

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF MARANOA REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD AT ROMA ADMINISTRATION CENTRE ON 12 JUNE 2025 SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE AT 9:00 AM

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Cr W M Taylor chaired the meeting with Deputy Mayor Cr C J O'Neil, Cr J R P Birkett (by Microsoft Teams), Cr M K Brumpton, Cr A K Davis, Cr P J Flynn, Cr J M Hancock (by Microsoft Teams), Cr B R Seawright, Cr J R Vincent, Chief Executive Officer – Robert Hayward and Kelly Rogers Minutes Officer in attendance.

AS REQUIRED

Director Corporate Services – Brett Exelby, Director Engineering – Seamus Batstone, Director Regional Development, Environment and Planning – Jamie Gorry, Director Warroo – Mathew Gane, Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management – Cameron Hoffmann, Manager Regional Facilities Management – Leah Cooper, (Acting) Manager - Planning, Building & Development Services – Lucy Pulsford, Overseer Roma – Andrew Davidson, Lead Local Development Officer – Georgie Adams-Woodall, Project and Administration Officer – Tennielle Limpus, Events Attraction Officer – Georgia Nicholls, **Error! No document variable supplied.** – Logan Connell.

WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at 9.00am.

ON THE TABLE

The following item was laid on the table at a previous meeting:

C.5 – Roma Country Music Festival – post-event report

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/01

Moved Cr Brumpton

Seconded Cr Davis

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 May 2025 be confirmed.

CARRIED 9/0



CONSIDERATION OF NOTICES OF MOTION

Item Number: 8.1 File Number: D25/55951

SUBJECT HEADING: YULEBA COMMUNITY PROJECTS | WATER PLAY

Officer's Title: Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management

Project Officer - Contract Management Office

Original Resolution Meeting Date:24 April 2025Original Resolution Number:0M/04.2025/01

Original Resolution:

Moved Cr Seawright

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council:

- 1. Endorse the final design of the Yuleba Water Play, based on Option 1 with the following modifications:
 - o Removal of internal rocks within the original rock outline;
 - Removal of "pebble treatment" and inclusion of a painted blue concrete surface and representation of local lagoon fauna as illustrated in Option 2;
 - Relocation of the pump room to the rear of the project.
- 2. Approve the reallocation of surplus funds of \$300,000 from the Wallumbilla Multipurpose Building Construction project to the Yuleba Community Projects Main Street.
- 3. Provide an update to the community on the project via preconstruction/commencement media release.

CARRIED 7/0

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/02

Moved Cr Vincent Seconded Cr Seawright

That Council repeal Resolution Number OM/04.2025/02 and replace with:

That Council:

- 1. Endorse the final design of the Yuleba Water Play, based on Option 1 with the following modifications:
 - Removal of internal rocks within the original rock outline;
 - o Removal of "pebble treatment" and inclusion of a painted blue concrete surface and representation of local lagoon flora and fauna;
 - o Relocation of the pump room to the rear of the project.
- 2. Approve the reallocation of surplus funds of \$300,000 from the Wallumbilla Multipurpose Building Construction project to the Yuleba Community Projects Main Street.
- 3. Provide an update to the community on the project via preconstruction/commencement media release.

CARRIED 9/0



Responsible Officer	Deputy Director / Strategic Road
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BUSINESS

REPORTS - LOCAL AREA DIRECTORS

Item Number: 13.1 File Number: D25/50831

SUBJECT HEADING: SPONSORSHIP REQUEST - ROMA IGNITES EVENT

Officer's Title: Lead Local Development Officer

Executive Summary:

Council received a sponsorship request from Blaik Family Trust to support Roma Ignites, a new motorsport and drag racing event proposed for 27-29 June 2025 at the Ironbark Raceway, Roma. The event will feature drag racing and burnouts, a component currently not offered by the local club (South West Drag Racing Association) due to insurance limitations.

The applicant sought \$5,000 in sponsorship from Council to contribute toward venue hire costs (\$6,600).

Moved Cr Flynn

Seconded Cr Vincent

That Council:

- 1. Provide sponsorship of \$2,500 towards the Roma Ignites event to be held from 27-29 June 2025 at Ironbark Raceway, Roma, with the funds to be paid directly to the South West Drag Racing Association to assist with venue hire costs.
- 2. Draw funds from GL 2887.2249.2001 Sponsorship budget.

