

'A prosperous, vibrant and diverse community working together.'

MINUTES OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Dear Council Member

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Shire of Katanning held on Thursday 23 June 2022 in the Shire of Katanning Council Chambers, 52 Austral Terrace, Katanning.

DISCLAIMER

The Council of the Shire of Katanning hereby advises that before taking any action on an application or a decision of the Council, any applicant or members of the public should wait for written advice from the Council.

PRESIDING MEMBER	DATE SIGNED



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PLEASE NOTE:

Council Meetings are recorded for accuracy of minute taking.

Leave of Absence:

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 7:00pm.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

PRESENT	
Presiding Member:	Cr Liz Guidera - President
Members:	Cr John Goodheart – Deputy President Cr Kristy D'Aprile Cr Matt Collis Cr Michelle Salter Cr Serena Sandwell
Council Officers:	Julian Murphy, Chief Executive Officer Denise Gobbart, Executive Manager Corporate & Community Sam Bryce, Executive Manager Infrastructure & Assets Taryn Human, Executive Assistant Governance
Gallery:	Robert Godfrey
Media:	
Apologies:	

Cr Adrian Edwards

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil.

4. RESPONSE TO PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil.

5. DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL/IMPARTIALITY INTERESTS

Nil.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION/STATEMENT TIME

Robert Godfrey Statement

Robert Godfrey requested Council to reconsider a hard waste pick up. He said some Katanning residents don't have funds or transport to drop their hard waste off at the tip.

Robert Godfrey said that the fees at the tip are expensive and not affordable to some residents and therefore waste is being dumped in the bush and creeks.

Julian Murphy Response

Julian Murphy said that the hard waste pick up in the past has been an expensive exercise. He said that the Shire doesn't have the operational workforce that we did a few years ago and had less funding and grants to assist with the cost. He said that the Shire has made available free tip passes to anyone that needs one and that they just need to come into the Shire's administration office to collect it.

Cr Liz Guidera Response

Cr Liz Guidera thanked Robert Godfrey for his hard work as a volunteer community member. Cr Guidera said that most Councils are doing away with hard waste pick ups and that the cost associated with the hard waste pick up is excessive. Cr Guidera said that Council will take his request into consideration.

Cr Kristy D'Aprile Response

Cr Kristy D'Aprile said that the tyre rates at the tip are cheaper than disposing through a company in Katanning. She said that there is an issue with those residents not being able to get to the tip and that Council will need to get together to discuss the options.

Robert Godfrey left the meeting at 7:28pm

7. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

8. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

9. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

9.1 <u>Ordinary Council Meeting – Thursday 26 May 2022</u> (SEE ATTACHED MINUTES)

MOVED: CR JOHN GOODHEART SECONDED: CR SERENA SANDWELL

Voting Requirement: Simple Majority

OC64/22 That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Thursday 26 May 2022 confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

CARRIED: 6/0

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS

10.1 EXECUTIVE MANAGER INFRASTRUCTURE AND ASSETS

10.2 EXECUTIVE MANAGER CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY

10.2.1 <u>Schedule of Accounts</u>

(ATTACHMENTS)

File Ref: FM.FI.4

Reporting Officer: Shenae Watts, Creditor Officer

Date Report Prepared: 1 June 2022

Disclosure of Interest: No Interest to disclose

Issue:

To receive the Schedule of Accounts Paid for the period ending 31 May 2022.

Body/Background:

This information is provided to Council on a monthly basis in accordance with provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996. A Local Government is to develop procedures for the authorisation of, and payment of, accounts to ensure that there is effective security for, which money or other benefits may be obtained.

Below is a summary of the payments made for the financial year:

Month	Cheques 2021/22	EFT Payments 2021/22	Direct Debits 2021/22	Credit Card 2021/22	Payroll 2021/22	Trust 2021/22	Total Payments 2021/22
July	559.90	1,239,701.92	39,737.04	5,458.49	234,583.47	0.00	1,520,040.82
August	2,173	648,801.21	34,876.21	4,237	240,430.70	0.00	930,518.12
September	17,051.30	1,267,827.19	56,741.47	4,564.28	351,445.88	0.00	1,697,630.12
October	1,089.80	801,203.05	42,674.11	2,515.16	247,451.36	0.00	1,094,933.48
November	570.10	501,263.03	245,004.62	2,809.49	241,336.44	0.00	990,983.68
December	1,261.55	993,082.18	37,012.47	5,026.75	252,165.66	0.00	1,288,548.61
January	234.00	393,674.49	36,350.37	3,667.86	221,208.16	0.00	655,134.88
February	1,300.15	979,987.84	32,394.58	4,035.21	224,458.67	0.00	1,242,176.45
March	883.95	1,070,050.03	51,239.07	2,116.15	369,915.38	38,000	1,532,204.58
April	1,037.75	608,707.09	36,739.54	3,061.96	234,172.90	0.00	883,719.24
May	542.00	679,748.35	45,671.46	3,289.25	232,011.14	0.00	961,262.20
June							
Total	26,703.50	9,184,046.38	658,440.94	40,781.60	2,849,179.76	38,000	12,797,152.18

Officer's Comment:

The schedule of accounts for the month of May 2022 are attached.

