

HILLTOPS COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES

28 March 2018, commencing at 5.35 PM

Held in the Hilltops Council, Harden Chamber, 3 East Street, Harden

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Cr Brian Ingram

COUNCILLORS

Gregory Armstrong
Tony Flanery
John Horton
Christopher Manchester
Rita O'Connor
Margaret Roles
Matthew Stadtmiller
Wendy Tuckerman
John Walker
Antony Wallace

STAFF

D Aber	Acting General Manager
L Furness	Executive Director Corporate and Community
S Langman	Director Sustainable Growth

PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

APOLOGIES

Nil

SYMPATHY EXPRESSIONS

18/51 RESOLVED:

That Council staff and members of the public be upstanding for a minute silence to express our sympathy on the passing of,

Eileen Ford; Leslie Linton; Father Donald Kennedy; Joanne Cater; Colin Ritchie; Bonnie Gorham; Murial Drumgold

Moved: Mayor Ingram

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

18/52 RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 28 February 2018, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Councillors: Horton/Roles

CONFIRMATION OF CONFIDENTIAL EXTRAORDINARY MINUTES

18/53 RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on 7 March 2018, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Councillors: O'Connor/Manchester

CONFIRMATION OF CONFIDENTIAL EXTRAORDINARY MINUTES

18/54 RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on 13 March 2018, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Councillors: Horton/Flanery

BUSINESS ARISING – MINUTES

Nil

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COUNCILLOR REPORT'S

BRIAN INGRAM

1 March	Goulburn – Community Cabinet Library – Community Session
2 March	Library – Community Session
5 March	Meeting – Harden funds
6 March	Library briefing
12 March	Meeting Senior Police Meeting Residents
13 March	Meeting – K Duran Meeting Community Arts Centre Waste Strategy Meeting
14 March	Radio 2LF Workshop – Sibelco
15 March	Briefing Library
19 March	Meeting with G'day Rail – Rodney Clancy
20 March	Meeting - Cowra Rail Line Community Steering Committee – Library
21 March	Bendick Murrell Workshop Radio 2LF
22 March	Meeting Simon France, Development of Innovation Hub Jugiong Advancement Group - AGM
24 March	Lambing Flat Chinese Festival
26 March	Meeting - Simon Langfield LPC Meeting Trust (Showground) Economic Development Committee
27 March	Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Hilltops Meeting Harden Meeting - funds
28 March	Ordinary Council Meeting - Harden

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JOHN HORTON

- 1 March Two Meetings – Bill the Bastard Committee
Library Community Meeting – Town Hall
- 2 March Kangaroo March Centenary Re-enactment
Murrumburrah
- 4 March Australia Day Clean-up – Assisted Rotary at Harden
Railway Station
- 5 March Community Meeting – Country Club Harden
- 7 March Hilltops Council Extraordinary Meeting – Young
- 13 March Councillor Waste Strategy Meeting – Young
Hilltops Council Extraordinary Meeting – Young
- 14 March Sibelco Workshop
Finance/Grants Meeting – Young
- 20 March Cultural, Community Education Steering Committee -
Young
Kite Festival Committee Meeting – Murrumburrah
- 21 March Murrumbidgee Local Health Advisory Committee
Meeting – Harden Hospital
Wood and Art Exhibition – Official Opening – Young
- 22 March Jugiong Advancement Group Meeting – Jugiong
- 26 March Healthy Harden Committee Meeting – Kruger Medical
Centre – Harden
- 28 March Hydro Therapy Meeting – Harden
Ordinary Council Meeting - Harden

GREG ARMSTRONG

March

Meetings as minuted and a number of those meetings that Councillor Horton attended

28 March

Ordinary Council Meeting - Harden

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MARGARET ROLES

March Library Committee Meeting
Community Meetings
Visited Woollahra Council Library

13 March Waste Strategy Workshop

14 March Sibelco Workshop
Financial Assistance and Sponsorship Committee

15-16 March Local Government Women's Conference NSW -
Gundagai

20 March Hilltops Cultural Community and Education Precinct
Project Steering Committee

21 March Bendick Murrell Village Workshop
Murringo Tip – Site Visit
Civic Reception - ANU Medical Students - Young

24 March Lambing Flat Chinese Festival

28 March Ordinary Council Meeting - Harden

MATTHEW STADTMILLER

March Extraordinary Council Meetings as minuted
Goldenfields County Council Meetings
Local Funding Meeting
Waste Strategy Meeting

