

**UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE**  
**EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**ON 9 MAY 2023**

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**PRESENT:** Mayor P Kensit (Chairperson), Cr P Culhane, Cr J Marshall, Cr M McDonald, Cr N McDonald, Cr D O'Brien, Cr J Searl, Cr S Reynolds, Cr L Woodbridge, Ms S Pearman (Administration Assistant) and Kathleen Bowerman (Acting Executive Assistant to Mayor and General Manager)

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**THE MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING OPEN AT 2:30pm**

*Mayor Kensit advised no public gallery today as confidential meeting.*

*Mayor Kensit advised that the meeting is being webcast live and audio recorded before and after the meeting in accordance with Council Code of Meeting Practice.*

*An acknowledgement of Country was read to the meeting by the Mayor.*

**SECTION 1: APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**It was noted that due to conflict of interest and being a confidential session the Management Executive team did not attend this meeting.**

Ms A Waldron (Acting General Manager), Mr A Croke (Director Finance and Administration), Mr L Kruger (Director of Infrastructure), Mr S Arkinstall (Acting Director of Environment & Planning)

**SECTION 2: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil

Mayor Kensit welcomed Christian Morris, Senior Management Consultant, Local Government Management solutions who has facilitated the recruitment process for Council for the Chief Executive officer position.

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**CLOSED COUNCIL ITEMS**

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, in the opinion of the General Manager, the following business is of a kind as referred to in 10A (2) 2a of the Act and should be dealt with in a part of the meeting closed to the public and the media.

***Note:** Pursuant to Clause 25(1) of the Local Government (Meetings) Regulation, Council invites verbal representation by members of the public about whether the items listed below should not be considered by Council in a Closed Meeting. The items are:*

**62/23**

**RESOLVED** by Cr Searl and Cr Woodbridge

1. That Council move into closed Council to consider business identified, together with any late reports tabled at the meeting.
2. That pursuant to section 10A (2) 2a of the Local Government Act 1993: the press and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of section 10A (2) 2a as outlined above.
3. That the report relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993.

- CARRIED

**Councillors who voted for:-**

Crs P Culhane, P Kensit, J  
Marshall, M McDonald, N  
McDonald, D O'Brien, S  
Reynolds, J Searl and L  
Woodbridge

**Councillors who voted against:-** Nil

Council closed its meeting at 2.34pm and the public, staff and press left the chambers and live streaming ceased.

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**63/23**                    **RESOLVED** by Cr Searl and Cr Woodbridge

That Council move out of closed Council and into open Council.

- CARRIED

**Councillors who voted for:-**                    Crs P Culhane, P Kensit, J  
   Marshall, M McDonald, N  
   McDonald, D O'Brien, S  
   Reynolds, J Searl and L  
   Woodbridge

**Councillors who voted against:-**    Nil

Open Council resumed at 3.08pm live streaming returned to the public prior to the meeting closing.

**Resolutions from the Closed Council Meeting**

The following resolutions of Council, while the meeting was closed to the public, were read to the meeting by the Mayor.

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**SECTION 3: CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

**ITEM 3.1 APPOINTMENT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)**  
**64/23 RESOLVED by Cr M McDonald and Cr Reynolds**

1. Council appoint the successful candidate as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for Upper Lachlan Shire Council in accordance with Section 334 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to the negotiation of a contract for a term of 5 years.
2. Council delegates the negotiation of the contract and conditions to the Mayor with the assistance of the recruitment consultant.
3. Council resolves to affix the Common Seal of Council to the Chief Executive Officer contract in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993.

- CARRIED

**Councillors who voted for:-** Crs P Culhane, P Kensit, J Marshall, M McDonald, N McDonald, D O'Brien, S Reynolds, J Searl and L Woodbridge

**Councillors who voted against:-** Nil

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 3.10pm**

Minutes confirmed 18 MAY 2023

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Mayor