a Planning Agreement (attached in Appendix 1) with The Trustee for WEBESS01 PROJECT TRUST or a Council approved associated entity.
2. That all documentation in relation to this matter be signed under the Common Seal of Council.
3. That Council note no submissions were received during the public exhibition period.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/267 HOUSING FOR OUR FUTURE - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT UPDATE  
(ID24/1873)**

The Council had before it the report dated 27 September 2024 from the Manager Growth Planning regarding Housing for Our Future - Community Engagement Update.

Moved by Councillor J Cowley and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the report of the Manager Growth Planning dated 27 September 2024, be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/268 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (ID24/1795)**

The Council had before it the report dated 30 August 2024 from the Manager Corporate Governance regarding Delegation of Authority to the Chief Executive Officer.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor M Wright

**MOTION**

1. That the Delegation of Authority to the Chief Executive Officer, as attached at Appendix 2, with minor updates and typographical errors amended, of the Report of the Manager Corporate Governance be adopted.
2. That no Power of Attorney be provided for the Chief Executive Officer.
3. That Council note the use of extended delegations by Chief Executive Officer, Murray Wood, during the period of 14 September and 2 October 2024, when Electoral results were being determined.

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**For:** Councillors S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, and M Wright.

**Against:** Councillors K Richardson, J Black, P Toynton, A Ryan and L Butler.

*Lost by Mayors casting vote.*

**CCL24/268 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

The Council had before it the report dated 30 August 2024 from the Manager Corporate Governance regarding Delegation of Authority to the Chief Executive Officer.

Moved by Councillor K Richardson and seconded by Councillor P Toynton

**MOTION**

1. That the Delegation of Authority to the Chief Executive Officer, as attached at Appendix 2, with minor updates and typographical errors amended, of the Report of the Manager Corporate Governance be adopted.
2. That Council note the use of extended delegations by Chief Executive Officer, Murray Wood, during the period of 14 September and 2 October 2024, when Electoral results were being determined.

CARRIED

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

Moved by Councillor K Richardson and seconded by Councillor P Toynton

**MOTION**

**That Power of Attorney, be provided for the Chief Executive Officer, Murray Alexander**

**Wood.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, J Cowley, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton.

**Against:** Councillors R Ivey, M Wright, M Dickerson, S Chowdhury,

Councillor J Black left the meeting.

Councillor P Toynton assumed Chair of the meeting.

**CCL24/269     REVIEW OF DETERMINATION - D22-122 PART 5 - 35 LOT SUBDIVISION - LOT 8  
DP 1063425, 4L CAMP ROAD DUBBO  
APPLICANT: SLR CONSULTING AUSTRALIA PTY LTD  
OWNER: MR L BENDER (ID24/1893)**

The Council had before it the report dated 10 October 2024 from the Director Development and Environment regarding Review of Determination - D22-122 Part 5 - 35 Lot Subdivision - Lot 8 DP 1063425, 4L Camp Road Dubbo  
Applicant: SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd  
Owner: Mr L Bender.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor J Cowley

**MOTION**

1.    **The Review of the Determination of the Application to Modify Development Consent D2022-122 (Part 5) has been undertaken.**
2.    **That the Application to Modify Development Consent D2022-122 (Part 5) be approved to incorporate the following:**
  - (a)    **Amend Condition 18 (as included in the body of the report)**
  - (b)    **Relocate driveway of Lot 401.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

*Councillor J Black declared a pecuniary, significant interest in the matter now before the Council and left the room and was out of sight during the Council's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor J Black owns property on Camp Road.*

Councillor J Black returned to the meeting.

Councillor J Black resumed Chair of the meeting.

**CCL24/270 FOOTPATHS IN DUBBO AND WELLINGTON (ID24/1802)**

The Council had before it the report dated 8 September 2024 from the Director Infrastructure regarding Footpaths in Dubbo and Wellington.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor P Toynton

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the report be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/271 WELLINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY REQUEST FOR OPERATING LOCATION(S) FOR WELLINGTON MUSEUM. (ID24/1811)**

The Council had before it the report dated 12 September 2024 from the Manager Regional Experiences regarding Wellington Historical Society request for operating location(s) for Wellington Museum.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor J Cowley

**MOTION**

1. That, Council enter in to a peppercorn lease agreement of \$1 per annum for Lot 2, 5 Maughan Street between Dubbo Regional Council and the Wellington Historical Society for a five-year term with three five-year options.
2. That Council not enter into a lease for lot 8, 37 Warne Street or lot 9, 37 Warne Street (corner Warne and Percy Streets).
3. That Council assist the Wellington Historical Society find alternative accommodation to house their excess collection and that the Wellington Historical Society will not be required to move the collection before alternative accommodation is found.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/272 DUBBO AQUATIC LEISURE CENTRE - REFURBISHMENT AND UPGRADE OF 50 METRE POOL AND WATER SLIDE PLANT ROOM (ID24/1880)**

The Council had before it the report dated 3 October 2024 from the Manager Recreation and Open Spaces regarding Dubbo Aquatic Leisure Centre - Refurbishment and upgrade of 50 metre pool and Water Slide Plant Room.

