

# MINUTES

Greater Shepparton City Council

## COUNCIL MEETING

**3:00PM, Tuesday 21 March 2023**

In the Council Boardroom, Welsford Street

### COUNCILLORS

Cr Shane Sali (Mayor)

Cr Anthony Brophy (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Seema Abdullah

Cr Dinny Adem

Cr Geoffrey Dobson

Cr Greg James

Cr Ben Ladson

Cr Sam Spinks

Cr Fern Summer

### VISION

**GREATER SHEPPARTON, GREATER FUTURE**

A thriving economy in the foodbowl of Victoria with excellent lifestyles, innovative agriculture a diverse community and abundant opportunities

# Values

Values reflect what we feel is important. Organisations may have core values that reflect what is important in the organisation. These values may be guiding principles of behaviour for all members in the organisation.

## **Respect first, always**

We are attentive, listen to others and consider all points of view in our decision making.

## **Take ownership**

We take pride in honouring our promises and exceeding expectations, and are transparent with and accountable for our actions.

## **Courageously lead**

We lead with integrity, and stand up and stand by what is in the best interests of the Greater Shepparton community.

## **Working together**

We work collaboratively to create higher quality outcomes that are more efficient, thoughtful, effective and responsive. We cannot accomplish all that we need to do without working together.

## **Continually innovate**

We are open to new ideas and creatively seek solutions that encourage us to do our best for our community.

## **Start the celebration**

As ambassadors for our people and place, we proudly celebrate the strengths and achievements of Council and the Greater Shepparton community.

**MINUTES  
FOR THE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON  
TUESDAY 21 MARCH 2023 AT 3:00PM**

**CHAIR  
CR SHANE SALI  
MAYOR**

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## Risk Level Matrix Legend

**Note: A number of reports in this agenda include a section on “risk management implications”. The following table shows the legend to the codes used in the reports.**

Likelihood	Consequences				
	Negligible (1)	Minor (2)	Moderate (3)	Major (4)	Extreme (5)
<b>Almost Certain (5)</b> Would be expected to occur in most circumstances (daily/weekly)	<b>LOW</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>HIGH</b>	<b>EXTREME</b>	<b>EXTREME</b>
<b>Likely (4)</b> Could probably occur in most circumstances (i.e. Monthly)	<b>LOW</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>HIGH</b>	<b>EXTREME</b>
<b>Possible (3)</b> Reasonable probability that it could occur (i.e. over 12 months)	<b>LOW</b>	<b>LOW</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>HIGH</b>	<b>HIGH</b>
<b>Unlikely (2)</b> It is not expected to occur (i.e. 2-5 years)	<b>LOW</b>	<b>LOW</b>	<b>LOW</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>HIGH</b>
<b>Rare (1)</b> May occur only in exceptional circumstances (i.e. within 10 years)	<b>LOW</b>	<b>LOW</b>	<b>LOW</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>HIGH</b>

**Extreme** Intolerable – Immediate action is required to mitigate this risk to an acceptable level. Event/Project/Activity is not to proceed without authorisation

**High** Intolerable – Attention is needed to treat risk.

**Medium** Variable – May be willing to accept the risk in conjunction with monitoring and controls

**Low** Tolerable – Managed by routine procedures

**PRESENT:**

- Cr Shane Sali (Mayor)**
- Cr Anthony Brophy (Deputy Mayor)**
- Cr Seema Abdullah**
- Cr Dinny Adem**
- Cr Geoffrey Dobson**
- Cr Greg James**
- Cr Ben Ladson**
- Cr Sam Spinks**
- Cr Fern Summer**

**Officers:**

<b>Peter Harriott</b>	<b>Chief Executive Officer</b>
<b>Louise Mitchell</b>	<b>Director Community</b>
<b>Chris Teitzel</b>	<b>Director Corporate Services</b>
<b>Gary Randhawa</b>	<b>Director Infrastructure</b>
<b>Geraldine Christou</b>	<b>Director Sustainable Development</b>
<b>Jennah Ahmet</b>	<b>Official Minute Taker</b>
<b>Molly Willmott</b>	<b>Deputy Minute Taker</b>

## 1 Welcome to Country

The Council Meeting commenced with a Welcome to Country presented by Cr James on behalf of the Yorta Yorta Elders Council and the 16 family.

## 2 Acknowledgement

We, Greater Shepparton City Council, acknowledge the Yorta Yorta Peoples of the land which now comprises Greater Shepparton, we pay our respect to their tribal elders, we celebrate their continuing culture and we acknowledge the memory of their ancestors.

## 3 Privacy Notice

This public meeting is being streamed live via our Facebook page and made available for public access on our website along with the official Minutes of this meeting.

All care is taken to maintain your privacy; however as a visitor in the public gallery, it is assumed that your consent is given in the event that your image is broadcast to the public. It is also assumed that your consent is given to the use and disclosure of any information that you share at the meeting (including personal or sensitive information) to any person who accesses those recordings or Minutes.

