MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE DISASTER COORDINATION CENTRE, PASTEUR STREET, JERICHO ON WEDNESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2019 COMMENCING AT 9.10AM

ATTENDANCE

Councillor R Chandler (Mayor) (In the Chair), Councillors J Gray (Deputy Mayor), G Bettiens, S Dillon, M Rogers, B Plumb and G Peoples.

OFFICERS

S Boxall (Chief Executive Officer), B Walsh (Deputy Chief Executive Officer), D Howard (District Manager – Alpha and Jericho), P Coulton (District Manager – Aramac and Muttaburra), J Lawrence (District Manager – Barcaldine), R Rolfe (Chief Engineer) and A Newton (Minute Secretary).

PRAYER – Cr Rogers read the prayer.

CONDOLENCES

A minute's silence was observed to mark the passing of Mrs. Pamelia (Pam) Ward of Barcaldine, Mrs Eileen McMurdo of Alpha, Mrs Zena Adams of "Darracourt" Barcaldine, Mrs Pearl Dickson of Aramac and Mr Michael Charman of Barcaldine.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE - Nil

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional owners of the land, past and present.

DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS

Material Personal Interest on any items of Business

Cr Peoples for Item 3.2.9 - "I declare that I have a material personal interest in the 2019 Audited Annual Financial Statements (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) as Council purchased goods from Aramac Cutprice Store of which I am a part-owner. I will be dealing with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Cr Peoples for Item 3.6.2 - "I declare that I have a material personal interest in the Aramac Bakery and Residence for Sale by Tender report (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) as I stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. I stand to gain a benefit or suffer a loss because I am a part-owner of Aramac Cutprice Store. I will be dealing with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Cr Peoples for Item 3.6.3 - "I declare that I have a material personal interest in the Old Aramac Library for Sale by Tender report (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) as I stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. I stand to gain a benefit or suffer a loss because I am a part-owner of Aramac Cutprice Store. I will be dealing with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Cr Bettiens for Item 3.2.2 - "I declare that I have a material personal interest in the Planning and Development report (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) as I stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. I stand to gain a benefit or suffer a loss because I am the director of Capricorn Plumbing and Drainage which has carried out work on one the applications mentioned in the report. I will be dealing with this

declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Cr Bettiens for Item 3.2.4 - "I declare that I have a material personal interest in the 2020 Project Progress Report (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) as I stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. I stand to gain a benefit or suffer a loss because I am the director of Capricorn Plumbing and Drainage which has carried out work on projects mentioned in the report. I will be dealing with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Cr Bettiens for Item 3.2.9 - "I declare that I have a material personal interest in the 2019 Audited Annual Financial Statements (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) as Council purchased contracting services from Capricorn Plumbing and Building Supplies Pty Ltd and Capricornia Plumbing and Drainage Pty Ltd of which I am the director. I will be dealing with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Cr Bettiens for Item 3.3.1 - "I declare that I have a material personal interest in Financial Report (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) as I stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. I stand to gain a benefit or suffer a loss because I am the director of Capricorn Plumbing and Drainage which is mentioned in the report. I will be dealing with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Cr Bettiens for Item 3.4.1 - "I declare that I have a material personal interest in Goals 3 and 5 of the Works Report (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) as I stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. I stand to gain a benefit or suffer a loss because I am the director of Capricorn Plumbing and Drainage which has undertaken works on projects mentioned in the report. I will be dealing with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Cr Gray for Item 3.2.9 - "I declare that I have a material personal interest in the 2019 Audited Annual Financial Statements (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) as Council purchased contracting services from D Gray's Grader & Loader Hire of which I am a partner. I will be dealing with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Cr Gray for Item 3.4.1 - "I declare that I have a material personal interest in Goal 3 of the Works Report (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) as I stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. I stand to gain a benefit or suffer a loss because I am a partner in D Gray's Grader & Loader Hire which has carried out work on projects mentioned in the report. I will be dealing with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Conflict of Interest

Cr Peoples for Item 3.6.7 – "I declare that I have a conflict of interest in the Aramac Race Club – Request to Rename Road report (as defined the Local Government Act 2009, section 175D) as I am the Chair of Central West Racing. I have determined that this personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead me to making a decision on the matter that is contrary to the public interest. I will best perform my responsibility of serving the overall public interest of the whole of the Council's area by participating in the discussion and voting on this matter.

