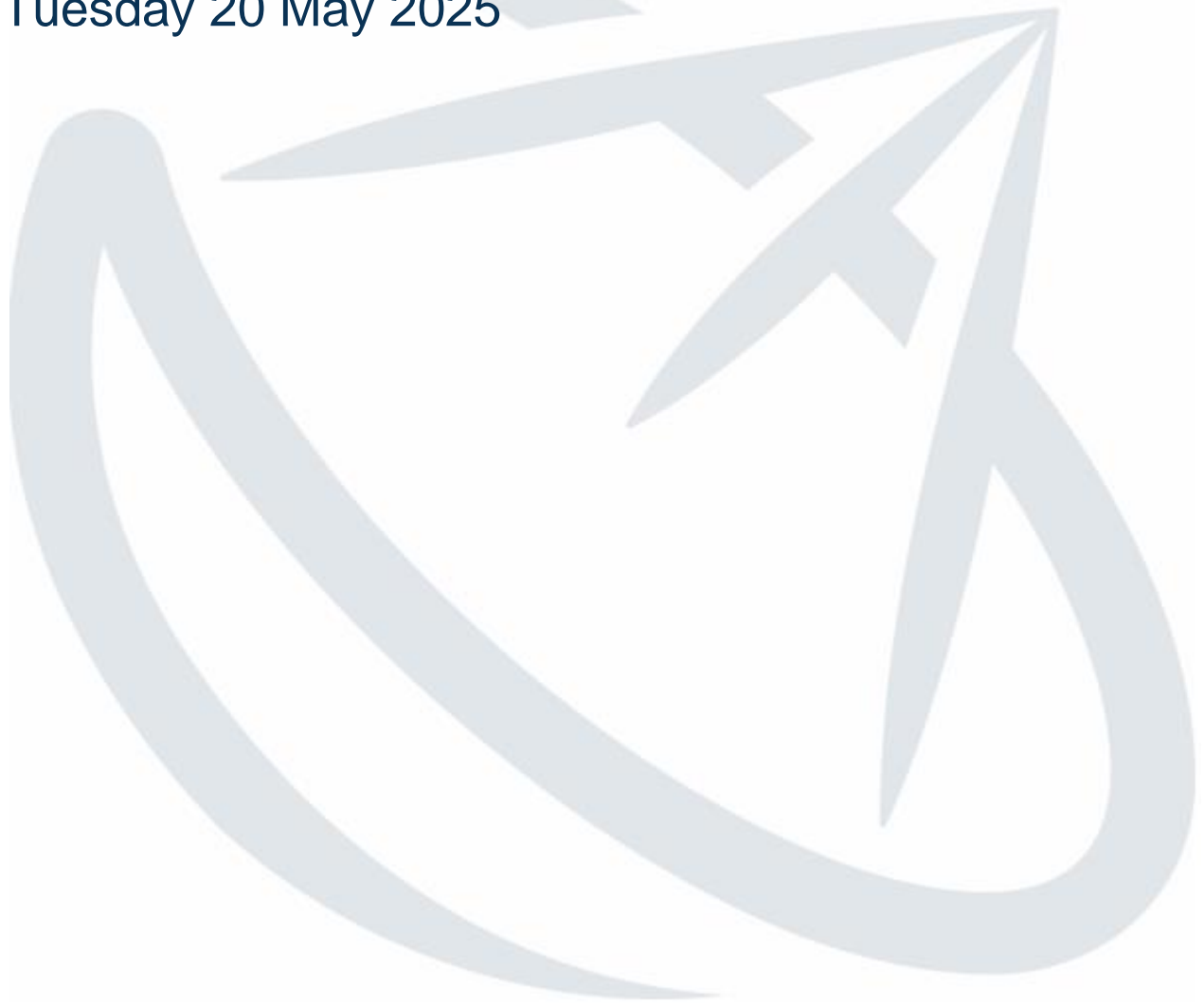


# Ordinary Council Meeting

## Minutes

Tuesday 20 May 2025



**Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting**  
**Held on Tuesday, 20 May 2025 at the**  
**Parkes Council Chamber, 2 Cecile Street, Parkes**

