



Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council

Thursday 28 August 2025

4:00 PM

**Yass High School
Grampian Street, Yass**

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Council Meeting - The Mayor declared the meeting open at 5.12pm and advised that the meeting would be webcast live.

Present

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

Officers also present were the Nathan Cooke (Acting Chief Executive Officer), Kate Baker (Acting Director of Planning & Environment), Terry Cooper (Acting Director of Infrastructure & Assets), Peta Gardiner (Acting Director of Corporate & Community) Jason McGuire (Chief Financial Officer), Tanya Whitmarsh (Governance & Risk Officer), Chloe Johnson (Executive Support Officer) and Katie Yeo (Learning & Development 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.

At 4:18 pm Mayor Jones left the meeting for item 6.2 of the Open Forum and Councillor McGrath resumed the Chair for Open Forum.

No	Item No	Title	Name	For or Against
1	6.1	Development Application No. DA240266 – Dwelling House – 46 Malbec Drive Murrumbateman	David Piccolo	Against
2	6.2	Modification Development Consent No. DA230577 – Dance School – 26 Rose Street, Murrumbateman	Megan Colby-Sexton	Against
3	6.1	Development Application No. DA240266 – Dwelling House – 46 Malbec Drive Murrumbateman	Helen & Ian Chu	For
4	6.2	Modification Development Consent No. DA230577 – Dance School – 26 Rose Street, Murrumbateman	Mischa Calnan	For
5	6.2	Modification Development Consent No. DA230577 – Dance School – 26 Rose Street, Murrumbateman	Kate Caldow	For
6	6.4	Murrumbateman Pump Track Project – Focus Group Name Change & Project Plan	Annaliese Caston	For
7	6.5	Draft Planning Proposal – ‘The Fields’ Stage 4 – Isabel Drive, Murrumbateman	Doug Rogan	For
8	6.5	Draft Planning Proposal – ‘The Fields’ Stage 4 – Isabel Drive, Murrumbateman	Liz Densley	Against
9	6.5	Draft Planning Proposal – ‘The Fields’ Stage 4 – Isabel Drive, Murrumbateman	Paul Powderly	Against

At 4:44 pm Mayor Jones returned to the meeting and resumed the chair for Open Forum.

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 Carter and Deputy Mayor Butler to be approved for the Council meeting via audio-visual link.

(Charry/Flanery) 271

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

AGAINST: Nil

2. Apologies

Nil

3. Declaration of Interest/Disclosures

Councillor Mayor Jones, declared Non-Pecuniary-Less than Significant Interest in Item 6.2 and elected to leave the meeting.

Reason: Family member attends the dance school.

Councillor Carter, declared a Non-Pecuniary-Less than Significant Interest in Item 10.1 and elected to leave the meeting.

Reason: My property in Shaw Street may benefit from the improved amenity.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 24 July 2025 covered by resolution numbers 233-263 inclusive, and Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 11 August 2025 covered by resolution numbers 264-270 inclusive, copies of which had been circulated to all Councillors, be taken as read and confirmed.

(Burgess/Flanery) 272

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

AGAINST: Nil

Motion

RESOLVED that the amended Extraordinary Council Meeting minutes to include Councillor Charry as present in the attendance of the meeting held on 11 August 2025 covered by resolution numbers 264-270 inclusive, copies of which had been circulated to all Councillors, be taken as read and confirmed.

(Charry/Flanery) 273

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

AGAINST: Nil

5. Mayoral Minute

5.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - DROUGHT SUMMIT MAYORAL REPORT

SUMMARY

Mayoral Report for the Drought Summit held on 4 August 2025.

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the Mayoral Report & Drought Summit Summary on the Southern NSW Drought Summit;***
- 2. Endorses the recommendations arising from the Summit, including the immediate establishment of a NSW Drought Taskforce, reinstatement of drought as a natural disaster, provision of direct financial relief, and urgent reform of support frameworks;***
- 3. Writes to the NSW Premier, Minister for Agriculture, and relevant Commonwealth Ministers, conveying the urgent need for coordinated action as outlined in this report;***
- 4. Advocates in partnership with other affected Local Government Areas to ensure that the voices of Southern NSW are central in shaping state and national drought policy responses.***

(Jones/Rothwell) 274

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

AGAINST: Nil

5.2 REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF NOOSA FOR NEURO CHARITY EVENT

SUMMARY

Trent Robertson will be undertaking a challenge, raising money for charity running and riding from Parkdale, Victoria to Noosa, QLD, he will be covering 2000km in the space of 30 days. Trent will be coming through Yass on 8 and 9 September 2025 and has requested the donation of two nights' accommodation at the Yass Caravan Park.

