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PRESENT Clr K Beatty (in the Chair), Clrs P Batten, J Jones, M Nash, K O’Ryan, A Pull, J Weaver, A Pearson.

Also present were the Deputy General Manager - Cabonne Services, Deputy General Manager - Cabonne Infrastructure, IT Officer, Department Leader – Governance & Corporate Performance and Corporate Performance Officer.

ITEMS FOR DETERMINATION

ITEM - 1 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Proceedings in Brief

An apology was tendered on behalf of Clr Rawson for his absence from the meeting.

MOTION (Pull/Weaver)

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

25/07/01 Carried

ITEM - 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Batten declared an interest (identified as a perceived conflict of interest, significant, non-pecuniary) in item 16 and 17 as he is a member of the Arts Council and President of the Molong Advancement Group.

Clr O’Ryan declared an interest (identified as a perceived conflict of interest, significant, non-pecuniary) in item 16 as she is a member of the Arts Council.

MOTION (Nash/Pull)

THAT the declarations of interest be noted.

25/07/02 Carried

ITEM - 3 DECLARATIONS OF POLITICAL DONATIONS

MOTION (Weaver/Jones)

THAT it be noted there were nil declarations for political donations.

25/07/03 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.04pm there was a Youth of the Month Presentation for Nicholas Gibson.

ITEM - 4 MAYORAL MINUTE - APPOINTMENTS

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Beatty

24/06/2025 to 26/06/2025 – National General Assembly, Canberra.

25/06/2025 – Meeting with the Hon. Kristy McBain, MP regarding flood recovery.

01/07/2025 – The Hon. Janelle Saffin, MP announcement on critical infrastructure water infrastructure at Cook Park, Parkes.

02/07/2025 – Central NSW Joint Organisation (CNSWJO) Advocacy meeting.

09/07/2025 – Interview with Win Television, Molong.

10/07/2025 – Briefing on Sub-regional water strategy at the office of the Hon. Philip Donato, MP, Orange.

11/07/2025 – Community Leaders Forum. Meeting with the General Manager.

16/07/2025 – Interview with Neil Gill radio program and ABC radio.

18/07/2025 – Meeting with Dr Hoyle from Health One, Molong. Meeting with Kate Barker from CNSWJO regarding Joint Organisation matters.

Clr Jones

24/06/2025 – Ordinary Council meeting and Business Paper Review, Molong. Interview with Prime 7 Central West on Council's Unsupervised Pools initiative.

25/06/2025 – Orange360 Board meeting.

08/07/2025 – Infrastructure (Other) Committee Meeting, Council Public Forum and Workshop, Molong. Eugowra Progress Association meeting, Eugowra.

10/07/2025 – Molong Advancement Group meeting, Molong.

14/07/2025 – Cudal footbridge stakeholder meeting, Cudal.

Clr Rawson

24/06/2025 – Ordinary Council meeting, Molong.

25/06/2025 – Meeting with Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water staff to discuss the Belubula Water Security Project at Central Tablelands Water (CTW), Blayney.

01/07/2025 - The Hon. Janelle Saffin, MP announcement on critical infrastructure water infrastructure at Cook Park, Parkes. Nashdale/Lidster Consultative Committee meeting, Nashdale.

02/07/2025 – CNSWJO Opt-in Mayors meeting, CTW.

07/07/2025 – Mullion Creek Progress Association meeting, Mullion Creek.

08/07/2025 – Councillors workshop and committee meeting, Molong.

10/07/2025 - Briefing on Sub-regional water strategy at the office of the Hon. Philip Donato, MP, Orange.

14/07/2025 – Meeting with CTW General Manager to draft Ministerial Brief.

15/07/2025 – Meeting with the Hon. Rose Jackson, MLC regarding Belubula Water Security Project, Sydney.

17/07/2025 – Meeting with CTW General Manager to draft a response to the Minister. Ophir Crown Land Manager Board meeting, Orange. Elected as Chair of new Board.

Clr Pearson

24/06/2025 – Ordinary Council meeting, Molong.

08/07/2025 – Councillors workshop, Molong.

10/07/2025 – Molong battery community briefing. Molong Advancement Group meeting, Molong.

Clr Batten

24/06/2025 – Ordinary Council meeting, Molong.

01/07/2025 – Yeoval and District Progress Association meeting, Yeoval.

08/07/2025 – Environment, Innovation and Energy Committee meeting, Molong.

17/07/2025 – Cumnock Progress Association meeting, Cumnock.

