

# Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council

Thursday 25 September 2025 4:00 PM Yass High School Grampian Street, Yass

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### Council Meeting - The Mayor declared the meeting open at 5.28pm and advised that the meeting would be webcast live.

#### **Present**

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

Officers also present were Gayleen Burley (Chief Executive Officer), Kate Baker (Acting Director of Planning & Environment), Nathan Cooke (Director of Infrastructure & Assets), Peta Gardiner (Director of Corporate & Community) Jason McGuire (Chief Financial Officer), Caitlin Flint (Senior Advisor Governance), Jeremey Knox (Acting Manager Development Control), 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.

No	Item No	Title	Name	For or Against
1	5.1	State Significant Renewable Energy Projects Within Yass Valley Submission	Michael Gray	For
2	6.2	Development Application No. DA250398 – Geotechnical Investigations – 736 Childowla Road, Bookham	David Weir	Against
3	6.2	Development Application No. DA250398 – Geotechnical Investigations – 736 Childowla Road, Bookham	Derek Bush	Against
4	6.3	Development Application No. DA250320 - Multi- Dwelling Housing - 7 Hanley Place, Yass	Nicholas Cavallo	Against
5	6.3	Development Application No. DA250320 - Multi- Dwelling Housing - 7 Hanley Place, Yass	Brendan Price	Against
6	6.4	Development Application No. DA250371 – Dwelling House – 600 Childowla Road, Bookham	Linn Armour	Against
7	6.4	Development Application No. DA250371 – Dwelling House – 600 Childowla Road, Bookham	Orida Armour Lushmoor	Against
8	6.5	Development Application No. DA250311 – Dual Occupancy Dwelling House with Attached Garage/Workshop – 6 Discovery Drive, Yass	Leonie Barker & Wayne Crumblin	Against
9	6.8	Draft Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Strategic Plan 2025	Briony Windsor	For
10	8.1	Questions with Notice – Cr Adrian Cameron	Meredyth Conn	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

Nil

#### 2. Apologies

Nil

#### 3. Declaration of Interest/Disclosures

**Councillor Charry**, declared Pecuniary Conflict of Interest in Item 5.3 and elected to leave the meeting.

**Reason**: As a former ADF member, my superannuation fund (CSC) has been identified as a major investor in the project.

#### **Suspension of Standing Orders**

RESOLVED that Standing Orders be suspended in order to bring forward the following items to be dealt with at this time:

- Item 6.1 Leave of Absence Cr David Carter
- Item 6.7 Draft Plan of Management Murrumbateman Recreation Ground
- Item 6.8 Draft Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Strategic Plan 2025
- Item 6.10 YVC.PE.29.2025 Yass Memorial Pool Power Upgrade
- Item 6.11 Draft Yass Valley Cemeteries Management Plan and Masterplan
- Item 6.15 Disruption to Finalisation of 2025 Revision of Code of Meeting Practice
- Item 6.19 2025-2026 Financial Assistance Grant Advice of Estimated Entitlement
- Item 9.1 Minutes of the Yass Pool Redevelopment Project Committee Held on 17 July 2025

(Flanery/Carter) 304

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 6.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE - CR DAVID CARTER

#### **SUMMARY**

Councillor Carter will be an apology for the 23 October 2025 Council Meeting and has submitted an application to Council for this Leave of Absence.

RESOLVED that Council approve the Leave of Absence application submitted by Councillor David Carter for the 23 October 2025 Council Meeting.

(Flanery/Carter) 305

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 DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT - MURRUMBATEMAN RECREATION GROUND

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the draft Plan of Management for the Murrumbateman Recreation Ground.

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. Council forwards a copy of the draft Plan of Management for the Murrumbateman Recreation Ground to NSW Crown Lands as the landowner, pursuant to s.39 Local Government Act 1993.
- Council forwards a copy of the draft Plan of Management for the Murrumbateman Recreation Ground to the NSW Minister for Lands and Property seeking endorsement to publicly exhibit the draft plan, pursuant to s.3.33 Crown Land Management Act 2016.
- Subject to any direction and endorsement received from the NSW Minister for Lands and Property, Council publicly exhibit the draft Plan of Management for the Murrumbateman Recreation Ground for a minimum 28 days and invites the public to make submissions over a period of 42 days.
- 4. The draft Plan of Management for the Murrumbateman Recreation Ground is presented to a future meeting of Council (inclusive of any changes made as a result of community consultation) for consideration and adoption.

(Flanery/Carter) 306

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: NIL

#### 6.8 DRAFT MURRUMBATEMAN RECREATION GROUND STRATEGIC PLAN 2025

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the draft Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Strategic Plan 2025 for endorsement to be publicly exhibited for 28 days.

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. Council endorses the draft Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Strategic Plan 2025 to be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days.
- The draft Murrumbateman Recreation Ground Strategic Plan 2025 is presented to a future meeting of Council (inclusive of any changes made as a result of community consultation) for consideration and adoption.

(Flanery/Carter) 307

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 6.10 YVC.PE.29.2025 YASS MEMORIAL POOL POWER UPGRADE

#### **SUMMARY**

To provide details of organisations that provided tenders for the Yass Memorial Pool power upgrade project.

