

## MINUTES SPECIAL ORDINARY MEETING

**GWYDIR SHIRE COUNCIL** 

FRIDAY 17 AUGUST 2018

**COMMENCING AT 9:30 AM** 

# WARIALDA OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present:

Councillors: Cr. John Coulton (Mayor), Cr. Catherine

Egan (Deputy Mayor), Cr. Stuart Dick, Cr Marilyn Dixon OAM, Cr. Geoff Smith, Cr. Jim

Moore and Cr Frances Young

Staff: Max Eastcott (General Manager), Leeah Daley (Deputy

General Manager), Richard Jane (Director Technical Services) and Helen Thomas (Manager, Finance)

Public: Nil Visitor: Nil

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#### OFFICIAL OPENING AND WELCOME - MAYOR

APOLOGIES Cr. Tiffany Galvin and Cr. David Coulton COUNCIL RESOLUTION:
MINUTE 279/18

THAT the apologies of Cr. Tiffany Galvin and Cr. David Coulton are accepted.

(Moved Cr Dick, seconded Cr Egan)

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES COUNCIL RESOLUTION: MINUTE 280/18

THAT the Minutes of the previous Council Meeting held on Thursday 26 July 2018 as circulated be taken as read and CONFIRMED.

(Moved Cr Dick, seconded Cr Egan)

#### **PRESENTATION NII**

CALL FOR THE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST NII

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS COUNCIL RESOLUTION:
MINUTE 281/18

THAT the Council resolve into Confidential Session, Committee of the Whole and that in the public interest and in accordance with Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act, 1993, the public and press be excluded from the meeting to consider the items listed on the agenda.

(Moved Cr Egan, seconded Cr Young)

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# ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

COUNCIL RESOLUTION: MINUTE 282/18

THAT the recommendations of the Confidential Session, namely:

Warialda By-Pass Native Title Negotiation (Ref: 283/18)

THAT the Council adopts Option 3 (Pursue both the ILUA and alternate route) and review the situation in 2 months on the following conditions:

That the negotiations remain positive and focussed on an acceptable outcome to Council and failing this the alternate route be pursued immediately with an application for a licence to proceed with the road along Lot 7007;

That the outcome acknowledges Council's limited resources and time pressure to complete the road construction; and;

That Council is only prepared to fund a maximum of two joint claimants' meetings to finalise the ILUA.

FURTHER that the Director Technical Services apply for an extension of time outlining the issues that have created the need for the extension of time.

Offers of Drought Assistance (Ref: 284/18)

THAT the Council acknowledges with gratitude the many offers of assistance and that letters of thanks be conveyed to the following organisations on behalf of the Gwydir and Bingara Communities:

Suncoast Christian College;

Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce; and;

**Bangalow Chamber of Commerce.** 

FURTHER that the Council acknowledges that the drought assistance being offered will be co-ordinated by the community and the role of Mr Damian Crump as the voluntary Drought Assistance Co-ordinator is noted with thanks.

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(Moved Cr Egan, seconded Cr Young)

Meeting closed 10.45 am

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