

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 Adopt Ordinary Meeting of Council Minutes 25 October 2023

The Purpose of this Report is for Council to adopt the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 25 October 2023

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. I. J. Rasmussen

Seconded By Cr. K. A. Maguire

That this Report be received and that:

1. The Unconfirmed Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 25 October 2023, copies of which have been circulated to Members, be taken as read and confirmed.

CARRIED



Ordinary Meeting of Council Minutes

Date: Wednesday, 25 October 2023
Time: 10:00am
Location: WDRC - Dalby Corporate Office

Councillors:

- Cr. P. M. McVeigh (Chairperson)
- Cr. A. N. Smith
- Cr. K. A. Bourne
- Cr. P. T. Saxelby
- Cr. K. A. Maguire
- Cr. I. J. Rasmussen
- Cr. M. J. James
- Cr. O. G. Moore
- Cr. C. T. Tillman

Officers:

- J. Taylor, Chief Executive Officer
- B. Bacon, General Manager (Corporate Services Services)
- G. K. Cook, General Manager (Infrastructure Services)
- D. Fletcher, General Manager (Community & Liveability)
- B. Donald, Senior Executive Officer
- A. Lyell, Executive Services Administration officer

1. **DECLARATION OF MEETING OPENING**

25 October 2023

The Chairperson declared the Meeting open at 10.20am.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. K. A. Maguire

Seconded By Cr. A. N. Smith

It is noted that notice of the ordinary meeting, scheduled for 9.30am, Wednesday 25 October 2023, at Jandowae, was provided to councillors in accordance with section 4.1 of Council's *Meetings - Council Policy*.

Due the bushfire incidents across the region, it was determined that it would be prudent to relocate the meeting to Dalby.

Notice of the alternative venue was provided to Councillors by the Chief Executive Officer as soon as practicable, being 24 October 2023.

Due to increasing severity of the bushfires in the region Councillors move that the scheduled ordinary meeting of council be adjourned to a later date and time to be determined pursuant to Section 261 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

CARRIED

The Chairperson declared the Meeting closed at 10:21am.

30 October 2023

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved By Cr. M. J. James

Seconded By Cr. C. T. Tillman

That Council resumes the meeting at 8:02am.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. M. J. James

That Cr. K. A. Bourne, Cr. P. T. Saxelby, Cr. K. A. Maguire and Cr. I. J. Rasmussen attend the meeting via teleconference.

2. **OPENING PRAYER AND MINUTE SILENCE**

Pastor Stuart Wynd from the Dalby Baptist Church, delivered the opening prayer. This was followed by the observance of a moment silence.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. O. G. Moore

That council move to agenda item 15.1.

CARRIED

15. **INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

15.1 Infrastructure Services Report Water Main Renewal Budget Increase

The purpose of this Report is to request an increase in budget for water main renewals from \$1,200,000 to \$2,400,000 (ex GST) for the 2023/24 financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

That this Report be received and Council:

1. Increase budget for water main renewals from \$1,200,000 to \$2,400,000 exclusive GST for the 2023/24 financial year.

CARRIED

3. **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

4. **CONGRATULATIONS**

Cr. P. T. Saxelby requested that congratulations be extended to Council and Emergency Services and staff going above and beyond dealing with the fires.

Cr A. N. Smith requested that congratulations be extended to Anton Fitzgerald from Meandarra Transport Service who was awarded 2023 young person in transport.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 Adopt Ordinary Meeting of Council Minutes 20 September 2023

The Purpose of this Report is for Council to adopt the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 20 September 2023

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. M. J. James

That this Report be received and that:

1.The Unconfirmed Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 20 September 2023, copies of which have been circulated to Members, be taken as read and confirmed.

CARRIED

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There was no business arising from the minutes of previous meetings.

7. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Item 16.3 - Community and Liveability Report Temporary Closure Miles Historic Dogwood Cemetery

Cr. K. A. Bourne

In accordance with Chapter 5B of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Cr. K. A. Bourne informed the meeting of a declarable conflict of interest in respect to this matter due to:

My husband's Great Grandmother and Grandfather's gravesites located and impacted.

Having given due consideration to her position she determined that she would leave the meeting while the matter is discussed and voted on.

8. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS BY COUNCILLORS

There were no petitions presented by Councillors.

