

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE MUSWELLBROOK SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE LOXTON ROOM,
ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, 60-82 BRIDGE STREET,
MUSWELLBROOK ON THURSDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2025 COMMENCING AT 3.11PM.**

PRESENT: Cr R. Scholes (Chair), Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr L. Dunn and Cr M. Morris.

IN ATTENDANCE: Cr G. McNeill, Cr D. Marshall, Cr S. Ward, Mr D. Finnigan (General Manager), Ms S. Welchman (Director - Community & Economy), Mr M. Lysaught (Director - Infrastructure & Property), Mr J. Hogan (Chief Financial Officer), Ms K. Hamm (Manager - Governance & Risk), Ms J. Hayes (Financial Controller) and Mrs M. Sandell-Hay (Governance Officer).

1 Acknowledgement of Country

The Acknowledgement of Country was read by Cr R. Scholes.

2 Apologies

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

The apology for inability to attend the meeting submitted by Cr R. Mahajan be ACCEPTED.

In Favour: Cr R. Scholes, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr M. Morris and Cr L. Dunn

Against: Nil

3 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Nil

4 Disclosure of Any Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Nil

5 Business Arising

Nil



6 Business

6.1 Council Grant Funding Update

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr L. Dunn and Cr A. Barry that:

The Finance & Governance Advisory Committee notes the information contained in the report and endorses Council staff to review and apply for funding opportunities contained within the report.

In Favour: Cr R. Scholes, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr M. Morris and Cr L. Dunn

Against: Nil

6.2 December 2024 Quarterly Budget Review

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr A. Barry and Cr L. Dunn that:

The Finance and Governance Committee endorses the proposed changes in the December 2024 Quarterly Budget Review.

In Favour: Cr R. Scholes, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr M. Morris and Cr L. Dunn

Against: Nil

6.3 Monthly Financial Report - January

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr L. Dunn and Cr M. Morris that:

The Finance & Governance Advisory Committee notes the Financial Reports for the month ending 31 January 2025.

In Favour: Cr R. Scholes, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr M. Morris and Cr L. Dunn

Against: Nil

6.4 Report on Investments held as at 31 January 2025

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr L. Dunn and Cr M. Morris that:

The Finance & Governance Advisory Committee notes Council's Investments as at 31 January 2025.

In Favour: Cr R. Scholes, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr M. Morris and Cr L. Dunn

Against: Nil



6.5 Terms of Reference

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

The Finance and Governance Committee endorses the Draft Terms of Reference for submission to Council.

In Favour: Cr R. Scholes, Cr A. Barry, Cr J. Drayton, Cr M. Morris and Cr L. Dunn

Against: Nil

7 Closed Committee

Nil

8 Date of Next Meeting

13 March, 2025

9 Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 4.08pm.

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Mr D. Finnigan
General Manager

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Cr R. Scholes
Chairperson