However, I acknowledge that the remaining councillors must now determine, pursuant to section 175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009: -

- (a) Whether I have a real conflict of interest in this matter or a perceived conflict of interest in this matter; and
- (b) If so, whether: -
 - (i) I must leave the meeting while this matter is discussed or voted on; or
 - (ii) I may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter."

Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/341That Councillor Peoples does not have either a real conflict of interest or
perceived conflict of interest in the matter and is accordingly free to
participate in the meeting while this matter is discussed, including by
voting on the matter.

Carried

6/0

Cr Gray for Item 3.6.6 - "I declare that I have a conflict of interest in this matter (as defined by section 175D of the Local Government Act 2009) as a member of my husband's family has submitted a tender for the structure. I will be dealing with this declared conflict of interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Personal Gifts and Benefits - Nil

BUSINESS

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Summary: The following minutes required confirmation by Council:-General Meeting – 18 September 2019.

Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Gray2019/10/342That the minutes of the General Meeting held by Barcaldine Regional
Council on the 18 September 2019 be received.

Carried 7/0

Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/343That the minutes of the General Meeting held by Barcaldine Regional
Council on 18 September 2019 be confirmed.

Carried 7/0

2. PETITIONS - NIL

3. REPORTS

3.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

3.1.1 Chief Executive Officer Information Report September - October 2019

Summary:The Chief Executive Officer's report for September to October 2019 is
presented to Council.Resolution:Moved Cr Dillon2019/10/344That Council receives the Chief Executive Officer's Report for September
to October 2019.

Carried 7/0

3.1.2 Councillor Information Bulletin

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer tabling a list of items sent to Councillors in the Councillor Information Bulletin up to and including 18 October 2019.

Resolution: 2019/10/345	Moved Cr Bettiens That the report be received.	Seconded Cr Plumb

Carried 7/0

3.1.3 Community Care Services Report

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer reporting on the operations of the Community Care Services.

Resolution:Moved Cr BettiensSeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/346That the report be received.

Carried 7/0

At 9.25am John Ciodo from Solzen made a presentation to Council regarding renewable energy options. Morgan Gronold updated Council on the Clean Growth Choices Project. At 10.15am the meeting adjourned for morning tea and resumed at 10.45am. At 10.45am. Diana Lollato and Anthony Ottaway from Queensland Treasury Corporation presented the Business Improvement Optimisation Program. The attendees left the meeting at 11.15am.

	nd Treasury Corporation Engage tion Program	ment - Business Improvement
Summary:		abling the Business Improvement y the Queensland Treasury Corporation for
Resolution: 2019/10/347	Optimisation Program and that	Seconded Cr Gray pplete the Business Improvement the Chief Executive Officer be endorsed ogram to ensure the best possible
		Carried
		7/0

3.1.5 Good Neighbour Program

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer advising that the Good Neighbour Program Project Coordinator has resigned.

Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Gray2019/10/348That the Chief Executive Officer investigates options to continue the
Good Neighbour Program.

Carried 7/0

3.1.6 Renewable Energy & Regional Economic Development - Preliminary Options Assessment - Part A: Solar Opportunities Assessment

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer tabling Part A: Solar Opportunities Assessment of the Renewable Energy & Regional Economic Development Preliminary Options Assessment prepared by Solzen to identify cost savings for Council and the region by utilising renewable energy sources.

Resolution:Moved Cr BettiensSeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/349That Part A: Solar Opportunities Assessment of the Renewable Energy &
Regional Economic Development Preliminary Options Assessment
prepared by Solzen be received.

Carried 7/0

3.1.7 Future Meeting Dates 2020

Summary: The Council to consider future meeting dates for Council's General Meetings.

Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Gray2019/10/350That Council adopt the following dates for future General Meetings:-

22 January 2020	Barcaldine	Council Chambers
19 February 2020	Jericho	Disaster Coordination Centre
18 March 2020	Muttaburra	Memorial Hall
22 April 2020	Alpha	Council Chambers

Carried 7/0

3.1.8 Revised Wild Dog Management Plan

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer tabling the revised Wild Dog Management Plan for consideration.

Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/351That Council endorses the revised Wild Dog Management Plan with
amendments.

