

# Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council

Monday 11 August 2025

4:00 PM Yass High School Grampian Street, YASS

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## Extraordinary Council Meeting - The Mayor declared the meeting open at 4.41pm.

# **Present**

Councillors Jasmin Jones (Mayor), Cecil Burgess, Alvaro Charry, Kristin Butler (Deputy Mayor), David Carter (via Teams), Fleur Flanery, Adrian Cameron, David Rothwell and Allan McGrath.

Officers also present were the Gayleen Burley (Chief Executive Officer), Kate Baker (Acting Director of Planning & Environment), Nathan Cooke (Director of Infrastructure & Assets), Peta Gardiner (Acting Director of Corporate & Community), Jason McGuire (Chief Financial Officer), Tanya Whitmarsh (Governance & Risk Officer), Jeremy Knox (Development Planner), Chloe Johnson (Executive Support Officer) and Louise Smith (Engineering Support Officer).

### **Public Forum**

The public forum held prior to the meeting heard from the following speakers in relation to the items on the agenda as listed.

No	Item No	Title	Name	For or Against
1	4.1	DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. DA250328 - DRAGON DREAMING FESTIVAL - 542 CAVES ROAD, WEE JASPER	Helen Cathles	For
2	4.1	DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. DA250328 - DRAGON DREAMING FESTIVAL - 542 CAVES ROAD, WEE JASPER	Charles Barton	For
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4	4.1	DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. DA250328 - DRAGON DREAMING FESTIVAL - 542 CAVES ROAD, WEE JASPER	Max Stettner	For

# **Acknowledgement of Country**

Yass Valley acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land, the Ngunnawal people. We acknowledge and respect their continued connection to land, waters, skies and community. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Yass Valley LGA.

### **Prayer**

# 1. Councillor Request for Attendance via Audio-Visual

#### **Motion**

RESOLVED that the requests for remote attendance by Cr Flanery and Cr Carter to be approved for the Council meeting via audio-visual link.

(Charry/Flanery) 264

# 2. Apologies

# **Motion**

RESOLVED that apologies be received from Councillor Burgess and leave of absence be granted.

(McGrath/Cameron) 265

# 3. Declaration of Interest/Disclosures

Nil.

#### 4. Reports to Council

# 4.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. DA250328 - DRAGON DREAMING FESTIVAL - 542 CAVES ROAD, WEE JASPER

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the assessment of development application no. DA250328 for the Dragon Dreaming Festival at 542 Caves Road, Wee Jasper. The application attracted objections from NSW Police and the Local Emergency Management Committee. A three-year approval is recommended.

RESOLVED that Council issue Conditional Development Consent for the Dragon Dreaming Festival at 542 Caves Road, Wee Jasper subject to the approval period limited to five years, covering the 2025 to 2029 events inclusive.

(McGrath/Charry) 266

FOR: Councillors K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, A McGrath and D

Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillor J Jones

#### 4.2 TENDER EVALUATION REPORT - REMOVALIST SERVICES - YVC-IA-18-2025

# **SUMMARY**

Providing advice and recommendations on the Tender Evaluation Report for removalist services for the relocation of furniture and equipment to the Crago Mill Precinct buildings and the Council depot.

RESOLVED that item be classified CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2)(di) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information. Discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

(Butler/Charry) 267

#### 5. Confidential Matters

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 10A of the Local Government Act, 1993 the following items on the agenda be classified as CONFIDENTIAL and considered in the Closed Meeting of Council in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act for the reasons as specified:

4.1 Tender Evaluation Report - Removalist Services - YVC-IA-18-2025
Item 4.1 is confidential in accordance with section s10(A)(2)(di) of the Local
Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature
that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied
it and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to
the public interest and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on
balance, contrary to the public interest.

(Butler/Charry) 268

Closed Council commenced at 5.16pm.

#### 4.1 TENDER EVALUATION REPORT - REMOVALIST SERVICES - YVC-IA-18-2025

#### **SUMMARY**

Providing advice and recommendations on the Tender Evaluation Report for removalist services for the relocation of furniture and equipment to the Crago Mill Precinct buildings and the Council depot.

RESOLVED that contract YVC-IA-18-2025 submitted by Balfran Removals, to undertake the removalist services for the Administration and Library buildings, be accepted for a total cost of \$72,500 (incl GST).

(Rothwell/Flanery) 269

FOR: Councillors K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and

D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

RESOLVED that the meeting move into Open Council.

(Cameron/Charry) 270

At 5:16 pm Councillor Carter left the meeting.

Open Council resumed at 5.18 pm whereupon the Mayor made the resolutions passed during closed session public.

The meeting closed at 5.18 pm.