

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE SHIRE CHAMBER, COONAMBLE ON WEDNESDAY, 10TH
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PRESENT: Cr.Al Karanouh, Mayor, in the Chair, with Crs. Michael Webb, John Walker, Bill Burnheim, Tom Cullen and Don Schieb.
Also present were the General Manager, Mr. Warren, the Director Community Services, Ms Tasker, the Director of Corporate & Urban Services, Mr Quarmby, the Director of Engineering Services, Mr Chudek, the Manager of Environmental Services, Mr Cock 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

No person was present for public question time.

4.0 APOLOGIES

1473 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Karanouh that an apology for non attendance be accepted from Cr Keady.

5.0 DEPUTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Council noted that Ms Roslyn Florie-George, Business Manager from MRA Consulting Group, would be presenting to Council at 9.30 a.m. on the future strategy of waste management in the Shire

It was also noted that Mr John Smith has resigned from Council's employ after 17 years service – he has been invited to accompany Council to lunch.

6.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Three declarations of interest were disclosed :

Cr Don Schieb	Coonamble Community Radio Inc Committee Member	(Item 10.2)
Cr John Walker	As above	(Item 10.2)
Cr Bill Burnheim	Member of RDA Board	(Item 19.1)

PRESENTATION – MRA CONSULTING GROUP BUSINESS MANAGER

At this juncture, Ms Florie-George was welcomed to the meeting. She provided Council with a general overview of waste generation in NSW, the technology available and the economics of waste. Ms Florie-George outlined the six steps of the strategy for Coonamble Shire as being:

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1. reduce waste generation
2. improve existing services
3. increase diversion from landfill
4. identify and cost best practice waste management
5. review current illegal dumping practices
6. prepare tender specifications to achieve strategy objectives.

She also spoke about recyclables and garden organics, as well as hazardous/liquid waste. Ms Florie-George pointed out that challenges for rural communities are transport cost, processing costs (small tonnes), community expectations, increasing costs of waste management, rehabilitation of landfill sites, together with community education and contamination rates. However, she said that opportunities such as land availability, buffer distances and market for organic products are available to rural areas.

Councillors were made aware of grant funding opportunities - Ms Florie-George said that there are quite a few avenues available to assist with funding for waste management. Councillors asked about carbon credits, composting, recycling of glass and tyres. Ms Florie-George thanked Council and said she would return to present her report when completed. She left the meeting at 9.35 a.m.

7.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

1474 (i) Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting – 6 May 2014

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Cullen that the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Coonamble Shire Council held on 6 May 2015 be confirmed.

(ii) Minutes of Ordinary Meeting – 13 May 2014

1475 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Schieb that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Coonamble Shire Council held on 13 May 2015 be confirmed.

Business Arising from Minutes:

(i) Sureway – Work for the Dole

Cr Schieb referred to projects that may be available for 'work for the dole', which he understands will become law on 1 July 2015. He said Council should take advantage of the opportunity to work with Sureway.

Cr Schieb referred to the urgent need to address the noxious weed issue and referred to Mimosa Bush, which has been identified within the Shire. Cr Cullen said every landholder must do his bit to keep individual properties free of noxious weed.

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Cr Webb said that at the last meeting of the Castlereagh-Macquarie County Council, information was that Form 18 notices had been issued and the process has been commenced. The Mayor suggested to the two delegates on the Committee (Crs Webb and Schieb) to raise the issue of weed control at every meeting to keep it on the agenda.

8.0 RESOLUTION BOOK UPDATE

1476 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Cullen and Burnheim that the Resolution Book Update be received and noted.

Coonamble Shire Economic Development Committee

Cr Burnheim informed Councillors that the Economic Development Committee meeting was held on 9 June 2015 – he said that the Committee prioritised the weir as its No 1 project, followed by expanding and improving the caravan park and then the racecourse water as Nos 2 and 3 respectively. Both Crs Burnheim and Cullen referred to the impact the ongoing drought is having and said that approximately 45% of the Shire is still in serious drought. Cr Burnheim referred to drought funding of approximately \$1m which is available and pointed out that one of the conditions is that local people be employed.

The General Manager said that Council will be invited to participate in this funding scheme and said that guidelines have not yet been released.

