



CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

of

CONFIDENTIAL CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

*Pursuant to the provisions of Section 84(1) of the
Local Government Act 1999*

HELD IN

**COMMITTEE ROOM
PLAYFORD CIVIC CENTRE
10 PLAYFORD BOULEVARD, ELIZABETH**

ON

**TUESDAY, 2 APRIL 2024
AT 5:00PM**

The meeting went into confidence at 5.49 pm.

ATTENDANCE RECORD

1.1 Present

MR MARK LABAZ – PRESIDING MEMBER

Mr Peter Brass (via Zoom)

Mayor Glenn Docherty

Cr Shirley Halls

Mr Martin White

Also in attendance for the meeting:

Chief Executive Officer

General Manager, City Assets

General Manager, Corporate Services

Senior Manager, City and Corporate Plans

Senior Manager Financial Services

Senior Manager Information, Technology & Governance

Manager Governance

Mr Sam Green

Mr Dale Welsh

Mr Luke Culhane

Ms Sam Grieve

Ms Trisca Price

Ms Lara Matters

Ms Zoey Squires

Senior Governance Officer
Minute Taker

Ms Sarah Schutz
Ms Joanne Cross

8.1 2024/25 DRAFT ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN AND LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

Responsible Executive Manager : Luke Culhane

B. THE BUSINESS MATTER

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

5798

Moved: Mr White

Seconded: Cr Halls

Council notes the following advice of the Corporate Governance Committee regarding financial sustainability for consideration in finalising the 2024/25 Draft Annual Business Plan and Draft Long Term Financial Plan.

That the Committee supports option 1 (rate rise 6.5%) due to the following reasons:

- Demonstrates financial sustainability by maintaining Council's target ratios, allowing for some flexibility to meet unforeseen events and community requirements as evidenced during the 2023/24 financial year.
- Allows for the continuation of existing services as well as new services and projects.
- Rate increase of 4.3% is consistent with CPI to support existing services .
- Additional Rate increase of 2.2% to support new services for the community.
- These increases address existing cost pressures, many outside of Council's control; by meeting these pressures reflect prudent financial management and avoids rate increases in excess of CPI in future years.
- Proposed budget includes continuous improvement savings to help fund part of the budget.
- Proposed budget manages the risk associated with significant growth.
- Preparation of the 2024/25 budget has been well considered and reasoned, and is comprehensive in terms of the economic and financial challenges facing a growth Council.
- Note Council's financial sustainable position as stated by ESCOSA.

CARRIED

C. PROCEDURAL DECISION - COMMITTEE TO DECIDE HOW LONG ITEM 8.1 IS TO BE KEPT IN CONFIDENCE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5799

Moved: Mr White

Seconded: Cr Halls

Pursuant to Section 91(7) of *the Local Government Act 1999*, the Committee orders that the following aspects of Item 8.1 be kept confidential in accordance with Committee's reasons to deal with this item in confidence pursuant to *Section 90 (3) (b) of the Local Government Act 1999*:

- Report for Item 8.1
- Attachment(s) for Item 8.1
- Minutes for Item 8.1

This order shall operate until the 2024/25 Annual Business Plan and Long Term Financial Plan are endorsed by Council or will be reviewed and determined as part of the annual review by Council in accordance with Section 91(9)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, whichever comes first, with the exception of the Report and Minutes for Item 8.1 which can be released at the time that the April 2024 Ordinary Council Agenda is made public.

CARRIED

The meeting re-opened to the public at 6.59 pm.

The meeting went into confidence at 7.00 pm.

Mr Brass retired from the meeting at 7.10 pm.

8.2 RIVERLEA DISTRICT SPORTSGROUND AND COMMUNITY CENTRE - PRUDENTIAL REPORT

Responsible Executive Manager : Luke Culhane

B. THE BUSINESS MATTER

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

5801

Moved: Mr White Seconded: Mayor Docherty

- 1. The Committee receives and notes the Prudential Report (Attachment 1).**
- 2. The Committee provides feedback to the Administration that the Prudential Report (Attachment 1) addresses the prudential matters associated with the project.**

CARRIED

C. PROCEDURAL DECISION - COMMITTEE TO DECIDE HOW LONG ITEM 8.2 IS TO BE KEPT IN CONFIDENCE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5802

Moved: Mr White Seconded: Mayor Docherty

Pursuant to Section 91(7) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Committee orders that the following aspects of Item 8.2 be kept confidential in accordance with Committee's reasons to deal with this item in confidence pursuant to *Section 90 (3) (b) of the Local Government Act 1999*:

- Report for Item 8.2**
- Attachment(s) for Item 8.2**
- Minutes for Item 8.2**

This order shall operate until the next scheduled annual review of confidential items

by Council at which time this order will be reviewed and determined in accordance with Section 91(9)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

CARRIED

The meeting reopened to the public at 7.13 pm.

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