

## Extra Ordinary Meeting

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, 23 February, 2017  
**Location:** Council Chambers, City Administrative Building, Bridge Road, Nowra  
**Time:** 5.00pm

**Membership** (Quorum - 7)  
All Councillors

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## Agenda

- 1. Apologies / Leave of Absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interest**
- 3. Notices of Motion / Questions on Notice**
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## **CL17.26    Rescission Motion - SA17.40    Building Better Regions Fund - Projects**

**HPERM Ref:**     D17/56590

**Submitted by:**    Clr Greg Watson  
                          Clr Mitchell Pakes  
                          Clr Bob Proudfoot

### **Purpose / Summary**

The following Rescission Motion, of which due notice has been given, is submitted for Council's consideration.

### **Recommendation**

That Council rescind the Resolution under Delegated Authority relating to Item SA17.40 of the Strategy and Assets Committee held on 21 February 2017 and the staff recommendation be adopted.

### **Background**

The following resolution was adopted under Delegated Authority at the Strategy and Assets Committee held on Tuesday 21 February 2017 (MIN17.105)

#### **RESOLVED** (Clr Findley / Clr Gash)

That:

1. Applications be made for the following projects under the Building Better Regions Fund – Infrastructure Projects Stream:
  - a. Woollamia Regional Boating Maintenance Facilities (Project cost \$1,980,000 with Council contribution of \$990,000)
  - b. Riversdale Development Proposal – in partnership with the Bundanon Trust. Council acknowledges and accepts there are contractual responsibilities and risks for Council in submitting the application.
2. Applications be made for the following projects under the Building Better Regions Fund – Community Investments Stream
  - a. Nowra Waterfront – investment strategy (Project cost \$500,000 with Council contribution of \$250,000)
  - b. Stewart Place – investment strategy (Project cost \$500,000 with Council contribution of \$250,000)

The Recommendation of the Staff in relation to this item was as follows:

“That:

1. Applications be made for the following projects under the Building Better Regions Fund – Infrastructure Projects Stream

- a. Woollamia Regional Boating Maintenance Facilities (Project cost \$1,980,000 with Council contribution of \$990,000)
- b. Shoalhaven Indoor Sports Centre (Project cost \$12,000,000 with Council contribution of \$8,000,000)
2. Applications be made for the following projects under the Building Better Regions Fund – Community Investments Stream
  - a. Nowra Waterfront – investment strategy (Project cost \$500,000 with Council contribution of \$250,000)
  - b. Stewart Place – investment strategy (Project cost \$500,000 with Council contribution of \$250,000)”

**Note by the General Manager**

Staff are in the process of preparing the application for the Woolamia Regional Boating Maintenance Facilities Project.

Substantial work had been completed for the Shoalhaven Indoor Sports Centre Project and can be completed if necessary.

Staff have been in contact with the consultant who is working with Bundanon Trust to ensure that should council’s final decision approve this as the second project then the application can be completed on time. Discussions will be commenced so that a Deed of Agreement can be prepared between Council and the Trust so that council’s financial commitments to meet the contract obligations is recoverable from the Trust.

At the time of writing steps were being taken to discuss with the Basketball Association an option for it to be the applicant for the Indoor Sports Centre Project.

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## LOCAL GOVERNMENT AMENDMENT (GOVERNANCE & PLANNING) ACT 2016

### Chapter 3, Section 8A Guiding principles for councils

#### (1) Exercise of functions generally

The following general principles apply to the exercise of functions by councils:

- (a) Councils should provide strong and effective representation, leadership, planning and decision-making.
- (b) Councils should carry out functions in a way that provides the best possible value for residents and ratepayers.
- (c) Councils should plan strategically, using the integrated planning and reporting framework, for the provision of effective and efficient services and regulation to meet the diverse needs of the local community.
- (d) Councils should apply the integrated planning and reporting framework in carrying out their functions so as to achieve desired outcomes and continuous improvements.
- (e) Councils should work co-operatively with other councils and the State government to achieve desired outcomes for the local community.
- (f) Councils should manage lands and other assets so that current and future local community needs can be met in an affordable way.
- (g) Councils should work with others to secure appropriate services for local community needs.
- (h) Councils should act fairly, ethically and without bias in the interests of the local community.
- (i) Councils should be responsible employers and provide a consultative and supportive working environment for staff.

#### (2) Decision-making

The following principles apply to decision-making by councils (subject to any other applicable law):

- (a) Councils should recognise diverse local community needs and interests.
- (b) Councils should consider social justice principles.
- (c) Councils should consider the long term and cumulative effects of actions on future generations.
- (d) Councils should consider the principles of ecologically sustainable development.
- (e) Council decision-making should be transparent and decision-makers are to be accountable for decisions and omissions.

#### (3) Community participation

Councils should actively engage with their local communities, through the use of the integrated planning and reporting framework and other measures.

### Chapter 3, Section 8B Principles of sound financial management

The following principles of sound financial management apply to councils:

- (a) Council spending should be responsible and sustainable, aligning general revenue and expenses.
- (b) Councils should invest in responsible and sustainable infrastructure for the benefit of the local community.
- (c) Councils should have effective financial and asset management, including sound policies and processes for the following:
  - (i) performance management and reporting,
  - (ii) asset maintenance and enhancement,
  - (iii) funding decisions,
  - (iv) risk management practices.
- (d) Councils should have regard to achieving intergenerational equity, including ensuring the following:
  - (i) policy decisions are made after considering their financial effects on future generations,
  - (ii) the current generation funds the cost of its services

### **Chapter 3, 8C Integrated planning and reporting principles that apply to councils**

The following principles for strategic planning apply to the development of the integrated planning and reporting framework by councils:

- (a) Councils should identify and prioritise key local community needs and aspirations and consider regional priorities.
- (b) Councils should identify strategic goals to meet those needs and aspirations.
- (c) Councils should develop activities, and prioritise actions, to work towards the strategic goals.
- (d) Councils should ensure that the strategic goals and activities to work towards them may be achieved within council resources.
- (e) Councils should regularly review and evaluate progress towards achieving strategic goals.
- (f) Councils should maintain an integrated approach to planning, delivering, monitoring and reporting on strategic goals.
- (g) Councils should collaborate with others to maximise achievement of strategic goals.
- (h) Councils should manage risks to the local community or area or to the council effectively and proactively.
- (i) Councils should make appropriate evidence-based adaptations to meet changing needs and circumstances.