9.0 MAYORAL REPORT & ACTIVITIES UPDATE

The Mayor reported on his activities since the last meeting, which included the following:

- Meetings with the General Manager regarding *Fit for the Future* process. The Mayor commented that IPART will allocate one day per council submission.
- Met with Janelle Whitehead, Ted Fernando and another Land Council representative regarding the former youth centre building – enquiries are ongoing.
- Met with Campbelltown City Council representative and was presented with a Plaque commemorating the ANZAC Centenary. The Campbelltown representative also attended the annual rodeo.

1477 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Karanouh that his report be received and noted.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE

1478 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Walker that the Correspondence be received and dealt with.

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Section A – Matters for Consideration by Council:

**10.1 UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY – SCHOOL OF RURAL HEALTH
D7(45429)**

1479 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Cullen that Council inform the University of Sydney – School of Rural Health – that it is unable to contribute to costs associated with the ARCHER Study due to other financial commitments and limited available funds.

At this juncture, Crs Schieb and Walker left the meeting, after declaring an interest in the following item.

10.2 MTM FM 91.9 COONAMBLE COMMUNITY RADIO INC D7(45463)

Requesting Council to consider waiving the rates for 30 Maule Street – estimating that the cost would be approximately \$1,500 annually.

1480 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Cullen and Webb that Council not agree to the request by Coonamble Community Radio Inc to waive rates on its building for the current year.

At this juncture, Crs Schieb and Walker returned to the meeting.

10.3 COONAMBLE RODEO ASSOCIATION D7(45464)

Asking Council to waive hire fees associated with the showground and buildings for the 2015 rodeo and campdraft event, as well as fees payable for use of the saleyards for holding of stock.

In response to a question, the Manager of Environmental Services said the charge for use of the saleyards – casual use – would be \$240.00. It was noted that Council's 'in kind' contribution would be in the vicinity of \$7,000 and Council has already agreed to pay the hire cost of the additional toilets/showers unit.

1481 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Cullen and Webb that Council decline to waive the charges for hire of the showground & facilities and cost associated with the use of the saleyards, noting that Council has already contributed in the vicinity of \$14,000 to the event.

10.4 2WEB OUTBACK RADIO C8-8(45458)

Offering Council an annual promotional package with 2WEB for the 2015/2016 financial year.

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Council was informed that this offer is submitted annually, however the General Manager said Council has not participated in previous years, preferring to support its local community radio station.

1482 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Cullen that Council inform 2WEB Outback Radio that it declines to participate in the annual promotional package for local government, preferring to support its local radio station.

Section B – For Council’s Information:

10.5 MRS LORNA O’BRIEN H1(45421)

Advising she is retiring from the position of secretary of the Coonamble Senior Citizens Association and will be relocating to another area and handing books to Council for safekeeping.

Councillors were informed that the Senior Citizens building is unsafe at the present time, due to the partial collapse of the roof. The Director of Corporate and Urban Services said that a structural engineer has been appointed to inspect this building, along with the RTC, SES and RFS buildings, and provide Council with a report. It was noted that the future of the Senior Citizens building will hinge on the outcome of the report.

Council’s Manager of Environmental Services said when the building was constructed, the roof was too flat and subsequently has fallen in the middle. He said it could be repaired by making a pitched roof at a cost of between \$150,000 and \$200,000. It was felt that this expenditure would not be warranted and Council may be better advised to sell the building.

10.6 KEEP NSW BEAUTIFUL K1(45470)

Advising that this membership year – 2015/2016 – it has expanded membership categories to bring businesses, schools, community groups and individuals into a network of Members and Friends of KNSWB. Forwarding invoice and contact form for completion.

10.7 CANCER INSTITUTE NSW G5-1-2(45499)

Thanking Council for submitting an application for the Cancer Institute NSW Evidence to Practice Grant – Shade Provision. Advising the application has been successful and a grant of \$21,978 (including GST) has been provided.

10.8 CENTRAL WEST LOCAL LAND SERVICES N7(45602)

Advising contact has been made with Weeds Officers from the Castlereagh-Macquarie County Council regarding the boxthorn eradication campaign and arrangements have been made to participate. Saying the Coonamble-based

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field officers will be available to spray boxthorn on LLS managed land during the program.

10.9 OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENT & HERITAGE G5-26(45616)

Acknowledging Council's request for approval to vary the scope of Stage 1 Coonamble Levee Upgrade.

10.10 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW L10-2

Advising LGNSW has made a comprehensive submission to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) Consultation Paper on the Methodology for Assessment of Council *Fit for the Future* proposals. A copy of the submission was included with the business paper.

