

SHIRE OF WILLIAMS

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2006 COMMENCING AT 7.32PM

1.0 PRESENT

Cr John Cowcher (President), Cr Ashley Stone (Deputy President), Cr David Earnshaw, Cr Moya Carne, Cr Robert Bowden, Cr Gary Cowcher, Cr Graham Prowse, Cr Greg Cavanagh, Jim Epiro (Chief Executive Officer), Ian Ball (Deputy Chief Executive Officer)

Wendy McDonald, Dawn Sanderson, Ross Major

2.0 APOLOGIES

Cr Richard Johnstone, Lesley Ryan

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cr Prowse / Cr Earnshaw

That the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Electors held on 16th November 2005, as read, be confirmed as true and accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

4.0 RECEIPT OF ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Cr Carne / Cr Stone

That the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2006, as circulated, be received.

Carried

5.0 RECEIPT OF AUDITORS REPORT

Cr Bowden / Cr Prowse

That the Auditors Report for the year ended 30th June 2006, as circulated, be received.

Carried

6.0 RECEIPT OF PRESIDENTS REPORT

Cr Cavanagh / Cr Earnshaw

That the Presidents Report for the year ended 30th June 2006, as circulated, be received.

Carried

7.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Swimming Pool

Dawn Sanderson asked if the sunshade over the toddlers' pool would be replaced. The President advised that a funding application has been made to replace and upgrade all shade covers at the swimming pool. In the meantime the old cover could be resurrected for the remainder of the season.

Fry Street Subdivision

Cr Carne asked what the situation was with the development of housing blocks off Fry Street by Landcorp. The CEO advised that Landcorp are still assessing the costs to install infrastructure. They are having problems accessing contractors and they are also still negotiating with Water Corporation regarding the extent of the sewerage system upgrade. If the expected loss is more than \$250,000 after taking into account development costs and expected sales then Landcorp will have to go back to State Cabinet for approval.

Untidy Landholdings

Cr Prowse asked if Council had any avenues to control untidy landholdings. The CEO advised that under Schedule 3.1 of the Local Government Act if Council considered that the landholding was not in keeping with the ambience of surrounding properties then the owner could be requested to improve the property standard.

Cr Prowse recommended that Council take action under Schedule 3.1 of the Local Government Act.

Fire Break Order

Dawn Sanderson queried Council's fire break regulations on larger blocks within the townsite. The CEO advised that under Council's Local Law relating to fire breaks all land exceeding 2024 square metres within the town site must have all inflammable material likely to be conducive to the outbreak, spread or extension of fire, removed and grass maintained to a height no greater than 10cm.

Ross Major thanked Councillors one and all for their committed service to the district of Williams. Dawn Sanderson reiterated these sentiments.

8.0 MEETING CLOSURE

The President thanked everyone for their attendance and interest and declared the meeting closed at 8.00pm.