

UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON 18 SEPTEMBER 2025

PRESENT: Mayor P Culhane (Chairperson), Cr R Cameron, Cr V Flanagan, Cr G Harris, Cr M Meggitt, Cr S Peirce, Cr J Searl, Cr T Yallouris, Ms A Waldron, (Chief Executive Officer), Mr A Croke (Director Finance and Administration) Mr H Waters, (Acting Director of Environment & Planning), Mr K Mahmud (Director Infrastructure), Ms A Stons (Communications Officer) and Mrs K McCarthy (Executive Assistant)

THE MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING OPEN AT 13:31pm

SECTION 1: NOTICE OF WEBCASTING/AUDIO RECORDING OF MEETING

Mayor Culhane read an Acknowledgement of Country and notice of meeting/webcast to the meeting.

Mayor Culhane also welcomed the public gallery.

SECTION 2: APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE

An apology was received by Cr S Reynolds and Mr S Arkinson.

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RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Peirce

1. That the apologies of Cr S Reynolds and Mr S Arkinson be received and a leave of absence granted.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:-

Crs R Cameron, P Culhane, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

SECTION 3: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr P Culhane declared a significant non-pecuniary interest in Items 11.2 and 11.3 – Planning Proposals - Lot 4 DP 1198749 - 18 Boureong Drive, Gunning and Planning Proposal - Lot 1 DP 1022597 and Lots 168, 169, 193, 194 And 195 DP752042 - 43 Harley Road, Crookwell as the company he works for SMR Lateral has a shareholder Mr Tim Allen, who has a financial interest at Lateral Planning and he will make a declaration, stay in the chamber, participate in the debate and not vote on these items.

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Cr R Cameron declared a significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 17.1 Notice of motion review of Section s355 Committee as his wife is the secretary of the Crookwell District Art Gallery Section 355 committee, and will make a declaration, stay in the chamber, not participate in the debate and not vote on this item.

Cr V Flanagan declared a non-significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 16.1 Crookwell Historical Society s355 Committee minutes as she donated items to the committee for historical purposes on behalf of her family, and will make a declaration, stay in the chamber, participate in the debate and vote on this item.

Cr S Peirce declared a significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 16.1 Access section 355 Committee minutes as his partner is a member of this committee, and will make a declaration, stay in the chamber, participate in the debate and vote on this item.

SECTION 4: CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

Nil

SECTION 5: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

ITEM 5.1 **RESOLVED** by Cr Searl and Cr Flanagan

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1. That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 21 August 2025 be adopted.

– CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:-

Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl, and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

SECTION 6: PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL/PUBLIC

Nil

SECTION 7: MAYORAL MINUTES

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ITEM 7.1 MAYORAL MINUTE

149/25 RESOLVED by Mayor Culhane and Cr Searl that –

1. That Council receive and note the activities attended by the Mayor for August and September.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:-

Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl, and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

SECTION 8: CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM 8.1 CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE MONTHS OF AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER

150/25 RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Peirce

That Item 8.1 - Correspondence/Information listed below be received:

1. Office of Local Government – Circular 25-18 – Update Ministerial Guidelines on Alcohol Free Zones.
2. Office of Local Government – Circular 25-19 – Procurement Guidelines for NSW Local Government.
3. Office of Local Government – Circular 25-20 – 2025 Model Meeting Code and FAQ sheet.
4. Office of Local Government – Circular 25-21 – Commencement of Mutual Recognition Scheme.
5. Country Mayors Association – Media Release – Meeting Code response.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:-

Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

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Cr Culhane moved a motion that -

