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PRESENT Clr S Wilcox (in the Chair), Clrs J Culverson, I Davison, A Durkin and L MacSmith.

Also present were the General Manager, Acting Economic Development Manager, Director of Environmental Services Officer and Director of Environmental Services' Personal Assistant.

ITEM - 1 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON & DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

Proceedings in Brief

The General Manager called for nominations for the position of Chairperson.

Clr Culverson nominated Clr Davison. This nomination was seconded by Clr Durkin. The General Manager called twice for further nominations and there being no further nominations Clr Davison was declared Chair of the Economic Development and Tourism Committee for the ensuing twelve months

RECOMMENDATION (Culverson/Durkin)

THAT Clr I Davison be elected as Chairperson of the Economic Development and Tourism Committee for the ensuing 12 months.

EDT4/13 Carried

The General Manager then called for nominations for Deputy Chairperson. Clr Culverson nominated Clr Wilcox. This nomination was seconded by Clr Durkin. The General Manager called twice for further nominations and there being no further nominations Clr Wilcox was declared Deputy Chair for the ensuing twelve months.

RECOMMENDATION (Culverson/Durkin)

THAT Clr S Wilcox be elected as Deputy Chairperson of the Economic Development and Tourism Committee for the ensuing 12 months.

EDT5/13 Carried

Clr Davison assumed the Chair.

ITEM - 2 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Proceedings in Brief

An apology was tendered on behalf on Clr Treavors.

RECOMMENDATION (Culverson/Durkin)

THAT the apology tendered on behalf of Clr Treavors be accepted and the necessary leave of absence be granted.

EDT6/13 Carried

ITEM - 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

ITEM - 4 DECLARATIONS FOR POLITICAL DONATIONS

Nil

It was noted, the time being 2:45pm Clr Durkin declared an actual pecuniary interest in the following item as the son of a member of the AMUSU Theatre committee is a work colleague and personal friend and left the meeting.

ITEM - 5 EVENTS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING

Proceedings in Brief

The Acting Economic Development Manager advised the committee that \$15,000 of the Event Assistance Program Grant Funding had been expended within 3 months of the new financial year.

RECOMMENDATION (Wilcox/Culverson)

THAT the ED & T Committee approve funding for the following project under the Events Assistance Program:

1. Amusu Theatre 90th Anniversary Celebration – \$1300 for advertising and promotion of the event.

EDT7/13 Carried

It was noted, the time being 2:46pm Clr Durkin rejoined the meeting.

ITEM - 6 BUSINESS PAPER ITEMS FOR NOTING

RECOMMENDATION (Culverson/Durkin)

THAT:

1. Councillors further consider item 2 called by Clr Wilcox.
2. The balance of the items be noted.

EDT8/13 Carried

FOR NOTATION

ITEM - 2 PROMOTION AND TOURISM ACTIVITIES REPORT

Proceedings in Brief

It was noted, the time being 2:48pm representatives of the Canowindra Challenge addressed the committee regarding the 2014 Canowindra Challenge event.

Clr Durkin acknowledged the work done by the organising committee on improving the 2013 event from the 2012 event.

As a result of questions from Clr Davison the representatives of the Canowindra Challenge participated in an open discussion with the committee regarding issues such as timing of the event, media coverage and succession planning.

It was advised that Cabonne Council contributes to the event in ways other than financial support and this was recognised by the Canowindra Challenge Committee.

It was also advised that the Australian Ballooning Federation was to host their Annual General Meeting in Canowindra.

RECOMMENDATION (Durkin/MacSmith)

THAT:

- 1) Council approve funding of \$15,000 towards the 2014 Canowindra Challenge event.
- 2) A report be presented to the Economic Development & Tourism Committee outlining where the funding is be allocated from.

EDT9/13 Carried

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3:32pm.