

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 21 OCTOBER 2025,  
COMMENCING AT 6.30PM**

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), H Brooks, M Carnegie, R Crowe, J Funnell, E Henderson, L McGlynn, L Minogue  
General Manager (G Baker), Director Corporate & Community Services (A Balind), Director Technical Services (R Sexton) and Acting Executive Assistant (M Uys)

**Apologies**

**Cr T Lord**

**01102025** **RESOLVED** that the apology submitted by Cr Lord be accepted and leave of absence granted.

Funnell/Minogue  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

**DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

Councillor/ Officer	Item	Type of Conflict
Mrs A Balind	8.1 – General Managers Performance Review	Pecuniary Conflict of Interest the nature of the interest being the Director's employment could be impacted by the decision of Council on this matter. Mrs Balind elected to leave the meeting.
Mr R Sexton	8.1 – General Managers Performance Review	Pecuniary Conflict of Interest the nature of the interest being the Director's employment could be impacted by the decision of Council on this matter. Mr Sexton elected to leave the meeting.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 September 2025**

At this stage Cr Crowe arrived at 6.34pm

**02102025** **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held 16 September 2025 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

Funnell/Minogue  
**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

## REPORTS FROM STAFF

### Monthly Status Report – Council Meeting Actions: September 2025

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**03102025 RESOLVED**

That Council receive and note the Monthly Status Report - Council Meeting Actions: September 2025.

Brooks/Henderson

**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

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### Risk, Work Health and Safety Quarterly Report

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**04102025 RESOLVED** that Council receive and note the Risk, Work Health and Safety Report for the quarter ending September 2025.

Carnegie/Minogue

**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

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### Finance and Investment Report for September 2025

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**05102025 RESOLVED** that Council:

- a) Receive and note the information contained within the Finance and Investment Report for the month of September 2025.
- b) Confirms the payment of accounts, for the period 01 September to 30 September 2025, totalling \$4,442,245.75.

Minogue/Carnegie

**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

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### Execution Of S713 Sale of Land Contracts

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**06102025 RESOLVED** that Council authorise the Common Seal of the Council to be affixed to the Contracts for Sale of Land and Transfer documents for the sale of the properties listed below, with the affixing of the seal to be attested in accordance with clause 400 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

Henderson/Brooks

**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

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### Disclosure of Interest Returns

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**07102025 RESOLVED** that Council note the Disclosure of Interest return requirements and accept the Disclosure of Interest Register as tabled.

Henderson/Brooks

**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

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### Bland Shire Community Funding Program

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**08102025 RESOLVED** that Council endorse the Bland Shire Community Funding Program 2025.

Funnell/Brooks

**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

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### **Strengthening Communities Application – West Wyalong Hospital Auxiliary**

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**09102025 RESOLVED** that Council

1. Approve the application for funding of the West Wyalong Hospital Auxiliary under the Strengthening Communities Fund in the amount of \$1000 for its 2025 Carols by Candlelight event.
2. Refer the application for consideration as part of the proposed Community Support Donation component of the Community Funding Program on its approval by Council.

Funnell/Henderson

**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

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### **Strengthening Communities Application – West Wyalong Tennis Club**

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**PROPOSED** on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Carnegie that Council approve the application for funding of the West Wyalong Tennis Club under the Strengthening Communities Fund in the amount of \$5000 for part payment to upgrade lighting to three courts.

**AMENDMENT** proposed on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Carnegie that Council:

1. Reject the application from the West Wyalong Tennis Club under the Strengthening Communities Fund for an amount of \$5000.
2. Make an adjustment through the quarterly budget review process to allocate a maximum about of \$13,500 from the Community Facilities Reserve to fund the lighting project.
3. Funding from the Reserve be contingent upon the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Bland Shire Council and the West Wyalong Tennis Club.

On being put to the vote the amendment became the motion and was CARRIED.

**10102025 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. Reject the application from the West Wyalong Tennis Club under the Strengthening Communities Fund for an amount of \$5000.
2. Make an adjustment through the quarterly budget review process to allocate a maximum about of \$13,500 from the Community Facilities Reserve to fund the lighting project.
3. Funding from the Reserve be contingent upon the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Bland Shire Council and the West Wyalong Tennis Club.

McGlynn/Carnegie

**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

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### **Endorsement of the Draft Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy**

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**11102025 RESOLVED** that Council

1. Endorse the Draft Artificial Intelligence Policy.
2. Place the document on public exhibition from Friday 24 October for a period of 28 days for the purpose of feedback from the community with a further 14 days for written submissions to be lodged.
3. Following the feedback period, should there be now feedback forthcoming, the Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy will be formally adopted.

Crowe/Henderson

**CARRIED**

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

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## NSW Agency Reporting for Bland Shire Council 2024-2025

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- 12102025 RESOLVED** that That Council notes the submission of the Annual Agency Report on the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 and Public Interest Disclosures was made to the relevant agencies within the statutory time frames.
- Brooks/Henderson  
**CARRIED**
- (Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)
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## Council Meeting Dates 2026

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- 13102025 RESOLVED** that Council endorses the meeting schedule dates for 2026.
- Funnell/Henderson  
**CARRIED**
- (Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)
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## Co-funding the Delivery of Proposed Saloon Car Drag Strip in West Wyalong

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- 14102025 RESOLVED** that Council approve an additional allocation from unrestricted cash (invested funds), as outlined in the confidential attachment, toward the development of the Saloon Car Drag Strip in West Wyalong, and that the adjustment be included in the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Q1 2025-26.
- McGlynn/Henderson  
**CARRIED**
- (7/1: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for and Cr Crowe against)
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## DA2025.0012 – 1 Barnado Street – Demolition and Multi Dwelling Housing

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- 15102025 RESOLVED** that Council approve DA2025/0012 – Demolition and Multi Dwelling Housing subject to conditions of consent
- Crowe/Brooks  
**CARRIED**
- (7/1: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Minogue and Monaghan voting for and Cr McGlynn against)
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## REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

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- 16102025 RESOLVED** that the following reports, provided for information only, be received and noted:
- 6.14 Community Development & Youth Services September 2025 Update
  - 6.15 Bland Shire Library September 2025 Update
  - 6.16 Children Services September 2025 Update
  - 6.17 Bland Community Care Services September 2025 Update
  - 6.18 Technical Services Update
  - 6.19 Development and Regulatory Services September 2025 Activity Report
- Funnell/Henderson  
**CARRIED**
- (Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)
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## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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- 17102025 RESOLVED** that Council endorse the Committee meeting minutes as presented.
- Henderson/Brooks  
**CARRIED**
- (Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)
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## CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

**18102025** **RESOLVED** that Council close the Ordinary meeting of Council to discuss the following matter:  
General Managers Performance Review  
*Local Government Act 1993 (Section 10A(2))*  
*The matters and information are the following:*  
*(a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)*  
Minogue/Funnell  
**CARRIED**  
(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Funnell, Henderson, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

The meeting then closed to the public at 7.21pm.

At this stage, the Director Technical Service, Director Corporate & Community Services and Acting Executive Assistant left the meeting.

### **General Manager Annual Performance Review for period ending 30 June 2025**

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

*The matters and information are the following:*

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

**19102025** **RESOLVED:**  
1. That the Council note this Mayor's Minute which includes the General Manager's Performance Review Panel's position following the Annual Review for 2024/25.  
2. Endorse the 2025/2026 Performance Agreement.  
Monaghan/McGlynn  
**CARRIED**  
(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

The meeting then resumed at 7.31pm.

At the reopening of the meeting to the public the Chair announced the outcome of resolution numbers **19102025**.

There being no further business the meeting then closed at 7.32pm.

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Chairperson  
Mayor Brian Monaghan