

STRATHBOGIE SHIRE COUNCIL



**MINUTES OF THE STATUTORY MEETING OF THE STRATHBOGIE SHIRE
COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2020 AT THE EUROA COMMUNITY
CONFERENCE CENTRE COMMENCING AT 6.00 P.M.**

Councillors:	Chris Raeburn Paul Murray Melanie Likos Reg Dickinson Laura Binks Kristy Hourigan Sally Hayes-Burke	Honeysuckle Creek Ward Hughes Creek Ward Lake Nagambie Ward Lake Nagambie Ward Mount Wombat Ward Seven Creeks Ward Seven Creeks Ward
Officers:	Julie Salomon David Roff Dawn Bray Kristin Favaloro Emma Kubeil	Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Director, Corporate Operations (DCO) Executive Manager, Governance and Customer Service (EMGCS) Executive Manager, Communications and Engagement (EMCE) Acting Director, Community and Planning (ADCP)

BUSINESS

1. Introduction and Welcome by Temporary Chair (Chief Executive Officer) /
Acknowledgement of Traditional Land Owners
*'I acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we are meeting. I
pay my respects to their Elders, past and present'*
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3. Temporary Chair (Chief Executive Officer) to provide overview of the Council
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1. Introduction and Welcome by Temporary Chair (Chief Executive Officer) / Acknowledgement of Traditional Land Owners

In accordance with Rule 11 of the Strathbogie Shire Council Governance Rules, the Chief Executive Officer acted as Temporary Chair until the position of Mayor was filled.

2. Apologies

3. Temporary Chair to provide an overview of the Council Election Results

Voting for the 2016 Shire of Strathbogie Council elections was held by postal vote and conducted by the Victorian Electoral Commission under the provisions of the Local Government Act 2020. Voting closed at 6.00 p.m. on Friday 23 October 2020. Counting of votes and calculations for the Nagambie and Seven Creeks Wards was completed at 2.30pm on Wednesday 4 November 2020.

Voting for the Honeysuckle Creek Ward, Mount Wombat Ward and Hughes Creek Ward was for one Councillor representative using the preferential voting system.

Voting for the Lake Nagambie Ward and Seven Creeks Ward was for two Councillor representatives for each Ward and conducted using the proportional representation voting system.

At the conclusion of the counting of votes, the Election Manager from the Victorian Electoral Commission declared the following candidates successful elected (in alphabetical order of the Wards) in the Conference Room at the Euroa Main Office at 4.30pm on 4 November 2020:

Attachment 1 (pages 18-26) provides details of the vote count and preference distribution provided by the Victorian Electoral Commission.

Chris Raeburn	Honeysuckle Creek Ward
Paul Murray	Hughes Creek Ward
Melanie Likos	Lake Nagambie Ward (1st elected)
Reg Dickinson	Lake Nagambie Ward (2nd elected)
Laura Binks	Mount Wombat Ward
Kristy Hourigan	Seven Creeks Ward (1st elected)
Sally Hayes-Burke	Seven Creeks Ward (2nd elected)

4. STATUTORY REPORTS

4.1 Oath of Office

In accordance with Section 30(1) of the Local Government Act 2020 (the 2020 Act), a person elected to be a Councillor is not capable of acting as a Councillor until the person has taken the Oath of Office.

Section 31 of the Act states that the office of a Councillor becomes vacant if a person elected to be a Councillor does not take the Oath of Office within three months after the day on which the person was declared elected.

The oath is taken in accordance with section 30(1) of the Local Government Act 2020, regulation 5 of the Local Government (Governance & Integrity) Regulations 2020 and Part 2 of the Oaths and Affirmations Act 2018.

The Oath or Affirmation must be signed and dated before the Chief Executive Officer.

Councillors took the Oath or Affirmation of Office in alphabetical order of their Ward name. A copy of the Oaths or Affirmations of Office are included as Attachment 2 (pages 27-33).

4.2 Response by Newly-Elected Councillors

4.3 Determination of Mayoral Term

Sections 25 and 26 of the 2020 Act require that Councillors must elect a Councillor to be Mayor of the Council. A Mayor is to be elected no later than one month after the date of a general election.

Under Section 26(3), the Council must resolve whether to elect a Mayor for a term of one (1) year or two (2) years prior to electing a Mayor.

Under section 26(4), if the Mayor is elected for a 1 year term, the next election of the Mayor must be held on a day to be determined by the Council that is as close to the end of the 1 year term as is reasonably practicable.

It has been practise at Strathbogrie Shire to appoint a Mayor for one (1) year. It is considered prudent to retain this practice given the growing demands on the Mayoral role under the 2020 Act.