The Finance Forum held on 9 June 2022 gave attending Councillors an opportunity to ask questions regarding the presented accounts paid.

Statutory Environment:

Local Government Act 1995.

6.8. Expenditure from municipal fund not included in annual budget

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- (1) A local government is not to incur expenditure from its municipal fund for an additional purpose except where the expenditure
 - (a) is incurred in a financial year before the adoption of the annual budget by the local government; or
 - (b) is authorised in advance by resolution*; or
 - (c) is authorised in advance by the mayor or president in an emergency.
- * Absolute majority required.

Policy Implications:

There are no direct policy implications in relation to this item.

Financial Implications:

Expenditure in accordance with s6.8 (1) (a) of the Local Government Act 1995.

Risk Implications:

This item has been evaluated against the Shire of Katanning's Risk Assessment and Acceptance Criteria. The perceived level of risk is considered to be "Low" risk and can be managed by routine procedures and with current resources.

Strategic Implications:

Shire of Katanning Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032

Focus Area Leadership

Aspiration Katanning is an inclusive and respectful community.

Objective To ensure that Shire resources are utilised in a manner that represents the

best interest of the whole community.

Voting Requirement: Simple Majority

Officer's Recommendation/Council Motion:

MOVED: CR KRISTY D'APRILE SECONDED: CR SERENA SANDWELL

OC65/22

That Council endorses the Schedule of Accounts as presented, being cheques 42410 - 42412 totalling \$542.00, EFT payments 34036 - 34182 totalling \$679,748.35, payroll payments totalling \$232,011.14, direct payments totalling \$45,671.46 and credit card payments totalling \$3,289.25 authorised and paid in May 2022.

CARRIED: 6/0

23 June 2022

10.2.2 <u>Monthly Financial Report</u>

(ATTACHMENTS)

File Ref: FM.FI.4

Reporting Officer: Denise Gobbart, Executive Manager Corporate & Community

Report Prepared: 15 June 2022

Disclosure of Interest: No Interest to disclose

Body/Background:

This item presents the Monthly Financial Report, which contains the 'Statement of Financial Activity' for the period ending 31 May 2022.

Section 6.4 of the Local Government Act 1995 requires a local government to prepare financial reports.

Regulation 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 sets out the form and content of the financial reports, which have been prepared and are presented to Council.

Council adopted (in conjunction with the Annual Budget) a material reporting variance threshold of 10% with a minimum value of \$10,000. Material variances between budgeted and actual expenditure are reported at Note 17 of the Monthly Financial Report.

Officer's Comment:

A variance report is included with the monthly financial statement's attachment.

The budget was adopted 31 August 2021 and this report reflects the adopted budget. It is noted that monthly depreciation is not run until after the prior year audit has been signed off.

The Finance Forum held on 9 June 2022 gave attending Councillors an opportunity to ask questions regarding the presented financial statements.

Statutory Environment:

Local Government Act 1995

Section 6.4 Financial Report

(1) A local government is to prepare an annual financial report for the preceding financial year and such other financial reports as are prescribed.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Regulation 34 Financial activity statement required each month (Act s.6.4)

Policy Implications:

The Shire has several financial management policies. The finances have been managed in accordance with these policies.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications for this report.

Risk Implications:

This item has been evaluated against the Shire of Katanning's Risk Assessment and Acceptance Criteria. The perceived level of risk is considered to be "Low" risk and can be managed by routine procedures and with current resources.

Strategic Implications:

Shire of Katanning Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032

Focus Area Leadership

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Objective To ensure that Shire resources are utilised in a manner that represents the

best interest of the whole community.

Voting Requirement: Simple Majority

Officer's Recommendation/Council Motion:

MOVED: CR SERENA SANDWELL SECONDED: CR JOHN GOODHEART

OC66/22 That Council, in accordance with Regulation 34 of the Local Government

(Financial Management) Regulations 1996, receive the Monthly Statement of Financial Activity for the period ending 31 May 2022, as presented.

