

## Extra Ordinary Meeting

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, 24 May, 2018  
**Location:** Council Chambers, City Administrative Building, Bridge Road, Nowra  
**Time:** 4.00pm

**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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## **CL18.127 Rescission Motion - CL18.123 - Draft Integrated Strategic Plan Chapters 3 to 6 (Financials; Budget 2018/19; Fees, Charges and Rentals; Resourcing Strategy) - Public Exhibition**

**HPERM Ref:** D18/171441

**Submitted by:** Clr Andrew Guile  
Clr Greg Watson  
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 Motion relating to Item CL18.123 of the Council Meeting held on 22 May 2018.

### **Background**

The following resolution (MIN18.373) was adopted at the Council Meeting held on 22 May 2018.

*That Council:*

- 1. Includes the presented Chapter 3 Operation Plan – Financials as part of Council's Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan for public exhibition, for a period of 28 days*
- 2. Includes the presented Chapter 4 Operational Plan – Fees and Charges Information, as part of Council's Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan for public exhibition, for a period of 28 days*
- 3. Includes the presented Chapter 5 Operation Plan - Budget as part of Council's Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan for public exhibition, for a period of 28 days*
- 4. Includes the updated Chapter 6 Resourcing Strategy as part of Council's Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan for public exhibition, for a period of 28 days*
- 5. Investigate funding options during the public exhibition period for the employment of a Grants Officer to the value of \$120,000 and funding for the Tomerong public toilets, with a view to having both items funded in the 2018/19 budget*

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## **CL18.128 Notice of Motion - Draft Integrated Strategic Plan Chapters 3 to 6 (Financials; Budget 2018/19; Fees, Charges and Rentals; Resourcing Strategy) - Public Exhibition**

**HPERM Ref:** D18/171517

**Submitted by:** Clr Andrew Guile  
Clr Greg Watson  
Clr Bob Proudfoot

### **Purpose / Summary**

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

### **Recommendation**

That Council reconfigure the 2018/19 budget with an affordable rate increase.

### **Note by the General Manager**

This Notice of Motion will be dealt with if the preseding Rescission Motion is carried. Should this item be dealt with it will need significant amendment to specify exactly what the draft budget and rating structure will be for public exhibition purposes.

The draft DP/OP and rating structure must be exhibited for 28 days (min) and council resolve to "make the rates" before the end of June.

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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.