



**MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL  
7 NOVEMBER 2016**

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SOUTHERN DOWNS REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD ON 7 NOVEMBER 2016  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SOUTHERN DOWNS REGIONAL COUNCIL,  
64 FITZROY STREET, WARWICK AT 1.00PM**

**1. ATTENDANCE**

Present: Crs Dobie (Chair), Gow, Kelly, McNally, McNichol, Meiklejohn, Stocks and Windle

Officers: David Keenan (Chief Executive Officer), Peter See (Director Engineering Services), Ken Harris (Director Planning, Environment and Community Services), Marion Seymour (Minute Secretary)

**2. APOLOGIES**

**2.1 Apology - Cr Pennisi**

**Resolution**

**Moved Cr J McNally**

**Seconded Cr S Windle**

THAT the apology of Cr Pennisi be received and leave of absence granted.

**Carried**

**3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil

**4. PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**4.1 2015-16 Annual Report**

**Resolution**

**Moved Cr J McNally**

**Seconded Cr R Kelly**

THAT Council adopt the Annual Report for Southern Downs Regional Council for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.

**Carried**

**Attachments**

1. Annual Report 2015-2016 - **Attached to the Minutes Under Separate Cover**

## **5. CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 275(1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public and move 'into Committee' to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

### **Recommendation**

THAT the meeting be closed to the public and move into committee to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with Section 275(1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following, as indicated:

#### **5.1 Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting - 28 October 2016**

##### **Reason for Confidentiality**

This item is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

#### **5.2 Contaminated Land**

##### **Reason for Confidentiality**

This item is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(d) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to rating concessions.

### **Meeting In Camera**

#### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr C Gow**

**Seconded Cr J McNally**

THAT the meeting move into closed session.

**Carried**

The Meeting moved into closed session at 1.09pm.

### **Meeting Out Of Camera**

#### **Recommendation**

THAT the meeting resume in open session at 1.46pm.

#### **5.1 Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting - 28 October 2016**

##### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr R Kelly**

**Seconded Cr J McNally**

THAT Council adopt the minutes of the Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting held on 28 October 2016.

**Carried**

## **5.2 Contaminated Land**

### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr J McNally**

**Seconded Cr Y Stocks**

THAT Council:-

1. Resolve to provide a rates concession of all the currently outstanding charges on 112 Amosfield Road, Stanthorpe by removing from the rate balance:
  - the Water and Wastewater Access charges applied since 13 January 2016 to 30 June 2017;
  - the General Rates charge for the 2016/17 financial year; and
  - all interest charged from 13 January 2016 to 31 October 2016.
2. Recognises this as a one-off issue related to hardship and that Council accepts no responsibility for the situation the owners of the property now find themselves in.

**Lost**

### **5.2.1 Contaminated Land**

#### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr N Meiklejohn**

**Seconded Cr R Kelly**

THAT Council not provide a rates concession to the property at 112 Amosfield Road, Stanthorpe.

**Carried**

### **MEETING CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1.49pm.