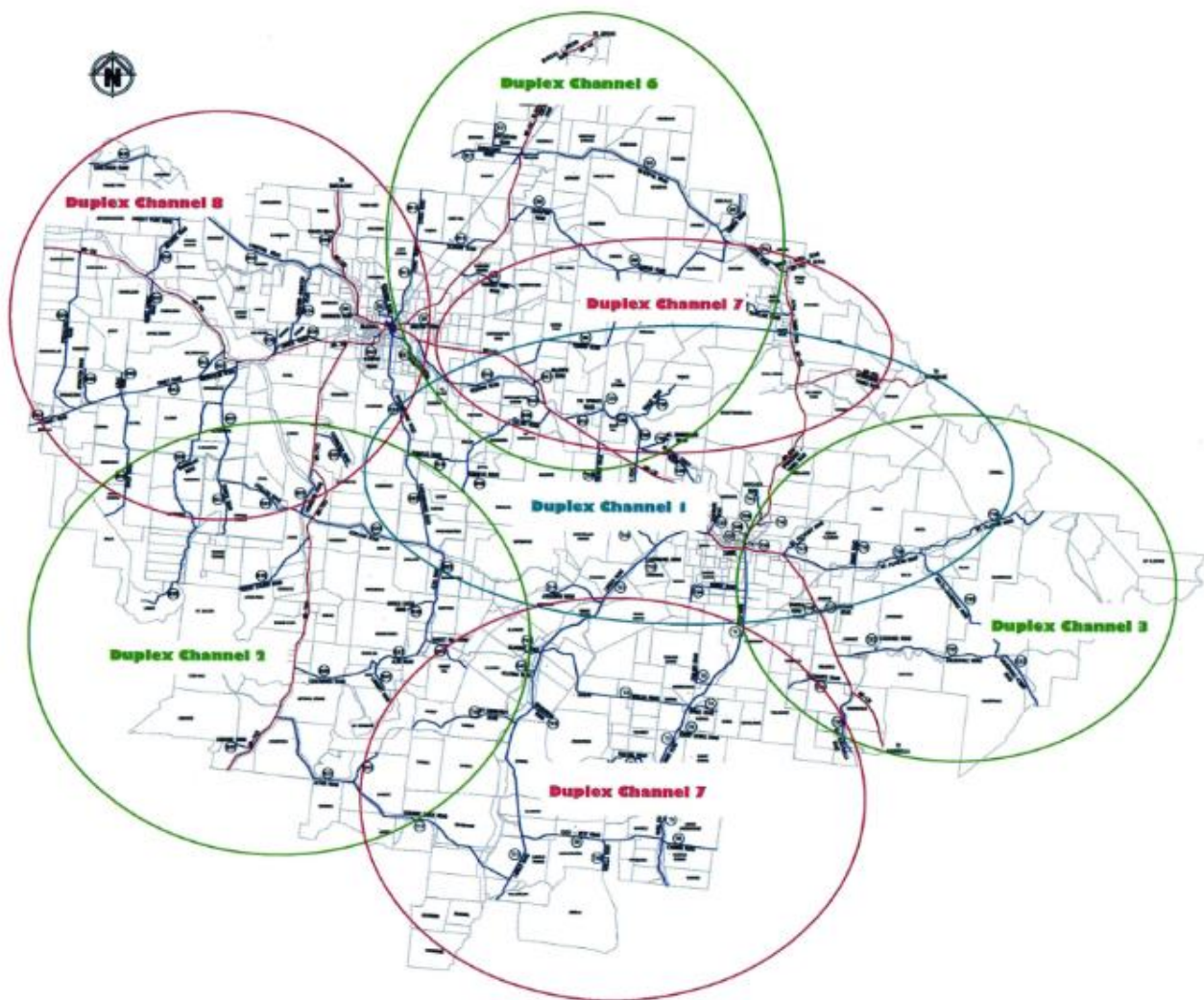




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CONFIRMED MINUTES GENERAL MEETING 15 November 2017



BTRC UHF Project



**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF
BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL
HELD AT THE BLACKALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2017
COMMENCING AT 9.15 AM**

PRESENT:

Councillors; Cr AL Martin, Cr PJ Heumiller, Cr GW Jarvis, Cr LP Russell, Cr BP Johnstone, Cr BD Holdcroft.

OFFICERS:

Mr Chris Blanch, Chief Executive Officer, Mrs Andrea Saunders, Executive Assistant.

APOLOGY:

Cr PJ Pullos requested a leave of absence.

MOTION:

Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller

Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the leave of absence be granted.”