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 it and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest.

(Flanery/Carter) 308

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 6.11 DRAFT YASS VALLEY CEMETERIES MANAGEMENT PLAN AND MASTERPLAN

#### **SUMMARY**

Presenting the Draft Yass Valley Cemeteries Management Plan and Masterplan and recommending both documents be placed on public exhibition for 28 days.

#### **RESOLVED that:**

- 1. Council endorses the draft Yass Valley Cemeteries Management Plan and Yass Valley Cemeteries Masterplans to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.
- 2. The draft Yass Valley Cemeteries Management Plan and Yass Valley Cemeteries
  Masterplans be presented to a future meeting of Council (inclusive of any changes made
  as a result of community consultation) for consideration and adoption.

(Flanery/Carter) 309

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 6.15 DISRUPTION TO FINALISATION OF 2025 REVISION OF CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

#### **SUMMARY**

Council is obliged to under section 360 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) to adopt a Code of Meeting Practice that incorporates the mandatory provisions of the Model Code of Meeting Practice (the Model Code) as prescribed by the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*. The Act also requires Council to review its adopted Code within 12 months of coming into office. Council endorsed a revised Code in July 2025 subject to final adoption following public exhibition. That finalisation cannot proceed as planned due to the recent release of a new Model Code with substantial changes that will need to be in place by 31 December 2025.

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. The revised Yass Valley Council Code of Meeting Practice endorsed by Council in July 2025 for public exhibition and return to Council for final adoption be
  - a) stood down without final adoption
  - b) used as the basis for another round of revision work to incorporate mandatory changes from the September 2025 Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils in NSW
- 2. A fresh revision of the Yass Valley Council Code of Meeting Practice be considered at the ordinary meeting of Council in October 2025 in preparation for meeting public consultation obligations and the foreshadowed statutory deadline of 31 December 2025 for final implementation
- The report to the October meeting of Council includes a detailed assessment of the change implications arising from new, altered and retired mandatory provisions under the 2025 version of the Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils in NSW.

(Flanery/Carter) 310

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 6.19 2025-26 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT ADVICE OF ESTIMATED ENTITLEMENT

#### **SUMMARY**

To advise Council of the 2025-26 Estimated Financial Assistance Grants allocated to Council as outlined in the letter to the Mayor from the Chair of the NSW Local Government Grants Commission in August 2025.

#### **RESOLVED that Council:**

- Note, the letter from the Chair of the local Government Grants Commission (Commission) advising of the Estimated 2025-26 Financial Assistance Grants for Yass Valley Council.
- 2. Note, the changing nature and timing of advance payments and the impact it may have on budgeting and cash flow management.
- 3. Note, the methodology for 'resuming the annual negative floor on the General-Purpose Component' is being reviewed and that the Commission will undertake consultation with respect to the review.

(Flanery/Carter) 311

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

### 9.1 MINUTES OF THE YASS POOL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT COMMITTEE HELD ON 17 JULY 2025

#### **REPORT**

The minutes of the Yass Pool Redevelopment Project Committee meeting held on 17 July 2025 are included in <u>Attachment A</u>.

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 standard budget process.

Accordingly, the minutes are presented for information.

RESOLVED that minutes of the Yass Pool Redevelopment Project Committee meeting held on 17 July 2025 be noted.

(Flanery/Carter) 312

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 4. Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 August 2025 covered by resolution numbers 271 – 303 inclusive, copies of which had been circulated to all Councillors, be taken as read and confirmed.

(Burgess/Charry) 313

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 STATE SIGNIFICANT RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS WITHIN YASS VALLEY SUBMISSION

#### **SUMMARY**

Mayoral Minute to note and respond to an independent submission regarding the protection of our region's communities on high bush fire threat days considering the cumulative impact of proposed industrial scale energy projects in scope for Yass Valley.

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. Council receives the submission on proposed State Significant Renewable Energy Projects within Yass Valley and the possible effects they might have with Fire Suppression on days where the Fire Behaviour Index (FBI) is 40 or above or during days of Total Fire Ban.
- 2. Council thanks retired NSW RFS Group Captain Michael Gray for this significant contribution grounded in the lived experience of fire fighting in our region, training, and skills totally more than 80 years accrued by Mr Gray and the peer reviewers.
- 3. Council utilises the submission and existing Council policies to inform representations requesting an immediate halt to the renewables roll out in Yass Valley to allow time for the safety of our citizens and the surrounding region including the ACT to be given due and proper consideration considering the seriousness of the identified risks.
- 4. Relevant ministers to include the NSW Premier, NSW Energy Minister, NSW Planning Minister, NSW Minister for Emergency Services, the Prime Minister, Federal Minister for Climate Change & Energy, Federal Minister for Emergency Management, Local Government & Territories & Regional Development, local state and federal members, ACT Chief Minister and The Australian Energy Commissioner.

(Jones) 314

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

Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillor A Cameron

#### 5.2 FRIENDSHIP CITY PARTNERSHIP WITH WUZHOU, CHINA

#### **SUMMARY**

Yass Valley Council has a friendship city arrangement registered with the federal Government since 2019 with prearrangements dating back to 2016 as outlined in the attached media releases.