1. Council formally write to the Australian Energy Regulator (AER), Chair Clare Savage and CEO Anthea Harris requesting a meeting with all five Mayors of Snowy Valleys Council, Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Yass Valley Council, Wagga Wagga City Council, and Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council regarding the AER's immediate consideration and support to require or facilitate Transgrid's agreement to community benefit-sharing payments, with payments commencing in 2027 at the completion of the Humelink Project.
2. Advocate jointly with the CRJO, Snowy Valley Council, Yass Valley Council, Wagga Wagga City Council, and Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council to Transgrid and the NSW Government and specifically for establishment of an annual payment of \$10,000 per kilometre indexed for the lifetime of the transmission lines.
3. Thank Minister Sharpe, Energy Commissioner Tony Mahar and Transgrid CEO Brett Redman for past meetings with the host councils and seek their ongoing support in advocating for fair and meaningful benefit-sharing arrangements for host communities. Currently host Councils are proposed to receive only minor upfront benefits for providing power security for the state while the amenity of the regions is being adversely affected for decades.

On being put to the meeting the motion was carried.

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RESOLVED By Cr Culhane and Cr Flanagan That -

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- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs R Cameron, P Culhane, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

SECTION 9: LATE CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

SECTION 10: INFORMATION ONLY

ITEM 10.1 DEVELOPMENT STATISTICS REPORT

152/25 **RESOLVED** by Cr Searl and Cr Peirce

1. Council receives and notes the report as information.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

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ITEM 10.2-10.7 INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS

153/25 RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Flanagan

1. Council receive and note the reports 10.2-10.7 as information only.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

REPORTS FROM STAFF AND STANDING COMMITTEES

SECTION 11: ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

ITEM 11.1 GUNNING SEWER AND WATER PLANT

154/25 RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Peirce

1. Council receive and note the report as information.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

Council took a short break and paused its meeting at 14:33pm and the public, staff and press left the chambers and live streaming ceased.

Council resumed its meeting at 14:38pm.

Mayor Culhane declared his non-pecuniary interest in Item 11.2 and did not vote.

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ITEM 11.2 **PLANNING PROPOSAL - LOT 1 DP 1022597 AND LOTS 168, 169, 193, 194 AND 195 DP 752042 - 43 HARLEY ROAD, CROOKWELL**
155/25 **RESOLVED by Cr Meggitt and Cr Flanagan**

1. Council endorse the planning proposal to amend the Upper Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2010:
 - a) Partially amend land use zoning of Lot 1 DP1022597 and Lots 168, 169, 193, 194, & 195 DP 752042 – 43 Harley Road, Crookwell from R5 Large Lot Residential to R2 Low Density Residential, rezone SP2 Rail Infrastructure Facility zone to R5 Large Lot Residential
 - b) Partially amend the minimum lot size of Lot 1 DP1022597 and Lots 168, 169, 193, 194, & 195 DP 752042 – 43 Harley Road, Crookwell from 2ha to 1000m2.
2. Forward the planning proposal to the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) requesting a Gateway determination.
3. Request delegation of Plan Making Authority, for this planning proposal.
4. Undertake agency consultation and public exhibition according to the requirements of the Gateway determination.
5. Should no objections be received, undertake the necessary actions to finalise the making of the Upper Lachlan Environmental Plan 2010.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yalouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

Cr P Culhane did not participate in the vote in line with his declaration.

Mayor Culhane declared his non-pecuniary interest in Item 11.3 and did not vote.

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ITEM 11.3 **PLANNING PROPOSAL - LOT 4 DP 1198749 - 18 BOUREONG DRIVE, GUNNING**

156/25 **RESOLVED by Cr Peirce and Cr Searl**

1. Request delegation of Plan Making Authority for the Planning Proposal.
2. Undertake the necessary actions to finalise the making of the Upper Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2010.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

Cr P Culhane did not participate in the vote in line with his declaration.

