

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE GULARGAMBONE MEMORIAL HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 13TH
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PRESENT: Cr. Tom Cullen, Mayor, in the Chair, with Crs. M.Webb, J.Walker, D.Keady, A.Karanouh and D.Schieb.

Also present were the General Manager, Mr. Warren, the Director of Corporate & Community Services, Ms Tasker, the Director of Development, Commercial & Urban Services, Mr. Quarmby, the Director of Engineering Services, Mr. Brodbeck and Mrs Moorhouse.

1.0 OPENING PRAYER

2.0 ACKNOWLEDGE ORIGINAL OWNERS OF THE LAND

At this juncture, the Mayor acknowledged the original owners of the land, both past and present.

3.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mrs Margaret Casey, representing the Coonamble Health Council, was present to discuss the importance of house numbering in Coonamble. She pointed out that both Police and Ambulance personnel are keen to have houses properly numbered for easy and quick identification in emergencies. Mrs Casey also cited problems with volunteers who give time to delivering Meals on Wheels not being able to find clients' houses.

She said Mr Bob Ware, from the Cypress Motel, has contacted Service Club members who are willing to install the numbers if Council provides same. Mrs Casey said the type required are a dome style that reflect at night for easy identification. The Director of Engineering Services said he would investigate including numbers on street signs when they are replaced. Mr Brodbeck also pointed out that Council supplied house numbers to residents at Gulargambone and many have not put the numbers on display.

At this juncture, 9.27 a.m., Cr Karanouh arrived at the meeting.

The Mayor suggested that Council consider providing \$5,000 in its next budget to purchase the house numbers, that Council's intention be promoted in the local newspaper and Service Clubs be approached with a view to installing the numbers on residences.

Mrs Casey said there was also a problem with rural addressing and it needs to be addressed. Cr. Cullen said staff would investigate the matter and endeavour to clarify issues.

Mrs Casey thanked Council for its time and consideration of the requests.

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4.0 APOLOGIES

0359 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Schieb and Walker that an apology for non attendance be accepted from Cr Bill Burnheim.

5.0 DEPUTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

No delegations were booked for the meeting.

6.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Schieb declared an interest:

Item 10.2 of Correspondence – Ray White Real Estate – agent of client wishing to purchase land.

7.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

0360 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Keady that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Coonamble Shire Council held on 13 February 2013 be confirmed.

Business arising from Minutes:

(a) Concrete Batching Plant

In response to a question, the Director of Engineering Services said that he understands discussions are taking place with a local contractor who may be interested in purchasing Boral. Mr. Brodbeck said that should the sale proceed the contractor will have to become quality assured to obtain Council's business.

The Director said he has inspected a mobile batching plant which is working locally – Mr Brodbeck said the most expensive part of such a purchase is the lorry onto which it is attached. He said he would prefer to work with a local contractor instead of purchasing a mobile plant at this stage.

(b) Intersection – Coughran's Canyon – Aberford/Dubbo /Mendooran Streets

The Director of Engineering Services advised that letters were written to residents in Mendooran Street from the Aberford Street turnoff to Tooloon Street seeking views on the idea of installing a cul-de-sac at the Aberford Street end. Mr Brodbeck said he has had only one verbal response – a negative.

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(c) Warrumbungle Fire

Cr Webb reported he attended a debrief of the recent bushfire in the Warrumbungles – he said National Parks are of the opinion that it is up to scratch with fire hazard reduction. Cr Webb said a Bush Fire Meeting will be held on 27 March at which this matter will be raised.

(d) Nakadoo – Film

Cr Walker said there is nothing further to report as Mr Kennedy is now waiting on confirmation from the film crew as to when it will come to Coonamble.

(e) OROC Meeting

The Mayor said he and the General Manager attended the OROC meeting in Dubbo. He said a member of the Independent Panel Review gave an informative talk – there will be amalgamations of city councils – a further report is due to be released at the end of March. The Mayor said discussions were held regarding solar energy production and he pointed out the next meeting will be in Coonamble.

8.0 RESOLUTION BOOK UPDATE

0361 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that the Resolution Book Update be received and noted.