#### **RESOLVED that Council:**

- 1. Acknowledge The YASS-WUZHOU Friendship City has been registered with the Federal Government since 2019 following two years of pre-arrangement correspondence.
- 2. Council notes a recent meeting was granted by Mayor Jasmin Jones to ACT China Council of Commerce President Mr Andrew Ng and Deputy President Mr Roger Hausmann, representing the interests of ACT CCC and Wuzhou of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, CHINA. YVC CEO Ms Gayleen Burley was also in attendance. Council notes Mr Ng has advised Mayor Jones he intends to visit Wuzhou, departing Australia on the 24<sup>th</sup> of September.
- 3. Council delegates to staff a due diligence check with the Australian Federal Government that Council has affirmation to continue the foreign arrangement prior to providing a letter of greeting and confirmation of the ongoing trade relations of our region and affirming the Friendship Agreement. The letter to be addressed to the Mayor of Wuzhou friendship city partner to Yass.
- 4. Council notes the current financial constraints of Yass Valley Council and advises that inperson partnership acknowledgements from YVC will, out of necessity, be constrained to

- digital meetings unless otherwise funded independently by the Mayor, their delegate, or through Australian industry sponsorship e.g. wine and wool peak bodies.
- 5. Council will keep the current Federal Member for Riverina The Hon. Michael McCormack and the current State member for Goulburn, The Hon. Wendy Tuckerman informed and be inclusive of diplomatic opportunities.
- 6. Council acknowledges the City of Wuzhou is a current trade partner for several local economies including wine and mushroom exports. Within the Canberra Region Joint Organisation of Councils surrounding the Canberra International Airport, opportunity exists for international tourism visitation expansion along with trade export expansion with plane cargo holds returning empty on international flights on Singapore Airlines as advised by the Canberra Airport delegate to the CRJO.
- 7. Council will ensure due diligence and transparency in communicating with local producers to ensure equal access to information about trade opportunities. Council notes Mr Ng has a previous business partnership with Shaw Wines and assisted YVC fee free during previous trade visits to China and escorted Chinese delegates to Yass in 2017 and 2019.

(Jones) 315

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

At 5.51pm Councillor Charry left the meeting.

#### 5.3 PROPOSED BENDENINE WIND FARM

#### **SUMMARY**

Council notes correspondence from Wind Prospect, the scoping partner for construction company Mint Renewables, regarding their 90x 260M turbine 'Bendenine' project proposed for Bowning and Binalong. The company advises its intention to lodge its scoping report to the Department of Planning, Housing & Infrastructure (DPHI) in early January 2026.

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- A Mayoral letter of objection to the project be sent to the proponents and the appropriate approval departments highlighting the lodgement of the scoping report between January and 31 March 2026 as highly inappropriate in a bushfire prone community and disregards community views.
- 2. A Mayoral letter be sent to and a meeting requested of the Australian Energy Commissioner and NSW Energy and Planning Ministers, detailing the impact on our community and council resources to date, along with the future impact on our community wellbeing of a project progressing during our highest bushfire danger season, and for some farming families who are still in the shearing cycle.

(Jones) 316

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

AGAINST: Nil

At 6.03pm Councillor Charry returned to the meeting.

### 5.4 JOINT ADVOCACY - COMMUNITY BENEFIT SHARING PAYMENT - TRANSGRID POWER LINES

#### **SUMMARY**

This report recommends joint advocacy by the five councils impacted by Humelink infrastructure for an ongoing community benefit contribution payment scheme made to the councils in order to support the ongoing provision of infrastructure and services, therefore benefiting the whole community.

#### **RESOLVED that Council:**

- 1. Formally write to the Australian Energy Regulator (AER), Chair Clare Savage and CEO Anthea Harris requesting a meeting with all five Mayors of Yass Valley Council, Snowy Valleys Council, Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Wagga Wagga City Council, and Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council regarding the AER's immediate consideration and support to require or facilitate Transgrid's agreement to community benefit-sharing payments, with payments commencing in 2027 at the completion of the Humelink Project.
- 2. Advocate jointly with Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Snowy Valleys Council, Wagga Wagga City Council, and Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council to Transgrid and the NSW Government for establishment of an annual payment of \$10,000 per kilometre indexed for the lifetime of the transmission lines.
- 3. Thank Minister Sharpe, Energy Commissioner Tony Mahar and Transgrid CEO Brett Redman for past meetings with the host councils and seek their ongoing support in advocating for fair and meaningful benefit-sharing arrangements for host communities. Council and communities are giving the cities power security while the amenity of the regions is being adversely affected for decades.

(Jones) 317

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

6.2 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. DA250398 - GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATIONS - 736 CHILDOWLA ROAD, BOOKHAM

#### **SUMMARY**

This report presents the assessment of development application no. DA250398 for the proposed geotechnical investigations at 736 Childowla Road, Bookham. The proposed geotechnical investigations are earthworks, including boreholes and test pits, and are to occur across 12 properties. The application is referred to Council as a total of 23 objections were received during the public exhibition period. Approval is recommended.

