

District Council of Robe

**MINUTES**

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 10 September 2013, commencing at 6.01 pm at the District Council of Robe Chambers, Smillie Street Robe.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

The District Council of Robe acknowledges and respects the traditional owners of the ancestral lands of the Robe district. We acknowledge elders past and present and we respect the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of Aboriginal peoples to this country.

**WELCOME** Mayor Riseley welcomed the Elected Members, Staff and Gallery.

**PRESENT** Mayor Peter Riseley; Crs Rino Dell'Antonio, Jenny Mathews, John Enright, Harvey Nolan, Kristina Alexander and Lawrence Polomka.

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE**

Chief Executive, Mr Roger Sweetman, Deputy Chief Executive, Mr Lyndon Prior and Minute Taker, Ms Anne-Marie Peters.

**APOLOGIES** Nil

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Cr Alexander declared an interest in agenda item 7.1 "Location of Surf Life Saving Container Long Beach" because she holds an executive position with the Robe Surf Life Saving Service.

Chief Executive Roger Sweetman declared an interest in item 14.2.1 "Chief Executive Remuneration Review" as the report relates to his personal affairs.

**PUBLIC FORUM** Nil

**ADDRESS** Nil

### **ADJOURNED MATTERS**

Cr Alexander declared an interest in agenda item 7.1 "Location of Surf Life Saving Container Long Beach" because she holds an executive position with the Robe Surf Life Saving Service.

Cr Alexander vacated the Chamber at 6.02 pm.

7.1 Location of Surf Life Saving Container Long Beach

Cr Enright moved that **the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 7.1 "Location of Surf Life Saving Container Long Beach" approve the location of a storage container at the Second Ramp Car Park - Long Beach on the condition that the container is located in such a manner that its impact upon the visual amenity of the area is minimized. (71/2014)**

Seconded Cr Mathews

Carried

Cr Alexander entered the meeting at 6.10 pm

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

8.1 Adjourned Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes 20 August 2013

Cr Mathews moved that **the minutes of the Adjourned Ordinary Council meeting held on 20 August 2013 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting. (72/2014)**

Seconded Cr Dell'Antonio

Carried

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

The last seven weeks I have been on holiday overseas. During my time away Deputy Mayor Harvey Nolan has had the extra commitments on top of his own meeting schedule. I thank him for his diligence and extra effort.

Travel always provides a learning experience and during our stay in Venice it was an interesting and informative encounter when two cruise ships arrived on the weekend and 6,500 passengers disembarked. All of whom concentrated in St Mark's Square.

As a result, the Square is inundated with market stalls and pop up shops, some illegal, which the local authorities are constantly chasing.

Local businesses with generational origin to Venice, famed for quality products, are aggrieved by the cheap replicas offered by the stalls, many of whom pay little rent or rates.

The lesson for Robe is that the cruise ships have the potential for opportunity for Robe and exposure to a customer base whom may return for longer stays. There will be, however, the potential burden on ratepayers and other logistical matters that will require prudent management.

The other observation very relevant to Robe is that of the English village high streets (main street). Areas such as the Lake District and the Cotswold's experience vast visitor numbers. Over time they have introduced speed humps, bollards and traffic calming devices.

The daily newspapers contain numerous articles claiming "Death of the High Street (main street)", or "Minister Urges Councils to Act". The cry is to remove the bollards and devices; lack of parking is killing the High streets.

Large supermarket chains encourage the inclusion of these devices as the lack of parking kills the high street, forcing shoppers to the free car parks offered by the large complexes.

As Robe considers its 2040 vision statement, consideration should be given learning from growth areas where this has already happened. Robe does not need to repeat their mistakes.

#### Beach Energy Meeting

Beach Energy is conducting an information evening on the future drilling project they are to carry out.

The venue is:

**Robe Football Club on  
Wednesday 18 September 2013 at 7.00pm**

This is a very important opportunity to gain vital information on this controversial subject. I urge everyone to get informed on this matter. Coal seam gas and shale oil gas are likely to be very huge issues in the next few years. This is not something to be left to your Councillors for a decision, everyone needs to get informed and share their views.

