
PRESENT

Members:

Mayor Peta Pinson (Mayor)
Councillor Adam Roberts (Deputy Mayor)
Councillor Sharon Griffiths (by remote)
Councillor Lisa Intemann (by remote)
Councillor Nik Lipovac
Councillor Danielle Maltman
Councillor Rachel Sheppard
Councillor Josh Slade

Other Attendees:

Chief Executive Officer (Dr Clare Allen) (by remote)
Director Business and Performance (Rebecca Olsen) (by remote)
Director Community, Planning and Environment (Melissa Watkins) (by remote)
Director Community Infrastructure (Dan Bylsma) (by remote)
Director Community Utilities (Jeffery Sharp) (by remote)
Group Manager Governance (Michael Ferguson)
Governance and Legal Officer (Kirsty Callander)
Governance Support Officer (Bronwyn Lyon)

The meeting opened at 10:01am.

01 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor opened the Meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed all in attendance in the Chamber and attending viewing on line.

02 REMOTE ATTENDANCE AT MEETING

RESOLVED: Sheppard/Maltman

That Council accede to the request of Councillors Griffiths and Intemann to attend the meeting by remote means.

CARRIED: 8/0

FOR: Griffiths, Intemann, Lipovac, Maltman, Pinson, Roberts, Sheppard and Slade

AGAINST: Nil

03 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED: Sheppard/Lipovac

That the apology received from Councillor Edwards be accepted.

CARRIED: 8/0

FOR: Griffiths, Intemann, Lipovac, Maltman, Pinson, Roberts, Sheppard and Slade

AGAINST: Nil

04 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest presented.

05 MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil.

06.01 NOTICE OF MOTION - GRAFFITI

MOTION

MOVED: Pinson/Roberts

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2. Note the cost to community in terms of clean up and reputation due to increasing levels of graffiti and vandalism.
3. Note updated information on Port Macquarie-Hastings Council website for community to report graffiti.
4. Request the Chief Executive Officer make available funds through the existing asset maintenance budgets to fund monetary rewards to reduce the impact of graffiti and vandalism of Council property.
5. Request the Chief Executive Officer develop in consultation with community stakeholders a (Draft) Graffiti in Public Places Policy (utilising powers under the Graffiti Control Act 2008 (NSW)) which aims to assist in the prevention, rectification and/or timely removal of graffiti on Council assets, including the offer of a reward of up to the value of \$5,000 for information leading to persons being identified as being responsible for defacing and/or damaging Council property within the Local Government Area.

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 8. Request the Chief Executive Officer to apply for grant funding to install CCTV cameras strategically in Town Square and Town Green.
 9. Request the Chief Executive Officer to bring back a report to July 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting to report on the progress of the above actions.
 10. Write to relevant stakeholders (including NBN Co Limited, Essential Energy, Transport for NSW, Telstra Corporation and other entities as identified by the Chief Executive Officer) requesting that they take more proactive measures to identify and remove graffiti from their infrastructure and to invite them to work collaboratively with Council and the NSW Police Force on graffiti prevention and removal initiatives.
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 12. Ensure that youth voices are heard in these discussions.

LOST: 3/5

FOR: *Intemann, Lipovac and Sheppard*
AGAINST: *Griffiths, Maltman, Pinson, Roberts and Slade*

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AMENDMENT

MOVED: Sheppard/Intemann

That Council:

1. Defer this item until the 16 February 2022 Council Meeting.
2. Request the Chief Executive Officer provide a Councillor Briefing as soon as possible prior to 16 February 2022 to cover aspects including the evidence for effectiveness of the reward system and CCTV usage.

LOST: 1/7

FOR: *Sheppard*
AGAINST: *Griffiths, Intemann, Lipovac, Maltman, Pinson, Roberts and Slade*

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CARRIED: 7/1

FOR: Griffiths, Intemann, Lipovac, Maltman, Pinson, Roberts and Slade

AGAINST: Sheppard

The meeting closed at 10:42am.

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Peta Pinson
Mayor