

SHIRE OF NORTHAMPTON

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18 August 2017**

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8.1 OPENING

The President thanked all Councillors, staff and members of the gallery present for their attendance and declared the meeting open at 1.00pm.

8.2 PRESENT

Cr C Simkin	President	Northampton Ward
Cr M Scott	Vice President	Kalbarri Ward
Cr T Carson		Northampton Ward
Cr D Stanich		Northampton Ward
Cr R Suckling		Northampton Ward
Cr S Stock-Standen		Northampton Ward
Cr D Pike		Kalbarri Ward
Cr S Krakouer		Kalbarri Ward
Mr Garry Keefe	Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Grant Middleton	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Glenn Bangay	Principal Building Surveyor	
Mr Neil Broadhurst	Manager of Works	
Mrs Hayley Williams	Principal Planner	
Mrs Deb Carson	Planning Officer	

8.2.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

8.2.2 APOLOGIES

Nil

8.3 QUESTION TIME

No questions put to Council.

8.4 PRESENTATION OF DRAFT DISTRICT WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Mr Shane McSweeney of RPS Group (being the consultants engaged to undertake a Horrocks District Water Management Strategy), gave a presentation to Council regarding their water management investigations and the different options identified (and estimated costs) to service the townsite and future expansion areas of Horrocks with water and wastewater.

Mr Shane McSweeney departed the meeting at 1:35pm.

8.5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**8.5.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 21
JULY 2017**

Moved Cr KRAKOUER, seconded Cr SCOTT

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 21st July 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 8/0

8.5.2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Minute 7.8.1 Proposed Solar Thermal Plant

CEO advised of outcome of the State Administrative Tribunal hearing held 9.30am on the 18 August 2017. SAT has instructed Council to request the advisors from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation to meet with the consultants of the proponents to discuss their short comings in their noise assessment. Should that meeting not occur, due to the Department not being compelled to attend, then a direction hearing will be held to determine the matter.

8.6 RECEIVAL OF MINUTES

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr SUCKLING

That the minutes of the Budget Meeting held on the 28th July 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 8/0

8.7 WORKS REPORT

**8.7.1 INFORMATION ITEMS – MAINTENANCE/CONSTRUCTION WORKS
PROGRAM (ITEM 6.1.1)**

Noted

Mrs Debbie Carson departed the meeting at 1:48pm, returning at 1:49pm.

8.7.2	PORT GREGORY ROAD, HUTT LAGOON – PINK LAKE ROAD CONDITION, SIGNAGE AND PINK LAKE VIEWING AREA/S (ITEM 6.1.2)
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Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr SUCKLING

That Council direct management to;

1. Formally approach Main Roads to undertake a review of the general speed zoning within the area with a view to reduce the speed limit in the general area;
2. Undertake works to investigate, design and estimate works for future budget consideration to improve the existing parking / viewing area for the Pink Lake area; and
3. Install suitable directional and advanced warning signs to direct traffic to the viewing parking area.

CARRIED 8/0

8.7.3	(ITEM 6.1.3)
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Cr Scott raised the issue of the poor condition of Von Bibra Road, with a road accident having occurred there recently. Shire staff advised that historically, a substandard quality road base was used in the original construction of the road by the developer which has contributed to the existing road condition. Cr Scott asked what could be done to improve the road to an acceptable standard for the single landowner access road.

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr PIKE

That:

1. Von Bibra Road be given routine grading maintenance; and
2. The upgrade of Von Bibra Road, to a 6 metre wide gravel surface, be costed and listed for future budget consideration.

CARRIED 8/0

Mr Neil Broadhurst departed the meeting at 2:13pm.

8.8 HEALTH/BUILDING REPORT

8.8.1 BUILDING STATISTICS (ITEM 6.2.1)

Noted

Mr Glenn Bangay departed the meeting at 2:15pm.

8.9 TOWN PLANNING REPORT

**8.9.1 DRAFT DISTRICT WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGY – HORROCKS
TOWNSITE – CONSENT TO ADVERTISE (ITEM 6.3.1)**

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr SUCKLING

That Council endorse the Draft District Water Management Strategy for Horrocks
Townsite for advertising purposes only.

CARRIED 8/0

**8.9.2 UPDATE ON SOLAR THERMAL POWER STATION, KALBARRI – LOT
10792 GEORGE GREY DRIVE, KALBARRI (ITEM 6.3.2)**

Noted

**8.9.3 FINALISATION OF LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME NO.11 – (KALBARRI
TOWNSITE) (ITEM 6.3.3)**

Noted

8.9.4 SUMMARY OF PLANNING INFORMATION ITEMS (ITEM 6.3.4)

Noted

Mrs Hayley Williams departed the meeting at 2:29pm.