Carried 6/1

Councillor Gray called for a division with Councillors Chandler, Peoples, Rogers, Bettiens, Plumb and Dillon voting for the motion with Councillor Gray voting against the motion.

3.1.9 Longest Line Follow-up Promotion

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer proposing a follow-up promotion for delegates of the Longest Line event.

Resolution:Moved Cr PeoplesSeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/352That Council endorses the offer of five (5) free nights to delegates of the
2019 Longest Line event, in Council's Freedom of Choice parks to be
used by 31 October 2020.

Carried 7/0

3.1.10 Dress the Central West - Request for Sponsorship

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer advising that the Dress the Central West production is planning on performing at the 2020 Brisbane Exhibition and is seeking sponsorship.

Resolution:Moved Cr PlumbSeconded Cr Dillon2019/10/353That Council commits \$5,000 in sponsorship towards the Dress the
Central West production performing for ten (10) days at the 2020
Brisbane Exhibition providing the event takes place and is funded.

Carried 7/0

3.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

- 3.2.1 Deputy Chief Executive Officer's Information Report October 2019
- Summary: The Deputy Chief Executive Officer's report for October is presented to Council.

Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Bettiens2019/10/354That Council receives the Deputy Chief Executive Officer's Report for
October 2019.

Carried 7/0

At 11.55pm the meeting adjourned for lunch and to undertake the Jericho Community Consultation Forum at the Town Hall. The meeting resumed at 1.45pm.

Councillor Bettiens declared an interest in the following matter and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

At this stage Councillor Peoples left the meeting.

3.2.2 Planning and Development Report

Summary: The Planning and Development Report for the period ending 9 October 2019 is presented to Council.

Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/355That Council receives the Planning and Development Report.

Carried 5/0

At this stage Councillors Bettiens and Peoples returned to the meeting.

3.2.3 Audit Committee Report

Summary: The minutes of the Barcaldine Regional Council Audit Committee meeting held on 9 October 2019 are presented to Council.

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Resolution:Moved Cr PlumbSeconded Cr Dillon2019/10/356That Council receives the minutes of the Barcaldine Regional Council
Audit Committee meeting.

Carried

7/0

Councillor Bettiens declared an interest in the following matter and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.2.4 2020 Project Progress Report

Summary: The progress report on the 2020 budget projects is presented to Council.

Resolution: 2019/10/357	Moved Cr Dillon That Council receives the report.	Seconded Cr Gray
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Carried 6/0

At this stage Councillor Bettiens returned to the meeting.

3.2.5 Reconfiguring a Lot – Landsborough Highway

- Summary: The Decision Notice for the Reconfiguring a Lot Lot 37 on SP249547, Landsborough Highway Barcaldine has been received.
- Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Rogers2019/10/358That Council proceeds with the reconfiguring of Lot 37 on SP249547 into
two lots in accordance with the Development Permit.

Carried 7/0

3.2.6 Drought Communities Program Completion Report

Summary: A summary of the Drought Communities Program projects is presented for Council information.

Resolution:	Moved Cr Dillon	Seconded Cr Plumb
2019/10/359	That Council receives the report.	

Carried 7/0

3.2.7 Road Reserve – Redwood Drive

Summary:	A request from a landholder to designate a ro to Lot SP252194.	ad reserve from Redwood Drive
Resolution: 2019/10/360	Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Bettiens That Council agrees to the opening of a road reserve from Redwo Drive to Lot SP252194 on the following conditions:-	
	 The landholder prepares the survey of the landholder lodges the application with the road reserve is to be 20 metre wide The road is to be constructed as a form All costs are to be borne by the landholder 	with DNRME. e and must be fenced. ned road.
		Carried 7/0

3.2.8 Desert Channels – Tourism Partnership

Summary: A request from Desert Channels to formalise a partnership with Council and forge an alliance to pursue the concept on nature-based tourism.

Resolution:Moved Cr RogersSeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/361That Council agrees to develop a partnership with Desert Channels and
pursue the concept of nature-based tourism.

Carried 7/0

At this stage Councillors Peoples, Bettiens and Gray declared an interest in the sections of the Financial Statements from page 32 onwards, and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.2.9 2019 Audited Annual Financial Statements

- Summary: The 2019 Audited Annual Financial Statements are presented for Council consideration.
- Resolution:Moved Cr PlumbSeconded Cr Rogers2019/10/362That Council received the 2019 Audited Annual Financial Statements.