NO VOTE TAKEN

No vote was taken on the draft motion at that time, with Cr Davis proposing the following amendment, which Cr Flynn as the 'mover' confirmed he would not accept:

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/03

Moved Cr Davis Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council:

- 1. Provide sponsorship of \$2,000 towards the Roma Ignites event to be held from 27-29 June 2025 at Ironbark Raceway, Roma, with the funds to be paid directly to the South West Drag Racing Association to assist with venue hire costs.
- 2. Draw funds from GL 2887.2249.2001 Sponsorship budget.

CARRIED 7/2



With the amendment approved, this then became then substantive motion, which was voted on and the outcome recorded as follows:

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/04

Moved Cr Flynn

Seconded Cr Vincent

That Council:

- 1. Provide sponsorship of \$2,000 towards the Roma Ignites event to be held from 27-29 June 2025 at Ironbark Raceway, Roma, with the funds to be paid directly to the South West Drag Racing Association to assist with venue hire costs.
- 2. Draw funds from GL 2887.2249.2001 Sponsorship budget.

CARRIED 7/2

Responsible Officer

Lead Local Development Officer

COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING

FOR A BRIEF RECESS AT 9.19am

SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING AT 9.20am

Item Number: 13.2 File Number: D25/53251

SUBJECT HEADING: ADOPTION OF SCULPTURES OUT BACK CONCEPT

DESIGN

Officer's Title: Lead Local Development Officer

Executive Summary:

In August 2023, Council allocated funds to develop a concept plan for the Sculptures Out Back exhibition area located on Lot Plan 210WV1624. Greenedge Design was engaged to develop the concept, which has since been reviewed by the Sculptures Out Back committee and Council.

Following consultation and a Council briefing in February, the committee has expressed support for the concept and a preference to retain the current sculpture display area.

This report sought to endorse the concept design to ensure Council officers work with the committee to identify external funding opportunities to support staged implementation of the design.

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/05

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Vincent

That Council:

- Give in principle support to the concept design for the Sculptures Out Back site on Lot Plan 210WV1624.
- 2. A further report be provided via a briefing to develop a priority project investment plan that will complement the concept plan.
- 3. Approve access to Lot Plan 210WV1624 to the Sculptures Out Back committee for the purpose of an art exhibition on the conditions that all Transport and Main Roads approvals are obtained where applicable.

CARRIED 9/0

Responsible Officer Lead Local Development Officer



Item Number: 13.3 File Number: D25/53639

SUBJECT HEADING: SURAT WATER ALLOCATION UPDATE # 5

Officer's Title: Director - Warroo

Executive Summary:

This report provided an update to council on the Surat Water Allocation for 2024/25 financial year as per the meeting Resolution No. OM/05.2025/07.

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/06

Moved Cr Davis

Seconded Cr Hancock

That:

- 1. Council receive and note the report.
- 2. Officers continue to monitor water consumption levels on a regular basis and provide updates to the community.
- 3. Council officers provide an update on the Surat Water Summer Schedule at the ordinary meeting on 14 August, 2025.

CARRIED 9/0

Responsible Officer	Director - Warroo
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Declaration of Interest

Item	13.4
Description	Wallumbilla Multipurpose Building Facility Name
Declaring Councillor	Brendan Seawright
Person with the interest Related party / close associate / other relationship	Myself
Particulars of Interest	I am the president of the Wallumbilla Town Improvement group who submitted suggested names for the Multipurpose Building and is also mentioned in the report.
Type of conflict	Prescribed conflict of interest
Action	Leave the room while the matter is discussed and voted on.

Cr Seawright left the meeting at 9.32am.



Item Number: 13.4 File Number: D25/51408

SUBJECT HEADING: WALLUMBILLA MULTIPURPOSE FACILITY NAME

Officer's Title: Local Area Director - Bendemere

Executive Summary:

Following Council's resolution to engage with the community on the naming of the new Wallumbilla Multipurpose Building, formal submissions were invited and received from three key community organisations – the Wallumbilla Town Improvement Group, Wallumbilla Heritage Association, and Calico Cottage and Craft Club Inc.

This report provided a summary of the feedback received, including results from a local engagement process, and sought Council's formal endorsement of a name for the new precinct. The report also outlines the proposed next steps, including updating signage and communications to reflect the endorsed name.