Minute No. 01/11A/17

Carried

CONDOLENCES:

Terry Wayne Hancock
Donald Duncan Batts

DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

Cr Russell declared that he had a perceived conflict of interest in this matter, minute number 35/11A/17 (*as defined in Section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009*) as he is a resident of Mt Macquarie Road. I have determined that this personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead me to making a decision on this matter that is contrary to the public interest of the whole Council's area by participating in the discussion and voting on this matter.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

MOTION:

Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft

Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone

“That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 11 October 2017 be taken as read and confirmed, and that the Mayor be authorised to sign same.”

Minute No. 02/11A/17

Carried

COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIOS:

UHF and Internet project
LGAQ Conference
Mines
State Government elections - roads
B150 Celebrations
Adventurist
Heartland Festival
Blackall State School Speech Night
Australia Day
OQTA Awards – Willow received an award
Football Carnival
Swimming Carnival

ATTENDANCE:

Cr AL Martin left the meeting at 9.44am and returned at 9.44am.

Electricity suppliers
Halloween

ATTENDANCE:

The Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services entered the meeting at 9.53am.

Heartland de-brief
Project working group meeting
Emerald – information centre visit

REPORTS AND COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Financial Statements for the Month of October 2017

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That Council receive the October 2017 Finance Report.”

Minute No. 03/11A/17

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

The Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services left the meeting at 10.05am.

Housing and Administration Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Housing and Administration report be received.”

Minute No. 04/11A/17

Carried

Council Facilities Bookings Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the Facilities Booking Report be received.”

Minute No. 05/11A/17

Carried

Arts and Cultural Report October 2017

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone

“That the Arts and Cultural Report be received.”

Minute No. 06/11A/17

Carried

Community Development October 2017 Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Community Development report be received.”

Minute No. 07/11A/17

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

Cr BP Johnstone left the meeting at 10.11am and returned at 10.13am.

Tambo Multipurpose Centre – October 2017 Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone

“That the Tambo Multipurpose Centre October 2017 report be received.”

Minute No. 08/11A/17

Carried

60s and Better October 2017 Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

“That the 60s and Better report be received.”

Minute No. 09/11A/17

Carried

Tambo Child Care Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Tambo Child Care report be received.”

Minute No. 10/11A/17

Carried

Shockwave Report October 2017

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the Shockwave report October 2017 be received.”

Minute No. 11/11A/17

Carried

Youth Report October 2017

MOTION: Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the Youth Officer’s report be received.”

Minute No. 12/11A/17

Carried

Tambo Library and Tourist Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That the Tambo Library and Visitor Information report be received.”

Minute No. 13/11A/17

Carried

Blackall Library Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone

“That the Blackall Library report for October 2017 be received.”

Minute No. 14/11A/17

Carried

Blackall Visitor Information Centre and Ram Park Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Blackall Visitor Information Centre and Ram Park report be received.”

Minute No. 15/11A/17

Carried

Ranger Coordinator’s Report – October 2017

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

“That the Ranger Coordinator’s report be received.”

Minute No. 16/11A/17

Carried

Blackall Aerodrome Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That the Blackall Aerodrome report be received.”

Minute No. 17/11A/17

Carried

Work Health and Safety Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the Work Health and Safety Report be received.”

Minute No. 18/11A/17

Carried

Blackall Saleyards Monthly Sales Report 2017/18

MOTION: Moved: Cr L Russell Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Blackall Saleyards Report be received.”

Minute No. 19/11A/17

Carried

Environmental Health Officers Report October 2017

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the Environment Health Officers Report be received.”

Minute No. 20/11A/17

Carried

Corporate Services Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

“That the Environment Health Officers Report be received.”

Minute No. 21/11A/17

Carried

The Director of Works and Services Report for October 2017 was presented

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

“That the Director of Works and Services Report be received.”

Minute No. 22/11A/17

Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

At 10.33am the meeting was adjourned for morning tea.

RESUMPTION:

At 10.55am the meeting was resumed.

ATTENDANCE:

At 10.55am the Director of Works and Services entered the meeting.

Purchase of 49HP and 75HP Skid Steer Loaders

Quotations were sought through Vendor Panel for the purchase of skid steer loaders. Tenders were received from three suppliers.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

“That Council accept the tender from Clark equipment for a new Bobcat S450 for \$53,350 less \$14,300 trade for plant 3202, and a new Bobcat S650 for \$82,500 less trade \$24,200 for plant 3203.”

Minute No. 23/11A/17

Carried

Purchase of Kubota M110GX

Quotations were sourced through Vendor Panel for the purchase of a 110HP tractor for Tambo branch. Three vendors responded.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr GW Jarvis** **Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone**

“That Council accept the quotation from Black Truck Sales Roma for the purchase of a new M110GX tractor for the price of \$82,610 less \$16,000 for trade on plant 4152.”