Carried 4/0

At this stage Councillors Peoples, Bettiens and Gray returned to the meeting.

3.2.10 2019 Auditor's Closing Report

Summary: The 2019 Auditors Closing Report is presented for Council consideration.

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Resolution:	Moved Cr Dillon	Seconded Cr Plumb
2019/10/363	That Council receives the report.	

Carried

7/0

3.3 FINANCE

At this stage Councillor Bettiens declared an interest in the following matter and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.3.1 Financial Report

Summary:	The financial report for the period Council.	l ending 30 September 2019 is presented to
Resolution:	Moved Cr Peoples	Seconded Cr Dillon
2019/10/364	That Council receives the Financial Report for the period ending 30	
	September 2019.	

Carried 6/0

At this stage Councillor Bettiens returned to the meeting.

3.4 MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES

Councillors Gray and Bettiens declared an interest in Goal 3 of the following report and left the meeting during discussions thereon. Cr Bettiens also declared an interest in Goal 5 of the report and left the meeting during those discussions.

3.4.1 Works Report

Summary: From the Chief Engineer submitting for Council's information, the status of the scopes of work assigned to Engineering Services for the period ending 30 September 2019.

Resolution:Moved Cr PlumbSeconded Cr Rogers2019/10/365That the Works Report for the period September 2019 be received.

Carried 7/0

At this stage Councilors Gray and Bettiens returned to the meeting.

3.4.2 Alpha and Jericho Water Treatment Plant Assessment Report

Summary: From the Chief Engineer submitting the executive summary of the Alpha and Jericho Water Treatment Plant Assessment Report.

Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/366That Council receives the executive summary of the Alpha and Jericho
Water Treatment Plant Assessment Report.

Carri	ied
	7/0

3.4.3 Approval to Proceed to Tender for Aramac Showground Ablution Block

Summary: From the Chief Engineer submitting plans and estimate for approval to proceed to tender for the Aramac Showground ablution block.

Resolution:Moved Cr PeoplesSeconded Cr Dillon2019/10/367That Council receives the plans and estimate and approves to proceed to
tender for the construction of the building.

Carried 7/0

3.4.4 Approval to Proceed to Tender for "The Clubhouse" Barcaldine Recreational Park

- Summary: From the Chief Engineer submitting plans and estimate for approval to proceed to tender for the kiosk building for the Barcaldine Recreational Park.
- Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Gray2019/10/368That Council receives the plans and estimate and approves to proceed to
tender for the construction of the building.

Carried

7/0

3.5 DISTRICT MANAGER – ALPHA AND JERICHO

3.5.1 Information Report

Summary:	From the District Manager – Alpha and Jericho submitting the Information
	Report for information.

Resolution:Moved Cr PeoplesSeconded Cr Gray2019/10/369That the District Manager's Information Report be received.

Carried 7/0

3.6 DISTRICT MANAGER – ARAMAC AND MUTTABURRA

3.6.1 Information Report

Resolution:	Moved Cr Bettiens	Seconded Cr Plumb	
Summary:	From the District Manager – Information Report for information.	Aramac and Muttaburra submitting	the

Resolution:Moved Cr BettiensSeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/370That the District Manager's Information Report be received.

Carried 7/0

At this stage Councillor Peoples declared an interest in the following matters and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.6.2 Aramac Bakery and Residence for Sale by Tender

Summary: Council is offering for sale by tender the Aramac Bakery and residence. At this stage Council has received no tenders for the Bakery and residence. Offers close on Friday 18 October 2019.

Resolution:Moved Cr ChandlerSeconded Cr Dillon2019/10/371That Council donates up to \$10,000 from the Harry Redford Cattle Drive
Committee's funds, to attract a baker to Aramac subject to the
unanimous approval of the Harry Redford Cattle Drive Committee and
the willingness of a baker to move to Aramac.

Carried 4/3

The motion was carried on the casting vote of the Mayor.

At this stage Councillor Dillon left the meeting.

3.6.3 Old Aramac Library Building for Sale by Tender

Summary: Council is offering for sale by tender the old Aramac Library building.