**10.11 MARK COULTON MP, FEDERAL MEMBER FOR PARKES
R8-13(45623)**

Advising of current and upcoming funding opportunities available from the Australian Government, including:

- 2016/17 round of the Black Spot Program
- Round Two of the National Stronger Regions Fund
- Round Two of the Bridges Renewal Program will open shortly.

Regarding Financial Assistance Grants program, assuring Council that this Government supports and recognises the important role of local governments, particularly in regional and rural areas. .

Cr Schieb referred to two dangerous concrete bridges, both without sides and no approaches. The Director of Engineering Services took note of the location of the structures and said he would inspect them and report back to Council.

In response to a question, the Manager of Environmental Services said Council has applied for NetWaste grants for small transfer stations. The Mayor commented on the tidy condition of the Gulargambone Transfer Station – the Manager said this is due, in part, to the Gular locals taking an interest in the area.

10.12 JAN BARHAM MLC – THE GREENS L4-1(45431)

Asking for support in obtaining improved funding for public libraries in NSW. Asking for Council's support in distributing copies of the petition calling for a Parliamentary Inquiry into Libraries to libraries and within local communities. Saying a petition that obtains 10,000 signatories will ensure that the issue is debated in Parliament.

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10.13 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL – GENERAL PURPOSE STANDING COMMITTEE NO 6 L10-2

Forwarding media release headed *Fit for the Community?* in connection with the Inquiry into the *Fit for the Future reform agenda* and saying it has commenced an inquiry into local government in NSW. Pointing out the closing date for submissions is Sunday 5 July 2015, following which the committee anticipates holding public hearings in Sydney and regional NSW. A copy of the Terms of Reference was included with the business paper.

10.15 COONAMBLE CWA – DAY BRANCH

Inviting staff and Councillors to its 90th Birthday Celebration Lunch at the Coonamble Bowling Club on Saturday 27 June 2015 at 11.30 a.m. Advising that World President of A.C.W.W. Mrs Ruth Shanks AM, will be guest speaker – cost per person \$25.00. Requesting that RSVPs be provided by Monday 22 June 2015.

Councillors Karanouh and Walker indicated they would attend the 90th Birthday Celebration Lunch on 27 June 2015.

1483 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that the information contained in Item Nos. 10.5 to 10.15 be noted.

11.0 REPORT BY GENERAL MANAGER

1484 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Burnheim that the report by the General Manager be received and dealt with.

11.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

1485 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Webb that Council note Development Application No. 015/2015, together with Complying Development Application Nos 022/2015 & 024/2015, were approved under delegated authority since the last meeting.

11.2 COUNCILLOR FEES – LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

1486 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that Council agree to fix fees payable to councillors for 2015/2016 at the mid-point range of \$9,670, with an additional mid-point range for mayor of \$16,445.

11.3 CULTURAL AWARENESS TRAINING

Council noted that, as part of its operational plan, it is committed to promoting role models who demonstrate community respect and in so doing must ensure that councillors have access to training to develop and maintain skills and knowledge required to perform their civic duties.

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1487 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that the General Manager identify suitable training for Councillors to be arranged at a convenient time, noting that the Mayor has indicated he would attend.

11.4 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

In discussing the economic development report, the following issues were mentioned:

- Aircraft Engineering Facility – Council noted the Aero Club is waiting on designs and a final quote for concrete from local business prior to submitting a DA.
- Drought Impact – the BoM model does not include this Shire. Cr Burnheim indicated that the farmers are trying to abolish the BoM model in favour of one that includes all drought affected areas. Councillors noted that impact on the area of this Shire still severely drought stricken is huge – it's one of the main wheat and chick pea growing areas. The Mayor suggested that letters be written to both the State and Federal Ministers for Agriculture and perhaps Council prepare media releases.

1488 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Schieb and Burnheim that the information contained in the Economic Development report be noted.

12.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

1489 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Schieb and Walker that the report by the Director of Community Services be received and dealt with.

12.1 COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRESS

1490 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that the information contained in the Community Services progress report be noted.

(i) Coonamble Alcohol & Drug Advisory Group

The Director reported verbally on the meetings held on 9 June 2015 and advised the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 17 June 2015 at which priority issues will be identified and action groups formed.

At this juncture, 10.35 a.m. the meeting adjourned for morning tea and resumed at 11.00 a.m.

12.2 REGIONAL VISITOR ECONOMY FUND

1491 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Burnheim that Council apply for funding of \$125,000 for the installation of a new cabin and a cabin for disabled persons at the Coonamble Caravan Park, in the sum of \$125,000, noting that matching funds of \$125,000 be sourced from the Caravan Park Reserve.