## 4 Governance Principles

Council considers that the decisions contained in these Minutes gives effect to the overarching governance principles stated in Section 9(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*. These principles are as follows:

1. Council decisions are to be made and actions taken in accordance with the relevant law;
2. priority is to be given to achieving the best outcomes for the municipal community, including future generations;
3. the economic, social and environmental sustainability of the municipal district, including mitigation and planning for climate change risks, is to be promoted;
4. the municipal community is to be engaged in strategic planning and strategic decision making;
5. innovation and continuous improvement is to be pursued;
6. collaboration with other Councils and Governments and statutory bodies is to be sought;
7. the ongoing financial viability of the Council is to be ensured;
8. regional, state and national plans and policies are to be taken into account in strategic planning and decision making;
9. the transparency of Council decisions, actions and information is to be ensured.

## 5 Apologies

Nil Received.

## 6 Declarations of Conflict of Interest

In accordance with section 130 (1)(a) of the Local Government Act 2020 Councillors are required to disclose any “conflict of interest” in respect of a matter to be considered at a Council Meeting.

**Disclosure must occur immediately before the matter is considered or discussed.**

Nil Received.

## 7 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Moved by Cr Dobson  
Seconded by Cr Brophy

That the minutes of the 21 February 2023 Council Meeting as circulated, be confirmed.

**CARRIED UNOPPOSED**

## 8 Public Question Time

Nil Received.

## 9 Deputations and Petitions

Nil Received.



## 10 Community Directorate

### 10.1 Katandra West and District Community Planning Group Action Plan 2023-24

Moved by Cr Spinks  
Seconded by Cr Summer

That the Council receive and note the *Katandra West and District Community Planning Group Action Plan 2023-24*, as attached.

**CARRIED UNOPPOSED**

## 11 Corporate Services Directorate

### 11.1 Contracts Awarded Under Delegation - February 2023

Moved by Cr Summer  
Seconded by Cr James

That the Council:

1. note that no contracts were awarded under delegation pursuant to a formal tender process for the reporting period; and
2. note the requests for tender advertised but not yet awarded.

**CARRIED UNOPPOSED**

## 11.2 Councillor Representation on Committees

Moved by Cr Brophy  
 Seconded by Cr Adem

1. appoint the Councillors listed in the table, below as representatives on the Committees of Council, established in accordance with the Local Government Act 2020:

Committee	2023-2024 Councillor Representatives
Audit and Risk Management Committee	Cr Shane Sali Cr Anthony Brophy
CEO Remuneration Review Committee	Mayor, Cr Shane Sali Deputy Mayor, Cr Anthony Brophy Cr Dinny Adem Cr Sam Spinks
Development Hearings Panel	Chair, Cr Shane Sali Cr Dinny Adem

2. appoint the Councillors listed in the table below, as representatives on the following Advisory Committees of Council:

Committee	2023 – 2024 Councillor Representatives
Affordable Housing Reference Group	Cr Seema Abdullah Cr Sam Spinks
Australian Botanic Gardens Shepparton Advisory Committee	Cr Geoff Dobson
Calder Woodburn Advisory Committee	Cr Anthony Brophy
Disability Advisory Committee	Cr Ben Ladson
Greater Shepparton Aerodrome Advisory Committee	Cr Dinny Adem
Greater Shepparton LGBTIQ+ Advisory Committee	Cr Sam Spinks
Greater Shepparton Heritage Advisory Committee	Cr Ben Ladson
Greater Shepparton Public Health and Wellbeing Plan Advisory Committee	Cr Sam Spinks
Greater Shepparton Womens Charter Alliance Advisory Committee	Cr Dinny Adem

<b>Committee</b>	<b>2023 – 2024 Councillor Representatives</b>
<b>Positive Ageing Advisory Committee</b>	<b>Cr Anthony Brophy</b>
<b>RiverConnect Community Advisory Committee</b>	<b>Cr Sam Spinks Cr Geoff Dobson</b>
<b>Shepparton Regional Saleyards Advisory Committee</b>	<b>Cr Geoff Dobson</b>
<b>Shepparton Showgrounds Advisory Committee</b>	<b>Cr Dinny Adem</b>
<b>Sports Hall of Fame Advisory Committee</b>	<b>Cr Anthony Brophy Cr Ben Ladson</b>
<b>Tatura Park Advisory Board</b>	<b>Cr Shane Sali</b>

3. appoint the Councillors listed in the table below, as representatives on the following Committees and Organisations, that are independent of Council:

