

# Armidale

## Regional Council

### ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held on

Wednesday, 13 July 2016  
9am

at

Armidale Council Chambers

**PRESENT:** Administrator, Dr Ian Tiley.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr Glenn Wilcox (Interim General Manager), Mr Greg Meyers (Director Planning and Environment; and Community Development), Mr Keith Lockyer (Chief Financial and Information Officer), Mr Andre Kompler (Director Regional Services), Mr Rob Shaw (Director Regional Infrastructure), Mr Ralf Stoeckeler (Director Engineering), Ms Jessica Jones (Executive Officer).

MINUTES

1. CIVIC PRAYER AND RECOGNITION OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS  
ADVICE REGARDING TAPING OF MEETINGS
2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29 JUNE 2016**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the minutes be taken as read and be accepted as a true record of the Meeting.**

**The recommendation was ADOPTED.**

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST  
Nil.
4. HAVE YOUR SAY ON AN AGENDA ITEM  
Nil.
5. ADMINISTRATOR MINUTES  
Nil.
6. DEPUTATIONS BY COMMUNITY GROUPS/ORGANISATIONS  
Nil.
7. REPORTS OF OFFICERS
  - 7.1 OUR ENVIRONMENT  
Nil reports.
  - 7.2 OUR GOVERNANCE

**7.2.1 Corporate Badging**

*Ref: AINT/2016/01351*

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**RECOMMENDATION**

- a) **That Council call on consultancies to develop branding required for the new Council and for future regional marketing (tourism or other campaigns) and provide the document formats and procedures for the branding's use;**
- b) **That the Administrator utilise the Local Representation Advisory Committee (LRAC) and community engagement to assist in selection of the branding and award that consultancy with the right to develop templates and marketing brands;**
- c) **That the Administrator and senior staff establish a rebranding program to replace critical signage across the Armidale Regional Council area.**

**The recommendation was ADOPTED.**

### 7.2.2 Joint Organisations

*Ref: AINT/2016/01389*

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#### RECOMMENDATION

- a) That Council prepare a letter to the Office of Local Government and to the online submission portal advising of its support in forming Regional Joint Organisations; and
- b) That the submission include a request for the Namoi Regional Joint Organisation to include Armidale Regional Council; and
- c) That the new Regional Joint Organisation be named "Northern Inland" to represent the area from Liverpool Plains to Moree and Tenterfield inclusive.

The recommendation was ADOPTED.

### 7.2.3 Organisational Structure

*Ref: AINT/2016/01403*

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#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council develop a consultancy brief and employ a Local Government based consultancy service and Council's Internal Auditor to jointly provide an independent external management audit and internal audit to assist Council in developing a new organisational structure.

The recommendation was ADOPTED.

## 7.3 OUR INFRASTRUCTURE

### 7.3.1 Request for financial support- Bike Week 2016

*Ref: INT/2016/06670*

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#### RECOMMENDATION

- a) That Council supports the Sustainable Living Armidale (SLA) Transport Group's request for funding for Bike Week 2016, with a contribution of \$250 and that the donation be placed on public exhibition to seek public comment; and
- b) That if no significant submissions are received the donation be paid as per Council's resolution.

The recommendation was ADOPTED.

7.4 OUR PEOPLE  
Nil reports.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Access Advisory Committee - Minutes of the meeting held on 23 June 2016 Ref: INT/2016/69/16

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Minutes of the Access Advisory Committee meeting held on 23 June 2016 be noted and the following recommendations endorsed:**

- a) That the Access Advisory Committee write to the Traffic Committee raising traffic issues and request that they consider undertaking further traffic studies around the hospital area to determine speeding and traffic issues.
- b) That the Access Advisory Committee seeks EOI from the Guyra shire community to join the Access Advisory Committee and that future meetings are rotated to other areas.
- c) That the Access Advisory Committee continues to meet bi monthly to ensure that the meeting times remain within a manageable timeframe.
- d) That Steve Austin is accepted on the committee as a representative of SCIA.

**The recommendation was ADOPTED.**

9. PUBLIC FORUM  
Nil.

**DECISIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 10A(s) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as the items lists come within the following provisions:-**

- 10.1 Operational assessment of Tingha Landfill. (INT/2016/06728) - *As this report deals with advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege (Section 10A(2)(g) of the Local Government Act 1993). Council closes the meeting, in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, as consideration of this matter in open Council would be contrary to the public interest.*

**The recommendation was ADOPTED.**

## **RESUMPTION OF MEETING**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the decisions of Closed Session be noted as follows:-

#### 10. CLOSED SESSION

##### **10.1 Operational assessment of Tingha Landfill**

*Ref: INT/2016/06728*

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

- a) That Council continues to manage immediate environmental and Work Health and Safety (WHS) issues at Tingha Landfill via audit to ensure the Contractor complies with contract conditions, and negotiate with contractor to increase the frequency of waste compaction and covering of waste with soil as needed.
- b) That Council review landfilling options and the current contract at Tingha to ensure that environmental and WHS compliance is achieved.
- c) That Council engage a consultant to identify, investigate implications and cost options for long term compliant waste management involving Tingha and Guyra. Also as part of the study undertake concept design for closing the landfill and converting the site to waste transfer station with such consultancy being funded from the \$5 million implementation fund.

**The recommendation was ADOPTED.**

There being no further business the Administrator declared the meeting closed at 9:17am.