

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE MUSWELLBROOK SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE SEMINAR ROOMS, MUSWELLBROOK LIBRARY, 126 BRIDGE STREET, MUSWELLBROOK ON TUESDAY 22 APRIL, 2025 COMMENCING AT 6.00PM

PRESENT: Cr J. Drayton (Mayor), Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry (VC), Cr D. Hartley, Cr G.T. McNeill (VC), Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr D. Finnigan (General Manager), Ms S. Pope (Director – Planning & Environment), Ms S. Richards (Director - Community & Economy), Ms K. Scholes (Acting Director – Infrastructure & Property), Ms K. Hamm (Manager – Governance & Risk), Mr J. Hogan (Chief Financial Officer), Mr P. Ball (Manager - Works), Mrs M. Sandell-Hay (Governance Officer), Ms L. Ward (EA to the Mayor & GM) and 2 people in the public gallery.

The Mayor advised the meeting that Cr McNeill was having issues with the camera on his laptop and was therefore attending the meeting by audio only.

1. Applications for Attendance via Audio Visual Link

251 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr D. Hartley and Cr M. Morris that:

Authority be given for Cr G. McNeill and Cr. A. Barry to attend the Council Meeting via video link.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

2. Acknowledgement of Country

The Acknowledgement of Country was read by Cr D. Hartley.

3. Civic Prayer

The Civic Prayer was read by Cr. C. Bailey.

4. Apologies and Applications for a Leave of Absence

252 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Scholes and Cr M. Morris that:

The apologies for inability to attend the meeting submitted by Cr. L. Dunn, Cr D. Douglas and Cr D. Marshall be ACCEPTED and the necessary Leave of Absence be GRANTED.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward.

Against: Nil.



5. Confirmation of Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 March, 2025

Extra-Ordinary Council Meeting held on 8 April, 2025

253 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr R. Mahajan that:

The Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on **25 March, 2025**, and the Extra-Ordinary Council Meeting held on **8 April, 2025**, copies of which have been distributed to all members, be taken as read and confirmed as a true record.

In Favour Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

6. Disclosure of any Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests

Cr M. Morris - Declared a significant pecuniary interest in item 10.4.2. Cr Morris advised Council that he is organising this event.

Cr D. Hartley - Declared a pecuniary interest in item 17.3. Cr Hartley advised Council that he is employed by a Contractor at the Mt Pleasant mine site.

Cr D. Hartley - Declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 11.1. Cr Hartley advised Council that he is employed by a Contractor at the Mt Pleasant mine site.

Cr C. Bailey - Declared a pecuniary interest in item 17.3. Cr Bailey advised Council that she is employed by a Contractor on the Mt Pleasant site owned by Mach Energy.

Cr C. Bailey - Declared a non-pecuniary interest in items 11.1. Cr Bailey advised Council that she is employed by a Contractor on the Mt Pleasant site owned by Mach Energy.

Cr A. Barry - Declared a pecuniary interest in Item 10.1.2. Cr Barry advised Council that she is employed by AGL.

Cr R. Mahajan - Declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 10.1.3. Cr Mahajan advised Council that one of the properties listed in the report is owned by he and his wife.

Cr R. Scholes - Declared a minor non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.1.3. Cr Scholes advised Council that he owns property close to one of the properties listed in the report.

7. Mayoral Minute

Nil

8. Public Participation

Mayor, Upper Hunter Shire Council, Cr Maurice Collison - spoke in support of Item 10.4.3 - Upper Hunter Regional Brand.

General Manager, Upper Hunter Shire Council, Mr Greg McDonald - spoke in support of Item 10.4.3 - Upper Hunter Regional Brand.



9. Business Arising (From Previous Meetings)

9.1. Response to Questions from March Ordinary Council Meeting

254 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr D. Hartley that:

Council notes the information contained in the report.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10. Business (Specific Reports)

10.1. Planning and Environment

10.1.1. Draft Planning Agreement - Muswellbrook BESS Pty Ltd and Muswellbrook Shire Council for PUBLIC EXHIBITION

255 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Scholes and Cr G. McNeill that:

Council:

1. Endorses the inclusion of Clauses 8.1(e) and 8.1(f) in the Draft Planning Agreement (see Attachment A), which provides for a pro rata reduction in development contributions in the event the development is suspended for a period of three months or more;
2. Approves public exhibition of the Draft Planning Agreement (Attachment A) and Draft Explanatory Note (Attachment B), in accordance with the requirements of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*; and
3. Delegates authority to the General Manager to execute the Planning Agreement following consideration of any public submissions, provided any amendments do not result in any material changes to the Planning Agreement as exhibited.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil



10.1.2. Memorandum of Understanding with Singleton Council - Bayswater and Liddell Power Station Sites

Disclosure of Interest

Cr Barry declared a pecuniary interest in this item. Cr Barry advised Council that she is employed by AGL.