Clr Beatty noted that this was the final meeting at Cabonne for Department Leader Community and Economy, Rebecca Johnson as she is moving on from her role here at council. He commended her on behalf of council for the work she has done in her time here.

MOTION (Beatty/-)

THAT the information contained in the Mayoral Minute be noted.

25/07/04

Carried

ITEM - 5 MAYORAL MINUTE - COST SHIFTING ONTO LOCAL GOVERNMENT

MOTION (Beatty/-)

THAT:

1. Council note the findings of the LGNSW Cost Shifting report for the 2023/2024 financial year; and
2. A link to the cost shifting report be placed on Council's website so that our communities can access it; and
3. Council writes to the Premier, the NSW Treasurer and the NSW Minister for Local Government seeking that they urgently address these costs through a combination of regulatory reform and appropriate funding.

25/07/05

Carried

ITEM - 6 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOTION (Nash/Batten)

THAT it be noted there were nil items called to be debated in Committee of the Whole.

25/07/06 Carried

ITEM - 7 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

MOTION (Weaver/Pearson)

THAT the minutes of the following meetings be adopted:

1. Ordinary Council meeting held on 24 June 2025;
2. Environment, Innovation and Energy Committee meeting held on 08 July 2025;
3. Infrastructure (Community) Committee meeting held on 08 July 2025.

25/07/07 Carried

ITEM - 8 2025 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE

MOTION (Jones/Nash)

THAT council:

1. Be represented at the 2025 Local Government NSW Annual Conference by the Mayor, Cllrs Nash and O’Ryan (Cllr Pearson alternate) and the General Manager or his alternate delegate in an advisory capacity; and
2. Identify issues and/or motions to be submitted to the conference.

25/07/08 Carried

ITEM - 9 CIRCULAR FUTURES FORUM - INNOVATING SUSTAINABILITY IN REGIONAL NSW

MOTION (Jones/Nash)

THAT council authorise attendance of up to two councillors to the Circular Futures Forum: Innovating Sustainability and Circular Economy in Regional NSW.

25/07/09 Carried

ITEM - 10 DRAFT ARTS & CULTURE COLLECTIONS POLICY

MOTION (O’Ryan/Pearson)

THAT council adopt the draft Arts & Culture Collections Policy.

25/07/10 Carried

ITEM - 11 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - REAPPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS

MOTION (Jones/Pull)

THAT council:

1. Reappoint Ms Donna Rygate (DT Rygate) as Independent Chair of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) for a term of up to two (2) years;
2. Reappoint Ms Kylie McRae (PKR Solutions Pty Ltd) and Ms Deborah Goodyer (Vantage Integrity & Wellness) as independent members of the ARIC for a term of up to four (4) years; and
3. Delegate to the General Manager the authority to negotiate remuneration in line with the 2025/26 budget allocation.

25/07/11 Carried

ITEM - 12 INTEGRATED PLANNING & REPORTING - OPERATIONAL PLAN YEARLY REPORT 2024/2025

MOTION (Weaver/Pearson)

THAT the update of the Operational Plan to 30 June 2025, as presented, be adopted.

25/07/12 Carried

ITEM - 13 STRATEGIC POLICY REGISTER REVIEW

MOTION (Jones/Nash)

THAT council:

1. Re-adopt the policies listed in the report detailed “minor changes”.
2. Adopt the following annexed draft policies:
 - a) Voluntary Purchase – Flood Affected Land.
3. Archive the policies listed in the report detailed “to be revoked”.

25/07/13 Carried

ITEM - 14 UNSPENT EXPENDITURE REVOTED TO 2025/2026 BUDGET

MOTION (Batten/Pull)

THAT the works listed in the report be included in the 2024/2025 budget.

25/07/14 Carried

ITEM - 15 CABONNE EVENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

MOTION (Nash/Jones)

THAT council endorses the proposed changes to the 2025-2026 Event Sponsorship Program, associated Program Guidelines and Event Sponsorship Policy.

25/07/15 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.22pm Clr Batten declared an interest in item 16 and 17 and left the chamber. Clr O’Ryan declared an interest in item 16 and left the chamber.

ITEM - 16 EVENTS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

MOTION (Weaver/Jones)

THAT council approves under its 2025/26 Event Assistance Program \$3,000 to the Arts Council Cabonne for the 2025 Cabonne Acquisitive Art Prize.

25/07/16 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.23pm Clr O’Ryan returned to the Chamber.

