



# WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL

## Minutes

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL**  
**HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL,**  
**75 VINDEK STREET, WINTON ON THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> MAY 2017,**  
**COMMENCING AT 8.10AM.**

**Present:** Cr PS Mann, Cr JE Sale, Cr T Harbour, Cr J Mann and Cr GJ Baskett

Chief Executive Officer	-	A Rayment
Deputy Chief Executive Officer	-	T Beynon
Director of Works	-	R Sheedy
Minute Secretary	-	D Murphy

The Mayor Cr Butch Lenton is an apology for today's Council Meeting.

In accordance with *Section 165 (1)* of the *Local Government Act*, Deputy Mayor Cr Shane Mann will Chair the meeting.

**Item 1: Apologies**

**01.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett Seconded Cr Sale  
That the apology from Cr GT Lenton be received.

**CARRIED**

Cr Mann offered Council's condolences to the Wright family on the recent passing of Mr Woodie Wright.

**Item 2: Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and Conflict of Interest**

Cr Mann advised Councillors to declare relevant "Interest" prior to respective items.

**Item 3: Petitions and Deputations**

Arterial Design - 2pm

**Item 4: Confirmation of Minutes**

*Summary: The following minutes required confirmation by Council:*  
*General Meeting - 20<sup>th</sup> April 2017*

**02.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett Seconded Cr Harbour  
That the minutes of the General Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2017, Folio 16549 to Folio 16559 be confirmed.

**CARRIED**

**Item 5: Action List**

Council perused the Action List, noting works completed and progress of other items.

**Item 6: Mayor's Report**

The Mayor's report on meetings and activities during the last month was presented, including:

27.04.17	Elected Member Update
	Sod turning at the Waltzing Matilda Centre rebuild
	Arterial Interim Design Update presentation to Council
02.05.17	Biosecurity Meeting regarding livestock movement from Queensland to the Northern Territory

03.05.17 Outback Highway teleconference  
05.05.17 Meeting with Emergency Management Queensland  
07.05.15 North West Shire road drive  
Opalton Progress Meeting at Bush Park, Opalton

**03.05.17** Moved Cr Sale Seconded Cr Harbour  
That the Mayor's Report be received.

**CARRIED**

**Item 7: Decisional Reports**

Drought Community Funding Program

*Summary: This report was provided to update Council on the status of the Federal Drought Communities Funding Program and advise Council that two additional requests for funding have been received that could be considered under the program*

That the status report of the Drought Communities Funding Program be noted and that Council include the request of the Winton Golf Club and the Corfield Race Club in the Drought Communities Funding Program as follows:-

**04.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett Seconded Cr J Mann  
Corfield Race Club – Construction of new ablution block up to an amount of \$60,000 subject to the Club providing Council with detailed design and quotations of the project for Council approval and compliance with Federal Government funding criteria.

**CARRIED**

**Declaration of**

**Interest:** Cr Baskett advised that he has a potential Conflict of Interest under S173 3(a) of the Local Government Act in the following matter, as Vice President of the Winton Golf Club. Cr Baskett left the meeting at 9.50am

**05.05.17** Moved Cr Sale Seconded Cr Harbour  
Winton Golf Club – Construction of a new deck including a covered roof area, window security screens and including a disabled ramp to the existing building up to an amount of \$45,000 subject to the Club providing detailed design and quotations of the project for Council approval, and compliance with Federal Government funding criteria.

**CARRIED**

**Attendance:** Cr Baskett returned to the meeting at 9.55am.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 9.57am, and resumed at 10.22am with all still in attendance.

Lark Quarry Trusteeship Management Agreement

*Summary: The Trustee Agreement for the Lark Quarry Conservation Park aims to finalise and formalise an arrangement that has been operating for many years between the Winton Shire Council and Queensland Parks and Wildlife, on behalf of the Queensland Government.*

- 06.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett  
That Council endorse the Trustee Agreement and authorise the CEO to execute same.

Seconded Cr J Mann

**CARRIED**

Program Manager 2016 Mid-Year Flood Event

*Summary: This report summarises the register of interest received from consultants for the role of program manager for the delivery of the mid-year 2016 Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements.*

- 07.05.17** Moved Cr Harbour  
That Council award the Program Manager's role to GBA for the mid-year (June and July) 2016 Flood Events.

Seconded Cr J Mann

**CARRIED**

**Item 8: Advisory Committee Meeting Reports**

- 08.05.17** Moved Cr Sale  
That Council receive the draft minutes and adopt the recommendations of the Tourism Strategy Committee meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

Seconded Cr Baskett

**CARRIED**

**Item 9: Correspondence**

1) Winton Pastoral and Agricultural Show Society Inc  
Seeking confirmation of continued Waltzing Matilda Centre sponsorship for 2017 Winton Show funded from Winton Shire Council donations.

- 09.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett  
That Council continue the Waltzing Matilda Centre sponsorship for the amount of \$50 for the 2017 Winton Show.

Seconded Cr Sale

**CARRIED**

2) Corfield Race Club  
Seeking sponsorship for the annual Corfield Races.

- 10.05.17** Moved Cr Sale  
That Council continue to support the annual Corfield Races with sponsorship in the amount of \$1100 (gst inc), plus in kind support as in previous years, as requested, on the basis of social and economic benefit generated and the limited opportunities afforded to the residents of the Corfield area.

Seconded Cr Baskett

**CARRIED**

3) Outback Festival  
Seeking Council approval, assistance and resources to assist with the 2017 Outback Festival in the form of:

- Use of the Shire Hall on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September;
- Use of the Shire Hall and Courtyard on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September;
- Use of the Eric Lenton Memorial Recreation Grounds on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September;
- Use of Diamantina Gardens Hostel accommodation 17<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September;

- Use of the 20 seater coach and taxi bus for the duration of the Festival for local collections and to and from Longreach;
- In kind assistance by Council staff during the five days of the Festival as in previous years for road closures, and general maintenance of street cleaning and rubbish removal, extra wheelie bins for Elderslie Street, recreation grounds and showgrounds. Provision of a water truck for laying water to the grounds in the showgrounds complex;
- Approval to upgrade the memory stones at the Marty Gillespie Memorial "Pathway of Honour" site in Elderslie Street; and
- Garden Competition conducted by Council.

The correspondent also noted concerns with the shortage of ablution facilities at the Recreation Grounds during the staging of large events, and asks if Council would consider sharing two thirds of the total cost of a temporary mobile toilet block with the Outback Festival.

*Officers Comments:*

*Council has previously committed to support the 2017 and 2019 Outback Festivals to the amount of \$30,000 for each event, which incorporates in kind and cash sponsorship.*

- 11.05.17** Moved Cr J Mann Seconded Cr Harbour  
That Council support the request for approval, assistance and resources to assist with the 2017 Outback Festival funded from the "in kind" component of Council's assistance to the Outback Festival, and that the requested cost sharing for the provision of an ablution block be funded from Council's committed donation and not considered as an additional component of funding. That Council also confirm that if the "in kind" assistance exceeds the nominated \$15,000, the Outback Festival will incur the additional costs.  
**CARRIED**

4) Outback Festival

Providing a sponsorship request to Council for sponsorship of one of the children's events being held at the Outback Festival, noting that in previous years, the Waltzing Matilda Centre has sponsored the Little Swaggies event.

*Officers Comments:*

*The Waltzing Matilda Centre has traditionally sponsored the Little Swaggies event at the Outback Festival to an amount of \$500.*

- 12.05.17** Moved Cr J Mann Seconded Cr Sale  
That Council support the request for sponsorship of \$500 for the Little Swaggies event, funded from Winton Shire Council donations.  
**CARRIED**

5) Outback Festival

Bringing to Council the Festival Committee's concerns with respect to the ongoing defective Heritage Street lighting in Elderslie Street, between Oondooroo and Werna Streets, and asking Council to rectify the faulty main street lighting.

*Officers Comments:*

*Council has previously considered the matter of the heritage lighting in Elderslie Street and corresponded with Ergon Energy, in February 2016,*

*advising that Council requested that Ergon remove the heritage lighting fixtures, providing the fixtures to Winton Shire Council, and replacing the heritage lights with an appropriate lighting arrangement.*

- 13.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett Seconded Cr Harbour  
That Council advise the writer that Ergon has been contacted and requested to remedy the lighting situation to ensure that Winton has an Australian Standard of lighting in Elderslie Street, and that the Director of Works continue to liaise with Ergon Energy.

**CARRIED**

6) Middleton Sports Association

Requesting Council support in the form of waiving of Council fees for the hire of Council cold room, 6 tables, 40 chairs, use of a water truck and generator for the Middleton Motorbike Gymkhana being held 30<sup>th</sup> September.

*Officers Comments:*

*Council officers have advised that Council's current policy does not encourage dry hire of plant and would have to supply an operator with the vehicle. Use of the community cold room and the tables and chairs would be a minimum cost.*

- 14.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett Seconded Cr Sale  
That Council support the request for assistance in the amount of \$1,100 (gst inc) in lieu of donating plant and machinery, and that the cost of the community cold room, 6 tables and 40 chairs be waived.

**CARRIED**

7) Ms V Howard

Advising Council of the recent purchase of an Automatic Teller Machine (ATM) which is proposed to be fully operational by June 2017.

- 15.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett Seconded Cr Sale  
That the information be received and noted.

**CARRIED**

8) Winton State School

Copy of correspondence sent to St Patrick's School clarifying Winton State School's core business.

and

St Patricks School

Copy of correspondence sent to Winton State School in response to Winton State School's Principal's letter advising of the schools core values.

- 16.05.17** Moved Cr Harbour Seconded Cr J Mann  
That the information be received and noted and that the schools be advised that Council encourages both schools to work together for the betterment of the community.

**CARRIED**

9) Local Government Association of Queensland

Introduction of the recently launched Queensland Local Government Advocacy Action Plan.

**17.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett Seconded Cr Harbour  
That the information be received and noted.

**CARRIED**

10) RAPAD

Seeking Council's support to facilitate relevant staff member/s participation in the Regional Digital Innovation Technical Group.

**18.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett Seconded Cr J Mann  
That Council support this important initiative and provide the contact details of the nominated officer.

**CARRIED**

11) Department of Energy and Water Supply

Advising of the revision of timeframes for regular reviews and audits for Drinking Water Quality Management Plans to provide consistency across Outback Regional Water Alliance members, and particularly, the repeal and re-issue of the Information Notice for the Decision about an approval of a drinking Water Management Plan.

**19.05.17** Moved Cr Sale Seconded Cr Baskett  
That the information be received and noted.

**CARRIED**

12) Queensland Reconstruction Authority

Advising that QRA has confirmed that the Commonwealth's exemptions for NDRRA works will apply as stated.

**20.05.17** Moved Cr Baskett Seconded Cr J Mann  
That the information be received and noted.

**CARRIED**

13) Department of Natural Resources and Mines

Providing conditional approval for Council to establish a Geothermal Facility on reserve R.35 (Reserve for Water Supply), and advising that the Council must provide notification to the relevant native title parties prior to the construction commencing.

and

Department of Natural Resources and Mines

Copy of correspondence confirming approval to establish a Geothermal Facility on reserve R.35, subject to listed conditions prior to construction commencing.

**21.05.17** Moved Cr Sale Seconded Cr J Mann  
That the information be received and noted and that Council authorise the CEO to continue the process.

**CARRIED**

**Item 12: Confidential Section**

**Confidential Decisional Reports**

**Closed  
Meeting  
22.05.17**

Moved Cr Baskett  
That Council close the meeting to the public *under Section 275(1)(h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012*, in the matter of Waltzing Matilda Centre Board and Future Management Options.

Seconded Cr Harbour

**CARRIED**

**Closed  
Meeting  
23.05.17**

Moved Cr Sale  
That Council close the meeting to the public *under Section 275(1)(a) of the Local Government Regulation 2012*, in the matter of Council's Organisational structure.

Seconded Cr J Mann

**CARRIED**

**Closed  
Meeting:  
24.05.17**

Moved Cr Baskett  
That Council close the meeting to the public *under Section 275(1)(h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012*, in the matter of Confidential Correspondence – Mr C Woltman.

Seconded Cr Harbour

**CARRIED**

**Closed  
Meeting:  
25.05.17**

Moved Cr Sale  
That Council move into Closed Committee at 12.15pm.

Seconded Cr J Mann

**CARRIED**

**Out of Closed**

**Meeting:  
26.05.17**

Moved Cr Sale  
That Council move out of Closed Committee at 1.26pm.

Seconded Cr Baskett

**CARRIED**

Waltzing Matilda Centre Board and Future Management Options

*Summary:*

*The purpose of this report is to investigate the future role of the WMC Ltd Board and management options for the reconstructed Waltzing Matilda Centre.*

**27.05.17**

Moved Cr Harbour  
That Council assume operational and staff management of the Waltzing Matilda Centre and that the Waltzing Matilda Centre Board remain as an Advisory Board contributing to the strategic direction, fund raising and gift deductible status of the Waltzing Matilda Centre and authorise the CEO to progress this matter.

Seconded Cr J Mann

**CARRIED**

Organisational Structure

*Summary:*

*It is necessary to review Council's organisational structure to ensure it reflects Council's operations and to endeavour to have a structure that best aligns*



*with the organisation to ensure Council is providing appropriate service to the community.*

- 28.05.17** Moved Cr Sale Seconded Cr Baskett  
That Council resolve to approve the proposed Corporate Structure of the Organisation and that the Waltzing Matilda Centre operations be incorporated into the Winton Shire Council Organisational Structure.

**CARRIED**

**Confidential Correspondence**

- 1) Mr C Woltman  
Response to request for change to gazetted access road for Colane Station.

- 29.05.17** Moved Cr Sale Seconded Cr Baskett  
That Council advise the applicant that the affected neighbour is not supportive of the concept and as such, Council does not intend to pursue this matter any further unless alternative information is provided.

**CARRIED**

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned for lunch at 1.30pm and resumed at 2.10pm with all attendance except Director of Works Mr Richard Sheedy.

**Attendance:** LGIS and Arterial representatives attended the meeting at 2.10pm.

**Attendance:** DoW Mr R Sheedy attended the meeting at 2.15pm.

Cr Mann welcomed LGIS and Arterial representatives to the meeting.

Mr Jackson provided an introduction and noted the importance of this stage of the project.

**Departure:** Cr J Mann left the meeting at 2.15pm.

Arterial Design representatives made a presentation, noting 95% of the Technical Design Contract is substantially complete.

**Attendance:** Cr J Mann returned to the meeting at 3.05pm.

**Departure:** LGIS and Arterial representatives left the meeting at 4.10pm.

The meeting resumed considering the Business Paper.

**Item 10: Officer's Reports**

1. CEO's Report

- 30.05.17** Moved Cr Sale Seconded Cr J Mann  
That Council receive the CEO's Financial Report.

**CARRIED**

- 31.05.17** Moved Cr Harbour Seconded Cr Baskett  
That Council receive the CEO's Information Report.

**CARRIED**

Works Department Information Report

**32.05.17** Moved Cr J Mann Seconded Cr Sale  
That the Works Department Information Report be received and noted.  
**CARRIED**

2. Corporate & Community Services Report

**33.05.17** Moved Cr Harbour Seconded Cr Sale  
That the Corporate and Community Services Report be received and noted.  
**CARRIED**

**Item 11: General Business**

Cr Baskett advised of comments about Council's website, and a request for information to be placed on the website in addition to Facebook, where appropriate. The DCEO to investigate.

Cr Baskett noted the condition of the Showgrounds cattle yards gates, which requires repairs prior to the Show in June.

Cr Baskett suggested a Rural Roads Advisory Group or to incorporate rural members onto the Roads and Streets Committee or into a broader Rural Advisory Group. The matter to be further discussed.

Cr Baskett noted the timing of the Outback Festival and the Beersheeba Ride in September. Councillors confirmed their support for the DCEO to manage the matter.

Cr Harbour asked for an update on rural/solar electrification.

Cr S Mann noted a request from the Show Committee for a trophy cabinet.

CEO advised of proposed budget meetings:

- Budget Workshop 29<sup>th</sup> May
- Council Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> June
- Pre Budget Meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> June
- Budget Meeting 28<sup>th</sup> June

CEO reminded Councillors of

- the Western Queensland Local Government Conference in Barcaldine on 29/31 May
- QTC visit to Council on 1<sup>st</sup> June
- National General Assembly of Local Government in Canberra on 18/21 June

CEO updated Councillors on a recent meeting with respect to overdue rates.

CEO updated Councillors on BESPOC progress.

**Item 13: Dates of Next Meeting**

May Special Meeting  
June Ordinary Meeting  
June Special Meeting – Budget Adoption  
July Ordinary Meeting

29<sup>th</sup> May 2017  
15<sup>th</sup> June 2017  
28<sup>th</sup> June 2017  
20<sup>th</sup> July 2017

**Closure:** The meeting closed at 6.00pm.

**Confirmation:**  
Confirmed before me this 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

Signed .....  
Cr GT Lenton