At 6:12pm Cr Barry left the Council Chambers and therefore took no part in discussion or voting on this item.

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RESOLVED on the motion of Cr S. Ward and Cr G. McNeill that:

1. Council Delegates to the General Manager authority to develop a draft Memorandum of Understanding between Muswellbrook Shire Council and Singleton Council on the Bayswater and Liddell Power Station sites transition to future employment precinct; and
2. A further report be submitted to Council for endorsement of the final draft Memorandum of Understanding.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

At 6.14pm Cr Barry returned to the Meeting.

10.1.3. Monthly Report to Council - Planning, Environment and Regulatory Services

Disclosure of Interest

Cr R. Mahajan declared a non-pecuniary interest in this item. Cr Mahajan advised Council that he and his wife own a property listed in the report.

Cr R. Scholes - declared a minor non-pecuniary interest in this item. Cr Scholes advised Council that he owns property close to one of the properties listed in the report.

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RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr C. Bailey that:

The information contained in this report be noted.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil



10.2. Corporate Services

10.2.1. Library Membership Policy and Library Collection Management Policy for Adoption

258 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr D. Hartley that:

Council adopts the *Library Membership Policy* and the *Library Collection Management Policy*

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10.2.2. Contributions to Boundary Fencing Policy for Adoption

259 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr C. Bailey and Cr M. Morris that:

Council adopts the *Contributions to Boundary Fencing Policy*.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10.2.3. Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy for Adoption

260 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Scholes and Cr D. Hartley that:

Council adopts the *Councillors Expenses and Facilities Policy*.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil



10.2.4. Draft Cemetery Policy for Public Exhibition

261 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Scholes and Cr M. Morris that:

1. Council endorses the *Draft Cemetery Policy* for placement on public exhibition via Council's website for a period of 28 days.
2. If no submissions are received in relation to the *Draft Cemetery Policy* during the public exhibition period, then Council resolves to adopt the *Cemetery Policy* on the day following the conclusion of the exhibition period.
3. If submissions are received in relation to the *Draft Cemetery Policy* during the public exhibition period, then a further report will be submitted to Council for consideration of submissions received during the exhibition period.

In Favour Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10.2.5. Draft Hardship Policy for Public Exhibition

262 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr D. Hartley that:

1. Council endorses the *Draft Hardship Policy* for placement on public exhibition via Council's website for a period of 28 days.
2. If no submissions are received in relation to the *Draft Hardship Policy* during the public exhibition period, then Council resolves to adopt the *Hardship Policy* on the day following the conclusion of the exhibition period.
3. If submissions are received in relation to the *Draft Hardship Policy* during the public exhibition period, then a further report will be submitted to Council for consideration of submissions received during the exhibition period.

In Favour Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

**10.2.6. Draft Procurement Policy for Public Exhibition**

263 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr C. Bailey that:

1. Council endorses the *Draft Procurement Policy* for placement on public exhibition via Council's website for a period of 28 days.
2. If no submissions are received in relation to the *Draft Procurement Policy* during the public exhibition period, then Council resolves to adopt the *Procurement Policy* on the day following the conclusion of the exhibition period.
3. If submissions are received in relation to the *Draft Procurement Policy* during the public exhibition period, then a further report will be submitted to Council for consideration of submissions received during the exhibition period.

In Favour Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10.2.7. Draft Investment (Financial Securities) Policy for Public Exhibition

264 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Scholes and Cr R. Mahajan that:

1. Council endorses the *Draft Investment (Financial Securities) Policy* for placement on public exhibition via Council's website for a period of 28 days.
2. If no submissions are received in relation to the *Draft Investment (Financial Securities) Policy* during the public exhibition period, then Council resolves to adopt the *Investment (Financial Securities) Policy* on the day following the conclusion of the exhibition period.
3. If submissions are received in relation to the *Draft Investment (Financial Securities) Policy* during the public exhibition period, then a further report will be submitted to Council for consideration of submissions received during the exhibition period.