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/07

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Brumpton

That Council:

- 1. Notes the feedback received from community groups and considers the options and community input outlined in this report.
- 2. Undertake a community survey/vote by way of an addressed mail per household to Wallumbilla and surrounds residents with two (2) options
 - a) The Wheat Shed
 - b) Wallumbilla Community Hub
- 3. Council consider these results to finalise the naming of this new community facility at the first ordinary meeting of Council in July 2025.

CARRIED 8/0

Responsible Officer Local Area Director - Bendemere

At cessation of discussion and decision on the abovementioned item, Cr Seawright returned to the meeting at 9.43am.

Section 150F A (2)(e) of the Local Government Act 2009

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Name of each eligible councillor who voted on the matter:

Cr. John Birkett, Cr. Meryl Brumpton, Cr. Amber Davis, Cr. Peter Flynn, Cr Johanne Hancock, Cr. Cameron O'Neil, Cr Wendy Taylor, Cr. Jane Vincent.

How each eligible councillors voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion.



REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Item Number: 14.1 File Number: D25/52976

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATIONS THROUGH REGIONAL ARTS

DEVELOPMENT FUND (RADF) PROGRAM 2024/2025

Officer's Title: Regional Arts and Culture Officer

Executive Summary:

The Maranoa Regional Council Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee has reviewed a funding application for an arts and cultural project.

The assessment was completed, and the Committee recommends supporting the QCWA Roma Branch application for their art workshop.

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/08

Moved Cr Brumpton

Seconded Cr Vincent

That Council endorse the RADF Committee's grant assessment recommendation in supporting the QCWA Roma Branch for \$728.00.

CARRIED 9/0

Responsible Officer	Regional Arts and Culture Officer
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Declaration of Interest

Item	C.5
Description	Roma Country Music Festival – post event report
Declaring Councillor	Cr Peter Flynn
Person with the interest Related party / close associate / other relationship	Myself
Particulars of Interest	I am an executive member of the Easter in the Country Committee who run a festival with similar events and as such I could be seen to have my decision making influenced by that interest.
Type of conflict	Prescribed conflict of interest
Action	Leave the room while the matter is discussed and voted on.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/09

Moved Cr Vincent

Seconded Cr Brumpton

In accordance with the provisions of Section 254(J(3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that Council resolve to close the meeting to the public [9.45am] to discuss confidential items that its Councillors consider is necessary to close the meeting.

In accordance with Section 254J(5) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the following table provides:

- The matters to be discussed;
- An overview of what is to be discussed while the meeting is closed.



Agenda Item	Matters to be discussed (Reasons to close the meeting under the Local Government Regulation 2012)	Overview
C.1 - Request for Fee Waiver - Planning Application 20586/2022 (Change Application - Material Change of use "Undefined use" (Blacksmith Workshop)	Negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be	The applicant requested a waiver of the planning application fees for a Change Application at 42 Tiffin Street, Roma, in relation to the Farmers Forge.
C.2 - Tender 25040 - Lease Lot 2 on SP212826 - Bassett Lane East Roma	Section 254J(3)(g) Negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.	Council invited tenders to lease Lot 2 on SP212826, described as Bassett Lane East, Roma Qld 4455, for a period of two (2) years for grazing purposes. The tender evaluation report was tabled for Council's consideration.
C.3 – Assignment of Leases – Major Mitchell Caravan Park	Section 254J(3)(g) Negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.	Cashellwest Pty Ltd as trustee for the Hilly Family Discretionary Trust is in the process of selling the rights to operate the Major Mitchell Caravan Park. Council is the owner of Lot 41 on SP267081, Lots 42, 43, 44, 45, 48, 49 and 50 on Crown Plan M15114, being registered lease number 723315126. Council is the Trustee of the Reserve Land known as Lot 1 on SP265644, being registered trustee lease number 723315123. Council was asked to consider the transfer of leases.
C.4 – Terrarara Gravel Pit	Section 254J(3)(g) Negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.	Council received a request for voluntary contributions for gravel removed from an endorsed pit under a sales permit. Given the complex nature, this has been presented for Council's consideration.
C.5 - Roma Country Music festival - post event report	Section 254J(3)(g) Negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the	In accordance with Council Resolution No. OM/05.2024/50 and the Memorandum of Understanding Agreement of the 2024, 2025, and 2026 Roma Country Music



local government for which a public to a po discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

This is a present to seek and in-lection.

Festival (MOU), future events are subject to a post-event review before any budget allocation or in-kind assistance can be allocated.

