

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CESSNOCK CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY, 4 MAY 2016, COMMENCING AT
6.30 PM**

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, Councillor R Pynsent (in the Chair) and Councillors Gibson, Doherty, Hawkins, Smith, Campbell and Parsons.

IN ATTENDANCE: General Manager
Director Planning and Environment
Director Corporate and Community Services
Director Works and Infrastructure
Manager Governance and Business Services
Strategic Land Use Planning Manager
Sustainability Officer
Corporate Administration Officer

APOLOGIES:

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Parsons
Seconded: Councillor Smith

1664

RESOLVED that the apologies tendered on behalf of Councillors Stapleford, Troy, Olsen, Wrightson & Ryan, for unavoidable absence, be accepted and leave of absence granted.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Gibson	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Smith	
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
Total (7)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES:

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Doherty
Seconded: Councillor Gibson

1665

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 20 April 2016, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Gibson	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Smith	
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
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DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST NO. DI7/2016

SUBJECT: DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Campbell **Seconded:** Councillor Smith
1666
RESOLVED

That Councillors now disclose any interests and reasons for declaring such interest in the matters under consideration by Council at this meeting.

WI24/2016 – Closure of Part of Public Road Adjacent to 1200 Old Maitland Road, Sawyers Gully – Councillor Parsons declared a Non Pecuniary – Significant Conflict for the reason that she is the Secretary of A.H.P.S. who is referred to in the report. Councillor Parsons advised that she would leave the Chamber and take no part in discussion and voting.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Gibson	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Smith	
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved:
Seconded:

Councillor Gibson
Councillor Campbell

1667

RESOLVED

That Item WI24/2016 be moved to the meeting of 18 May 2016 as a quorum would not be met if Councillor Parsons left the Chamber.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Gibson	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Smith	
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
Total (7)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PETITIONS

NIL

ADDRESS BY INVITED SPEAKERS

NIL

MOTIONS OF URGENCY

MOTIONS OF URGENCY NO. MOU7/2016

SUBJECT: MOTIONS OF URGENCY

RECOMMENDATION

That Councillors now indicate if there are any matters of urgency which they believe should be conducted at this meeting of Council.

Councillor Gibson

Bat Problem – East Cessnock

That Council request the General Manager to make appropriate arrangements to meet with the Minister concurrently with representatives from Singleton Council on 19 May in relation to our bat problem.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Gibson	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Smith	
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
Total (7)	Total (0)

The Mayor ruled the Motion as Urgent and will be dealt with at the conclusion of the Ordinary meeting.

GENERAL MANAGER'S UNIT

GENERAL MANAGER'S UNIT NO. GMU5/2016

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 19 APRIL 2016

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Campbell **Seconded:** Councillor Parsons

1668

RESOLVED

1. That the Minutes of the Economic Development Strategy Committee of 19 April 2016 be adopted as a resolution of the Ordinary Council.
2. That the draft Terms of Reference for the Economic Development Strategy Committee be adopted.
3. That the current membership is maintained for the life of the Economic Development Strategy Committee.
4. That Council thank the applicants that submitted an Expression of Interest to become a member of the Economic Development Strategy Committee and invite them to apply again, if appropriate, following the September 2016 council elections.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Gibson	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Smith	
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
Total (7)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT NO. PE32/2016

SUBJECT: 18/2015/6: PLANNING PROPOSAL - HUNTLEE B4 MIXED USE ZONE -
ADDITIONAL PERMITTED USES

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Doherty **Seconded:** Councillor Smith
1669
RESOLVED

That Council endorse the Planning Proposal, '18/2015/6: Huntlee B4 Mixed Use Zone Additional Permitted Uses', as provided at Enclosure 1 and exercise delegated authority provided by the Minister for Planning and Environment under Section 59 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, to make the amendment to the *Cessnock Local Environmental Plan 2011*.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Gibson	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Smith	
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
Total (7)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC24/2016

SUBJECT: LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW - BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Smith **Seconded:** Councillor Campbell
1670