Resolution:Moved Cr GraySeconded Cr Plumb2019/10/372That Council agrees to accept the Tender for \$15,000 plus GST for the
old Aramac Library building.

Carried 5/0

At this stage Councillors Peoples and Dillon returned to the meeting.

3.6.4 Employee Housing

Summary: Council has received notification from the Minister regarding the sale of Council housing to employees.

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens

Seconded Cr Peoples

- 2019/10/373 That Council agrees to dispose of three (3) Council owned properties situated at 6 McWhannell Street, 30 McWhannell Street and 10 Kerr Street, Aramac providing the Minister's conditions of sale are met. These being:-
 - 1. Ensure each property is only offered for sale to the current tenant
 - 2. Council provides an independent valuation from a qualified valuer, for each property prior to being offered for sale
 - 3. Council advises the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs of approved sale terms and price confirmed by the valuation for each property to be offered for sale
 - 4. Council confirms that any Councillor with an interest in a property or properties for sale declares their interest, with a copy of the confirmed minutes for each occasion when a conflict is declared, to be proved to the Department.

Carried 7/0

3.6.5 Houses and Land for Sale and Tender

- Summary: Council is offering for sale houses and land at 28 Porter Street and 30 Porter Street, Aramac; land at 43 Bridge Street, Muttaburra; and land at 82,86,90,94 Lord Street, Muttaburra.
- Resolution:Moved Cr BettiensSeconded Cr Dillon2019/10/374That Council:-
 - 1. does not agree to accept the offers of \$20,000 for 28 Porter Street, Aramac; and
 - 2. does not agree to accept the offer of \$10,000 for 30 Porter Street, Aramac.

Carried 7/0

At this stage Councillor Gray declared an interest in the following matter and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.6.6 Nurses' Quarters for Sale by Tender for Removal

Summary: Council is offering for sale by Tender for removal the Muttaburra Nurses' Quarters.

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Resolution:Moved Cr RogersSeconded Cr Dillon2019/10/375That Council agrees to accept the offer for the amount of \$21,500 for the
sale by removal within six months of the finalisation of the sale,
restoration of the site and compliance with terms and conditions.

Carried 5/1

At this stage Councillor Gray returned to the meeting.

3.6.7 Aramac Race Club – Request to Rename Road

Summary: The Aramac Race Club would like to recognise the work by the Late John Dolgner and have the Aramac Racecourse road renamed to "John Dolgner Drive".

Resolution:Moved Cr BettiensSeconded Cr Peoples2019/10/376That Council agrees to rename the Aramac Racecourse road to the John
Dolgner Drive.

Carried 7/0

3.7 DISTRICT MANAGER – BARCALDINE

3.7.1 Information Report

Summary: The District Manager's – Barcaldine report was submitted to Council for information.

Resolution:Moved Cr BettiensSeconded Cr Gray2019/10/377That the District Manager's – Barcaldine General Information Report be
received.

Carried 7/0

3.7.2 Request from Pool Lessee to Extend Contract

Summary: As per clause 4.8 of Memorandum of Agreement Pool Lessee Paula Pumpa has emailed to ask if Council would like to offer her the option to extend her contract for the optional two (2) years at the end of this season, current contract expires on 30 April 2020.

Resolution:Moved Cr DillonSeconded Cr Gray2019/10/378That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate the
contract for the Barcaldine swimming pool lease post 30 April 2020.

Carried 7/0

3.8 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Resolution:	Moved Cr Dillon	Seconded Cr Plumb
2019/10/379	That Council move into clos	sed session pursuant to Section 72 of the
	Local Government Act 2009, for the consideration of the future of the	
	Alpha Post Office.	

Carried 7/0

Procedural Motion

Resolution:	Moved Cr Peoples	Seconded Cr Plumb
2019/10/380	That the meeting move into open session.	

Carried 7/0

3.8.1 Alpha Post Office

Summary:	From the Chief Executive Officer updating Council on the potential purchase of
	the Alpha Post Office.

Resolution:Moved Cr PeoplesSeconded Cr Dillon2019/10/381That Council endorses the actions of the Chief Executive Officer to
acquire the Alpha Post Office freehold property and business.

Carried 7/0

3.9 NOTIFIED MOTIONS - NIL

As there was no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 4.40pm.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

MAYOR:

DATED: 20 November 2019

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