

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT ADMINISTRATION CENTRE  
245 STURT ROAD, STURT  
ON TUESDAY 28 MAY 2013**

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**PRESENT**

Her Worship the Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis

**Councillors**

**Coastal Ward**

David Speirs  
Cheryl Connor

**Mullawirra Ward**

Jason Veliskou  
Jerome Appleby

**Southern Hills**

Frank Verrall  
Kathleen Allen

**Warracowie Ward**

Carolyn Habib  
Bruce Hull

**Warriparinga Ward**

Carol Bouwens  
Luke Hutchinson

**Woodlands Ward**

Tim Pfeiffer  
Alice Campbell

**In Attendance**

Mr Mark Searle  
Mr Vincent Mifsud  
Ms Kathy Jarrett  
Mr John Silverblade  
Mr Mark Gibson  
Ms Cherie O'Neill

Chief Executive Officer  
Director  
Director  
A/Director  
A/Manager Governance  
Governance Officer

**COMMENCEMENT**

The meeting commenced at 7.01pm.

**KAURNA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

*We would like to begin by acknowledging the Kurna people, the traditional custodians of this land.*

**MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

The Chair asked if any Member wished to disclose an interest in relation to any item being considered at the meeting.

- Councillor Hutchinson identified that he would be declaring a conflict of interest regarding item *Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2013/14 – Rating Policy and New Initiatives* (report reference GC280513R04) as he owns property on Glandore Laneways which is being considered as part of the new initiatives.

Following the above declaration, the Mayor advised that Council may wish to consider a procedural motion in relation to the manner in which the item *Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget (ABP&B) 2013/2014 - Rating Policy and New Initiatives* (reference GC280513R04) would be considered by Council.

7.07pm Councillor Hutchinson left the meeting

**Moved Councillor Speirs, Seconded Councillor Allen**, that Council resolves to consider the *Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget (ABP&B) 2013/2014 - Rating Policy and New Initiatives* (reference GC280513R04) in the following manner:

1. As a separate item, Council will:
  - Note and consider the Audit Committee's feedback following their review of the Draft ABP&B 2013/14 on 21 May 2013,
  - Confirm the rating policy for 2013/14 based on an average rate increase of (to be determined), subject to the policy finalised in light of the final decisions to be made by Council as part of the rate declaration process.
2. As a separate item, Council will:
  - Prioritise the new initiatives listed in Appendix 1 using the priority ranking process detail in the report reference GC280513R04.
  - Determine which of the new initiatives in Appendix 1 to the report reference GC280513R04 are to be given funding approval and therefore be included in the ABP&B 2013/14.
  - Remove those new initiatives listed in Appendix 1 that did not receive funding approval.

**Lost**

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Moved Councillor Connor, Seconded Councillor Verrall** that the minutes of the General Council meeting held on 14 May 2013 be taken as read and confirmed.

**Carried Unanimously**

7.26pm Councillor Hutchinson re-entered the meeting

## **COMMUNICATION - HER WORSHIP THE MAYOR**

**Report on Mayoral Activities April and May 2013**  
**File No: 9.33.3.1**

Her Worship the Mayor, Felicity-ann Lewis submitted a report on meetings and functions attended by herself and Mr Lewis during April and May 2013.

**Moved Councillor Bouwens, Seconded Councillor Habib** that the report by the Mayor be received.

**Carried Unanimously**

## **COMMUNICATION – DEPUTY MAYOR**

### **Report on Deputy Mayoral Activities for April and May 2013**

**File No: 9.33.3.25**

Deputy Mayor David Speirs submitted a report on meetings and functions attended by himself during April and May 2013.

**Moved Councillor Bouwens, Seconded Councillor Habib** that the report by the Deputy Mayor be received and that the following be noted:

- Councillor Bouwens attended the Volunteers dinner 16 May 2013.

**Carried Unanimously**

## **COMMUNICATION – ELECTED MEMBERS**

### **Councillor Cheryl Connor**

**File No: 9.33.3.11**

Nil

### **Councillor Jerome Appleby**

**File No: 9.33.3.20**

Nil

### **Councillor Jason Veliskou**

**File No: 9.33.3.17**

Nil

### **Councillor Kathleen Allen**

**File No: 9.33.3. 26**

Nil

### **Councillor Frank Verrall**

**File No: 9.33.3.16**

Nil

### **Councillor Carolyn Habib**

**File No: 9.33.3.23**

Nil

### **Councillor Bruce Hull**

**File No: 9.33.3.27**

Nil

**Councillor Carol Bouwens**  
**File No: 9.33.3.3**

DATE	EVENT	COMMENT
1.5.13	SR meeting with Mr.Rittberger	
2.5.13	Official opening of Marion History Centre	
	Meeting with the Mayor and Rob Snowden (General Manager SA Power Networks) re public lighting	
3.5.13	Guest speaker at Royal Soc.for the Blind support group	Represented the Mayor.
6 5 13	S.R.W.R.A Board meeting	
7.5.13	Meeting with staff re Clovelly	
9.5.13	Citizenship	
14.5.13	Special SR Meeting	
15.5.13	2 <sup>nd</sup> Strategic Planning session	
16.5.13	Volunteer recognition dinner	
19.5.13	Presented trophies at Dover Gardens Dog Club	In capacity as Patron
20.5.13	Marion Sports Club hub presentation night	
	Community forum	
21.5.13	Audit Committee	
22.5.13	Special SRWRA meeting	
	MPSC hub presentation	
23.5.13	Marion Village committee	
27.5.13	Agenda meeting	
28.5.13	Meeting with DPTI and Mr.Griffin re Oaklands Crossing	

