
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF MARANOA REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD AT ROMA ADMINISTRATION CENTRE ON 8 FEBRUARY 2017 COMMENCING AT 9.08AM

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Cr. T D Golder chaired the meeting with, Deputy Mayor Cr. J L Chambers, Cr. R Bryant, Cr. N H Chandler, Cr. P J Flynn, Cr. C J O'Neil, Cr. G B McMullen, Cr. D J Scheffe, Cr. J M Stanford Chief Executive Officer – Julie Reitano, Community Communication Officer - Amy Clark, and Minutes Officer – Kelly Rogers in attendance.

AS REQUIRED

Director Infrastructure Services – Cameron Castles, Director Development, Facilities & Environmental Services – Rob Hayward, Director Corporate, Community & Commercial Services – Sharon Frank, Manager Economic & Community Development – Ed Sims, Manager Facilities (Land, Buildings & Structures – Tanya Mansfield, Manager Saleyards – Paul Klar, Coordinator – Libraries, Arts & Culture – Michelle Blair, Coordinator – Grants, Local Development & Council Events – Susan Sands, Project Officer Community Liaison – Cassandra Elder, Specialist Infrastructure Program Funding & Budget Coordination – Cindy Irwin, Construction Manager – Mark Gottardi, Finance Officer – Linda Acutt.

WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at 9.08am.

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for the meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/01

Moved Cr Chambers

Seconded Cr Chandler

That the minutes of the General Meeting (1-25.01.17) held on 25 January 2017 be confirmed.

CARRIED

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SUBJECT HEADING: SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING FOR A PRESENTATION AT 9.10AM

Mark Gibson of Gibson Architects delivered a presentation on proposed amended concept drawings for Roma Saleyards Multi-Purpose Building.

SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING AT 10.51AM

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

ON THE TABLE

There were no items for discussion on the table.

PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

There were no petitions and deputations.

CONSIDERATION OF NOTICES OF BUSINESS

There were no notices of business for consideration.

CONSIDERATION OF NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion for consideration.

RECEPTION OF NOTICES OF MOTION FOR NEXT MEETING

No notices of motion were received for the next meeting.

BUSINESS

Item Number: L.2 **File Number:** D17/8131

SUBJECT HEADING: QUEENSLAND STATE GOVERNMENT WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND (W4Q) PROGRAM FUNDING

Author and Councillor's Title: Cr. Tyson Golder

Executive Summary:

Queensland State Government has dedicated \$200 million to the Works for Queensland (W4Q) Program under the State Infrastructure Fund to support job-creating minor infrastructure projects and minor maintenance works outside of South East Queensland.

Council has been advised that \$1,350,000 has been made available for such projects within the Maranoa, to be used prior to 30 November 2017.

It was recommended that \$50,000 of this funding be allocated to the maintenance and/or improvement of footpaths across the region, with works to be completed by local contractors on Council's pre-approved panel.

Discussion:

The Mayor brought to Council's attention for discussion Item L.2, due to the report's linkage to Item 13.4 – Projects for Funding Under Works for Queensland Program, requesting these items be considered in parallel, as both related to the same funding program.

The Mayor advised that Council had formally received advice from the State Government that Maranoa Regional Council would receive \$1,350,000 as opposed to the initial advice of \$1,300,000. He further indicated that he believed the additional \$50,000 of funding provided a fantastic opportunity to direct funds towards 'black spot' footpath rectification works.

Cr. Stanford enquired as to what length of footpath could be laid with \$50,000, and where the priority may lay for footpaths requiring attention.

Cr. Schefe indicated that on initial advice of funding arrangements from the department, the total available funds under the program were intended, and approved, for commencement of upgrades of the Roma water reticulation network, as resolved at the General Meeting on 25 January 2017 (GM/01.2017/21).

Further, Cr. Schefe indicated his preference that footpath upgrades be considered as part of upcoming budget deliberations, as he felt the water pressure concerns were of a higher priority than footpaths.

The Mayor responded by explaining that he felt footpath restorations provided a better opportunity to create jobs and use local contractors for a small amount of funds.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/02

Moved Cr Stanford

That the matter lay on the table for further consideration at a later point during the meeting.

CARRIED

7/2

OFFICE OF THE CEO

Item Number:

10.1

File Number: D17/4076

SUBJECT HEADING:

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION AND
DISCIPLINE TRIBUNAL SCHEDULE - 1 JULY 2017**

Officer's Title:

Associate to the Chief Executive Officer

Executive Summary:

On 1 December 2016, the Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal concluded its review of remuneration for Mayors, Deputy Mayors and Councillors of Local Governments as required by Chapter 8, Part 1, Division 1 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

The report sought Council's consideration of the Tribunal's review.

Discussion:

Cr. O'Neil spoke in favour of the motion, indicating that the case presented to the tribunal by himself, Cr. Scheffe and the Chief Executive Officer was an appropriate argument to be put. Cr. O'Neil further commended the Chief Executive Officer in collating the submission, noting that the recommendation to include Maranoa as a Category 3 Council realigned Maranoa Regional Council with comparable Councils. Cr. O'Neil concluded by thanking the tribunal for undertaking the review and delivering their final determination in favour of Council's submission as put forward.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/03

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Scheffe

That Council note the findings of the Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal's review.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Associate to the Chief Executive Officer

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Item Number: 12.1 **File Number:** D17/6185

SUBJECT HEADING: ROMA SEWER RENEWALS

Officer's Title: Manager - Water, Sewerage & Gas

Executive Summary:

Council officers carried out a CCTV inspection for a sewer in McDowall Street and determined that the main requires renewal. The CCTV inspection was extended and found that the adjacent mains also require renewal. This condition assessment was presented in a briefing to the Council at a Workshop on 16 November 2016 and recommends a change to the current program.

Discussion:

Cr. Scheffe spoke in favour of the motion, indicating that a few sewer mains had been identified as requiring urgent relining, hence the report under consideration.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/04

Moved Cr Scheffe

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council change the scope of works under WO18388 - Sewer Main Diversion Major Street Roma, to include relining the sewers identified in the Roma CBD.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Manager - Water, Sewerage & Gas

DEVELOPMENT, FACILITIES & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Item Number: 13.1 **File Number:** D16/115655

SUBJECT HEADING: CLOSURE OF LIBRARY SERVICES FOR STAFF TO ATTEND TRAINING 2017

Officer's Title: Coordinator - Libraries, Arts & Culture

Executive Summary:

The report requested closure of library services to conduct staff training workshops for three dates in 2017.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/05

Moved Cr Chandler

Seconded Cr Flynn

That Council:

1. Endorse the closure of Library Services to allow all staff to attend staff training.

Dates for Workshops for 2017:

- Friday, 10 March 2017
- Friday, 14 July 2017
- Wednesday, 29 November 2017

2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign the training provider agreement with StratComm Pty Ltd for training delivery at the workshop on 17 March 2017.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Libraries, Arts & Culture

Item Number: 13.2 **File Number:** D16/115661

SUBJECT HEADING: WIZARDS FROM OZ, PROPOSAL FROM QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL

Officer's Title: Coordinator - Libraries, Arts & Culture

Executive Summary:

The Wizard of Oz production is a collaborative project with Quilpie Shire Council that will see this production travel through the Maranoa on 26 June – 28 June bringing a range of workshops and a final performance for our community. This project will be funded through Council's Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Strategic Initiatives.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/06

Moved Cr Chandler

Seconded Cr Stanford

That Council:

1. **Commit to hosting "Wizards from Oz" performance in the Maranoa 26 June – 28 June 2017, including a financial commitment which will be funded through Council's RADF Strategic Initiative GL 2887.2250.2001.**
2. **Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign the Performance Agreement on behalf of Council.**

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Libraries, Arts & Culture

Item Number: 13.3 **File Number:** D17/4709

SUBJECT HEADING: REGIONAL POOLS REPORT - DECEMBER 2016

Officer's Title: Administration Officer - Council Buildings & Structures

Executive Summary:

Across the region Council maintains five swimming pool complexes and The Great Artesian Spa complex.

The pools are operated by contractors under management agreements. Contractors provide monthly reports to Council identifying attendance, pool temperatures, chemical levels, maintenance issues and consumables.

Reports for the month of December for the Great Artesian Spa, Mitchell Memorial Swimming Pool, Injune Swimming Pool, Denise Spencer Roma Pool, Surat Swimming Pool and Wallumbilla Swimming Pool and the November report for the Wallumbilla Pool were presented for Council's information.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/07

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Flynn

That Council receive the regional swimming pool reports for the month of December 2016 and the Wallumbilla Swimming Pool Report for the month of November 2016.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Administration Officer - Council Buildings & Structures

Item Number: 13.4 **File Number:** D17/7251

SUBJECT HEADING: PROJECTS FOR FUNDING UNDER WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND PROGRAM

Officer's Title: Coordinator - Grants, Local Development & Council Events

Executive Summary:

The Maranoa Regional Council will receive \$1.35M under the Queensland Government's Works for Queensland program. It was recommended that Council submit two water projects:

1. *Installation of new northern bore, reservoir and booster system in Roma.*
2. *Delivery main from northern bore to Northern Road, Roma.*

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/08

Moved Cr O'Neil

That the matter lay on the table for further consideration at a later point during the meeting.

CARRIED

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Item Number: 13.5 **File Number:** D17/7261

SUBJECT HEADING: SUBMISSION OF PROJECTS FOR FUNDING UNDER BUILDING OUR REGIONS PROGRAM

Officer's Title: Coordinator - Grants, Local Development & Council Events

Executive Summary:

Maranoa Regional Council is eligible to submit projects for funding under the Queensland Government's Building our Regions program. The following projects have been identified as eligible, and were discussed at a Council workshop on 31 January 2017.

The following projects have been identified:

- *Roma Saleyards Multi-Purpose Facility*
- *Roma Water Augmentation Project*
- *Roma Sewerage Augmentation Project*
- *Raslie Road Upgrade.*

Discussion:

The Mayor indicated he would speak in opposition to the recommendation.

Cr. Flynn spoke in favour of the motion, indicating that Council had undertaken a lengthy discussion at the recent workshop and believed that the right projects had been picked for submission under the program.

The Mayor spoke against the motion, indicating that while all of the projects were very good, he personally was opposed to one of the projects put forward, but acknowledged it was up to Council to decide on the final projects for submission.

Cr. Flynn enquired as to which project the Mayor was opposed to, with the Mayor responding that he was in opposition to submission of the Roma Saleyards Multi-Purpose Facility.

Cr. Flynn summed up discussions saying that he was pleased to move a motion for the proposed projects under the program, and strongly believed these should be put forward by Maranoa Regional Council.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/09

Moved Cr Flynn

Seconded Cr Bryant

That Council:

- 1. Submit Expressions of Interest for the following projects for funding under the Building our Regions program:**
 - a. Roma Saleyards Multi-Purpose Facility
 - b. Roma Water Augmentation Project
 - c. Roma Sewerage Augmentation Project
 - d. Raslie Road Upgrade.

- 2. Allocate the remainder of funds as required (excluding Raslie Road) in the 2017/18 budget to enable any successful projects to commence construction no later than 30 April 2018.**

CARRIED

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The Mayor called for a division of the vote.

The outcomes were recorded as follows:

Those in Favour of the Motion	Those Against the Motion
Cr. Bryant	Cr. Golder
Cr. Chambers	Cr. McMullen
Cr. Chandler	
Cr. Flynn	
Cr. O'Neil	
Cr. Scheffe	
Cr. Stanford	

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Grants, Local Development & Council Events

Item Number:

13.6

File Number: D17/7264

SUBJECT HEADING:

SUBMISSION OF PROJECTS FOR FUNDING UNDER FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING BETTER REGIONS PROGRAM

Officer's Title:

Coordinator - Grants, Local Development & Council Events

Executive Summary:

Maranoa Regional Council is eligible to submit projects for funding under the Federal Government's Building Better Regions Fund. The Roma Saleyards Multi-Purpose Facility project has been identified as eligible, and was discussed at a Council workshop on 31 January 2017. It was recommended that Council submit this project.

Discussion:

Cr. O'Neil spoke in favour of the motion, indicating that he believed the Roma Saleyards to be a significant asset for the community, and that Council needed to continue to seek funding for upgrades to improve the facility.

He went on to speak about the former term of Council having sent a delegation to Canada and USA – himself and the former Deputy Mayor to overseas regions similar to the Maranoa who had experienced the effects of the CSG Industry. This led them to the findings that it was critical for local government and the community to identify their key assets, which in the Maranoa Cr. O’Neil believed to be the Roma Saleyards and the Roma Airport.

Cr. O’Neil indicated that these premier assets require significant and continued investment, and would be a positive legacy for the Maranoa community. He said that this funding program offered a unique opportunity for Council to platform off the tourism sector, and stressed the importance of investing and partnering with all levels of government, as this region did not have the ratepayer base to fund a project such as this. Cr. O’Neil urged all Councillors to support the recommendation to demonstrate to the Federal Government that Council is united in its submission.

The Mayor spoke against the motion, indicating that while he totally understood Cr O’Neil’s sentiments, that a substantial amount of borrowing was still required by Council even considering the potential project funding. He further indicated that this facility was not the number one priority, and there were other priorities and other Council facilities that urgently needed attention. In closing, he acknowledged that the upcoming 50th year celebrations for the Saleyards would be a very important milestone and celebration, which he would work with Council on as the date drew closer.

Cr. Bryant spoke in favour of the motion, reiterating Cr. O’Neil’s sentiments, and further indicated that the funding provided an opportunity to put a spotlight on the 50th year celebration for the yards, and felt that funding should be sought from all levels of government. In closing, Cr. Bryant said that with the upcoming anniversary, now was the time to submit the project as Council may not get another opportunity again to progress this project, which provided an opportunity to build the capacity of the facility if successful.

Cr. McMullen spoke against the motion, indicating that he felt Council should first undertake public consultation prior to submission.

Cr. Flynn spoke in favour of the motion, indicating from his time on Council when government says apply for funding, Council should take that comment with a fair deal of credence. He further indicated that if successful the funding provided an opportunity to go ahead with the Saleyards Precinct and he fully supported the submission.

Cr. O’Neil summed up discussions by saying that Councils when making their decisions affect the current term of Council and beyond – i.e. decisions are for the long term benefit of future generations. He indicated that if this Council didn’t invest in the Saleyards it would just be passed onto the next Council. In closing, he supported Cr. Bryant’s thoughts that the 50th year celebrations provided a unique opportunity to showcase the facility, and also Cr. Flynn’s thoughts concerning the funding partnership opportunities currently presented.

He indicated to the Mayor that he hoped that the project was successful and that the Mayor would be cutting the ribbon at the celebration alongside the representing Minister, and encouraged all Councillors to support the project.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/10

Moved Cr O’Neil

Seconded Cr Bryant

That Council:

- 1. Submit an application for funding under the Federal Government Building Better Regions program for the Roma Saleyards Multi-Purpose Facility.**
- 2. Allocate the co-contribution as required in the 2017/18 budget to enable any successful projects to commence within 12 weeks of executing a grant agreement.**
- 3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign a grant agreement on behalf of Council if the project is successful.**

Cr McMullen called for a division of the vote.

The outcomes were recorded as follows:

Those in Favour of the Motion	Those Against the Motion
Cr. Bryant	Cr. Golder
Cr. Chambers	Cr. McMullen
Cr. Chandler	
Cr. Flynn	
Cr. O'Neil	
Cr. Schefe	
Cr. Stanford	

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer	Coordinator - Grants, Local Development & Council Events
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Item Number:

13.7

File Number: D17/7208

SUBJECT HEADING:

FEDERAL REVIEW OF PETROLEUM RESOURCE RENT TAX.

Officer's Title:

Manager - Economic & Community Development

Executive Summary:

Senator Barry O'Sullivan, Senator for Queensland has written to Council requesting that Council registers its interests and suggestions as to the scope of the review into the operations of the Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (PRRT).

The request was received very late in the process and responses were due 3 February. The review is being conducted by Mr Michael Callaghan AM with the support of the Commonwealth Treasury.

A letter of response was drafted, reviewed by Councillors and forwarded to Mr Callaghan AM, within timeframes, and this report sought the formal endorsement of the response by Council.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/11

Moved Cr Stanford

Seconded Cr Schefe

That Council endorse the letter of submission to the Federal review of the Petroleum Resource Rent tax of 3 February 2017.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer	Manager - Economic & Community Development
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LATE ITEMS

Cr. Flynn declared a potential perceived 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item, due to his personal business operations out of the Roma Airport, and left the Chamber at 11.21am taking no further part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number: L.1 **File Number:** D17/5208

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR LANDING FEE WAIVER - SHEEHAN EVENTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH YOUNGCARE

Author and Councillor's Title: Cr. Tyson Golder

Executive Summary:

The Mayor's report requested waiver of Landing and Passenger Fees at Roma airport for 17/18 March 2017 for Fokker 70 with reduced fuel load and passengers, estimated to weigh 32 tonnes.

Discussion:

The Mayor spoke in favour of the motion, indicating that he had been contacted by the applicant for the requested waiver, saying that Council had an opportunity to bring a large plane into Roma for an event that raises funds for charity. The Mayor further said he was pro tourism, and that these sorts of events needed to be encouraged by Council to put the region on the national stage, as well as to expand air tourism to the region. In closing, he indicated that if Council didn't support the request, Council would not be seen in a good light compared to other local government areas that had supported this type of event. Further that this would provide an option for travel which was totally different to the regulated service to Roma.

Cr. Stanford enquired on payment arrangements for passengers attending the event and paying for the charter flight. The Mayor indicated that individuals would be paying for their ticket to attend the event. Council further discussed the event activities and fees.

Cr. Chambers spoke against the motion, indicating that the information submitted by the applicant had requested a waiver of the landing fees, and while supportive of tourism she was not in support of waiving the passenger fees as well, given there is a cost to Council for security screening requirements.

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council grant waiver of Landing Fees and Passenger Fees in support of Youngcare, as well as encouraging tourism to our region.

Discussion Continued:

An amendment to the draft motion was proposed as follows, recommending that just the landing fee waiver be considered at this point. The mover was in favour of the amendment, and the motion was put.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/12

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council grant waiver of Landing Fees in support of Youngcare, and to encourage tourism to our region.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Manager – Airports (Roma, Injune, Mitchell & Surat)

At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr. Flynn entered the Chamber at 11.33am.

Item Number: L.3 **File Number:** D17/8564

SUBJECT HEADING: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT APPLICATION - MULTICULTURAL QUEENSLAND GRANTS PROGRAM

Officer's Title: Community Support Officer

Executive Summary:

Council has received confirmation of a successful grant application – Celebrating Multicultural Queensland Grants Program. Approval to lodge the grant application was sought from Council 24/08/2016 (GM/08.2016/29).

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/13	
Moved Cr Stanford	Seconded Cr Chandler
That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign the agreement on behalf of Council.	
CARRIED	9/0

Responsible Officer	Community Support Officer
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CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolved to close the meeting to discuss items it has deemed to be of a confidential nature and specifically pertaining to the following sections:-

- (a) the appointment, dismissal or discipline of employees;
- (e) contracts proposed to be made by it;
- (d) rating concessions;
- (f) starting or defending legal proceedings involving the local government;
- (h) other 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;

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/14	
Moved Cr O'Neil	Seconded Cr Chambers
That Council close the meeting to the public at 11.34am.	
CARRIED	9/0

Cr. Bryant left the Chamber at 11.54am, and entered at 11.56am.

Cr. O'Neil & Cr. Chandler left the Chamber at 12.23pm.

Cr. O'Neil entered the Chamber at 12.25pm.

Cr. Chandler entered the Chamber at 12.26pm.

The Mayor left the Chamber at 12.30pm, and entered at 12.33pm.

Cr. O'Neil and Stanford left the Chamber at 12.35pm.

Cr. O'Neil entered the Chamber at 12.36pm.

Cr. Stanford entered the Chamber at 12.39pm.

Cr. Stanford left the Chamber at 12.49pm, and entered at 12.54pm.

Cr. Flynn left the Chamber at 12.52pm, and entered at 1.04pm.

Cr. Flynn left the Chamber at 1.06pm, and returned during the suspension of Standing Orders for Lunch.

The Mayor left the Chamber at 1.08pm, and returned during Suspension of Standing Orders for Lunch.

SUBJECT HEADING: SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING FOR LUNCH AT 1.10PM

SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING AT 1.43PM

The Mayor declared a 'Conflict of Interest' in LC.8 – Tender 17011 – Lease or Sale of 18 – 20 Station Street Roma, due to him being an Executive Member of one of the organisations that had put forward a tender for formal consideration. The Mayor left the Chamber at 1.46pm, taking no further part in discussion on the matter, with the Deputy Mayor taking the role of Acting Chair in his absence.

At cessation of discussion on the abovementioned item, the Mayor entered the Chamber at 1.48pm and assumed the Chair.

Cr. Schefe declared a 'Material Personal Interest' in Item LC.6 – Update on correspondence in relation to PCYC Grant/Subsidy, due to his wife using the facility for her personal business. Cr. Schefe left the Chamber at 2.20pm, taking no further part in discussion on the item.

At cessation of discussion on the abovementioned item, Cr. Schefe entered the Chamber at 2.25pm.

Cr. Chambers left the Chamber at 2.12pm, and entered at 2.13pm.

Cr. Stanford left the Chamber at 2.34pm, and entered at 2.35pm.

Cr. Flynn left the Chamber at 2.38pm.

Cr. O'Neil left the Chamber at 2.42pm, and entered at 2.43pm.

Cr. Chandler left the Chamber at 2.43pm, and entered at 2.45pm.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/15

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Stanford

That Council open the meeting to the public at 2.51pm.

CARRIED

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Cr. Flynn entered the Chamber at 2.52pm.

Item Number: C.1 **File Number:** D17/3092

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR LEASE - LOT 18 ON WV1296

Officer's Title: Administration Officer - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

Council received an application for a lease over a parcel of land described as Lot 18 on WV1296 for the purpose of grazing.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/16

Moved Cr Bryant

Seconded Cr Chandler

That Council:

1. **Not support the applicant's current application for Lease over land described as Lot 18 on WV1296.**
2. **Recommend to the applicant to retain their current Permit to Occupy over the land described as Lot 18 on WV1296 until the amendments to the Stock Route Management legislation are finalised and following implementation of the new legislation to resubmit the application for Council's further review.**
3. **Advise the applicant to make application to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines for a stock route water facility agreement, as it is understood that the water facility on land described as Lot 18 on WV1296 is being used to water stock which graze the reserve.**

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Administration Officer - Land Administration

Item Number: C.2 **File Number:** D17/3167

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO OCCUPY - PORTION OF STOCK ROUTE ADJOINING LOT 261 ON DL132

Officer's Title: Administration Officer - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

Council received a request for permission to occupy over part of a stock route adjoining land described as Lot 261 on DL132 for the purpose of grazing livestock.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/17

Moved Cr Chandler

Seconded Cr Bryant

That Council:

1. **Offer no objection to the application for a Permit to Occupy over part of the stock route that immediately adjoins the boundary of land described as Lot 261 on DL132.**
2. **Not approve any request for land that does not adjoin the boundary of land described as Lot 261 on DL132 due to potential of becoming a risk for vehicular traffic and stock movement.**

3. As Trustee of the Reserve, authorise that use of the land immediately adjoining the boundary of land described as Lot 261 on DL132 be dealt with under the *Land Act 1994* by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Administration Officer - Land Administration

Item Number:

C.3

File Number: D17/4042

SUBJECT HEADING:

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO OCCUPY - STOCK ROUTE ADJOINING LOT 7 ON KE111

Officer's Title:

Administration Officer - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

Council received an application for permission to occupy over stock route adjoining land described as Lot 7 on KE111 for the purpose of grazing.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/18

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Bryant

That Council:

1. Offer no objection to the application for a Permit to Occupy over stock route adjoining land described as Lot 7 on KE111 noting that the land is still required for its gazetted purpose.
2. As Trustee of the Reserve, authorise that use of the land be dealt with under the *Land Act 1994* by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Administration Officer - Land Administration

Item Number:

C.4

File Number: D17/4662

SUBJECT HEADING:

QUARRY AND PIT RELATED AGREEMENTS

Officer's Title:

Associate to the Director - Infrastructure Services

Executive Summary:

A requirement of the Forestry Act (1959) is to prepare relevant Quarry Site Development & Management Plans for provision to the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) for any of Council's pits. Additionally there is a requirement to ensure a Memorandum of Agreement is in place with any landholders where Council wishes to access their property for use as an extractive site.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/19

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Chambers

That Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to authorise on behalf of Maranoa Regional Council:

- Quarry Site Development and Management Plans as per the *Forestry Act 1959* and;

- Landholder Memorandum of Agreements for access to and use of an extractive site on a landholder's property; and
- Gravel Pit Access Agreements.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer
Director - Infrastructure Services / Associate to the Director – Corporate, Community & Commercial Services (Delegations)
Item Number:
C.5
File Number: D17/5939
SUBJECT HEADING:
WRITE OFF AMOUNTS IN DEBTORS
Officer's Title:
Coordinator - Debtors
Executive Summary:

The report recommended that Council formally write off debts that are deemed to be irrecoverable or unviable for Council to pursue further recovery action.

Discussion:

Cr. Chambers spoke in favour of the motion, indicating that the cost of continuing to pursue recovery far outweighed the original debts.

Cr. Stanford spoke against the motion, indicating that even though individually the amounts may be small, in principle recovery should continue given that a service had been delivered by Council to the respective parties, and failure of these individuals to respond was unacceptable.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/20
Moved Cr Chambers
Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council approve the write off of debts as follows owing to their current status of being irrecoverable or unviable for Council to pursue further recovery action:

Account Number	Outstanding Balance
76177.01	\$160.00
71952.03	\$38.88
76585.03	\$39.53
75268.07	\$88.00
TOTAL	\$326.41

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer
Coordinator - Debtors
Item Number:
C.6
File Number: D17/6157
SUBJECT HEADING:
ROMA FLOOD MITIGATION - ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL PROPERTY FLOOD RISK AND MITIGATION MEASURES
Officer's Title:
Project Officer - Community Liaison
Executive Summary:

At the General Meeting held on 10 August 2016, Council passed by resolution (Resolution No. GM/08.2016/26) the allocation of a budget of \$199,732 (Exc. GST) to commence works on 308 and 311 Northern Road.

Council officers have since been in discussion with the property owners and GHD to finalise the scope of work. The detailed design scope for local flood mitigation works on the properties has increased the budget by \$42,784. The report sought to increase the budget allocation to allow the works to commence.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/21

Moved Cr Chambers

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council:

1. Authorise the commencement of flood mitigation works on 308 Northern Road and 311 Northern Road.
2. Increase the budget allocation by \$42,784 (Exc. GST), to be funded from Roma Flood Mitigation Project Stage 2b (work order 18170).

CARRIED (Cr. Flynn requested his vote against the motion be recorded)

6/3

Responsible Officer

Project Officer - Community Liaison

Item Number:

C.7

File Number: D17/6182

SUBJECT HEADING:

WRITE OFF AMOUNTS - AVDATA

Officer's Title:

Coordinator - Debtors

Executive Summary:

The report recommended Council formally write off debts that are deemed to be irrecoverable or unviable for Council to pursue further recovery action.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/22

Moved Cr Flynn

Seconded Cr Chambers

That Council approve the write off of debts as follows owing to their current status of being irrecoverable or unviable for Council to pursue further recovery action.

Roma Airport	Account Number	\$ Balance Outstanding
	150013459	\$37.88
	150011301	\$17.60
	150015535	\$454.29
	150022312	\$125.72
	150008157	\$53.02
	150007312	\$25.09
	150032104	\$20.50
	150030928	\$37.58
Washdown - Roma Saleyards	150037618	\$80.30

CARRIED

5/4

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Debtors

Item Number: C.8 **File Number:** D17/2964

SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT - HIRE OF WALLUMBILLA MEMORIAL HALL

Officer's Title: Manager - Facilities (Land, Buildings & Structures)

Executive Summary:

Council received correspondence from a recent hirer of the Wallumbilla Hall seeking partial or full reimbursement of the hire fees paid. Council was asked to consider the request.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/23

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Chandler

That Council, in consideration of the circumstances presented, agree to a 25% discount on the hall hire costs for the event held at the Wallumbilla Hall on 7 January 2017.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Manager - Facilities (Land, Buildings & Structures)
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Item Number: C.9 **File Number:** D17/5748

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR RATE PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS – VARIOUS ASSESSMENTS

Officer's Title: Rates Officer

Executive Summary:

Applications for rates payment arrangements have been received from various ratepayers. The timeframe the applicants have proposed to have their rates paid in full extends beyond the current financial year timeframe that is adopted in Council's adopted Revenue Statement.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/24

Moved Cr Chambers

Seconded Cr Bryant

That Council:

- 1. Accept the applicants' payment plans set as follows, subject to all rates, charges and arrears accumulated paid in full by 30 June 2018.**

Assessment No.	Accepted payment Proposal
14018642	\$800/fortnight
14016273	\$80/week
14025373	\$80/week
14033674	\$1,278/month
14008643	\$200/fortnight
14033450	\$6,000 on 31/01/17, then \$1,000/month

2. Decline the applicants' payment plans as follows and propose to the applicants a new payment arrangement so that all rates, charges and arrears accumulated being paid in full by 30 June 2018.

Assessment No.	Applicant's Proposal	Council's Proposal
14021422	\$310/fortnight	\$383/fortnight
14027460	\$250/fortnight	\$274/fortnight
13006176	\$1,000 initial payment on 27/01/17, and then \$150/fortnight	\$1,000 payment on 27/01/17, and then \$196/fortnight

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Rates Officer
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Item Number: C.10 File Number: D17/7555

SUBJECT HEADING: ROMA SALEYARDS - MONTHLY BUSINESS REPORT

Officer's Title: Manager - Saleyards

Executive Summary:

The report was presented to Council to provide a summary of the performance of Council's Roma Saleyards for the months of November and December, and year to date. The information in the report aimed to review the month's activities, give an overview of financial performance and bring to Council's attention any emerging issues.

Discussion:

Cr. Flynn spoke in favour of the motion, and provided commentary on throughput at the Roma Saleyards, advising that at the end of December 2016 - 143,404 head of cattle were turned over, and another 13,000 (approximately) in January.

The figures indicate that due to strong prices we are achieving high turnover values with less throughput when compared to previous years.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/25

Moved Cr Flynn

Seconded Cr Bryant

That Council receive and note the Officer's reports as presented.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Manager - Saleyards
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LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS
Item Number: LC.2 **File Number:** D17/8420

SUBJECT HEADING: TENDER 17006 - REGISTER OF PRE-QUALIFIED SUPPLIERS FOR WATER CARTAGE

Officer's Title: Manager - Procurement & Commercial Services

Executive Summary:

Each year, Council's budget includes provision for various works requiring, from time to time, for Council to supplement its own plant and resources. One such area is Water Cartage.

The tender period opened on 11 October 2016 with a closing date of 10 November 2016.

Responses were reviewed by an evaluation panel and the report was submitted for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/26
Moved Cr Scheffe
Seconded Cr O'Neil
That:

1. Council approve the addition of the following businesses to Council's Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers for Water Cartage, being established in accordance with s 232 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, under the proposed sub-panels (under the headings below).
2. Pre-qualification (for the mentioned businesses) remains current until the end of October 2018 (the pre-qualification period for existing panel members (formed in December/January 2016) will expire at the end of September 2017).
3. Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a Deed of Agreement with the selected tenderers formalising the terms and conditions detailed in the draft agreement.
4. Existing pre-qualified suppliers be transitioned to the relevant sub-panels - body truck and/or semi water tanker.

Water Cart – Body Truck

Bendemere Construction Pty Ltd	5 Star	Local
D & R Water & Haulage Pty Ltd	5 Star	Local
Swans Earthmoving QLD Pty Ltd	5 Star	Local
G&R Brown & Sons Pty Ltd	2 Star	Local
B.L Lucht & S.L Lucht T/A B & S Lucht Truck Hire	5 Star	Local

Water Cart – Semi Water Tanker

Jobe Rose Pty Ltd	5 Star	Local
D & R Water & Haulage Pty Ltd	5 Star	Local
Shelswell Transport Pty Ltd	5 Star	Local
Swans Earthmoving QLD Pty Ltd	5 Star	Local
G & R Brown & Sons Pty Ltd	2 Star	Local
Suffcon Pty Ltd	2 Star	Local
B.L Lucht & S.L Lucht T/A B & S Lucht Truck Hire	5 Star	Local

CARRIED
9/0
Responsible Officer
Manager - Procurement & Commercial Services

Item Number: LC.3 **File Number:** D17/8421

SUBJECT HEADING: TENDER 17012 - DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION OF NEW CLASS 7B SHED - WALLUMBILLA STATE EMERGENCY & RURAL FIRE BRIGADE

Officer's Title: Manager - Procurement & Commercial Services

Executive Summary:

Council publicly invited tenders for the construction of a new class 7b Shed in Wallumbilla (the proposed Wallumbilla Combined Emergency Services Centre).

The tender period opened on 10 January 2017 with a closing date of 2 February 2017.

Responses were reviewed by an evaluation panel and the report submitted for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/27	
Moved Cr O'Neil	Seconded Cr Scheffe
That Council:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Select Allwood Building Services Pty Ltd as the preferred tenderer for Tender 17012 – Design & Construction of New Class 7b Shed – Wallumbilla State Emergency & Rural Fire Brigade. 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to enter into final negotiations with Allwood Building Services Pty Ltd noting the lump-sum value of \$408,996.73 incl. GST (the final value after seven provisional items are removed from the cost schedule) and accept the contract, subject to the stated conditions, if the final terms are acceptable. 	
CARRIED	9/0

Responsible Officer	Manager - Procurement & Commercial Services
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Item Number: LC.4 **File Number:** D17/8726

SUBJECT HEADING: ROMA QUARRY - RENTAL ASSESSMENT

Location: Carnarvon Highway (Part of Lot 2 on SP 200044)

Officer's Title: Director - Infrastructure Services

Executive Summary:

The report sought approval from Council for the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to further progress discussions for land located off the Carnarvon Highway, Eumamurrin (Lot 2 SP 200044) currently being leased by Maranoa Regional Council.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/28	
Moved Cr Chambers	Seconded Cr McMullen
That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate and Council's representative to meet with the landowner and her representative in relation to the leased area on Lot 2 SP 200044 Carnarvon Highway, Eumamurrin.	
CARRIED	9/0

Responsible Officer	Director – Infrastructure Services
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Item Number: LC.5 **File Number:** D17/8736

SUBJECT HEADING: MINOR AMENDMENTS TO THE ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

Officer's Title: Associate to the Chief Executive Officer

Executive Summary:

The report sought Council approval for minor changes to the organisational structure:

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/29

Moved Cr Chambers

Seconded Cr Chandler

That Council endorse the proposed amendments to the organisational structure as follows:

- *Remove the position of Community Safety Officer (0630) from the organisational structure.*
- *Create a new position of Rates Officer, reporting to the Coordinator – Rates.*

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer	Associate to the Chief Executive Officer
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Cr. Scheffe declared a 'Material Personal Interest' in the following item, due to his wife using the facility for her personal business. Cr. Scheffe left the Chamber at 3.14pm, taking no further part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number: LC.6 **File Number:** D17/8823

SUBJECT HEADING: UPDATE ON CORRESPONDENCE IN RELATION TO PCYC GRANT/SUBSIDY

Officer's Title: Chief Executive Officer

Executive Summary:

The report tabled correspondence and other information received to date about Council's grant/subsidy to the PCYC.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/30

Moved Cr Flynn

Seconded Cr Stanford

That the information be noted, including the proposed meeting with PCYC officials on 13 March 2017 in relation to discussion about programs for the allocation of Council's funding.

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer	Specialist – Sport & Recreation
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At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr. Scheffe entered the Chamber at 3.15pm.

Item Number: LC.7 **File Number:** D17/7832

SUBJECT HEADING: TENDER 17010 - SALE OF SURPLUS BUILDING AND LAND, 7 CREEK STREET YULEBA

Officer's Title: Manager - Procurement & Commercial Services

Executive Summary:

Council publicly invited tenders for the sale of the premises located at 7 Creek Street, Yuleba.

The tender period opened on 8 December 2016 with a closing date of 11 January 2017.

Responses were reviewed by an evaluation panel and the report submitted for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/31

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Chandler

That Council:

1. Not accept any of the submissions obtained for Tender 17010.
2. List the property with Council's Preferred Supplier/s of Real Estate Services, subsequent to the formation of this supplier panel.

CARRIED

7/2

Responsible Officer

Manager - Procurement & Commercial Services

The Mayor declared a 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item due to him being an Executive Member of one of the organisations that had put forward a tender for formal consideration. The Mayor left the Chamber at 3.17pm taking no further part in discussion or debate on the matter, with the Deputy Mayor taking the role of Acting Chair in his absence.

Item Number: LC.8 **File Number:** D17/7835

SUBJECT HEADING: TENDER 17011 - LEASE OR SALE OF 18 - 20 STATION STREET ROMA

Officer's Title: Manager - Procurement & Commercial Services

Executive Summary:

Council publicly invited tenders for the lease or sale of the premises located at 18 – 20 Station Street Roma.

The tender period opened on 8 December 2016 with a closing date of 6 January 2017.

