

REPORT

CULTURE AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

13 APRIL 2023

PRESENT: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The Chief Executive Officer, the Director Organisational Performance (J Bassingthwaite), the Manager Corporate Governance (S Wade), Governance Officer, the Director Strategy, Partnerships and Engagement, the Communications Services Team Leader, the IT Infrastructure Specialist, the Director Development and Environment (D Quigley), the Director Infrastructure and Manager Recreation and Open Spaces.

Councillor J Gough assumed the chair of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 5.35pm

CCC23/10 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (ID23/742)

There were no requests for leave of absence.

CCC23/11 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (ID23/743)

There were no Conflicts of Interest declared.

**CCC23/12 REPORT OF THE CULTURAL AND TOURISM FACILITY COMMITTEE - MEETING
12 DECEMBER 2022 (ID23/649)**

The Committee had before it the report of the Cultural and Tourism Facility Committee meeting held 12 December 2022.

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That the report of the Cultural and Tourism Facility Committee meeting held on 12 December 2022, be noted.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

**CCC23/13 REPORT OF THE SISTER CITY COMMITTEE - MEETING 27 FEBRUARY 2023
(ID23/651)**

The Committee had before it the report of the Sister City Committee meeting held 27 February 2023.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor L Burns

MOTION

That the report of the Sister City Committee meeting held on 27 February 2023, be noted.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

**CCC23/14 REPORT OF THE RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN WORKING GROUP - MEETING
28 FEBRUARY 2023 (ID23/652)**

The Committee had before it the report of the Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group meeting held 28 February 2023.

Moved by Councillor L Burns and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

MOTION

That the report of the Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group meeting held on 28 February 2023, be noted.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

**CCC23/15 REPORT OF THE WELLINGTON TOWN COMMITTEE - MEETING 6 MARCH 2023
(ID23/650)**

The Committee had before it the report of the Wellington Town Committee meeting held 6 March 2023.

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

MOTION

That the report of the Wellington Town Committee meeting held on 6 March 2023, be noted.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/16 REPORT OF THE PUBLIC SPACES TREE COMMITTEE - MEETING 28 MARCH 2023 (ID23/654)

The Committee had before it the report of the Public Spaces Tree Committee meeting held 28 March 2023.

Moved by Councillor J Black and seconded by Councillor P Wells

MOTION

That the report of the Public Spaces Tree Committee meeting held on 28 March 2023, be noted.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/17 REPORT OF THE WIRADJURI TOURISM PROJECT COMMITTEE - MEETING 30 MARCH 2023 (ID23/655)

The Committee had before it the report of the Wiradjuri Tourism Project Committee meeting held 30 March 2023.

Moved by Councillor P Wells and seconded by Councillor R Ivey

MOTION

That the report of the Wiradjuri Tourism Project Committee meeting held on 30 March 2023, be noted.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/18 MACQUARIE CONSERVATORIUM OF MUSIC FACILITY OPTIONS (ID23/671)

The Committee had before it the report dated 30 March 2023 from the Director Organisational Performance regarding Macquarie Conservatorium of Music Facility Options.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

- 1. That Council gives permissions to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate a Commercial Lease for Council Building with the Macquarie Conservatorium for maximum period of 5 years.**
- 2. That Council offer an Interest Free Loan for the purpose of a fit out for any building is offered to the Macquarie Conservatorium to be repayable over a 5 year period equal**

annual repayments to the maximum loan value of \$500,000.

CARRIED

For: Councillors L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, , R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: J Black and J Gough

**CCC23/19 DUBBO AQUATIC LEISURE CENTRES REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)
(ID23/513)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 13 March 2023 from the Director Organisational Performance regarding Dubbo Aquatic Leisure Centres Request for Proposal (RFP).

