

MINUTES of the GENERAL MEETING of CHARTERS TOWERS REGIONAL COUNCIL held Wednesday 16 September 2020 Commencing at 9:00am



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## 1. OPENING OF MEETING

The Meeting was opened at 9:00am by Mayor FC Beveridge

## 2. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

Councillors: Cr FC Beveridge (Mayor) Cr S Bennetto (Deputy Mayor) Cr GJ Lohmann Cr KF Hastie Cr JD Mathews Cr BP Robertson

Officers:

Mr A Johansson – Chief Executive Officer Mr Scott Greensill – A/Director Corporate & Community Services Mr J Teague – A/Director Infrastructure Services Mrs A Russell – Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer Ms C Conaghan – Manager Governance & Communications Mrs C McCabe – Communications Coordinator Mr B Johnson – Marketing & Communications Officer Mrs H Thompson – Manager Community Services Mr C Cousar – Manager Work Health & Safety Mrs M Lavelle-Maloney – Tourism, Trade & Investment Advisor

Ps. Daniel O'Connor, of the Baptist Church attended on behalf of the Ministers' Fraternal.

Apologies: Cr AP Barr

Members of the Gallery:

Due to restrictions to comply with social distancing measurements for COVID-19, Council meetings are temporarily closed to the public (effective April 2020). Meetings will be live streamed on Council's Facebook page.

#### 3. PRAYER

Ps. Daniel O'Connor delivered an opening prayer. Ps. Daniel O'Connor departed the meeting at **9:01am.** 

#### 4. CONDOLENCES

Laura Aldridge John Veivers Eleanor Hankin Harold George Barry Renton William Womersley

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## 5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mayor FC Beveridge called for Declarations of Interest in matters listed on the Agenda.

# Item 13.1 - Purchase of buildings and land to accommodate Millchester Road/Victory Street intersection upgrade

I, Councillor Graham Lohmann declare that I have a conflict of interest (as defined by section 175D of the Local Government Act 2009) in relation to item 13.1.

I had dealings with the owner/s of the property which is the subject of the motion in my previous career.

I will be dealing with this declared conflict of interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on.

## 6. **DEPUTATIONS**

No deputations were scheduled.

#### 7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of General Meeting held 19 August 2020.

Resolution No.: 3403

Moved: Cr BP Robertson Seconded: Cr KF Hastie

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held 19 August 2020 be confirmed.

CARRIED

## 8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

There was no business arising from the previous meeting report.

## 9. MAYOR'S AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Mayor Beveridge reported on:

Date	Details	
19/08/2020	Chaired General Meeting	
19/08/2020	Participated in Council's Workshops with elected members and senior staff	
20/08/2020	Weekly meeting with Executive Assistant	
20/08/2020	Chaired Homestead and Pentland Community Meetings	
20/08/2020	Recording of Mayoral Minute and COVID-19 update with Communications Team	
21/08/2020	Meeting with Queensland Health representatives together with Deputy Mayor Bennetto	
	and Cr Lohmann	
22/08/2020	Attended Rugby Union	
23/08/2020	Attended Centenary Park markets	
24/08/2020	Meeting with Councillors and Chief Executive Officer	
24/08/2020	Chaired Bi-Annual Meeting with the Department of Defence	

