

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE BARCALDINE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 71 ASH STREET, BARCALDINE  
ON TUESDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2021  
COMMENCING AT 8.30AM**

**ATTENDANCE**

Councillor S Dillon (Mayor) (In the Chair), Councillor M Rogers (Deputy Mayor),  
Councillors D Arthur, T Gleeson, C Hansen, G Peoples and R Plumb.

**OFFICERS**

B Walsh (Acting Chief Executive Officer), D Howard (District Manager – Alpha and Jericho),  
P Coulton (District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra), J Lawrence (District Manager –  
Barcaldine), V Adamek (Director of Works), S Habib (Finance Officer), D Young (Minute  
Secretary).

**PRAYER**

Officer Howard read the prayer.

**CONDOLENCES**

A minute's silence was observed to mark the passing of the late Mrs Shirley Roberts of Alpha,  
Mr Pat Ogden of Barcaldine and Mr Alf Sanderson formerly of Barcaldine.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE – Nil**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS**

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional owners of the land; past, present and emerging.

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

**Prescribed Conflicts of Interest**

**Councillor Peoples under items 3.3.3, 3.4.2 and 3.8.1** – continuing declaration from a prior  
meeting.

**Councillor Arthur under items 3.1.1, 3.1.2 and 3.3.9** – continuing declaration from a prior  
meeting.

**Councillor Hansen under item 3.3.3** – Councillor Hansen informed the meeting he has a  
Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the Planning and Development Report, includes a  
development application for approval lodged by his son, Michael Hansen.

**Councillor Dillon under item 3.3.10** – Councillor Dillon informed the meeting he has a  
Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the Inquiry into the Independent Assessor Report, as he  
currently has an unresolved matter before the Office of the Independent Assessor.

**Councillor Arthur under item 3.3.10** – Councillor Arthur informed the meeting he has a  
Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the Inquiry into the Independent Assessor Report, as he  
currently has an unresolved matter before the Office of the Independent Assessor.

**Declarable Conflicts of Interest**

**Councillor Rogers under item 3.4.2** – continuing declaration from a prior meeting.

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Dillon** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**  
**2021/11/360** **That Councillor Rogers may participate in the discussion of and vote on this matter despite the Councillor's conflict of interest.**

**Carried**  
6/0

*Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples and Plumb voted for the motion.*

**Councillor Rogers under item 3.3.9** – Councillor Rogers informed the meeting that she has a Declared Conflict of Interest in the Roads – Interim Response to Council report, as she is the creator of the Lake Dunn Sculpture Trail which is located on roads mentioned in this report.

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Hansen**  
**2021/11/361** **That Councillor Rogers may participate in the discussion of and vote on this matter despite the Councillor's conflict of interest.**

**Carried**  
5/0

*Councillors Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples and Plumb voted for the motion.  
Councillor Arthur did not vote as he had Prescribed Conflict of Interest in this item.*

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**GIFTS AND BENEFITS – Nil**

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**BUSINESS**

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**1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Plumb** **Seconded Cr Rogers**  
**2021/11/362** **That the minutes of the General Meeting of Barcaldine Regional Council held on the 19 October 2021 be received.**

**Carried**  
7/0

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Hansen**  
**2021/11/363** **That the minutes of the General Meeting of Barcaldine Regional Council held on the 19 October 2021 be confirmed.**

**Carried**  
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**2. PETITIONS – Nil**

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### 3. REPORTS

#### 3.1 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Councillor Arthur declared a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the following two reports and left the meeting at 8.50am.

**Resolution:**                      **Moved Cr Peoples**    **Seconded Cr Plumb**  
**2021/11/364**                      **That Council closes the meeting to the public in accordance with Section 254J (3)(g) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, as the following two resolutions relates to a commercial matter involving Council for which a public discussion would be like to prejudice the interests Council.**

**Carried**  
6/0

**Resolution:**                      **Moved Cr Plumb**    **Seconded Cr Peoples**  
**2021/11/365**                      **That Council reopens the meeting.**

**Carried**  
6/0

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#### 3.1.1 Tender – Flood Damage Package 11