***MOVED: COUNCILLOR BINKS
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR MURRAY***

That the Mayoral term be set for a period of one (1) year.

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4.4 Election of Mayor

Section 18 of the 2020 Act defines the role of the Mayor is to:

- (a) chair Council meetings; and
- (b) be the principal spokesperson for the Council; and
- (c) lead engagement with the municipal community on the development of the Council Plan; and
- (d) report to the municipal community, at least once each year, on the implementation of the Council Plan; and
- (e) promote behaviour among Councillors that meets the standards of conduct set out in the Councillor Code of Conduct; and
- (f) assist Councillors to understand their role; and
- (g) take a leadership role in ensuring the regular review of the performance of the Chief Executive Officer; and
- (h) provide advice to the Chief Executive Officer when the Chief Executive Officer is setting the agenda for Council meetings; and
- (i) perform civic and ceremonial duties on behalf of the Council.

The Mayor also has specific powers outline under section 19 of the 2020 Act:

- (a) to appoint a Councillor to be the chair of a delegated committee;
- (b) to direct a Councillor, subject to any procedures or limitations specified in the Governance Rules, to leave a Council meeting if the behaviour of the Councillor is preventing the Council from conducting its business;
- (c) to require the Chief Executive Officer to report to the Council on the implementation of a Council decision.

Under section 25(1) of the 2020 Act, a Mayor must be elected at a meeting that is open to the public. Any Councillor is eligible to be elected as Mayor.

The election of the Mayor must be chaired by the Chief Executive Officer and be conducted in accordance with the Strathbogie Shire Council Governance Rules (Governance Rules).

The Mayor must be elected by an absolute majority of the Councillors; if an absolute majority of the Councillors cannot be achieved, Council may resolve to conduct a new election at a later specified time and date.

If only one Councillor is a candidate for Mayor, the meeting must declare that Councillor to be duly elected as Mayor.

Rule 10 of the Governance Rules requires voting to be carried out by a show of hands.

As per Rule 11.1 states that any nominations for the office of Mayor must be in writing and in a form provided by the Chief Executive Officer and seconded by another Councillor.

The election for the Office of Mayor will be conducted with the call for written nominations to be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer.

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4.4 Election of Mayor (cont.)

COUNCILLOR CHRIS RAEBURN WAS NOMINATED BY COUNCILLOR DICKINSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MURRAY

COUNCILLOR RAEBURN ACCEPTED THE NOMINATION

NO FURTHER NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED, AND COUNCILLOR RAEBURN WAS DULY ELECTED MAYOR FOR THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS

4.5 Response by Incoming Mayor

4.6 Mayor to take the Chair

The Mayor took the chair for the rest of the proceedings.

4.7 Determination of the establishment of the Office of Deputy Mayor

Council may establish an office of Deputy Mayor under the 2020 Act and under Rule 12 of the Governance Rules.

If Council establishes this office, the Deputy Mayor must perform the role of the Mayor and may exercise any of the powers of the Mayor if:

- (a) the Mayor is unable for any reason to attend a Council meeting or part of a Council meeting; or
- (b) the Mayor is incapable of performing the duties of the office of Mayor for any reason, including illness; or
- (c) the office of Mayor is vacant.

If Council chooses not to appoint a Deputy Mayor, then an Acting Mayor can be appointed when the Mayor is unable for any reason to attend a Council meeting or part of a Council meeting, the Mayor is incapable of performing the duties of the office of Mayor for any reason, including illness or the office of Mayor is vacant.

It is considered prudent to establish the Office of Deputy Mayor given the long standing tradition of doing so at Strathbogie Shire and to provide clarity and consistency around roles and responsibilities should the Mayor be unavailable. It is also considered a more efficient means of dealing with Council business in the Mayor's absence.

4.7 Determination of the establishment of the Office of Deputy Mayor (cont.)

**MOVED: COUNCILLOR MURRAY
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR LIKOS**

That Council:

- 1. *Establish the Office of Deputy Mayor.***
- 2. *Confirm the term for the Deputy Mayor term be one (1) year.***

02-20/21 CARRIED

4.8 Election of Deputy Mayor

Under Rule 12 of the Governance Rules any election for the office of Deputy Mayor is regulated by Rules 9-11 (inclusive) of this Chapter, as if the reference to the Chief Executive Officer is a reference to the Mayor; and Mayor is a reference to the Deputy Mayor (as the case may be).