This matter came before Council to present a post-event evaluation report and to seek formal approval to allocate budget and in-kind sponsorship to the 2025 event.

At its meeting on 10 April 2025, Council resolved to lay this item on the table to a future meeting to receive information regarding Council's in-kind support. (Resolution No. OM/04.2025/24). This additional information has now been provided by officers, and the report is being re-presented to Council for consideration.

CARRIED 9/0

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/10

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Vincent

That Council open the meeting to the public [at 9.51am].

CARRIED 9/0

Declaration of Interest

Item	C.3
Description	Assignment of Leases - Major Mitchell Caravan Park
Declaring Councillor	Cr Wendy Taylor
Person with the interest Related party / close associate / other relationship	Myself
Particulars of Interest	I am the treasurer of the Roma Clay Target Club and we have a caravan park.
Type of conflict	Declarable conflict of interest
Action	Leave the room while the matter is discussed and voted on.

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/11

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Flynn

That Council close the meeting to the public at [9.54am].

CARRIED

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Mayor Taylor, having previously declared a declarable conflict of interest in Item C.3, left the meeting at 9.54am, prior to discussion on the matter.

The Deputy Mayor took the role of 'Acting Chair' in the Mayor's absence.

At cessation of discussion on the abovementioned item, Mayor Taylor returned to the meeting and assumed the Chair at 10.05am.

Cr Flynn, having previously declared a prescribed interest in Item C.5, left the meeting at 10.06am prior to discussion on the matter.

At cessation of discussion on the abovementioned item, Cr Flynn returned to the meeting at 10.08am.

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/12

Moved Cr O'Neil Seconded Cr Seawright

That Council open the meeting to the public at 10.08am.

CARRIED 9/0

Item Number: C.1 File Number: D25/42486

SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST FOR FEE WAVIER - PLANNING

APPLICATION 20586/2022 (CHANGE APPLICATION - MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE "UNDEFINED USE"

(BLACKSMITH WORKSHOP)

Officer's Title: Planning Officer

Executive Summary:

The applicant requested a waiver of the planning application fees for a Change Application at 42 Tiffin Street, Roma, in relation to the Farmers Forge.

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/13

Moved Cr Brumpton

Seconded Cr Davis

That Council:

- 1. Refuse to grant a waiver of the application fee of \$5,310.00 for the submitted change application for an existing Development Permit located at 42 Tiffin Street, Roma (Reference: 2022/20586) and instead:
- 2. Apply the fee category for Shop/Service Industry, \$2,655.00 (Impact assessable and requiring external building work) to the Other Change Application.

CARRIED 9/0

Responsible Officer	Planning Officer



Item Number: C.2 File Number: D25/51901

SUBJECT HEADING: TENDER 25040 - LEASE LOT 2 ON SP212826 -

BASSETT LANE EAST ROMA

Officer's Title: Leases and Agreements Administration Officer

Executive Summary:

Council invited tenders to lease Lot 2 on SP212826, described as Bassett Lane East, Roma Qld 4455, for a period of two (2) years for grazing purposes.

The tender evaluation report was tabled for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. OM/06.2025/14

Moved Cr Davis Seconded Cr Brumpton

That Council:

- 1. Accept the tender submitted by PD Green and TA Matthews as the recommended Tenderer for Tender 25040 Lease over Lot 2 on SP212826, Bassett Lane East, Roma.
- 2. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, (or delegate), to enter final negotiations with the successful applicant and execute the Lease for the term of two (2) years.
- 3. Assign the income to GL 1491.1075 (Lease Income).

CARRIED 9/0

Responsible Officer	Leases and Agreements Administration
	Officer

Mayor Taylor, having previously declared a declarable conflict of interest in the following item, left the meeting at 10.11am. The Deputy Mayor took the role of 'Acting Chair' in the Mayor's absence.

Item Number: C.3 File Number: D25/52900

SUBJECT HEADING: ASSIGNMENT OF LEASES - MAJOR MITCHELL

CARAVAN PARK

Officer's Title: Manager - Regional Facilities Management

Executive Summary:

Cashellwest Pty Ltd as trustee for the Hilly Family Discretionary Trust is in the process of selling the rights to operate the Major Mitchell Caravan Park.

Council is the owner of Lot 41 on SP267081, Lots 42, 43, 44, 45, 48, 49 and 50 on Crown Plan M15114, being registered lease number 723315126.

Council is the Trustee of the Reserve Land known as Lot 1 on SP265644, being registered trustee lease number 723315123.