Business Arising From Resolution Book:

(a) Cameras – Pergolas

In response to a question from Cr Karanouh the Director of Development, Commercial and Urban Services said significant works have been carried out on upgrading the cameras. He said the camera at the National Bank, which is a fixed camera and can be focused, provides good coverage of the area in question. The Director said the upgraded system is working very well.

(b) Election Funding Authority – Seminar

The General Manager said the seminar has been arranged in Coonamble on next meeting day, i.e. Wednesday 10 April, 2013 – commencing at 2.00 p.m.

(c) Rehabilitation Centre

Cr Schieb said there is funding available and Gary Trindall will be in town in the near future. The General Manager and Cr Schieb will meet with him to discuss the issue of youth and rehabilitation.

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(d) Draft LEP

Council undertaking Development Control Plan – will meet with consultant on 9 April 2013 to discuss rezoning and reduction in lot size for rural building entitlement.

9.0 MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor said he has already mentioned the OROC meeting he attended in company with the General Manager. Cr Cullen said he also attended the Welcome to Gulargambone function on Tuesday 12 March.

0362 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Cullen and Walker that the Mayor's Activity Report be received.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE

0363 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Schieb and Walker that the Correspondence be received and dealt with.

Section A – For Council's Consideration:

10.1 BRIAN SOMMERVILLE T5+C6-13(39717)

0364 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Schieb and Keady that Council inspect alternate sites for the relocation of the seat before the next meeting.
Motion was unanimous.

Cr. Schieb declared an interest in the following item and left the room.

10.2 SALES MANAGER, RAY WHITE RURAL PR1904(39729)

0365 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Keady that Council not agree to sell the block of land at No 9 Namoi Street, Coonamble and advise Ray White Rural accordingly.

Cr. Schieb returned to the meeting.

10.3 COONAMBLE ABORIGINAL HEALTH SERVICE A2+M5(39769)

The General Manager informed the meeting that at Council's meeting on 14 March 2001, Council resolved – Minute No 3466 – “...to agree to transfer the current vacant allotment in Castlereagh Street, adjoining the existing medical centre to the Coonamble Aboriginal Medical Service Inc for the sale price of \$1.00 conditional upon a joint medical facility being constructed thereon”.

0366 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Keady that Council agree to sell the block at market value on the condition that the Coonamble Aboriginal Health Service will build on the block within a reasonable timeframe and no conveyancing action be taken until concept plans of the proposed building have been submitted to Council and appropriate funding made available for commencement of building works.

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Councillors Webb and Walker requested that their names be recorded as voting against this resolution, which was passed 4 votes to 2 votes.

10.4 TWO EIGHT TWO EIGHT D7(39797)

0367 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Keady that Council agree to contribute \$150 from its Donations Vote towards the cost of a special function to thank volunteers of the Gulargambone community

10.5 TWO EIGHT TWO EIGHT D7(39798)

0368 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Keady that Council agree to contribute \$150 from its Donations Vote to assist with costs associated with the special function to be held for Seniors of the Gulargambone community during National Seniors Week 2013.

Section B : For Council's Information:

10.6 NSW INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS P5(39652)

Advising the Minister has declared the appointment of a local public holiday on Wednesday, 8 May 2013 within the Coonamble Shire Council area on the occasion of the second day of the annual show.

10.7 COONAMBLE SWIMMING CLUB INC L3(39646)

Advising that recently awards were announced for the Western District Swimming Association and saying the most prestigious award is for the *Club of the Year* and was won by Coonamble Swimming Club.

**10.8 AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
L9(39651)**

Advising that the Prime Minister set 14 September as the date for the 2013 Federal election and, in doing so, also set 14 September as the date for a possible referendum to recognize local government in the Constitution. Saying that the ALGA is committed to supporting a referendum on the financial recognition of local government at a time which maximizes the chances of success, meaning the holding of a referendum after the preconditions for success have been put in place.

10.9 THE HON KEVIN HUMPHRIES MP D5-22(39650)

Reminding Council that in early 2012 the Premier and Ministers led extensive consultations across NSW to listen and understand regional priorities and, in response, *Regional Actions Plans* which are the Government's two year local delivery plans have been prepared. Saying the Plans set immediate term goals and measurable targets to allow tracking of progress in delivering these targets. Forwarding copies of the Orana Regional Action Plan which were passed on to Councillors.