RESOLVED that conditional development consent be issued for development application no DA250398 for the geotechnical investigations at 736 Childowla Road, Bookham

**Motion Lapsed** 

- 1. Council refuses consent for DA 250398 Geotechnical investigations 736 Childowla Rd, Bookham.
- Council notes the works are associated with Squadron Energy's State Significant
   Development estimated at \$2 billion and that in all instances to date early works of SSD are
   part of integrated reports best analysed and funded by the State Government.
- 3. Council notes this is the first test of a State Significant Development seeking its early works approval across the significantly large footprint of the Bookham Wind-farm Project as it is described on the State Planning Portal, and the associated documents including the Squadron Energy map that details the 43 test pits and 26 bore hole sites to inform the BKWF project of 100 x 265 M tall turbines, BESS storage pads and transmission infrastructure.
- 4. Yass Valley Council is of a view that the full integrated state significant reporting process should not be deviated from to ensure Council's Development Control Plan and Pol 07 on Renewable Energy Development forms part of the assessment.

"Having considered the social, environmental, economic and strategic planning impacts on the Yass Valley

communities and the cumulative impacts of the four approved wind farm sites Council is of the view that it

has reached the maximum number of industrial turbines for the Local Government Area.

While supportive of renewable energy in general, Council opposes in principle, further large-scale wind turbine sites in Yass Valley."

- 5. Council considers departing from the established State assessment of integrated reports for State Significant early works deviates from the Yass LEP objectives including for Primary Production zone of ensuring the best outcome from and for the land, our settlement strategy and Development Control Plan.
- 6. It diminishes the opportunity to consider under the NSW SEPP SSD cumulative Impact policy the cumulative impact of projects in our area from their inception from biosecurity risks of the necessary vehicles, movement of soils across dozens of rural properties and risk to waterways and habitat degradation from the geo-investigations we are rejecting now, to the impact of unprecedented numbers of turbines proposed for a known bush fire prone area in cluster formations and height never experienced in NSW, their impact on the native birdlife and bat colonies and importantly, the impact on our rural residents mental health, wellbeing, village cohesion and sustainability.

 Council attaches to this refusal a mayoral minute and associated submission on fire suppression when considering the cumulative impact of industrial scale SSD wind projects in Yass Valley.

(Jones/Rothwell) 318

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

### 6.3 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. DA250320 - MULTI-DWELLING HOUSING - 7 HANLEY PLACE, YASS

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the assessment of development application no. DA250320 for multi dwelling housing (six dwellings) at 7 Hanley Place, Yass. The application attracted 10 submissions including one in support and nine raising objections or concerns. The proposal seeks a variation to a number of planning controls, including maximum height and minimum site area for multi-dwelling housing in the LEP, setbacks to side/rear boundaries in the DCP, the building envelope, and 88B restrictions. Refusal is recommended.

RESOLVED that development application no. DA250320 for multi dwelling housing (six dwellings) at 7 Hanley Place, Yass, be refused on the following grounds:

- The proposal does not comply with the development standard contained in clause 4.1D(3)(a) of the Yass Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013 in relation to the minimum site area per dwelling. The development standard requirements a minimum site area of 400m² per dwelling. The proposal has a site area of 319.5m² per dwelling.
- 2. The exception to the development standard contained in clause 4.1D(3)(a) pursuant to clause 4.6 of the Yass Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013 is not supported as the applicant's written request has not demonstrated that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable or unnecessary and that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds. As such, development consent cannot be granted in accordance with clause 4.6(3).

(Carter/Charry) 319

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

AGAINST: Councillors C Burgess, J Jones and D Rothwell

### 6.4 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. DA250371 - DWELLING HOUSE - 600 CHILDOWLA ROAD, BOOKHAM

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the assessment of development application no. DA250371 for a dwelling house at 600 Childowla Road, Bookham. The application is referred to Council as it involves an exception (by greater than 10%) to the minimum lot size development standard for a dwelling in the RU1 Primary Production Zone. The application did not attract submissions. Refusal is recommended.

Recommendation that development application no. DA250371 for a proposed dwelling house at 600 Childowla Road, Bookham be refused on the following grounds:

- 1. The subject land does not benefit from a dwelling entitlement under Clause 4.2B of the Yass Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013.
- 2. The exception to the development standard contained in clause 4.2B(3)(a) pursuant to clause 4.6 Yass Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013 is not supported as the applicant's written request has not demonstrated that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable and unnecessary in this instance and that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds. As such, development consent for the exception to the development standard to allow a dwelling house cannot be granted in accordance with clause 4.6(3).

<u>Motion Lapsed</u>

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. Conditional development consent is issued for development application no. DA250371 for dwelling house at 600 Childowla Road, Bookham. Council is satisfied that the applicant's written request has demonstrated that compliance with the development standard contained in clause 4.2B(3)(a) is unreasonable or unnecessary and that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds for the exception. The applicant has demonstrated the direct relationship between the proposed dwelling house for residential use and the viability, improvement, and diversification of the berry farm's along with improved land management, which supports the objectives of the RU1 Primary Production zone.
- Appropriate conditions of development consent are to be included to ensure the demolition/removal of unapproved structures upon occupation of the new dwelling.