CARRIED: 6/0

10.3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

10.3.1 Endorsement of Fire Management Requirement Brochure 2022/23 (ATTACHMENT)

File Ref: ES.AT.1

Reporting Officer: Cindy Pearce Community Emergency Services Manager

Date Report Prepared: 31 May 2022

Disclosure of Interest: No Interest to disclose

Issue:

Council to endorse the 2022 - 2023 Fire Management Requirement Brochure.

Body/Background:

The Fire Management Requirement Brochure is published annually and distributed to all residents and property owners within the Shire.

The Fire Management Requirement Brochure provides landowners and occupiers with information on their responsibilities regarding fire prevention. Also included in the brochure are the contact details of Local Bush Fire Control Officers and information on general fire related matters. There are a number of changes within the Fire Management Requirement Brochure for 2022/2023. Changes are as follows:

- 1) Dates updated 2022/2023 throughout the brochure
- 2) New Heading Page 3 Rural Residential, Rural Land, Rural Small Holdings, outside the town boundary. Removal 'Boundary fire breaks are compulsory for the Shire of Katanning within Special Rural Land areas within the townsite'. Removal 'or its agents'.
- 3) New Heading Page 3 Rural Residential, Rural Land and Rural Small Holdings within Katanning and Pinwerening townsites.
- 4) Included page 3 Illareen Subdivision requirements.
- 5) Due to the grass height in the Illareen Fire Management Plan being at a height of 100mm (State Guidelines) grass height within the Katanning Residential Area, Rural Residential, Rural Land and Rural Small Holdings within the Katanning townsite and Pinwerening townsites has been reduced from 150mm to 100mm to meet the State Guidelines.
- 6) Remove reference to the telephone Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban Hotline as in the past 24 months there has been only 1 person activating the line for information, SMS Text, ABC Radio and Social Media are the notification methods.
- 7) Page 10 Update of the Fire Control Officers.

Officer's Comment:

Council endorsement of the recommended changes in the brochure are required prior to printing and distribution.

Statutory Environment:

Bushfire Act 1954 – section 33 Local Government may require occupier of land to plough or clear fire-break.

Moojebing Fire Management Plan 2008

Illareen Fire Management Plan 2019 Version 1.1

Policy Implications:

Nil.

Financial Implications:

Annual provision in the budget for printing approximately \$3,000.

Risk Implications:

This item has been evaluated against the Shire of Katanning's Risk Assessment and Acceptance Criteria. The perceived level of risk is considered to be "Low" risk and can be managed by routine procedures and with current resources.

Strategic Implications:

Shire of Katanning Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032

Focus Area Social

Aspiration Katanning is a vibrant, active place that encourages its community to thrive.

Objective To provide a safe place to live, work and play.

Voting Requirement: Simple Majority

Officer's Recommendation/Council Motion:

MOVED: CR KRISTY D'APRILE SECONDED: CR MATT COLLIS

OC67/22 That Council, in accordance with section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954, endorses the 2022 – 2023 Shire of Katanning Fire Management Requirements as presented.

CARRIED: 6/0

- 11. ELECTED MEMBERS MOTION OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN
- 12. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF MEETING

13. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

PROCEDURAL MOTION

MOVED: CR MICHELLE SALTER SECONDED: CR MATT COLLIS

OC68/22 That Council closes the meeting to the public to consider the Kerbside Waste

and Recycling Collection Contract – Exercise of Option.

CARRIED: 6/0

13.1 Kerbside Waste and Recycling Collection Contract – Exercise of Option

File Ref: A3071

Reporting Officer: Samuel Bryce, Executive Manager Infrastructure & Assets

Date Report Prepared: 13 June 2022

Disclosure of Interest: No Interest to disclose

Reason For Confidentiality

The report is confidential in accordance with section 5.23 (2) (c) which deals with a contract entered into, or which may be entered into, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting.

Voting Requirement: Simple Majority

Officer's Recommendation/Council Motion:

MOVED: CR KRISTY D'APRILE SECONDED: CR JOHN GOODHEART

OC69/22 That Council extends the contract (RFQ 1/2016) with Warren Blackwood Waste (ABN 29 681 734 490) to provide the required waste and recycling services for

the Shire of Katanning:

1. In accordance with the revised price schedule; and

2. For a contract term of five-years for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2027

CARRIED: 6/0

Cr Kristy D'Aprile spoke for the motion.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Voting Requirement: Simple Majority

MOVED: CR KRISTY D'APRILE SECONDED: CR SERENA SANDWELL

OC70/22 That Council reopens the meeting to the public.

CARRIED: 6/0

14. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 7:34pm.