

AGENDA

MEETING OF THE
HORSHAM RURAL CITY COUNCIL

To be held on

3 August 2020

at 5.30pm

This meeting will be held online and livestreamed

on the Horsham Rural City Council website

www.hrcc.vic.gov.au



**Horsham Rural City
Council** urban rural balance

COUNCILLORS are respectfully requested to attend the Council Meeting of the Horsham Rural City Council on 3 August 2020 at 5.30pm to be held online and livestreamed at www.hrcc.vic.gov.au

Order of Business

PRESENT

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

1. PRAYER

Almighty God, we pledge ourselves to work in harmony for, the social, cultural and economic well-being of our Rural City. Help us to be wise in our deliberations and fair in our actions, so that prosperity and happiness shall be the lot of our people. AMEN

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY STATEMENT

The Horsham Rural City Council acknowledges the five Traditional Owner groups of this land; the Wotjobaluk, Wergaia, Jupagulk, Jaadwa and Jadawadjali people. We recognise the important and ongoing place that all Indigenous people hold in our community.

We pay our respects to the Elders, both past and present, and commit to working together in the spirit of mutual understanding and respect for the benefit of the broader community and future generations.

3. OPENING AND WELCOME

Welcome to Councillors, staff, members of the public and the media. The Council meeting will be recorded to maintain an audio archive, which will be available on the Horsham Rural City Council website as soon as possible.

Please note that this meeting is being streamed live on the internet.

This meeting is being held online and Councillors are attending via electronic means. As this meeting is being held online, there will be no-one present in the public gallery. The meeting will be conducted in accordance with Council's existing Local Law No 1 Governance (2016) Meeting Procedure, noting that, as indicated, in some parts of the agenda, procedures have been slightly modified to ensure the meeting remains compliant but can run effectively in the online environment.

Disclosure of conflicts of interest and rules relating to conflicts of interest remain. Councillors will be removed from the proceedings where required using the available technology.

Voting in relation to motions for decision will be taken by show of hands. If a division is requested, the Mayor will call for a show of hands by those Councillors voting for the motion, and then those Councillors opposed to the motion.

Where Council experiences technical difficulties and there is a disconnection in Council's livestreaming of the meeting, the meeting will be adjourned. If the livestream connection is working within 30 minutes, the meeting will recommence. If the livestream is not available for a period of longer than 30 minutes, the meeting will be postponed to another time and date.

Councillors participating in this meeting by electronic means will be taken to be present and part of the quorum for the meeting, provided that they can hear proceedings, they can see and be seen by other members in attendance, and they are able to speak and be heard by those in attendance. The audio-visual link with each Councillor will be monitored and any disconnection immediately identified for both quorum and participation purposes. If the disconnection is longer than five minutes, the Councillor will be identified as absent from the meeting and will not be counted for quorum purposes. This absence will be reflected in the minutes. If the number of Councillors connected to the livestream falls below the minimum required for the quorum, the meeting will be suspended. If the quorum is not achieved within 30 minutes of the suspension, the meeting will be posted to another time and date.

4. APOLOGIES

5. LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTS

6. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Disclosure of Interest and Declarations of Conflict of Interest.

A Councillor who has a conflict of interest and is attending the Council meeting must make a full disclosure of that interest.

(a) by either –

- (i) advising the Council at the meeting of the details required under paragraphs (b) and (c) immediately before the matter is considered at the meeting; or
- (ii) advising the Chief Executive Officer in writing of the details required under paragraphs (b) and (c) before the meeting; and

(b) classifying the type of interest that has given rise to the conflict as either –

- (i) a direct interest under 77B; or
- (ii) an indirect interest and specifying the particular kind of indirect interest under:
Section 78 – close association
Section 78A – financial interest
Section 78B – conflicting duties
Section 78C – receipt of an applicable gift
Section 78D – consequence of becoming an interested party
Section 78E – impact on residential amenity; and

(c) describing the nature of the interest; and

(d) if the Councillor advised the Chief Executive Officer of the details under paragraph (a)(ii), the Councillor must make a disclosure of the class of interest only to the meeting immediately before the matter is considered at the meeting.

Members of Staff

Under Section 80C of the *Local Government Act 1989*, officers or people engaged under contract to the Council providing a report or advice to Council must disclose any conflicts of interests in the matter, including the type of interest.

7. NOTICE OF MOTION 6
7.1 NOTICE OF MOTION NO 182 6

CLOSE



SUNIL BHALLA
Chief Executive Officer

7. NOTICE OF MOTION

7.1 NOTICE OF MOTION NO 182

Given by Cr John Robinson attached as **Appendix "7.1A"**.

Recommendation

That the following motion passed by Council on Monday 27 July 2020 be rescinded:

Moved Cr Pam Clarke, seconded Cr Mark Radford

That Council:

1. *Receive and note the submissions to the draft budget attached as **Appendix "9.1A"**.*
2. *Note the following changes to the draft budget in response to the submissions:*
 - i. *\$5k to engage a motivational speaker for a workshop with Horsham community groups.*
 - ii. *\$20k is included in Covid-19 support package for Business Horsham.*
 - iii. *\$70k to improve existing River Crossing across River at Walmer.*
 - iv. *\$10k to extend Old Hamilton Road Cycle Track.*
3. *Adopt Horsham Rural City Council Budget 2020-2021 as attached in **Appendix "9.1B"**, pursuant to Section 130 (1) of the Local Government Act (1989) and that Council give public notice of this decision to adopt such Budget, in accordance with Section 130 (2) of the Local Government Act 1989.*
4. *Adopt the Horsham Rural City Council Strategic Resource Plan 2020-2021 to 2023-2024 as depicted in section 3 "Financial Statements" of the attached budget document **Appendix "9.1B"**.*
5. *Adopt the Horsham Rural City Council rates and charges as depicted in section 4 of the attached budget document **Appendix "9.1B"**.*

CARRIED