(Burgess/McGrath) 320

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 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. DA250311 - DUAL OCCUPANCY DWELLING HOUSE WITH ATTACHED GARAGE/WORKSHOP - 6 DISCOVERY DRIVE, YASS

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the assessment of development application no. DA250311 for a dwelling house (creating dual occupancy) with garage/workshop, and earthworks and stormwater realignment works at 6 Discovery Drive, Yass. The application attracted five objections, and relevant concerns cannot be addressed by conditions. Refusal is recommended.

Recommended that development application no. DA250311 for a dwelling house (creating dual occupancy) with garage/workshop, and earthworks and stormwater realignment works at 6 Discovery Drive, Yass, be refused as the form and the design of the proposed building, especially by way of size and scale, is:

 Inconsistent and incompatible with the surrounding development and neighbourhood character of the locality. The proposed development will therefore have an adverse and unacceptable impact on the neighbourhood character, including the streetscape and landscape; and

- Inconsistent with the following merit-based objectives and controls of the Yass Valley Development Control Plan 2024:
  - B5 Neighbourhood Character
  - Part D Residential Development Objectives, specifically in relation to ensuring that buildings respect the topography and neighbourhood in which they are located, and encouraging new and infill residential development that responds to site constraints, streetscape and neighbourhood character
  - D1.6 Residential Building Design, specifically in relation to (a) dwelling design must have regard for the character of the locality, and (b) dwellings should be of similar scale and character to existing dwellings in the general locality

**Motion Lapsed** 

#### **RESOLVED That:**

- 1. Conditional development consent be issued for development application no. DA250311 for a dwelling house (creating dual occupancy) with garage/workshop, and earthworks and stormwater realignment works at 6 Discovery Drive, Yass, subject to conditions requiring the use of a heritage-style colour palette (e.g. steel blue, eucalyptus green, sandstone cream) and for details of this colour palette to be submitted to council for approval prior to the issue of a construction certificate.
- Council requires the removal of the 'Leighton Green' conifers/pines (Cupressocyparis leylandii) that have been planted within proximity to the easements. Appropriate details of the vegetation buffer to be planted be submitted to council prior to the issue of construction certificate.

(Rothwell/Charry) 321

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

Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillor A Cameron

6.6 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. DA250138 - MULTI DWELLING DEVELOPMENT AND STRATA TITLE SUBDIVISION - 141 MEEHAN STREET, YASS

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the assessment of development application DA250138 for the development of 141 Meehan Street, Yass resulting in four dwellings and a five lot Strata title subdivision. The application attracted four objections and relevant concerns can be addressed by conditions. Approval is recommended.

RESOLVED that conditional development consent be issued for development application no. DA250138 for the development of 141 Meehan Street, Yass resulting in four dwellings and a five lot Strata title subdivision.

(Carter/Charry) 322

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

D Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillor F Flanery

### 6.9 CROWN LAND MANAGER - WEE JASPER MEMORIAL HALL AND TENNIS COURTS TO WEE JASPER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

#### **SUMMARY**

Through mutual agreement between NSW Crown Lands, Yass Valley Council (YVC) and the Wee Jasper Community Association (WJCA), Council is relinquishing the Crown Land Manager role, of Wee Jasper Memorial Hall and Tennis Courts, situated on LOT:1 DP:515956, 6426 Wee Jasper Road, Wee Jasper, Reserve: 86113.

Following discussions between NSW Crown Lands, the WJCA and Council, the WJCA have agreed to be appointed as Crown Land Manager for Reserve 86113.

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- The advice from the Wee Jasper Community Association be noted.
- 2. The Minister for Water, Property & Housing be advised that Yass Valley Council relinquishes all interest and management of Lot 1 DP 515956, 6426 Wee Jasper Road, Wee Jasper, Reserve: 86113 (i.e. Wee Jasper Memorial Hall and Tennis Courts site).

(Cameron/Flanery) 323

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 6.12 CRAGO MILL STAGE 2 REVIEW

#### **SUMMARY**

In line with the Financial Sustainability Roadmap, Council has completed a review of Stage 2 of the Crago Mill Precinct Project, to assess whether to proceed with Stage 2 of the project. This report presents the findings of the review and recommendations regarding Stage 2 of the Crago Mill Precinct Project.

#### **Recommend that Council resolves:**

- To discontinue the full completion of Stage 2 of the Crago Mill Precinct Project as currently endorsed, primarily not to proceed with redevelopment of the historic Crago Mill building and building of new commercial premises, due to the impact on the Council's financial position and ongoing sustainability in the short and long term.
- 2. To demolish the existing administration building as contemplated in Stage 2 of the current project plan.
- 3. To allocate up to \$350,000 for the beautification of the open space as shown on the site plan, incorporating a yarning circle.
- 4. To allocate up to \$100,000 to apply turf and construction of a fence around the proposed Commercial Building site.
- 5. To allocate up to \$50,000 to construct a fence around the site for the Historic Crago Mill Building.
- 6. That the structural assessment and design work related to the Historic Crago Mill Building progresses, allocating \$400,000 for this work.
- 7. That a report progresses to Council should funding be sourced to undertake further work to the Historic Crago Mill Building.

8. Council staff to investigate and progress the subdivision of the proposed land area identified for the new commercial building, to potentially sell this site.