COUNCILLOR MELANIE LIKOS WAS NOMINATED BY COUNCILLOR DICKINSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MURRAY

COUNCILLOR LIKOS ACCEPTED THE NOMINATION

NO FURTHER NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED, AND COUNCILLOR LIKOS WAS DULY ELECTED DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS

4.9 Response by Elected Deputy Mayor

In accordance with Rule 13 of the Governance Rules a ceremonial speech of up to three minutes may be made by the elected Deputy Mayor. Upon election, the Deputy Mayor addressed the meeting.

4.10 Fixing of the Annual Councillor Allowance and Annual Allowance for the Mayor in accordance with Section 73 of the Local Government Act 1989 and Section 39 of the Local Government Act 2020

Under Section 39 of the 2020 Act sections 73B and 74 to 74B of the Local Government Act 1989 (the 1989 Act) continue to apply until the first determination made by the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal under section 23A of the *Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal and Improving Parliamentary Standards Act 2019* comes into effect.

This means that the relevant Order in Council for the current allowances made by the Minister for Local Government is dated 13 November 2019, and effective from 1 December 2019 (refer to Attachment 3 – page 34).

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4.10 Fixing of the Annual Councillor Allowance and Annual Allowance for the Mayor in accordance with Section 73 of the Local Government Act 1989 and Section 39 of the Local Government Act 2020 (cont.)

On 27 October 2020, Council received a letter from Colin Morrison, Acting Executive Director of Local Government Victoria, stating that the Minister for Local Government had conducted a review of Councillor and Mayoral allowances under section 73B of the 1989 Act and determined that, this year, no adjustment to allowances will be made in respect of all councils. Please refer to Attachment 4 (page 35) to review this correspondence.

Under the current advice from the Minister, this means the allowances to be paid to the incoming Councillors and Mayor are as per the current rates of:

- \$21,049 for Councillors plus an additional allowance of 9.5% (the equivalent of the superannuation guarantee contribution); and
- \$62,884 for the Mayor, plus the additional allowance of 9.5% (the equivalent of the superannuation guarantee contribution).

Section 39 (5) of the 2020 Act states that a Mayor, Deputy Mayor or Councillor may elect:

- (a) to receive the entire allowance to which they are entitled; or
- (b) to receive a specified part of the allowance to which they are entitled; or
- (c) to receive no allowance.

The allowances are paid in accordance with section 13 of the Council Expenses Policy 2020.

MOVED: COUNCILLOR BINKS
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR DICKINSON

That Council notes:

- 1. The Minister for Local Government's recent review of Councillor and Mayoral allowances under Section 73B of the Local Government Act 1989 identified that there be no indexation of the current allowances paid to either Councillors or the Mayor.***
- 2. The Councillor allowance is to remain at \$21,049 plus an additional allowance of 9.5% (the equivalent of the superannuation guarantee contribution).***
- 3. The Mayoral is to remain at \$62,884 plus the additional allowance of 9.5% (the equivalent of the superannuation guarantee contribution).***
- 4. That under section 39(5) of the Local Government Act 2020 the Mayor, Deputy Mayor or Councillor may elect to receive the allowance, receive part of the allowance or receive no allowance.***
- 5. Allowances will be paid to Council in accordance with the Council Expenses Policy 2020.***

03-20/21 **CARRIED**

4.11 Provision of a Mayoral Motor Vehicle

Under section 13 of the Council Expenses Policy 2020 Council may determine whether or not a motor vehicle is provided for use by the Mayor.

Council has, in past years, determined that a vehicle would be provided for use by the Mayor and/or Councillors. The offer of the provision of a vehicle is at the discretion of the elected Mayor.

Council may also determine whether the Mayor sacrifices an amount for the additional cost of having full private use of the Mayoral vehicle.

In past years, the serving Mayor agreed to sacrifice an amount of \$200 per month from the Mayoral Allowance. The Council Expenses Policy identifies that this monthly contribution is currently paid by the Mayor.

It is recommended that the practice of the Mayoral contribution to the upkeep of the Mayoral vehicle continue. In line with the determination by the Minister for Local Government to apply a zero percent rise to allowances, it is recommended that there be no indexation to the current contribution paid by the Mayor.

***MOVED: COUNCILLOR MURRAY
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR HAYES-BURKE***

That Council:

- 1. Determine that a vehicle be made available for the Mayor with full private use.***
- 2. Determine the monthly contribution to the upkeep of that vehicle, to be deducted from the Mayor's allowance, be kept at \$200 per calendar month.***

04-20/21 CARRIED

4.12 Council Meeting Timetable for Forthcoming Year

Rule 19 of the Governance Rules state that Council must annually fix the date, time and place of all Council meetings for the next 12 months. These dates and times can be altered under Rule 20 and additional meetings held under Rule 21.