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24/08/2020	Meeting with Eventide Aged Care Eacility representatives	
25/08/2020	Meeting with Eventide Aged Care Facility representatives	
25/08/2020	Weekly meeting with Executive Assistant Weekly meeting with Chief Executive Officer	
25/08/2020		
25/08/2020	Meeting with Deputy Mayor Bennetto           Meeting with representatives of Townsville Hospital and Health Services to discuss	
	Aged Care & Rehabilitation Services & Cr Graham Lohmann	
26/08/2020	Meeting with constituent in respect to a business development together with Deputy Mayor Bennetto, Chief Executive Officer and Tourism, Trade and Investment Advisor	
26/08/2020	Meeting with secondary school principals & Cr Bennetto	
26/08/2020	Attended Horn-v- Tszyu Boxing event – Invitation by Townsville City Council Mayor	
27/08/2020	Meeting at City Hall	
27/08/2020	Attended QRC teleconference	
27/08/2020	Meeting with Regional Development Australia, Councillors and Chief Executive Officer	
27/08/2020	Meeting with Paul Holden, Department of State Development, Tourism and Innovation, Deputy Mayor, Chief Executive Officer and Tourism, Trade and Investment Advisor	
27/08/2020	Attended MITEZ meet and greet with Deputy Mayor, and Council staff	
27/08/2020	Attended MITEZ dinner	
28/08/2020	Attended MITEZ General Meeting	
31/08/2020	Weekly catch up with Executive Assistant	
31/08/2020	Attended Queensland Small Business Recovery Advisory teleconference	
31/08/2020	Filming with Media team – Advocacy matters	
01/09/2020	Regional Development Australia Meeting	
01/09/2020	Weekly catch up with Chief Executive Officer	
01/09/2020	Meeting with Manager Community Services	
02/09/2020	Chaired monthly Advocacy Committee Meeting	
02/09/2020	Regional Development Australia Meeting	
02/09/2020	Meeting with Cr Lohmann, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Officer, Local Disaster	
02,00,2020	Management Group	
02/09/2020	Meeting with constituent and Manager Regional Development	
02/09/2020	Participated in Investment Attraction Training hosted by LGAQ	
03/09/2020	Chaired Greenvale Community Meeting	
04/09/2020	Attended NQ Economic Development Workshop in Townsville with Chief Executive Officer and Tourism, Trade and Investment Advisor	
04/09/2020	Meeting with constituent	
07/04/2020	Weekly catch up with Executive Assistant	
07/04/2020		
08/09/2020	Presided at Australian Citizenship Ceremonies held 11.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.	
08/09/2020	Weekly catch up with Chief Executive Officer           Purchasing Card training	
08/09/2020	Chaired Monthly meeting between Mayor, Cr Mathews, Tourism, Trade and Investment	
	Advisor and Executive of Chamber of Commerce and Mines Inc.	
08/09/2020	Filming with media team at Young's Block – Flying Fox Management	
08/09/2020	Meeting with Ministers' Fraternal	
08/09/2020	Regional Development Australia Meeting	
08/09/2020	Meeting with Medical Superintendent, THHS, Cr Lohmann and Executive Officer, LDMG to discuss COVID-19 logistical matter	
09/09/2020	Regional Development Australia Meeting	
09/09/2020	Meeting with Chief Executive Officer and staff member from LGAQ together with Councillors and Chief Executive Officer	
09/09/2020	IQ-RAP Working Group Meeting – Regional Development Australia	
10/09/2020	Morning tea at Sewerage Treatment Plant	
10/09/2020	Queensland Resources teleconference	
10/09/2020	Meeting with Caravan and Motorhome Association of Australia and Tourism, Trade and Investment Advisor	
10/09/2020	Telephone meeting with the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Opposition	
10/09/2020	Attended Chamber of Commerce and Mines Monthly Meeting	

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11/09/2020	Combined secondary school formal	
11/09/2020	Towers Players event	
14/09/2020	Weekly catch up with Executive Assistant	
14/09/2020	Queensland Small Business Recovery Advisory Council Meetings	
14/09/2020	Telephone meeting with business operator	
15/09/2020	Weekly catch up with Chief Executive Officer	
15/09/2020	Media and Communications Masterclass	
15/09/2020	Fortnightly communications catch up with Chief Executive Officer and Communications	
	Team	

# Deputy Mayor S Bennetto reported on:

Date	Details	
20/08/2020	Pentland Community Meeting	
21/08/2020	Interschool Sports Carnival – presentation of trophies	
24/08/2020	Meeting with Department of Defence re TFTA	
25/08/2020	Weekly meeting with Mayor	
26/08/2020	local business development opportunity Principals' meeting with Mayor and high school principals Council facilities presentation to Year 1 Class, Columba Catholic College Telephone conference with CEO and Chair of NQSF Board – lobbying for funding of	
27/00/2020	grassroots sports & active recreation club programs.	
27/08/2020	Meeting with Paul Holden – DSDTI MITEZ Meet & Greet + dinner	
28/08/2020	Interviews – QPS (community representative) MITEZ general meeting	
29/08/2020	NQ Mower Racing Club meet – Mafeking Rd	
2/09/2020	Advocacy Committee Meeting	
3/09/2020	Greenvale Community Meeting	
11/09/2020	Zara Clarke Museum tour with Tourism Trade & Investment Adviser	
12/09/2020	Presentation of raffle winners at Tennis Club	
	North Queensland Conservation Council	
15/09/2020	Media and Communication Training	

## Cr JD Mathews reported on:

Date	Details	
20/08/2020	Community Meeting at Homestead & Pentland	
27/08/2020	Meeting with Rural Development Australia	
1/09/2020	Volunteered at the Visitor information Centre	
3/09/2020	Greenvale Community Meeting	
6/09/2020	RSL medal presentation	
7/09/2020	Citizenship Awards	
8/09/2020		
	Workshop – Prospect	
	Monthly Meeting with Chamber	
9/09/2020	LGAQ visit	
9/09/2020	Tourism Portfolio Meeting	
9/09/2020	Longhorns visit	
13/09/2020	Zara Clarke Museum	
15/09/2020	Media & Communications Master class	

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## Cr AP Barr reported on:

Date	Details	
	Various discussions with ratepayers about the finalisation of the Water Infrastructure	
	upgrade.	
	Various discussions with ratepayers about the local road recovery works.	