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10.10 THE HON KEVIN HUMPHRIES MP

P5+M5(39663)

Attaching a letter from the Minister for Health, The Hon Tanya Plibersek MP in response to a letter written on behalf of the Coonamble Community Safety Committee regarding misuse of certain medications. Pointing out that the Electronic Recording and Reporting of Controlled Drugs (ERRCD) system will improve the efficiency by which state and territory regulators, prescribers and pharmacists can identify problems of forgery, abuse and “doctor shopping” and improve public health outcomes.

10.11 DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

L10-1(39713)

Reminding councils of the legislative obligations and options available to manage illegal camping in public places. Saying from time to time the issue of illegal camping arises and it can cause health and safety issues, disturbance to adjoining land users, environmental damage and unfair competition to commercial businesses. Setting out a range of options available to councils to manage this issue. Encouraging councils to monitor illegal camping in their areas and to use the range of options available to ensure that health, safety, environmental and other associated risks are well managed.

10.12 MARK COULTON, MP

C8(39742)

Saying that before the closure of the National Dental Scheme he received comment relating to the need for the provision of a good national dental service. Inviting Council to participate in the Standing Committee’s proposed inquiry by responding fully or in part to the following Terms of Reference and pointing out submissions must be received before 15 March 2013:

10.13 BARRY O’FARRELL MP, PREMIER OF NSW

E5(39771)

Referring to correspondence previously received from Council regarding coal seam gas exploration and advising the NSW Liberals & Nationals Government has announced a package of tough new measures to strengthen the regulation of the NSW Coal Seam Gas (CSG) industry. Advising Council of the new measures which have been approved. Saying further information is available on www.nsw.gov.au website.

10.14 CAMPBELLTOWN ARTS CENTRE

T3-11(39770)

Writing regarding the Festival of Fisher’s Ghost Art Award and saying the award continues to grow in stature and many outstanding works have been submitted from local, regional and national artists. Saying it is Council’s sponsorship that enables it to be one of the most diverse art competitions in this country, spanning both traditional and innovative art practices. Seeking to discuss Council’s ongoing sponsorship.

The General Manager advised that Council provides a sponsorship allocation in its yearly budget – for 2012/13 the amount was \$1,200.

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**10.15 CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY CENTRAL WEST E5-
5(39801)**

Referring to Council's agreement to participate in the 17 Council Central West Regional State of the Environment Reporting for the next four years. Informing Council, on behalf of the Steering Committee, that Molino Stewart Pty Ltd is the successful consultant for the four-year project and setting out the services it will provide. Saying that, based on the quote from Molino Stewart of \$178,409 (GST exclusive) for the four years of reporting, the annual contribution from each Council will be \$3,000 (GST exclusive).

0369 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Webb that the information contained in Item Nos. 10.6 to 10.15 inclusive be noted.

URGENT BUSINESS – SUPPLEMENTARY CORRESPONDENCE

0370 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Cullen that the following be classified "urgent business" and dealt with.

10.16 COONAMBLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE C13(39850)

0371 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that Council advise the Coonamble Chamber of Commerce that a public meeting will be held in McCullough Hall at the Shire Chambers on Tuesday 14 May 2013 to present the operational plan and delivery program to members of the public and it would be an opportune time to put forward the views of the community.

10.17 NORTH WESTERN LIBRARY L4(39869)

0372 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Karanouh that Council note the change to clause 2.2 part (iii) of the North Western Library Cooperative and authorise the affixing of the seal to the Agreement for period 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2017.

10.18 MAYOR, WARRUMBUNGLE SHIRE COUNCIL D7+L3(39849)

Referring to the Warrumbungle Shire Mayor's Bush Fire Appeal and providing an update on monies donated and funds allocated for various needs.

0373 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that the information be noted.

10.19 KEVIN HUMPHRIES MP C8(39864)

Forwarding copy of letter from the Minister for Education, Adrian Piccoli MP regarding Coonamble Children's Services possibly being ineligible for funding, following his representations on Council's behalf. Saying that he is advised that Coonamble Children's Services Inc will receive \$22,411 in NSW Government funding in this financial year.