ITEM - 17 VILLAGE ENHANCEMENT FUND 2025-26

MOTION (Pull/Weaver)

THAT council approves funding under its 2025/26 Village Enhancement Fund:

1. \$6,995.64 to the Yeoval and District Progress Association for the costs associated with installation and supply of two televisions in the Yeoval Memorial Hall; and
2. \$6,050 to the Molong Advancement Group for the installation of ground mounted lights on the Molong Village Green.

25/07/17 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.24pm Clr Batten returned to the Chamber.

ITEM - 18 LGNSW WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE 2025

MOTION (Weaver/Pearson)

THAT council authorise attendance of the Mayor (alternate Clr Pull) at the LGNSW Water Management Conference 2025.

25/07/18 Carried

ITEM - 19 2025 NATIONAL LOCAL ROADS, TRANSPORT & INFRASTRUCTURE CONGRESS

MOTION (Jones/Batten)

THAT council authorise attendance of the Mayor (alternate Clr Jones) at the 2025 National Local Roads, Transport & Infrastructure Congress.

25/07/19 Carried

ITEM - 20 MODIFICATION TO DA 2003/0308 - PEABODY ROAD, MOLONG

MOTION (Pearson/Pull)

THAT Modification of Development Application 2003/0308 for a five-lot subdivision of land currently described as Lot 10 DP 1183138, and known as 249 Peabody Road, Molong, be granted consent subject, with Condition 7 of the Notice of Determination to be amended to include the following words:

'A s88B Restriction on the Use of the Land is to be registered upon the title deed requiring that the boundary between Lot 12 and Lot 13 be fenced prior to the lot(s) being sold to an owner or entity not associated with each other'.

25/07/20 Carried

The Chair called for a Division of Council (noting the absence of Cllr Rawson) as required under Section 375A (3) of the Local Government Act which resulted in a vote for the motion as follows:

For: Cllrs P Batten, K Beatty, J Jones, M Nash, K O'Ryan, A Pearson, A Pull, and J Weaver.

Against: Nil

ITEM - 21 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 2025/0082 - 27 RODDA DRIVE, CUDAL

MOTION (Pull/Pearson)

THAT:

1. Development Application 2025/0082 for construction of a dwelling, swimming pool, storage shed and water tanks upon Lot 9 DP 1135607 known as 27 Rodda Drive, Cudal, be granted consent subject to the conditions provided in the assessment report,
2. Council support the request to vary the s88B land use restriction relating to siting of buildings, to permit the location of an ancillary storage shed partially outside of the registered Building Envelope, and
3. Council not support the request for use of zincalume sheeting for the construction of the proposed storage shed.

25/07/21 Carried

The Chair called for a Division of Council (noting the absence of Cllr Rawson) as required under Section 375A (3) of the Local Government Act which resulted in a vote for the motion as follows:

For: Cllrs P Batten, K Beatty, J Jones, M Nash, K O'Ryan, A Pearson, A Pull, and J Weaver.

Against: Nil

ITEM - 22 QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

Proceedings in Brief

Clr O’Ryan requested an update on the access at the Canowindra Caravan Park.

Clr Weaver requested an update on timeframes for installation of the cabin at the Canowindra Caravan Park.

Clr Nash requested a report on potential upgrades of the Cargo disabled toilets.

MOTION (Pearson/O’Ryan)

THAT council receive a report in relation to the following:

1. Access and timeframes of cabin installation at the Canowindra Caravan Park; and
2. Upgrades of Cargo disabled toilets.

25/07/22 Carried

ITEM - 23 BUSINESS PAPER ITEMS FOR NOTING

MOTION (Pearson/Batten)

THAT the notation items be noted.

25/07/23 Carried

ITEM - 24 MATTERS OF URGENCY

MOTION (Weaver/Jones)

THAT it be noted there were nil matters of urgency.

25/07/24 Carried

ITEM - 25 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE SECTION OF THE MEETING

MOTION (Pull/Batten)

THAT it be noted there were nil items called to be debated in committee of the whole.

25/07/25 Carried

ITEM - 26 MOLONG FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STUDY AND PLAN - FOR ADOPTION

MOTION (Jones/Pearson)

THAT:

1. Council adopt the Molong Flood Risk Management Study and Plan 2025; and
2. The actions from Molong Flood Risk Management Study and Plan 2025 be integrated into Council's delivery program and operational plans.

25/07/26 Carried

ITEM - 27 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 2025/0107 - SILO MURALS - LOT 1 DP 819816, WATSON STREET, MOLONG

MOTION (Batten/Pearson)

THAT Development Application 2025/0107 for artwork (murals) on the GrainCorp silos located upon Lot 1 DP 819816, Watson Street, Molong, be granted consent subject to the conditions attached.

