



MINUTES

**Extraordinary Council Meeting
Tuesday, 3 June 2025**

**MINUTES OF COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE SHIRE CHAMBER, COONAMBLE
ON TUESDAY, 3 JUNE 2025 AT 5.00 PM**

PRESENT: Mayor Daniel Keady, Deputy Mayor Steven Butler, Cr Adam Cohen, Cr Paul Fisher, Cr Margaret Garnsey, Cr Phillipa Goldsmith, Cr Ahmad Karanouh, Cr Paul Wheelhouse

IN ATTENDANCE: Marina Colwell (Executive Support Officer)

1 OPENING MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting at 5.20pm, advising the attendees of the following:

- The meeting is being livestreamed and/or recorded for on-demand viewing via Council's website and a person's image and/or voice may be broadcast;
- Attendance at the meeting is to be taken as consent by a person to their image and/or voice being webcast (time will be allowed by the Chairperson for people to leave the meeting before it starts);
- All speakers should refrain from making any defamatory comments or releasing any personal information about another individual without their consent;
- Council accepts no liability for any damage that may result from defamatory comments made by persons attending the meetings – all liability will rest with the individual who made the comments;
- The recording will be available on Council's website for a minimum of 12 months and retained as a Council record;
- Individuals acting in a disorderly manner can be asked by the Chairperson to leave the meeting under the Council's Code of Meeting Practice;
- The meeting must not be recorded by others without the prior written consent of the Council in accordance with the Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land on which we meet today, the Wailwan people and the Gamilaroi people and recognise their continuing connection to land, water and culture. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

3 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

4 APOLOGIES/APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2025/143

Moved: Cr Phillipa Goldsmith

Seconded: Cr Paul Fisher

That the apology from Cr Churchill be noted and approved.

In Favour: Crs Daniel Keady, Steven Butler, Adam Cohen, Paul Fisher, Margaret Garnsey, Phillipa Goldsmith, Ahmad Karanouh and Paul Wheelhouse

Against: Nil

CARRIED 8/0

5 DEPUTATION/DELEGATIONS

6 DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

7 MAYORAL MINUTE

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RESOLUTION 2025/144

Moved: Mayor Daniel Keady

Seconded: Cr Ahmad Karanouh

That the Mayoral Minute – Staff be referred to closed council pursuant to section 10A(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW) on the grounds that the matter deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

FURTHER that council resolve that:

- 1. Council go into closed council to consider business relating to confidential information.**
- 2. Pursuant to section 10A(1)-(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW), the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of section 10A(2) as outlined above.**
- 3. The correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW).**

In Favour: Crs Daniel Keady, Steven Butler, Adam Cohen, Paul Fisher, Margaret Garnsey, Phillipa Goldsmith, Ahmad Karanouh and Paul Wheelhouse

Against: Nil

CARRIED 8/0

8 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

RECOMMENDATION

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

8.1 Mayoral Minute

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - a of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

RESOLUTION 2025/145

Moved: Cr Margaret Garnsey

Seconded: Cr Paul Fisher

That Council resolve to provide the Mayor with the authority to negotiate with the General Manager in respect to his employment contract.

In Favour: Crs Daniel Keady, Steven Butler, Adam Cohen, Paul Fisher, Margaret Garnsey, Phillipa Goldsmith, Ahmad Karanouh and Paul Wheelhouse

Against: Nil

CARRIED 8/0

At 6.25 pm, Cr Phillipa Goldsmith left the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2025/146

Moved: Cr Ahmad Karanouh

Seconded: Cr Paul Fisher

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council at 6.38pm.

In Favour: Crs Daniel Keady, Steven Butler, Adam Cohen, Paul Fisher, Margaret Garnsey, Ahmad Karanouh and Paul Wheelhouse

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

9 CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

The Meeting closed at 6.39pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council held on 18 June 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON