

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 15 AUGUST 2023,  
COMMENCING AT 6.30PM**

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An audio recording of the proceedings of this meeting is publicly available on Council's website.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

**ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE**

**Attendance**

Crs B Monaghan (Mayor), B Baker, M Clark, R Crowe (arrived 6.32pm), J Funnell, K Keatley, T Lord, L McGlynn, R Moore  
General Manager (G Baker), Director Technical Services (R Graham) and Executive Assistant (J Sharpe)

**Apologies**

Director Corporate & Community Services (A Balind)

**DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

Nil

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Ordinary Meeting held on 18 July 2023**

**04082023** **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 18 July 2023 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

Funnell/Keatley  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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**Extraordinary Meeting held on 1 August 2023**

**05082023** **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 1 August 2023 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

Clark/Moore  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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**REPORTS FROM STAFF**

**Monthly Status Report – Council Meeting Actions: August 2023**

At this stage, 6.32pm, Cr Crowe arrived

**06082023** **RESOLVED** that Council receive and note the Monthly Status Report - Council Meeting Actions: August 2023.

Keatley/Moore  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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### **Risk, Work Health and Safety Quarterly Report**

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**07082023 RESOLVED** that Council receive and note the Risk, Work Health and Safety Report for the quarter ending June 2023.

Keatley/Clark  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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### **Finance and Investment Report for July 2023**

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**08082023 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. Receive and note the information contained within the Finance and Investment Report for the month of July 2023
2. Confirms the payment of accounts, for the period 01 July to 31 July 2023, summarised in the accounts summary totalling \$8,992,683.05

Baker/Moore  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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### **Progress Report on the Combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan 2017-2022**

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**09082023 RESOLVED** that Council receive and note the report and updates on the progress of the Combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan for the period 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023.

Lord/Moore  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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### **NSW Agency Reporting for Bland Shire Council**

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**10082023 RESOLVED** that Council notes the submission of the Annual Agency Report on the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 and the six-monthly report on Public Interest Disclosures was made to the relevant agencies within the statutory time frames.

Lord/Funnell  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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### **Representation for LGNSW Conference**

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**11082023 RESOLVED** that:

1. Council nominates the Mayor, General Manager along with Councillor Crowe as its representatives to attend the LGNSW Annual Conference being held in Parramatta from Sunday 12 to Tuesday 14 November, 2023; and
2. The Mayor be nominated as Council's voting delegate.

McGlynn/Clark  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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## **Accounting Treatment of Rural Fire Service ('Red Fleet') Assets**

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**12082023 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. Adopts the revised Position Statement on Accounting Treatment of Rural Fire Service Assets and advise the Office of Local Government and the NSW Audit Office accordingly.
2. Should the NSW Audit Office issue a qualified audit to Bland Shire Council for not recording RFS assets in its annual financial statements, that Bland Shire Council will accept a qualified audit opinion in relation to the accounting for RFS Assets in the 2022/2023 financial statements

Lord/Crowe  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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## **Request for Sponsorship – West Wyalong Community Radio**

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**13082023 RESOLVED** that Council approve \$4,937.90 sponsorship of the daily news broadcast for the West Wyalong Community Radio to be funded from the Strengthening Communities Program.

McGlynn/Moore  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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## **Strengthening Communities Grant – Weethalle Museum**

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**14082023 RESOLVED** that Council not approve a Strengthening Communities Grant of \$4,268 for the purchase of new guttering for the Weethalle Museum as the application does not meet the current grant guidelines.

McGlynn/Moore  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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## **Mornings, Melodies & Memories Update**

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**15082023 RESOLVED** that Council receive and note the information contained within the Mornings, Melodies and Memories update.

Clark/Keatley  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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## **Tender – Town and Village Entrance Signage**

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**16082023 RESOLVED** that Council award the tender for the design, manufacture and installation of new town and village entrance signage to the Church Communities Australia t/a Danthonia Designs to the value of \$227,862.00 (Ex GST) subject to variations.

Crowe/Moore  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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## **REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

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**17082023 RESOLVED** that the following reports, provided for information only, be received and noted:

- 6.12 - Bland Shire Library Monthly Update
- 6.13 - Children Services July Update
- 6.14 - Bland Shire Museum Advisor Report – July 2023
- 6.15 - Technical Services Report
- 6.16 - Development Services Activity Report – July 2023

Keatley/Moore  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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**18082023** **RESOLVED** that Council endorse the Committee meeting minutes as presented.

Lord/Funnell  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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## CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

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**19082023** **RESOLVED** that Council close the Ordinary meeting of Council to discuss the following matters:

1. General Manager Annual Performance Review for period ending 30 June 2023

*Local Government Act 1993 (Section 10A(2))*

*The matters and information are the following:*

*(a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)*

Moore/McGlynn  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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The meeting then closed at 7.18pm.

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**20082023** **RESOLVED:**

1. That Council note the report of the Performance Review Panel
2. The matter of the appropriateness of the General Manager's Total Remuneration Package be subject to a further report to Council.

Clark/Lord  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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**21082023** **RESOLVED** that Council move out of closed Council and into open Council.

Moore/Clark  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

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The meeting then resumed at 7.25pm.

At the reopening of the meeting to the public the Chair announced the outcome of resolution number **20082023**.

There being no further business the meeting then closed at 7.25pm.

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Chairperson  
Mayor Brian Monaghan