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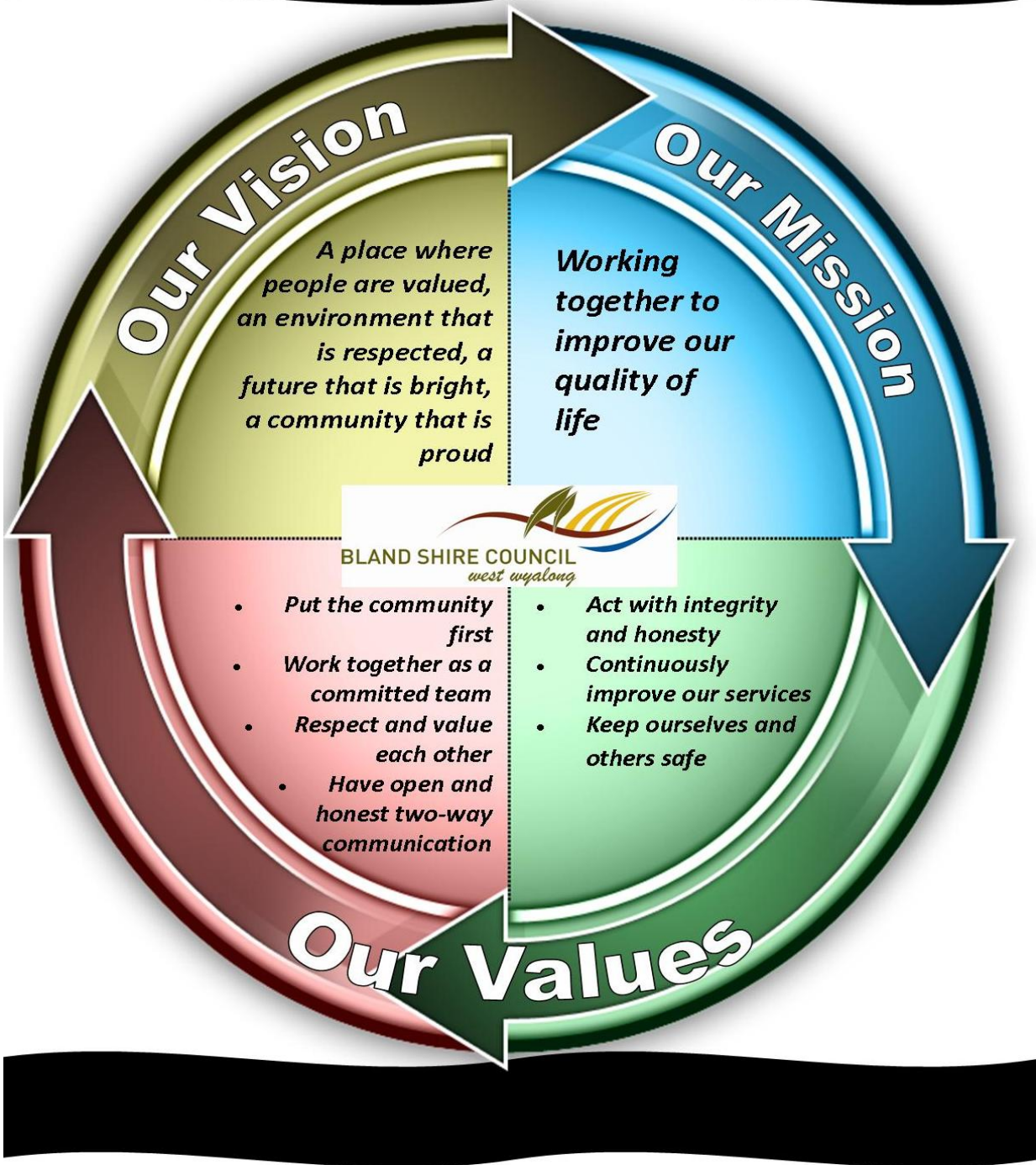
Bland Shire Council

Minutes

19 August 2014



OUR VISION, MISSION AND VALUES





MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
19 AUGUST 2014

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The meeting was opened by the Mayor with the introduction and welcome at 6.32pm.

