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Minutes

Council Meeting

17 July 2023

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Council Meeting Minutes 17 July 2023

Meeting Opened: 6:00 pm

Present: Crs Greg Howard (Mayor), Dale Jessup (Deputy Mayor), Beth Donoghue, Kahlia Simmons, Leonie Stein, Anna Coxen, Edwina Powell (*arrived at 6:03 pm*)

Acting General Manager: Rohan Willis, Finance Manager: Allison Saunders

Apologies: Crs Mervyn Chilcott, Jerrod Nichols, General Manager: John Marik

Item 97/23 Confirmation of Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes – 26 June 2023
Ref: DOC/23/7612

The Chair reported that he had viewed the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, 26 June 2023 finds them to be a true record and recommends that they be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Donoghue | **SECONDED:** Cr Simmons

That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dorset Council Ordinary Meeting held on 26 June 2023 having been circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED

Cr Powell absent for vote on Item 97

Item 98/23 Confirmation of Agenda

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Jessup | **SECONDED:** Cr Coxen

That Council confirm the Agenda and order of business for the 17 July 2023 Council Meeting.

CARRIED

Cr Powell absent for vote on Item 98

Item 99/23 Declaration of an Interest of a Councillor or Close Associate

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* and Council's adopted Code of Conduct, the Mayor requests Councillors to indicate whether they have, or are likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary interest or pecuniary detriment) or conflict of interest in any item on the Agenda.

INTEREST DECLARED

Nil

Item 100/23 Management Team Briefing Report

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide Councillors and the community with a briefing on matters of interest dealt with during the past month by Council's Management Team.

Councillor Powell joined the Meeting during discussion of Item 100 (6:03 pm)

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Stein | SECONDED: Cr Donoghue

That the Management Team Briefing Report be received and noted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 101/23 Council Workshops Held Since Last Council Meeting

4 July | Briefing Workshop

Item 102/23 Councillor Applications for Leave of Absence

Nil

Item 103/23 Public Question Time

The following questions were received **on notice** from members of the public:

Nil

The following questions were received **without notice** from members of the public:

Nil

Item 104/23 Deputations

Nil

The following question was **taken on notice** at the 26 June Council Meeting:

Councillor Greg Howard:

Despite all the backlash we got from members of the public and the shopkeepers from the deciduous trees in King Street, and the unanimous views of the Councillors that we needed to go to evergreen trees in Victoria Street, how come we ended up with deciduous trees?

Response from Acting Director – Infrastructure, Craig Wheeler:

Below are the key criteria used when assessing tree suitability for a streetscape:

- Height and width – What is the size of the envelope available for the tree. In this case overhead Power Lines were the dominant factor
- Line of sight - Ensuring the trunk and foliage does not obstruct driver visibility when exiting properties.
- Root invasion/intrusion – Ensuring the roots do not affect adjacent infrastructure
- Canopy – Ensuring the species is suitable for maintenance pruning
- Availability – Species available through local nurseries

Council staff undertook a rigorous investigation of available tree species both deciduous and evergreen, contacting other Councils and numerous nurseries.

The conclusion of these investigations determined that no evergreen species fitting the selection criteria were available, with deciduous trees which did match the criteria our next option. A standard Mop Top that grows to about 3 metres high that will take hard pruning if needed was selected.

Further Response from General Manager, John Marik:

Council Officers considered public feedback and sentiments and conducted a very detailed process to find evergreen options for Victoria Street. The evergreen options that were available growth heights would exceed the current power lines and / or the tree width potentially obstructing driver visibility, especially from driveways situated on Victoria Street. Council Officers will continue investigating alternatives for both Victoria and King Street. The new Victoria Street trees will be trialled for at least the next season to ascertain foliage loss and the impact on Council's town maintenance program. The current Mop Top trees have concrete borders around the root systems and thus removal, if required, in the future will be relatively simple.

The following questions were received **on notice** from Councillors:

Nil

The following questions were received without notice from Councillors:

Councillor Leonie Stein:

With the completion of the CWA carpark extension in Main Street, Bridport, can Officers investigate implementing 15 minute limited parking from the Henry Street intersection to the top roundabout near the café, on the business side of Main Street only, and also placing a disabled parking space outside the Pharmacy?