9. MAYORAL UPDATE

9.1 Executive Services Mayoral Report September 2023

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with significant meetings, forums and delegations attended by the Mayor during the month of September 2023.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. C. T. Tillman

Seconded By Cr. A. N. Smith

That this Report be received and noted.

CARRIED

10. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Section 254J of the Local Government Regulation 2012 in relation to Closed meetings provides:

(1) A local government may resolve that all or part of a meeting of the local government be closed to the public.

(2) A committee of a local government may resolve that all or part of a meeting of the committee be closed to the public.

(3) However, a local government or a committee of a local government may make a resolution about a local government meeting under subsection (1) or (2) only if its councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting to discuss one or more of the following matters—

(a) the appointment, discipline or dismissal of the chief executive officer;

(b) industrial matters affecting employees;

(c) the local government's budget;

(d) rating concessions;

(e) legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government;

(f) matters that may directly affect the health and safety of an individual or a group of individuals;

(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;

(h) negotiations relating to the taking of land by the local government under the Acquisition of Land Act 1967;

(i) a matter the local government is required to keep confidential under a law of, or formal arrangement with, the Commonwealth or a State.

(4) However, a local government or a committee of a local government must not resolve that a part of a local government meeting at which a decision mentioned in section 150ER(2), 150ES(3) or 150EU(2) of the Act will be considered, discussed, voted on or made be closed.

(5) A resolution that a local government meeting be closed must—

(a) state the matter mentioned in subsection (3) that is to be discussed; and

(b) include an overview of what is to be discussed while the meeting is closed.

(6) A local government or a committee of a local government must not make a resolution (other than a procedural resolution) in a local government meeting, or a part of a local government meeting, that is closed.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - CLOSE MEETING

Moved By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

Seconded By Cr. M. J. James

That Council resolve to close the Meeting in accordance with Sections 254J (3) (e, g) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* at 8:32am to discuss the following Confidential Reports:

1. Executive Services Confidential Report Expression of Interest to Dispose of Land, Haddock Place, Tara
2. Executive Services Confidential Report Expression of Interests Proposed Transfer of Council's Community Housing Portfolio
3. Executive Services Confidential Report Offer to Purchase 10 Wallace St, Dalby
4. Corporate Services Confidential Summary Report Quarterly Liability Update as at 30 September 2023

CARRIED

CEO J. Taylor left the meeting at 8:43am.

GM D. Fletcher left the meeting at 8:46am.

GM D. Fletcher re-joined the meeting 8:46am.

GM D. Fletcher left the meeting at 8:46am.

GM D. Fletcher re-joined the meeting 8:47am.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - REOPEN MEETING

Moved By Cr. O. G. Moore

Seconded By Cr. C. T. Tillman

That Council resolve to reopen the Meeting at 8:47am.

CARRIED

10.1 EXECUTIVE SERVICES

10.1.1 Executive Services Confidential Report Expression of Interest to Dispose of Land, Haddock Place, Tara

The purpose of this Report is to seek Council's approval to consider disposing of land at Haddock Place in Tara, by inviting expressions of interest before considering whether to call for written tenders.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. O. G. Moore

Seconded By Cr. K. A. Bourne

That this Report be received and that Council resolves that:

1. It is in the public interest, pursuant to section 228(3)(a) and (b) *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld) to invite Expressions of Interest ("EOI") to dispose of Part of Lot 220 on SP209293 ("Land") at Haddock Place Tara, noting that:

- a. Disposing of the Land zoned as Low Density Residential, is expected to result in the Land reaching its full potential by offering much needed community opportunities in Tara, and
- b. An EOI will allow all interested parties to express their interest in acquiring the Land. Council will then assess the best proposed use of the Land for the benefit of the community and assess the suitability of the applicant.

CARRIED

10.1.2 Executive Services Confidential Report Expression of Interests Proposed Transfer of Council's Community Housing Portfolio

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval for the proposed transfer of its community housing portfolio to a registered community housing organisation by first seeking expressions of interest.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. K. A. Bourne

Seconded By Cr. K. A. Maguire

That this report be received and Council resolves that

1. It is in the public interest, pursuant to section 228(3)(a) and (b) *Local Government Regulation 2012* to invite Expressions of Interest ("EOI") for the transfer of Council's community housing portfolio to a registered community housing organisation before short listing and inviting written tenders, noting that:
 - a. An EOI will enable Council to assess interested registered community housing organisations operational capacity to maintain and potentially grow community housing for the benefit of the community. An EOI gives an opportunity for all interested registered community housing organisations to address these requirements at the EOI stage.
 - b. It is in the public interest to proceed with a less onerous EOI as requiring all interested parties to complete a full written tender would be very costly to individual registered community housing organisations and may deter capable registered housing organisations from expressing their interests.