RESOLVED that Council waives the fees for two nights' accommodation of a powered site at the Yass Caravan Park, totalling \$86 in support of the Noosa for Neuro Charity Event.

(Jones/Cameron) 275

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

AGAINST: Nil

5.3 MAYORAL MINUTE - NAMING OF THE CRAGO MILL PRECINCT BUILDING.

SUMMARY

Mayor Report for the naming of the Crago Mill Precinct building.

RESOLVED that :

- 1. Council officers will operationalise the process for public engagement, exhibition and opinion to provide community sentiment for Council to consider when determining the names.**
- 2. All shortlisted names that are not utilised be recorded for future possible opportunities (subject to grant of permission to do so) for civic recognition in council managed parks, open spaces, and buildings.**

(Jones/McGrath) 276

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

AGAINST: Nil

6. Reports to Council

6.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. DA240266 - DWELLING HOUSE - 46 MALBEC DRIVE, MURRUMBATEMAN

SUMMARY

To present the assessment of development application no. DA240266 for the construction of a dwelling house at 46 Malbec Drive, Murrumbateman. The application attracted nine objections and relevant concerns can be address by conditions. Approval is recommended.

- 1. RESOLVED that of Development Application DA240266 for a dwelling house, rainwater tank and associated retaining walls and fencing at 46 Malbec Drive, Murrumbateman be deferred to enable the applicant to submit amended plans.**
- 2. The amended plans are to address the following matters:**
 - a) Reduce the bulk and scale of the dwelling to achieve consistency with the established and desired character of the locality.**
 - b) Demonstrate compliance with the objectives of Part B5 Neighbourhood Character of the Yass Valley Development Control Plan 2024.**
 - c) Modify the design and siting to minimise cut and fill in accordance with Part E.1 Siting of Buildings of the DCP.**
- 3. The application be reported back to Council following submission and assessment of amended plans.**

(Charry/Jones) 277

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

AGAINST: Councillors C Burgess, A McGrath and D Rothwell

At 5:59 pm Mayor Jones left the meeting and Deputy Mayor Butler declined the Chair due to being on the meeting via audio-link.

Motion

RESOLVED that Councillor McGrath take the Chair for item 6.2 of the Council Meeting Agenda.

(Charry/Flanery) 278

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.2 UPDATED REPORT - MODIFICATION DEVELOPMENT CONSENT NO. DA230577 - DANCE SCHOOL - 26 ROSE STREET, MURRUMBATEMAN

SUMMARY

To present the assessment of an application to modify development consent no. DA230577 for a dance school at 26 Rose Street, Murrumbateman. The modification application relates to proposed changes to hours of operation and attracted 66 submissions, including 50 in support, 15 raising objection or concern, and one that was unclear. It is recommended that the hours of operation be amended, but not to the extent proposed by the applicant.

RESOLVED that :

- 1. Pursuant to section 4.55 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (NSW), Council modify Development Consent DA230577 (26 Rose Street, Murrumbateman) by amending the 'Hours of Operation' condition as follows:**

Day	Hours of Operation
Monday to Friday	9.00am to 9.00pm
Saturday	9.00am to 4.00pm
Sunday	No operation
Public holidays	No operation

- 2. With consideration of the matters required by section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, the applicant's proposed hours of operation of 9:00am to 9:00pm, seven days per week, are not supported as it is considered they would unreasonably affect the amenity of the immediate and nearby residential receivers, noting that the site is located at an interface between business/commercial uses and residential uses. The amended hours are imposed in accordance with sections 4.15 and 4.17 of the Act to protect residential amenity.**

(Charry/Flanery) 279

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillors K Butler, A Cameron and A McGrath

At 6:19 pm Mayor Jones returned to the meeting and resumed the chair.

6.3 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION UPDATE - JUNE AND JULY 2025

SUMMARY

To present details of council's performance against the expectations set by the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure and details of applications lodged and determined in June and July 2025.