2.0 ATTENDANCE

2.1 Councillors

Cr K Keatley
Cr T Lord
Cr L McGlynn
Cr N Pokoney
Cr P Templeton

2.2 Staff

Acting General Manager – Will Marsh
Director Corporate, Community & Development Services – Adele Casey
Executive Assistant – Julie Sharpe

2.3 Apologies

General Manager – Ray Smith
Cr P Grellman
Cr L Hampton
Cr B Monaghan
Cr L Pike

Council Recommendation:

01082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr McGlynn that the apologies from Councillors Grellman, Hampton, Monaghan and Pike be received and noted. CARRIED

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

3.1 Ordinary Meeting held on 15 July 2014

▪ **Confirmation**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 15 July 2014 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

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Council Recommendation:

02082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr McGlynn that the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 15 July 2014 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings. CARRIED

- **Corrections - Nil**
- **Business Arising - Nil**

4.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Nil

5.0 PUBLIC FORUM

5.1 Presentation to Council from Mr Joe Penn

The Mayor accepted the painting "Shadows – Main Street West Wyalong" from Mr Penn with gratitude and thanks on behalf of Council. Mr Penn provided a brief history of his works and stated that he is proud Council accepted the painting.

5.2 Goldenfields Water County Council (GWCC)

Mr Andrew Grant, General Manager of GWCC addressed Council and provided an overview of their data acquisition network, trials, GIS integration, traineeship opportunities with each member Council and Wildlife Corridor Workshop. The Mayor conveyed thanks to Mr Grant for his presentation and the information provided.

5.3 Mr Charles Kingston

At this stage, 7.08pm, Mr Kingston addressed Council in relation to the upcoming Mexico in the West Festival and visitor information centre. He noted that the Mexico in the West Festival is less than two months away and encouraged businesses to use Spanish greetings. Mr Kingston then read a poem he wrote in relation to visitor information and it was noted that the poem had previously been printed in the Advocate.

6.0 MAYORAL MINUTE
Nil

7.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

7.1 NSW Country Mayors Association

Council Recommendation:

03082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Templeton that Council apply for membership of the NSW Country Mayors Association. CARRIED

7.2 Community Water Resources

Council Recommendation:

04082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that Bland Shire Council investigate a program, within its current funding structure, to enhance its ability to supply water to its “green spaces”, including parks and playing fields, in order to be able to best withstand an 8 year drought. CARRIED

7.3 Donation – The Long Ride

Council Recommendation:

05082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that Council make an in-kind donation of \$1,000 to The Long Ride 2014 in support of the Prostate Cancer Foundation Australia or that The Long Ride 2014 make application for assistance through Council’s Strengthening Communities program. CARRIED

8.0 DELEGATES & ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Section 1 – Delegates & Advisory Committee Reports & Minutes *(for information)*

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Council Recommendation:

06082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Templeton seconded Cr McGlynn that the Council receive and note the delegate and advisory committee reports from Councillors and Advisory Committee meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED

8.1 Association of Mining Related Councils (AMRC)

Cr McGlynn thanked Council for the opportunity to attend the AMRC meeting which is informative and worthwhile.

8.2 Newell Highway Taskforce

Cr Lord advised that a strategic meeting was held in Parkes recently and minutes will be provided.

8.3 Riverina Regional Tourism

Cr Pokoney requested investigation into the time lapse for receipt of minutes from the Riverina Regional Tourism meetings and queried the funding situation. Cr Lord advised that each LGA pays fees and the balance comes from the State Government, allocations are project based and dependent on applications.

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9.0 STAFF REPORTS

That the Council receive the staff reports.

SECTION 2 – OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

9.1 Monthly Status Report

Council Recommendation:

07082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that the information contained in the August 2014 monthly status report be received and noted. CARRIED

9.2 Disclosure Of Interest Returns

Council Recommendation:

08082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Templeton seconded Cr Lord that Councillors note the Disclosure of Interest return requirements and accept the Disclosure of Interest Register as tabled. CARRIED

9.3 Ethical Decision Making and Conflicts of Interest

Council Recommendation:

09082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Lord that the Council adopt the “Ethical Decision Making and Conflicts of Interest guiding checklist” as attached. CARRIED

9.4 Visitor Economy & Tourism Advisory Committee of the Whole (VETACW) – Meeting Minutes - 29 July 2014

Council Recommendation:

10082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr McGlynn that the Council adopt the attached Visitor Economy & Tourism Advisory Committee of the Whole (VETACW) minutes for the meeting held on 29 July 2014 and consider the recommendation/s contained therein as separate report items. CARRIED

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9.5 Plans for Tourism

Council Recommendation:

11082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that Council develop short, medium and long term plans for tourism to align with the Community Strategic Plan. **CARRIED**

9.6 Community Interest in the Visitor Economy & Tourism Advisory Committee of the Whole (VETACW)

Council Recommendation:

12082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Templeton that members of the community be invited to express their interest in the Committee for the dissemination of information. **CARRIED**

9.7 October 2014 Meeting Dates

Council Recommendation:

13082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr McGlynn that the Council confirm the following meeting arrangements for October 2014:

- **Council Workshop, Tuesday 14 October**
- **Village Community Forums, Thursday 16 October**
- **Council Meeting, Tuesday 28 October. CARRIED**

9.8 Planning For Impacts That May Occur If The Barrick Cowal Gold Mine Closed

Council Recommendation:

14082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley:

- 1. That a select committee be created comprising of the Bland Shire Council's Mayor; Deputy Mayor; General Manager; Director Assets and Engineering; Director Corporate and Community Services and Barrick Cowal Gold's representative Shane Goodwin.**
- 2. That a Memorandum of Understanding be signed between Bland Shire Council and Barrick Cowal Gold on the commitment of both parties to the committee and its terms of reference. CARRIED**

SECTION 3 – CORPORATE, COMMUNITY & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

9.9 Financial Statements – July 2014

Council Recommendation:

15082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Templeton seconded Cr Keatley:

- 1. That Council receive and note the statement of Bank Balances, Rates Collections and Investments for the month of July, 2014.**
- 2. That Council confirms the payment of accounts, for the period 01 July 2014 to 31 July 2014, summarised in the accounts summary totalling \$2,581,331.49. CARRIED**

9.10 Strengthening Communities Grant – West Wyalong Men's Shed

Council Recommendation:

16082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Keatley that Council approve a Strengthening Communities grant of \$2600 for the West Wyalong Men's Shed to assist with the cost of increasing the available work area at its Railway Road headquarters. **CARRIED**

9.11 Lighting Upgrade Assistance – West Wyalong Tennis Club

Council Recommendation:

17082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that Council provide financial assistance to the West Wyalong Tennis Club for the purpose of upgrading the lighting system at the West Wyalong tennis courts. CARRIED

Council Recommendation:

18082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Lord that Council provide funding of \$23,950 to the West Wyalong Tennis Club for upgrading the lighting system from the Strengthening Communities fund. CARRIED

9.12 Community Groups Assistance Grant – West Wyalong Bowling Club

Council Recommendation:

19082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that Council approve a Community Groups Assistance Grant of \$977 for the West Wyalong Bowling Club to assist with the cost of upcoming tournaments. CARRIED

9.13 Strengthening Communities – West Wyalong Men’s Golf

Council Recommendation:

20082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Templeton that Council approve an in-kind contribution of up to \$1600 to assist the West Wyalong Men’s Golf Committee with the reconstruction of tee areas at the West Wyalong golf course. CARRIED

9.14 Local Heritage Funding - 23 Church Street West Wyalong

Council Recommendation:

21082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn that Council endorse the recommendation of the Bland Heritage Advisory Committee and approve \$2,204.00 funding to S Jewell for repainting and signage of existing verandah awning at 23 Church Street, West Wyalong as detailed in the application. **CARRIED**

9.15 Local Heritage Funding - 176 Main Street West Wyalong

Council Recommendation:

22082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Templeton that Council endorse the recommendation of the Bland Heritage Advisory Committee and approve \$1625.00 funding to T & K Amarant for painting of the façade at 176 Main Street, West Wyalong as detailed in the application. **CARRIED**

9.16 Bland Heritage Strategy 2014 - 2017

Council Recommendation:

23082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that Council advertise for public comment the Heritage Strategy 2014 – 2017, which provides the future direction for heritage initiatives in the Bland Shire and meets Council's obligation under the NSW Heritage Office funding requirements and provide a further report to the September Council meeting. **CARRIED**

