

COORONG FINANCE COMMITTEE

Coorong Civic Centre Chambers
95-101 Railway Terrace, Taillem Bend
Tuesday 2 March 2019 at 10.15am

MINUTES

Welcome

Committee Members: Cr. Paul Simmons (Mayor & Committee Chairperson)
Cr. Jeff Arthur (Deputy Mayor)
Cr. Sharon Bland
Cr. Tracy Hill
Cr. Neville Jaensch
Cr. Brenton Qualmann
Cr. Lisa Rowntree
Cr. Glynis Taylor

Present

Vincent Cammell, CEO
David Mosel, Director Infrastructure & Assets
Nat Traeger, Director Community & Corporate
Judy Thompson, Finance Manager
Sacha Holme, Senior Finance Officer

Apologies

Cr. Vern Leng

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – COORONG FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 5 MARCH 2019

Moved Cr. Rowntree, Sec. Cr. Taylor, that the minutes of the Coorong Finance Committee meeting held on 5 March 2019 are received and noted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. MINUTE ACTION LIST

Cr. Rowntree indicated that link contained in 8.2/Mar is not working; Director Community & Corporate provided a response.

6. QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Cr. ARTHUR ASKS

As part of the budget process can staff provide the following information regarding the private use of motor vehicles?

- (1) Details of those taking place
- (2) The methodology used to ascertain eligibility
- (3) Fringe Benefit Tax implications
- (4) Have Salary Package Agreements been signed by all participants?

- (5) Do any participants as part of the agreements pay the Fringe Benefit Tax?

RESPONSE FROM DIRECTOR COMMUNITY & CORPORATE

- (1) Please refer to Table 1 below.
- (2) Please refer to Table 1 below.
- (3) Council pays fringe benefits tax on both private and commuter vehicle usage and this is calculated on either a statutory or operational cost formula.*
 - 2015/16 \$89,195 (3 x operational 15 x statutory, 18 vehicle changes)
 - 2016/17 \$89,565 (1 x operational 22 x statutory, 23 vehicle changes)
 - 2017/18 \$92,805 (0 x operational 14 x statutory, 14 vehicle changes)
- (4) Yes, Salary Package Agreements have been signed by all participants. Please refer to Table 1 below.
- (5) No, participants as part of the agreements do not pay the Fringe Benefit Tax.

Table 1 – Vehicle Use Category – Full Private**

Position	Eligibility methodology/justification	FBT payable	Employee acknowledgement regarding vehicle usage/reflective in employment contract
Chief Executive Officer	Full private use of motor vehicle granted by Council as part of contract of employment	✓	✓
Director Community & Corporate	Full private use of motor vehicle granted by Chief Executive Officer as part of contract of employment	✓	✓
Director Infrastructure & Assets	Full private use of motor vehicle granted by Chief Executive Officer as part of contract of employment	✓	✓
Finance Manager	Full private use of motor vehicle granted by Chief Executive Officer as part of contract of employment	✓	✓
Manager Construction & Maintenance	Full private use of motor vehicle granted by Chief Executive Officer as part of contract of employment	✓	✓
Works Coordinator Roads	Full private use of motor vehicle granted by Chief Executive Officer as part of contract of employment	✓	✓
Works Coordinator Community Facilities	Full private use of motor vehicle granted by Chief Executive Officer as part of contract of employment	✓	✓
General Inspector	Full private use of motor vehicle granted by Chief Executive Officer as part of contract of employment	✓	✓

* **Statutory formula;** A flat statutory rate of 20% applies, regardless of the distance travelled, to all car fringe benefits provided from 1 April 2014.

the taxable value of the car fringe benefit is a percentage of the total costs **Operating cost formula**; cost of operating the car during the fringe benefits tax (FBT) year. The percentage varies with the extent of actual private use.

- ** In accordance with the Motor Vehicle Policy, Council also provides vehicles for commuter use. This is defined as a vehicle available for specified employee use to and from work (including any minor deviations of the normal travelled route) only. FBT is payable on all non business use, which includes commuter use.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

NIL

7. MOTIONS WITH NOTICE

NIL

8. MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

NIL

9. MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE – COMMUNITY WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT SCHEME (CWMS)

Moved Cr. Rowntree, Sec. Cr. Arthur that the Coorong Finance Committee advises that Council notes the information supplied regarding the CWMS financial reports.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE – FINANCIAL REPORTS AND SERVICE REVIEW OF COORONG TATIARA LOCAL ACTION PLAN (CTLAP)

Moved Cr. Rowntree, Sec. Cr. Qualmann that the Coorong Finance Committee receives and notes the Financial Reports and Service Review of the Coorong Tatiara Local Action Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. OPERATING EXPENDITURE & INCOME REPORT AS AT 25 MARCH 2019

Moved Cr. Rowntree, Sec. Cr. Bland that the Coorong Finance Committee receives and notes the Operating Expenditure & Income Report as at 25 March 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. 2018-2019 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM UPDATE AS AT 25 MARCH 2019

Moved Cr. Taylor, Sec. Cr. Rowntree that the Coorong Finance Committee notes the updated capital expenditure contained within the report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr. Bland left the meeting at 11.35am.
Cr. Bland returned to the meeting at 11.37am.

Moved Cr. Taylor, Sec. Cr. Qualmann that the Coorong Finance Committee recommends to Council that they seek a comprehensive report in relation to all railway/DPTI land across the district, which is under the care and control of Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. DEBT RECOVERY MANAGEMENT REPORT AS AT 26 MARCH 2019

Moved Cr. Arthur, Sec. Cr. Hill that the Coorong Finance Committee receives and notes the Debt Recovery Management Report as at 26 March 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. REVIEW OF COUNCIL POLICIES

CORPORATE CREDIT CARD POLICY

Moved Cr. Bland, Sec. Cr. Rowntree that the Corporate Credit Card policy be further clarified with additional details and financial controls following discussion held at the meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15. OTHER BUSINESS

15.1 Cr Arthur asked a question about the funding agreement between the Taillem Bend Community Centre and Council, in relation to the former Commonwealth Home Support Program.

16. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 12.20pm.