8.10 FINANCE REPORT

8.10.1 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (ITEM 6.4.1)

Moved Cr CARSON, seconded Cr STANICH

That Municipal Fund Cheques 21245 to 21258 inclusive totalling \$45,145.90, Municipal EFT payments numbered EFT16647 to EFT16753 inclusive totalling \$926,702.00, Trust Fund Cheques 2217 to 2222, totalling \$10,038.69 be passed for payment and the items therein be declared authorised expenditure.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

8.10.2 MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JULY 2017 (ITEM 6.4.2)

Moved Cr CARSON, seconded Cr SIMKIN

That Council adopts the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending 31 July 2017.

CARRIED 8/0

8.10.3 2017/2018 BUDGET ADOPTION (ITEM 6.4.3)

Council also considered Late Item 6.4.5, being advice from the WA Grants Commission that a reduction in the Council Financial Assistance Grant and Untied Road Grant of \$90,854 which requires a change in the adoption of the 2017/18 Budget.

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr STANICH

That Council in accordance with section 6.2 of the Local Government Act 1995, subject to removing the provision of \$92,681 for transfer to the Plant Reserve Fund, adopts the 2017/2018 budget as presented inclusive of the following:

Statement of Comprehensive Income

Statement of comprehensive income as detailed on pages 2-3 of the budget for the 2017/2018 financial year showing the projected "Total Comprehensive Income" amount of -\$13,714.

Statement of Cash Flows

Statement of Cash Flows detailed on page 4 of the budget for the 2017/2018 financial year showing a projected "Cash and Cash Equivalents at the End of the year" totaling \$2,838,379.

Rate Setting Statement

Rates Setting Statement detailed on page 6 of the budget for the 2017/2018 financial year showing a "Net current assets at start of financial year" totaling \$649,494 from 2016/17.

Statutory Budget

Statutory Budget detail for 2017/2018 as presented on pages 6 to 35.

2017/2018 Budget By Schedule Format

Detailed Schedule Budget format for 2017/2018 detailed on pages 1 to 137 of the supplementary information to the budget document showing a balanced budget totaling \$10,809,628.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

8.10.4 WAIVER OF 2017/2018 RATES (ITEM 6.4.4)

Moved Cr SUCKLING, seconded Cr KRAKOUER

That Council in accordance with section 6.47 of the Local Government Act 1995:

1. Waive the rates on the following lessees for the 2017/2018 financial year:

- Northampton Bowling Club – Lot 39 Hampton Road Northampton;
- Northampton Golf Club – Portion of Reserve 23432 and Crown Grant in Trust Volume 1620 Folio 052;
- Northampton Community Centre – Portion of Reserve 23432
- Kalbarri Camp and Community Hall – Kalbarri Town Lot 468 Reserve No 35559.
- Kalbarri Golf and Bowling Club – part of Reserve No 30953;
- Kalbarri Sport and Recreation Club – part of Reserve No 25447.

- Kalbarri Occasional Childcare Centre – Lot 233 and 232 Smith Street, Kalbarri.
- Edna Bandy Centre – Reserve 2038, Stephen Street Northampton
- Old School Community Centre – Lot 475, Stephen Street Northampton
- Binnu Tennis Club – Reserve 23699, Northwest Coastal Highway, Binnu
- Doctors Surgery – 51 (lot 29) Robinson Street, Northampton
- Doctors Surgery – 24 (lot 833) Hackney Street, Kalbarri
- LIA Units 1 – 4 lot 83 Kitson Circuit, Northampton
- Kalbarri Town Talk Lot 175 Kaiber Street, Kalbarri
- Horrocks Community Centre Lot 9501 North Court Horrocks

2. Waive the rates on the following aged care accommodation:

- Pioneer Lodge Inc – Lot 7 Robinson Street, Northampton; and
- Department of Housing and the Shire of Northampton Lot 1001 Hackney Street, Kalbarri.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

8.11 ADMINISTRATION & CORPORATE REPORT

8.11.1 BUSHFIRE RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN – ENDORSEMENT & APPROVAL (ITEM 6.5.1)

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr STANICH

That the Council endorse and approve the Shire of Northampton Bushfire Risk Management Plan (BRM Plan) as presented in the Attachment Booklet – August 2017. This is a requirement under the State Hazard Plan for Fire (Westplan Fire) for Shires that are exposed to a significant bushfire risk as mentioned in section 1.1 of the BRM Plan.