RESOLVED

That Council re-confirms voting delegates as Councillors Pynsent, Smith, Stapleford and Ryan for the election of Local Government NSW Board of Directors.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Gibson	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Smith	
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
Total (7)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI22/2016

SUBJECT: OPERATION OF THE REUSE CENTRE - CESSNOCK WASTE MANAGEMENT CENTRE

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gibson **Seconded:** Councillor Parsons
1671
RESOLVED

1. That Council decline to accept any of the tenders;
2. That Council cancel the proposal for the contract for the Operation of the Reuse Centre;
3. That 3 months' notice of termination of the current License Agreement for the site is given to the current Reuse Centre Operator.
4. Should circumstances improve with regard to global commodity prices for recycled metals, the operation of a future Reuse Service Centre be reconsidered by Council.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Hawkins	Councillor Gibson
Councillor Smith	Councillor Doherty
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
Total (5)	Total (2)

CARRIED

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI23/2016

SUBJECT: PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AND MOBILITY PLAN (PAMP)

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Campbell **Seconded:** Councillor Parsons
1672

RESOLVED

1. That Council place the draft Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan on exhibition for 28 days.
2. That a report on the outcomes of the exhibition be provided to Council prior to adopting the final Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan.
3. That a Councillor Briefing be held prior to the closure of the Exhibition period for the draft Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan.
4. That a briefing to the Access Advisory Committee be held prior to the closure of the Exhibition period for the draft Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Hawkins	Councillor Gibson
Councillor Smith	Councillor Doherty
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
Total (5)	Total (2)

CARRIED

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI24/2016

**SUBJECT: CLOSURE OF PART OF PUBLIC ROAD ADJACENT TO 1200 OLD
MAITLAND ROAD SAWYERS GULLY**

This matter will be dealt with at the meeting 18 May 2016

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI25/2016

SUBJECT: FRAME DRIVE BRIDGE

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Smith **Seconded:** Councillor Campbell
1673

RESOLVED

That Council receives and notes the report.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Gibson	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Smith	
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING NO. AQ33/2016

SUBJECT: DISABLED PARKING - ABERMAIN HALL

The answer was noted.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING NO. AQ34/2016

**SUBJECT: COMMUNICATION FROM NEWCASTLE MUSLIM ASSOCIATION
REGARDING INSPECTION OF PREMISES AT WALLSEND**

The answer was noted.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING NO. AQ35/2016

SUBJECT: STERNTALER DEVELOPMENT - 814 BUCHANAN ROAD, BUCHANAN

The answer was noted.

QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

Councillor Graham Smith

HEDDON GRETA TRAFFIC ISSUES

Can Councillors be provided with information/timelines on the following issues which have been repeatedly raised by Heddon Greta residents:-

1. Installation of signalised intersections at Traders Way and Heddon Street.
2. Access to Main Road from Bowden Street.
3. Limitation/elimination of dangerous U-Turns between Hunter Expressway and Earp Street.
4. Formalisation of a commuter carpark near the Hunter Expressway roundabout.
5. Opening of the gate at the northern end of Radford Street to allow through traffic.

Councillor Catherine Parsons

ROUGH SURFACE IN BOUNDARY STREET, KURRI KURRI

Councillor Parsons referred to the rough surface in Boundary Street, Kurri Kurri and asked for a date when the work will be carried out.

Councillor Catherine Parsons

POND AT PEACE PARK

Councillor Parsons asked whether it was Council or a community group that cleans the pond at Peace Park as it has quite a lot of rubbish in it and is quite unsightly to visitors to that area.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

NIL

MOTION OF URGENCY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gibson **Seconded:** Councillor Smith
1674

RESOLVED

That Council request the General Manager to make appropriate arrangements to meet with the Minister concurrently with representatives from Singleton Council on 19 May in relation to our bat problem.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Gibson	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Smith	
Councillor Campbell	
Councillor Parsons	
Councillor Pynsent	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Meeting Was Declared Closed at 6.54pm

CONFIRMED AND SIGNED at the meeting held on 18 May 2016

.....**CHAIRPERSON**

.....**GENERAL MANAGER**