



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

**Held at 1:00pm
On 25 May 2015**

ROLL CALL

Councillors:

Cr M Pearce (Mayor)
Cr B Crouch (Deputy Mayor)
Cr L Cooper
Cr K Dusting
Cr M Dusting
Cr D Field
Cr F Geldof
Cr I Strutt
Cr K Ward

Staff:

Mr D Connor, General Manager
Mr R Bell, Director-Infrastructure & Regulation
Mrs O Wood, Executive Manager-Community & Culture
Ms L Cumming, Manager of Planning
Mrs D Williams, Minute Clerk

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The Meeting Commenced at: 1:00pm

ATTENDANCE

Present were the Chairperson Cr M Pearce (Mayor), Cr B Crouch (Deputy Mayor) and Councillors, K Disting, M Disting, F Geldof, I Strutt, K Ward, General Manager (Mr D Connor), Director-Infrastructure & Regulation (Mr R Bell), Executive Manager-Community & Culture (Mrs O Wood), Manager of Planning (Ms L Cumming), Minute Clerk (Mrs D Williams).

1. OPENING & WELCOME

2. PRAYER

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

4. APOLOGIES & REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies were tabled for Cr D Field (leave of absence) and Cr L Cooper.

There were no requests for Leave of Absence received.

MOTION

Apologies for Cr D Field and Cr L Cooper

5.05/15 MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs K Ward/I Strutt)

That the apologies for Councillors D Field and L Cooper be accepted.

5. DISCLOSURES & DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Ordinary Meeting of 27 April 2015

6.05/15 MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs M Disting/B Crouch)

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 April 2015 (copies have been circulated to Members) be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Closed Session Ordinary Meeting of 27 April 2015

7.05/15 MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs K Ward/K Disting)

That the Minutes of the Closed Session of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 April 2015 (copies have been circulated to Members) be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Extraordinary Meeting of 11 May 2015

8.05/15 MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs M Disting/B Crouch)

That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 11 May 2015 (copies have been circulated to Members) be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

There were no Matters arising.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nil

8. TABLING OF REPORTS & PETITIONS

Nil

9. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

10. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

11. URGENT SUPPLEMENTARY & LATE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- Uralla Tourism Services – Future Options

9.05/15 MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs B Crouch/M Dusting)

Motion to hear Late Report on Uralla Tourism Services – Future Options, prior to Item 16 Reports from the General Manager.

12. WRITTEN REPORTS FROM DELEGATES

Councillors in turn provided a brief verbal summary of their Council related activities during the reporting period and submitted written Delegate Reports comprising details as follows:-

Councillor	Activity Date:	Activity Detail:
Cr D Field		<i>NO REPORT – LEAVE OF ABSENCE</i>
Cr F Geldof	<i>27 April 2015</i>	<i>Council Meeting, USC</i>
	<i>Various</i>	<i>Media Interviews, Home</i>
	<i>2-19 May</i>	<i>Leave of Absence</i>
	<i>21 May</i>	<i>Abington Bridge Tender Briefing, USC</i>
Cr B Crouch	<i>4 May</i>	<i>IP&R Workshop, USC</i>
	<i>6 May</i>	<i>Bridge to Bridge Charity Riders, Kentucky</i>
	<i>11 May</i>	<i>Extraordinary Meeting of Council, USC</i>
	<i>18 May</i>	<i>Standing Committee Meetings, USC</i>
		<i>Tourism Workshop, USC</i>
	<i>21 May</i>	<i>Community Safety Precinct Committee, Armidale</i>
	<i>25 May</i>	<i>Council Meeting, USC</i>

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DELEGATE REPORTS (continued)

Councillor	Activity Date:	Activity Detail:
Cr M Dusting		
	27 April	Council Workshop & Council Meeting, USC
	29 April	Jobs Australia, Armidale
	4 May	IP&R Workshop, USC
	13 May	GMC Auxiliary Meeting, Bundarra
	18 May	Standing Committee Meetings, USC Tourism Workshop, USC
Cr K Dusting		
	27 April	Council Workshop & Council Meeting, USC
	4 May	IP&R Workshop, USC
	11 May	Councillor Briefing Session (CBS), USC
	13 May	GMC Auxiliary Meeting, Bundarra
	18 May	Standing Committee Meetings, USC Tourism Workshop, USC
Cr L Cooper		
		NO REPORT SUBMITTED
Cr K Ward		
	4 May	IP&R Workshop, USC
	11 May	CBS, USC Extraordinary Meeting of Council, USC
	18 May	Standing Committee Meetings, USC
Cr I Strutt		
	28 April	Access & Disability Community Consultative Panel, Uralla
	4 May	IP&R Workshop, USC
	5 May	Can Assist Morning Tea, McMaugh Gardens Uralla
	11 May	Councillor Briefing Session (CBS), USC Extraordinary Meeting of Council, USC
	18 May	Standing Committee Meetings, USC Tourism Workshop, USC
	25 May	Council Meeting, USC
Cr M Pearce		
	28 April	Administration & Correspondence, USC Speak with GM, USC
	29 April	2AD Radio Interview, USC Administration & Correspondence, USC
	30 April	Administration & Correspondence, USC Minister for Regional Development Skills & Small Business, John Barilaro, and Adam Marshall – Announce a partnership with Commonwealth Government and multiple telecommunications carriers and launch \$25million mobile black spots program. Uralla
	4 May	Meeting with Adam Marshall and Mayors & General Managers from Armidale, Guyra & Uralla. Armidale
	4-7 May	Waste Conference with NIRW Members, Coffs Harbour

