



Mansfield Shire

MINUTES

Council Meeting

Tuesday 21 February 2023

Our aspiration for our Shire and its community

We live, work and play in an inclusive, dynamic and prosperous place where community spirit is strong and people are empowered to engage in issues that affect their lives.

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1. Opening of the meeting

Mayor James Tehan opened the meeting at 5:01 pm.

2. Present

- Councillor Holcombe
- Councillor Rabie
- Councillor Tehan
- Councillor Webb

In Attendance:

Chief Executive Officer:

Kirsten Alexander

Acting General Manager Infrastructure & Planning:

Melissa Crane

General Manager Community & Corporate Services:

Dena Vlekkert

EA Mayor & CEO:

Chelsea Young

Manager Community Health & Wellbeing:

Nola Bales

Manager Business & Performance:

Tony Cooper

3. Apologies

Councillor Paul Sladdin

4. Statement of commitment

Mayor James Tehan read Council's Statement and called on each Councillor to confirm their commitment:

"As Councillors of Mansfield Shire we are committed to ensuring our behaviour meets the standards set by the Mansfield Shire Councillor Code of Conduct and Councillor Charter. We will, at all times, faithfully represent and uphold the trust placed in us by the community."

5. Acknowledgement of Country

Councillor Steve Rabie recited Council's Acknowledgement of Country:

"Our meeting is being held on the lands of the Taungurung people and we wish to acknowledge them as Traditional Owners. We would also like to pay our respects to their Elders, past and present, and Aboriginal Elders of other communities who may be here today."

6. Disclosure of conflicts of interest

Nil

7. Confirmation of minutes

Councillor Mark Holcombe/Councillor Rohan Webb:

THAT the Minutes of the Mansfield Shire Council meetings held on 13 December 2022 and 30 January 2023 be confirmed as an accurate record.

CARRIED

8. Representations

Nil

9. Notices of motion

Nil

10. Mayor's report

Councillor Steve Rabie/Councillor Rohan Webb:

THAT COUNCIL receive the Mayor's report for the period 13 December 2022 to 16 February 2023.

CARRIED

11. Reports from council appointed representatives

Councillor Mark Holcombe/Councillor Rohan Webb:

THAT COUNCIL note the verbal reports provided by Councillors in relation to their representation on external Committees.

CARRIED

12. Public question time

Question 1

Edwin Adamson: *"To what measurable extent is Council responding to the government calls to get to carbon neutral?"*

Answer: That Mansfield Shire Council will be carbon zero in its practices by 2025.

13. Officer reports

13.1. Chief Executive Officer's report

Councillor Rohan Webb/Councillor Steve Rabie:

THAT COUNCIL receive and note the Chief Executive Officer's report for the period 13 December 2022 to 16 February 2023.

CARRIED

13.2. Infrastructure and Planning Directorate

13.2.1. IMPACT Route Funding

Councillor Mark Holcombe/Councillor Rohan Webb:

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Endorses acceptance of the successful grant funding offer from the Australian Government's Remote Roads Upgrade Pilot Program for the IMPACT Route project, in the amount of \$9,865,256.
2. Approves a financial co-contribution to the project of \$2,466,314.
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign the funding agreement with the Australian Government.

CARRIED

13.2.2. Climate Action Plan

Councillor Steve Rabie/Councillor Rohan Webb:

THAT COUNCIL adopt the Mansfield Shire Council Climate Action Plan.

CARRIED

13.2.3. Mansfield Open Space Strategy

Councillor Mark Holcombe/Councillor Steve Rabie:

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Adopts the Mansfield Open Space Strategy 2023 and Mansfield Open Space Strategy – Contributions Plan 2023 to inform the preparation of an amendment to the Mansfield Planning Scheme.
2. Commence preparation of a planning scheme amendment to implement the recommendations of the strategy.

CARRIED

13.2.4. Streamlining for Growth Grant Funding Application

Councillor Rohan Webb/Councillor Mark Holcombe:

THAT COUNCIL endorses acceptance of grant funding in the amount of \$350,000 from the successful application to the Victorian Government's Streamlining for Growth program, for the preparation of an Infrastructure Plan for the Mansfield Township, and authorises the CEO to execute the funding agreement.

CARRIED

13.2.5. IWM Grant Application

Councillor Mark Holcombe/Councillor Steve Rabie:

THAT COUNCIL endorses the acceptance of grant funding from the successful application to the Victorian Government's *Enhancing Urban Water Security, Iconic Urban Waterways and Recreational Values* initiative for the Goughs Bay Water Sensitive Town Plan Feasibility Study for \$117,520.

CARRIED

13.2.6. Transfer Station Grant Application

Councillor Steve Rabie/Councillor Rohan Webb:

THAT COUNCIL endorses the acceptance of grant funding in the amount of \$267,500 from the Victorian Government's Transfer Station Upgrade Fund – Round 2 for the provision of a glass drop-off and separation service for Mansfield Shire.

CARRIED

13.2.7. Curia Street Police Stables

Councillor Rohan Webb/Councillor Mark Holcombe:

THAT COUNCIL, upon completion of works by the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Change (DEECA) at the Mansfield Police stables, request that they reserve Crown Allotments 2003, and 2005, parish of Mansfield, the property known as the Mansfield Police stables, for the purpose of "Public Recreation" and appoint Mansfield Shire Council as the public land manager pursuant to Section 14 of the *Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978*, subject to the provision of a Heritage Condition Report for the building.

CARRIED

13.3. Community and Corporate Services Directorate

13.3.1. Quarterly Finance Report

Councillor Mark Holcombe/Councillor Steve Rabie:

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receives the Quarterly Budget Report for the period 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022; and 2.
2. Note the statement by the Chief Executive Officer that a revised budget will not be required for the 2022-23 financial year.

CARRIED

13.3.2. MOU with North East Pride Partnership

Councillor Rohan Webb/Councillor Mark Holcombe:

THAT COUNCIL provides endorsement for the Chief Executive Officer to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for membership of the North East Pride Collective Network.

CARRIED

13.3.3. Response to Petition: Housing and Accommodation

Councillor Mark Holcombe/Councillor Steve Rabie:

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Thanks Sustainability Mansfield for their submitted petition.
2. Continues to advocate for solutions to the housing issues within Mansfield Shire.

CARRIED

14. Council Meeting Resolution Actions Status Register

Councillor Rohan Webb/Councillor Steve Rabie:

THAT Council receive and note the Mansfield Shire Council Meeting Resolution Actions Status Register as at 14 February 2023.

CARRIED

15. Advisory and Special Committee reports

Nil

16. Authorisation of sealing of documents

Nil

17. Close of meeting

The Council Meeting Agenda 21 February 2023 was closed at 6:19 pm.

CONFIRMED this **twenty first** day of **March 2023**

Mayor