RESOLVED that the report on applications for June and July 2025 be noted.

(Rothwell/Burgess) 280

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.4 MURRUMBATEMAN PUMP TRACK PROJECT - FOCUS GROUP NAME CHANGE & PROJECT PLAN

SUMMARY

To consider changing the name of the relevant focus group and to provide a project plan for the Murrumbateman pump track.

RESOLVED that :

- 1. Council accepts the change in name of the focus group to the Murrumbateman Pump Track Focus Group**
- 2. Council endorses the project plan for the Murrumbateman Pump Track.**

(Rothwell/Butler) 281

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.5 DRAFT PLANNING PROPOSAL - 'THE FIELDS' STAGE 4 - ISABEL DRIVE, MURRUMBATEMAN

SUMMARY

To present a report on a draft planning proposal to amend the Yass Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013 to reduce the minimum lot size applicable to eight lots within stage 4 of the "The Fields" development, located on Isabel Drive, Murrumbateman.

RESOLVED that Council supports the draft planning proposal to amend the Yass Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013 to reduce the minimum lot size applicable to eight lots within stage 4 of the "The Fields" development (Lot 2 DP1273254) located on Isabel Drive, Murrumbateman subject to the applicant providing satisfactory documentation that address/mitigate potential flooding impacts, cumulative impact of bore water draw and onsite effluent disposal.

(Jones/Rothwell) 282

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillors K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter and A Charry

6.6 DRAFT RENEWABLE ENERGY COMMUNITY-BENEFIT POLICY

SUMMARY

To present the draft Renewable Energy Community-Benefit policy.

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Endorses the draft Renewable Energy Community-Benefit policy.**
- 2. Note the requirement to establish a community consultative committee to advise Council on suitable purposes for which community benefit contributions can be made.**
- 3. Exhibits the draft policy for a public consultation period of 28 days and the matter revert to Council for consideration of final adoption at the end of the exhibition period.**

(Flanery/Rothwell) 283

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.7 COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL FUTURE - FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY ROADMAP

SUMMARY

The Financial Sustainability Roadmap was placed on public exhibition for 28 Days. Following considerations of community submissions, the document was reviewed and updated.

This report progresses the Financial Sustainability Roadmap for adoption by Council.

RESOLVED that Council resolves to adopt the updated Financial Sustainability Roadmap.

(Carter/Charry) 284

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

AGAINST: Councillor A Cameron

At 7:05 pm Councillor Carter left the meeting and did not return to the meeting.

6.8 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

SUMMARY

This monthly financial report provides information about Council's financial position at the end of July 2025. The report also includes a variance analysis against the full-year budget and budget year to date (YTD).

Note an Investment and Borrowing Report is prepared and is presented to Council as a separate report.

RESOLVED that the Monthly Financial Report for July 2025 be noted.

(Butler/McGrath) 285

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.9 REVOTES AND CARRY FORWARD FROM FY2024-25 TO FY2025-26

SUMMARY

This report provides the proposed revotes and project costs to be carried forward FY2024-25 to the current FY2025-26.

RESOLVED that :

- 1. The budgets detailed in this report as Revotes from FY2024-25 to FY2025-26 be approved.**
- 2. The budgets detailed in this report as Carry Forward funds from FY2024-25 to FY2025-26 be noted.**

(Cameron/Flanery) 286

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.10 INVESTMENT AND BORROWING REPORT

SUMMARY

In accordance with clause 212 *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005*, this report provides a summary of Council's investments for the period 1 to 31 July 2025. In accordance with paragraph (1) (b), it can be certified that the investments listed have been made in accordance with the Act, the Regulations and Council's Investment Policy.

RESOLVED that the Investment & Borrowings Reports, covering the period 1 to 31 July 2025 be noted.

(Charry/Rothwell) 287

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.11 CRAGO MILL PRECINCT BORROWINGS

SUMMARY

To provide advice of the annual review of the Crago Mill loan facility with Westpac Banking Corporation and seek approval to extend the interest only period of the loan for a further 12 months.

RESOLVED that :

- 1. Council notes that the annual review of the Westpac Loan facility has been completed.**

- 2. The Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to use the Council seal to sign the Business Finance Agreement with Westpac to extend the interest only period for a further 12 months.**

(McGrath/Burgess) 288

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.12 YVC/CC/15/2025 - DIGITISATION OF BUILDING FILES

SUMMARY

To provide advice and recommendations on the submissions received for the YVC/CC/15/2025 Digitisation of Building Files tender.

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.

(Burgess/Flanery) 289

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.13 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2025

SUMMARY

Local Government NSW (LGNSW) hold a Conference annually. This year the conference will be held from 23 to 25 November 2025, Panthers Penrith and Western Sydney Conference Centre, Penrith. The purpose of the conference is to shape the advocacy agenda for 2026 and to vote on motions presented to the conference.

Council needs to elect two voting delegates for LGNSW Conferences.

RESOLVED that :

- 1. The Mayor, Councillor Charry and the Chief Executive Officer (or their delegate) attend the 2025 Local Government NSW Conference.**
- 2. That Mayor and the Councillor determined in 1. above, be the voting delegates for the Local Government NSW Conferences.**
- 3. Any motions to be submitted for consideration at the conference be determined by Council at the September 2025 Council meeting.**

(Charry/Cameron) 290

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.14 UPDATE ON COMPULSORY LAND ACQUISITION WITHOUT AGREEMENT FOR THE REPLACEMENT LOW LEVEL ROAD CROSSING ON GREENWOOD ROAD OVER MURRUMBATEMAN CREEK

SUMMARY

To provide Council with a summary of the background into the compulsory land acquisition (without agreement) for the Greenwood Road bridge over Murrumbateman Creek.

RESOLVED that item be classified CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2)(g) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest.

(Burgess/Flanery) 291

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.15 TENDER YVC.IA.20.2025 - FOOTPATH FROM WALKER PARK VIA JULIAN PLACE, SHAW AND PETIT STREETS TO BERINBA PUBLIC SCHOOL

SUMMARY

To provide details of organisations that provided tenders for this footpath project.

RESOLVED that item is classified CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2)(dii) 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, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest.

(Burgess/Flanery) 292

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.16 YASS WATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE PROJECT - IMPLEMENTATION

SUMMARY

The Yass Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project is an important and challenging project for Council. Bi-monthly update reports are a requirement of Council.

RESOLVED that Council notes the updated report and work completed on the Yass Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project.

(McGrath/Burgess) 293

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

AGAINST: Nil

6.17 RE-CLASSIFICATION OF LAND - 1095 SPRING RANGE ROAD (NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE SHED)

SUMMARY

Councils in NSW are responsible for providing the NSW Rural Fire Services (RFS) with suitable premises to operate from. Councils generally own the land and buildings from which RFS operate. This report is seeking Council's endorsement to re-classify the acquired land as "Operational".

RESOLVED that Lot 101 DP 1316928 be classified as "Operational land" in accordance with Section 31 of the Local Government Act 1993.

(Charry/McGrath) 294

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

AGAINST: Nil

In the meeting the Councillors would like to acknowledge and thank the Birtles family for their generous donation of the land.

7. Notice of Motion

7.1 LGNSW WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE - 9-11 SEPTEMBER 2025

Councillor Adrian Cameron has given notice that at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 28 August 2025, he will move the following motion.

RESOLVED that Yass Valley Council send a minimum of two representatives, comprising at least one staff member and Councillor Cameron (alternate Cr Charry) to attend the LGNSW 'Water Management Conference' in Albury September 9-11, 2025.

(Cameron/McGrath) 295

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

AGAINST: Nil

8. Questions with Notice

8.1 YASS VALLEY COUNCIL - TREE MANAGEMENT

Question

What plans are in place to rebuild expertise in qualifications and expertise of YVC's arborist team as part of developing an effective tree management policy and what is the timeline for this?

In 8.2 of the July Business Papers, it appeared that the concentration of skills and personnel is in horticulture. Given the range of trees in our parks, reserves and verges and the need to work with electricity companies, we need tree expertise. When a highly experienced and qualified arborist left YVC after 29 years, that void has remained unfilled. Perhaps experienced people need to be borrowed from other councils in the short term to ensure we have the expertise we need.

Response

1. Council does not have, and has not historically had, an arborist 'team'.
2. No positions within Council currently or in the recent past have required an employee to have qualifications in arboriculture.
3. Council is considering the need for an arborist position as part of the current and ongoing organisational restructure. Currently, Council relies on a panel contract of arborists to undertake works as required.
4. For clarification, staff in horticulturist positions perform duties which are distinctly different to what is required for an arborist's role at Council and therefore the number of staff in horticulturist roles needs to be separated from the issue of arborist expertise within Council.
5. Item EN. 9.1.1 of Council's 2025-2026 Operational Plan requires that a Tree Management Strategy is developed this financial year.
6. A budget has been allocated in 2025-2026 for the engagement of a consultant to prepare a Tree Management Strategy for Council. The strategy is not contingent on the level of arborist expertise within Council.

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

AGAINST: Nil

9. Minutes and Recommendations of Council Committees

9.1 AMENDED MINUTES OF THE MURRUMBATEMAN RECREATION GROUND FOCUS GROUP HELD ON 24 MARCH 2025

REPORT

Minutes of the Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Focus Group – 24 March 2025

The minutes of the Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Focus Group meeting held on 24 March 2025 require amendment, as detailed in the table below.

Draft Minutes	Amendment to Minutes
3.1 Committee Decision Future consideration to be given to the proposed BMX/Pump track and risk mitigation in regard to access, fencing, gates, traffic and parking	Future consideration to be given to risk mitigation regard to access, fencing, gates, traffic and parking the proposed all abilities playground is to be located over the southern sand arena.
<i>Items added only</i>	3.3 General Business – Additional Items

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Plan of Management to be distributed to Focus Group members groups for review and feedback. • Murrumbateman Community Association raised that the Murrumbateman Recreation Ground is at capacity and other greenfield sites or locations should be considered for any future recreation facilities. Also noting the future loss of land to the Grounds due to Barton highway duplication. • Maps identified in 2021 Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Strategic Plan to be updated in the draft 2025 Strategic Plan to reflect current infrastructure.
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The amended minutes of the Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Focus Group meeting held on 24 March 2025 are included in **Attachment A**.

From these minutes there are items that may require expenditure not provided for in the current Operational Plan. Any adjustment to the Operational Plan or Budget relating to actions identified in the Murrumbateman Recreational Ground minutes will be considered as part of usual budget process.

RESOLVED that amended minutes of the Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Focus Group meeting held on 24 March 2025 be noted.

(Cameron/Flanery) 296

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

AGAINST: Nil

9.2 MINUTES OF THE YASS POOL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

REPORT

Minutes of the Yass Pool Redevelopment Project Committee Meeting – 11 June 2025

The minutes of the Yass Pool Redevelopment Project Committee meeting held 11 June 2025 required amendment, as outlined in the table below.

Draft Minutes	Amendment to Minutes
3.1 Committee Decision That: 3. The structural report be distributed to committee members out of session for review.	3.1 Committee Decision That: 3. The structural engineer's Stage 1 report quote for Stage 2, be distributed to committee members out of session for review and proceeding.
4. General Business Item 4:	4. General Business Item 4:

<p>It was suggested that an initial concept plan would need to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A shovel ready plan • Address concerns over inadequacy of report • Include 6 lane pool to accommodate all community groups • Include all options for the entire facility (in addition to the 6-lane pool) 	<p>It was suggested that a revised Concept Design would need to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A shovel ready plan • Address concerns over existing Concept Design features • Include 6 lane pool to accommodate all community groups • Review options for the entire facility (in addition to the 6-lane pool)
<p>4. Committee Decision</p> <p>Item 2:</p> <p>Share original Complete Urban report with committee</p>	<p>4. Committee Decision</p> <p>Item 2:</p> <p>Share background to original, Complete Urban procurement, including Council Pool Concept Design tender scope, number of applications received, cost of final Complete Urban Design report with committee.</p>

The amended minutes of the Yass Pool Redevelopment Project Committee meeting held on 11 June 2025 are included in **Attachment A**.

From these minutes there are items that may require expenditure not provided for in the current Operational Plan. Any adjustment to the Operational Plan or Budget relating to actions identified in the Yass Pool Redevelopment Project Committee minutes will be considered as part of usual budget process.

RESOLVED that amended minutes of the Yass Pool Redevelopment Project Committee meeting held on 11 June 2025 be noted.

(Charry/McGrath) 297

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

AGAINST: Nil

10. 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:

10.1 Tender YVC.IA.20.2025 - Footpath from Walker Park via Julian Place, Shaw and Petit Streets to Berinba Public School

Item 10.1 is confidential in accordance with section s10(A)(2)(dii) of the Local Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council 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.

