

Council Meeting Minutes

Statutory Meeting 26 October 2022

Held at 5.30pm in the Council Chambers at 5 Market Place, Hamilton

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1. Present

Councillors

Cr Bruach Colliton Cr David Robertson Cr Mary-Ann Brown Cr Albert Calvano Cr Helen Henry Cr Greg McAdam

Officers

Mr Tony Doyle, Chief Executive Officer Ms Marg Scanlon, Director Infrastructure and Sustainability

2. Acknowledgement of Country

The Chief Executive Officer, Tony Doyle read the acknowledgement of country:

The Meeting opened at 5:30pm

"Our meeting is being held on the traditional land of the gunditjmrara (Goon-ditchmara), tjap wurrung (Tap-Woorung) and bunganditj (Bow-an-dik) people.

I would like to pay my respects to their elders, past and present, and the elders from other communities who may be here today."

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Other than an official Council recording, no video or audio recording of proceedings of Council Meetings will be allowed without the permission of Council.

3. Prayer

Director Infrastructure and Sustainability led the meeting in a prayer.

Almighty god, we humbly beseech thee to vouchsafe thy blessing upon this council.

Direct and prosper its deliberations to the advancement of thy glory and the true welfare of the people of the Southern Grampians shire.

4. Apologies

Cr Katrina Rainsford

Mr Kevin Leddin, Acting Director Community and Corporate Services Ms Belinda Johnson, Acting Director Planning and Development

5. Annual Report

Outgoing Mayor delivered the annual report to the Community.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Annual Report, outlining Council's achievements and progress towards the Council Plan, delivered by the Mayor, be received.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MOVED: Cr Brown SECONDED: Cr Calvano

That the Annual Report, outlining Council's achievements and progress towards the Council Plan, delivered by the Mayor, be received.

CARRIED

6. Election of Mayor 2022/2023

The *Local Government Act 2020* provides that prior to the election of the Mayor, Council may resolve to elect a Mayor for a term of one or two years.

RECOMMENDATION

I move that the Mayor of the Southern Grampians Shire Council be appointed for a one-year term.

The Chief Executive Officer shall conduct the election of Mayor for 2022/2023.

The Mayor will be invested with the Mayoral Pendant by the Chief Executive Officer. The Mayor will take the Chair.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MOVED: Cr Brown SECONDED: Cr McAdam

I move that the Mayor of the Southern Grampians Shire Council be appointed for a one year term.

The Chief Executive Officer shall conduct the election of Mayor for 2022/2023.

The Mayor will be invested with the Mayoral Pendant by the Chief Executive Officer.

The Mayor will take the Chair.

CARRIED

7. Response by Mayor

The Mayor, Cr David Robertson thanked the community, his family and fellow Councillors for their support in being elected to Mayor.

The Mayor, Cr David Robertson moved a Motion of thanks to the outgoing Mayor, Cr Bruach Colliton.

MOTION

That Southern Grampians Shire Council give thanks to the outgoing Mayor, Bruach Colliton for his commitment, dedication and hard work during his Mayoral Term.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MOVED: Cr Robertson SECONDED: Cr Henry

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CARRIED

8. Election of Deputy Mayor 2022/2023

Council's Governance Rules provides that the process for the election of a Deputy Mayor, should Council determine that it is appropriate to appoint a Deputy Mayor, will follow the same procedure as for the election of the Mayor.

RECOMMENDATION

I move that a Deputy Mayor of the Southern Grampians Shire Council be appointed for a one-year term.

Should Council determine to appoint a Deputy Mayor for 2022/2023, the Mayor will conduct the election.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MOVED: Cr Brown SECONDED: Cr Colliton

I move that a Deputy Mayor of the Southern Grampians Shire Council be appointed for a one-year term.

Should Council determine to appoint a Deputy Mayor for 2022/2023, the Mayor will conduct the election.

CARRIED

9. Response by Deputy Mayor

The Deputy Mayor, Cr Henry thanked her fellow councillors for their support, and the entire Southern Grampians Shire Organisation and looks forward to serving as a Deputy to the Mayor.

10. Determination of Meeting Schedule

Council is requested to determine upon the Meeting Schedule for 2022/2023.

It is recommended that Meetings of Council are held on the second Wednesday of each month commencing at 5.30pm, preceded by an informal residents meeting commencing at 5.00pm and a Councillor Briefing Session.