CARRIED

10.1.3 Executive Services Confidential Report Offer to Purchase 10 Wallace St, Dalby

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's direction regarding the proposed sale of 10 Wallace Street, Dalby.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

Seconded By Cr. M. J. James

That this report be received and that Council:

1. apply the exception contained in the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld), section 236(1)(a)(i) and (ii); and
2. approve the sale of Lot 8 on RP158542 being 10 Wallace Street, Dalby to Monica Anne Oakroot for the contract offer price; and
3. delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to execute all necessary documents to affect the sale and settlement of 10 Wallace Street, Dalby.

CARRIED

10.2 CORPORATE SERVICES

10.2.1 Corporate Services Confidential Summary Report Quarterly Liability Update as at 30 September 2023

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with a quarterly update on liability matters as at 30 September 2023.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. K. A. Bourne

That Council resolves to receive the *Corporate Services Confidential Summary Report Quarterly Liability Update, as at 30 September 2023*.

CARRIED

10.3 COMMUNITY AND LIVEABILITY

10.4 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

11. DEPUTATION

There were no deputations.

12. PLANNING

GM D. Fletcher left the meeting at 8:57am.

13. EXECUTIVE SERVICES

13.1 Executive Services Report Lease of Lot 27 SP159192 Leichhardt Highway, Wandoan to Rodney Harth

The purpose of this Report is to consider a request received from Rodney Harth to enter into a new lease for Lot 27 SP159192 Leichhardt Highway, Wandoan.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

Seconded By Cr. C. T. Tillman

That this Report be received and that:

1. The exception contained in section 236(1)(c)(iii) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 applies to the proposed lease.
2. Rodney Harth be offered a five (5) year lease from 1 November 2023 with an option for a further five (5) year term, over land described as Lot 27 SP159192 Leichhardt Highway, Wandoan.
3. A clause be inserted in the lease to enable the lease to be terminated by either party without cause by providing 12 months' written notice, and
4. to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to finalise and execute the proposed lease and ancillary documents.

CARRIED

13.2 Executive Services Report Acceptance Trusteeship New Reserve for Drainage Part Lot 3 SP160431

The purpose of this Report is to seek Council's acceptance to become Trustee of a new Reserve for Drainage on part of Lot 3 SP160431 at 112 High Street, Jandowae and to accept the widening of reserve for road of the unnamed road on the same lot.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. O. G. Moore

Seconded By Cr. A. N. Smith

That this report be received, and Council resolves:

1. to accept a proposed appointment of Trustee of a portion of land that the Department of Resources is going to dedicate as a reserve for drainage; located along the northern boundary of Lot 3 on SP160431.
2. to advise the Department of Resources that Council is agreeable to the State dedicating the southern portion of the Lot 3 on SP160431 as a reserve for the purposes of road, having the effect of widening the existing reserve for road, of the unnamed road; and
3. to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and sign all documents necessary to achieve the trustee appointment.

CARRIED

13.3 Executive Services Report Chinchilla Aerodrome Proposed Lease P

The purpose of this Report is to consider an offer for a new lease at the Chinchilla Aerodrome.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. C. T. Tillman

Seconded By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

That this Report be received, and Council resolves to:

1. Apply the exceptions contained within section 236(1)(c)(iii) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld) to enter into a new lease for Lease P of the Chinchilla Aerodrome;
2. Offer Western Downs Civil Pty Ltd, ABN 35 162 575 028, a thirty-year lease over a portion of land at the Chinchilla Aerodrome known as Lease P, on the terms as set out in this Report; and
3. Delegate authority to the CEO to negotiate and sign all documents necessary to finalise Lease P with Western Downs Civil Pty Ltd.