**Present:**

Cr Neil Westcott	Councillor (Chairperson)
Cr Marg Applebee	Councillor (Deputy Chair)
Cr William Jayet	Councillor
Cr Ken McGrath	Councillor
Cr Louise O'Leary	Councillor
Cr Joy Paddison	Councillor
Cr Doug Pout	Councillor
Cr George Pratt	Councillor
Cr Matthew Scherer	Councillor
Cr Glenn Wilson	Councillor

**Council Officers in Attendance:**

Mr Anthony McGrath	Acting General Manager / Director Customer, Corporate Services and Economy
Mr Andrew Francis	Director Infrastructure and Sustainability
Mr Logan Hignett	Director Operations
Mrs Annalise Teale	Acting Director Planning and Community Services
Mr Jaco Barnard	Chief Financial Officer
Mrs Veronica Shaw	Manager Governance, Risk and Corporate Performance
Mrs Toni Lennane	Executive and Councillor Support Coordinator (Minute Secretary)

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## **1 OPENING OF MEETING**

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The Mayor declared the Ordinary Council Meeting of Tuesday 20 May 2025 open and welcomed Councillors, Council Officers and members of the public attending and listening to the meeting.

The Mayor advised attendees that the meeting was being recorded and streamed live on the internet, to enhance the accessibility of Council meetings to the broader Parkes Shire community, and that the recording will be archived and made available on Council's website.

The Mayor asked that attendees ensure that mobile phones and other electronic devices were turned off or in silent mode for the duration of the meeting.

The Mayor further advised that all care would be taken to maintain privacy, however, as a visitor in the public gallery, members of the public should be aware that their presence may be recorded.

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## **2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

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Councillor Bill Jayet read the following Acknowledgement of Country:

*Parkes Shire Council acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the Wiradjuri Country and recognises and respects their cultural heritage, beliefs and continuing connection with the lands and rivers of the Parkes Shire.*

*Council pays its respects to Elders past, present and emerging and extends this respect to all First Nations peoples in the Parkes Shire.*

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## **3 PRAYER**

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The Acting General Manager read the Prayer:

Almighty God,  
We ask for your blessing upon this Council,  
Direct and prosper our deliberations,  
For the true welfare of the people of the Parkes Shire and beyond.

AMEN

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## **4 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

## **5 APPLICATIONS TO ATTEND BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK**

Nil

## 6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### 6.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15 APRIL 2025

#### **RESOLVED OCM 137/25**

Moved: Cr Marg Applebee

Seconded: Cr George Pratt

That Ordinary Council Meeting receive and confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 15 April 2025 appended at *Annexure A*.

**CARRIED**

## 7 DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

The Mayor reminded Councillors and Council Officers of their obligation under Council's Code of Conduct to disclose and manage any conflicts of interest they may have in matters being considered at the meeting, and invited Councillors and Council Officers to disclose any such interests.

Nil interests were disclosed.

## 8 LATE BUSINESS

The Mayor advised that the following late items of business had been submitted by Council Officers, and invited a motion to enable the addition of the late items to the meeting agenda.

1. 12.5 – Minutes of the Wiradjuri Elders Advisory Committee Meeting held on 15 April 2025.
2. 17.3 – Arts Acquisition for Parkes Shire Council.
3. 19.1 – 2025011 - New Facility for NSW SES Parkes Unit.

## 9 ADOPTION OF MULTIPLE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

The Council may, at any time, resolve to adopt multiple items of business, as recommended in the report, by way of a single resolution. The Chairperson must list the items of business to be adopted and ask Councillors to identify any individual items of business listed by the Chairperson that they intend to vote against the recommendation made in the Business Paper, or that they wish to speak on (13.2).

### 9.1 ADOPTION OF MULTIPLE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

#### **RESOLVED OCM 138/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That:

10.1 Meetings, Functions and Events attended by Mayor and Councillors.

10.2 Coming Known Events for Mayor and Councillors.

11.2 Rural & Regional Summit 2025.

12.1 Minutes of the Parkes Sports Council Meeting held on 11 April 2025.

12.2 Minutes of the Extraordinary Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 22 April 2025.

12.3 Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 7 May 2025.