*Summary:*                      *From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the tender recommendation for the completion of flood damage road repairs under Tender Package 11.*

**Resolution:**                      **Moved Cr Peoples**    **Seconded Cr Plumb**  
**2021/11/366**                      **That Council accepts the tender from Michael Horman Transport Pty Ltd for the completion of Flood Damage Package 11 works for an amount of \$697,001.30 (excluding GST), on the basis that this is the most advantageous to Council.**

**Carried**  
6/0

*Councillors Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples, Plumb and Rogers voted for the motion.*

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#### 3.1.2 Tender – Flood Damage Package 12

*Summary:*                      *From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the tender recommendation for the completion of flood damage road repairs under Tender Package 12.*

**Resolution:**                      **Moved Cr Peoples**    **Seconded Cr Hansen**  
**2021/11/367**                      **That Council accepts the tender from Michael Horman Transport Pty Ltd for the completion of Flood Damage Package 12 works for an amount of \$817,257.03 (excluding GST), on the basis that this is the most advantageous to Council.**

**Carried**  
6/0

*Councillors Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples, Plumb and Rogers voted for the motion.*

Councillor Arthur returned to the meeting at 9.27am.

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### 3.2 MAYOR

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#### 3.2.1 Mayor's Information Report

*Summary: From the Mayor tabling, his information report to Council.*

<b>Resolution:</b> <b>2021/11/368</b>	<b>Moved Cr Dillon</b> <b>That Council receives the report.</b>	<b>Seconded Cr Gleeson</b>	<b>Carried</b> 7/0
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<b>Resolution:</b> <b>2021/11/369</b>	<b>Moved Cr Dillon</b> <b>That Council closes the meeting to the public in accordance with Section 254J (3)(b) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, as this resolution relates to an industrial matter affecting employees.</b>	<b>Seconded Cr Plumb</b>	<b>Carried</b> 7/0
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*Officers were requested to leave the room at 9.46am.*

*The meeting resumed at 10.30am.*

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<b>Resolution:</b> <b>2021/11/370</b>	<b>Moved Cr Gleeson</b> <b>That Council reopens the meeting following the adjournment.</b>	<b>Seconded Cr Plumb</b>	<b>Carried</b> 7/0
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### 3.3 ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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#### 3.3.1 Acting Chief Executive Officer's Information Report

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling his information report to Council.*

<b>Resolution:</b> <b>2021/11/371</b>	<b>Moved Cr Peoples</b> <b>That Council receives the report.</b>	<b>Seconded Cr Gleeson</b>	<b>Carried</b> 7/0
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### 3.3.2 Councillor Information Correspondence

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling a list of significant and relevant correspondence for Councillor Information.*

**Resolution: Moved Cr Gleeson Seconded Cr Peoples**  
**2021/11/372 That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
7/0

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*Councillors Hansen and Peoples declared a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the following report and left the meeting at 11.02am.*

### 3.3.3 Planning and Development Report

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the Planning and Development Report.*

**Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Gleeson**  
**2021/11/373 That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
5/0

*Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Plumb and Rogers voted for the motion.*

*Councillors Hansen and Peoples returned to the meeting at 11.10am.*

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### 3.3.4 2022 Council Meeting Dates

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, proposing dates for the ordinary meetings of Council to be held in 2022.*

**Resolution: Moved Cr Gleeson Seconded Cr Arthur**  
**2021/11/374 That Council holds its ordinary meetings for 2022 in the Barcaldine Council Chambers commencing at 8.30am on the following dates:**

- \* Tuesday 18 January 2022**
- \* Tuesday 15 February 2022**
- \* Tuesday 15 March 2022**
- \* Tuesday 12 April 2022**
- \* Tuesday 17 May 2022**
- \* Tuesday 14 June 2022 (budget adoption)**
- \* Tuesday 12 July 2022**
- \* Tuesday 16 August 2022**
- \* Tuesday 13 September 2022**
- \* Tuesday 11 October 2022**

\* Tuesday 15 November 2022

\* Tuesday 6 December 2022

**Carried**  
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### 3.3.5 Aunt Emma Rail Trail

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the Aunt Emma Rail Trail Feasibility Report.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/375**      **Moved Cr Rogers**      **Seconded Cr Plumb**  
**That Council receives the Report.**