CARRIED (8 to 1)

13.4 Executive Services Report Council Meeting Dates January 2024 to December 2024

The purpose of this Report is to provide for Council consideration and subsequent adoption proposed dates and times for the holding of Council Meetings in 2024.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. C. T. Tillman

That this Report be received and that, in accordance with 257 (1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the following dates for the holding of Council Meetings in 2024:

Ordinary Meetings of Council

Date (2024)	Location	Commencement Time
Thursday, 18 January	Chinchilla Customer Service Centre	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 15 February	Wandoan Customer Service Centre	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 7 March	Miles Customer Service Centre	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 18 April	Jandowae Customer Service Centre	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 16 May	Tara Customer Service Centre	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 20 June	Dalby Corporate Office	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 18 July	Chinchilla Customer Service Centre	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 15 August	Wandoan Customer Service Centre	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 19 September	Miles Customer Service Centre	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 24 October	Jandowae Customer Service Centre	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 21 November	Tara Customer Service Centre	9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 5 December	Dalby Corporate Office	9.30 a.m.

CARRIED

13.5 Executive Services Chief Executive Officer Report September 2023

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with significant meetings, forums and delegations attended by the Chief Executive Officer during the month of September 2023.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. K. A. Bourne
Seconded By Cr. O. G. Moore

That this Report be received.

CARRIED

13.6 Executive Services Report Outstanding Actions August 2023

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with an updated on the status of outstanding Council Meeting Action Items to 20 September 2023.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith
Seconded By Cr. C. T. Tillman

That this Report be received.

CARRIED

14. CORPORATE SERVICES

14.1 Corporate Services Queensland Investment Corporation Investment Proposal

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval to commence investing funds with Queensland Investment Corporation.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. K. A. Bourne

That Council resolves to:

1. invest \$108,000,000 with Queensland Investment Corporation with twenty-five (25) per cent to be invested in the Short-Term Income Fund and seventy-five (75) per cent in the Long-Term Diversified Fund; and
2. delegate to the Chief Executive Officer all contractual and signing responsibilities to enable this decision to be enacted.

CARRIED

14.2 Corporate Services Report Miles Aquatic Filter Replacement

This report seeks Council's approval for the replacement of the filtration system at the Miles Aquatic Centre, as a capital works project in the 2023-2024 programme.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. C. T. Tillman

Seconded By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

That Council resolves to approve:

1. the replacement of the filtration system at the Miles Aquatic Centre, due to the recent failure of the current equipment, to the value of \$150,000 (excluding goods and services tax); and
2. an adjustment to the 2023-24 capital works programme to include the replacement of the filtration system at the Miles Aquatic Centre for \$150,000 (excluding goods and services tax).

CARRIED

14.3 Corporate Services Report Rescind Confidentiality - Council Policy

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's resolution to rescind the *Confidentiality - Council Policy*.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. M. J. James

Seconded By Cr. K. A. Bourne

That Council resolves to rescind the *Confidentiality - Council Policy*, noting it will be replaced by the *Confidentiality Guideline* approved by the Executive Leadership Team.

CARRIED

14.4 Corporate Services Report Rescind Gifts and Personal Benefits - Council Policy

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's resolution to rescind the *Gifts and Personal Benefits - Council Policy*.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. M. J. James

Seconded By Cr. C. T. Tillman

That Council resolves to rescind the *Gifts and Personal Benefits - Council Policy*, noting it will be replaced by the *Gifts and Personal Benefits - Organisational Policy* and *Gifts and Personal Benefits Guidelines* approved by the Executive Leadership Team.

CARRIED

14.5 Corporate Services Report 2022-23 Annual Report

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the draft *Western Downs Regional Council 2022-23 Annual Report*.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

That Council resolves to adopt the *Western Downs Regional Council 2022-23 Annual Report*, pursuant to section 182 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

CARRIED

Cr K. A. Maguire left the meeting at 9:23am.

14.6 Corporate Services - Queensland Audit Office 2023 Closing Report

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on external audit activities for the 2023 financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. O. G. Moore

Seconded By Cr. A. N. Smith

That Council resolves to receive the Queensland Audit Office's *2023 Closing Report*.

CARRIED

14.7 Corporate Services Report Audit Committee Meeting 9 October 2023

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the report of the Western Downs Regional Council Audit Committee Meeting held on 9 October 2023.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. I. J. Rasmussen

Seconded By Cr. O. G. Moore

That Council resolves to receive the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Audit Committee Meeting held on 9 October 2023.