12.5 Minutes of the Wiradjuri Elders Advisory Committee Meeting held on 15 April 2025.

13.3 Investments and Borrowings Report as at 30 April 2025.

14.3 Elvis Festival Memorial Wall – Draft Guidelines.

14.5 Request to use Trundle Town Improvement Reserve for Public Liability Insurance for Trundle Progress Association.

14.6 Adoption of the Community Strategic Plan 2025-2029.

14.7 Adoption of the Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2025-2029.

14.8 Adoption of Council Policies – Legislative Compliance.

14.9 Adoption of Parkes Shire Council Risk Appetite Statement.

16.3 Road Closure – Council Road off Miles Road.

17.3 Arts Acquisition for Parkes Shire Council.

**CARRIED**

## **10 MAYORAL MINUTE(S)**

### **10.1 MEETINGS, FUNCTIONS AND EVENTS ATTENDED BY MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS**

#### **RESOLVED OCM 139/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Note the report on the Meetings functions and events attended in an official capacity, by the Mayor and Councillors during the period 15 March 2025 through to 11 April 2025.

**CARRIED**

**10.2 COMING KNOWN EVENTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS****RESOLVED OCM 140/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Note the known upcoming meetings, functions and events for the Mayor and Councillors for the period 17 May 2025 to 13 June 2025.

**CARRIED****10.3 OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE 'LAYERS' EXHIBITION****RESOLVED OCM 141/25**

Moved: Cr Neil Westcott

Seconded: Cr Marg Applebee

That Council:

1. Receive and note this Mayoral Minute.

**CARRIED****10.4 CHANGES TO COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTRES (CJCS) AND DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITIES AND JUSTICE (DCJ) IN NSW****RESOLVED OCM 142/25**

Moved: Cr William Jayet

Seconded: Cr Marg Applebee

That Council:

1. Note the contents of Annexure A from Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) in NSW advising of the closure of Community Justice Centres (CJCs).
2. Receive a further update from DCJ regarding the outcome that will affect the Parkes Branch once that information is at hand.

**CARRIED**



## 11 COUNCILLOR REPORT(S)

### 11.1 PARKES ENERGY RECOVERY CONSULTATIONS IN PARKES DURING APRIL AND MAY 2025

#### RESOLVED OCM 143/25

Moved: Cr Doug Pout  
Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That:

1. That Council receives and notes the report on the Parkes Energy Recovery community drop-in sessions held from 10 to 12 April 2025, and the follow up engagement on 7 May 2025, and that the submitted questions be included as an annexure to this report.

**CARRIED**

### 11.2 RURAL & REGIONAL SUMMIT 2025

#### RESOLVED OCM 144/25

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary  
Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That:

1. Council notes the report from Councillor Marg Applebee.

**CARRIED**

## 12 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### 12.1 MINUTES OF THE PARKES SPORTS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 11 APRIL 2025

#### RESOLVED OCM 145/25

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary  
Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Receive and confirm the Minutes of the Parkes Sports Council Meeting held on Friday 11 April 2025 appended at *Annexure A*.

**CARRIED**

**12.2 MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON 22 APRIL 2025****RESOLVED OCM 146/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Receive and confirm the Minutes of the Extraordinary Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 22 April 2025 appended at *Annexure A*.

**CARRIED****12.3 MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7 MAY 2025****RESOLVED OCM 147/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Receive and confirm the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 7 May 2025 appended at *Annexure A*.

**CARRIED**

**12.4 MINUTES OF THE PARKES SPORTS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13 MAY 2025****MOTION**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Receive and confirm the Minutes of the Parkes Sports Council Meeting held on Tuesday 13 May 2025 appended at *Annexure A*.

**AMENDMENT TO MOTION FOR 12.4****RESOLVED OCM 148/25**

Moved amendment to the Motion by adding in Item 2: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded amendment to the Motion by adding in Item 2: Cr Ken McGrath

That Council:

1. Receive and confirm the Minutes of the Parkes Sports Council Meeting held on Tuesday 13 May 2025 appended at *Annexure A*.