## Cr BP Robertson reported on:

Date	Details
19/08/2020	General Meeting of Council
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## Cr KF Hastie reported on:

Date	Details
19/08/2020	Monthly Council Meeting
19/08/2020	Workshops
20/08/2020	Homestead/Pentland community visit
24/08/2020	Defence Meeting
27/08/2020	Regional Development Australia Meeting
29/08/2020	Volunteering - Information Centre
3/09/2020	Greenvale community visit/Valley of Lagoons site visit
7/09/2020	Attend Citizenship Ceremonies – 3 new citizens of CT
9/09/2020	LGAQ Meeting with Greg and Sarah
9/09/2020	RADF Committee training with Steven
10/09/2020	Portfolio Parks/Cemeteries Meeting with John
10/09/2020	Portfolio Sport/Rec/Pools Meeting with Hayley & Aaron
10/09/2020	Meeting with Steve & Judah - NQ Sports
15/09/2020	Media & Communications Masterclass with journo Kim Skubris

## Cr GJ Lohmann reported on:

Date	Details	
19/08/2020	Councillor workshop	
	Meeting with Department of State Development Tourism and Innovation	
20/08/2020	Homestead township meeting	
	Pentland township meeting	
	Constituent issue addressed	
21/08/2020	Constituent meeting	
	Meeting with Dalrymple Villa management – Covid-19 planning	
	Meeting with CEO Townsville Health Hospital Service	
24/08/2020 Councillor CEO meeting		
	Meeting with Department of Defence	
	Meeting with Eventide management – Covid-19 planning	
25/08/2020	Meeting with Townsville Health & Hospital Service senior staff	
27/08/2020	Meeting with Regional Development Australia	
28/08/2020	Homestead and Pentland visit	
1/09/2020	Meeting with CEO	
2/09/2020	Meeting with LDMG executive	
	Meeting with Regional Arts Services Network	
3/09/2020	Greenvale Community visit and tour of Reedybrook Springs locality	
4/09/2020	Meeting with PCYC Brisbane	
5/09/2020	RADF training	
7/09/2020	Citizenship ceremonies	
8/09/2020	Meeting with Medical Superintendent Charters Towers Hospital	
9/09/2020	Meeting with LQAQ CEO Greg Hallam	
10/09/2020	Councillor Portfolio meeting	
	Friends of the Theatre meeting	

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11/09/2020	Opening of Tanya Ault's 'Fifty Shades of My Heart' art exhibition	
12/09/2020	Cars & Coffee – Columba Catholic College	
14/09/2020	20 Charters Towers Local Level Alliance meeting Webinar - Health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities and Closing the Gap	
15/09/2020	Media & Communications Masterclass	

#### 10. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

#### 10.1 Application for partial simultaneous road opening closure of Cemetery Road, Ravenswood

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council has received a request for a proposed partial simultaneous road opening and closure of Cemetery Road, Ravenswood.

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

> Offer no objection to the proposed simultaneous road opening and closure application over portions of Cemetery Road, Ravenswood.

Resolution No.: 3404

Moved:Cr JD MathewsSeconded:Cr S Bennetto

#### That Council:

Offer no objection to the proposed simultaneous road opening and closure application over portions of Cemetery Road, Ravenswood.

CARRIED

#### **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

Officer's Report Document No. 1381776

10.2 Design and construction of footpath on northern side of Gill Street between Boundary and High Streets

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The lack of covered seating in front of the Charters Towers Health Service has been raised. It is recommended that a project be undertaken to install two covered seating areas and footpath upgrades on the northern side of Gill Street between High and Boundary Streets with an overall design which adds to the amenity of the area.

## OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

Proceed to design the streetscape on the northern side of Gill Street between Boundary and High Streets incorporating covered seating and retention of trees where possible to maintain the amenity of the area.