**Motion Lapsed** 

#### **RESOLVED that Council:**

- 1. To discontinue the full completion of Stage 2 of the Crago Mill Precinct Project as currently endorsed, primarily not to proceed with redevelopment of the historic Crago Mill building and building new premises, due to the impact on the Council's current financial position.
- To demolish the existing administration building as completed in Stage 2 of the current project plan due to the cost of the repairs that would be required to the building to meet current occupation standards.
- 3. To design and construct the landscaping of the open space as shown on the site plan in ways that enhance environmental and social outcomes. This includes allocation of up to \$500,000 to undertake landscape treatments including the construction of paths, dark sky compliant lighting, seating, fencing and planting schemes which reduce the reliance on irrigation (post establishment), fertiliser, enhance biodiversity and promote flora suitable to Yass's climate and where possible exhibit flora of the region.
- 4. To allocate up to \$50,000 to construct an appropriate fence around the site for the Historic Crago Mill Building. This may involve environmental and heritage considerations.
- 5. That the structural assessment and design work related to the Historic Crago Mill Building progresses, allocating \$400,000 for this work.
- 6. That a report progresses to Council if grant/beneficiary funding sources to undertake further work to the Historic Crago Mill Building become available.
- 7. Council staff to investigate the feasibility of subdividing the proposed land area identified for the new commercial development, to potentially sell this site.
- 8. Allocate minimum of 2 years of maintenance funding for the landscaping works.

(Flanery/Carter) 324

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

AGAINST: Councillors K Butler, J Jones and D Rothwell

#### 6.13 DRAFT POLICY - INTERACTION BETWEEN COUNCIL OFFICIALS

#### **SUMMARY**

The *Draft Interaction Between Council Officials Policy* provides best practice guidance for positive and effective working relationships between councillors and other council officials working for Yass Valley Council. It is proposed as a subordinate policy to the prevailing Code of Conduct adopted by Council.

#### **RESOLVED that Council:**

1. Endorse the draft Interaction Between Council Officials Policy for public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days and if no submission are received, the policy be adopted.

2. Authorises the CEO to independently make periodic changes to the table contained within the Interaction Between Council Officials Policy, in line with changes to organisation design and related operational arrangements.

(Cameron/Carter) 325

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

### 6.14 PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURES POLICY AND COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURES ACT 2022 (NSW)

#### **SUMMARY**

The *Public Interest Disclosures Act 2022* (PID Act) commenced on 1 October 2023. The PID Act is designed to develop a 'speak up' culture by encouraging public officials to report serious wrongdoing and to protect them when they do, often referred to as 'whistle-blower' protections.

Under the PID Act, Council was required to have in place a Public Interest Disclosures Policy in place by 1 October 2023. It is noted that Yass Valley Council was not compliant with this requirement and therefore this is a priority of the newly appointed Senior Advisor Governance to implement alongside the CEO. The NSW Ombudsman's Office oversees the compliance relating to PID across all Agencies and Council has annual reporting requirements relating to PID Complaints/Disclosures, along with a self-assessment on the culture of the Organisation relating to 'speaking up.'

#### **RESOLVED that Council:**

- 1. Endorses the draft Public Interest Disclosures Policy for public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days and if no submissions are received, the policy be adopted.
- 2. Undertakes mandatory training on requirements under the Public Interest Disclosures Act 2022 (NSW) by all Councillors and Staff prior to 31 December 2025.

(McGrath/Burgess) 326

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

### 6.16 FINAL ADOPTION OF REMADE CODE OF CONDUCT AND SUPPORTING PROCEDURES FOR ADMINISTRATION

#### **SUMMARY**

Council has a statutory obligation under the NSW *Local Government Act 1993* to review its previously adopted Code of Conduct and supporting procedures within 12 months of being elected. In July 2025 Council resolved to remake its Code of Conduct and supporting procedures for administration of the Code in line with model instruments issued by the NSW Office of Local Government. Those documents were placed on public exhibition throughout July and August with a view to referral back to Council for final adoption no later than in September 2025.

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. The Yass Valley Council Code of Conduct appearing in the published report on that matter to the September 2025 meeting of Council be adopted.
- 2. The Yass Valley Council Procedures for the Administration of the Code of Conduct appearing in the published report on that matter to the September 2025 meeting of Council be adopted.
- 3. Council notes that further review of each of these instruments will be necessary well before the end of the current term of Council, if action on the reform initiatives announced by the NSW Minister of Local Government in December 2025 proceeds as anticipated.

(Carter/Rothwell) 327

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 6.17 REVIEW OF COUNCIL INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER

#### **SUMMARY**

A review of the Internal Audit service model was completed by Canberra Region Joint Organisation (CRJO) earlier this year. This review led to a change in operating model for the Internal Audit and Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) going forward, shifting to an outsourced internal audit function.

This report seeks endorsement of the updated internal Audit Charter, to ensure alignment with the new arrangements for the Internal Audit service provided by CRJO to Yass Valley Council.

RESOLVED that Council endorse the YVC Internal Audit Charter – September 2025 - Final.

(Rothwell/Charry) 328

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 6.18 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 August 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 August 2025 be noted.