Amended Motion by Cr Louise O'Leary:

2. Investigate the feasibility and requirements of closure of Sporting Fields to dogs. Including Harrison-Parker-stone, Cheney & Woodward Fields in Parkes and possibly Peak Hill Sporting Fields Lindner Oval to be included in this ban against dogs at these Fields. And that a solution be taken to the Parkes Sports Council for consideration.

**CARRIED**

At 3:23 pm, Director Operations Logan Hignett left the meeting.

At 3:24 pm, Director Operations Logan Hignett returned to the meeting.

**12.5 MINUTES OF THE WIRADJURI ELDERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 15 APRIL 2025****RESOLVED OCM 149/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Receive and confirm the Minutes of the Wiradjuri Elders Advisory Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 15 April 2025 appended at *Annexure A*.

**CARRIED**

**13 REPORTS OF THE GENERAL MANAGER****13.1 PARKES MARIST JUNIOR LEAGUE - REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT POLICY.****RESOLVED OCM 150/25**

Moved: Cr Marg Applebee

Seconded: Cr Louise O'Leary

That Council:

1. Endorse the project to procure and install field lighting at Cheney Park on behalf of Parkes Marist Junior Rugby League Club under the Community Infrastructure Projects policy.
2. Enter into an agreement and payment plan with Parkes Marist Junior Rugby League Club to facilitate the funding of the project.

**CARRIED****13.2 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 MARCH 2025****RESOLVED OCM 151/25OCM 152/25**

Moved: Cr George Pratt

Seconded: Cr Marg Applebee

That Council:

1. Receive and note the budget review report to 31 March 2025
2. Adopt the budget variations proposed in the quarterly budget review to 31 March 2025

**CARRIED****13.3 INVESTMENTS AND BORROWINGS REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2025****RESOLVED OCM 152/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That:

1. Receive and note the Statement of Investments and Borrowings as on 30 April 2025

**CARRIED**

**13.4 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS AS AT 30 APRIL 2025****RESOLVED OCM 153/25**

Moved: Cr Marg Applebee

Seconded: Cr Doug Pout

That Council:

1. Receive and note the year-to-date financial reports for the period up to 30 April 2025.

**CARRIED****14 REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR CUSTOMER, CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMY****14.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL DETERMINATION OF COUNCILLOR ANNUAL FEES FOR 2025/26****RESOLVED OCM 154/25**

Moved: Cr William Jayet

Seconded: Cr Marg Applebee

That Council:

1. Receive and note Government Gazette Number 172-4 advising of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Annual Determination 2025 appended at *Annexure A*.
2. Pursuant to section 248 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, fix and determine the annual fee payable to the Councillors of Parkes Shire Council for the 2025/26 financial year effective from 01 July 2025, at the upper limit of \$18,890.00 for a Rural Large Council.
3. Pursuant to section 249 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, fix and determine the annual fee payable to the Mayor of Parkes Shire Council for the 2025/26 financial year effective from 01 July 2025, at the upper limit of \$40,530.00 for a Rural Large Council.

In Favour: Crs Neil Westcott, Marg Applebee, William Jayet, Ken McGrath, Louise O'Leary, Doug Pout, George Pratt, Matthew Scherer and Glenn Wilson

Against: Cr Joy Paddison

**CARRIED 9/1**

**14.2 VOTING COUNCILLOR DELEGATES FOR 2025 CONFERENCES****RESOLVED OCM 155/25**

Moved: Cr Marg Applebee

Seconded: Cr Doug Pout

That Council:

1. Delegate Deputy Mayor Marg Applebee and Cr Bill Jayet be voting Delegates at the ALGA National General Assembly of Local Government in place of Mayor Neil Westcott and Deputy Mayor Marg Applebee as previously resolved 26 November 2024 [OCM 347/24].
2. Nominate Mayor Neil Westcott as an alternative Delegate to vote and be available if either the Deputy Mayor Marg Applebee or Cr Bill Jayet are unable to vote and/or attend the ALGA National General Assembly of Local Government Conference.
3. Delegate Mayor Neil Westcott or Deputy Mayor Marg Applebee be voting Delegates at the LGNSW Conference and LGNSW General Election in Penrith in November 2025.
4. Nominate Councillor Joy Paddison as an alternative Delegate to vote and be available if either the Mayor or Deputy Mayor are unable to vote and/or attend the LGNSW Conference and LGNSW General Election.