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0374 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Karanouh that the information be noted.

10.20 INDEPENDENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW PANEL L9(39865)

In a media release, advising the Panel has been encouraged by the generally positive response to the *Case for Sustainable Chang*. Pointing out that, as the Panel has repeatedly argued, the evidence is overwhelming that 'no change is not an option' – there are major problems that must be addressed. Pointing out further information on the Review is available from the Panel's website: www.localgovernmentreview.nsw.gov.au

0375 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that the information be noted.

**10.21 MANAGER - BLUE LIGHT & YOUTH PERFORMANCE – PCYC
C8+P5(39847)**

Offering Coonamble the opportunity to be part of the Blue Light tour with a proposed date identified for an event in Coonamble on 9 April 2013 – saying it is for under 18s and held from 6.30 pm to 9.00 pm. Pointing out Council would be required to provide a suitable venue and refreshments (sausage sizzle or canteen) at no cost to NSW Blue Light. Saying they would also appreciate the support and attendance of local Police.

Councillors noted that the Director of Corporate and Community Services has accepted the offer and is liaising with the organisers to have the event in Coonamble during Youth Week.

0376 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that the information be noted.

Councillor Walker reported having attended the Coonamble High School recently and witnessed a hip hop group, which travels from school to school, working with students. He commended the group and said the students were very involved and had great rapport with members of the group. The Director of Corporate and Community Services informed the meeting that Council was involved in this venture through its Community Development staff.

11.0 REPORT BY GENERAL MANAGER

0377 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs.Karanouh and Keady that the General Manager's report be received and dealt with.

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11.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

0378 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Webb that Council note Complying Development Certificate Application Nos. 002/1023 and 004/2013 were approved under delegated authority since the last meeting and no Development Applications were approved since last meeting.

11.2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY – COONAMBLE SHIRE COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

0379 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that Council note the information contained in the Coonamble Shire Council Community Engagement and Communications Plan.

At this juncture, 10.35 a.m., the meeting adjourned for morning tea and resumed at 10.55 a.m. Council's Manager of Environmental Services was in attendance to address Council on its intention to review the LEP.

The Manager distributed maps and a matrix to Council and explained areas of the LEP that can be reviewed. He said Council should study its current document and give considerable thought as to what it wishes to change as this is probably the only opportunity it will have to vary the plan. He encouraged Councillors to speak with him regarding their intentions and he would pass them on to the consultant engaged to present Council's plan to the Department of Planning.

Mr Cock said there will be a public meeting on Tuesday evening 9 April concerning the Development Control Plans and he said all Councillors should attend because Council's Consultant would be present to answer questions.

11.3 COONAMBLE LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN

0380 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Schieb that the information contained in the Coonamble Local Environmental Plan 2011 be noted.

11.4 INTEGRATED PLANNING & REPORTING PLANNING PROCESS

0381 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Karanouh that the following time table for the preparation of the 2013 – 2017 Delivery Program and Operational Plan be adopted:

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Function</i>
Wednesday 10 April	Draft Delivery Program & Operational Plan to be considered as part of the April 2013 Council Meeting and placed on public exhibition
Tuesday 14 May	Public meeting (evening) for Council to present its Delivery Program & Operational Plan to the Community.
Friday 17 May	Submissions from the public close
Wednesday 12 June	Delivery Program & Operational Plan adopted (at normal monthly Council meeting)

11.5 NOTICE OF MOTION

Donation to Coonamble Senior Citizens Association

0382 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Keady and Karanouh that Council donate \$500 to the Coonamble Senior Citizens Association from its Donations Vote for activities during Seniors Week in March 2013.

12.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES

0383 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Karanouh that the report by the Director of Corporate and Community Services be received and dealt with.

12.1 RATE COLLECTIONS

0384 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Karanouh that the Total Combined Rate Collections to 28 February 2013, be noted.

In response to a question from Cr. Karanouh, the General Manager outlined the actions taken by staff to notify ratepayers who have outstanding rates, prior to the matter being handed to Council's debt collection agency.