(Carter/Charry) 329

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

Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillor A Cameron

At 7.55pm Councillor Cameron left the Meeting.

#### **Extension of Time**

RESOLVED that Council extend the meeting by 30 minutes finishing at 8.30pm.

(McGrath/Carter) 330

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

Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

At 7.58pm Councillor Cameron returned to the Meeting.

#### 6.20 2024/25 DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REFERRAL TO AUDITOR GENERAL

#### **SUMMARY**

In accordance with s413 *Local Government Act 1993*, approval is sought to refer the Draft 2024/25 Annual Financial Statements to Council's external auditor, the NSW Audit Office.

RESOLVED that the draft 2024/25 Annual Financial Statements be signed in accordance with s413 (1), (2) and (3) Local Government Act 1993 and referred to the NSW Audit Office.

(Carter/McGrath) 331

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### **6.21 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

#### **SUMMARY**

This monthly financial report provides information about Council's financial position at the end of August 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 August 2025 be noted.

(Cameron/Charry) 332

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

## 6.22 SUBMISSION ON YASS VALLEY COUNCIL - AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION'S INVESTING IN CHEAPER, CLEANER ENERGY AND THE NET ZERO TRANSFORMATION REPORT - 15 SEPTEMBER 2025

#### **SUMMARY**

To advise of Council's Submission on Yass Valley Council - Australian Government Productivity Commission's Investing in cheaper, cleaner energy and the net zero transformation report - 15 September 2025), as further advocacy for the protection of Yass Valley from turbine renewable energy projects as per Council's Renewable Energy Development policy.

#### RESOLVED that Council notes the submission has been made.

(Flanery/Charry) 333

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

Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillor A Cameron

#### 6.23 2025 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW CONFERENCE MOTIONS

#### **SUMMARY**

At the Council Meeting of 28 August 2025, Council resolved (Resolution 290) that:

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

This report seeks consideration on Motions to be put to this upcoming Conference.

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. Council submit to LGNSW the following motions for consideration at the 2025 LGNSW Annual Conference:
  - National Messaging System for targeted emergency alerts (Motion 1)
  - Restoration of Funding for The Green Army or similar grassroots program supporting First Nations & Council collaborations (Motion 2)
  - Establishment of a NSW Drought Taskforce and the reinstatement of drought as natural disaster (Motion 3)
  - Protect rural and regional communities from the impacts of State Significant Electricity Projects as afforded to cities and the emerging need for review to adequately assess cumulative projects impact on bushfire protection (Motion 4)

(McGrath/Charry) 334

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 7. Notice of Motion

#### 7.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR ALLAN MCGRATH

Councillor Allan McGrath has given notice that at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 25 September 2025 he will move the following motion.

#### **RESOLVED** that

- 1. Refer the matter to the local transport forum requesting supporting the submission to Transport for NSW to review the speed limit requesting a reduction to 40km/h speed limit for Mont Street, part Cliff Street, part Links Road, and all of Weemilah Street Yass.
- 2. Make a submission to TfNSW for the speed reduction.
- 3. A report and recommendations be prepared addressing the feasibility and likely benefits of establishing a 40km/h speed limit and/or other traffic calming measures for Mont Street, part Cliff Street, part Links Road, and all of Weemilah Street Yass.

(McGrath/Charry)335

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 8. Questions with Notice

#### 8.1 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE - CR ADRIAN CAMERON

#### **Question – Our Environment**

Members of our Community have commented upon the considerable resources of the Yass Valley Council which are invested in maintaining our existing parks, gardens and sporting reserves. However, community members are asking in the light of their changing climate what resources are being devoted to investing in our environment, our reserves streets and highways for the future.

Over the past two years, how many trees have been chopped down in the Yass Valley LGA by our council staff or its contractors and for what reasons; and how many trees have been planted by our council staff or its contractors in our LGA in the past two years?

#### Response

The removal of trees within the Yass LGA on council owned/managed land has been the result of:

- (i) An immediate risk to public safety the tree is dead, dying or dangerous; or
- (ii) An identified risk of damage to council infrastructure (i.e. water and sewer pipes, stormwater drains, footpaths, buildings or playground equipment); or
- (iii) Incompatible tree species that have been identified as a risk to critical infrastructure (i.e. underground services or power lines); or
- (iv) Delivery of a roads project and/or maintenance issue (i.e. road re-alignment, reduction in line of sight).

Council has removed approximately 70 trees within the local government area as a result of the above-mentioned circumstances.

To ensure that appropriately identified species are planted in a way that complements the local area, heritage, and environment, Council has postponed offset plantings until the development of Council's Tree Management Strategy is complete.

#### **Question - Our Planned Tree Management Strategy**

Community members are asking what is happening with regard to this project as they are enthusiastic to see its implementation and some to assist with the project.

Please advise on the timeline for this, how community input will be incorporated into the brief for the project, and will there be a project committee [similar to the Yass Pool Redevelopment Project Committee] including community members from various groups and with expertise to drive this Tree Management Project?

#### Response

The scope of work for the Tree Management Strategy has been finalised and the procurement process for the engagement of a suitable consultant to develop the strategy can now commence. It is council's intention to engage a consultant in November 2025.

A component of the scope of work requires community and stakeholder engagement to capture the knowledge and expertise of community members and groups. This information will be used to inform the strategy.

The community and stakeholder engagement process will comprise:

- (i) Engagement with community groups and individual community members
- (ii) Engagement with stakeholders including utility providers
- (iii) Workshops/drop-in sessions
- (iv) Engagement with relevant council staff

There is not intended to be a committee established for the development of the strategy.

#### Motion

That a committee of 2 councillors and a minimum of 3 community members be established to assist with the development of the tree management strategy.

(Cameron/Flanery) 336

#### Motion

That the Motion from Councillor Cameron be returned to the October 2025 council meeting.

(Cameron/Butler) 337

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 9. Minutes and Recommendations of Council Committees

#### **Extension of Time**

RESOLVED that Council meeting be extended for a further 30 minutes finishing at 8.59pm to finalise the items in the business paper.

(Carter/Butler) 338

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

#### 9.2 MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM HELD ON 19 AUGUST 2025

#### **REPORT**

The minutes of the Local Transport Forum meeting held on 19 August 2025 are included in **Attachment A**.

As per the Terms of Reference, the Local Transport Forum provides advice and recommendations to Council only, with no decision-making delegations. Therefore, actions identified in the attached minutes will require the formal approval by Council before any commitment or adjustment to the Operational Plan/Budget is made.

Accordingly the minutes are presented for information.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Local Transport Forum meeting held on 19 August 2025 be noted and adopt the following recommendations:

#### 1. MURRUMBATEMAN FIELD DAYS 2025

That the 2025 Murrumbateman Field Days event (18-19 October 2025) and its associated management plans, procedures and plans be approved subject to the following conditions:

- The event organiser shall supply Council with a copy of their public risk insurance for at least \$20M, which notes Yass Valley Council, NSW Police Force and Transport for NSW (TfNSW) as interested parties;
- The event organiser shall implement the Temporary Traffic Management Plan (TTMP) prepared by Territory Traffic Engineering updated on 11/4/2025;
- Event marshals and event participants will at all times obey the provisions of NSW Transport Legislation;
- Event organisers, event marshals, parking marshals and event participants shall ensure vehicles entering the site are parked as soon as possible to minimise any vehicle back logs and queuing on Murrumbateman Road;
- All entrances/exits to the site are to be clearly and prominently marked;
- Event marshals and/or parking marshals shall ensure vehicles entering the site have priority over vehicles exiting the site to minimise queuing;
- The event organiser is to arrange for a TfNSW Road Occupancy Licence and Speed Zone Authorisation for the Barton Highway;
- The event organiser is to arrange the supply and installation/removal of appropriate signs identified in the TTMP. All personnel involved must be appropriately accredited;
- That the event organiser is responsible for public notification of the road closure;
- Event organisers, event marshals, volunteers and event participants are to take all
  possible actions to minimise the effect of the event on the non-event community,
  throughout the event;
- The event organiser is to obtain separate approval from NSW Police Hume Command;
- The event organiser is to ensure any local traffic and emergency services vehicles can safely and efficiently access/egress any property impacted by the TTMP;
- Event organisers shall comply with the above conditions and the undertakings in its submission. Failure to comply will immediately void this approval.

### 2. SAFETY CONCERNS COOKS HILL ROAD NEAR YASS WTP That:

1. Yass Police consider active monitoring of the area.

- 2. Council considers opportunities to improve line marking etc.
- 3. SAFETY CONCERNS INTERSECTIONS LACHLAN VALLEY WAY, BURLEY GRIFFIN WAY AND BOWNING ROAD WITH THE HUME HIGHWAY Late Report That the safety concerns be referred to TfNSW for their consideration and action as

appropriate, which may include:

- Vehicle activated signs
- Reducing speeds at major intersections on both the highway and side roads
- Improved intersection lighting particularly to deal with fog
- Improved directional signs and possible use of gantry signs on the Hume Highway
- Permanent interactive managed VMS's for warning of changed conditions (e.g. like the VMS on Yass Valley Way near Rayner Place)

#### 4. Get NSW Active Grant 2025

That Council endorse a proposed new footpath and associated pedestrian crossings from West Street to the Murrumbateman Public School as a priority project for Council to submit an application for funding under the current Get NSW Active program round.

(Flanery/Rothwell) 339

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, 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 YVC.PE.29.2025 Yass Memorial Pool Power Upgrade

Item 10.1 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.

(Cameron/McGrath) 340

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

Closed Council commenced at 8.30pm.

#### 10.1 YVC.PE.29.2025 YASS MEMORIAL POOL POWER UPGRADE

#### **SUMMARY**

To recommend to Council a tenderer to deliver the Yass Memorial Pool power upgrade project.

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. The tender submitted by Pateman Power Solutions under the contract YVC.PE.29.2025 Yass Pool Power Upgrade be accepted for a total cost of \$330,241.34.
- 2. An adjustment in the first quarter budget review include the additional project costs totalling \$11,100 sourced from the Victoria Park internal reserve.

(Charry/Flanery) 341

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

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

Open Council resumed at 8.36pm whereupon the Mayor made the resolutions passed during closed session public.

The meeting closed at 8.37pm.