Council meetings are usually held on the third Tuesday of every month (except January), commencing at 6.00 p.m. in the Euroa Community Conference Centre when Covid 19 restrictions are not in place.

In recent months, meetings have been held remotely via online streaming through Council's website to comply with Covid 19 directions from the Department of Health and Human Services and as per Minister's Good Practice Guideline MGPG-1: Virtual Meetings, issued in April 2020 under section 87 of the *Local Government Act 2020*.

4.12 Council Meeting Timetable for Forthcoming Year (cont.)

It is recommended that for continuity reasons meetings continue to be held on the third Tuesday of every month starting at 6pm, including January given the significant amount of work in front of the new Council under the 2020 Act.

A suggested schedule of Council meeting dates and venues can be found at Attachment 5 (page 36).

MOVED: COUNCILLOR MURRAY
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR LIKOS

That Council meetings continue to be held on the third Tuesday of every month, including January, commencing at 6.00 p.m. in the Euroa Community Conference Centre.

05-20/21 **CARRIED**

COUNCILLOR MURRAY –

That consideration be given to holding meetings in other venues throughout the Shire once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.

06-20/21 **CARRIED**

4.13 Councillor Committees / Boards Representation – 2020/2021

In past years Council has nominated representatives for a number of internal committees as well as external committees and working groups.

The Councillor representative's role is to attend meetings on behalf of Council and to provide Council with briefings and updates on the matters/issues raised for further discussion by the Council as a whole.

The purpose of this report is to firstly confirm that Councillor representation is approved and then to nominate the identified number of Councillor representatives on the various groups and bodies.

A summary of the role of each group, along with the representation from Council being sought, is outlined in this report.

MOVED: COUNCILLOR BINKS
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR DICKINSON

That the representations, as detailed in the attached listings.

07-20/21 **CARRIED**

COUNCILLOR COMMITTEES / BOARDS REPRESENTATION – 2020/2021

ADVISORY COMMITTEES	COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/SUPPORT	FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS	FUNCTION
Access and Disability Advisory Committee	Mayor Raeburn Deputy Mayor Likos	Relevant Council staff members x 2	As required	To liaise with community members and provide advice and recommendations regarding access and equity to Strathbogie Shire Council.
Audit and Risk Committee	Cr Hayes-Burke Cr Murray	CEO / Directors / Independent Chairman, Independent Internal Auditor, 4 community representatives	Quarterly	Committee formed to oversee Internal Audit and Risk Management systems.
Environment and Sustainable Development Advisory Committee	Deputy Mayor Likos Cr Binks	Two Council Officers Up to eight community representatives	At least quarterly	The purpose of the Committee is to provide the best possible advice to Council on matters concerning the natural environment and environmental sustainability. The Committee will support Council and the Strathbogie Shire in the development of relevant strategy, policy and action plans and assist with community engagement and discussion around these issues.
Nagambie Waterways Advisory Committee	Deputy Mayor Likos Cr Dickinson	CEO	Bi-monthly	Committee of Council appointed to set policy and direction for the Nagambie waterways recreational and commercial users, to ensure that the activities on the Nagambie waterways meet the objectives and vision of Council as set out in the Council Plan.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES	COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/SUPPORT	FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS	FUNCTION
Pools Advisory Committee	Mayor Raeburn Cr Murray	Council Officers x 2 Up to 8 community representatives Up to 8 youth representatives	Quarterly	<p>The role of the Committee is to carry out the following functions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To participate in the implementation of <i>Strathbogie Shire Community Pools Strategy 2019-2029</i>; • To participate in the development of levels of service for pool access and infrastructure; and • Respond to issues referred by Council to the Committee associated with issues pertaining to marketing, promotion, safety and other pool opportunities.
Roads Advisory Committee	Deputy Mayor Likos Cr Binks	Council Officers x 2 Community representatives x 3 VicRoads representative x 1	As required	<p>The objectives of the Committee are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To advise Council on the development and review of policy and strategy relating to the road network; • To advise Council on policy relating to the management of roadsides; and • To advise Council on potential advocacy priorities.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEES	COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/SUPPORT	FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS	FUNCTION
Tourism, Arts and Culture Advisory Group	Cr Binks Cr Murray	Director x 1 / Council Officers x 2 Euroa and Nagambie Business/Tourism groups representatives Tourism representative Community representatives x 6	Bi-monthly	<p>The objectives of the Committee are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide a formal mechanism for Council to consult with key stakeholders, seek specialist advice and enable community participation in the development and implementation of a Tourism, Arts and Culture Strategy Plan. • Act as advocates and champions for Tourism, Arts and Culture programs and projects with the Shire that are of community benefit. • Provide a forum for discussion of tourism, arts and culture industry trends and best practice in the Local Government sector.
Tracks and Trails Advisory Group	Cr Dickinson Cr Hayes-Burke	Council Officers Interest community members to a maximum of 10 Secondment of people with relevant expertise, as required, for a temporary period	As required	<p>The objectives of the Committee are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide a formal mechanism for Council to consult with key stakeholders, seek specialist advice and enable community participation in the development and implementation of actions arising from the Tracks and Trails Strategy. • Act as advocates and champions for Tracks and Trails programs and projects with the Shire that are of community benefit. • Provide a forum for discussion of relevant industry trends and best practice in the Local Government sector in relation to the development of tracks and trails.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEES	COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/SUPPORT	FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS	FUNCTION
Greening Euroa Project Steering Committee	Cr Hayes-Burke	Director Corporate Operations External representatives from schools, sporting clubs, the Arboretum, Goulburn Valley Water, Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority	Bi-monthly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look at the feasibility of extending existing infrastructure from the Wastewater Treatment Plant in Euroa Tip Road to provide recycled water for irrigation to playing and recreational fields in Euroa • Extend Euroa's water security and reduce the demand and dependence on potable water supplies and the bore fields • Ensure the viability of Euroa's outdoor sporting and recreation venues