Minute No. 24/11A/17

Carried

Purchase of Dropdeck Trailer - Tambo

Tenders were called for the supply and delivery of a drop deck trailer float for the Tambo depot. Five submissions were received.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis**

“That Council award the tender to Haulmark Trailers for the price of \$106,040 including GST, less trade offer of \$18,000 including GST for plant 5802.”

Minute No. 25/11A/17

Carried

Purchase of Two (2) CAT Backhoes

Quotations were sourced through Vendor Panel for the purchase of a backhoe loader. Tenders were received from three suppliers.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller** **Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis**

“That Council accept the quotation from Hastings Deering for the purchase of two (2) new CAT 432F2 backhoes at the price of \$184,888 each, less trade values of \$42,900 each for plant 3104 and 3152.”

Minute No. 26/11A/17

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

At 11.04am the Director of Works and Services left the meeting.

Christmas Shutdown

The annual shutdown for outside staff will commence Friday 15th December and will continue to the restart on Monday 8th January 2018.

Council offices will close Friday 22nd December and re-open on Tuesday 2 January 2018.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft** **Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller**

“That the arrangements over Christmas be approved.”

Minute No. 27/11A/17

Carried

SW Wireless Subscription Agreement

As part of the SW Wireless internet project it was agreed that they would make an annual contribution to assist offsetting future costs for maintenance and replacement of infrastructure.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

“That the proposal for a subscription contribution from SW Wireless to Council be sent.”

Minute No. 28/11A/17

Carried

Upgrade Tambo Tennis and Bowls Clubhouse and Gym

The Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning have advised that Council has been approved a subsidy for the Tambo Sports Clubhouse and Gymnasium upgrade. This is in addition to the funding received to resurface the tennis courts and bowls green.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr GW Jarvis** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

- “1. That Council allocate \$150,000.00 from unallocated capital works funding towards the project.**
- 2. Tenders be called for the design and construction of the tennis, bowls and gym clubhouse.”**

Minute No. 29/11A/17

Carried

Increase in Purchase of Water Allocation

Two ratepayers would like to purchase additional water allocations for their properties.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

“That Council permit the landholders of assessment number 10462 and assessment number 10879 to increase their annual water allocation purchase by another 6 units per year giving them each a total of 12 units annually.”

Minute No. 30/11A/17

Carried

Annual Membership Australian Livestock Markets Association

The ALMA have forwarded an invoice for annual membership.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr BP Johnstone** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

“That Council continue its membership for another year for \$3024.80.”

Minute No. 31/11A/17

Carried

Blackall and Tambo Power Supply Study

The Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning have awarded a tender to WSP Parsons Brinckerhoff Australia to undertake a study on options on improving and enhancing electricity power supply to the towns of Blackall and Tambo.

For Councils information.

Blackall State School

Blackall State School are holding a musical performance and have asked Council to waive hire fees for the Cultural Centre.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr AL Martin** **Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft**

“That the Chief Executive Officers actions in waiving hire fees for the Blackall Cultural Centre for the Blackall State School music workshop be endorsed.”

Minute No. 32/11A/17

Carried

Tambo Polocrosse Club Fence Upgrade

Following the upgrade of power supply to the Western Sports Grounds in Tambo the polocrosse club have identified a safety issue that has occurred.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr AL Martin** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

“That the matter be referred to a future meeting.”

Minute No. 33/11A/17

Carried

Longreach Regional Council – Regional Road Names

Longreach Regional Council are undertaking a project to consolidate road names where they change as they cross boundaries.

MOTION: Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That Council wish to keep the Blackall Isisford River Road name as it is descriptive of the area.”

Minute No. 34/11A/17

Carried

DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

Cr Russell declared that he had a perceived conflict of interest in this matter, minute number 35/11A/17 (as defined in Section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) as he is a resident of Mt Macquarie Road. I have determined that this personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead me to making a decision on this matter that is contrary to the public interest of the whole Council's area by participating in the discussion and voting on this matter.

Kemp Grazing Pty Ltd

Kemp Grazing have written to Council offering free gravel for road works exclusively for Mt Macquarie road and Bex Hill road.

MOTION: Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That Council respond to the offer along the lines discussed.”

Minute No. 35/11A/17

Carried

Cemetery Fees and Charges

Council has received a letter from a resident in Tambo asking for a review of the cost of reserving a plot and the annual cost of maintaining the plot.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That Council resolves to amend the Cemetery Fees and Charges as follows from 1 July 2018:

”(i) The one off fee to reserve a plot at the cemetery will be \$380.00 which will be deducted from the full funeral cost when required.