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor L Burns

MOTION

1. That Council calls for Request for Proposal for the Contract Management of the Dubbo Aquatic Centres including Dubbo Aquatic Leisure Centres, Wellington Aquatic Centre, and Geurie Pool.
2. That the operational management of the contract is for a five (5) year period, commencing 1 July 2023 and concluding 30 June 2028. There is an option for an additional two (2) times twelve (12) month extensions, as indicated within the specification.
3. That the Dubbo Regional Council's Aquatic Leisure Centres operational setting within each of the facilities, are determined by the following:
 - a. Season Length – set by Dubbo Regional Council with a set minimum and maximum date for each centre.
 - b. Opening Hours – set by Dubbo Regional Council with a set minimum and maximum hours for each centre.
 - c. Kiosk hours – set by contractor
 - d. Slide opening hours – set by contractor
4. That the Aquatic Leisure Centres Fees and charges setting within each of the facilities, are determined by the following:
 - a. Admissions – Dubbo Regional Council set a minimum and maximum fee
 - b. Other Fees - Dubbo Regional Council set a minimum and maximum fee
 - c. Kiosk – Contractor
 - d. Slide – Contractor
5. That the Contract is responsible for all operational maintenance
6. That Council is responsible for all Capital Works and asset maintenance over \$2,000 required at all any of the three facilities.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor R Ivey

AMENDMENT

1. That Council calls for Request for Proposal for the Contract Management of the Dubbo Aquatic Centres including Dubbo Aquatic Leisure Centres, Wellington Aquatic Centre, and Geurie Pool.
 - a. That proposals could be for a single facility or for multiple facilities.
2. That the operational management of the contract is for a five (5) year period, commencing 1 July 2023 and concluding 30 June 2028. There is an option for an additional two (2) times twelve (12) month extensions, as indicated within the specification.
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 - b. Other Fees - Dubbo Regional Council set a minimum and maximum fee
 - c. Kiosk – Contractor
 - d. Slide – Contractor
5. That the Contract is responsible for all operational maintenance
6. That Council is responsible for all Capital Works and asset maintenance over \$2,000 required at all any of the three facilities.

The amendment on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

The amendment then became the motion and on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

For: Councillors L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: J Black.

CCC23/20 MACQUARIE RIVER - TRACKER RILEY WALKWAY - EROSION REPORT (ID23/580)

The Committee had before it the report dated 23 March 2023 from the Manager Recreation and Open Space regarding Macquarie River - Tracker Riley Walkway - erosion report.

Moved by Councillor P Wells and seconded by Councillor J Black

MOTION

1. That Council endorses the Soil Conservation Services report detailing the erosion at the Lady Cutler South site, and the recommendations of moving the Tracker Riley walkway away (east) from the bank retreat scarp and establish a vegetated buffer of between 20 – 30 metres to assist in bank stabilisation.

2. That Council note that the maximum distance that the path can be moved to the east without impacting the sporting fields is 20 metres (allowing for the width of path being 2.5 metres).
3. That the new section of the Tracker Riley Walkway (approximately 300 metres) be installed as a concrete path and constructed in accordance with the Council standard drawing.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/21 WELLINGTON STREET TREE MASTERPLAN - PUBLIC EXHIBITION (ID23/662)

The Committee had before it the report dated 29 March 2023 from the Manager Recreation and Open Space regarding Wellington Street Tree Masterplan - public exhibition.

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor P Wells

MOTION

1. That the Wellington Street Tree Master Plan report be noted.
2. That the following amendments be noted:
 - a. Clarification of the Priority Planting Plan through the inclusion of the "Proposed Replacement species" column
 - b. Inclusion of *Corymbia leichhardtii* (Rusty Jacket) into the planting list.
 - c. The elevation of Percy Street (Wellington Primary School Precinct) to a Priority 1 planting site.
3. That the Wellington Street Tree Master Plan be adopted with the amendments.
4. That the responses for each of the major themes identified be noted.
5. That Council consider funding opportunities for a street tree to planting budget for Wellington that includes but is not limited to general rate fund budget allocating proceeds from future planning agreements and other external resources.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/22 REVIEW OF THE PUBLIC TREE REMOVAL - AMENITY VALUATION POLICY (2023) (ID23/676)

The Committee had before it the report dated 2 April 2023 from the Manager Recreation and Open Space regarding Review of the Public Tree Removal - Amenity Valuation Policy (2023).