EXTERNAL COMMITTEES	COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/SUPPORT	FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS	FUNCTION
Municipal Association of Victoria	Mayor Raeburn <i>Deputy Mayor Likos (Substitute)</i>	CEO / Shire representative on State body	Bi-annual	Legislated peak body for local government in Victoria, supporting Councils and Councillors. Speak and vote on issues relevant to Strathbogie Shire / represent interests of Strathbogie Shire and local government sector.
Hume Region Local Government Network	Mayor Raeburn	CEO	Quarterly	Advocate and lobby on behalf of Strathbogie Shire and NE Region. Share information with regional Councils.
Strathbogie Shire Council Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee	Deputy Mayor Likos	DCO / Council Officer/s Emergency services/disaster relief services	Bi-annually	Coordinating group for local disaster and emergency planning.
Goulburn Valley Waste and Resource Recovery Group (GVWRRG)	Cr Binks <i>Cr Hayes-Burke (substitute)</i>	Council Officers/s / Industry Board	Quarterly	GVWRRG supports 6 councils (Shepparton, Campaspe, Moira, Mitchell, Murrindindi and Strathbogie) to work with their communities to minimise waste. Representative of Council on Forum. Nomination for Board Director.
Goulburn Valley Regional Library Corporation	Cr Dickinson	Council Officer / Community representative	Quarterly	To advise and represent Strathbogie Shire on development of municipal regional libraries.

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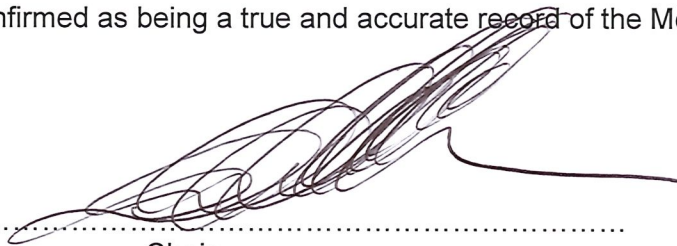
EXTERNAL COMMITTEES	COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/SUPPORT	FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS	FUNCTION
Goulburn Valley Community Road Safety Council	Cr Hourigan	Industry Board	Quarterly	Representative of Council on regional community board.
Goulburn Valley Highway Shepparton Bypass Action Group	Mayor Raeburn <i>Deputy Mayor Likos (substitute)</i>	Shire representatives / State and Federal representatives / industry / community	As required	Lobby group to Government to call for completion of the GV Highway – Nagambie & Shepparton Bypasses, reporting of progress by authorities.
L2P (Learners to Probationary Licence) Program Committee	Cr Hayes-Burke	VicRoads / Shire representatives	As required	Program which provides driver trainer for learner drivers.
Victorian Local Governance Association	Cr Binks	Industry Board		Peak body supporting Councils, Councillors and the community. The VLGA supports the local government sector through leadership, advocacy and training with metropolitan, regional and rural Mayors, Councillors, CEO's and Council officers.
Goulburn Broken Greenhouse Alliance	Cr Murray <i>Cr Hayes-Burke (substitute)</i>	Industry Board	Quarterly	Established to promote regional action on climate change. Membership comprises the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority, and Shepparton, Campaspe, Moira, Benalla, Mitchell, Mansfield, Murrindindi and Strathbogie Councils.