28 March Ordinary Council Meeting - Harden

CHRISTOPHER MANCHESTER

March Local Traffic Committee Meeting
Two Meetings – Murrumburrah Precinct Committee
Bill the Bastard Committee Meeting

14 March Sibelco Liaison Committee Meeting

28 March Ordinary Council Meeting - Harden

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ANTONY WALLACE

March

Extraordinary Meetings as minuted and some of the meetings Councillor Horton attended

Young Crisis Accommodation Dinner Dance

28 March

Ordinary Council Meeting - Harden

WENDY TUCKERMAN

March

Constituent Meetings throughout March

7 March

Hilltops Council Extraordinary Meeting – Young

10-11 March

International Women’s Day – Boorowa

13 March

Waste Strategy Workshop – Young
Hilltops Council Extraordinary Meeting – Harden

14 March

Donations and Sponsorship Committee
Council Workshop and Presentations – Young

20 March

Hilltops Cultural, Community and Education Precinct
Project Steering Committee Meeting – Young

21 March

Bendick Murrell Village Meeting

22 March

Planning and Assessment Commission Public Forum
on Bango Wind Farm Development

27 March

Lifespan Community Project Reference Group -
Young
Boorowa Community Garden – AGM

28 March

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RITA O'CONNOR

March HRDC Staff Meetings – Harden Priorities

1 March Library Community Feedback Meeting

2 March Kangaroo March Centenary Re-enactment

Several Constituent Meetings – Harden

Harden Community Forum – Stronger Community Fund

Copperbella Mountains Site Visit – Proposed Wind Turbine Sites – Binalong Windfarm Meeting

Wombat Progress Association Meeting

Small Gathering International Women's Day – Harden

International Women's Day – Boorowa

13 March Waste Strategy Meeting

14 March Sibelco Meeting

15-16 March Local Government Women's Conference NSW - Gundagai

24 March Morning at Lambing Flat Chinese Festival – Young

Harden and District Education Foundation Cocktail Party

27 March Boorowa Community Garden Meeting

28 March Ordinary Council Meeting - Harden

JOHN WALKER

March Council Meetings as Minuted

21 March Bendick Murrell Village Meeting

Civic Reception - ANU Medical Students – Young Lambing Flat Chinese Festival and Opening of Arts Society – Art Exhibition

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TONY FLANERY

March

Council Meetings as Minuted

Harden Sports User Group Meeting

Library – Community Feedback Meeting

14 March

Sibelco Workshop and Liaison Committee Meeting

Murrumburrah Precinct Meetings

28 March

Ordinary Council Meeting - Harden

COMMUNITY RECOGNITION SCHEME

18/55 RESOLVED:

Murrumburrah High School did very well this year at the Royal Easter Show especially with their steer that they raise every year and this year their steer sold for \$66,000, which doubled what they have raised in the past. The steer program has been going on under the practical guidance of Jan Young for many years and that Hilltops Council acknowledge the hard work that the students have put into the steer and give them credit for the recognition that they are bringing to the Hilltops Region.

Councillors: Roles/Flanery

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- Councillor Flanery: Non-Pecuniary Interest – Item 18/51 – Sale of Industrial Land. Utilises the applicant's services.

Option B – make a declaration, stay in the chamber, participate in the debate, but not vote.

- Lee Anne Furness: Non-Pecuniary Interest – Item 18/41 – Donations and Financial Assistance Recommendations. Husband is a member of Harden Camera Club and Director of Bronze Bill the Bastard - Community Group.

Option B – make a declaration, stay in the chamber, participate in the debate, but not vote.

- David Aber: Non-Pecuniary Interest – Item 18/41 – Donations and Financial Assistance Recommendations. Former member of Young Society of Artists who applied for assistance.

Option E – Make a declaration, stay in the chamber, not participate in the debate, and not vote.

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ACTING GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

18/37 – CHANGE OF MEETING DATES

18/56 RESOLVED: that Council change the ordinary meeting dates;

- 1. Wednesday, 25 April 2018 to Tuesday, 24 April 2018;*
- 2. Wednesday, 19 December 2018 to Wednesday, 12 December 2018; and*
- 3. that the changes to meeting dates be advertised.*

Councillors: Horton/Flanery

18/38 - DRAFT HILLTOPS RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

18/57 RESOLVED: That Council;

- 1. endorse the Risk Management Policy to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days calling for submissions;*
- 2. if any submissions are received that propose changes, or if there are substantial post public exhibition changes proposed for any other reasons, a report be submitted to Council for consideration detailing the public exhibition outcomes and with further recommendations regarding adoption; and*
- 3. if there are no submissions received proposing changes as a result of the public exhibition, or there are no substantial post public exhibition changes proposed for any other reasons, Council adopt the Risk Management Policy.*