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Moved:	Cr S Bennetto
Seconded:	Cr KF Hastie

## That Council:

Proceed to design the streetscape on the northern side of Gill Street between Boundary and High Streets incorporating covered seating and retention of trees where possible to maintain the amenity of the area.

CARRIED

#### **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1381787

10.3 Request decision to apply for a change of purpose for Fletcher Creek Camping and Water Reserve

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As trustee Council is required under the *Land Act 1994* to ensure activities that are undertaken on trust land are consistent with its prescribed purpose. The current purpose of the Fletcher Creek Camping and Water Reserve is inconsistent with its current use of a recreational camping and rest stop.

#### **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

Request the State to amend the purpose of the Fletcher Creek Reserve from Camping and Water to Recreation.

#### Resolution No.: 3406

Moved: Cr BP Robertson Seconded: Cr GJ Lohmann

#### That Council:

Request the State to amend the purpose of the Fletcher Creek Reserve from Camping and Water to Recreation.

CARRIED

#### **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1381798

# 10.4 Application under Land Act 1994 - Permit to Occupy portions of Fletchervale Road Stock Route

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks approval to offer no objection in support of adjoining properties; Grenfell Downs Station and Talavera Station, in applying for separate Permits to Occupy for grazing stock on sections of the Stock Route, also identified as the Fletchervale Road Reserve and adjacent to their properties as identified in attachments A and B.

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## **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

#### That Council:

- Advise the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy (DNRME) that Council has no objection to the application by Grenfell Downs Station and consider authorisation of the use of the land be dealt with under the Land Act 1994 by DNRME; and
- Advise the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy (DNRME) that Council has no objection to the application by Talavera Station and consider authorisation of the use of the land be dealt with under the Land Act 1994 by DNRME.

Resolution No.:	3407

Moved:	Cr JD Mathews
Seconded:	Cr GJ Lohmann

That Council:

- Advise the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy (DNRME) that Council has no objection to the application by Grenfell Downs Station and consider authorisation of the use of the land be dealt with under the Land Act 1994 by DNRME; and
- Advise the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy (DNRME) that Council has no objection to the application by Talavera Station and consider authorisation of the use of the land be dealt with under the Land Act 1994 by DNRME.

CARRIED

## **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1381798

## 11. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION – CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES

11.1 Monthly Financial Report

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

A complete summary of Council's position as at 31 August 2020, comparing actuals to original budgets, is presented across the following consolidated reports. At this early stage of the 2020/21 financial year, 17% elapsed, operational expenditure is at 17% of the original budget, whilst revenue is sitting at 5% of original budget.

The low revenue percentage can be mainly attributed to the yet to be levied 2020/21 rates.

## **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

## That Council:

- Receive the following reports, presenting the overall financial position of Council as at 31 August 2020;
  - Consolidated Income Statement
  - Consolidated Balance Sheet
  - Consolidated Cashflow Statement

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Moved: Cr JD Mathews Seconded: Cr S Bennetto

## That Council:

- Receive the following reports, presenting the overall financial position of Council as at 31 August 2020;
  - Consolidated Income Statement
  - Consolidated Balance Sheet
  - Consolidated Cashflow Statement

CARRIED

## REFERENCE DOCUMENT

• Officer's Report Document No. 1380548

## 11.2 North Queensland Sports Foundation Agreement

## **Executive Summary**

This report seeks approval to enter into a Resource and Performance Agreement with North Queensland Sports Foundation for three (3) years, expiring 30 June 2023.

## **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

## That Council:

Enter into a three (3) year Resource and Performance Agreement with North Queensland Sports Foundation, expiring 30 June 2023.

Resolution No.: 3409

Moved: Cr S Bennetto Seconded: Cr GJ Lohmann

#### That Council:

*Enter into a three (3) year Resource and Performance Agreement with North Queensland Sports Foundation, expiring 30 June 2023.* 

CARRIED

## **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1380325

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#### 11.3 Request from Charters Towers Demons AFL Club for continued use of Defiance Mill Park oval and shed

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A request has been received from Charters Towers Demons AFL Club to continue using the oval and one (1) bay of the storage shed at Defiance Mill Park.

## OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

## That Council:

- Agree to allow the Charters Towers Demons AFL Club to use the grounds at Defiance Mill Park for home games and associated training, for a two (2) year period expiring on 30 September 2022 subject to the following conditions:
  - permission to use one (1) bay of the 3-bay shed for storage of equipment at a cost of \$500 per year including GST;
  - permission to access the grounds for training as required;
  - should the lighting schedule not be sufficient then an additional cost will be charged for the extended lighting period as per the electricity meter reading;
  - hire fee per home game is \$250 including GST;
  - permission to erect semi-permanent goal posts on the site which can be removed outside of the season and in circumstances where an alternate use of the site is requested;
  - no vehicular access is permitted in the vicinity of the shed other than for intermittent loading/unloading of equipment or supplies; and
  - parking of vehicles is permitted only in the existing carpark provided, with remaining vehicles to be parked along Boundary Street.
- > Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to extend, vary or cancel the agreement as required.

#### Resolution No.: 3410

Moved: Cr BP Robertson Seconded: Cr GJ Lohmann

## That Council:

- Agree to allow the Charters Towers Demons AFL Club to use the grounds at Defiance Mill Park for home games and associated training, for a two (2) year period expiring on 30 September 2022 subject to the following conditions:
- permission to use one (1) bay of the 3-bay shed for storage of equipment at a cost of \$500 per year including GST;
- permission to access the grounds for training as required;
- should the lighting schedule not be sufficient then an additional cost will be charged for the extended lighting period as per the electricity meter reading;
- hire fee per home game is \$250 including GST;
- permission to erect semi-permanent goal posts on the site which can be removed outside of the season and in circumstances where an alternate use of the site is requested;
- no vehicular access is permitted in the vicinity of the shed other than for intermittent loading/unloading of equipment or supplies; and
- parking of vehicles is permitted only in the existing carpark provided, with remaining vehicles to be parked along Boundary Street.
- > Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to extend, vary or cancel the agreement as required.

CARRIED

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#### **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

Officer's Report Document No. 1380183

11.4 2020/2021 Resilience Grants Programme

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council received five (5) applications for assistance for the once-off 2020/2021 Resilience Grants Programme.

## OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- > Approve the resilience grant application by Bodyfix for a 12-week fitness class for the amount of \$5,000 (ex GST);
- Approve the resilience grant application by Towers Players for the musical 'Little Shop of Horrors' for the amount of \$5,000 (ex GST);
- Approve the resilience grant application by Heather Jonsson for 'Storytelling Connects Us: Creating Resilience in Challenging Times' for the amount of \$5,000 (ex GST);
- Approve the resilience grant application by Epilepsy Queensland for the printing and distribution of 'Charters Towers Community Mental Health Directory – V2' for the amount of \$4,760 (ex GST);
- Approve the resilience grant application by Prospect Community Services for the Charters Towers Balance Group workshops for the amount of \$5,000; and
- Authorise the Chief Executive Officer in conjunction with Manager of Community Services to identify and fund community resilience and cohesion programs with remaining grant funds.

#### Resolution No.: 3411

Moved:Cr JD MathewsSeconded:Cr S Bennetto

#### That Council:

> Approve the resilience grant application by Bodyfix for a 12-week fitness class for the amount of \$5,000 (ex GST);

CARRIED

## Resolution No.: 3412

Moved:Cr GJ LohmannSeconded:Cr KF Hastie

#### That Council:

Approve the resilience grant application by Towers Players for the musical 'Little Shop of Horrors' for the amount of \$5,000 (ex GST);

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Moved: Cr JD Mathews Seconded: Cr KF Hastie

#### That Council:

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Approve the resilience grant application by Heather Jonsson for 'Storytelling Connects Us: Creating Resilience in Challenging Times' for the amount of \$5,000 (ex GST);

CARRIED

Resolution No.: 3414

Moved: Cr BP Robertson Seconded: Cr GJ Lohmann

## That Council:

Approve the resilience grant application by Epilepsy Queensland for the printing and distribution of 'Charters Towers Community Mental Health Directory – V2' for the amount of \$4,760 (ex GST);

CARRIED

Resolution No.: 3415

Moved: Cr JD Mathews Seconded: Cr KF Hastie

## That Council:

Approve the resilience grant application by Prospect Community Services for the Charters Towers Balance Group workshops for the amount of \$5,000; and

CARRIED

Resolution No.: 3416

Moved: Cr S Bennetto Seconded: Cr GJ Lohmann

#### That Council:

Authorise the Chief Executive Officer in conjunction with Manager of Community Services to identify and fund community resilience and cohesion programs with remaining grant funds.

CARRIED

## **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

Officer's Report Document No. 1381504

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#### 11.5 Round Two 2020/2021 Community Grants Programme

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Due to the impact of COVID-19 on the local community, and more specifically the not-for-profit sector and their ability to fundraise, it is proposed to put Council's Community Grants Programme on hold for Round 2 2020/2021 and implement a Not-for-profit Sporting and Recreation Support Programme in its place to assist eligible organisations with operating expenses.

#### **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

#### That Council:

- Resolve to suspend Round 2 2020/2021 of the Council's Community Grant Programme;
- Resolve to adopt a Not-for-profit Sporting and Recreation Support Programme based on the attached Guidelines; and
- > Approve the remaining 2020/2021 Community Grant Programme budgeted monies be allocated to the Not-for profit Sporting and Recreation Support Programme.

Resolution No.: 3417

Moved: Cr GJ Lohmann Seconded: Cr KF Hastie

#### That Council:

- **Resolve to suspend Round 2 2020/2021 of the Council's Community Grant Programme;**
- Resolve to adopt a Not-for-profit Sporting and Recreation Support Programme based on the attached Guidelines; and
- Approve the remaining 2020/2021 Community Grant Programme budgeted monies be allocated to the Not-for profit Sporting and Recreation Support Programme.

CARRIED

## REFERENCE DOCUMENT

• Officer's Report Document No. 1380010

11.6 Approval to provide financial assistance to Greenvale Progress Association Inc for Festival of Small Halls

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Greenvale Progress Association Inc are seeking financial assistance from Council to bring the Festival of Small Halls event to Greenvale in 2020.

## OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

Provide \$1,000 to the Greenvale Progress Association Inc towards the Festival of Small Halls event to be held in Greenvale in October 2020.

Resolution No.: 3418

Moved: Cr S Bennetto Seconded: Cr JD Mathews

#### That Council:

Provide \$1,000 to the Greenvale Progress Association Inc towards the Festival of Small Halls event to be held in Greenvale in October 2020

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## **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1381443

11.7 Trustee Lease for Lot 200 on SP226412, Parish of Charters Towers

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report seeks approval to include Lot 200 on Plan SP226412 into a Trustee Lease over Reserve 93-075 to include the entire reserve land, for a twenty (20) year period, to align with the existing Trustee Lease issued over one parcel on the title (Lot 215 on Plan DV52).

## OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

- Apply the exception under the provisions of Section 236 (c)(iii) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the disposal of Lot 200 on Plan SP226412, Parish of Charters Towers;
- Offer a Trustee Lease over Lot 200 on Plan SP226412 to the existing lessees of Lot 215 on Plan DV52, by amending the existing Trustee Lease to include this parcel, conditional upon consent of the Minister and based generally on standard terms and conditions for a term of twenty (20) years;
- Set the rent at the rate determined by the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy for a Class 11 Rental Category and being 0.75% of the unimproved capital value (UCV) in the first year and then apply CPI increases in the second and subsequent years of the lease; and
- Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to execute and vary the terms and conditions of the lease as required.

## Resolution No.: 3419

Moved:	Cr BP Robertson
Seconded:	Cr GJ Lohmann

## That Council:

- Apply the exception under the provisions of Section 236 (c)(iii) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the disposal of Lot 200 on Plan SP226412, Parish of Charters Towers;
- Offer a Trustee Lease over Lot 200 on Plan SP226412 to the existing lessees of Lot 215 on Plan DV52, by amending the existing Trustee Lease to include this parcel, conditional upon consent of the Minister and based generally on standard terms and conditions for a term of twenty (20) years;
- Set the rent at the rate determined by the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy for a Class 11 Rental Category and being 0.75% of the unimproved capital value (UCV) in the first year and then apply CPI increases in the second and subsequent years of the lease; and
- Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to execute and vary the terms and conditions of the lease as required.

CARRIED

## **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1381243

## ATTENDANCE

Mrs Hayley Thompson, Manager Community Services departed the meeting at 9:45am

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#### 11.8 Trustee Lease for Lot 9 on Plan SP309090

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report seeks approval to enter into a Trustee Lease over reserve land described as Lot 7 on Plan SP309090 to the previous lessees for a twenty (20) year period.

#### **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

- Apply the exception under the provisions of Section 236 (c)(iii) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the disposal of Lot 7 on Plan SP309090;
- Offer a Trustee Lease over Lot 7 on Plan SP309090 to the previous lessees of the parcel, conditional upon consent of the Minister and based generally on standard terms and conditions for a term of twenty (20) years;
- Set the rent at the rate determined by the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy for a Class 11 Rental Category and being 0.75% of the unimproved capital value (UCV) in the first year and then apply CPI increases in the second and subsequent years of the lease; and
- Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to execute and vary the terms and conditions of the lease as required.