(ii) The annual maintenance fee of \$25.00 will be abolished.”

Minute No. 36/11A/17

Carried

**Development Permit for Material Change of Use – Service Station
(Unmanned Truck Refuelling Facility)
Described as Lot 20 on SP 210376
Applicant: Outback Truckstops Pty Ltd C/- TFA Project Group**

An application has been received for a Development Permit Material Change of Use for Service Station (Unmanned Truck Refuelling Facility).

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis**

“That the application for Material Change of Use – Service Station (Unmanned Truck Refuelling Facility) prepared and verified by Lou Scarpato, Futureproof Strategies, as part of the Local Government Planning Alliance is approved.”

Minute No. 37/11A/17

Carried

Blackall Amateur Swimming Association

The Blackall Swimming Club are holding their annual swimming carnival on November 11th 2017 and have asked for Council to waive the hire fees for tables, chairs and shade structures.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller** **Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis**

“That the Chief Executive Officer’s actions be endorsed.”

Minute No. 38/11A/17

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

Cr Heumiller left the meeting at 12.08pm and returned at 12.09pm.

Council Residence behind Cultural Centre

Council should look at renovating this property.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller**

“That \$30,000.00 be allocated to renovate the Council property at 62 Shamrock Street Blackall from the funds received from sale of Council surplus properties.”

Minute No. 39/11A/17

Carried

Tambo Tennis Club – Tennis and Bowls Resurfacing

Two tenders were received for the resurfacing of the Tambo tennis courts and bowls rinks. One tender was non complying as it did not cost both surfaces.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft** **Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis**

“That the Chief Executive Officer’s actions in accepting the tender of \$348,180.00 from Custom Court Construction be endorsed.”

Minute No. 40/11A/17

Carried

Council Meetings 2018

Section 277 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 requires Council to provide public notice of meetings at least once each year.

Wednesday	24 th January 2018	Tambo
Wednesday	21 st February 2018	Blackall
Wednesday	21 st March 2018	Tambo
Wednesday	18 th April 2018	Blackall
Wednesday	16 th May 2018	Tambo
Wednesday	20 th June 2018	Blackall
Wednesday	18 th July 2018	Tambo
Wednesday	15 th August 2018	Blackall
Wednesday	19 th September 2018	Tambo
Wednesday	17 th October 2018	Blackall
Wednesday	21 st November 2018	Tambo
Wednesday	19 th December 2018	Blackall

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller** **Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone**

“That the schedule of meetings be adopted and advertised accordingly.”

Minute No. 41/11A/17

Carried

Annual Report 2016/2017

The Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 182 (2) requires Council to adopt the Annual Report within one month after the day the Auditor-General issues the audit report on the local government’s financial statement for the financial year.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr AL Martin** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

“That the Annual Report 2016/2017 be adopted.”

Minute No. 42/11A/17

Carried

Blackall-Tambo Planning Scheme

The Mayor and CEO attended a planning workshop in Longreach.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr GW Jarvis** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

- “1. Council resolves to make a new Blackall-Tambo Planning Scheme under section 18 of the Planning Act 2016.
2. Council directs, pursuant to section 18 (2) of the Planning Act 2016, that the Chief Executive of the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning be provided with:
- a. a written statement advising of this decision
 - b. a copy of Attachment A, submitted on file, which sets the nature and objectives of the proposed planning scheme, and the state interests likely affected by the proposed planning scheme and advising that chapter 4 of the Minister’s Guidelines and Rules may apply to the proposed planning scheme
 - c. a copy of Attachment B, submitted on file, which sets out the preferred process for making the proposed planning scheme, including the order and timing of steps in the process and an indicative timeline for the process.
 - d. a copy of Attachment C, submitted on file, which sets out the proposed communications strategy.”

Minute No. 43/11A/17

Carried

Banks Park

MOTION: **Moved: PJ Heumiller** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

“That the electricity at Banks Park be disconnected, no bookings be taken for night time events at the facility and an allocation be made in the 2017/2018 budget to rectify the issue.”

Minute No. 44/11A/17

Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

At 12.36pm the meeting was adjourned for luncheon.

RESUMPTION:

At 1.07pm the meeting was resumed.

CLOSURE:

There being no further business to consider, the Mayor Cr Andrew Martin declared the Meeting closed at 1.48pm.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Confirmed by Council as a true and correct record at the General Meeting held on Wednesday 20 December 2017.

Signed:.....Mayor