Council was asked to consider the transfer of leases.



Resolution No. OM/06.2025/15

Moved Cr Birkett Seconded Cr Seawright

That Council:

- Approve the transfer of registered Lease 723315126 being the Major Mitchell Caravan Park to Jedson Pty Ltd, subject to the terms in the Deed of Consent to Transfer of Lease.
- 2. Approve the transfer of registered Trustee Lease 723315123 over Lot 1 on SP265644 to Jedson Pty Ltd, subject to the terms of the Deed of Consent to Transfer of Lease.
- 3. Authorise the lessee to facilitate pet friendly accommodation for small animals (cats, dogs and birds) associated with paying patrons.
- 4. Authorise the leaseholder to keep small animals (cats, dogs and birds) at the premises.
- 5. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to execute the Deed of Consent to Transfer of Leases and any associated documentation required to affect the transfer.

CARRIED 8/0

Responsible Officer Manager - Regional Facilities Management

At cessation of discussion and decision on the abovementioned item, Mayor Taylor returned to the meeting at 10.14am assuming the Chair.

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How each eligible councillors voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion.

Item Number: C.4 File Number: D25/52550

SUBJECT HEADING: TERRARARA GRAVEL PIT

Location: Terrarara (Lot 8 on BDR40)

Officer's Title: Director - Engineering

Executive Summary:

Council received a request for voluntary contributions for gravel removed from an endorsed pit under a sales permit.

Given the complex nature, this has been presented for Council's consideration.



Resoluti	ion No. OM/06.2025/16		
Moved Cr Davis		Seconded Cr Brumpton	
That Co	uncil:		
	. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer, or their delegate to enter into a conduct and compensation agreement over operations at Terrarara Pit for a period of three years, with an option of an additional three years.		
	Utilise a sliding compensation model, where the amount payable is relevant to the amount of material removed per annum;		
	☐ Up to 100,000 tonnes = \$0.20 ☐ 100,001 - 200,000 tonnes = \$0.30 ☐ 200,001 - 300,000 tonnes = \$0.40 ☐ 300,001 - 400,000 tonnes = \$0.50		
	3. Retrospectively pay any outstanding fees to the landholder, calculated at a rate of \$0.50/m3 removed from site.		
	4. That Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and authorise on behalf of Maranoa Regional Council:		
	□ Landholder Memorandum of Agre	nagement Plans as per the Forestry Act 1959; ements for access to and use of an extractive and Gravel Pit Access Agreements.	
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Posnone	sible Officer	Director - Engineering	
Respons	JIDIC OTTOGI	Director - Engineering	
	having previously declared a prescribent 10.17am.	d conflict of interest in the following item, left the	

C.5 File Number: D25/55928 **Item Number:**

SUBJECT HEADING: ROMA COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL - POST-EVENT

REPORT

Officer's Title: **Events Attraction Officer**

Executive Summary:

In accordance with Council Resolution No. OM/05.2024/50 and the Memorandum of Understanding Agreement of the 2024, 2025, and 2026 Roma Country Music Festival (MOU), future events are subject to a post-event review before any budget allocation or in-kind assistance can be allocated.

This matter came before Council to present a post-event evaluation report and to seek formal approval to allocate budget and in-kind sponsorship to the 2025 event.

At its meeting on 10 April 2025, Council resolved to lay this item on the table to a future meeting to receive information regarding Council's in-kind support. (Resolution No. OM/04.2025/24). This additional information has now been provided by officers, and the report is being re-presented to Council for consideration.



Resolution No. OM/06.2025/17

Moved Cr Hancock

Seconded Cr Vincent

That Council:

- 1. Allocate \$12,000 from the 2025/26 Regional Community Grants Operations Sponsorship Materials & Services Budget (GL 02887.2249.2001) for event hosting fees and service fees for the 2025 Roma Country Music Festival.
- 2. Provide in-kind support to the 2025 Roma Country Music Festival as per the conditions outlined in the Agreement of the 2024, 2025 and 2026 Roma Country Music Festival (MOU).
- 3. Endorse the Roma Country Music Festival to be held in November 2025.

CARRIED 8/0

Responsible Officer

Events Attraction Officer

At cessation of discussion and decision on the abovementioned item, Cr Flynn returned to the meeting at 10.20am.

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How each eligible councillors voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion.

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor thanked Council for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 10.21am.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 19 June 2025, at Roma Administration Centre.