<b>Committee</b>	<b>2023 – 2024 Councillor Representatives</b>
<b>Best Start Early Years Alliance</b>	<b>Cr Seema Abdullah</b>
<b>Goulburn Broken Greenhouse Alliance</b>	<b>Cr Sam Spinks</b>
<b>Goulburn Valley Highway Bypass Action Group</b>	<b>Mayor</b>
<b>Goulburn Valley Regional Library Corporation Board</b>	<b>Cr Greg James</b>
<b>Municipal Associations of Victoria</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Councillor Representative</li> <li>• Substitute Council Representative</li> </ul>	<b>Cr Seema Abdullah Cr Dinny Adem</b>
<b>Murray Darling Association (MDA)</b>	<b>Cr Geoff Dobson</b>
<b>Regional Cities Victoria (RCV)</b>	<b>Mayor</b>
<b>Shepparton Chamber of Commerce and Industry parking Reference Group</b>	<b>Cr Greg James Cr Dinny Adem</b>
<b>Shepparton Education Plan Project Board</b>	<b>Mayor</b>

**CARRIED UNOPPOSED**

## **11.3 February 2023 Monthly Financial Report**

**Moved by Cr Dobson  
Seconded by Cr Ladson**

**That the Council receive and note the February 2023 Monthly Financial Report.**

**CARRIED UNOPPOSED**

## 12 Sustainable Development Directorate

### 12.1 Shepparton North Structure Plan

Moved by Cr Summer  
Seconded by Cr Spinks

That the Council:

1. note the conclusion of the community engagement process associated with the *Shepparton North Issues, Opportunities and Emerging Challenges Paper August 2022*;
2. receive and note the *Conversation Report – Shepparton North Issues, Opportunities and Emerging Challenges Paper, November 2022* summarising all submissions received or heard in relation to the *Shepparton North Issues, Opportunities and Emerging Challenges Paper August 2022*; as attached.
3. adopt the *Shepparton North Structure Plan March 2023*; as attached.
4. begin preparing a planning scheme amendment to implement the structure plan by including it into the *Greater Shepparton Planning Scheme*.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

## **12.2 Asia Fruit Logistica Delegation 2023**

**Moved by Cr Brophy  
Seconded by Cr Adem**

**That the Council authorise the Mayor, Cr Shane Sali and Chief Executive Officer, Peter Harriott to be included in the delegation which represents Greater Shepparton at the Asia Fruit Logistica in Hong Kong, China in September 2023.**

**CARRIED UNOPPOSED**

## 13 Infrastructure Directorate

### 13.1 Resource Recovery Collective Hume Tender Award

Moved by Cr Abdullah  
Seconded by Cr Dobson

That the Council:

1. award Contract Number 2312 to Cleanaway for an initial period of 7.5 years with an option to extend for a further 7.5 years;
2. award Contract Number 2313 to Western Composting for an initial period of 7.5 years with an option to extend for a further 7.5 years; and
3. authorise the Chief Executive Officer to enter negotiations and execute the contract documents as required.

Cr Brophy gave notice of a foreshadowed motion

The motion was lost

Cr Sali adjourned the Council Meeting at 3:58pm  
Cr Sali resumed the Council Meeting at 4:04pm

Moved by Cr Brophy  
Seconded by Cr Adem

That consideration of Agenda item 13.1 Resource Recovery Collective Hume Tender Award be deferred until on or before 17 April 2023.

**CARRIED**



## 14 Confidential Management Reports

### 14.1 Designation of Confidentiality of Information - Attachments

The following report attachment has been designated confidential by the Chief Executive Officer under Governance Rule 107 and in accordance with the definition of *Confidential Information* in the Local Government Act 2020 (the Act).

- Item 13.2 Resource Recovery Collective Hume Tender Award

This document contains information which is consistent with the definition of 'private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking disadvantage.'

## 15 Documents for Signing and Sealing

Nil Received.

## 16 Councillor Reports

### 16.1 Councillor Activities

#### 16.1.1 Councillor Activities - February 2023

Moved by Cr Adem  
Seconded by Cr Ladson

That the Council receive and note the summary of the Councillor's Community Interactions and Informal Meetings of Councillor's.

**CARRIED UNOPPOSED**

## 16.2 Council Committee Reports

### 16.2.1 Murray Darling Association Region 2 Report

Moved by Cr Ladson  
Seconded by Cr James

That the report from Cr Geoff Dobson be noted.

**CARRIED UNOPPOSED**

## 17 Notice of Motion, Amendment or Rescission

### 17.1 Notice of Motion 2/2023 Bike Jumps Reference Group

Moved by Cr Summer  
Seconded by Cr Ladson

That the Council:

1. present a summary of results from the Bike Jumps Reference Group that was formed in 2020 to assist Council to develop dirt jump and cycling infrastructure within Greater Shepparton;
2. receive the summary that will be presented no later than April 2023, in order to inform the 2023-2024 budget; and
3. advise Councillors of any specific working groups formed as a result of this reference group and their outcomes.

**CARRIED UNOPPOSED**

## **18 Urgent Business not Included on the Agenda**

Nil Received.

## **19 Close of Meeting**

**Meeting closed at 4:26pm.**