EXTERNAL COMMITTEES	COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/SUPPORT	FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS	FUNCTION
Calder Woodburn Memorial Avenue Advisory Committee	Cr Dickinson	<p>Committee established by Greater Shepparton City Council</p> <p>Comprises representatives from GSCC / GMCMA / VicRoads / Shepparton RSL / Environment and Heritage groups</p>		<p>The primary purpose of the Calder Woodburn Memorial Avenue Advisory Committee is to provide advice to Greater Shepparton City Council in relation to maintaining, enhancing and conserving the heritage and environmental values of the Calder Woodburn Memorial Avenue. Approximately 15% of the Avenue is in Strathbogie Shire</p>
Rail Freight Alliance	Mayor Raeburn	Represents 26 Victorian Councils		<p>The RFA is made up of Victorian rural, and regional and metropolitan Local Government Councils, and represents the Local Government Sector in Victoria and adjoining States in freight logistics interests connecting Victoria nationally and internationally.</p> <p>Advocates for -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rail standardization of all key rail lines in Victoria • Upgrading and connecting to a National Rail Freight Network • A competitive, independent and open access rail freight system • Seamless freight logistics that will facilitate efficient rail freight movement

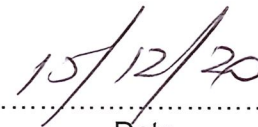
EXTERNAL COMMITTEES	COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/SUPPORT	FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS	FUNCTION
Euroa Inland Rail Working Group	Cr Hayes-Burke Cr Hourigan	Comprises 12 local community representatives	Monthly (however, COVID-19 has impacted on the regularity)	The purpose of the Working Group is to: facilitate broader community involvement in the project. capture local knowledge, issues, concerns, and opportunities. increase project understanding and awareness.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 6.36 P.M.

Confirmed as being a true and accurate record of the Meeting



Chair



Date



ATTACHMENTS

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ATTACHMENT 1:

Strathbogrie Shire Council election results 2020

Last updated: Wednesday, 04 November 2020 03:26 PM

Ward	Voting count method
Honeysuckle Creek Ward	Preferential
Hughes Creek Ward	Preferential
Lake Nagambie Ward	Proportional representation
Mount Wombat Ward	Preferential
Seven Creeks Ward	Proportional representation

Honeysuckle Creek Ward (1 vacancy)

The following candidate has received more than 50% of the total first preference votes (absolute majority) and is successful.

[More information on preferential counting.](#)

Successful candidates

Successful:	RAEBURN, Chris
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Count summary

Enrolment:	1376
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Formal votes:	1144
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Informal votes:	32 (2.72% of the total votes)
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Votes counted:	1176 (85.47% of the total enrolment)
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First preference votes

Please note: all first preference percentages have been rounded to two decimal points.

Candidate	First preference votes	Percentage
MAHER, Tom	255	22.28%
RAEBURN, Chris	889	77.71%

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Hughes Creek Ward (1 vacancy)

A preference distribution has been conducted and the following candidate is successful.

[Find out more about preferential counting](#)

Successful candidates

Successful:	MURRAY, Paul
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Count summary

Enrolment:	1332
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Formal votes:	1074
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Informal votes:	45 (4.02% of the total votes)
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Votes counted:	1115 (84.01% of the total enrolment)
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[Distribution report \(Excel, 20kB\)](#)

First preference votes

Please note: all first preference percentages have been rounded to two decimal points.

Candidate	First preference votes	Percentage
ARNOLD, Jen	350	32.59%
SHEAHAN, Dale	271	25.23%
MURRAY, Paul	453	42.18%

Distribution of Preference Votes

Strathbogie Shire Council 2020

Hughes Creek Ward

Total Valid first preference votes polled for all candidates 1071

Number of votes required to constitute an absolute majority on first count 536

Number of informal votes 45

Candidates Names (in ballot paper order)	ARNOLD, Jen	SHEAHAN, Dale	MURRAY, Paul	TOTAL
Total first preference votes recorded for each candidate	348	271	452	1071
Transfer of 271 ballot papers of SHEAHAN, Dale (1st excluded candidate)	122		149	271
FINAL TOTAL	470		601	1071

Name of Successful Candidate: MURRAY, Paul

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Lake Nagambie Ward (2 vacancies)

A computer count has been conducted and the following candidates are successful.

