

**Minutes of a duly convened Ordinary Meeting of the
Hawkesbury River County Council held in the Meeting Room of the
HRCC, 6 Walker Street, South Windsor on Thursday 8 October 2015**

PRESENT: Members: Councillors; Jess Diaz (Chairman) (6:10pm), Mark Taylor MP (Chairman), Bob Porter, Kevin Crameri OAM, Marcus Cornish Warwick Mackay OAM, Walter Smith (6:05pm), Andrew Jefferies (6:10pm).

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Chris Dewhurst (General Manager), Mr Kerry Robinson (Blacktown GM), Mr Chris Stanfield (Operations Manager), Ms Nicola Dixon (WAP Project Officer), Mr Richard Benson (Weeds Officer Trainee).

Meeting Opened at 6:00PM by Clr. Mark Taylor MP (Deputy Chair).

1. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

2. APOLOGIES

Nil.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1805 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Bob Porter seconded by Councillor Kevin Crameri OAM that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on **13 August 2015** be confirmed and adopted.

4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Nil.

5. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL'S OFFICERS:

(a) From the General Manager

ITEM GM 2. REPORT ON MONIES INVESTED

1806 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Bob Porter seconded by Councillor Warwick Mackay OAM that the REPORT ON MONIES INVESTED be received and noted.

Councillor Walter Smith entered the meeting.

ITEM GM 5. SYDNEY NSW WEEDS ACTION PROGRAM - FINANCIAL REPORTS

1807 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Kevin Crameri OAM seconded by Councillor Marcus Cornish that the report on SYDNEY NSW WEEDS ACTION PROGRAM - FINANCIAL REPORTS be received and noted.

Councillor's Jess Diaz and Andrew Jefferies entered the meeting.

Clr. Jess Diaz moves to Chair.

DEFERRED ITEM GM 1. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND DEPUTY CHARIPERSON

1808 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Bob Porter seconded by Councillor Kevin Crameri OAM, that:

1. The report is received and noted.
2. Councillor Mark Taylor MP was elected Chairman of HRCC until the next local government general election or 9 October 2016.
3. Councillor Marcus Cornish was elected Deputy Chairman of HRCC until the next local government general election or 9 October 2016.
4. The General Manager is to inform the result of the election to the Chief Executive, Office of Local Government and the Secretary of the Local Government New South Wales and the General Managers of all constituent Councils.

Clr. Mark Taylor MP moves to Chair.

DEFERRED ITEM GM 3. HRCC ANNUAL REPORT 2014-15

1809 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Kevin Crameri OAM seconded by Councillor Warwick Mackay OAM, that:

1. The report is received and information noted.
2. Council endorses the HRCC Annual Report for 2014/15, publishes it on the Council website and forwards a copy to the Minister for Local Government before 30 November 2015.
3. The General Manager provides a copy of the report to all General Managers of constituent Councils and the HRCC Management Network by 30 November 2015.
4. The General Manager provides the "Chairman's Report" as a draft Council Report for each constituent Council General Manager and Management Network delegate.

DEFERRED ITEM GM 4. HRCC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2014-15 FY

1810 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Jess Diaz seconded by Councillor Andrew Jefferies, that:

1. The report is received and noted.
2. Pursuant to Section 413 of the Local Government Act, it is of Council's opinion that the Financial Statements YE 2014/15 and Schedules have been drawn up in accordance with the Local Government Act and its Regulations, the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Australian Accounting Standards.
3. The Financial Statements present fairly the Council's fiscal position as at 30 June 2015.
4. That Council endorses the Financial Statements for signing by Chairperson, Member and General Manager.

ITEM GM 6. RETURN OF PUBLIC DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

1811 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Jess Diaz seconded by Councillor Andrew Jefferies, that:

1. The report be received and noted.
2. The General Manager tabled the Register of Pecuniary Interest for 2014-15.

ITEM GM 7. STAFFING

1812 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Warwick Mackay OAM seconded by Councillor Bob Porter that the report on STAFFING be received and noted.

ITEM GM 8. GENERAL MANAGER PERFORMANCE ACTION PLAN

1813 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Walter Smith seconded by Councillor Marcus Cornish, that:

1. The report be received and noted
2. The Council endorses the General Manager, Mr Chris Dewhurst, Performance Action Plan for 1 November 2014 to 1 November 2015.
3. The Council endorses the remuneration plan contained within the Performance Action Plan.
4. The Chairperson and General Manager sign the endorsed plan.

5. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OFFICERS:

(b) From the Operations Manager

ITEM OM1. OPERATIONAL REPORT

1814 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Bob Porter seconded by Councillor Andrew Jefferies that the report on Operations be received and noted.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

1815 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Bob Porter seconded by Councillor Warwick Mackay OAM that the report on CORRESPONDENCE be received and noted.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS / QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

As there was no further business, the meeting closed at 7:06pm (duration 66 mins)

Mr. Dewhurst _____
General Manager

Clr. Taylor _____
Chairman