**Carried**  
7/0

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### 3.3.6 Sale of Property – 67 Elm Street, Barcaldine

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, proposing the sale of the property at 67 Elm Street, Barcaldine.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/376**      **Moved Cr Hansen**      **Seconded Cr Peoples**  
**That Council sells, by auction, the property at 67 Elm Street, Barcaldine.**

**Carried**  
7/0

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### 3.3.7 Electricity Supply Reliability

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, proposing an advocacy campaign to secure a reliable electricity supply for Alpha and Muttaborra.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/377**      **Moved Cr Gleeson**      **Seconded Cr Rogers**  
**That Council commences an advocacy campaign to secure a reliable electricity supply.**

**Carried**  
7/0

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*Councillor Dillon vacated the Chair from 11.44-11.49am, with Councillor Rogers acting as Chair for this period.*

### 3.3.8 Principal Cycle Network Plan

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the final draft of the Principal Cycle Network Plan, Priority Route Maps Action Plan for Barcaldine Regional Council.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/378**                      **Moved Cr Hansen**                                      **Seconded Cr Plumb**  
**That Council receives the Action Plan for consultation prior to endorsement at the December meeting of Council.**

**Carried**  
7/0

*Councillor Dillon provided a COVID update following the Premier's Media release from 11.49am and returned to the agenda at 11.58am.*

*Councillor Arthur declared a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the following report and left the meeting at 11.58am.*

### **3.3.9 Roads – Interim Response to Council**

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, providing an interim response to road concerns raised at the October meeting of Council.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/379**                      **Moved Cr Hansen**                                      **Seconded Cr Gleeson**  
**That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
6/0

*Councillor Arthur returned to the meeting at 12.19am.*

*Councillors Dillon and Arthur declared a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the following report and left the meeting at 12.20pm. Councillor Rogers presided in the Chair for this item.*

### **3.3.10 Inquiry into the Independent Assessor**

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling a letter from the Chair of the State Development and Regional Industries Committee of the Queensland Parliament, advising of an Inquiry into the Independent Assessor.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/380**                      **Moved Cr Peoples**                                      **Seconded Cr Plumb**  
**That Council authorises the Acting Chief Executive Officer to provide assistance to Barcaldine Regional Council/Councillors with a submission to the Inquiry.**

**Carried**  
5/0

*Councillors Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples, Plumb and Rogers voted for the motion.*

*Councillors Dillon and Arthur returned to the meeting at 12.32pm.*

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### 3.4 FINANCE

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#### 3.4.1 Financial Report

*Summary: From the Finance Officer, presenting the monthly financial report.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/381**      **Moved Cr Peoples**      **Seconded Cr Plumb**  
**That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
7/0

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*Meeting was adjourned at 12.40pm and recommenced at 1.18pm.*

*Councillor Peoples declared a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the following report and left the meeting at 1.18pm.*

#### 3.4.2 Project Progress Report

*Summary: From the Finance Officer, reporting on the progress of the capital and special operating projects included in the 2022 budget.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/382**      **Moved Cr Gleeson**      **Seconded Cr Plumb**  
**That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
6/0

*Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Plumb and Rogers voted for the motion.*

*Councillor Peoples returned to the meeting at 1.29pm.*

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#### 3.4.3 Community Care Services Report

*Summary: From the Finance Officer, reporting on the operations of the Community Care Services.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/383**      **Moved Cr Hansen**      **Seconded Cr Plumb**  
**That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
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### 3.5 Director of Works Report

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#### 3.5.1 Works Report



*Summary: From the Director of Works, presenting the status of the scope of works assigned to Infrastructure Services.*

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Rogers**  
**2021/11/384** **That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
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### **3.6 DISTRICT MANAGER – ALPHA AND JERICHO**

#### **3.6.1 Information Report**

*Summary: From the District Manager – Alpha and Jericho, submitting to Council the monthly Information Report.*

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Plumb** **Seconded Cr Peoples**  
**2021/11/385** **That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
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### **3.7 DISTRICT MANAGER – ARAMAC AND MUTTABURRA**