Moved by Councillor K Richardson and seconded by Councillor L Butler

**MOTION**

1. That Council proceed with the issuing of a request for tender for Dubbo Aquatic Leisure Centre refurbishment and upgrade to the 50-metre pool and water slide plant room with the works being carried out during the period April to August 2025.
2. That the proposed cost of the project, \$1,100,1000 ex gst, be considered in the development of the Aquatic Leisure Centres 2025/2026 budget, with this being funded from the Asset renewal reserves.
3. That a further report be submitted to Council for consideration of engagement of a suitably qualified and experienced contractor to undertake the prescribed works.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/273 FORMATION OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND DETERMINATION OF MEETING DATES AND TIMES (ID24/1558)**

The Council had before it the report dated 29 July 2024 from the Governance Team Leader regarding Formation of Standing Committees and Determination of Meeting Dates and Times.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor M Wright

**MOTION**

1. That Council form Standing Committees to be held consecutively on the same day commencing with Infrastructure Development and Environment, followed by Culture and Community Committee and Corporate Services Committee; and one Ordinary Council meeting in the same month, except for January and December.
2. That Council delegates to the three Standing Committees being Infrastructure, Planning and Environment Committee, Culture and Community Committee and Corporate Services Committee the authority to approve tenders.
3. That no other Delegations of Authority be granted to Council's Standing Committees.
4. That the Standing Committees to be held on the second Tuesday of the month, commencing at 5.30pm in the Council Chamber in Dubbo, unless stated otherwise.
5. That the Ordinary Council meeting to be held on the fourth Tuesday of the month, commencing at 5.30pm in the Council Chamber in Dubbo, unless stated otherwise.
6. That the Ordinary Council Meetings for February, May, August and November be held in the Council Chamber in Wellington.
7. That the dates for the Standing Committees and Ordinary Council meetings be as per below:

| Standing Committees | Ordinary Council Meeting |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 12 November 2024    | 26 November 2024         |
| No meeting          | 10 December 2024         |
| No meeting          | No meeting               |
| 11 February 2025    | 25 February 2025         |



**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 24 OCTOBER 2024  
REPORT**

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| 11 March 2025    | 25 March 2025     |
| 8 April 2025     | 22 April 2025     |
| 13 May 2025      | 27 May 2025       |
| 10 June 2024     | 24 June 2025      |
| 8 July 2025      | 22 July 2025      |
| 12 August 2025   | 26 August 2025    |
| 9 September 2025 | 23 September 2025 |
| 14 October 2025  | 28 October 2025   |
| 11 November 2025 | 25 November 2025  |
| No meeting       | 9 December 2025   |
| No meeting       | No meeting        |
| 10 February 2026 | 24 February 2026  |
| 10 March 2026    | 24 March 2026     |
| 14 April 2026    | 28 April 2026     |
| 12 May 2026      | 26 May 2026       |
| 9 June 2026      | 23 June 2026      |
| 14 July 2026     | 28 July 2026      |
| 11 August 2026   | 25 August 2026    |
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**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, A Ryan and M Wright.

**Against:** Councillors J Black, P Toynton and K Richardson

**CCL24/274 CEO PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE (ID24/1885)**

The Council had before it the report dated 7 October 2024 from the Manager People Culture and Safety regarding CEO Performance Review Committee.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor K Richardson

**MOTION**

**That the CEO Performance Review Committee consist of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and three Councillors who serve as Chairs of the Standing Committees.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/275 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST RETURNS (ID24/1557)**

The Council had before it the report dated 27 September 2024 from the Manager Corporate Governance regarding Disclosure of Interest Returns.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor M Wright

**MOTION**

1. That the information in the report of the Manager Corporate Governance dated 27 September 2024, be noted.
2. That the tabling of the Disclosure of Interest Returns, as detailed in the report, be noted.
3. That it be noted that as there were no failures to lodge Disclosure of Interest Returns for the return period, no advice is required to be provided to the Office of Local Government in this matter.
4. That the lodged Disclosure of Interest Returns for Councillors and Designated Persons be placed on Council's website no later than 30 November 2024, noting that some private information will be redacted prior to publishing online.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/276 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW - 2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE (ID24/1801)**

The Council had before it the report dated 3 September 2024 from the Manager Corporate Governance regarding Local Government NSW - 2024 Annual Conference.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor J Cowley