## **ELECTED MEMBER REPORTS**

#### Cr Rino Dell'Antonio

- 20/8/13 Ordinary Council Meeting

#### Cr Jenny Mathews

- 9/7/13 Ordinary Council Meeting
- 16/7/13 Meeting Arts Walking Trail
- 16/7/13 CDAP Meeting
- 23/7/13 Workshop – Planning Chambers Update

#### Cr Harvey Nolan

- 20/8/13 Ordinary Council Meeting
- 21/8/13 SELG KPI's for RDA Limestone Coast

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

### 12.1 CDAP Minutes 20 August 2013

Cr Enright moved that **the minutes of the CDAP meeting held on 20 August 2013 be received.** (73/2014)

Seconded Cr Mathews

Carried

## REPORTS OF ASSOCIATED BODIES

### 13.1 CCOWS Management Committee Minutes 7 August 2013

Cr Alexander moved that **the minutes of the CCOWS Management meeting held on 7 August 2013 be received.** (74/2014)

Seconded Cr Mathews

Carried

## OFFICER'S REPORTS – Chief Executive

### 14.1.1 Establishment of a Permanent Dry Zone

Cr Dell'Antonio moved that **the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 14.1.1 "Establishment of a permanent Dry Zone Town Centre Robe" do not support the establishment a permanent Dry Zone within the town centre of Robe.** (75/2014)

Seconded Cr Nolan

Carried

Cr Polomka left the meeting at 6.37pm

### 14.1.2 Public Health Planning South East Councils

Cr Enright moved that **the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 14.1.2 "Public Health Planning South East Councils", support the development of a Regional Health Plan with the ability to contain components applicable to individual Councils.** (76/2014)

Seconded Cr Nolan

Carried

Cr Polomka entered the meeting at 6.39pm

14.1.3 Limestone Coast Trails Master Plan – Council Contribution

Cr Mathews moved that **the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 14.1.3 “Limestone Coast Regional Trails Master Plan – Council Contribution”, allocate \$3,125 as Council’s contribution to the development of a Regional Trails Master Plan. (77/2014)**

Seconded Cr Enright

Carried

14.1.4 Permit for Business Use of Road – Old Naracoorte Road

Cr Polomka moved **that the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 14.1.4 “Permit for Business Use of Road - Old Naracoorte Road” grant an annual permit to Akeringa Pastoral P/L to use the unmade portion of the Old Naracoorte Road adjacent section 141 Hundred of Ross for the purpose of de-pasturing stock pursuant to Section 222 of the Local Government Act 1999 subject to:**

- (a) The payment of an annual fee of \$50, and**
- (b) Akeringa Pastoral P/L providing evidence of Public Liability Insurance noting their use of the road reserve, and**
- (c) Continued control of weed and vermon and fence maintenance, and**
- (d) Approach Akeringa Pastoral P/L with regard to possible purchase of parcel of land. (78/2014)**

Seconded Cr Alexander

Carried

#### 14.1.5 Code of Conduct Council Members

**Cr Nolan moved that the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 14.1.5 “Code of Conduct for Council Members” note the contents of the code and that it replaces Council’s adopted Code of Conduct number 2.14. (79/2014)**

Seconded Cr Dell’Antonio

Carried

#### 14.1.6 Removal of Tree Robe Street

**Cr Nolan moved that the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 14.1.6 “Removal of Tree Robe Street” do not approve the removal of the street tree adjacent number 25 Robe Street. (80/2014)**

Seconded Cr Enright

Carried

#### 14.1.7 Coastal Protection Works – Town Beach

**Cr Enright moved that District Council of Robe having considered Report No 14.1.7 “Coastal Protection Works – Town Beach”:**

- (1) Undertake works and repairs to the groyne on Town Beach in accordance with the design specifications prepared by the Coastal Protection Board; and**
- (2) Make application to the Coast Protection Board for funding for sand replenishment on Town Beach for the 2014-2015 financial year; and**
- (3) That the Chief Executive approach the appropriate government departments seeking permission to source sand adjacent third ramp, Long Beach for replenishment on Town Beach. (81/2014)**

Seconded Cr Nolan

Carried

14.1.8 Land Purchase Lot 103 Lipson Terrace Robe

**Cr Mathews moved that the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 14.1.8 “Land purchase Lot 103 Lipson Terrace Robe”:**

- (a) Purchase Lot 103 Hundred of Waterhouse certificate of Title 5796/622 Lipson Terrace from Collins Estate P/L for the price of \$24,000; and**
- (b) Pursuant to Division 8 Part of the Local Government Act 1999 as amended declare Lot 103 Hundred of Waterhouse certificate of Title 5796/622 Lipson Terrace as a public road and publish the required notices in the Government Gazette. (82/2014)**

Seconded Cr Nolan

Carried

Cr Nolan left the meeting at 7.40pm

Cr Nolan entered the meeting at 7.42pm

14.1.9 Information Report August 2013

**Cr Alexander moved that the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 14.1.9 “Information Report August 2013” receive the report. (83/2014)**

Seconded Cr Nolan

Carried



## OFFICER'S REPORTS – Deputy Chief Executive

### 14.2.1 Chief Executive Remuneration Review

Chief Executive declared an interest in item 14.2.1 as the report relates to his personal affairs.

