



MEETING OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday 1 December 2020

6:00pm

Community Hub

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

Liesbeth Long

Gerard Murphy

Wayne Sproull

Geoff Lovett

Grace La Vella

Chris Meddows-Taylor (Mayor)

Anna de Villiers

Confirmed at the Council Meeting
held on 15 December 2020

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1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING AND WELCOME

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm
The Mayor, Cr Meddows-Taylor welcomed everybody.

IN ATTENDANCE

Councillors

Chris Meddows-Taylor (Mayor)
Liesbeth Long
Gerard Murphy
Wayne Sproull
Geoff Lovett
Grace La Vella
Anna de Villiers

Officers

Chief Executive Officer, Lucy Roffey
Acting General Manager Corporate Performance, David Anderson
General Manager Community Wellbeing, Martin Collins
General Manager Infrastructure Assets and Planning, Rebecca Stockfeld
Manager Business Transformation, David Oliver

2. APOLOGIES

Nil

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

To present for confirmation the minutes of the Council Meetings held on 20 October 2020, 27 October 2020, 16 November 2020 and 17 November 2020.

Council Resolution

That Council confirms the Minutes of the Council Meetings held on 20 October 2020, 27 October 2020, 16 November 2020 and 17 November 2020.

Moved Cr Meddows-Taylor
Seconded Cr La Vella

CARRIED

6. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Nil

7. PETITIONS

Nil

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8. OFFICER REPORTS

8.1 ADVOCACY REGARDING CLOSURE OF TARGET STORE

The purpose of this report is to provide options for Council to consider in response to the proposed closure of the Maryborough Target store by its parent company, Wesfarmers Ltd. The Target store is expected to close in March 2021. Council has an opportunity to express to Wesfarmers its disappointment in the decision given the impact on High Street and loss of local employment. Correspondence to Wesfarmers could include requesting that increasing employment opportunities at its Kmart store be considered.

Council Resolution

That Council:

- 1. Write to Wesfarmers Ltd to express its disappointment in the decision to close the Maryborough Target store, given the loss of local employment and potential flow-on impacts on the shire's core retail precinct, and request that increasing employment opportunities at its Kmart be considered; and*
- 2. Refer the development of a comprehensive retail strategy to the processes for establishing the next Council Plan and Budget*

Moved **Cr De Villiers**
Seconded **Cr Long**

CARRIED

8.2 S 11A INSTRUMENT OF APPOINTMENT AND AUTHORISATION

The purpose of this report is to recommend Council approve the S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation for a Statutory Planner and a Compliance Officer.

The S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation appoints Council staff under the Planning and Environment Act 1987, which allows them to fully discharge their duties and responsibilities under that Act.

Council Resolution

- 1. That Council adopt the attached S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation for the members of Council staff set out in the Instrument.*
- 2. The attached S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation comes into force immediately and remains in force until Council determines to vary or revoke it.*
- 3. That the attached S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation be signed.*

Moved **Cr La Vella**
Seconded **Cr Lovett**

CARRIED

8.3 COUNCIL PLAN ACTION PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on the status of the projects identified in the 2020-21 Action Plan.

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Council Resolution

That Council note the status of the projects identified in the 2020-21 Action Plan.

Moved **Cr La Vella**
Seconded **Cr Murphy**

CARRIED

8.4 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMITTEES AND ORGANISATIONS

Councillors have the option to be appointed to various committees and statutory or regional bodies. The purpose of this report is to provide information to Council regarding current Committees of Council, Council representation committees and to seek appointments to these bodies.

Council Resolution.

That Council nominate its representatives to the committees and organisations as detailed in the table below:

Committee/Statutory Body	Representative
<i>Municipal Association of Victoria</i>	<i>Cr La Vella* (Primary nominee) and Cr De Villiers</i>
<i>Audit and Risk Committee</i>	<i>Cr Murphy and Cr Lovett</i>
<i>Australia Day Committee</i>	<i>All Councillors</i>
<i>Rural Councils Victoria</i>	<i>Cr Lovett</i>
<i>Grampians Central West Waste and Resource Recovery Group</i>	<i>Cr Sproull</i>
<i>Rail Freight Alliance</i>	<i>Cr Meddows-Taylor</i>
<i>Economic Development Taskforce</i>	<i>Cr La Vella and Cr Sproull</i>
<i>Central Victoria Greenhouse Alliance</i>	<i>Cr Long</i>
<i>Municipal Emergency Management Committee</i>	<i>Cr De Villiers</i>
<i>Municipal Fire Management Committee</i>	<i>Cr Murphy</i>
<i>Adelaide Lead Hall Committee</i>	<i>Cr Meddows-Taylor</i>
<i>Daisy Hill Community Centre Committee</i>	<i>Cr Meddows-Taylor</i>
<i>Dunolly Historic Precinct Management Committee</i>	<i>Cr Long</i>
<i>Talbot Town Hall Committee</i>	<i>Cr Meddows-Taylor</i>

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Energy Breakthrough Committee	Cr Long
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Moved Cr Sproull
Seconded Cr La Vella

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9 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING CONFIRMATION REPORT

Nil

10 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

11 URGENT BUSINESS

Council Resolution

That an issue associated with the Maryborough Aerodrome be considered as an item of urgent business.

Moved Cr Lovett
Seconded Cr La Vella

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Maryborough Aerodrome

That the elected Council meet with representatives of the Maryborough Aero Club, hangar lessees and shire staff in an effort to:

- 1. Identify any problematic issues that are outstanding*
- 2. See how they can be resolved to everyone's satisfaction*

Such a meeting to be held at the earliest possible time, and to be chaired by the Mayor.

Moved Cr Lovett
Seconded Cr La Vella

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12 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

13 MEETING CLOSURE

The Chair, Cr Meddows-Taylor declared the meeting closed at 6.28 pm.



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