

### **ORDINARY MEETING**

# **MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY 24TH APRIL 2024

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in the Council Community Room, 115 Dubbo Street Warren on Wednesday 24th April 2024 commencing at 8:38 am

Present:

**COUNCILLORS** MJ Quigley Chair

HJ Druce NR Kinsey SJ Derrett RA Jackson KW Taylor KL Walker

AJ Brewer

STAFF MEMBERS G Woodman General Manager (GM)

B Pascoe Divisional Manager Finance & Administration (DMFA)
S Otieno Divisional Manager Engineering Services (DMES)
M Stephens Manager Health and Development Services (MHD)

J Burtenshaw Executive Assistant (EA)

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Acknowledgement of Country was made by the Mayor.

### APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Apologies were tendered on behalf of Councillor Van Eldonk, Councillor Whiteley and Councillor McCloskey who were absent due to external commitments, and it was **MOVED** Taylor/Brewer that the apologies be accepted and a leave of absence for the members concerned be granted.

**Carried 81.4.24** 

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**MOVED** Brewer/Druce that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Thursday, 28th March 2024 be adopted as a true and correct record of that Meeting.

**Carried 82.4.24** 

### **DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

Nil.

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### **MAYORAL MINUTE(S)**

Nil.

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

### **Ewenmar Waste Depot Committee**

**MOVED** Druce/Walker that the Minutes of the Ewenmar Waste Depot Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8th April 2024 be received and noted and the following recommendations be adopted:

### Item 5.2 Recycling Options

(G2-5.4)

MHD – A Chk Lst

- 2. The results of the survey be communicated to the Warren Shire Community;
- 3. Kerbside recycling services be placed on hold;
- 4. The Manager Health and Development Services to investigate the feasibility of implementing a return and earn facility and other recycling services in conjunction with NetWaste, on a regional basis and other organisations; and
- 5. Council re-assesses the community's satisfaction with recycling services in 2 years time.

### Item 5.3 Rural Access Charge Survey Results

(G2-5.4)

DMFA – A Chk Lst 2. The Rural Access Charge be levied upon the rural assessments at \$10/rural farmland assessment annually within the draft 2024/2025 Operational Plan and Estimates for the commencement after 1st July, 2024.

Carried

83.4.24

Manex (C14-3.4)

**MOVED** Druce/Walker that the Minutes of the Manex Meeting held on Tuesday, 16th April 2024 be received and noted.

**Carried** 

84.4.24

#### **DELEGATES REPORTS**

### Item 1 Alliance of Western Councils

(C14-6.5)

**MOVED** Quigley/Derrett that the Draft Minutes of the Alliance of Western Councils Board Meeting held on Friday, 15th March 2024 be received and noted.

Carried

85.4.24

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### **POLICY**

### Item 1 Fraud and Corruption Policy and Framework

(P13-1, A1-3)

**MOVED** Derrett/Kinsey that:

GM – A Chk Lst

- 1. The information be received and noted;
- 2. The Draft Fraud and Corruption Policy and Fraud and Corruption Framework 2024 be placed on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days; and
- 3. Subject to no adverse submissions being received, the Draft Fraud and Corruption Policy and Fraud and Corruption Framework 2024 as amended be adopted.

**Carried 86.4.24** 

### Item 2 Warren Shire Council Customer Service Ethos Policy (S12-10, P13-1)

GM – A MOVED Taylor/Derrett that the Draft Customer Service Ethos Policy be redeveloped to solely consider Ethos and a separate Policy be developed to cover Customer Service.

**Carried 87.4.24** 

### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS**

### Item 1 Outstanding Reports Checklist

(C14-7.4)

EA - N **MOVED** Kinsey/Walker that the information be received and noted and that the items marked with an asterisk (\*) be deleted.

**Carried 88.4.24** 

In recognition of Warren being a healthy town and to keep awareness of a healthy lifestyle, Council will be standing while dealing with Item 2 of the General Manager's report.

### Item 2 Committee/Delegates Meetings

(C14-2)

**MOVED** Druce/Brewer that the information be received and noted.

At this point in the meeting the time being 9.38 am, Councillor Brewer left the meeting room.

At this point in the meeting the time being 9.40am, Councillor Brewer returned to the meeting room.

