



# *Minutes*

## *Annual Electors Meeting*

*17 March  
2022*

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The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 6pm

## 1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Presiding Member	Cr W Della Bosca	President
Members	Cr B Close Cr J Cobden Cr L Granich Cr G Guerini Cr P Nolan Cr L Rose	Deputy President
Council Officers	N Warren C Watson G Brigg S Chambers L Della Bosca	Chief Executive Officer Executive Manager Corporate Services Executive Manager Infrastructure Executive Manager Regulatory Services Minute Taker
Apologies:	Ben Forbes	Finance Manager
Observers:	Mrs. Kaye Crafter and Ms. Onida Truran	
Leave of Absence:	Nil	

## 2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Annual Electors Meeting, 9 February 2021

*AE1/2022*

*Moved Cr Nolan/Seconded Cr Cobden*

*That the minutes from the Annual Electors Meeting held on the 9 February 2021 be confirmed as a true record of proceedings.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

## 3 ADOPTION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE 202/2021 FINANCIAL YEAR

AE2/2022

Moved Cr Nolan/Seconded Cr Close

*That the Shire of Yilgarn Annual Report and Financial Statements for the 2020/2021 Financial year be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

#### **4 ADOPTION OF THE 2020/2021 AUDITORS REPORT**

*AE3/2022*

*Moved Cr Cobden/Seconded Cr Rose*

*That the Auditors Report for the 2020/2021 financial year be received and adopted.*

**Carried (7/0)**

#### **5 ADOPTION OF THE SHIRE PRESIDENTS REPORT**

*AE4/2022*

*Moved Cr Rose/Seconded Cr Guerini*

*That the Shire Presidents Report for the 2020/2021 financial year be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

#### **6 ADOPTION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT**

*AE5/2022*

*Moved Cr Cobden/Seconded Cr Guerini*

*That the Chief Executive Officers Report for the 2020/2021 financial year be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

#### **7 GENERAL BUSINESS OR OTHER BUSINESS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SHIRE PRESIDENT OR AS APPROVED BY THE ELECTORS PRESENT**

Prior to the Annual Electors meeting Ms. Onida Truran submitted questions to which the CEO provided answers, as below,

**Question 1** *What is the plan for the Tourism reserve of \$252 883.00.*

*Answer* *At the ordinary Council meeting held on the 20 May 2021, Council adopted the Shire of Yilgarn Tourism Marketing Strategy and Activation Plan (resolution 84/2021).*

*The Plan, produced by Market Creations, utilised desktop research on tourism industry related materials, a short interview style survey conducted on a cross*

*section of engaged residents and community representatives and a community workshop. A “Strength, Weakness, Opportunities and Threats” analysis was also conducted in relation to the Shire’s current tourism offering.*

*The Plan identified three phases of activations as follows:*

- *Brand Development and Awareness;*
- *Tourism infrastructure improvement and measuring awareness; and*
- *Event development and growing awareness and interest.*

*Phase one is progressing, with the rebranding of the Shire logo, establishment of a dedicated tourism website, a dedicated Shire and tourism social profile already achieved.*

*Phase two seeks to implement tourism infrastructure, with the Plan stating “Implementation and promotion of planned infrastructure improvements should occur in this phase.”*

*The Tourism Advisory Committee is in the planning and design process for a number of tourism related infrastructure projects. Funds held in the Tourism Reserve will be utilised for the implementation of these projects, once recommended by the Committee and endorsed by Council.*

**Question 2** *Is there a schedule for the upgrading of Sandlewood lodge? If so, can you please advise what it is? If not why not?*

*Answer* *Since the 2015/2016 budget, the Sandlewood Lodge has been allocated capital funds to upgrade 2 units per year.*

*This ceased in the current financial year, due to limited staffing hours available. Currently the Executive Manager Infrastructure and Asset Management Officer are undertaking a full review of all Shire assets, including buildings, and this will form the basis of an asset management strategy, for Council to consider with a full understanding of associated costs and liabilities.*

*A decision of future upgrades will be determined by Council, pending this review.*

**Question 3** *Can the shire invest in a Christmas tree & or trees (Emu park, Constellation Park & Rotary Park) to inject some Christmas spirit into the town ?*

*Answer* *The Executive Manager Infrastructure is currently obtaining costs associated with a Christmas Tree structure/s, which will be included in the 2022/2023 draft budget for Council’s consideration.*

## 8 CLOSURE

With there being no further business to discuss the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 6.07pm