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12.3 PUBLIC ART POLICY COMMUNITY CONSULTATIONS

1492 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Webb that Council note the community consultation for the Coonamble Shire Public Art Policy occurred between February and May 2015 and note the information contained in the Director's report relative to the consultation.

12.4 PUBLIC ART POLICY

1493 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Webb that Council place the draft Public Art Policy on public exhibition for the prescribed 28 day period, inviting submissions from the public, before formally adopting the policy.

13.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE & URBAN SERVICES

1494 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Walker and Burnheim that the report by the Director of Corporate Services be received and dealt with.

13.1 RATE COLLECTIONS

1495 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that the Total Combined Rate Collections to 31 May 2015 be noted.

13.2 LIST OF INVESTMENTS

1496 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that the list of investments as 31 May 2015 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.

13.3 INVESTMENT POLICY AND INFORMATION

1497 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that Council note the information in the Director's report and guidelines regarding investments by local government and formally adopt the revised Investment Policy as submitted.

13.4 WORKS IN PROGRESS

1498 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Burnheim that the works in progress update be noted.

14.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES

1499 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Schieb that the report by the Director of Engineering Services be received and dealt with.

14.1 WORKS IN PROGRESS

1500 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Webb that the engineering services works in progress update be noted.

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14.2 COONAMBLE SHIRE DRINKING WATER SECURITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Director submitted a comprehensive report on the three drinking water supplies, i.e. Coonamble, Gulargambone and Quambone. In the report the Director listed the various parts of each system and provided "risk assessments" for each. Mr Chudek also provided details of what is required to improve the three supplies which totalled \$1,975,000. He pointed out the highest risks to supplies are:

1. Integrity of supply bores and Coonamble WTP capacity and independence.
2. Integrity of the trunk mains.

He said that Reservoir No 3 located at Coonamble Sportsground will be taken out of service on a trial basis to see whether it will have any impact on supply. The Director said that the reservoir cannot be repaired and will eventually be decommissioned.

Cr Cullen questioned why Council should have to outlay additional expenditure for Coonamble water supply, after spending \$5m on the new water treatment plant – the Director said that since the plant has been commissioned, various problems are arising due to ongoing issues. Cr Cullen said Council should make its concerns known to the Public Works Department.

1501 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Cullen that Council identify funding opportunities and apply for a grant of \$1m, noting funds will have to be matched dollar for dollar and, if successful, Council take up loan funds of \$500,000 and source a further \$500,000 from Coonamble Water Reserve for a 10 year period and this be done during the latter part of the 2016/2017 financial year.

Cr Burnheim declared an interest in this matter through Regional Development Australia and took no part in discussions or voting in the above.

15.0 REPORT FROM MANAGER OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

1502 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that the report by the Manager of Environmental Services be received and dealt with.

15.1 RANGER'S REPORT – MAY 2015

1503 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Burnheim that the report provided by the Ranger for the month of May 2015 be noted.

16.0 ADOPTION OF OPERATIONAL PLAN

1504 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Walker and Webb that Council proceed to adopt the Operational Plan as follows:

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16.1 OPERATIONAL PLAN

The General Manager informed the meeting that no submissions were received in relation to the Operational Plan, however suggestions for additional fees for the Museum under the Bridge were put forward.

1505 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that, in accordance with Sections 404 and 405 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council adopt the Operational Plan, after considering submissions received, noting that the Operational Plan was advertised and exhibited for the prescribed period of 28 days, with advertisements being placed in the Coonamble Times on 13 May, 20 May and 27 May 2015.

16.2 ADOPTION OF LEVY OF RATES

1506 RESOLVED on the motion of Cars Karanouh and Schieb that Council adopt the making and levying of rates and charges as follows:

(a) Ordinary Rates

WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan for the year 1/7/2015 to 30/6/2016 was prepared by Council in accordance with S405 and advertised in the Coonamble Times on 13 May, 20 May and 27 May 2015 in accordance with S405 **AND WHEREAS** a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was given and during the period no objections or submissions have been received in making the Ordinary Rates and that in accordance with S492, S493 and S529 of the Local Government Act 1993 the following ordinary rates be made and levied on all ratable land within the Shire for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016:

Type of Rate	Cents in \$	Minimum (\$548)
Ordinary	1.24	420.00
Farmland	0.415	350.00
Small Rural Holdings	0.701	465.00
Rural Residential	0.66	420.00
Business	2.150	480.00