Response from Acting General Manager, Rohan Willis:

Noted and will be investigated further.

Item 106/23 **Notices of Motion by Councillors**

Nil

Item 107/23 **Notice of Motion | Councillor Dale Jessup – Future of Local Government Review: Local Government Reform 2023**

Ref: DOC/23/8376 | NoM: DOC/23/8375 | North-East Community Catchment Info Pack

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor Dale Jessup.

Recommendation

That Dorset Council reject all three scenarios put forward by the Local Government Board outlined in the Future of Local Government Review: North-East Community Catchment Information Pack.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Jessup | SECONDED: Cr Stein

That Dorset Council reject all three scenarios put forward by the Local Government Board outlined in the Future of Local Government Review: North-East Community Catchment Information Pack.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 108/23 **Council Submission | Future of Local Government Review: North-East Community Catchment Information Pack**

Reporting Officer: Acting General Manager, Rohan Willis
Ref: DOC/23/8448 | Submission: DOC/23/8155

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda report is to endorse Council’s submission to the Future of Local Government Review relative to the North-East Community Catchment Information Pack.

Recommendation

That Council endorse and submit the attached submission to the Future of Local Government Review relative to the North-East Community Catchment Information Pack.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Coxen | SECONDED: Cr Jessup

That Council endorse and submit the attached submission to the Future of Local Government Review relative to the North-East Community Catchment Information Pack.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 109/23

2022/23 Annual Plan – June Final Report

Reporting Officer: Acting General Manager, Rohan Willis

Ref: DOC/23/8387 | June Final Report: DOC/23/4893

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to present Council and the community with the final results of the 2022/23 Annual Plan.

Recommendation

That the attached 2022/23 Annual Plan - June Final Report be received and noted.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Simmons | SECONDED: Cr Stein

That the attached 2022/23 Annual Plan - June Final Report be received and noted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 110/23

May Shaw Loan Facility

Reporting Officer: Finance Manager, Allison Saunders

Ref: DOC/23/8372

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is for Council to enter into a 10-year principle and interest loan with TasCorp for the amount of \$500,000 and on lend the loan funds to May Shaw via a back to back loan pursuant to the Redevelopment and Asset Transfer Agreement between Council and May Shaw.

Recommendation

That Council enters into a 10-year principle and interest loan with TasCorp for the amount of \$500,000 and on lend the loan funds to May Shaw via a back to back loan pursuant to the Redevelopment and Asset Transfer Agreement between Council and May Shaw.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Jessup | SECONDED: Cr Coxen

That Council enters into a 10-year principle and interest loan with TasCorp for the amount of \$500,000 and on lend the loan funds to May Shaw via a back to back loan pursuant to the Redevelopment and Asset Transfer Agreement between Council and May Shaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 111/23

Appointment of Councillor Representatives | Road and Footpath Committee

Reporting Officer: Acting General Manager, Rohan Willis

Ref: DOC/23/8462

Purpose

To appoint Council representatives to the newly formed Road and Footpath Committee.

Recommendation

That Council appoint the following representatives to serve on the Road and Footpath Committee, as listed, until November 2024:

- Councillor Greg Howard
 - Councillor Beth Donoghue
 - Councillor Edwina Powell (alternate member)
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DECISION

MOVED: Cr Stein | SECONDED: Cr Jessup

That Council appoint the following representatives to serve on the Road and Footpath Committee, as listed, until November 2024:

- Councillor Greg Howard
- Councillor Beth Donoghue
- Councillor Edwina Powell (alternate member)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Purpose

The purpose of this item is to determine the naming of the proposed public road off Ringarooma Road, Scottsdale into the Scottsdale Council Depot site. It is recommended that the street be named “Northeast Lane”.