**CARRIED****14.3 ELVIS FESTIVAL MEMORIAL WALL - DRAFT GUIDELINES****RESOLVED OCM 156/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Receive and note the information in the report about the public exhibition of the Draft Elvis Festival Memorial Wall Guidelines.
2. Adopt the Guidelines for the Elvis Festival Memorial Wall and place it onto Council's web site.

**CARRIED****14.4 REQUEST TO USE PEAK HILL TOWN IMPROVEMENT FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN AED AND ECG FOR THE PEAK HILL SURGERY****RESOLVED OCM 157/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr George Pratt

That Council:

1. Approve the allocation of up to \$5,000 from the Peak Hill Town Improvement Fund for the supply of an AED and ECG machine for the Peak Hill surgery.

**CARRIED**

**14.5 REQUEST TO USE TRUNDLE TOWN IMPROVEMENT RESERVE FOR PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR TRUNDLE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION.****RESOLVED OCM 158/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Approve the allocation of \$3,092.85 from the Trundle Town Improvement Fund Reserve to pay the public liability insurance costs of the Trundle and District Progress Association.

**CARRIED****14.6 ADOPTION OF THE COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN 2025-2029****RESOLVED OCM 159/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Note the Community Strategic Plan 2025-2029 was placed on public exhibition for 28-days between 19 March to 15 April 2025
2. Receive and consider the six (6) submissions received on the draft Community Strategic Plan, appended at *Annexure A*, and request the General Manager respond to the external submissions received as recommended in this report.
3. Adopt the Community Strategic Plan 2025-2029 attached at *Annexure A*, pursuant to section 4.9 of the Integrated Planning and Reporting Guidelines with the recommended amendments provided in this report.
4. Publish the Community Strategic Plan 2025-2029 on Council's website.

**CARRIED**

**14.7 ADOPTION OF THE DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN 2025-2029****RESOLVED OCM 160/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Adopt the Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2025-2029 attached at *Annexure A*, pursuant to section 4.9 of the Integrated Planning and Reporting Guidelines with the recommended amendments provided in this report.
2. Publish the Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2025-2029 on Council's website.
3. Note the Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2025-2029 was placed on public exhibition for 28-days from 19 March to 15 April 2025
4. Receive and consider the two (2) external submissions received, appended at *Annexure B and C*, on the draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2025-2029, and request the General Manager respond to the external submissions as recommended in this report.

**CARRIED****14.8 ADOPTION OF COUNCIL POLICIES - LEGISLATIVE COMPLIANCE****RESOLVED OCM 161/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Adopt the Legislative Compliance policy included as *Annexure A* to this report.
2. Publish the adopted policy on Council's Website and intranet.

**CARRIED****14.9 ADOPTION OF PARKES SHIRE COUNCIL RISK APPETITE STATEMENT****RESOLVED OCM 162/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Adopt the Risk Appetite Statement, which defines the level of risk the organisation is willing to accept while pursuing its objectives.

**CARRIED**



**15 REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUSTAINABILITY****15.1 MAJOR PROJECTS AND CURRENT WORKS - INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUSTAINABILITY****RESOLVED OCM 163/25**

Moved: Cr Marg Applebee

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Infrastructure and Sustainability Major Projects and Current Works Report for April 2025, appended at *Annexure A*.

**CARRIED**

At 4:06 pm, Cr Doug Pout left the meeting.

At 4:09 pm, Cr Doug Pout rejoined the meeting.

**15.2 BULKY WASTE KERBSIDE COLLECTION - JUNE 2025****RESOLVED OCM 164/25**

Moved: Cr William Jayet

Seconded: Cr Marg Applebee

That Council:

1. Receive and note the report.

**CARRIED**

At 4:11 pm, Cr George Pratt left the meeting.

At 4:13 pm, Cr George Pratt rejoined the meeting.