SECTION 12: **INFRASTRUCTURE DEPARTMENT**

Nil

SECTION 13: **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

ITEM 13.1 **REVIEW OF COUNCIL INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER**

157/25 **RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Peirce**

1. Council adopts the reviewed Internal Audit Charter.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

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ITEM 13.2 **ADOPTION OF CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE**
158/25 **RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Flanagan**

1. Council in accordance with Section 362(1)(a) and (2), of the *Local Government Act 1993*, adopts the draft Code of Meeting Practice as publicly exhibited, with inclusion of mandatory provisions and non-mandatory best practice provisions, with the two exceptions by amendment removing Part 3.33 to Part 3.39 - Pre-Meeting Briefing Sessions and amendment to Part 4.2 - Public Forums as outlined in Council Resolution Number 140/25 all public forums will be live webcast by audio-visual recording device on Council website.
2. Council provide a written response to all public submissions to the draft Code of Meeting Practice.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

SECTION 14: **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

ITEM 14.1 **ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR**
159/25 **RESOLVED by Cr Peirce and Cr Searl**

1. Council received one nomination for Deputy Mayor.
2. The Mayor declared Cr Rob Cameron as the successful Councillor elected as Deputy Mayor.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

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ITEM 14.2 ORGANISATION STRUCTURE ADOPTION
160/25 RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Cameron

1. Council resolves to adopt the existing Organisation Structure without amendment.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

ITEM 14.3 COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL STRUCTURE
161/25 *RESOLVED* by Cr Flanagan and Cr Searl

1. Council determines and approves Schedule A and Schedule B for the Committee of Council structures, committee memberships and appointment of Councillors and staff delegates to committees in accordance with Section 355, of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

SCHEDULE A - COMMITTEES, STAFF AND COUNCILLOR MEMBERSHIP

Council Mayor, is Ex-Officio Chairperson of Section 355 Committee Meetings.

Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC)

Functions of the Committee:

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee will act as an advisory Committee to provide independent assurance to Council. The primary roles of the Committee is to assist Council in the effective operation of its responsibilities by monitoring, reviewing and providing advice about Council's governance processes, compliance, risk management

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and control frameworks, internal audit, external audit, fraud and corruption control, and external accountability obligations and overall financial and operational performance. The Committee will work with Council's external auditor and internal auditor to facilitate achieving the organisational goals and efficient work practices.

Councillor Member Non-Voting Representation: Clr Rob Cameron (4 year term)

Independent Committee Representation: Canberra Region Joint Organisation accredited committee members – Stephen Coates (Chair), Diana Hamono, Rachel Harris and Bryce McNair.

Staff Representation (non-voting): Chief Executive Officer, Director of Finance and Administration, Chief Financial Officer, Manager Governance and Manager IT (other Managers as requested).

Meets: Quarterly

Performance Review Committee – Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Functions of the Committee:

- To assess the performance of the Chief Executive Officer against the objectives and performance measures established in the Performance Agreement.
- Council to comply with the Office of Local Government 2022 Guidelines for the Appointment and Oversight of Chief Executive Officer directing that the whole process of performance management be delegated to a Performance Review Panel, including decisions about performance, any actions that should be taken, and the determination of the new Performance Agreement.
- Whilst the Council can undertake the performance management of its Chief Executive Officer, it delegates this task to the Performance Review Panel as this provides a superior forum for constructive discussion and feedback.
- It is Council practice to enable Councillors not on the Performance Review Panel to provide feedback to the Mayor in the week prior to each performance review.
- The result of the Performance Review will be reported to a closed meeting of Council. As per the direction by the Office of Local Government Guidelines for the Appointment and Oversight of Chief Executive Officer, the report in the closed meeting of Council is not to be an opportunity to debate the results, or re-enact the performance management of the Chief Executive Officer.

Council Delegates: The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Clr J Searl (Chief Executive Officer's nominated Councillor Representative) and Clr T Yallouris

Meets: Annually

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Local Transport Forum (Previously Local Traffic Committee)

Functions of the Committee:

Primarily an advisory body to support council's function as roads authority for unclassified roads in the Upper Lachlan Shire Council area.

Note: Where Council decides to act contrary to the Local Transport Forum advice, written notification must be provided to the Roads and Maritime Service and to the NSW Police Force with no further action taken within 14 days from the date of written notification.

Council Delegate: Clr J Searl, alternative Clr S Peirce

Minute Secretary: Infrastructure Executive Assistant

Other Representation: Transport NSW representative (1 Vote), NSW Police Representative (1 Vote) and Local Members Representatives (1 Vote).

