

HEPBURN SHIRE COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday 8 July 2008
5.30pm**

**Senior Citizens Room
Creswick**

HEPBURN SHIRE COUNCIL – COUNCIL PLAN 2006-2011

VISION STATEMENT:

Hepburn Shire will be a vibrant, creative rural Shire with strong and healthy connected communities. Our Council will govern with integrity and inclusiveness. Our natural environment, productive agricultural land and rich heritage will remain valued and protected as assets for residents and visitors to appreciate and enjoy.

Council has in the COUNCIL PLAN established 5 objectives to enable your Team of Councillors and Officers to move forward.

Objective One – Strengthening Communities

Council will engage with and support our diverse communities to realise their potential and determine and achieve their aspirations.

- 1.1 To be a leader in community consultation, advocacy & engagement
- 1.2 Enhance community connectedness, capacity building and leadership
- 1.3 Enhance external relationships

Objective Two – Service Delivery

Council will deliver responsive services to our community within available resources.

- 2.1 Improve service delivery
- 2.2 Improve internal and external communication
- 2.3 Further develop the range of facilities and programs

Objective Three – Asset and Resource Management

Council will effectively manage our assets and resources to create a better Shire for our community.

- 3.1 Improve the management of our assets
- 3.2 Foster & encourage leadership
- 3.3 Responsible financial management
- 3.4 Promote and encourage innovation
- 3.5 Tight, sharp, focussed, professional administration

Objective Four – Economic Development

Council will strengthen our local economy by working in partnership with business and community.

- 4.1 Develop partnerships with educational and research organisations
- 4.2 Promote and market the shire
- 4.3 Encourage and support diversity of economic activity and employment

Objective Five – Heritage and Environment

Council, in partnership with our community will ensure that our cultural, natural and built environment is protected, conserved and enhanced for future generations.

- 5.1 Promote & practise environmental management and sustainability
- 5.2 Respect and honour our unique historical and cultural attributes

Council has committed itself to these philosophies, to the five objectives, to the strategies of implementation and to being accountable to all of the Hepburn Shire.

Hepburn Shire is a wonderful home for all of us. Our Council Plan and the Community Plan provide a direction for the future.

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE HEPBURN SHIRE COUNCIL WILL BE HELD AT
SENIOR CITIZENS ROOM,
CRESWICK
ON TUESDAY 8 JULY
COMMENCING AT 5.30 PM**

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Cr Tim Hayes
Mayor

9 July 2008

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

We would like to acknowledge we are meeting on Jaara people country, of which members and elders of the Dja Dja Wurrung community and their forebears have been custodians for many centuries.

On this land the Jaara people have performed age old ceremonies of celebration, initiation and renewal.

We acknowledge their living culture and their unique role in the life of this region.

PRESENT: Mayor, Cr Tim Hayes; Councillors Janine Booth, Bill McClenaghan, Heather Mutimer and David Smith

IN ATTENDANCE: Interim Chief Executive Officer, Philip Shanahan

The Mayor opened the meeting with a reading of the Council prayer.

OPENING PRAYER

ALMIGHTY GOD, WE ASK YOUR BLESSING UPON THIS COUNCIL.
DIRECT AND GUIDE OUR DELIBERATIONS.
WE ASK YOU TO GRANT US WISDOM AND SENSITIVITY AS WE DEAL
WITH
THE BUSINESS OF OUR SHIRE.
MAY EACH DECISION THAT WE MAKE ADVANCE THE WELLBEING OF
ALL OUR
RESIDENTS.
THIS WE PRAY. AMEN

1. APOLOGIES: Nil

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: Nil

3.1 CONFIDENTIAL MATTER
(A/O – Chief Executive Officer.)

File Ref: 48/16/274

BUSINESS

To consider and resolve upon the appointment of a Chief Executive Officer to Hepburn Shire Council.

CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL MATTER

I have designated the attached report, and attachments, dealing with the appointment of a Chief Executive Officer to be a confidential documents as they deal with some matters of a personal and contractual nature which must remain confidential.

Recommendation:

That Standing Orders be suspended and Council meet in camera in order to receive a confidential report by the Chief Executive Officer in relation to contractual and personal issues associated with the appointment of a Chief Executive Officer.

Moved the Officer's Recommendation.

Moved: Cr David Smith
Seconded: Cr Janine Booth
Carried.

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

Upon the resumption of Standing Orders no report was made to the meeting.

CLOSE OF MEETING:

The Meeting closed at 6.15pm