SECTION 4 – ASSET & ENGINEERING SERVICES

9.17 Drop Off And Pick Up Zone West Wyalong Primary School

Council Recommendation:

24082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Templeton seconded Cr Keatley that a “No Parking 8.00am – 9.30am 2.30pm – 4.00pm School Drop Off Pick Up Zone, on school days” be installed in Dumersq Street adjacent to the West Wyalong Primary school in the 25m section just north of Park Street. **CARRIED**

9.18 New Proposed Rural Fire Service Shed – Deed of Agreement with Property Owners

Council Recommendation:

25082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Templeton that Council authorise the General Manager to sign and seal the following Deeds made in relation to the erection of a Rural Fire Service Sheds on private lands:

- 1. Ungarie Station – Lot 55 DP 753074 Portion 1 and 2 (Owner RJ and MJ Lamb)**
 - 2. Alleena Station – Lot 3 DP 750826 Portion 1 and 2 (Owner Glenn Adler)**
 - 3. Winnunga Station – Lot 116 DP 753134 Portion 1 and 2 (Owner Craig Coleman).**
- CARRIED**

SECTION 5 – REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Council Recommendation:

26082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Templeton seconded Cr Keatley that the following reports, provided for information only, be received and noted:

- **9.19 - Asset & Engineering Services Report**
- **9.20 - Community Services Report**
- **9.21 - Bland Shire Library Monthly Update**
- **9.22 - Children Services Monthly Update**
- **9.23 - Development Services Activities/Statistics for July 2014**
- **9.24 - Economic Development & Tourism Report – August. CARRIED**

10.0 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

10.1 City of Sydney Amendment (Elections) Bill 2014

Council Recommendation:

27082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Lord that the City of Sydney Amendment (Elections) Bill 2014 be accepted as a matter of urgent business. **CARRIED**

Council Recommendation:

28082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Templeton that Council express:

- a) **Significant concerns with the proposed City of Sydney Amendment (Elections) Bill 2014 and the implications on local government across NSW.**
- b) **Disappointment after participation in the review of local government that the matter was not raised in the Samson Report. CARRIED**

10.2 Financial Assistance Grant (FAG) Funding

The freezing of FAG funding was raised by the Mayor. It was noted that the Commission of Audit Report was considered by Council in May 2014 and a letter in response to be sent. Therefore the matter was not considered as urgent business without notice.

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11.0 QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

Cr Lord

- Queried the timeframe for Council to consider the Barrick Impact Assessment Report
Mayor advised that the Report is confidential and will be made available to Councillors at the September Workshop

Cr Keatley

- Advised that he attended the Local Government Week BBQ and thanked staff for their efforts
- Expressed concern at the negative perception some members of the community have regarding dealings with Council
AGM provided examples of positive dealings with GrainCorp and Reject Shop

Cr McGlynn

- Requested an inspection at Ron Crowe Oval prior to the September Council Workshop
- Queried progress with installation of seats in Main Street West Wyalong
AGM advised that the matter will be followed up

Cr Pokoney

- Advised that he and Cr McGlynn recently attended a meet and greet with the General Manager and Chair of the Local Land Services (LLS) and that they are willing to make a presentation to Council at a future meeting.
The Mayor requested that a presentation be arranged

12.0 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING TO DISCUSS CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 10A(2) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

Council Recommendation:

29082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr McGlynn that Council close the Ordinary meeting of Council to discuss confidential business under the provision of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act. CARRIED

The meeting then closed at 8.14pm.

12.1 Sale Of Lot 6 Calleen Street In The Industrial Estate

Local Government Act (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)

The matters and information are commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

13.0 RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CLOSED SECTION OF THE MEETING

Council Recommendation:

32082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Templeton seconded Cr Keatley that Council move out of closed Council and into open Council. CARRIED

The meeting then resumed at 8.21pm.

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Local Government Act (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)

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Council Recommendation:

30082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn that Council consider the offer for the sale of Lot 6 Calleen Street in the industrial estate. CARRIED

Council Recommendation:

31082014 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Templeton seconded Cr Keatley that Council authorise the General Manager and Mayor to negotiate the offer for the sale of Lot 6 Calleen Street in the industrial estate. CARRIED

14.0 CLOSE OF THE MEETING

There being no further business the meeting then closed at 8.22pm.

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Chairperson