In Favour Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil



10.2.8. 2025-2029 DRAFT Delivery Program

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RESOLVED on the motion of Cr S. Ward and Cr M. Morris that:

1. Council endorses the DRAFT Delivery Program 2025 -2029 to be placed on public exhibition via Council's website for a period of 28 days.
2. Following the period of public exhibition, the DRAFT Delivery Program 2025-2029 be submitted to Council for adoption by 30 June 2025, including consideration of feedback and suggestions received through the period of public exhibition.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10.2.9. 2025-2029 DRAFT Resourcing Strategy

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RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr A. Barry that:

1. Council endorses the DRAFT 2025–2029 Resourcing Strategy for placement on public exhibition via Council's website for a period of 28 days.
2. Following the period of public exhibition, the DRAFT 2025-2029 Resourcing Strategy will be submitted to Council for adoption by 30 June 2025, including consideration of feedback and suggestions received through the public exhibition period.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10.2.10. 2025-2026 DRAFT Operational Plan, Budget Estimates, Revenue Policy, Fees and Charges

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RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Scholes and Cr R. Mahajan that:

1. Council endorses the DRAFT Operational Plan 2025-2026, including Budget, Revenue Policy, and Fees and Charges be placed on public exhibition, via Council's website, for a period of 28 days.
2. Following the period of public exhibition, the DRAFT Operational Plan 2025-2026, including Budget, Revenue Policy, and Fees and Charges will be submitted to Council for adoption by 30 June 2025, including consideration of feedback and suggestions received through the period of public exhibition.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

**10.2.11. 2025 Half Day Public Holiday**

268 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr A. Barry and Cr C. Bailey that:

Council makes an application to the Minister for Industrial Relations for the declaration of a half-day public holiday for the Mayors Cup from noon to 6pm on Tuesday 4 November 2025.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10.2.12. Future Fund Committee - Terms of Reference

269 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Scholes and Cr M. Morris that:

Council:

1. ENDORSES the Terms of Reference for the Future Fund Committee.
2. Delegates authority to the Future Fund Committee to:
 - a. Make decisions on the acquisition, development, demolition or disposal of (whether in whole or in part) any asset (whether set out in the Schedule or not)—or anything properly incidental to those activities—to Council as it thinks fit.
 - b. Make decisions on maintenance to the appropriate standard as determined by Council, taking into consideration equal access, health and safety, energy efficiency, and environmental sustainability.
 - c. Obtain external legal or other professional advice, as considered necessary, to meet its responsibilities (in accordance with Council Budget and procurement arrangements and subject to prior consultation with the General Manager).

In Favour Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10.2.13. Report on Investments held as at 31 March 2025

270 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Mahajan and Cr D. Hartley that:

Council notes Council's Investments as at 31 March 2025.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil



10.2.14. Monthly Financial Report - March 2025

271 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Scholes and Cr M. Morris that:

Council notes the Financial Reports for the month ending 31 March 2025.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10.3. Infrastructure and Property

10.3.1. Optus Tower

272 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr D. Hartley that:

Council:

1. Duly considers the submission received in response to the lease proposal notification.
2. Resolves to enter into the lease on the terms generally consistent with the draft lease attached to this report.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

10.4. Community and Economy

10.4.1. Awarding of Sponsorship - Sandy Hollow Charity Motorfest

273 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr C. Bailey that:

Council APPROVES cash Sponsorship of \$5,000.00 to Sandy Hollow Charity Motorfest for the staging of the 2025 Sandy Hollow Charity Motorfest to be held at Sandy Hollow on 16 August 2025.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

**10.4.2. 2025 Christmas Spectacular Sponsorship Request****Disclosure of Interest**

Cr M. Morris declared a significant non-pecuniary interest in this item. Cr Morris advised Council that he is the organiser of the event.

At 6:33 pm Cr Morris left the Council Chambers and therefore took no part in discussion or voting on this item.

274 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Mahajan and Cr C. Bailey that:

Council supports the Christmas Spectacular for 2025 as a sponsor with a contribution of \$6,000 (ex GST) allocated from the sponsorship budget.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

At 6:34pm Cr Morris returned to Council Chambers and resumed his chair at the meeting table.