(b) User Charges - Water and Sewerage

WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan for the year 1/7/2015 to 30/6/2016 was prepared by Council in accordance with S405 and advertised in the Coonamble Times on 13 May, 20 May and 27 May 2015 in accordance with S405 **AND WHEREAS** a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was given and during the period no objections or submissions have been received in making the User Charges and that in accordance with S501 and S502 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council levy on such land on which water and sewerage is connected or able to be connected in accordance with S552 as follows:

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(i) Water:

Town/Village	Access Charge (\$)	Usage Charge 1 st Tier (c/kl)	2 nd Tier Pricing Limit (kl)	Usage Charge 2 nd Tier (c/kl)
Coonamble	210.00	70	370	1.10
Gulargambone	272.00	80	430	1.25
Quambone	272.00	80	430	1.25

Item	Coonamble (\$)	Gulargambone (\$)	Quambone (\$)
Access charge (20mm metre)	210.00	272.00	272.00
Access charge (25mm metre)	330.00	427.00	427.00
Access charge (40mm metre)	840.00	1,088.00	1,088.00
Access charge (50mm metre)	1,313.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
Access charge (75mm metre)	2,953.00	3,824.00	3,824.00
Access charge (80mm metre)	3,360.00	4,352.00	4,352.00
Access charge (100mm metre)	5,250.00	6,800.00	6,800.00

(ii) Sewer:

Council has adopted a user charge applicable to residential and commercial use – there is no land value based charge.

Residential:

Town/Village	Annual Domestic Charge (\$)
Coonamble – Residential	479.00
Gulargambone – Residential	660.00
Coonamble - Flats	402.00
Gulargambone – Flats	551.00

Non-Residential:

The sewer charge for non-residential services is at minimum charge of:

Coonamble	\$479.00 and
Gulargambone	\$660.00

Non-residential services are also subject to sewer discharge factor (usage charge) related to water consumption. Further information is contained in Council's Water and Sewer Management Plan.

Treatment Charge – per kilolitre:

Coonamble	88 cents/kl
Gulargambone	104 cents/kl

(c) Domestic Waste Management Service (Garbage)

WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan for the year 1/7/2015 to 30/6/2016 was prepared by Council in accordance with S405 and advertised in the Coonamble Times on 13 May, 20 May and 27 May 2015 in accordance

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with S405 **AND WHEREAS** a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was given and during the period no objections or submissions have been received in making the Domestic Waste Management (Garbage) Rates and that in accordance with s496 and s501 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council levy a charge for the year 1 July, 2015 to 30 June, 2016 as follows:

Coonamble	\$280.00
Gulargambone	\$365.00
Quambone	\$315.00
Vacant Land	\$ 48.00

Commercial Waste Management Charge:

Coonamble	\$280/service
Gulargambone	\$365/service
Quambone	\$315/service

(d) Interest on Outstanding Rates and Charges

In accordance with section 566 (3) of the Local Government Act 1993, interest on outstanding rates and charges is set as per the Determination of the Minister for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June, 2016 @ 8.5%.

(e) Fees and Charges:

(i) Submission – Proposed Fees & Charges 2015/2016

Council has received a suggestion from the Grants and Events Officer to consider including charges for entry to and use of grounds at the Museum under the Bridge.

1507 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that Council approve the following charges applicable to admission to and use of grounds at the Museum under the Bridge be included in the adopted Fees and Charges for 2015/2016:

- \$2.00 admission fee per adult
- \$1.00 admission fee per child
- \$100.00 for use of grounds (including toilets and electricity) for functions and community events (excluding access to the exhibition buildings)
- \$150.00 for use of grounds (including toilets and electricity) for functions and community events (including access to the exhibition buildings).

WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan for the year 1/7/2015 to 30/6/2016 was prepared by Council in accordance with S405 and advertised in the Coonamble Times on 13 May, 20 May and 27 May 2015 in accordance with S405 **AND WHEREAS** a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was given and during the period one submission was received

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regarding making of the fees and charges and in accordance with S501 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council adopt the fees and charges for period 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, **AND FURTHER** that Council, in setting these charges, examined the criteria detailed in S539.

