

PYRENEES
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MINUTES

Special Meeting of Council

6:00pm Tuesday 26 June 2018

**Council Chambers
BEAUFORT**

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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY 26 JUNE 2018 AT 6.00PM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BEAUFORT**

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PRESENT

Mayor - Cr David Clark

Councillors - Ron Eason, Tanya Kehoe

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Executive Officer - Jim Nolan

Director Asset and Development Services – Douglas Gowans

Minute Taker – Jane Bowker

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we ask you to give your blessing to this Council, direct and prosper its deliberations to the advancement of your glory, and the true welfare of the people of the Pyrenees Shire.

Amen

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the people past and present of the Wadawurrung, Dja Dja Wurrung, and Djab Wurrung tribes, whose land forms the Pyrenees Shire.

We pay our respect to the customs, traditions and stewardship of the land by the elders and people of these tribes, on whose land we meet today.

APOLOGIES

Councillor - Robert Vance

Director Corporate and Community Services – Evan King

NOTICE OF DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST BY COUNCILLORS AND OFFICERS

Nil

ITEMS FOR DECISION

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

1. ADOPTION OF REVISED COUNCIL PLAN 2017-2021

Jim Nolan – Chief Executive Officer

File No: 16/20/06

Declaration of Interest: As author of this report I have no disclosable interest in this item.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider any submissions on the adjustments to the Council Plan 2017-2021, and to adopt the revised Council Plan including the Strategic Resource Plan.

BACKGROUND

Section 125 (7) of the Local Government Act 1989 requires that “*at least once in each financial year, a Council must consider whether the current Council Plan requires any adjustment in respect of the remaining period of the Council Plan*”

In December 2017, Councillors participated in a planning workshop, and considered whether any adjustments were necessary. Having considered that only minor changes were needed, the document was amended, and further considered at the Council Briefing on 8 May 2018.

As part of its review of the Council Plan and the Council budget for 2018/19, Council also undertook a review of the Strategic Resource Plan in accordance with section 126 of the Act.

At the Ordinary Council Meeting on the 15 May 2018, Council resolved,

That Council having reviewed the Council Plan 2017-2021, and determined that minor adjustments are needed,

- 1. gives public notice in accordance with section 223 of the Local Government Act and invite submissions to be made on the adjustments to the Council Plan 2017-2021*
- 2. considers any submissions at a Council Meeting at a Special Council Meeting on 26 June 2018*

A public notice was placed in the Pyrenees Advocate and Maryborough Advertiser on Friday 25 May 2018 advising that Council had undertaken the review of the Council Plan (including the Strategic Resource Plan), and inviting any person wishing to do so can make a submission in writing to the Chief Executive Officer, and that any submission must be received up until 5pm on Monday 25th June 2018.

The notices also advised that copies of the revised Council Plan 2017-2021 can be viewed at the Avoca and Beaufort Community Resource Centres, the shire offices in Beaufort and on the Council’s website.

At the time of preparing this report, no submissions have been received. Should any submissions be received up until 5pm on Monday 25 June 2018, it is intended that Council consider those prior to deciding on the adoption of the revised Council Plan.

ISSUE / DISCUSSION

The minor changes to the plan include:

- Additional wording to strategic objective relating to “Relationships and Advocacy”
- Changes to some measures to provide clarity and include additional measures
- Changes to some initiatives in respect of timing, to remove completed activities and to insert a small number of new initiatives relevant to achieving the existing objectives

Having considered the changes, and submissions (if any) in accordance with section 125 (8) and (9) of the Act, and given public notice in accordance with section 125 and 223 of the Act, it is proposed that Council adopts the revised Council Plan 2017-2021 including the Strategic Resource Plan.

COUNCIL PLAN / LEGISLATIVE COMPLIANCE

Strategic Objective 4 - Financially Sustainable, High-performing Organisation. Our organisation will respond to community needs, attend to our core business, and strive for excellence in service delivery in an ethical and financially responsible manner.

Section 125 of the Local Government Act 1989 requires that:

- (7) *At least once in each financial year, a Council must consider whether the current Council Plan requires any adjustment in respect of the remaining period of the Council Plan.*
- (8) *Subject to subsections (9) and (10), a Council may make any adjustment it considers necessary to the Council Plan.*
- (9) *A person has a right to make a submission under section 223 on a proposed adjustment to a Council Plan which relates to a matter specified under subsection (2)(a), (2)(b) or (2)(c).*
- (10) *If a Council makes an adjustment to the Council Plan, the Council must within 30 days of making the adjustment advise the Minister of the details of the adjustment to the Council Plan.*
- (11) *A copy of the current Council Plan must be available for inspection by the public at—*
 - (a) *the Council office and any district offices; and*
 - (b) *any other place required by the regulations.*

Section 126 of the Local Government Act 1989 requires that:

- (3) *A Council must—*
 - (a) *review the Strategic Resource Plan during the preparation of the Council Plan; and*
 - (b) *adopt the Strategic Resource Plan not later than 30 June each year, or such other date fixed by the Minister by notice published in the Government Gazette.*

ATTACHMENTS

- 1.1 Council Plan 2017-2021 containing proposed adjustments and including the Strategic Resource Plan – *circulated separately*

FINANCIAL / RISK IMPLICATIONS

The proposed adjustments to the Council have been considered in the draft 2018-2019 Council budget.

CONCLUSION

Having considered that the Council Plan 2017-2021 requires minor changes be made, and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1989, the following recommendation is made.

CR EASON / CR KEHOE

That Council, having reviewed the Council Plan 2017-2021 and Strategic Resource Plan in accordance with Sections 125 and 126 of the Local Government Act, having determined that minor adjustments were needed, and having given public notice and considered any submissions in accordance with Sections 125 and 223 of the Local Government Act,

1. Adopts the revised Council Plan 2017-2021 and the Strategic Resource Plan.
2. Places a copy of the current Council Plan 2017-2021 (including the Strategic Resource Plan) on Council's website, and makes them available for inspection at the Council Offices, in accordance with Sections 125 (11) and 126 (4) of the Act.
3. Provides a copy of the revised Council Plan 2017-2021 and Strategic Resources Plan to the Minister in accordance with Section 125(10).

CARRIED



CLOSE OF MEETING

Meeting closed at 6.07pm

Minutes of the meeting confirmed

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Mayor