**16 REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR OPERATIONS****16.1 MAJOR PROJECTS AND CURRENT WORKS - OPERATIONS****RESOLVED OCM 165/25**

Moved: Cr Marg Applebee

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Operations Major Projects and Current Works Report for April 2025, appended at *Annexure A*.

**CARRIED**

**16.2 CLOSURE OF TULLAMORE AIRSTRIP****RESOLVED OCM 166/25**

Moved: Cr Joy Paddison

Seconded: Cr Doug Pout

That:

1. Council receive and note the information within the report.

**CARRIED****16.3 ROAD CLOSURE - COUNCIL ROAD OFF MILES ROAD****RESOLVED OCM 167/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That Council:

1. Endorse the closure of council road SR46A off Miles Road, Nelungaloo NSW 2876 for the purpose of selling to the adjoining owner.

**CARRIED****16.4 PURCHASE OF LAND AT EUGOWRA ROAD FOR MUGINCABLE SILOS ACCESS UPGRADE****RESOLVED OCM 168/25**

Moved: Cr Ken McGrath

Seconded: Cr Joy Paddison

That:

1. Council agree to purchase of the land identified in parts of Lot 197 DP 750164 and Lot 57 DP 1089634 to facilitate construction of the Muginoble Silos access upgrade.
2. Council authorise the General Manager and Director Operations to negotiate the purchase price of the land based on market valuation and ex-gratia payment in accordance with this report.
3. Endorse and affix the Council Seal to all documentation as required to facilitate the process of road realignment.

**CARRIED**

**16.5 USE OF PARKES TIF FOR PARKES RETAIL PRECINCT PIGEON CONTROL****RESOLVED OCM 169/25**

Moved: Cr William Jayet

Seconded: Cr Marg Applebee

That:

1. Council endorses the proposed trapping program for pigeons in the Retail Precinct of Parkes.
2. That funding be allocated from the 2025/2026 Parkes Town Improvement Vote.

**CARRIED**

At 4:30 pm, Cr Ken McGrath left the meeting.

At 4:32 pm, Cr Ken McGrath rejoined the meeting.

**16.6 ACQUISITIONS OF EASEMENTS FOR STORMWATER AND SEWER****RESOLVED OCM 170/25**

Moved: Cr Marg Applebee

Seconded: Cr Doug Pout

That:

1. Council agree to purchase the easement to facilitate sewer reticulation at Lot 944 DP 513953, 84 Peak Hill Road, Parkes.
2. Council agree to purchase the easement to facilitate sewer reticulation at Lot 11 DP 85083, 32 Clarinda Street, and Lot 2 DP 513083 Oxley Street, Parkes.
3. Council agree to purchase the easement to facilitate stormwater mitigation at Lot 2 DP 513083 and Lot 100 DP 1260252, Oxley Street, Parkes
4. Council authorise the General Manager and Director Operations to negotiate the purchase price of the easements based on market valuation and ex-gratia payment in accordance with this report.
5. Council endorse and affix the Council Seal to all documentation as required to facilitate the process.

**CARRIED**

**16.7 ADOPTION OF THE FINAL PEAK HILL FLORA AND FAUNA RESERVE MASTERPLAN****MOTION**

Moved: Cr Neil Westcott

Seconded: Cr Louise O'Leary

That Council:

1. Adopt the Final Peak Hill Flora and Fauna Reserve Masterplan and place it on Council's web site.
2. Writes to the NSW Aboriginal Land Council in regard to ALC No. 45568 requesting they expedite the determination of their claim to facilitate implementation of the Peak Hill Flora and Fauna Nature Reserve Masterplan.

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**AMENDMENT TO MOTION FOR 16.7****RESOLVED OCM 171/25**

Moved amendment to the Motion by adding in Item 3: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded amendment to the Motion by adding in Item 3: Cr Neil Westcott

That Council:

1. Adopt the Final Peak Hill Flora and Fauna Reserve Masterplan and place it on Council's web site.
2. Writes to the NSW Aboriginal Land Council in regard to ALC No. 45568 requesting they expedite the determination of their claim to facilitate implementation of the Peak Hill Flora and Fauna Nature Reserve Masterplan.