Chief Executive left the meeting at 7.47pm.

**Cr Enright moved that the District Council of Robe having considered Report No. 14.2.1 “Chief Executive Remuneration Review” approves an adjustment to the Chief Executive’s Total Employment Cost [TEC] Package an amount equal to an increase of 2.2% per annum, plus the provision of five [5] additional days personal leave per annum, effective 2 July 2013. (84/2014)**

Seconded Cr Polomka

Carried

Chief Executive entered the meeting at 7.55pm

### 14.2.2 Footpath Dining Policy – Final Draft

**Cr Enright moved that the District Council of Robe having considered Report No. 14.2.2 “Footpath Dining Policy – Final Draft” adopts the final draft footpath dining policy attached as its Footpath Dining Policy. (85/2014)**

Seconded Cr Mathews

Carried

### 14.2.3 Rate Rebates to Community and Sporting Organisations

**Cr Dell’Antonio moved that the District Council of Robe having considered Report No. 14.2.3 “Rate Rebates to Community and Sporting Organisations” grant a 100% rate rebate to the Robe RSL Memorial Club Inc. amounting to \$1883.05. (86/2014)**

Seconded Cr Enright

Carried

Cr Enright moved that **the District Council of Robe having considered Report No. 14.2.3 “Rate Rebates to Community and Sporting Organisations” grant a 50% rate rebate to the Robe Golf Club amounting to \$3332.33. (87/2014)**

Seconded Cr Dell'Antonio

Carried

#### **OFFICER'S REPORTS – Finance Officer**

##### **14.3.1 Finance Report August 2013**

Cr Polomka moved **that the District Council of Robe receives the Finance Report August 2013. (88/2014)**

Seconded Cr Nolan

Carried

#### **OFFICER'S REPORTS – Director of Childcare**

##### **14.4.1 CCOWS Report August 2013**

Cr Alexander moved **that the District Council of Robe receives the CCOWS Report August 2013. (89/2014)**

Seconded Cr Nolan

Carried

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Cr Enright moved **that correspondence items No.15.1 to 15.7 be received en mass. (90/2014)**

Seconded Cr Mathews

Carried

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

## QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

## LATE ITEMS

Cr Nolan moved **that items**

18.1 Dry Zone Robe Township – New Year’s Eve

18.2 Robe Art Walk

**being a matter of urgency be admitted to the meeting for consideration. (91/2014)**

Seconded Cr Dell’Antonio

Carried

18.1 Dry Zone Robe Township – New Year’s Eve

**Cr Enright moved that the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 18.1 Dry Zone Robe Township - New Year’s Eve”:**

- (a) Makes application to have the entire Robe township area declared a Dry Zone and that the consumption of alcohol be prohibited for the period 12.00 noon Tuesday 31 December 2013 to 12.00 noon Wednesday 1 January 2014; and**
- (b) Informs the community of the establishment of the dry zone. (92/2014)**

Seconded Cr Dell’Antonio

Carried

18.2 Robe Art Walk

**Cr Nolan moved that the District Council of Robe having considered Report No 18.2 “Robe Art Walk” and the community comment received, adopt the Robe Art Walk as a master plan for installing themed art works and infrastructure within the Robe coastal trails. (93/2014)**

Seconded Cr Mathews

Carried

**CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

19.1 Robe Marina – Berth for Sale

**Cr Nolan moved pursuant to Section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999 (the Act), the Council orders the public to be excluded, with the exception of the Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive and Minute Secretary being present on the basis that it will receive, discuss and consider information relating to report number 19.1 titled “Robe Marina – Berth for Sale” and that the Council is satisfied pursuant to Section 83(5) of the Act with the principal that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in relation to this matter by the need to keep the discussion, report and supporting documentation confidential on the following basis; Section 90(3)(a):**

- **(a) Information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead). (94/2014)**

Seconded Cr Enright

Carried

**Cr Dell’Antonio moved that having considered the report 19.1 titled “Robe Marina – Berth for Sale” in confidence under Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council, pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Act orders that the Minutes of Confidential Meeting held on 10 September 2013 be retained in confidence for a period of 18 months. (96/2013)**

Seconded Cr Enright

Carried

Next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held 6.00 pm Tuesday 8 October 2013.

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

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Mayor Peter Riseley