

PRESENT

Members:

Councillor Peta Pinson (Mayor) Councillor Lisa Intemann (Deputy Mayor) Councillor Rob Turner Councillor Sharon Griffiths (by remote means) Councillor Geoff Hawkins

Other Attendees:

Chief Executive Officer (Dr Clare Allen) Director Corporate Performance (Rebecca Olsen) Director Development and Environment (Melissa Watkins) Director Infrastructure (Dan Bylsma) Director Strategy and Growth (Jeffery Sharp) Group Manager Governance (Michael Ferguson) Governance and Legal Officer (Kirsty Callander)

The meeting opened at 9.30am

01 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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

REMOTE ATTENDANCE AT MEETING

RESOLVED: Intemann/Turner

That Council accede to the request of Councillor Griffiths to attend the meeting by remote means.

CARRIED: 5/0 FOR: Griffiths, Hawkins, Intemann, Pinson and Turner AGAINST: Nil



02 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED: Intemann/Turner

That the apology received from Councillor Peter Alley be accepted.

CARRIED: 5/0 FOR: Griffiths, Hawkins, Intemann, Pinson and Turner AGAINST: Nil

03 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest presented.

04 Leadership and Governance

05.01 NOTICE OF MOTION - 2021 IRONMAN EVENT

The Mayor tabled correspondence received from Laurieton United Services Club and Club Northhaven.

MOTION

MOVED: Pinson/Griffiths

That Council:

- 1. Note that the proposed date to conduct the Port Macquarie Ironman Australia and 70.3 event is Sunday 5 September 2021.
- 2. Note that this date is also the date for a number of events including Father's Day, local rugby league and football (soccer) finals or grand finals (unconfirmed at this time) and the NSW Local Government election is also held that weekend on 4 September 2021.
- 3. That the Chief Executive Officer be requested to negotiate with the organisers of the Port Macquarie Ironman Australia and 70.3 event to determine an alternative suitable date to conduct the Ironman events.

AMENDMENT

MOVED: Turner/ Hawkins

That Council:

1. Notes:



- a) The long and successful tri-partite relationship between Ironman Australia, Destination NSW, and Port Macquarie-Hastings Council.
- b) That by mutual agreement, Ironman did not proceed in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- c) That by mutual agreement, Ironman did not proceed on Sunday 2 May 2021 (yesterday) due to the impacts of the recent floods on our community.
- d) That the Chief Executive Officer has delegated authority on behalf of Council to negotiate dates for Ironman each year.
- e) The significant, highly valuable role that volunteers play in the successful running of the Ironman event and that such volunteers, and the competitors, require reasonable advance certainty of the event date and their likely role in it.
- f) The substantial economic value of the event to many businesses in our Local Government Area and the damage that would inevitably be caused to such businesses if the event were cancelled again (especially in the current COVID-19/Post Flood environment).
- g) The submission tabled by Ironman Australia.
- 2. Notes that in consideration of many relevant and mitigating factors on behalf of the whole community, the re-scheduled date for Ironman in 2021 has been set down for Sunday 5 September 2021.
- 3. Request the Chief Executive Officer continue to work collaboratively with Ironman Australia on all aspects of delivering this year's event and recognise that if no other suitable date is found by 5pm Monday 3 May 2021, Ironman will proceed as scheduled Sunday 5 September 2021.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND WAS CARRIED

CARRIED: 3/2 FOR: Hawkins, Intemann and Turner AGAINST: Griffiths and Pinson

THE AMENDMENT NOW BECOMES THE MOTION

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- 3 Request the CEO to urgently negotiate with Ironman Australia representatives on a more suitable date excluding 5 September 2021 and conclude those negotiations by 5pm Monday 3 May 2021 and advise Councillors of the outcome of those negotiations.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND WAS LOST

LOST: 2/3 FOR: Griffiths and Pinson AGAINST: Hawkins, Intemann and Turner

MOTION

RESOLVED: Turner/ Hawkins

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06 Your Business and Industry - Nil

07 Your Natural and Built Environment - Nil

08 Confidential Matters - Nil

The meeting closed at 10.15am

Peta Pinson Mayor