CARRIED 8/0

8.11.2 GST REVENUE TO WESTERN AUSTRALIA (ITEM 6.5.2)

Moved Cr SUCKLING, seconded Cr PIKE

That Council:

1. Write to the Prime Minister of Australia and the Leader of the Opposition to demand a better return of our GST back to Western Australia.
2. The rate of return be set at no less than 70 cents in the dollar back to Western Australia.
3. The amended GST distribution back to Western Australia be dealt with as a matter of urgency.
4. All Western Australian Federal members also receive the same correspondence.
5. Publish the correspondence in the local newspapers.

CARRIED 8/0

8.11.3 ROAD DEDICATION – HEAVY VEHICLE REST AREA (ITEM 6.5.3)

Moved Cr CARSON, seconded Cr STANICH

That Council approve for the dedication of lands, subject of Main Roads Land Dealings Plan 1660-223, as a road pursuant to Section 56 of the Land Administration Act 1997.

CARRIED 8/0

8.11.4 CANCER COUNCIL UV METERS (ITEM 6.5.4)

Moved Cr STANICH, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That:

1. The request to provide and install a UV metre within Kalbarri be deferred for consideration in the 2018/19 Budget;
2. That a provision for UV metres at Horrocks and Port Gregory also be included for consideration;
3. Staff investigate grant funding opportunities for the project; and
4. Staff advises Mr Love accordingly.

CARRIED 8/0

8.11.5 SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (ITEM 6.5.5)

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr SUCKLING

That Council contributes \$1,000 to Luke Dooley to assist with costs for his attendance to compete in the 2017 World Marathon Canoeing Championships in South Africa in September 2017.

CARRIED 8/0

8.11.6 COMMUNITY SPORT & RECREATION FACILITIES FUND APPLICATION
(ITEM 6.5.6)

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr CARSON

That Council supports the CSRFF grant application as presented, and forwards it to the Department of Sport and Recreation for their consideration.

CARRIED 8/0

8.11.7 REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION OF RATE INTEREST PENALTY (ITEM 6.5.7)

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr KRAKOUER

That Council discuss this item *"in-camera"* at 2.57pm.

CARRIED 8/0

Moved Cr STOCK- STANDEN, seconded Cr KRAKOUER

That Council continue the meeting *"out of camera"* at 3.02pm.

CARRIED 8/0

Moved Cr STANICH, seconded Cr SUCKLING

That Council accept Mr Jessop's request to cease charging the interest rate penalty on all outstanding rates and charges as from 18 August 2017.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned at 3:05pm.

Meeting reconvened at 3:14pm with the following in attendance:

Cr Simkin, Cr Scott, Cr Stock-Standen, Cr Carson, Cr Stanich, Cr Suckling, Cr Krakouer, Cr Pike, Garry Keeffe, Grant Middleton and Debbie Carson.

8.12 SHIRE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Since the last Council meeting Cr Simkin reported on his attendance at the following:

2-4/8/2017 Local Government Week
16/8/2017 Meeting with Northampton Environmental Group representative
17/8/2017 LEMC Meeting
18/8/2017 State Administrative Tribunal Directions Hearing

8.13 DEPUTY SHIRE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Since the last Council meeting Cr Scott reported on his attendance at the following:

18/8/2017 State Administrative Tribunal Directions Hearing

8.14 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

8.14.1 CR SUCKLING

Since the last Council meeting Cr Suckling reported on her attendance at:

16/8/2017 Meeting with Northampton Environmental Group representative

8.14.2 CR PIKE

Since the last Council meeting Cr Pike reported on his attendance at:

9/8/2017 Kalbarri Maritime Advisory Group
2-4/8/2017 Local Government Week

8.14.3 CR CARSON

Since the last Council meeting Cr Carson reported on his attendance at:

3-4/8/2017 Local Government Week

8.15 INFORMATION BULLETIN

No bulletin presented.

8.16 NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Cr Simkin made the suggestion that Council purchase neck ties and scarves designed around the Shire of Northampton logo and colours, to further formalise Council and staff attire.

Draft neck tie designs were presented to the meeting.

Moved Cr PIKE, seconded Cr SIMKIN

That:

1. Council staff revise the design of the neck ties to include 'Shire of Northampton' wording on an angle on the yellow section of Tie Design No. 2 as presented; and
2. Staff to obtain final cost for purchase of neck ties and chiffon scarves to be presented to Council.
- 3.

CARRIED 7/1

Cr Scott voted against the motion

8.17 NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Friday the 15th September 2017 commencing at 1.00pm at the Council Chambers, Hampton Road, Northampton.

8.18 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the President thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 3:37pm.

THESE MINUTES CONSISTING OF PAGES 1 TO 13 WERE CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD ON FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2017

PRESIDING MEMBER: _____

DATE: _____