Responses were reviewed by an evaluation panel and submitted for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/32

Moved Cr Chandler

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council:

1. Accept the tender submission from Roma Historic Precincts Inc. for the purchase value of \$350,000 (input taxed), subject to the following conditions:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the successful Tenderer has secured the necessary funding and that the property settlement has finalised within a 12 month period (deadline of 28 February 2018); and • That Council can continue to use the property for its own purposes, or lease it to third parties, until the finalisation of the property settlement. <p>2. List the property with Council's Preferred Supplier/s of Real Estate Services if the aforementioned conditions are not met.</p>
<p>CARRIED 8/0</p>

Responsible Officer	Manager - Procurement & Commercial Services
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At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, the Mayor entered the Chamber and assumed the Chair at 3.19pm.

Item Number: LC.9 **File Number: D17/8840**

SUBJECT HEADING: OUTSTANDING DEBTOR ACCOUNT

Officer's Title: Manager - Communication, Information & Administration Services

Executive Summary:

At the Council meeting on 25 January 2017, Council considered a report on a payment arrangement that was in default. Council resolved to defer the matter to this general meeting to give the business an opportunity to catch up with payments outstanding from their agreed payment plan.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/33	
Moved Cr Stanford	Seconded Cr McMullen
<p>That Council propose a new weekly payment commitment plan with the customer (initial value mentioned in the report) so that the current outstanding debt and future estimated/actual invoices are fully paid within 6 months.</p>	
CARRIED	6/3

Responsible Officer	Manager - Communication, Information & Administration Services
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Item Number: LC.10 **File Number: D17/8842**

SUBJECT HEADING: ROMA SALEYARDS CANTEEN MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Officer's Title: Manager - Saleyards

Executive Summary:

The Management Agreement for the Roma Saleyards Canteen is due to expire on 7 April 2017.

The current Manager has requested that the agreement be extended for another 12 months.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/34
Moved Cr Chandler
Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council negotiate a management agreement with the current Manager Café 54 for a 1 year term, with further options (for Council) on a month by month basis, provided the Business Activity Reporting is completed in accordance with clause 4.2 of the current management agreement within 14 days.

CARRIED

8/1

Responsible Officer	Manager - Saleyards
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Item Number:

L.2

File Number: D17/8131

SUBJECT HEADING:
QUEENSLAND STATE GOVERNMENT WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND (W4Q) PROGRAM FUNDING
Author and Councillor's Title:
Cr. Tyson Golder
Executive Summary:

Queensland State Government has dedicated \$200 million to the Works for Queensland (W4Q) Program under the State Infrastructure Fund to support job-creating minor infrastructure projects and minor maintenance works outside of South East Queensland.

Council has been advised that \$1,350,000 has been made available for such projects within the Maranoa, to be used prior to 30 November 2017.

It is recommended that \$50,000 of this funding be allocated to the maintenance and/or improvement of footpaths across the region, with works to be completed by local contractors on Council's pre-approved panel.

This item had been laid on the table earlier during the meeting. Council resumed discussion on the matter.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/35
Moved Cr Golder
Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council allocate approved program funding of \$50,000 to commence Upgrades to areas of 'blackspot' footpaths, as identified by both community feedback and Council's own observation.

MOTION LOST

2/7

Responsible Officer	Mayor
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Item Number: 13.4 **File Number:** D17/7251

SUBJECT HEADING: PROJECTS FOR FUNDING UNDER WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND PROGRAM

Officer's Title: Coordinator - Grants, Local Development & Council Events

Executive Summary:

The Maranoa Regional Council will receive \$1.35M under the Queensland Government's Works for Queensland program. It was recommended that Council submit two water projects:

1. Installation of new northern bore, reservoir and booster system in Roma.
2. Delivery main from northern bore to Northern Road, Roma.

This item had been laid on the table earlier during the meeting, Council resumed discussions on the matter.

Discussion:

Cr. Scheffe spoke in favour of the motion, indicating that it is well known there is a problem with water pressure in some parts of Roma in particular, which is resulting in a number of complaints. Residents have been patient to date, however, Council needs to get underway with works before next summer. Notably the funding is immediate, which means that Council can deliver improvements before the heat of next summer.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/36

Moved Cr Scheffe

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council:

1. **Submit the following two projects under the State Government Works for Queensland Program:**
 - a. Northern Bore, Roma
 - b. Northern Road delivery main, Roma
2. **Allocate the remaining funds required to complete the project in the 2017/18 budget.**
3. **Commit to completing the works by the due date of 30 November, 2017.**
4. **Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign the submission form, and any further agreements with the State Government as required.**

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Grants, Local Development & Council Events

Item Number: LC.1 **File Number:** D17/8106

SUBJECT HEADING: ROMA FLOOD MITIGATION STAGE 2

Officer's Title: Project Officer - Community Liaison

Executive Summary:

This report provided Council an update on landholder negotiations and compulsory acquisition for Stage 2 of the Roma Flood Mitigation Project in an aim to facilitate efficient delivery of the project.

Resolution No. GM/02.2017/37

Moved Cr Chambers

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council authorise the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor to make an offer to landowners whose land is affected by work associated with Stage 2 of the Roma Flood Mitigation Project, with those offers to be consistent with Council's discussions at the closed session of Council's meeting on 8 February 2017, and with a view to finalising an agreement under section 15 of the *Acquisition of Land Act 1967* with those affected landowners.

CARRIED

6/3

Responsible Officer

Project Officer - Community Liaison

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor thanked Council for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 3.35pm.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next General Meeting of Council to be held on 22 February 2017, at Roma Administration Centre.

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 Mayor.

Date.