Resolut	ion No.:	3420
Moved: Second		Cr GJ Lohmann Cr KF Hastie
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		CARRIED

#### **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1381348

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# 11.9 Proposal to excise part of Reserve and re-purpose from 'Travelling Stock' to 'Recreation' – Reedybrook Lot 5 on Plan SP250473

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council's approval to request the State to dedicate (excise) part of the Reserve known as Reedybrook Reserve and located at Lot 5 on Plan SP250473 and to re-purpose this part to be dedicated as a Recreation community purpose (which includes camping).

## OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- Lodge an application with the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy to excise part of the Reedybrook Reserve, located at Lot 5 on Plan SP250473 in accordance with the Map provided at Attachment A;
- Request the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy to re-purpose the excised portion to include a 'Recreation' community purpose;
- > Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to execute and vary the terms and conditions of the application as required.

Resolution No.: 3421

Moved: Cr BP Robertson Seconded: Cr GJ Lohmann

## That Council:

- Lodge an application with the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy to excise part of the Reedybrook Reserve, located at Lot 5 on Plan SP250473 in accordance with the Map provided at Attachment A;
- Request the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy to re-purpose the excised portion to include a 'Recreation' community purpose;
- > Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to execute and vary the terms and conditions of the application as required.

CARRIED

## **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1381611

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at **10:00am** 

The meeting resumed at **10:24am** 

## 12. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION – OFFICE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

## 12.1 Charters Towers Regional Council Economic Development & Innovation Strategy

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Tabled is the Charters Towers Regional Council Economic Development & Innovation Strategy (EDIS) for adoption. The final EDIS was workshopped with Councillors and the Executive Leadership Team on 19 August 2020.

## OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

## That Council:

> Endorse the Charters Towers Regional Council Economic Development & Innovation Strategy, as tabled.

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Moved: Cr S Bennetto Seconded: Cr JD Mathews

#### That Council:

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Endorse the Charters Towers Regional Council Economic Development & Innovation Strategy, as tabled.

CARRIED

#### **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1381899

12.2 Charters Towers Regional Council Destination Management Plan, Tourism Strategy and Tourism Brand

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Tabled is the Charters Towers Regional Council Destination Management Plan, Tourism Strategy and Tourism Brand. A workshop was held with Councillors and the Executive Leadership Team on 19 August 2020.

## OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

Endorse the Charters Towers Regional Council Destination Management Plan, Tourism Strategy and Tourism Brand, as tabled

Resolution No.: 3423

Moved: Cr GJ Lohmann Seconded: Cr S Bennetto

That Council:

Endorse the Charters Towers Regional Council Destination Management Plan, Tourism Strategy and Tourism Brand, as tabled

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## **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1381899

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#### 12.3 Expressions of Interest for a Charters Towers Abattoir Facility

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council purchased 777 ha parcel of land on Stockroute Road, Sellheim for the purpose of regional economic development in December 2019. In the interests of economic development, it is recommended Council seeks Expressions of Interest to establish an abattoir on the site.

## **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

#### That Council:

Endorse advertising for Expressions of Interest for the establishment of an abattoir on council's Industrial block at Stockroute Road, Sellheim.

Resolution No.: 3424

Moved: Cr BP Robertson Seconded: Cr KF Hastie

## That Council:

Endorse advertising for Expressions of Interest for the establishment of an abattoir on council's Industrial block at Stockroute Road, Sellheim.

CARRIED

#### **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

Officer's Report Document No. 1381877

12.4 Charters Towers Regional Council 2020-2024 Priority Projects Plan

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Tabled is the Charters Towers Regional Council 2020-2024 Priority Projects Plan outlining Elected Members key projects for the Region.

#### **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

#### That Council:

> Endorse the Charters Towers Regional Council 2020-2024 Priority Projects Plan, as tabled.

Resolution No.: 3425

Moved: Cr GJ Lohmann Seconded: Cr S Bennetto

## That Council:

Endorse the Charters Towers Regional Council 2020-2024 Priority Projects Plan, as tabled.

CARRIED

## **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

Officer's Report Document No. 1381910

#### ATTENDANCE

Ms Melanie Lavelle-Maloney, Tourism, Trade & Investment Advisor departed the meeting at **10:28am** 

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## 12.5 Organisational Values – Employer Branding Project

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Tabled are the new Charters Towers Regional Council organisational values, as developed through the Employer Branding Project in consultation with employees and workshopped with all levels of management and Councillors.

## OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

- Endorse the new Charters Towers Regional Council organisational values as set out below:
  - We're accountable: we own what we do, and we do what we say
  - We're open: we're honest and up front, and we welcome new ideas
  - We're courageous: we stand strong and speak up for what's right
  - We aim to be better, not to shoot others down
  - We're a proud team, for good reason

## Resolution No.: 3426

Moved: Cr KF Hastie Seconded: Cr GJ Lohmann

#### That Council:

- Endorse the new Charters Towers Regional Council organisational values as set out below:
- We're accountable: we own what we do, and we do what we say
- We're open: we're honest and up front, and we welcome new ideas
- We're courageous: we stand strong and speak up for what's right
- We aim to be better, not to shoot others down
- We're a proud team, for good reason

CARRIED

## REFERENCE DOCUMENT

• Officer's Report Document No. 1382436

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## 13. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

#### CLOSE OF MEETING

Resolution No.: 3427

Moved: Cr Lohmann Seconded: Cr Bennetto

That in accordance with Section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the General Meeting be closed to the public at **10:35am** for discussion of the following matters:

- (b) industrial matters affecting employees (Item 13.2)
- (h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage (Item 13.1 & 13.3)

CARRIED

#### ATTENDANCE

Ms Camille Conaghan, Manager Governance & Communications departed the meeting at **10:35am** Mrs Catherine McCabe, Communications Coordinator departed the meeting at **10:35am** Mr Ben Johnson, Marketing & Communications Officer departed the meeting at **10:35am** Mr Orvon Gough, Consultant Video Technician departed the meeting at **10:35am** Mr Craig Cousar, Manager Work, Health & Safety departed the meeting at **10:44am** 

## **OPENING OF MEETING**

Resolution No.: 3428

Moved: Cr S Bennetto Seconded: Cr BP Robertson

That the meeting be opened at 10:55am the taking of resolutions.

CARRIED

#### ATTENDANCE

Ms Camille Conaghan, Manager Governance & Communications returned to the meeting at **10:55am** Mrs Catherine McCabe, Communications Coordinator returned to the meeting at **10:55am** Mr Ben Johnson, Marketing & Communications Officer returned to the meeting at **10:55am** Mr Orvon Gough, Consultant Video Technician returned to the meeting at **10:55am** 

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#### ATTENDANCE

In accordance with the Declaration of Interest at Item 13.1, Cr GJ Lohmann departed the meeting at **10:56am** 

## INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

# 13.1 Purchase of buildings and land to accommodate Millchester Road/Victory Street intersection upgrade

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Preliminary plans for the Millchester Road/Victory Street intersection upgrade require purchase of buildings and land. Purchase to be funded through the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS).

## **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

#### That Council:

- Approve purchase of property located at 2 Millchester Road to accommodate Millchester Road/Victory Street intersection upgrade; and
- > Authorise the CEO to negotiate purchase price up to \$ Commercial in Confidence

Resolution No.:	3429
Moved: Seconded:	Cr S Bennetto Cr JD Mathews
Road/Vio	purchase of property located at 2 Millchester Road to accommodate Millchester tory Street intersection upgrade; and e the CEO to negotiate purchase price up to \$ Commercial in Confidence

CARRIED

#### **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

Officer's Report Document No. 1381792

#### ATTENDANCE

Cr GJ Lohmann returned to the meeting at 10:57am

## OFFICE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

#### 13.2 Work Health & Safety Report – August 2020

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Work Health and Safety Report for August 2020 is presented to Council for consideration. Details on injuries, claims and risk management initiatives are contained in the report.

## **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

#### That Council:

> Notes the monthly Work Health and Safety report for August 2020.

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Moved: Cr KF Hastie Seconded: Cr GJ Lohmann

## That Council:

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Notes the monthly Work Health and Safety report for August 2020.

CARRIED

## **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

• Officer's Report Document No. 1381480

13.3 Monthly Operational Report – August 2020

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Monthly Operational Report for August 2020 is presented to Council for consideration.

## **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

> Notes the Monthly Operational Report for August 2020.

Resolution No.: 3431

Moved: Cr S Bennetto Seconded: Cr JD Mathews

That Council:

Notes the Monthly Operational Report for August 2020.

CARRIED

## **REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

Officer's Report Document No. 1382434

## 14. MAYORAL MINUTE

## 15. CLOSE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the General Meeting closed at **10:58am**.

CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL AT THE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 28 OCTOBER 2020.

Mayor

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Date 28/10/2020

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