12.2 LIST OF INVESTMENTS

0385 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Schieb and Walker that the list of investments as 28 February 2013 be noted, and it also be noted that Council's investments comply with s625(2) of Local Government Act 1993 and Council's Investment Policy.

12.3 MODEL PRIVACY MANAGEMENT PLAN

0386 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that Council endorse the Model Privacy Management Plan for Local Government which was submitted to the meeting, and place the document on public exhibition for the prescribed period, inviting submissions prior to formally adopting the policy taking into consideration any submissions received.

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12.4 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

0387 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Keady that the Equal Employment Opportunity Management Plan be adopted, noting that the Plan was adopted in November 2011 and this is the annual review in accordance with Action 4.3 of the Plan.

12.5 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS

0388 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Webb that the items detailed in the Community Development Progress report be noted.

In response to a question from Cr Keady, the Director said that the Burglar Beware Project is in its second stage, the first having been completed last year. She said there may be more funding available from the Attorney General's Department to continue this project. Ms Tasker said there has been a lot of interest and enquiries from eligible persons.

13.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT, COMMERCIAL & URBAN SERVICES

0389 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that the report by the Director of Development, Commercial and Urban Services be received and dealt with.

13.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER'S REPORT

0390 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that the information contained in the Economic Development Manager's report be noted.

The following items from the report were discussed:

- Covered Arena – meeting with the Project Officer – very involved process for submission to the next stage for funding. DA is currently on display – it will be approved by GM under delegated authority when closing time for submissions expires – ie 27 March 2013.
- Cr Karanouh provided an update on abattoirs
- Jobs Skills Expo – Director advised that the organisation of this has been given to the HR Manager.

URGENT BUSINESS

0391 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that the following item be classified "urgent business" and dealt with.

13.1A CARAVAN PARK+ECO SPA STAGE 2 – INVESTMENT READY

0392 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Schieb that:

- (a) Council note the General Manager will determine the Development Application under delegated authority;

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- (b) following approval of the Investor Brief, with adjustments approved by the General Manager, commence proceedings in calling for expressions of interest;
- (c) continue proceedings to purchase the land required for the development of the Eco Spa, together with the rest of Smith Park in its entirety;
- (d) upon completion of the process, classify the land as 'operational'.

13.2 TOURISM DEVELOPMENT MANAGER'S REPORT

0393 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that the information contained in the Tourism Development Manager's report be noted.

Councillors discussed various projects outlined in the report, including:

- Inland NSW Tourism's Regional Destination Management Plan – Council has been invited to host a destination management planning workshop on 2 May. Cr Keady said items for funding must be included in the Destination Management Plan (DMP) – business and community involvement is required. He said Council should push the Marshes as a destination, with the anchor point being Quambone. It was noted that the tourist events are rodeo, moorambilla and marshes. Cr Keady said it is paramount to get National Parks to work with Council.

13.3 FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT, SUSTAINABILITY & BENCHMARKING REPORT

0394 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Schieb that the item on Financial Assessment, Sustainability and Benchmarking Report prepared by NSW Treasury Corporation (TCORP) which was submitted to the meeting be noted.

13.4 WORKS IN PROGRESS UPDATE

0395 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that the information contain in this report be noted.

14.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES

0396 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that the report by the Director of Engineering Services be received and dealt with.

14.1 EXTENSION OF COONAMBLE LANDFILL SITE

0397 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Keady that Council:

- (1) negotiate with the LHPA and Crown Lands to acquire a portion of approximately 16 hectares of land being Part TSR 24312 by way of the compulsory process and further, Council make application to the Minister of Local Government seeking approval from the Governor to acquire the land using the compulsory process;

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- (2) reclassify the land being acquired under the compulsory process under section 31 of the Local Government Act to operational land and further, pursuant to section 34 of the Local Government Act, give public notice of its intention to reclassify the land;
- (3) engage a Registered Surveyor to survey the parcel of land and lodgment of the deposited plan with the Land Titles Office;
- (4) engage Councils Solicitors to commence the legal proceedings of formally acquiring the land and lodging of the deposited plan.