CARRIED

14.8 Corporate Services Financial Report

The purpose of this Report is to present Council with the final financial position for the 2022-23 financial year and seek approval to carry-over capital projects not completed in the 2022-23 financial year to the 2023-24 financial year for completion.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. C. T. Tillman

That Council resolves to:

1. receive the Financial Report 2022-23 Review of Actual Against Budget; and
2. approve the proposed adjustment to the 2023-24 capital works programme to carry-over \$34,007,782 of capital expenditure and \$22,682,622 of capital revenue from 2022-23 to the 2023-24 capital works programme for projects that were not commenced or not completed in 2022-23 as detailed in attachment two.

CARRIED

14.9 Corporate Services Financial Report September 2023

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with the Financial Report for the period ending 30 September 2023.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. O. G. Moore

That Council resolves to receive the September 2023 Financial Report.

CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - ADJOURN MEETING

Moved By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

Seconded By Cr. M. J. James

That Council resolve to adjourn the Meeting until 9:40am.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:31am.

Cr. I. J. Rasmussen left the meeting at 9:31am.

The Meeting resumed at 9:42am.

15. INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

15.2 Infrastructure Services 2021-22 Flood Damage Restoration Program and Betterment Funding Progress Update - October 2023

This report provides a progress update regarding Council's Restoration of Essential Public Assets program and a status update regarding applications for Betterment funding through Queensland Reconstruction Authority's Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements Program

GM D. Fletcher re-joined the meeting at 9:45am.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. O. G. Moore
Seconded By Cr. A. N. Smith

That this Report be received and noted.

CARRIED

GM D. Fletcher left the meeting at 9:46am

GM D. Fletcher re-joined 9:48am.

15.3 Infrastructure Services Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Phase 4 - Project Nomination

The purpose of this report is to provide a list of the recommended projects that should be eligible for the recently announced Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Phase 4 Funding Program.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

Seconded By Cr. O. G. Moore

That this Report be received and that Council:

1.commits funding available from the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) program to the projects identified in this report for delivery by 30 June 2025.

CARRIED

15.4 Infrastructure Services Works September 23/24 Capital Works Progress Update

The purpose of this Report is for the Works Department to provide an update to Council regarding the 2023/24 Capital Works Program for the month of September 2023

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. C. T. Tillman

That this Report be received and noted.

CARRIED

16. COMMUNITY AND LIVEABILITY

16.1 Community and Liveability Report 2022 / 2023 Annual Report on Partnership between Western Downs Regional Council and Toowoomba Surat Basin Enterprise

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with the annual report outlining outcomes on the 2022 / 2023 partnership between Western Downs Regional Council and Toowoomba Surat Basin Enterprise.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. M. J. James

Seconded By Cr. K. A. Bourne

That this Report be received and noted.

CARRIED

16.2 Community and Liveability Report Chambers of Commerce Partnering Agreement Outcomes

This Report is to inform Council about the initiatives delivered under the Chamber of Commerce 2022/23 Partnering Agreements.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. C. T. Tillman

Seconded By Cr. A. N. Smith

That this Report be received and noted.

CARRIED

16.3 Community and Liveability Report Temporary Closure Miles Historic Dogwood Cemetery

The purpose of this Report is to seek Council's approval, retrospectively, to temporarily close the Miles Historic Dogwood Cemetery, to accommodate emergent works required due to vandalism of the site.

In accordance with Chapter 5B of the Local Government Act 2009, Cr. K. A. Bourne informed the meeting of a declarable conflict of interest in respect to this matter due to: Her husbands Great Grandmother and Grandfather's gravesites located and impacted. Having given due consideration to her position she determined that she would leave the meeting while the matter is discussed and voted on.

Cr. K. A. Bourne left the meeting at 10:08am.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. O. G. Moore

Seconded By Cr. A. N. Smith

That this Report be received and that:

1. Council resolves to close the Miles Historic Dogwood Cemetery temporarily and retrospectively for a period of eight (8) weeks commencing on 27 September 2023 and concluding on 21 November 2023.
2. Authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to extend, amend, or reduce the temporary closure of the Miles Historic Dogwood Cemetery to permit required extensions, or to re-open as soon as works are complete.

CARRIED

Cr. K. A. Bourne re-joined the meeting at 10:12am.

16.4 Community and Liveability Report Local Events Program Round One 2023.2024

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023 in relation to the Assessment of Round One of the 2023/2024 Local Events Program and to seek adoption of the recommendations contained in those Unconfirmed Minutes.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. A. N. Smith

Seconded By Cr. K. A. Bourne

That this Report be received and that:

1. Council note the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants

Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023.