Amended Motion by Cr Louise O'Leary:

3. Implement a cultural burn plan.

**CARRIED**

**17 REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES****17.1 MODDA2025/0005 - SUBDIVISION (19 LOTS) - FORMER PARKES HOSPITAL, 18 COLEMAN ROAD, PARKES (LOT133 DP 750152)****RESOLVED OCM 172/25**

Moved: Cr William Jayet

Seconded: Cr Marg Applebee

That Council:

1. Approve ModDA2025/0005 subject to the conditions contained in the attached development assessment report.

In Favour: Crs Neil Westcott, Marg Applebee, William Jayet, Ken McGrath, Louise O'Leary, Joy Paddison, Doug Pout, George Pratt, Matthew Scherer and Glenn Wilson

Against: Nil

**CARRIED 10/0**

At 4:33 pm, Cr Ken McGrath left the meeting and did not return.

At 4:33 pm, Cr Glenn Wilson left the meeting.

At 4:34 pm, Cr Glenn Wilson returned to the meeting.

**17.2 APRIL 2025 BUILDING STATISTICS UPDATE****RESOLVED OCM 173/25**

Moved: Cr Neil Westcott

Seconded: Cr Marg Applebee

That:

1. Receive and note the April 2025 Building Statistics Report.

**CARRIED****17.3 ARTS ACQUISITION FOR PARKES SHIRE COUNCIL****RESOLVED OCM 174/25**

Moved: Cr Louise O'Leary

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That:

1. The Arts Accessions Committee recommends that Parkes Shire Council purchase the artwork **Layers** by Pol Cruz to become part of the Council Art Collection.

**CARRIED**

**18 NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

Nil

**19 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS****RESOLVED OCM 175/25**

Moved: Cr Marg Applebee

Seconded: Cr Doug Pout

That Ordinary Council Meeting:

1. Moves into Closed Session to deal with the matters below, which are classified as confidential under section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993* for the reasons specified:

**19.1 2025011 - NEW FACILITY FOR NSW SES PARKES UNIT**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - a of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

Further it is considered that discussions of this matter in open Council would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it would prejudice Council's ability to secure the optimum outcome for the community.

2. Exclude the media and public from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified as confidential, pursuant to 10A(1), 10(2) and 10A(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993*.
3. Withhold reports and correspondence relevant to the subject business be withheld from the media and public as provided by section 11(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*.
4. Make public resolutions made by the Council in Closed Session after the conclusion of the Closed Session, and record such resolutions in the minutes of the Council meeting.

**CARRIED**

At 4:50 pm, the Meeting went into Closed Session.

At 4:53 pm, Director Infrastructure Andrew Francis and Sustainability left the meeting.

At 4:56 pm, Director Infrastructure Andrew Francis and Sustainability left the meeting.

**19.1 2025011 - NEW FACILITY FOR NSW SES PARKES UNIT****RESOLVED OCM 176/25**

Moved: Cr Doug Pout

Seconded: Cr William Jayet

That:

1. Council awards construction of the State Emergency Services Head Quarters and Training Facility (PSC2025/011) to Colin Joss and Co Pty Ltd for the lump sum of \$3,273,145 (ex GST)

**CARRIED**

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**RESOLVED OCM 177/25**

Moved: Cr Doug Pout

Seconded: Cr Matthew Scherer

That Ordinary Council Meeting:

1. Resume in Open Session and note the Mayor's report on Confidential Resolutions.

**CARRIED**

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At 4:57 pm, the Council in Closed Session returned to Open Session.

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**20 REPORT OF CONFIDENTIAL RESOLUTIONS**

In accordance with clauses 14.22 and 14.23 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, resolutions passed during a meeting, or a part of a meeting that is closed to the public must be made public by the Chairperson as soon as practicable. Such resolutions must be recorded in the publicly available minutes of the meeting.

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**21 CONCLUSION OF MEETING**

The meeting concluded at 4:58 pm.

This is the final page of the minutes comprising 24 pages numbered 1 to 24 of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 20 May 2025 and confirmed on Tuesday, 17 June 2025.



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MAYOR