



**MINUTES OF THE  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
27 MAY 2026**

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## 6. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

| Item No | Item Precis              | Nature of Conflict   |
|---------|--------------------------|--|
| 12.2    | FY26 Unspent Event Funds | Cr Wantling declared a declarable of interest in this matter (as defined in Section 150EQ(4)(a) of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> ) as the matter relates to funding associated with the Stanthorpe Apple and Grape Festival which he serves as President. As a result of Cr Wantling's conflict and for transparency, he will leave the meeting room while the matter is considered and voted on. |

## 7. MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

## 8. NOTICES OF MOTION

### 8.1 Notice of Motion - Temporary Event Permit for Maryvale Progress Association

#### Resolution

**Moved Cr R Wantling**

**Seconded Cr J Richters**

THAT Council waive and refund in full the Temporary Event Permit fee charged to the Maryvale Progress Association for their upcoming Winter Solstice 2026 event.

**Lost**

*The following votes were recorded:*

*For: Crs R Bartley, C McDonald, J Richters and R Wantling (4)*

*Against: Crs S Deane, M Hamilton, M Harslett, C Pidgeon and S Windle (5)*

## 9. READING AND CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

### 9.1 Correspondence - May 2026

#### Resolution

**Moved Cr M Harslett**

**Seconded Cr C Pidgeon**

THAT the report of the Chief Executive Officer in relation to Correspondence be received.

**Carried Unanimously**

## 10. RECEPTION AND READING OF PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS

Nil

## 11. PORTFOLIO REPORTS

### 11.1 Portfolio Report - Mayor Hamilton - Prosperous Communities

#### Resolution

**Moved Mayor M Hamilton**                      **Seconded Cr C Pidgeon**

THAT Council's Prosperous Communities Portfolio Report be received.

**Carried Unanimously**

## 12. EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS

### 12.1 Chief Executive Officer - Status Report

#### Resolution

**Moved Cr R Wantling**                      **Seconded Cr S Windle**

THAT Council note the Chief Executive Officer's Status Report.

**Carried Unanimously**

*Following a declaration of a conflict of interest in relation to Agenda Item 12.2, Cr Wantling left the meeting at 9:39am.*

### 12.2 FY26 Unspent Event Funds

#### Resolution

**Moved Cr J Richters**                      **Seconded Cr C McDonald**

THAT Council reallocate the \$40,000 (excl GST) unspent event sponsorship funds to:

- Granite Belt Wine Tourism Association - \$10,000 (excl GST);
- Stanthorpe and Granite Belt Chamber of Commerce - \$10,000 (excl GST);
- Warwick Chamber of Commerce - \$10,000 (excl GST); and
- Minor events, as assessed against the Grants Policy (PL-CS075) and associated Event Sponsorship Guidelines - \$10,000 (excl GST).

**Carried**

*The Mayor accepted a call for a Division on the motion from the floor and the following votes were recorded:*

*For:                Crs S Deane, M Hamilton, M Harslett, C McDonald, C Pidgeon, J Richters and S Windle (7)*

*Against:        Cr R Bartley (1)*

*Accordingly the Mayor declared the motion carried.*

*09:53 am    Cr R Wantling rejoined the meeting.*

### **12.3 Review of Councillor Portfolios**

#### **Recommendation**

**Moved Cr S Windle**

**Seconded Cr C Pidgeon**

THAT Council adopt the amendments to Councillor Portfolios included as Appendix A to the Councillor Portfolio Policy as presented.

#### **Amendment**

Cr Wantling proposed the following amendment to Appendix A to the Councillor Portfolio Policy:

THAT Cr Wantling's Portfolio be amended by replacing "Sporting Groups" with "Sporting Groups and Associated Facilities".

#### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr R Wantling**

**Seconded Cr M Harslett**

**Carried Unanimously**

#### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr S Windle**

**Seconded Cr C Pidgeon**

THAT Council adopt the amendments to Councillor Portfolios included as Appendix A to the Councillor Portfolio Policy as presented, including the amendment to Cr Wantling's Portfolio to read "Sporting Groups and Associated Facilities".

**Carried Unanimously**

## **13. CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS**

### **13.1 Financial Services - Financial Report as at 30 April 2026**

#### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr R Wantling**

**Seconded Cr R Bartley**

THAT Council receive and note the Financial Performance Report as at 30 April 2026.