10.4.3. Upper Hunter Regional Brand

275 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr A. Barry that:

Council

1. Endorses the Upper Hunter Place Brand; and
2. Requests that a further report be submitted to Council regarding staged implementation of the Brand.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

11. Minutes of Committee Meetings**11.1. MACH Energy Mt Pleasant Community Funding Investment Committee - 1 April, 2025**

276 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr S. Ward and Cr A. Barry that:

Items 11.1, 11.2, 11.5 and 11.6 be deferred to the next meeting to allow further information to be included in the minutes.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil



11.2. BHP Mt Arthur Community Funding Investment Committee - 7 April, 2025

This matter was deferred to the next Council Meeting

11.3. Local Traffic Committee - 8 April 2025

277

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Scholes and Cr M. Morris that:

Council NOTES the minutes of the meeting of the Local Traffic Committee held on 8 April 2025 and ADOPTS the recommendations contained therein.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

11.4. State Significant Development Committee - 8 April, 2025

278

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr D. Hartley and Cr R. Scholes that:

Council NOTES the minutes of the meeting of the State Significant Development Committee held on 8 April, 2025 and ADOPTS the recommendations contained therein.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward

Against: Nil

11.5. Dartbrook Community Funding Investment Committee - 8 April, 2025

This matter was deferred to the next Ordinary Council Meeting.

11.6. Malabar Community Funding Investment Committee - 8 April, 2025

This matter was deferred to the next Ordinary Council Meeting.

12. Notices of Motion

Nil

13. Councillors Reports

13.1 Easter Family Fun Day

Cr D. Hartley advised Council that he attended the Easter Family Fun Day on the weekend and was pleasantly surprised at the range of ages attending the event.



14. Written Questions

Nil

15. Questions for Next Meeting

Nil

16. Adjournment into Closed Council

279 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr C. Bailey that:

Council adjourn into Closed Session and members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session, and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld unless declassified by separate resolution. This action is taken in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as the items listed come within the provisions outlined in Section 17 below.

In Favour: Cr C. Bailey, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr D. Hartley, Cr G. McNeill, Cr R. Mahajan, Cr M. Morris, Cr R. Scholes and Cr S. Ward.

Against: Nil.

Members of the public left the meeting at this stage.

17. Closed Council

17.1. Refinancing Loan - Future Fund

280 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr R. Scholes and Cr C. Bailey that:

Council Delegates to the General Manager authority to:

1. Negotiate the lowest fixed interest rate with one of the four major banks for an amount of AUD\$2,488,750 for the loan. The start date of the loan will be 30 May 2025 in accordance with the terms offered by the selected bank; and
2. Execute the Loan agreement to refinance the Tertiary Education Centre, Brook Street Plaza, and staff housing with the financial institution that provides the lowest borrowing cost to Council.

**17.2. Richmond Grove Road**

281 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr S. Ward and Cr M. Morris that:

Council resolves to direct the General Manager to discuss with the landowner the requirement for the landowner to undertake renewal works of Richmond Grove Road beyond 1.4km from the intersection of Bylong Valley Way to be at the landowner's cost. Council considers that its ability to maintain this section of the Road is limited due to a lack of available budget and resources.

17.3. Road Closure and Works Deed**Disclosure of Interest**

Cr Bailey declared a pecuniary interest in this item. Cr Bailey advised that she is an employee of a Contractor that works at the site.

Cr Hartley declared a pecuniary interest in this item. Cr Bailey advised Council that he is an employee of a contractor that works at the site.

At 7:00pm Cr Bailey and Cr Hartley left the Council Chambers and therefore took no part in discussion or voting on this item.

282 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr A. Barry that:

Council:

1. Delegates to the General Manager the authority to finalise the negotiations with the other party on terms not generally inconsistent with the draft Road Closure and Works Deed annexed to this report.
2. Resolves to enter into the Road Closure and Works Deed, on terms not generally inconsistent with the draft Road Closure and Works Deed annexed to this Report.

At 7:05pm Cr Bailey and Cr Hartley returned to Council Chambers and resumed their chairs at the meeting table.

18. Resumption of Open Council

283 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr M. Morris and Cr C. Bailey that:

The meeting return to Open Council.

The Mayor invited members of the public to return to the meeting.

The Mayor read out the resolutions from Closed Council.



19. Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 7:06pm

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING (PAGES 1 to 15) WERE CONFIRMED AT THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE MUSWELLBROOK SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON 25 MAY, 2025 AND ARE A FULL AND ACCURATE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 22 APRIL, 2025.

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Mr D. Finnigan
General Manager

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Cr J. Drayton
Chairperson