**Councillor Luke Hutchinson**  
**File No: 9.33.3.24**

Nil

**Councillor Alice Campbell**  
**File No: 9.33.3.21**

Nil

**Councillor Tim Pfeiffer**  
**File No: 9.33.3.22**

Nil

## **DEPUTATIONS**

Nil

## **PETITIONS**

Nil

## **MATTERS LYING ON THE TABLE**

Nil

## **EXTERNAL /COMMUNITY COMMITTEES UPDATES**

Nil

## **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Nil

## **WORKSHOP / PRESENTATION ITEM**

### **2013 Kokubunji Trip**

Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis, Peter Leverenz, Ansi Baumanis and Gloria Paterson who attended the 2013 Kokubunji Trip gave a 10 minute presentation to Council on their recent visit to the City of Marion Sister City to commemorate 20 years since the signing of the agreement.

7.35pm Councillor Hutchinson left the meeting.

7.51pm Councillor Habib left the meeting the meeting.

7.53pm Councillor Habib re-entered the meeting.

8.02pm Councillor Hutchinson re-entered the meeting.

### **Kokubunji Report**

**Report Reference: GC280513R02**

**Moved Councillor Pfeiffer, Seconded Councillor Bouwens, that Council:**

1. Note the Report.

8.08pm Councillor Veliskou left the meeting

8.10pm Councillor Veliskou re-entered the meeting

**Carried Unanimously**

Councillor Hutchinson, with leave of the meeting, provided a personal explanation regarding his conflict of interest with all items relating to the Annual Business Plan & Budget on account of the inclusion of the Glandore Laneways and his ownership of property as previously declared.

8.15pm Councillor Hutchinson declared a conflict of interest and did not return.

## **PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS**

### **Public Submissions on the Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2013/14 Report Reference: GC280513R01**

**Moved Councillor Habib, Seconded Councillor Bouwens**, that Council:

1. Note the feedback provided by the community in relation to the Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget 2013/2014.

**Carried Unanimously**

## **CORPORATE REPORTS FOR DECISION**

### **Creating Biophilic Cities through Citizen Science Report Reference: GC280513R03**

**Moved Councillor Habib, Seconded Councillor Bouwens**, that Council:

1. Notes the additional information provided about the proposed 'creating biophilic cities through citizen science' project in preparation for consideration in Council's Annual Business Plan and Budget and Long Term Financial Plan.

**Carried Unanimously**

### **Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2013/14 - Rating Policy and New Initiatives Report Reference: GC280513R04**

**Moved Councillor Connor, Seconded Councillor Hull**, that formal meeting procedures be suspended for a period of 15 minutes to allow for discussion on the matter of rating policy and new initiatives.

**Carried**

8.21pm Formal meeting procedures suspended

8.24pm Councillor Allen left the meeting

8.27pm Councillor Allen re-entered the meeting

8.31pm Formal meeting procedures resumed

**Moved Councillor Habib, Seconded Councillor Speirs, that Council:**

1. Note and consider the Audit Committee's feedback following their review of the Draft ABP&B 2013/14 on 21 May 2013.
2. Confirm the rating policy for 2013/14 be based on an average rate increase of 4.5%, subject to the policy being finalised in light of the final decisions to be made by Council as part of the rate declaration process.

The Chair invoked Regulation 29 of the meeting procedures, on the basis that Councillor Speirs had called a point of order under Regulation 29 and requested that Councillor Hull provide a personal explanation to the meeting regarding his comments made about the pre-state election budget and southern ward projects.

Councillor Hull provided a personal explanation in response regarding his comments.

8.54pm Councillor Hull left the meeting

**Moved Councillor Bouwens, Seconded Councillor Allen, that:**

Councillor Hull be censured for his behaviour and requested that he withdraw his comments regarding the pre-state election budget and southern ward projects, and be requested to refrain from such behaviour for the rest of this meeting or any future meetings of council.

**Carried Unanimously**

9.06pm Councillor Hull re-entered the meeting

Councillor Hull withdrew his remarks

The original motion was put in relation to the noting of the Audit Committee's feedback and the confirmation of the rating policy for 2013/14 be based on an average rate increase of 4.5% and was **Lost**

**Councillor Speirs called for a division**

**Those For:** Councillors Habib, Verrall, Allen and Speirs

**Those Against:** Councillors Pfeiffer, Campbell, Bouwens, Hull, Veliskou, Appleby and Connor

**Lost**

**Moved Councillor Pfeiffer, Seconded Councillor Campbell that Council:**

1. Note and consider the Audit Committee's feedback following their review of the Draft ABP&B 2013/14 on 21 May 2013.
2. Confirm the rating policy for 2013/14 be based on an average rate increase of 5%, subject to the policy being finalised in light of the final decisions to be made by Council as part of the rate declaration process.