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8 May	Administration & Correspondence, USC Speak with GM, USC
11 May	Administration & Correspondence, USC CBS, USC Extraordinary Meeting of Council, USC
12 May	Administration & Correspondence, USC
13 May	2AD Radio Interview, USC Administration & Correspondence, USC
14 May	Interview Panel Duties, Chief Financial Officer Position, USC
18 May	Administration & Correspondence, USC Tourism Workshop, USC Meeting, Barnaby Joyce, Uralla Standing Committee Meetings, USC
19 May	Bush Fire Management Committee Meeting (BFMC), Armidale
20 May	Administration & Correspondence, USC Media Interview with Armidale Express re Current Media Releases, Uralla
21 May	Northern Inland Regional Waste Meeting (NIRW), Gunnedah
25 May	Administration & Correspondence, USC Council Meeting, USC

14. MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

15. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CONFIDENTIAL SECTION

Nil

LATE REPORT TO COUNCIL:

Community and Culture

Executive Manager – Community and Culture

Item 1

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. Council adopt the strategic approach towards visitor services of strengthened Regional collaboration, increased digital presence and less reliance on a physical Visitor Information Centre (VIC) as the connection point with visitors;
2. A Uralla Information Hub be developed using a range of digital tools;
3. The Visitor Information services be relocated to the Library building with refurbishments completed to incorporate information services into the current Library; and
4. The current VIC be refurbished and leased out commercially.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Move to the Committee of the Whole

10.05/15 **MOVED (Crs B Crouch/M Dusting)**

That Council moves to the Committee of the Whole to discuss the Late Report to Council and Recommendations.

CARRIED

Councillors held a detail discussion in relation to the aforementioned Report and Recommendations.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Resumption of Standing Orders

11.05/15 **MOVED (Crs M Dusting/B Crouch)**

That Council resumes Standing Orders.

CARRIED

AMENDED MOTION:

12.05/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs M Dusting/K Ward)**

That:

1. Council adopt the strategic approach towards visitor services of strengthened Regional collaboration, increased digital presence and less reliance on a physical Visitor Information Centre (VIC) as the connection point with visitors;
2. A Uralla Information Hub be developed using a range of digital tools;
3. The Visitor Information services be relocated to the Library building with refurbishments completed to incorporate information services into the current Library; and
4. Council investigate future options for the VIC building.

16. REPORTS FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Nil

17. REPORTS FROM THE CORPORATE & COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Item 1

1.18.05.01

Library Survey

13.05/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs I Strutt/M Dusting)**

That the report be received and noted.

Item 2

1.18.05.02

2014/15 - 3rd Quarter Budget Review Statements

14.05/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs K Ward/M Dusting)**

1. That the third quarter budget review summary for the 2014/15 financial year be received and noted; and
2. That the adjustments to budget allocations, including transfers to and from reserves, be adopted.

Item 3

1.18.05.03

Cash at Bank and Investments

15.05/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs I Strutt/K Dusting)**

That:

1. That Council note the cash position as at 30 April, 2015 consisting of cash and overnight funds of \$796,022.28, term deposits of \$5,005,386.99 totalling \$5,801,409.27 of readily convertible funds.

18. REPORTS FROM THE ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Item 1

2.18.05.01

Development Approvals and Refusals for April 2015

16.05/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs I Strutt/B Crouch)**

That the development approvals and refusals for April 2015 be received and noted.

Item 2

2.18.05.02

Works Progress Report to 1 May 2015

17.05/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs F Geldof/B Crouch)**

That the report be received and noted for the works completed or progressed during April 2015.

Item 3

2.18.05.03

Works Planning Report May 2015

18.05/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs F Geldof/B Crouch)**

That the report be received and noted for the works planned for May 2015.

Planning – Division Decision

Item 4

2.18.05.04

Planning Proposal - ALTERATION OF GATEWAY DETERMINATION

19.05/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs /)**

That the report be received and noted.

A Division Decision was called and the result was as follows:

FOR: M Pearce, F Geldof, B Crouch, M Dusting, K Dusting, I Strutt, K Ward

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: D Field, L Cooper

19. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

20. SCHEDULE OF ACTIONS – as at 18 May 2015

21. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

21. AUTHORITY TO AFFIX THE COMMON SEAL

Item 1

Application of Council Seal to Section 88b instrument –

DA-16-2015 – J & M Piddington

20.05/15 **MOVED/ CARRIED (Crs M Dusting/F Geldof)**

That Council endorse the fixing of the Council Seal on the Section 88b Instrument relating to Development Application 16/2015 on land known as 40 Kalinda Road, Invergowrie, being Lot 3 DP 246614.

A Division Decision was called and the result was as follows:

FOR: M Pearce, F Geldof, B Crouch, M Dusting, K Dusting, I Strutt, K Ward

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: D Field, L Cooper

22. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at: 2:08pm.