**MOTION**

1. That Councillors J Black, L Butler, M Wright and K Richardson act as voting delegates at the upcoming Local Government NSW Annual Conference 2024.
2. That Council advise Local Government NSW who the voting delegates for motions and the board elections are, by no later than close of business Wednesday 6 November 2024.
3. That the nominated delegates represent Council at the Local Government NSW Annual Conference 2024.
4. That Councillors J Cowley, P Toynton, M Dickerson and A Ryan will be the non-voting attendees at the upcoming Local Government NSW Annual Conference 2024.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/283 CLASSIFICATION OF LAND UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993 - 74  
WINGEWARRA STREET, DUBBO**

Moved by Councillor M Wright and seconded by Councillor R Ivey

**MOTION**

**That item CCL24/283 – Classification of land under the Local Government Act 1993 – 74 Wingewarra Street, Dubbo be moved from Confidential session into Open Session of Council.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/283 CLASSIFICATION OF LAND UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993 - 74  
WINGEWARRA STREET, DUBBO (ID24/1841)**

The Council had before it the report dated 20 September 2024 from the Property Services Officer regarding Classification of land under the Local Government Act 1993 - 74 Wingewarra Street, Dubbo.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor M Wright

**MOTION**

1. That upon:
  - (a) acquisition; and
  - (b) completion of the public notification provisions under s34 of the *Local Government Act 1993*,  
the property situated at 74 Wingewarra Street, Dubbo, properly described as Lot 415 on DP754308, be classified as operational land in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*.
2. That the Chief Executive Officer be delegated to execute any documents giving effect to resolution no. 1.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/277 QUESTION ON NOTICE - UPDATE ON THE PROPOSED RECYCLE OUTLETS IN  
DUBBO AND WELLINGTON (ID24/1907)**

The Council had before it the report dated 14 October 2024 from the Councillor regarding Question on Notice - Update on the Proposed Recycle Outlets in Dubbo and Wellington.

Moved by Councillor J Cowley and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the report be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/278    QUESTIONS ON NOTICE - AOD REHAB FACILITY (ID24/1915)**

The Council had before it the report dated 15 October 2024 from the Councillor regarding Questions on Notice - AOD Rehab Facility.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor J Cowley

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the report be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/279    QUESTIONS ON NOTICE - DUBBO REGIONAL LIVESTOCK MARKETS UPDATE (ID24/1918)**

The Council had before it the report dated 17 October 2024 from the Councillor regarding Questions on Notice - Dubbo Regional Livestock Markets Update.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor J Cowley

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the report be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/280 QUESTION ON NOTICE - MAYORAL EMPLOYMENT (ID24/1919)**

The Council had before it the report dated 17 October 2024 from the Councillor regarding Question on Notice - Mayoral Employment.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor M Wright

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the report be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/281 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE - DUKE OF WELLINGTON BRIDGE (ID24/1921)**

The Council had before it the report dated 17 October 2024 from the Councillor regarding Questions on Notice - Duke of Wellington Bridge.

Moved by Councillor A Ryan and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

**MOTION**

**That the information contained within the report be noted.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

**CCL24/282 COMMENTS AND MATTERS OF URGENCY (ID24/1898)**

There were no matters recorded under this clause.

Councillor A Ryan left the meeting, the time being 09:04 pm.

Councillor A Ryan returned to the meeting, the time being 09:06 pm

**CONFIDENTIAL**

In accordance with Section 9(2A) Local Government Act 1993, in the opinion of the Chief Executive Officer, the following business is of a kind as referred to in Section 10A(2) of the Act, and should be dealt with in a Confidential Session of the Council meeting closed to the press and public.

The items listed come within the following provisions of the Act:

CCL24/284 – *People Culture and Safety Quarterly Metrics Report* - information that is related to personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors) (Section 10A(2)(a)).

There were no submissions as to whether the meeting should be closed for this item.

At this juncture it was moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor M Wright that the Council resolves into closed session, the time being 9:15pm.

The open session resumed at 9:22 pm.

The Resolutions of the Closed session of Council were displayed on the screen on recommencement of live stream.

**CCL24/284 PEOPLE CULTURE AND SAFETY QUARTERLY METRICS REPORT (ID24/1884)**

The Council had before it the report dated 7 October 2024 from the Manager People Culture and Safety regarding People Culture and Safety Quarterly Metrics Report.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor M Wright

**MOTION**

**The Council recommends that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors) (Section 10A(2)(a)).**

**CARRIED**

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor L Butler

**MOTION**

- 1. That the information contained within the report of the Manager People Culture and Safety dated 7 October 2024 be noted.**
- 2. That this report be provided quarterly to the relevant ordinary meeting of Council.**
- 3. That all documentation in relation to this matter remain confidential to Council.**

**CARRIED**

**For:** Councillors J Black, L Butler, S Chowdhury, J Cowley, M Dickerson, R Ivey, K Richardson, A Ryan, P Toynton and M Wright.

**Against:** Nil

The meeting closed at 9:23pm.

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CHAIRPERSON