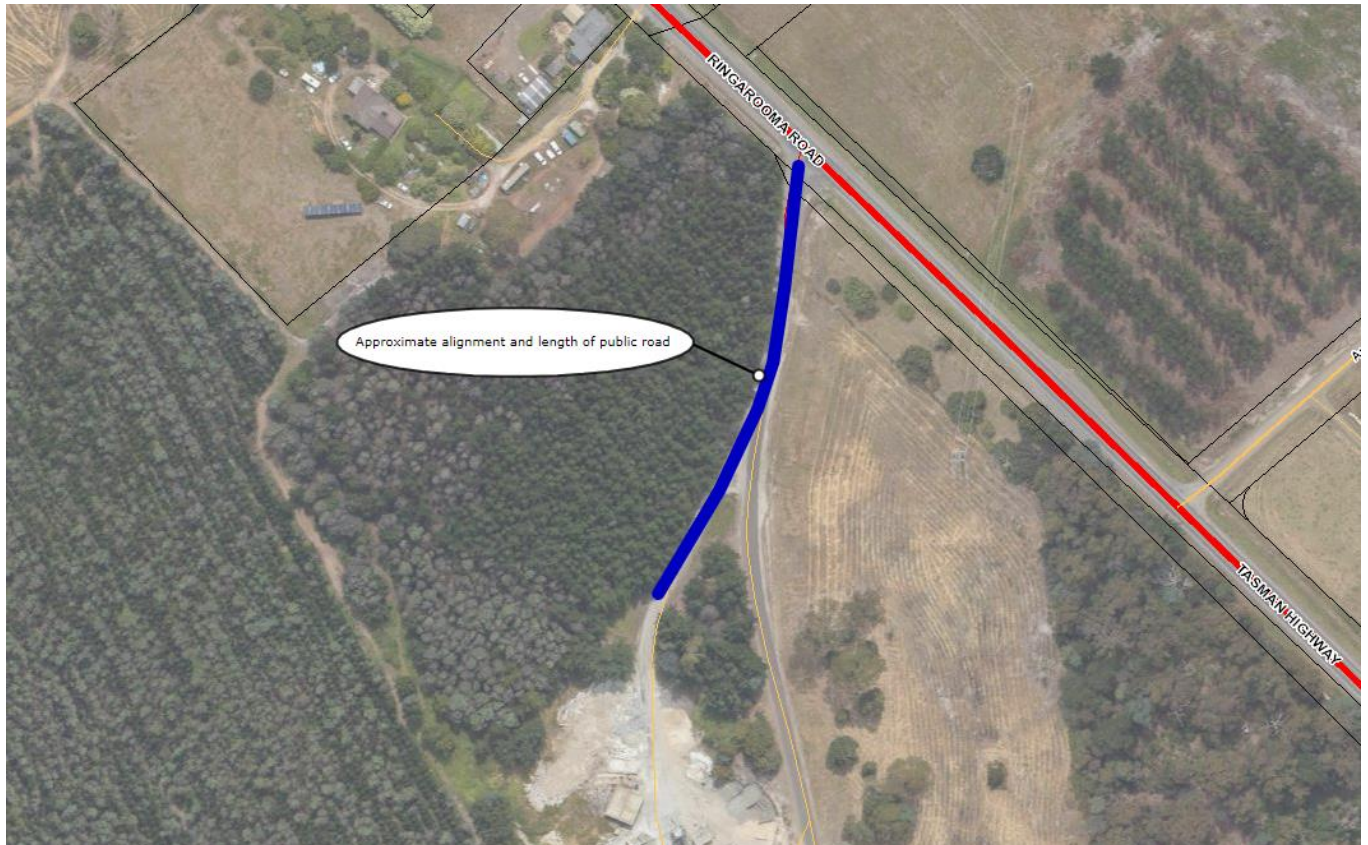


Figure 1: Approximate alignment and length of proposed public road (blue-coloured line).

Recommendation

That Council, pursuant to provisions of the *Place Names Act 2020*, resolve to name the proposed public road off Ringarooma Road into the Scottsdale Council Depot site as “Northeast Lane”.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Powell | SECONDED: Cr Donoghue

That Council, pursuant to provisions of the *Place Names Act 2020*, resolve to name the proposed public road off Ringarooma Road into the Scottsdale Council Depot site as “Northeast Lane”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Time Meeting Closed: 6:44 pm

Minutes Confirmed: 21 August 2023

Minute No: 113/23

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Wardlaw', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw