



**MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL  
14 JANUARY 2020**

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SOUTHERN DOWNS REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD ON 14 JANUARY 2020 IN THE  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SOUTHERN DOWNS REGIONAL COUNCIL,  
64 FITZROY STREET, WARWICK AT 9:05AM**

**1. ATTENDANCE**

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

Officers: Jane Stroud (Acting Chief Executive Officer), Seren McKenzie (Director Infrastructure Services), Joanne Morris (Director Corporate and Community Services), Craig Magnussen (Acting Director Sustainable Development), Alana Prosser (Minute Secretary)

**2. APOLOGIES**

Nil

**3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**4. CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS**

**4.1 Drought Communities Programme - Extension**

**Resolution**

**Moved Cr J McNally**

**Seconded Cr Y Stocks**

THAT Council endorse the submission of the following funding applications under the Drought Communities Program - Extension:

1. Community Infrastructure Projects - \$600,000, offered through three streams:
  - Directly funded projects for community organisations that were unsuccessful under Council's previous Drought Community Program which was open to expressions of interest in 2019. These projects will allow regional community organisations to undertake maintenance to halls, amenities, clubhouses etc.
  - High priority community infrastructure projects such as Killarney off stream storage cover or projects identified from the regional Urban Design Frameworks and endorsed Streetscape projects.
  - Expressions of interest from regional community organisations to undertake maintenance to community facilities including halls, clubhouses etc.
2. Shade structures in Council parks in rural villages - \$200,000.
3. Pending rainfall and take up of funding for water carting, supply and delivery of potable water to rural landowners - \$200,000, any unspent funds are to be reallocated to resolution (1) one above.

**Carried**

## 4.2 Bushfire Recovery Funding

### Resolution

Moved Cr N Meiklejohn

Seconded Cr S Windle

THAT Council:

1. Extends its appreciation to the Federal Government for the Bushfire Recovery Funding Programme.
2. Seek feedback from the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development on the eligibility of the following projects under the Bushfire Recovery Funding Programme:
  - a. Water Tank Rebates for rural landowners (not connected to any reticulated water supply).
  - b. Creation of a fire break master plan that identifies future fire breaks and addresses construction and maintenance of additional fire breaks within the region.
  - c. Drought and bushfire regional readiness plan (inclusive of the adverse event plan)
  - d. Expressions of interest from regional community and sporting organisations to undertake maintenance to community facilities including halls, clubhouses etc.

**Carried**

### MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.22am.