**Carried 89.4.24** 

### Item 3 Works Progress Reports – Infrastructure Projects

(C14-7.1, G4-1)

**MOVED** Jackson/Kinsey that the information be received and noted.

**Carried 90.4.24** 

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### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS**

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### Item 4 Internal Audit and Risk Management Framework

(A1-3.1)

**MOVED** Jackson/Walker that:

GM – A Chk Lst

- 1. The information be received and noted; and
- 2. The Warren Shire Council Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee be replaced by the Warren Shire Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) that consists of an Independent Chairperson, two (2) Independent Members and a Non-Voting Councillor Member;
- 3. Councillor Sarah Derrett be appointed as the Non-Voting Councillor Member of the Warren Shire Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) to the end of term of the current Council and an appropriate Councillor be appointed in October, 2024 and in the event that a Councillor is not available, that the Deputy Mayor be appointed as the Non-Voting Councillor Member at that time for the new term of Council;
- 4. Council adopt the Warren Shire Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) Terms of Reference as amended and attached to this Report;
- 5. Council adopt the Internal Audit Charter for Warren Shire Council as amended and attached to this Report;
- 6. Council note that there will be further reporting on the appointment of an Independent Chairperson and the two (2) Independent Members of the Warren Shire Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC);
- 7. Council note that the Risk Management Function will be managed by the Senior Management Team in conjunction with the Work Health and Safety/Risk Co-ordinator; and
- 8. Council note that the Divisional Manager Finance and Administration will be the appointed Internal Audit Co-ordinator.

**Carried 91.4.24** 

### Item 5 Draft 2024/2025 Operational Plan

(A4-4.1/1)

GM – A **MOVED** Kinsey/Derrett that Council advertise the Draft 2024/2025 Operational Plan in Chk Lst conjunction with the Draft 2024/2025 Estimates inviting written public submissions and comments up until 4.00 pm Thursday 30th May, 2024.

**Carried 92.4.24** 

# Item 6 Rural Fire Service (RFS) Warren Central Brigade Shed Development and Land Use Report (B7-12)

GM – A MOVED Brewer/Druce that Council withdraw the Wilson Street land for use by the Rural Fire Service (RFS) for the building of the RFS Warren Central Brigade facility due to there being alternative lands and buildings available and that the General Manager arrange a process with the RFS of identifying those lands and buildings for the consideration of purchasing for the new RFS Warren Central Brigade facility.

**Carried 93.4.24** 

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### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS**

**CONTINUED** 

Item 7 Disclosures of Interest – Councillors and Designated Persons

(A7-9)

**MOVED** Taylor/Jackson that the tabled Disclosures of Interest Returns for Councillors and Designated Persons be received and noted.

**Carried 94.4.24** 

### **DIVISIONAL MANAGER FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION'S REPORTS**

### Item 1 Reconciliation Certificate – March 2024

(B1-10.16)

**MOVED** Jackson/Walker that the Statements of Bank and Investments Balances as at 31st March 2024 be received and noted.

Carried

95.4.24

### Item 2 Statement of Rates and Annual Charges

(R1-4)

**MOVED** Brewer/Druce that the Statement of Rates and Annual Charges information as at 15th April 2024 be received and noted.

Carried

96.4.24

### Item 3 Works Progress Reports – Finance & Administration Projects (C14-7.1, C9-1)

MOVED Jackson/Walker that the information be received and noted.

Carried

97.4.24

### Item 4 2024/2025 Draft Estimates

(E4-44)

DMFA – A MOVED Kinsey/Taylor that Council advertise the Draft 2024/2025 Estimates inviting written public submissions and comment up until 4.00 pm on Thursday 30th May 2024.