**Carried**

**Councillor Appleby called for a division**

**Those For:** Councillors Pfeiffer, Campbell, Bouwens, Hull, Veliskou and Connor

**Those Against:** Councillors Habib, Verrall, Allen, Appleby and Speirs

**Carried**

**Motions with Notice**

**Consultants and contractors used during 2012/2013**

**Report Reference: GC280513M01**

**Moved Councillor Verrall, Seconded Councillor Habib:**

That council provide a confidential report on all consultants and contractors used in the current year 2012/2013 by the end of October 2013.

The report to show:

- a. Description of consultancy,
- b. Budget vs Actual for each, and the year to date total for all.

9.46pm Councillor Campbell left the meeting

9.49pm Councillor Campbell re-entered the meeting

**Carried**

**National Broadband (NBN) Network**

**Report Reference: GC280513M02**

**Moved Councillor Veliskou, Seconded Councillor Campbell:**

That council write to the Federal Opposition Communications minister asking him to indicate which homes in the city of Marion earmarked for current NBN fibre to the premises rollout will be excluded if a Coalition Federal Government is elected in September.

10.00pm Councillor Habib left the meeting

**Moved Councillor Bouwens, Seconded Councillor Pfeiffer** that the meeting be extended for a period of 15 minutes

**Carried**

10.02pm Meeting extended

10.03pm Councillor Habib re-entered the meeting

The original motion in relation to the National Broadband Network was put and was **Lost**

**Community Grants 2012/2013 Round Two**  
**Report Reference: GC280513R06**

**Moved Councillor Bouwens, Seconded Councillor Habib**, that Council:

1. Approve the Community Grant applications, totalling \$25,000 as recommended in Appendix 1.
2. Notes the grants will generate community projects to the value of \$122,441 (comprised of Council's \$25,000 contribution plus \$97,441 community contribution).

**Carried**

**Consent to Application Deposit of Plan of Division – 6 Wildi Court, Hallett Cove**  
**Report Reference: GC280513R07**

**Moved Councillor Allen, Seconded Councillor Bouwens**, that Council:

1. Consents to the deposit of a plan of division for Development Application 100/D103/09 (being for the whole of the land comprised in Allotment 6 Certificate of Title Volume 5913 Folio 543 and more commonly known as 6 Wildi Court, Hallett Cove) and notes that the land will continue to remain subject to the existing Land Management Agreements after division.
2. Pursuant to Section 37(b) of the Local Government Act 1999 authorises the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal the Certificate of Consent for Deposit of a Plan of Division.

**Carried Unanimously**

**CORPORATE REPORTS FOR INFORMATION / NOTING**

Nil

**PERFORMANCE REPORTS**

**Finance Report – April 2013**  
**Report Reference: GC280513R08**

**Moved Councillor Bouwens, Seconded Councillor Pfeiffer** that Council:

1. Receive the report "Finance Report – April 2013".

**Carried Unanimously**

**Strategic Activities as at 28 May 2013**  
**Report Reference: GC280513R09**

**Moved Councillor Bouwens, Seconded Councillor Pfeiffer:**

1. That the Strategic Activities as at 28 May 2013 undertaken by the CEO and the Directors, be noted.

**Carried Unanimously**

### **3rd Budget Review**

**Report Reference: CG280513R05**

**Moved Councillor Campbell, Seconded Councillor Bouwens** that Council:

1. Adopt, as presented in Appendix 1, the revised budgeted statements including the Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows.
2. Endorses funding of \$1,521,438 for the following 2012/13 capital works programs be retimed into 2013/14:
  - Community Facilities Partnership Program (\$1,236,438)
  - Sturt Linear Park Pathway (\$165,000)
  - York Street Reserve Play Space (\$120,000)
3. Notes the quarterly Project Summaries provided at Appendix 2.

**Carried**

### **Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2013/14 - Rating Policy and New Initiatives**

**Report Reference: GC280513R04**

**Moved Councillor Habib, Seconded Councillor Verrall,** that Council:

1. Prioritise the following new initiatives for inclusion in the 2013-14 APB&B as per the following:
  - 1) MCC Plaza
  - 2) Coastal Sign Audit
  - 3) Waste Education Services
  - 4) Ramsay Avenue
  - 5) Glandore Laneways - Stage 2
  - 6) Biophilic Cities
  - 7) Harcourt Gardens

**Carried**

### **MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS**

#### **Questions with Notice**

Nil

#### **Questions without Notice**

Nil

#### **Motions without Notice**

Nil

**CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Nil

**CLOSURE** - Meeting Declared Closed at 10.17pm.

**CONFIRMED THIS 11 JUNE 2013**

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**CHAIRPERSON**

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