Successful candidates

Successful:	LIKOS, Melanie (1st successful)
Successful:	DICKINSON, Reg (2nd successful)

Count summary

Enrolment:	2843
Formal votes:	2313
Informal votes:	58 (2.45% of the total votes)
Votes counted:	2371 (80.56% of the total enrolment)
Quota:	772

Distribution report ([Excel](#), 22kB)

First preference votes

Please note: all first preference percentages have been rounded to two decimal points.

Candidate	First preference votes	Percentage
DICKINSON, Reg	637	27.54%
LIKOS, Melanie	698	30.18%
ANDREWS, David	430	18.59%
WEATHERALD, Robin Hull	192	8.30%
AYTON, Paul	356	15.39%

Distribution Report

Strathbogie Shire Council 2020

Lake Nagambie Ward

Election of 2 Councillors

Formal Ballot Papers included in count: 2313

Informal Ballot Papers: 58

Total Ballot Papers: 2371

Quota: 772

Count No.	Count Details	Transfer Value	Candidates						Gain/Loss	Exhausted	TOTAL	Candidates elected at this count
			DICKINSON, Reg	LIKOS, Melanie	ANDREWS, David	WEATHERAL D, Robin Hull	AYTON, Paul					
1	1st Preferences	1	637	698	430	192	356		0	2313		
2	Exclusion of WEATHERALD, Robin Hull, 192 ballot papers from count 1	1	BPs	35	21	115	-192	21		0		
			Value	35	21	115	-192	21	0	0		
			PTotal	672	719	545	0	377	0	0	2313	
3	Exclusion of AYTON, Paul, 356 ballot papers from count 1	1	BPs	119	129	108	0	-356		0		
			Value	119	129	108	0	-356	0	0		
			PTotal	791	848	653	0	21	0	0	2313	LIKOS, Melanie, DICKINSON, Reg

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Mount Wombat Ward (1 vacancy)

The following candidate has received more than 50% of the total first preference votes (absolute majority) and is successful.

[More information on preferential counting.](#)

Successful candidates

Successful:	BINKS, Laura
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Count summary

Enrolment:	1333
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Formal votes:	1118
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Informal votes:	18 (1.58% of the total votes)
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Votes counted:	1136 (85.22% of the total enrolment)
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First preference votes

Please note: all first preference percentages have been rounded to two decimal points.

Candidate	First preference votes	Percentage
TAME, Mark B.	351	31.40%
SAXON, Andrew John	98	8.77%
BINKS, Laura	669	59.04%

Seven Creeks Ward (2 vacancies)

A computer count has been conducted and the following candidates are successful.

Successful candidates

Successful: HOURIGAN, Kristy (1st successful)

Successful: HAYES-BURKE, Sally (2nd successful)

Count summary

Enrolment: 2823

Formal votes: 2412

Informal votes: 33 (1.35% of the total votes)

Votes counted: 2445 (86.61% of the total enrolment)

Quota: 805

Distribution report ([Excel, 21kB](#))

First preference votes

Please note: all first preference percentages have been rounded to two decimal points.

Candidate	First preference votes	Percentage
HOURIGAN, Kristy	1301	53.84%
SAYWELL, Shirley	572	23.71%
HAYES-BURKE, Sally	539	22.35%

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Distribution Report

Strathbogie Shire Council 2020 Seven Creeks Ward

Election of 2 Councillors

Formal Ballot Papers included in count: 2412

Informal Ballot Papers: 33

Total Ballot Papers: 2445

Quota: 805

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			HOURIGAN, Kristy	SAYWELL, Shirley	HAYES-BURKE, Sally				
1	1st Preferences	1	1301	572	539		0	2412	HOURIGAN, Kristy
2	Surplus of HOURIGAN, Kristy, 1301 ballot papers distributed	0.38124519	BPs -1301	349	952		0		
			Value -496	133	362	1	0		
			PTotal 805	705	901	1	0	2412	HAYES-BURKE, Sally

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ATTACHMENT 2:

AFFIRMATION OF OFFICE

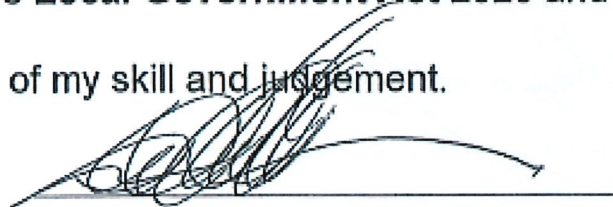
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I will abide by the Councillor Code of Conduct and uphold the standards of conduct set out in the Councillor Code of Conduct.