Moved by Councillor J Black and seconded by Councillor D Mahon

MOTION

1. That the report Review of the Public Tree Removal – Amenity Valuation Policy (2023)

be noted.

2. That the Public Tree Removal – Amenity Valuation Policy (2023) be adopted with the amendments.
3. That the report Review of the Public Tree Removal – Amenity Valuation Policy (2023) be placed on public exhibition for four weeks in April/May 2023.
4. That a report to be tabled at the July 2023 Ordinary Meeting of Council for consideration of adopting the Public Tree Removal – Amenity Valuation Policy (2023), with amendments if required from the public exhibition.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

**CCC23/23 DUBBO REGIONAL COUNCIL TREE PRESERVATION ORDER (PUBLIC TREES)
AND SIGNIFICANT TREE REGISTER (ID23/660)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 29 March 2023 from the Manager Recreation and Open Space regarding Dubbo Regional Council Tree Preservation Order (Public Trees) and Significant Tree Register.

Moved by Councillor P Wells and seconded by Councillor R Ivey

MOTION

1. That the Dubbo Regional Council Tree Preservation Order and Significant Tree Register 2023 be noted.
2. That the Dubbo Regional Council Tree Preservation Order and Significant Tree Register 2023 be adopted, noting the identified changes.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

**CCC23/24 DETERMINATION OF COUNCILLOR MEMBERSHIP ON DISABILITY ACCESS AND
INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ID23/680)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 3 April 2023 from the Manager Community Services regarding Determination of Councillor Membership on Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee.

Moved by Councillor P Wells and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

MOTION

1. That Council determine the three Councillors to become members of the new Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory committee.
2. That the elected Councillors to form part of the review panel for the received expressions of interest from community members and decide on membership

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor L Burns

AMENDMENT

1. That the Councillor representatives for the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory committee will be Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury and P Wells.
2. That the elected Councillors to form part of the review panel for the received expressions of interest from community members and decide on membership.

The amendment on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

The amendment then became the motion and on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/25 DRTCC PHOTOGRAPHY POLICY REVIEW (ID23/48)

The Committee had before it the report dated 13 January 2023 from the Manager Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre regarding DRTCC Photography Policy Review.

Moved by Councillor M Dickerson and seconded by Councillor D Mahon

MOTION

1. That the Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre (DRTCC) Photography Policy to continue without change.
2. That complaints regarding child safety or inappropriate photographs and/or filming at DRTCC be directed to the Hirer in the first instance with the expectation any complaint will be dealt with in a satisfactory manner and the resolution be communicated to the manager DRTCC.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/26 SUBMIT PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN WELLINGTON ABORIGINAL ACTION PANEL AND DUBBO REGIONAL COUNCIL (ID23/672)

The Committee had before it the report dated 31 March 2023 from the Aboriginal Liaison Officer regarding Submit Partnership Agreement between Wellington Aboriginal Action Panel and Dubbo Regional Council.

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor P Wells

MOTION

1. That the Partnership Agreement between Wellington Aboriginal Action panel and

Dubbo Regional Council be adopted.

2. **That the official signing of the agreement be actioned by the Wellington Aboriginal Action Panel and representatives of Dubbo Regional Council.**

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/27 DESTINATION DUBBO PROJECT UPDATE (ID23/678)

The Committee had before it the report dated 3 April 2023 from the Director Organisational Performance regarding Destination Dubbo Project Update.

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor M Wright

MOTION

That this item be deferred to be dealt with in confidential after the conclusion of the Corporate Services Committee.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

The meeting closed at 6.45pm.

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CHAIRPERSON