#### **3.7.1 Information Report**

*Summary: From the District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra, submitting to Council the monthly Information Report.*

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Arthur**  
**2021/11/386** **That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
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#### **3.7.2 Tender – 7 Gordon Street, Aramac**

*Summary: Council at its meeting of 15 September 2021 resolved to sell by tender L5 SP152777, 7 Gordon Street, Aramac – vacant land.*

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Hansen**  
**2021/11/387** **That Council agrees to sell L5 SP152777, 7 Gordon Street, Aramac to Juanita Brown for the sum of \$4,000.**

**Carried**  
7/0

### 3.7.3 Aramac Showground Amenities

*Summary: Council advertised for sale by tender the Aramac Showground Amenities building.*

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Rogers** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**  
**2021/11/388** **That Council agrees to accept the offer of \$5,000 from Tanya James and Nathan Dickson for the sale and removal of the amenities building located at the Aramac Showground.**

**Carried**  
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### 3.8 DISTRICT MANAGER – BARCALDINE

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*Councillor Peoples declared a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the following report and left the meeting at 1.55pm.*

#### 3.8.1 Information Report

*Summary: From the District Manager – Barcaldine, submitting to Council the monthly information report.*

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Rogers**  
**2021/11/389** **That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
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*Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Plumb and Rogers voted for the motion.*

*Councillor Peoples returned to the meeting at 2.10pm.*

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#### 3.8.2 Request for Donation – Rotary Club of Barcaldine Incorporated

*Summary: From the District Manager – Barcaldine, requesting a Council resolution on a donation to the Rotary Club of Barcaldine Incorporated, to host a Christmas Street Party.*

**Resolution:** **Moved Cr Arthur** **Seconded Cr Rogers**  
**That Council agrees to provide a cash donation of \$2,000 to Rotary Club of Barcaldine Incorporated, to host a Christmas Party on 4 December 2021.**

**Amendment:**  
**2021/11/390** **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Dillon**  
**That the resolution be amended to include that tables, chairs and one generator required be supplied to site of the Christmas Party.**

**Carried**  
5/2

*Councillors Dillon, Hansen, Gleeson, Peoples and Plumb voted for the motion.  
Councillors Arthur and Rogers voted against the motion.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/391          Moved Cr Peoples          Seconded Cr Dillon**  
**That Council agrees to provide a cash donation of \$2,000 plus tables, chairs and one generator to the Rotary Club of Barcaldine Incorporated to host a Christmas Party on 4 December 2021.**

**Carried**  
*5/2*

*Councillors Dillon, Hansen, Gleeson, Peoples and Plumb voted for the motion.  
Councillors Arthur and Rogers voted against the motion.*

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**3.9 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR**

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**3.9.1 Information Report**

*Summary: From the Community Engagement Coordinator submitting the monthly Information Report.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/382          Moved Cr Peoples          Seconded Cr Plumb**  
**That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
*7/0*

**3.10 NOTIFIED MOTIONS - Nil**

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**4. Questions on Notice**

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**4.1.1 Questions on Notice – Responses October Meeting**

*Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the responses to the October Council Meeting Questions on Notice.*

**Resolution: 2021/11/383          Moved Cr Gleeson          Seconded Cr Plumb**  
**That Council receives the report.**

**Carried**  
*7/0*

**4.2 Questions on Notice – November Meeting**

**Cr Gleeson:**

Wild dog baiting: summary of number of landowners that participated in the program comparatively (pre and post user pays) and the volume of meat provided.

**Cr Rogers:**

Shop of Opportunity: request to erect a sign at the waste facility to donate goods to the shop instead of disposing to landfill.

**Cr Plumb:**

Letter received in regards to fence on Capricorn Highway – provide a response to person who wrote letter.

Weekly itinerary from the Mayor to be provided to Councillors for their information – look at sharing calendar/information.

**Cr Arthur:**

Leasing of facilities for community groups at showgrounds – have all groups signed.

Check on Public Liability Insurance.

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**5. Close of Meeting**

As there was no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 3.08pm.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

MAYOR: -----

DATED: 9 November 2021

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