Carried

98.4.24

### Item 5 Warren Shire Librarian's Operations Report

(L2-2)

**MOVED** Derrett/Walker that the information be received and noted.

Carried

99.4.24

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Item 1	Works Progress Reports - Roads	(C14-7.2)
MOVED Jacks	son/Druce that the information be received and noted.	
		Carried 100.4.24
Item 2	Works Progress Reports – Town Services	(C14-7.2)
<b>MOVED</b> Walk	er/Jackson that the information be received and noted.	
		Carried 101.4.24
Item 3	Works Progress Reports – Fleet/Workshop	(C14-7.2)
MOVED Derre	ett/Walker that the information be received and noted.	
		Carried 102.4.24
MANAGER H	EALTH AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORTS	
Item 1	Development Application Approvals	(B4-9)
<b>MOVED</b> Druc	e/Walker that the information be received and noted.	
		Carried 103.4.24
Item 2	Works Progress Reports – Health and Development Services	(C14-7.3)
MOVED Jacks	son/Taylor that the information be received and noted.	
		Carried 104.4.24

MHD – A **MOVED** Brewer/Jackson that Council does not consider the Development Application for the RFS Warren Central Brigade facility as the land has been withdrawn for this use by the owner.

**WARREN** 

(P16-23.21)

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### **DIVISIONAL MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORTS**

**CONTINUED** 

ITEM 3 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION - RURAL FIRE SERVICES WARREN CENTRAL BRIGADE FACILITY AND SUBDIVISION, LOTS 1 AND 2 DP853548 WILSON STREET WARREN CONTINUED

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 as amended Section 375A(3) a division was called.

For	AGAINST
Councillor Quigley	
Councillor Druce	
Councillor Kinsey	
Councillor Derrett	
Councillor Jackson	
Councillor Taylor	
Councillor Walker	
Councillor Brewer	

**Carried 105.4.24** 

NOTICES OF MOTIONS/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE		
Nil.		
MATTERS OF URGENCY		
Nil.		

### **MORNING TEA**

At this point in the meeting, the time being 10.39am, Council adjourned for Morning Tea.

### **RESUMPTION**

The meeting resumed at 11.07 am.

### **CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

**MOVED** Taylor/Druce that the Council proceed into the Committee of the Whole Closed Council, the time being 11.07 am to consider matters in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act.

Carried **106.4.24** 

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CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS CONTINUED

**MOVED** Taylor/Druce that the press and the public be excluded from the Committee of the Whole Closed Council in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act.

Carried **107.4.24** 

Council resumed in Open Council at 11.27 am.

#### REPORT OF THE DIVISIONAL MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES

### Item 1 RFT C13-87 Provision of Casual Plant Hire and Minor Works

(C13-87)

### **MOVED** Brewer/Jackson that:

DMES – A Chk Lst

- Council, in accordance with the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, formally agree
  to accept the analysis of the tender evaluation, for the Contract C13-87 Provision of Casual
  Plant Hire and Minor Works; and
- The Council accepts the tenders as a panel contract, from the thirty-six (36) tenderers listed
  on the Evaluation Results section and Attachments of this report for RFT C13-87 Provision
  of Casual Plant Hire and Minor Works for a period of one year ending April 30, 2025.

Carried **108.4.24** 

## Item 2 RFT C13-89 Replacement of Flood Gates on the Warren Town Flood Levee (C13-89)

### MOVED Brewer/Jackson that:

DMES - A Chk Lst

- Council, in accordance with the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, formally agree to accept the analysis of the tender evaluation, for the Contract C13-89, Replacement of Flood Gates on the Warren Town Flood Levee; and
- 2. Subject to a favourable Financial Assessment carried out by Corporate Scorecard, Council accepts the tender from Precision Civil Infrastructure for the value of \$868,888.16 Inclusive of GST for RFT C13-89 Replacement of Flood Gates on the Warren Town Flood Levee.

**Carried 109.4.24** 

### Item 3 RFT C13-90 Supply and Installation of Rubber Wet Pour Surfacing (C13-90)

### **MOVED** Brewer/Jackson that:

DMES – A Chk Lst

- 1. Council, in accordance with the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, formally agree to accept the analysis of the tender evaluation, for the Contract C13-90, Supply and Installation of Rubber Wet Pour Surfacing; and
- 2. Subject to a favourable Financial Assessment carried out by Corporate Scorecard, Council accepts the Option 1 tender from Play Park for the value of \$269,493.15 Inclusive of GST for RFT C13-90 Supply and Installation of Rubber Wet Pour Surfacing.

Carried **110.4.24** 

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There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.30 am.
THESE MINUTES WILL BE CONFIRMED AT THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY, 23RD MAY 2024 AS BEING  A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD.
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GENERAL MANAGER MAYOR