2. The Recommendations of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment

Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023 be adopted as follows:

a. Apologies

That the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group accept the apology for non-attendance from Cr. C. T. Tillman.

b. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants

Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 16 May 2023 copies of which have been circulated to Members, be taken as read and confirmed; and

- c. That the applicants for Round One of the 2023/2024 Local Events Program be advised as follows:

Applicant	Project Description	Amount Approved
Tara Futures Group	Tara Community Christmas Celebrations	\$5,000.00
Reining Australia	Australian Reining Breeders Classic Show	\$8,820.00
Dalby & District Show Society	Dalby & District Show Rodeo	\$5,000.00
Chinchilla Community Commerce & Industry	Chinchilla Community Christmas Celebrations	\$5,000.00
Bell Show Society	2024 Annual Bell Show	\$5,000.00
Jandowae & District Show Society	76th Jandowae Show	\$2,500 cash plus \$2,500 In Kind Assistance
Tara Pastoral Agricultural & Horticultural Show Society	2024 Tara Show	\$5,000.00
Total Approved		\$36,320.00 cash plus \$2,500 In Kind Assistance

CARRIED

16.5 Community and Liveability Report Community Activation Program Round One 2023.2024

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023 in relation to the Assessment of Round One of the 2023/2024 Community Activation Program; and to seek adoption of the recommendations contained in those Unconfirmed Minutes.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. M. J. James

Seconded By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

That this Report be received and that:

1. Council note the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants

Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023.

2. The Recommendations of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment

Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023 be adopted as follows:

a. Apologies

That the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group accept the apology for non-attendance from Cr. C. T. Tillman.

b. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants

Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 16 February 2022 copies of which have been

circulated to Members, be taken as read and confirmed; and

- b. That the applicants for Round One of the 2022/2023 Community Activation Program be advised as follows:

Applicant	Project Description	Amount Approved
Reserve for Recreation Public Hall Purposes R1086 Kaimkillenbun Inc (Kaimkillenbun Hall Committee)	Professional support for volunteers to develop the Kaimkillenbun Local Community Plan	\$10,000.00
Total Approved		\$10,000.00

CARRIED

16.6 Community and Liveability Report Community Projects Program Round One 2023.2024

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023. This is in relation to the assessment and proposed adoption of Round One of the 2023/2024 Community Projects Program

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. C. T. Tillman

Seconded By Cr. A. N. Smith

That this Report be received and that:

1. 1.Council note the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023.
2. 2.The Recommendations of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023 be adopted as follows:

a. Apologies

That the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group accept the apology for non-attendance from Cr. C. T. Tillman.

b. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 15 February 2023, copies of which have been circulated to Members, be taken as read and confirmed.

- c. That the applicants for Round One of the 2023/2024 Community Projects Program be advised as follows:

Applicant	Project Description	Amount Approved
Chinchilla Clay Target Club	Purchase and Install PA System	\$4,993.20
Total Approved		\$4,993.20

CARRIED

16.7 Community and Liveability Report Destination Events Program 2023.2024

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023 in relation to the Assessment of the 2023/2024 Destination Events Program and to seek adoption of the recommendations contained in those Unconfirmed Minutes.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved By Cr. P. T. Saxelby

Seconded By Cr. K. A. Bourne

That this Report be received and that:

1. Council note the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023.
2. The Recommendations of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 20 September 2023 be adopted as follows:

a. Apologies

That the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group accept the apology for non-attendance from Cr. C. T. Tillman.

b. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Western Downs Regional Council Community Grants Assessment Reference Group Meeting held on 3 April 2023, copies of which have been circulated to Members, be taken as read and confirmed.

b. That the applicants for the 2023/2024 Destination Events Program be advised as follows:

Applicant	Project Description	Amount Approved
Chinchilla Polocrosse Club	2024 Australian Polocrosse Nationals	\$20,000.00
Total Approved		\$20,000.00

CARRIED

17. NOTICES OF MOTION

17.1 CONSIDERATION OF NOTICES OF MOTION/BUSINESS

There were no Notices of Motion/Business for consideration.

17.2 RECEPTION OF NOTICES OF MOTION FOR NEXT MEETING

There were no Notices of Motion for the next meeting.

18. URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no Urgent General Business.

19. MEETING CLOSURE

The Meeting concluded at 10:24am.