**Carried Unanimously**

### **13.2 Review of Status of Temporary Road Closure and associated Road Licence - part of Murphys Crossing Road, Nundubbermere**

#### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr M Harslett**

**Seconded Cr R Bartley**

THAT Council, pursuant to Section 99(1) of the *Land Act 1994*, advise the Department of Resources that Council does not support the request to cancel the temporary road closure and re-open this section of the currently closed road reserve, described as being part of Murphy's Crossing Road, and that runs through, or adjacent to Lot 14 on BNT 36, Lot 91 on BNT 538, Lot 10 on BNT 313 and State land Lot 92 on BNT 538.

**Carried**

*The following votes were recorded:*

*For: Crs R Bartley, S Deane, M Hamilton, M Harslett, C McDonald, C Pidgeon, R Wantling and S Windle (8)*

*Against: Cr J Richters (1)*

*In accordance with Section 21 of Council's Meeting Policy, Cr Richters proposed the following Procedural Motion:*

#### **Procedural Motion - Meeting Adjournment**

#### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr J Richters**

THAT the meeting adjourn at 10:42am.

**Carried Unanimously**

*The meeting adjourned at 10:42am and reconvened at 10:51am at which time there were present Crs Hamilton (Chair), Bartley, Deane, Harslett, McDonald, Pidgeon, Richters, Wantling and Windle*

### **13.3 Application for Permanent Road Closure – Between Kenilworth Street and Grove Avenue, Morgan Park – Adjacent to Lot 3 on SP218449**

#### **Recommendation**

**Moved Cr M Harslett**

**Seconded Cr C McDonald**

THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 99(1) of the Land Act 1994, Council objects to the application for a permanent road closure over road reserve between Kenilworth Street and Grove Avenue, Morgan Park, being adjacent to Lot 3 on SP218449.
2. The Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, be authorised to respond to, and answer the questions posed by, the Department.
3. The Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, be authorised to finalise easement conditions and sign proposed survey plans resulting from any closure the Minister approves.

## **Amendment**

Cr Richters proposed the following Amendment to item 1:

THAT Council supports the permanent road closure over the road reserve between Kenilworth Street and Grove Avenue, Morgan Park, being adjacent to Lot 3 on SP218449, but does not support the retention of the 10 metre road reserve.

## **Resolution**

**Moved Cr J Richters**

**Seconded Cr M Harslett**

**Carried Unanimously**

## **Resolution**

**Moved Cr M Harslett**

**Seconded Cr C McDonald**

THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 99(1) of the Land Act 1994, Council supports the permanent road closure over the road reserve between Kenilworth Street and Grove Avenue, Morgan Park, being adjacent to Lot 3 on SP218449, but does not support the retention of the 10 metre road reserve.
2. The Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, be authorised to respond to, and answer the questions posed by, the Department.
3. The Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, be authorised to finalise easement conditions and sign proposed survey plans resulting from any closure the Minister approves.

**Carried Unanimously**

## **14. INFRASTRUCTURE, ASSETS AND PROJECTS REPORTS**

### **14.1 Stanthorpe Water Restrictions**

## **Resolution**

**Moved Mayor M Hamilton**

**Seconded Cr S Windle**

THAT Council:

1. Approve the introduction of the modified water restrictions for Stanthorpe water supply as detailed in this report.
2. Approve that the water restrictions will currently only apply to Stanthorpe Water Supply.

**Carried Unanimously**

## **14.2 Amendment to PL- IS092 Infrastructure and Public Place Naming Policy**

### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr M Harslett**

**Seconded Cr R Wantling**

THAT Council resolves to endorse proposed amendments to PL – IS092 Infrastructure and Public Place Naming Policy.

**Carried Unanimously**

## **15. COMMUNITIES, PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS**

### **15.1 Pest Management Advisory Committee Meeting**

#### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr C Pidgeon**

**Seconded Cr C McDonald**

THAT Council receive the Minutes of the Pest Management Advisory Committee meeting held in Warwick on Thursday, 26 March 2026.

**Carried Unanimously**

### **15.2 Southern Downs Youth Council Meeting - 26 March 2026**

#### **Resolution**

**Moved Cr M Harslett**

**Seconded Cr C Pidgeon**

THAT Council receive and note the minutes from the Southern Downs Youth Council Induction Day on 26 March 2026.

**Carried Unanimously**

## **16. REPORTS OF DEPUTATION OR CONFERENCE & REPORTS FROM DELEGATES APPOINTED BY COUNCIL TO OTHER BODIES**

Nil

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

Nil

## **18. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **MEETING CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11:22am.