25/07/27 Carried

The Chair called for a Division of Council (noting the absence of Cllr A Rawson) as required under Section 375A (3) of the Local Government Act which resulted in a vote for the motion as follows:

For: Cllrs P Batten, K Beatty, J Jones, M Nash, K O'Ryan, A Pearson, A Pull, and J Weaver.

Against: Nil

ITEM - 28 PLANNING PROPOSAL FOR 3732 THE ESCORT WAY, CUDAL - PP-2023-2772

MOTION (Jones/Pull)

THAT Council note the correspondence from NSW RFS relating to an amendment to the Cabonne Local Environmental Plan 2012 to rezone part of Lot 27 DP 750137 and Lot 1 DP 1172771, known as 3732 The Escort Way, Cudal, from RU1 Primary Production to E4 General Industrial and amend the Minimum Lot Size Map for the E4 part from 100ha to 0.4ha and the remaining RU1 part from 100ha to 5ha, and endorse finalisation of the planning proposal.

25/07/28 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.48pm the Chair announced that the Council would now be resolving into a Closed Committee of the Whole.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM - 1 CARRYING OF COUNCIL RESOLUTION INTO CLOSED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

RECOMMENDATION (Jones/Pull)

THAT the committee now hereby resolve into Closed Committee of the Whole for the purpose of discussing matters of a confidential nature relating to personnel or industrial matters, personal finances and matters which the publicity of which the Committee considers would be prejudicial to the Council or the individual concerned and that the press and the public be excluded from the meeting in accordance with the conditions of Council's Confidentiality Policy AND FURTHER that as reports to the Closed Committee of the Whole are likely to be confidential and their release prejudicial to the public interest and the provisions of Council's confidentiality policy, that copies of these reports not be made available to the press and public.

1. Carried

ITEM - 2 CONTRACT 1850638 - EUGOWRA STP SOLAR FARM HIGH VOLTAGE CONSTRUCTION

RECOMMENDATION (Batten/O'Ryan)

THAT council:

1. Award contract 1850638 Eugowra STP Solar Farm High Voltage Construction to Enacon Group Pty Limited for \$427,177.43 (inc. GST) and,
2. Provide the General Manager with delegation to execute Contract 1850638 Eugowra STP Solar Farm High Voltage Construction to Enacon Group Pty Limited.

2. Carried

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ITEM - 3 SALE OF BLUEBELL ESTATE LOTS, CANOWINDRA

RECOMMENDATION (Weaver/Pull)

THAT council:

1. Agree the recommended sales range and marketing price for 12 residential vacant blocks at Bluebell Estate, Canowindra, is as outlined in the proceedings in brief,
2. Agree that any surplus made on the residential lots, after internal loan repayments, be placed into a council reserve for future strategic land acquisitions and/or initiatives, and
3. Delegate authority to the General Manager to negotiate sale price within 5% below the lowest range.

3. Carried

ITEM - 4 CAP-006 MANILDRA MULTI-PURPOSE COURTS TENDER

RECOMMENDATION (Jones/Nash)

THAT council:

1. Reject all tenders for 1842617 CAP_006 Relocation of Manildra Multi-purpose Courts and enter negotiations for the preferred tenderer Court Craft Pty Ltd.
2. Provide the General Manager with delegation to negotiate tender 1842617 Relocation of the Manildra Multi-purpose Courts with the preferred tenderer, Court Craft Pty Ltd.

4. Carried

ITEM - 5 CAP-007 REFURBISHMENT OF EUGOWRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM TENDER

RECOMMENDATION (Weaver/Jones)

THAT council:

1. Award Tender 1842307 Refurbishment of the Eugowra Historical Museum to Consenth Solutions Pty Ltd in the amount of \$346,050.69 (excl GST).
2. Provide the General Manager with delegation to execute Tender 1842307 Refurbishment of the Eugowra Historical Museum.

5. Carried

It was noted the time being 3.01pm the Chair resumed the Ordinary meeting.

REPORT & RESOLUTIONS OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOTION (Pull/Jones)

THAT the Report and Recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Tuesday 22 July, 2025 be adopted.

25/07/29 Carried

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.02pm.

CHAIRMAN.

Chairman of the Ordinary Meeting of Cabonne Council held on the 26 August, 2025 at which meeting the listed minutes were confirmed and the signature hereon was subscribed.