14.2 COONAMBLE LANDFILL SITE

0398 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Webb that :

- (1) Council make application to the Minister of Local Government seeking approval under section 14(3) of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 to reissue the proposed acquisition notice in respect to lots 1 and 2 DP 1007782 being Crown land;
- (2) Under section 31 of the Local Government Act, the land being acquired under the compulsory process will be classified as operational land and further pursuant to section 34 of the Local Government Council give public notice of its intention to classify the land as operational

14.3 CAR PARKING – COONAMBLE POOL

0399 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Walker that Council take no further action regarding a designated car park at this stage.

Cr Keady suggested that Council set money aside for a future car park. He referred to safety issues with pool parking when carnivals are being held and/or when training is in progress.

14.4 WORKS IN PROGRESS - UPDATE

0400 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Karanouh that the information contained in this report be noted.

- Quarry Operations – Cr Schieb was advised that the quarry is operating satisfactorily at this stage.
- The Director advised that a letter will be written to the current lessee of the land on which Council wishes to expand its operations to gain his agreement to Council's proposal.
- Testing of material from Quarry – the Director said he would liaise with landholders regarding use of this material as fertilizer.

15.0 REPORT FROM MANAGER OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

0401 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that the report by the Manager of Environmental Services be received and dealt with.

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15.1 RANGER'S REPORT – NOVEMBER 2012

0402 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Karanouh that the report by the Ranger for the month of February 2013 be noted.

16.0 REPORTS BY VARIOUS COMMITTEES

0403 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Karanouh that the report by various committees be received and dealt with.

16.1 Notes from Employment Circle Meeting

0404 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Karanouh that the notes from the Coonamble Employment Circle meeting held on 26 February 2013 be noted.

17.0 SALEYARDS REPORT

0405 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that the report by the Manager of Saleyards & Facilities for month of February 2013 be noted.

It was noted that Council was successful in obtaining HVSPF funding of \$128,000 to install a second double decker ramp, plus retro fitting slam-shut gates into delivery pens and that Council committed \$30,000 of its own funds for this project.

19.0 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE Nil

20.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Director of Development, Commercial & Urban Services:

- Advised swimming pools will close on Thursday 28 March 2013.
- Rubbish bins in main street will be installed week commencing 18 March.

Cr Walker:

- Oval lights are left on when training is finished – what can be done about wastage of power. The Director of Engineering Services said he supports the General Manager in having timers/lock installed.

Sportsground Lighting

0406 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Walker that a timing mechanism be utilised to enable lights to be turned on for the duration of time requested by the sporting organisation and automatically switch off at the conclusion of the period.

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Cr Karanouh:

- District Court in Coonamble – due to problems being experienced with transport of prisoners it is likely that District Court in Coonamble will be discontinued. The General Manager said he would make investigations and write to the Attorney General.
- Heavy Vehicle Inspection Station – advised the RMS is not keen to continue its involvement in this project in Coonamble. The General Manager said he would follow this up with the RMS.
- Pavers in front of Commonwealth Bank – need to be cleaned and rubbish in the area in front of the Museum needs to be collected.
- Men's toilets – Gulargambone Memorial Hall – need work urgently.
- Women's Refuge – Council should budget \$100,000 and seek grants so that a refuge can be built or purchased.

Cr Keady:

- Santos representatives should not be invited to a meeting to address Council – we have resolved we do not support CSG operations – why invite them. Thought it more fitting to meet 'on site' and Council should inspect other sites to see first hand result of mining activities.

A MOTION

PROPOSED by Cr Keady **SECONDED** by Cr Karanouh that Council not agree to Santos representatives attending the April meeting to address Council on issues pertaining to CSG mining, **was lost 4 votes/2 votes in favour of their attendance.**

- Position of Grants Officer – The Director said she would check with the Manager of Human Resources the name of the successful applicant – only one person interviewed was suitable for the position.
- Council Structure – the General Manager said there would be very little change to the current organisational structure.

Mayor:

- Catholic Church, Gulargambone – trees damaged during storms. Asked whether Council can arrange to have the area cleaned up.
- Gulargambone Memorial Hall – men's toilets need urgent upgrading.
- Gulargambone Memorial Hall – request has been made for false ceiling to improve acoustics.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.43 p.m.

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MAYOR

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