

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CESSNOCK CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, 15 AUGUST 2018, COMMENCING AT
6.30 PM**

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Burke (in the Chair) and Councillors Olsen, Doherty, Dunn, Fagg, Stapleford, Fitzgibbon, Gray, Dagg, Sander and Lyons.

IN ATTENDANCE: General Manager
Director Planning and Environment
Director Corporate and Community Services
Director Works and Infrastructure
Finance & Administration Services Manager
Senior Media & Communication Officer
Corporate Governance Officer

APOLOGIES:

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gray
Seconded: Councillor Fitzgibbon

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RESOLVED that the apologies tendered on behalf of Councillors Pynsent and Suvaal, for unavoidable absence, be accepted and leave of absence granted.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
Total (11)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES:

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dagg
Seconded: Councillor Gray

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RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 1 August 2018, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record.

FOR

Councillor Olsen
Councillor Doherty
Councillor Dunn
Councillor Fagg
Councillor Stapleford
Councillor Fitzgibbon
Councillor Gray
Councillor Dagg
Councillor Burke
Councillor Lyons
Total (10)

AGAINST

Councillor Sander

Total (1)

Councillor Sander abstained from voting as she was absent from previous meeting.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST NO. DI14/2018

SUBJECT: DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

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

NIL

PETITIONS

NIL

ADDRESS BY INVITED SPEAKERS

NIL

**CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ALL REPORTS BY ENGLOBO
OR INDIVIDUALLY WITH NOMINATED EXCEPTIONS**

MOTION
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Moved: Councillor Gray

Seconded: Councillor Dagg

RESOLVED

That the following reports be dealt with englobo:-

GMU17/2018	Cessnock City Council Picnic Day
PE43/2018	Development Application Performance Monitoring Report - June 2018 Quarter
WI63/2018	Road Naming Anomalies - Paxton, Quorrobolong and Abernethy
WI64/2018	Proposed Road Closure - off Broke Road, Pokolbin
WI65/2018	Minutes of Local Traffic Committee held 16 July 2018
WI66/2018	Request for Sponsorship - Kearsley Community Dawn Service Committee Inc.
WI68/2018	Request for Sponsorship - Richmond Vale Rail Museum - Cranky Handle Rally
CO29/2018	Library Funding - State Government Funding Cut

FOR

AGAINST

Councillor Olsen
Councillor Doherty
Councillor Dunn
Councillor Fagg
Councillor Stapleford
Councillor Fitzgibbon
Councillor Gray
Councillor Dagg
Councillor Burke
Councillor Sander
Councillor Lyons
Total (11)

Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Fitzgibbon **Seconded:** Councillor Doherty
604

RESOLVED

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be resolved as recommended.

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Councillor Doherty	
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Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
Total (11)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTIONS OF URGENCY

MOTIONS OF URGENCY NO. MOU14/2018

SUBJECT: MOTIONS OF URGENCY

NIL

GENERAL MANAGER'S UNIT

GENERAL MANAGER'S UNIT NO. GMU17/2018

SUBJECT: CESSNOCK CITY COUNCIL PICNIC DAY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Fitzgibbon **Seconded:** Councillor Doherty
605

RESOLVED

That the report be received and noted.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT NO. PE43/2018

**SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION PERFORMANCE MONITORING
REPORT - JUNE 2018 QUARTER**

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Fitzgibbon **Seconded:** Councillor Doherty
606
RESOLVED

That Council receives the report and notes the information.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
Total (11)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT NO. PE44/2018

SUBJECT: HUNTER REGIONAL PLAN - MONITORING REPORT

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gray **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
607

RESOLVED

That Council notes the contents of this report.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT NO. PE45/2018

SUBJECT: NSW GOVERNMENT CHANGES TO PARKING FINES

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gray **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
608

RESOLVED

That Council receive and note the content of this report.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
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Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC55/2018

SUBJECT: DRAFT COUNCILLOR TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gray **Seconded:** Councillor Stapleford
609