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Signed:



Councillor Chris Raeburn, Honeysuckle Ward

Before:



Julie Salomon Chief Executive Officer
Strathbogie Shire Council

Date:

17 November 2020



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Signed:



Councillor Paul Murray, Hughes Creek Ward

Before:



Julie Salomon Chief Executive Officer
Strathbogie Shire Council

Date: 17 November 2020

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Signed:



Councillor Melanie Likos, Lake Nagambie Ward

Before:



Julie Salomon Chief Executive Officer
Strathbogie Shire Council

Date:

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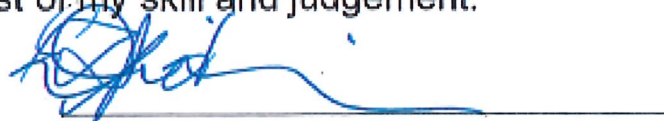
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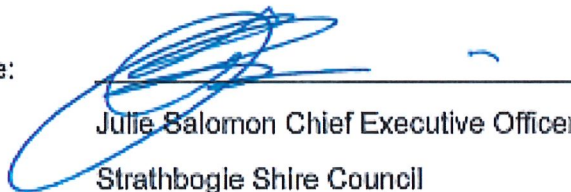
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Signed:



Councillor Laura Binks, Mount Wombat Ward

Before:



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Signed:



Councillor Kristy Hourigan, Seven Creeks Ward

Before:



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Strathbogie Shire Council

Date:

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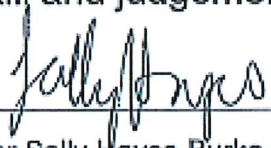
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Signed:


Councillor Sally Hayes-Burke, Seven Creeks Ward

Before:


Julie Salomon Chief Executive Officer
Strathbogie Shire Council

Date:

17 November 2020



ATTACHMENT 3:



Victoria Government Gazette

No. S 459 Wednesday 13 November 2019
By Authority of Victorian Government Printer

Local Government Act 1989

MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES ADJUSTMENT

Pursuant to section 73B(4)(a) of the **Local Government Act 1989**, notice is hereby given that an adjustment factor of two per cent applies to Mayoral and Councillor allowances.

Pursuant to section 73B(4)(b) of the **Local Government Act 1989**, the new limits and ranges of Mayoral and Councillor allowances, adjusted in accordance with the adjustment factor, are:

Category 1	Councillors: \$8,833–\$21,049 per annum	Mayors: up to \$62,884 per annum
Category 2	Councillors: \$10,914–\$26,245 per annum	Mayors: up to \$81,204 per annum
Category 3	Councillors: \$13,123–\$31,444 per annum	Mayors: up to \$100,434 per annum

This notice does not apply to the Lord Mayor, Deputy Lord Mayor and Councillors of the Melbourne City Council, and the Mayor and Deputy Mayor of the Greater Geelong City Council.

The new adjusted limits and ranges take effect on 1 December 2019.

Dated 12 November 2019

ADEM SOMYUREK MP
Minister for Local Government

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ATTACHMENT 4:



Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions

GPO Box 4509
Melbourne,
Victoria 3001 Australia
Telephone: +61 3 9851 9999
DX 210074

Ref: BORG-2-20-7662
File:

Dear Chief Executive Officer

The Minister for Local Government is required to annually review the current amounts, limits and ranges of mayoral and councillor allowances to determine whether an 'adjustment factor' should be applied.

The Minister has conducted this review under section 73B of the *Local Government Act 1989* and determined that, this year, no adjustment to allowances will be made in respect of all councils.

The Minister had regard to the Victorian Premier's recent decision determining a zero per cent adjustment to Victorian Public Service executive remuneration for the 2020-21 financial year.

Councils will therefore continue to pay mayors and councillors the same allowance amounts that applied prior to the current general elections.

If you require further information, please contact Tim Presnell, Manager Governance and Integrity on 0430 247 472 or at tim.presnell@ecodev.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Colin Morrison
Acting Executive Director
Local Government Victoria

Date: 27/10/2020

ATTACHMENT 5:

OPTIONS FOR DATES AND LOCATIONS OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

DATE AND TIME	LOCATION
6pm Tuesday 15 December 2020	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 19 January 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 16 February 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 16 March 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 20 April 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 18 May 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 15 June 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 20 July 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 17 August 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 21 September 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 19 October 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 16 November 2021	Euroa Community Conference Room
6pm Tuesday 14 December 2021* <i>Please note: it is proposed this meeting be held a week earlier due to impending Christmas/New Year office closures the following week</i>	Euroa Community Conference Room