Councillors: Armstrong/Roles

18/39 - DRAFT HILLTOPS COUNCIL STATEMENT OF BUSINESS ETHICS

18/58 RESOLVED: That Council;

- 1. endorse the Statement of Business Ethics to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days calling for submissions;*
- 2. if any submissions are received that propose changes, or if there are substantial post public exhibition changes proposed for any other reasons, a report be submitted to Council for consideration detailing the public exhibition outcomes and with further recommendations regarding adoption; and*

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- 3. if there are no submissions received proposing changes as a result of the public exhibition, or there are no substantial post public exhibition changes proposed for any other reasons, Council adopt the Statement of Business Ethics.*

Councillors: Wallace/Manchester

18/40 - ACTION SUMMARY REPORT

18/59 RESOLVED: That Council;

- 1. note the status of Council resolutions from the Action Plan; and*
- 2. endorse the removal of completed items from the Action Plan*

Councillors: Armstrong/Horton

18/41 – DONATIONS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RECOMMENDATIONS

18/60 RESOLVED: that Council;

- 1. Provide donations and/or financial assistance to the following groups;*

<i>Group</i>	<i>Total Given</i>
<i>Harden Murrumburrah Camera Club</i>	<i>\$ 500</i>
<i>Country Education Foundation Boorowa</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
<i>Young and District Poultry Club</i>	<i>\$ 500</i>
<i>Young and District Multicultural Association</i>	<i>\$ 500</i>
<i>Young Camera Club</i>	<i>\$ 750</i>
<i>Young Porcelain Doll Club</i>	<i>\$ 250</i>
<i>Young Society of Artists</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
<i>Young Hospital Auxiliary</i>	<i>\$ 500</i>
<i>Margaret Thornhill</i>	<i>\$ 500</i>

- 2. Defer the application of Cultivating Creativity Harden pending further information from the applicant;*
- 3. Carry forward the remaining funds of \$10,788 from the financial assistance fund to the 18/19 financial year;*
- 4. Carry forward the remaining funds of \$4,250 from the infrastructure fund to the 18/19 financial year;*
- 5. Host a suitable event so that the Mayor and Councillors can present cheques to the various community groups; and*
- 6. That community groups be written to prior to the next round alerting them to the application process.*

Councillors: Manchester/Tuckerman

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18/42 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2018

18/61 RESOLVED:

That the Statement of cash and investments as at 28 February 2018 be received.

Councillors: O'Connor/Manchester

18/43 – DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION STATISTICS FOR FEBRUARY 2018

18/62 RESOLVED:

That Council receive and note the status and processing times for development applications, as at 28 February 2018.

Councillors: Walker/Tuckerman

18/44 – CHANGES TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979

18/63 RESOLVED:

That Council note the information.

Councillors: Manchester/Horton

18/45 – 2017/DA-00003 REV01 – ST MARY'S SCHOOL ALTERATIONS – 11 ELIZABETH STREET, YOUNG

18/64 RESOLVED:

A. *That Council grant an exemption to The Trustees of the Roman Catholic Church from payment of the s7.12 contribution, in relation to development application 2017/DA-00003.*

B. *That Council approve the following s4.55 modification application:*

- *Application No.: 2017/DA-00003 REV01*
- *Property: Lot 1 DP 838905, 11 Elizabeth Street, Young*
- *Modification: Deletion of Condition 10, relating to the payment of the section 7.12 (formerly section 94A) contribution.*

Councillors: Horton/O'Connor

FOR: Councillors: Armstrong, Horton, Manchester, O'Connor, Roles, Stadtmiller, Tuckerman, Walker, Wallace

AGAINST: Councillors: Ingram, Flanery

ABSENT: Councillors: Nil

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18/46 – OLYMPIC HIGHWAY SOUTH STORMWATER DRAINAGE

18/65 RESOLVED: That Council;

1. Contribute to the purchase of stormwater pipes amounting to 50% of the contribution towards the drainage works; and
2. Enters in to a formal agreement between Council and the applicant (developer); and the contribution of 50% to be allocated from 2018/19 stormwater budget as the works will be completed in the new financial year.

