Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Central Coast Council held in the Council Chamber at the Administration Centre, 19 King Edward Street, Ulverstone on Monday, 11 December 2023 commencing at 7.00pm.

### Councillor attendance

Cr Cheryl Fuller (Mayor) Cr John Beswick (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Garry Carpenter Cr Casey Hiscutt Cr Sophie Lehmann Cr Michael Smith Cr Philip Viney Cr Kate Wylie

# Councillor apologies

Cr Amanda Diprose

# **Employee attendance**

General Manager (Mr Barry Omundson) Director Community Services (Mr Daryl Connelly) Director Corporate Services (Mrs Samantha Searle) Director Infrastructure Services (Mr Paul Breaden) Executive Services Officer (Mr Ian Brunt)

## Media attendance

The media was not represented.

### Public attendance

Two members of the public attended during the course of the meeting.

## 388/2023 Welcome by the Mayor

## Digital recording of Council meetings

At the commencement of the meeting, the Mayor notified those present that the meeting will be digitally recorded and made publicly available through the Council's website.

Digital recordings will be conducted in accordance with Regulation 33 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* and the Council's Digital Recording Policy (109/2022).

## **Acknowledgement of Country**

Deputy Mayor stated as follows:

"The Central Coast Council acknowledges and pays respect to the traditional owners of lutrawita (Tasmania), the palawa/pakana people.

We acknowledge the Punnilerpanner tribe of this Northern Country, and in doing so, we celebrate one of the world's oldest continuing cultures."

# Statement of Values

Deputy Mayor stated as follows:

Guided by the diverse beliefs, experiences and backgrounds of the people we represent, we strive to make inspired and respectful decisions today that will build a better tomorrow.

### **Annual General Meeting 2023**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) has been called in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Notice of the AGM was given in The Advocate newspaper on Wednesday 22 November 2023.

### 389/2023 Confirmation of minutes

The Executive Services Officer reported as follows:

"The minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Council held on 6 December 2022 have already been circulated. The minutes are required to be confirmed for their accuracy.

The Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 provide that in confirming the minutes of a meeting, debate is allowed only in respect of the accuracy of the minutes."

■ Cr Hiscutt moved and Cr Wylie seconded, "That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Council held on 6 December 2022 be confirmed."

Carried unanimously

# 390/2023 Annual Report 2022-2023

The General Manager reported as follows:

"PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to allow the Council to receive the Annual Report 2022–2023.

BACKGROUND

The Local Government Act 1993 requires that Council prepare an Annual Report each year and invite the community to make submissions on its report for consideration at its Annual General Meeting (AGM).

On Wednesday 22 November 2023, the Council published its Annual Report 2022–2023 alongside a notice inviting public submissions on the report for consideration at its AGM.

The Annual Report was available from its Administration Centre and on the Council's website. Electors were invited to lodge written submissions by 4.00pm, 5 December 2023.

No submissions were received.

DISCUSSION

Discussion has been provided for within the Annual Report.

A short Annual Report 2022-2023 video will be played at the AGM, highlighting some of the key aspects of the report and the 2022-2023 year for the Central Coast Council.

#### **CONSULTATION**

A draft Annual Report was forwarded to the Tasmanian Audit Office for review in accordance with Auditing Standard ASA 720 - Other Information in Documents Containing Audited Financial Reports.

The Audit Office accepted the financial reporting included in the Annual Report 2022-2023.

RESOURCE, FINANCIAL AND RISK IMPACTS

The cost of preparation of the Annual Report has been provided for within the Estimates.

**CORPORATE COMPLIANCE** 

Preparation of the Annual Report is a statutory requirement.

**CONCLUSION** 

It is recommended that the Council receive the Annual Report."

The Executive Services Officer reported as follows:

"A copy of the Annual Report 2022-2023 has been circulated to all Councillors."

Cr Viney moved and Cr Beswick seconded, "That the Council receive the Annual Report 2022-2023."

Carried unanimously

#### **General business** 391/2023

The Mayor invited the consideration of any further business appropriate to the AGM.

Cr Carpenter commented on the Hive statistics in the Annual Report 2022-2023 and noted the impressive rates of visitation that vindicate the Council's investment, and the potential for the continued growth of this Council asset.

# **CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7.11pm.