



Held at Tambo Council Chambers
On Wednesday 20 May 2020
Commencing at 8.30am

Leave of Absence/Signing of Attendance Book

Apologies

Condolences

Deputations / Attendance

Declarations of conflicts of interests

BUSINESS

1. CONFIRMATION OF THE MEETING MINUTES

1.1. Confirmation of the Post-Election Meeting Minutes – 15 April 2020

1.2. Confirmation of the General Meeting Minutes – 15 April 2020

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

3. PETITIONS - Nil

4. REPORTS

4.1. Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

4.1.1. Financial Report for the Month of April 2020

The Finance Report for April 2020 is presented to Council.

4.1.2. DFCCS Operations Report – April 2020

The Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services operations report for April 2020 is presented to Council. This report including housing and administration, 60s and Better, youth program, community development, Blackall aerodrome, libraries, visitor information centres, facility booking, Tambo Multipurpose and Tambo Child Care.

4.1.3. Arts & Cultural Report – April 2020

The arts and cultural report is provided to Council. Topics covering in the report include the Grassland Gallery, statistics for Matilda Way, Barcoo Way and the Blackall Tambo Visitor Information Facebook pages.

4.1.4. Environmental Health Officer's Report – April 2020

The Environmental Health Officer's Report is provided to Council. Items that were addressed during this period include food premises, environmental management, education and COVID-19.

4.1.5. Review of Operational Plan – 31 March 2020

Section 174(3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 requires Council to review their Operational Plan every three months. The Operational Plan for



the period 1 January 2020 to 31 March 2020 has been reviewed and provided to Council.

4.1.6. Tambo Bore – QTC Loan Drawdown

Council requested a loan of \$900,000 to fund the installation of a new bore in Tambo. The application was approved by QTC on 30 July 2019. To minimise debt, it is suggested that \$400,000 be drawn down from this loan.

4.1.7. Interest Write Offs – 1 January 2020 to 31 March 2020

Several rate payments were received after the discount period of 11 March 2020. The amounts owing were minimal with \$72.32 of calculated interest on 28 rate assessments for the period of 1 January 2020 to 31 March 2020.

4.1.8. Regional Arts Development Fund – Round 4

The fourth round of the 2019-2020 RADF program closed for applications on 1 May 2020 with three applications received. The committee elected to support all of the applications.

4.1.9. Debtor – Write Offs

Council has issued invoices to three people which despite efforts from Council's solicitor there appears to be no change of recovering the debt. Council is asked to write the debt off.

4.2. Director of Works and Services

4.2.1. The Director of Works and Services' Operations Report - April 2020

The Director of Works and Services Operations Report is presented to Council. Items included in the report are road construction, water and sewerage services, parks and gardens and fleet management.

4.2.2. Work Health and Safety Report – April 2020

The Work Health and Safety Report is provided to Council with only one very minor incident and no department reportable incidents for this period.

4.2.3. Ranger Coordinator's Report

The Ranger Coordinator's report is provided to Council. Animal, weed and wild dog control are items in the report.

5. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

5.1. Blackall Saleyards Monthly Report 2019/2020

The Blackall Saleyards monthly report for March 2020 is presented to Council. Weekly sales continued for the month of April.

5.2. Planning and Development Report

The Planning and Development Report is presented to Council. There were 4 new building applications and 5 planning enquiries for the month of April 2020.

5.3. Media Policy

The Media Policy has been amended to include social media guidelines published by the Office of the Independent Assessor and LGAQ. This policy



is applicable to Blackall-Tambo Regional Council employees, Councillors, volunteers and contractors.

5.4. Public Interest Disclosure Policy

It is Council policy to promote the public interest by facilitating Public Interest Disclosures of wrongdoing in the public sector and to ensure that the disclosures are properly made and when appropriate, investigated and dealt with.

5.5. Acquisition of Land for Overdue Rates

Arrears of rates and charges on Lot 1 RP607613 have now exceeded 3 years and Council has attempted to sell the land by auction. Under section 148 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 Council can now acquire the land.

5.6. 2020 RAPAD Election Plan - Proof

RAPAD have drafted a document outlining the support RAPAD is seeking from the future State Government with key priorities to empower, connect and support RAPAD communities to prosper.

5.7. Confidentiality Procedure

Sections 171 and 200 of the Local Government Act 2009 provides requirements on the proper handling of confidential information. The Confidentiality Procedure provides guidance to Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Councillors, employees, volunteers and contractors so that they may comply with these sections of the Local Government Act 2009.

5.8. Internet Project

There have been two meetings with Just ISP regarding Council's internet project, to finalise details for the agreement. The internet project provides a fast reliable service to the Blackall-Tambo region.

6. CLOSE OF BUSINESS