16.3. ADOPTION OF 2015/2016 ESTIMATES

1508 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Walker that Council hereby votes for expenditure for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016 the sums set out in the draft estimates considered by Council on 6 May 2015 and advertised in the Coonamble Times on 13 May, 20 May and 27 May 2015, which are as follows:

<i>Details</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Income</i>
Administration	8,904,550	12,044,926
Public Order & Safety	374,954	116,300
Health	375,250	3,300
Environment	994,065	457,650
Community Services & Education	119,266	2,800
Housing & Community Amenities	307,930	175,400
Water Supplies	1,244,195	1,413,080
Sewerage Services	1,179,457	1,018,312
Recreation & Culture	1,626,492	82,300
Mining, Manufacturing & Construction	1,812,480	1,831,580
Transport & Communication	6,487,826	4,397,144
Economic Services	688,632	291,770
Capital – General	7,364,575	5,758,950
Capital – Water	533,055	-
Capital – Sewerage	557,687	269,210
TOTAL	32,520,414	27,862,722

17.0 REPORTS FROM VARIOUS COMMITTEES

1509 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Cullen and Schieb that reports from various committees, listed hereunder, be noted.

17.1 *Coonamble Heritage & Museum Advisory Committee meeting on 22 May 2015.*

17.2 *Coonamble Employment Circle meeting on 19 May 2015. – Regarding the river cleanup - Cr Schieb asked the result of the community survey at the Show. The General Manager said he was not aware and would make enquiries and advise Cr Schieb.*

Cr Schieb again referred to the Work for the Dole and suggested that jobs in rural areas, as well as urban areas, be identified, citing weed control, cemeteries, general tidy up of urban areas, showground fencing and painting. It was felt that Sureway should correspond with Council so that plans can be made to utilise the unemployed persons on its books.

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Cr Burnheim said Sureway should apply to work in partnership with Council and both parties sign a contract. He asked whether training could be provided to individuals – the General Manager said he has no problem with individual placements who could be given clerical work or office duties at the VIC.

17.3 Coonamble Shire Economic Development Committee meeting on 12 May 2015

1510 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Webb and Schieb that the minutes of the Economic Development Committee meeting held on 12 May 2015 be received and noted.

The Mayor informed the meeting that the abattoirs are going forward, having satisfied requirements of the EPA, refrigeration and offal containers have been received, security cameras have been installed and a local plumber has completed underground piping.

18.0 SALEYARDS REPORT

1511 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Webb that the Saleyards report, Item Nos 18.1 and 18.2, be received and noted.

19.0 CLOSED SESSION

1512 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Walker and Burnheim that Council resolve into Closed Session, in accordance with section 10A of the Local Government Act 1993 “*section 2 (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business*”.

RESUME OPEN MEETING

1513 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Cullen that Council resume Open Meeting.

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF CLOSED SESSION

1514 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Cullen that Council adopt the recommendations from Closed Session, being Recommendation Nos. 19.1 and 19.2 as set out hereunder:

19.1 Tender Evaluation Report – Provision of Bitumen Spray Sealing – TO51516OROC

That Council agrees

(i) to select the four suppliers that best suit its operation in no ranked order as panel suppliers for the period 1/7/2015 to 30/6/2018; and

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(ii) that provision be allowed for a 12 month extension based on satisfactory supplier performance, which may take this contract through to 30/6/2019, noting the four best suppliers are:
RPQ Spray Seal Pty Ltd (t/a NSW Spray Seal Pty Ltd)
SRS Road Services Pty Ltd
Fulton Hogan Pty Ltd
Downer EDI Works – Asphalt.

19.2 Tender Evaluation Reort – Plant Replacement – Tender 15-01
That Council award the tender submitted by Westrac (Sloanebuilt Trailers) for supply, delivery and trade of three trucks and three dog trailers at a price of \$608,850.

20.0 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

21.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Burnheim:

- Advised he attended the drought meeting held at Come-by-Chance recently.

Cr Webb:

- Referred to the Certificate of Appreciation awarded to Council from the RFS – Council was nominated by a volunteer as a supportive employer.

General Manager:

- Advised the revised template - *Fit for the Future* - has been received – scale and capacity is included – some subtle changes have been made to the template. Informed Council that the document will be ready on Friday and a copy delivered to Councillors for review. GM said Council must pass a resolution adopting the proposal. The Mayor said he would like to have a meeting on Monday 15 June to finalise the submission.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 12.46 p.m.

Pages (1/5676 to 18/5691) were confirmed on the EIGHTH day of JULY 2015 and are a full and accurate record of proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting of Coonamble Shire Council held on 10 JUNE 2015.

MAYOR

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