Extra Councillor Briefing Sessions are anticipated to assist in the preparation of the 2022/2023 Annual Budget or other matters. These Briefing Sessions will be scheduled by the Chief Executive Officer in consultation with the Mayor, as required.

From time to time additional Council Meetings may also be required.

Council meetings be generally held in the Council Chambers, Market Place, Hamilton, unless otherwise varied by Council or the Chief Executive Officer.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. Meetings of Council be held on the second Wednesday of each month, except January 2023, commencing at 5.30pm.
- 2. Meetings of Council be preceded by a Councillor Briefing Session.
- 3. The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to set additional Councillor Briefing Sessions, call for additional Meetings of Council when required and move the location of Council Meetings and Briefings in consultation with the Mayor and Councillors.
- 4. The following schedule of dates for the holding of Council Meetings in 2022/2023 be adopted:

9 November 2022

14 December 2022

8 February 2023

8 March 2023

- 12 April 2023
- 10 May 2023

14 June 2023

- 12 July 2023
- 9 August 2023
- 13 September 2023
- 11 October 2023

5. The Statutory Meeting for 2023 be set for Wednesday 1 November 2023 commencing at 5.30pm.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MOVED: Cr Calvano SECONDED: Cr McAdam

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CARRIED

11. Management Reports

11.1 Appointment of Council Representatives

Directorate:	Kevin Leddin, Acting Director Community and Corporate Services
Author:	Tania Quinn, Acting Governance Coordinator
Attachments:	1. Précis of Committees

Executive Summary

Each year the Southern Grampians Shire Council is represented on a range of committees by its Councillors.

A review of the list of committees which require a Councillor to act as a formal representative of Council has been completed. This Report recommends that Councillors be appointed as representatives of Council to 10 committees.

Discussion

It is recommended that Councillor/s be appointed as representative/s of Council to the following committees:

- Audit and Risk Committee
- Planning Committee
- Hamilton Regional Livestock Exchange Advisory Committee
- CEO Employment and Remuneration Advisory Committee
- Hamilton Showgrounds Advisory Committee
- MAV Delegate
- South West Victoria Alliance
- Rural Councils Victoria
- Barwon South West Waste & Resource Recovery Group
- Green Triangle Action Group
- Rail Freight Alliance

For detailed information about the recommendation, purpose and membership of all the committees please see the attached Précis of Committees.

Legislation, Council Plan and Policy Impacts

The Governance Rules require a schedule of Council Meetings to be prepared and published to a broad section of the community, including on Council's website, at least once each year.

Section 53 of the *Local Government Act 2020* which requires Council to establish an Audit and Risk committee.

Disclosure of Interests

All Council Officers involved in the development and advice provided in this Report affirm that no general or material interests need to be declared in relation to any matters in this Report.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve Councillor delegates be appointed as representatives of Council to the following committees (table below):

Committees Required by Legislation		
Audit and Risk Committee	Cr: Henry	Cr: Robertson
Delegated Committees		
Planning Committee	Cr: McAdam	Cr: Brown
Advisory Committees Established by Council		
Hamilton Regional Livestock Exchange Advisory Committee	Cr: Brown	Cr: McAdam
CEO Employment and Remuneration Committee	Mayor Deputy Mayor	Cr: Colliton
Hamilton Showgrounds Advisory Committee	Cr: Rainsford	Cr: Robertson
Committees Established by Other Bodies		
MAV Delegate	Mayor	Proxy: Calvano
South West Victoria Alliance	Mayor	
Rural Councils Victoria	Cr: Brown	Proxy:
Barwon South West Waste & Resource Recovery Group	Cr: Henry	Proxy:
Green Triangle Action Group	Cr: Rainsford	Proxy:
Rail Freight Alliance	Cr: Rainsford	Proxy:

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MOVED: Cr McAdam SECONDED: Cr Calvano

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South West Victoria Alliance	Mayor	
Rural Councils Victoria	Cr: Brown	Proxy:
Barwon South West Waste & Resource Recovery Group	Cr: Henry	Proxy:
Green Triangle Action Group	Cr: Rainsford	Proxy:
Rail Freight Alliance	Cr: Rainsford	Proxy:

CARRIED

12. Close of Meeting

This concludes the business of the meeting.

Meeting closed at 6:19pm

Confirmed by resolution 9 November 2022

Chairman