Councillors: Manchester/Armstrong

18/47 – TREE RISK ASSESSMENT OF FOUR (4) CASUARINA GLAUCA BETWEEN 2 - 6 WILLAWONG STREET YOUNG

18/66 RESOLVED: That Council endorse;

1. *the complete removal of all four (4) trees, total cost \$7,400.00; and*
2. *notification to surrounding residents in regard to Council plans to remove trees and species of trees for replacement.*

Councillors: Walker/Manchester

18/48 – WOMBAT STREET TREE REPORT

18/67 RESOLVED: That Council;

1. *Remove the dead Claret Ash in front of No.10 Wombat Street and carry out remedial pruning of the remaining Claret Ash trees;*
2. *Deep water the remaining three trees and replace the tree removed with a suitable species; and*
3. *notification to surrounding residents in regard to Council plans to remove trees and species of trees for replacement.*

Councillors: Horton/Roles

18/49 – HILLTOPS WORKS REPORT

18/68 RESOLVED:

That Council; receive and note the information provided on works completed and works planned.

Councillors: Flanery/Manchester

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ACTING GENERAL MANAGER'S LATE REPORT

18/69 RESOLVED: That, the following late reports be considered by Council in Open Council;

- 1. Item 18/53 – Progress Report on the Stronger Communities Projects and the Stronger Country Communities Projects; and*
- 2. Item 18/54 – Draft Hilltops Council Asset Management Policy.*

Councillors: Tuckerman/Manchester

18/53 – PROGRESS REPORT ON THE STRONGER COMMUNITIES PROJECTS AND THE STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES PROJECTS.

18/70 RESOLVED:

That Council; receive and note the progress report on the Stronger Communities projects and the Stronger Country Communities projects.

Councillors: Wallace/Horton

18/54 - DRAFT HILLTOPS COUNCIL ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY

18/71 RESOLVED: That Council;

- 1. endorse the Asset Management Policy to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days calling for submissions;*
- 2. if any submissions are received that propose changes, or if there are substantial post public exhibition changes proposed for any other reasons, a report be submitted to Council for consideration detailing the public exhibition outcomes and with further recommendations regarding adoption; and*
- 3. if there are no submissions received proposing changes as a result of the public exhibition, or there are no substantial post public exhibition changes proposed for any other reasons, Council adopt the Asset Management Policy.*

Councillors: O'Connor/Manchester

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CORRESPONDENCE FOR ATTENTION

ACTION

Nil

18/72 RESOLVED:

That the balance of correspondence be noted.

Councillors: Manchester/Horton

18/73 RESOLVED:

That a Media release be drafted acknowledging the General Manager's contributions and wishing him the best in the future.

Councillors: Flanery/Roles

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

18/74 RESOLVED:

- 1. That the balance of the committee reports be noted; and*
- 2. That staff provide a report regarding committee requests to the 24 April 2018 Council Meeting.*

Councillors: Flanery/Tuckerman

CLOSED COUNCIL

18/50 – EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

18/75 RESOLVED:

- 1. That Council resolve into Closed Council to consider business identified, together with any late reports tabled at the meeting.*
- 2. That pursuant to section 10A(1)-(3) of the Local Government Act 1993, the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of section 10A(2) as outlined above.*
- 3. That the correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act 1993.*

Councillors: Flanery/Horton

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ITEM 1: COMMERCIAL MATTER

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it

ITEM 2: COMMERCIAL MATTER

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it

GENERAL MANAGER'S – CLOSED REPORT

18/76 RESOLVED:

That Council move into the committee of the whole

Councillors: Flanery/Tuckerman

18/77 RESOLVED:

That Council move out of the committee of the whole

Councillors: Horton/Armstrong

18/51 – SALE OF INDUSTRIAL LAND

18/78 RESOLVED:

That Council confirm that it is prepared to sell the property at 2-6 Corcoran's Court, Lot 10 DP 10149936, for the original offer and Council stand firm on previous purchase price.

Councillors: Horton/Armstrong

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18/52 – SEWER MAIN RENEWAL WORKS

18/79 RESOLVED: That Council;

- 1. Award the contract for the, Sewer Main Renewal Works, in accordance with the recommendation contained within the confidential attachment; and*
- 2. Set-aside \$45,230.11 from Boorowa sewer funds for 2018/19 and \$20,033.63 from Harden sewer funds for 2018/19.*

Councillors: Manchester/Walker

18/80 RESOLVED:

That Council move out of closed meeting.

Councillors: O'Connor/Tuckerman

NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be on Tuesday, 24 April 2018, Young Chambers, commencing at 5.30pm.

TERMINATION

There being no further business the meeting closed 7.30pm.

Acting General Manager

Mayor