10.2 Update on Compulsory Land Acquisition Without Agreement for Replacement Low Level Road Crossing on Greenwood Road Over Murrumbateman Creek

Item 10.2 is confidential in accordance with section s10(A)(2)(g) of the Local Government Act because it contains advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege 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.

10.3 YVC/CC/15/2025 - Digitisation of Building Files

Item 10.3 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.

10.4 Electric Vehicle Charging Stations - Crago Mill Precinct

Item 10.4 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.

(McGrath/Charry) 298

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

AGAINST: Nil

Closed Council commenced at 7.28pm.

At 7:28 pm Councillor Cameron left the Meeting.

At 7:32 pm Councillor Cameron returned to the Meeting.

10.1 TENDER YVC.IA.20.2025 - FOOTPATH FROM WALKER PARK VIA JULIAN PLACE, SHAW AND PETIT STREETS TO BERINBA PUBLIC SCHOOL

SUMMARY

To recommend to Council a tenderer to deliver the Shaw and Petit Streets footpath project.

RESOLVED that :

- 1. the tender submitted by R Con Civil Pty Ltd under Tender YVC.IA.20.2025 be accepted for a total cost of \$836,866.82 (excluding GST).**
- 2. the remainder of the grant funding be utilised for contingencies and/or additional works associated with the project.**

(McGrath/Rothwell) 299

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

AGAINST: Nil

10.2 UPDATE ON COMPULSORY LAND ACQUISITION WITHOUT AGREEMENT FOR REPLACEMENT LOW LEVEL ROAD CROSSING ON GREENWOOD ROAD OVER MURRUMBATEMAN CREEK

SUMMARY

To provide Council with a summary of the background into the compulsory land acquisition (without agreement) for the Greenwood Road bridge over Murrumbateman Creek and to obtain authority for Council to commence a commercially negotiated agreement with the landowner.

RESOLVED that Council adopts the recommendations in the council report.

(Rothwell/Flanery) 300

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

AGAINST: Nil

10.3 YVC/CC/15/2025 - DIGITISATION OF BUILDING FILES

SUMMARY

This report provides advice and recommendations on the submissions received for the YVC/CC/15/2025 Digitisation of Building Files tender.

RESOLVED that the tender submitted by TIMG for YVC/CC/15/2025 Digitisation of Building Files be accepted for a total cost of \$72,500.00 (Ex GST).

(McGrath/Flanery) 301

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

AGAINST: Nil

10.4 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS - CRAGO MILL PRECINCT

SUMMARY

Proposal to commence a formal dialogue with the NRMA with a view to brokering an agreement for the installation of nine (9) NRMA electric vehicle charging stations within the Crago Mill Civic Precinct. Opportunity to secure a no cost and no operational liability approach to meeting an existing commitment of Council to include EV charging stations as part of the current delivery of Stage 1 of the Crago Mill Civic Precinct build. Potential realisation of significant short and long term savings to Council in provision of EV infrastructure.

RESOLVED that :

- 1. Council staff undertake an EOI process to determine interested parties for the installation, operation and maintenance of nine (9) electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in Adele Street in Yass as part of completion of Stage 1 of the Crago Mill Civic Precinct development.**

2. *The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to engage in negotiations with the preferred EOI organisation to secure licensing arrangements for the installation, operation and maintenance of nine (9) electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in Adele Street in Yass as part of completion of Stage 1 of the Crago Mill Civic Precinct development.*
3. *Such negotiations seek to achieve a fair and reasonable stream of income to Council based on due diligence on market rates for accommodating such facilities, and in consideration of the EV company covering start up and operating costs of the facilities.*
4. *Negotiations propose that Council will not be burdened with any future costs for upgrade or decommissioning of infrastructure should the need arise during the life of the agreement.*
5. *The Chief Executive Officer report back to the October 2025 ordinary meeting of Council on the outcome of negotiations.*

(Jones/Flanery) 302

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

AGAINST: Nil

RESOLVED that the meeting move into Open Council.

(McGrath/Cameron) 303

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

AGAINST: Nil

Open Council resumed at 7.20pm whereupon the Mayor made the resolutions passed during closed session public.

The meeting closed at 7.21pm.