RESOLVED

1. That Council adopt the draft Councillor Training and Development Policy.
2. That Council adopt the draft Councillor Training and Development Plan 2018/19.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC56/2018

SUBJECT: DRAFT COPYRIGHT POLICY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gray **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
610

RESOLVED

That the report be deferred for a Councillor Briefing.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC57/2018

SUBJECT: INVESTMENT REPORT - JULY 2018

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gray **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
611

RESOLVED

That Council receive the report and note the information.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC58/2018

SUBJECT: RESOLUTIONS TRACKING REPORT

Councillor Stapleford declared a Non Pecuniary Interest – Significant Conflict for the reason that one of the questions asked in relation to BN 5/2018 – Unlawful Conversion of Shed on page 104 is regarding a person that is related to him. Councillor Stapleford left the Chamber and took no part in discussion and voting.

Councillor Stapleford left the meeting, the time being 6.53pm

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gray **Seconded:** Councillor Fitzgibbon
612
RESOLVED

That Council receive the report and note the information.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
Total (10)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Stapleford returned to the meeting, the time being 7.03pm

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI63/2018

SUBJECT: ROAD NAMING ANOMALIES - PAXTON, QUORROBOLONG AND ABERNETHY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Fitzgibbon **Seconded:** Councillor Doherty
613
RESOLVED

1. That Council provide notifications and advertise the proposed renaming of:
 - Middle Road, Paxton, between Anderson Avenue and Millfield Road, to Main Road;
 - Barraba Road, Quorrobolong to Barraba Lane;
 - Abernethy Road, Abernethy to Abernethy Street.
2. That the General Manager consider any submissions received in response to the notifications and advertising, and report any objections or controversial issues raised;
3. That under delegation, the General Manager proceed with the proposed renaming, provided no submissions are received to the contrary.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI64/2018

SUBJECT: PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURE - OFF BROKE ROAD, POKOLBIN

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Fitzgibbon **Seconded:** Councillor Doherty
614

RESOLVED

1. That Council consent to the closure of a section of unconstructed public road off Broke Road, Pokolbin, as indicated on the Property Location Plan.
2. That Council writes to the Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight requesting to transfer the road to the Crown in accordance with the provisions of the *Roads Act 1993*.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI65/2018

**SUBJECT: MINUTES OF LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
HELD 16 JULY 2018**

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Fitzgibbon **Seconded:** Councillor Doherty
615
RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee of 16 July 2018 be adopted as a resolution of the Ordinary Council being:

1. **TC28/2018 - That a satisfactory Traffic Management Plan (TMP) and Traffic Control Plan (TCP) for the Great North Walk Ultra's on Congewai Road, Congewai be provided by the applicant, specifically detailing measures to ensure the safe conduct of the event, with explicit detail regarding safety at intersections and side roads;**
2. **TC29/2018 - That parking restrictions and line marking be installed on Keene Street, Cessnock in accordance with Keene Street Cessnock _ Line Marking Diagram that was provided at the meeting;**
3. **TC30/2018 - That a pedestrian refuge and line marking be installed on Cumberland Street, Cessnock in accordance with Cumberland Street Cessnock _ Pedestrian Refuge Diagram that was provided at the meeting; and**
4. **TC31/2018 - That a Local Area Traffic Management Scheme be installed on Fourth Street, Weston in accordance with Fourth Street Weston _ LATM Diagram that was provided at the meeting.**

Councillor Dagg left the meeting, the time being 7.15pm

Councillor Dagg returned to the meeting, the time being 7.16pm

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI66/2018

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP - KEARSLEY COMMUNITY DAWN SERVICE COMMITTEE INC.

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Fitzgibbon **Seconded:** Councillor Doherty

616

RESOLVED

1. That Council provides sponsorship to Kearsley Community Dawn Service Committee Inc. for the community morning tea to be attended by His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (retired), Governor of New South Wales and his wife Mrs Linda Hurley to the value of \$700;
2. That Council loan the Kearsley Community Dawn Service Committee Inc. indoor flagpoles to display the NSW and Australian Flag;
3. That the Kearsley Community Dawn Service Committee Inc. provide an acquittal of the sponsorship within 60 days of the event.

FOR

AGAINST

Councillor Olsen
Councillor Doherty
Councillor Dunn
Councillor Fagg
Councillor Stapleford
Councillor Fitzgibbon
Councillor Gray
Councillor Dagg
Councillor Burke
Councillor Sander
Councillor Lyons

Total (11)

Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI67/2018

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP & FEE WAIVING - AUSTRALIAN POSTIE BIKE GRAND PRIX

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gray **Seconded:** Councillor Lyons
617
RESOLVED

1. That Council supports the Australian Postie Bike Grand Prix on the weekend of 17 and 18 November 2018 by providing the following in-kind support:
 - a) Waive all Council application fees in conjunction with the 2018 event;
 - b) Erection and removal of the relevant variable message boards and road closure/detour signage as required by Council and NSW Roads and Maritime Services, under the approved Traffic Management Plan and Traffic Control Plan; and
 - c) Provide additional general waste bins throughout the main spectator and PIT areas of the circuit and remove the collected waste at the conclusion of the event.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI68/2018

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP - RICHMOND VALE RAIL MUSEUM -
CRANKY HANDLE RALLY**

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Fitzgibbon **Seconded:** Councillor Doherty
618
RESOLVED

That Council provides in-kind support to the Richmond Vale Rail Museum by supplying road base material to allow for maintenance works to be carried out on an earth ramp to assist in the movement of vintage farm machinery.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved:
Seconded:

Councillor Gray
Councillor Fitzgibbon

619

RESOLVED

That Report No. WI65/2018 – Minutes of Local Traffic Committee held 16 July 2018 which was dealt with as part of the Englobo Resolution be recommitted to allow debate on the matter.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI65/2018

**SUBJECT: MINUTES OF LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
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MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Gray **Seconded:** Councillor Stapleford
620
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Councillor Stapleford	
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Councillor Gray	
Councillor Dagg	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Lyons	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS OF WHICH WRITTEN NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

BUSINESS WITH NOTICE NO. BN25/2018

SUBJECT: GREAT NORTH WALK

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dunn **Seconded:** Councillor Stapleford
621
RESOLVED

That the General Manager provide a report back to council detailing:

- a) **The current status of the Great North Walk in the Strategic Plan and any other associated plans and strategies.**
- b) **A comprehensive list of the types of grants that have previously been and are able to be sought for funding to promote and improve the walk.**
- c) **Ways in which Cessnock City Council can leverage off the Great North Walk to increase tourism to the area.**
- d) **A comprehensive list of organisations both government and voluntary that hold a stake in the future of the Great North Walk.**
- e) **A guide as to what bordering councils are doing to promote and leverage off the Great North Walk, how we differ and what we can adopt as strategy.**
- f) **A comprehensive list of any policies that council have that affect external organisations and the way they carry out their using of the Great North Walk.**
- g) **A recommendation to council on how the Great North Walk is to be treated in future plans as to further Council's ability to access grants, further market the walk, and liaise with external stakeholders.**

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Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
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Councillor Gray	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING NO. AQ74/2018

SUBJECT: WOOLWORTHS CARPARK - COPY OF APPROVED PLANS

The answer was noted.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING NO. AQ75/2018

SUBJECT: KERLEW STREET ACCESS TO CORRECTIONAL CENTRE

The answer was noted.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING NO. AQ76/2018

SUBJECT: LIST AND LOCATIONS OF SUBURB SIGNS

The answer was noted.

QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

Councillor Di Fitzgibbon

GREEN FROG SYSTEMS - SOLAR LIGHTING

Councillor Fitzgibbon asked if Councillors could have a briefing on the Green Frog Systems - Solar Lighting..

Councillor Di Fitzgibbon

EASY TO DO BUSINESS INITIATIVE

Councillor Fitzgibbon asked for an update on the Easy To Do Business Initiative.

Councillor Rod Doherty

WASTE TRANSFER STATION

Councillor Doherty asked if a time in motion study or methodology was carried out before the final design/build of the Transfer Station.

Councillor Darrin Gray

STAFF ENGAGEMENT SURVEY

Councillor Gray asked when the last staff engagement survey was carried out and when will the next one be conducted.

Councillor Paul Dunn

INFORMATION BAY – ROUTE 33

Councillor Dunn asked if there were plans for an Information Bay, similar to the other ones that have been rolled out, on Route 33 around Wollombi in the future.

CORRESPONDENCE

CORRESPONDENCE NO. CO29/2018

SUBJECT: LIBRARY FUNDING - STATE GOVERNMENT FUNDING CUT

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Fitzgibbon **Seconded:** Councillor Doherty
622

RESOLVED

That the correspondence be noted.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Doherty	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Fagg	
Councillor Stapleford	
Councillor Fitzgibbon	
Councillor Gray	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Dagg

Hunter Water Customer & Community Advisory Group

Address by Managing Director, Jim Bentley.

Drought – storage in reservoirs currently at 81%. Based on forecast, we will be below 60% after Christmas which could see level 1 restrictions kick in. At the height of summer, HW loses same amount through evaporation as it does from consumption. In February 2018 HW started an active leakage detection program. 40% of network has been surveyed, aiming for 80% by February 2019. Previously only surveyed 20% a year. Customer reports of leakage average at 140 per week. These are the highest priority. Due to active leakage detection, HW has seen greatest reduction of water use by any Australian water authority. Planning for the desalination plant at Belmont is continuing. It is a fail-safe measure, which will be turned on, should water storage hit 30%.

Mining and Energy Related Councils Meeting 10 August 2018

Michael Johnson representing John Barilaro

Government released its 20 year economic vision for NSW - ensuring the future transport strategy and infrastructure strategy is implemented to grow regional economies. Infrastructure in Sydney becoming increasingly unsustainable, yet we have great opportunities in the regions. The government has been making sure we have the money to implement the visions and are now able to put on the table funds that can build economic and employment opportunities.

Resources for Regions. Mr Johnson went to great pains to point out this program is not linked to mining and resources, or royalties at all. It's part of Restart NSW and the funds come from the leasing or sales of public assets - 30% of those funds goes into Restart NSW. Royalties instead go into consolidated revenue. There was much robust discussion about the appropriateness of this. Mr Johnson also made the point that as Mayor of UH Shire, his council would not have been able to build the infrastructure it did, if didn't have a dedicated Grants Officer.

Robert Brown - Shooters, Fishers & Farmers Party

SFF advised they are grenade throwers and don't apologise for that. Will never be in Government and don't intend to be. Policies - R4R should be 50% of asset sales. Decentralisation. Securing regional water supply and food production. Opening up National Parks.

Mick Veitch, representing Adam Searle, Shadow Energy Minister- Labor Party

At 2011 election Labor didn't take a Royalties 4 Regions style program to the electorate and that is something that we are working on together with a suite of other policies for the regions. Drawing heavily on Auditor General report from May (read) for R4R policy, specifically the BCR and changing the discount rate from 7%. Suggested councils continue to knock on the door of the opposition MPs & MLCs particularly in the lead up to the election. Mick still advocating for Royalties 4 Regions as part of Labor policies, together with Clayton Barr, and trying to lock it in through the party policy process.

Matthew Newton - Resources Regulator

Snapshot of the Regulator's activities, processes and new projects to streamline applications.

Delivered report to the Association of my involvement with Subsidence Advisory NSW since meeting in May.

The Meeting Was Declared Closed at 7.28pm

CONFIRMED AND SIGNED at the meeting held on 5 September 2018

.....**CHAIRPERSON**

.....**GENERAL MANAGER**