Other Staff Involved: Director Infrastructure, Manager Assets, and Traffic and Road Safety Officer.

Meets: Quarterly

SECTION 355 COMMITTEES

Access Committee

Functions of the Committee:

Provide input to Council on Council owned and controlled assets/facilities access issues and to assist with the ongoing development of the Disability Inclusion Action Plan.

Council Delegate: Clr G Harris, Clr J Searl and Clr V Flanagan

Minute Secretary: Infrastructure Executive Assistant

Staff Representation: Director Infrastructure, Manager Assets, Traffic and Road Safety Officer and Director Environment and Planning (where required).

Meets: Quarterly

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Biala Wind Farm Community Enhancement Fund Committee

Functions of the Committee:

To provide recommendations to Council prioritising available project funding involving the Community Enhancement Program for the benefit of the eligible target community.

Council Delegate: Mayor

Staff Representation: Chief Executive Officer and Director Environment and Planning (as alternate representative).

Community Representation: Scott Keyworth and Paul Hewitt

Wind Farm Representation: Ms Erin Fletcher (BJCE) (Biala Wind Farm representative)

Meets: Annually

Bigga Memorial Hall Committee

Functions of the Committee:

The care, control and management of the Bigga Memorial Hall in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within the funds voted by Council.

Council Delegate: Clr S Reynolds alternative Clr G Harris

Staff Representation: Director Infrastructure (as required).

Meets: As required by Upper Lachlan Shire Council Section 355 Committee Policy.

Binda Hall Committee

Functions of the Committee:

The care control and management of the Binda Hall in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within the funds voted by Council.

Council Delegate: Clr A Meggitt alternative Clr G Harris

Staff Representation: Director Infrastructure (as required).

Meets: Quarterly or as required by Upper Lachlan Shire Council Section 355 Committee Policy.

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Breadalbane Community Hall Committee

Functions of the Committee:

The care, control, management and organisation of the Breadalbane Community Hall in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within any funds that may be voted by Council from time to time.

Council Delegate: Cllr J Searl alternative Cllr S Peirce

Staff Representation: Director Infrastructure (as required).

Meets: As required by Upper Lachlan Shire Council Section 355 Committee Policy.

Collector Oval Committee

Functions of the Committee:

The care, control, management and organisation of the Collector Oval in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within any funds that may be voted by Council from time to time.

Council Delegate: Mayor and Cllr J Searl alternative Cllr S Peirce

Staff Representation: Director Environment and Planning (as required).

Meets: As required by Upper Lachlan Shire Council Section 355 Committee Policy.

Collector Wind Farm Community Enhancement Fund Committee

Functions of the Committee:

To provide recommendations to Council prioritising available project funding involving the Community Enhancement Program for the benefit of the eligible target community.

Council Delegate: Mayor

Staff Representation: Chief Executive Officer and Director Environment and Planning (as alternate representative).

Community Representation: James McKay and Jacqueline Menyhart

Wind Farm Representation: Melinda Loew, RATCH-Australia Corporation Pty Ltd

Meets: Annually

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Crookwell and District Art Gallery Committee

Functions of the Committee:

The care, control, management and organisation of the Crookwell & District Art Gallery in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within any funds that may be voted by Council from time to time.

Council Delegate: Cllr V Flanagan alternative Cllr T Yallouris

Meets: Fourth Thursday of each month.

Crookwell and District Historical Society

Functions of the Committee:

The care control and management of the history of the Crookwell portion of the area in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within the funds voted by Council.

Council Delegate: Cllr V Flanagan, alternative Cllr G Harris

Meets: Second Thursday of each month

Crookwell II & III Wind Farms Community Enhancement Fund Committee

Functions of the Committee:

To provide recommendations to Council prioritising available project funding involving the Community Enhancement Program for the benefit of the eligible target community.

Council Delegates: Mayor

Staff Representation: Chief Executive Officer and Director Environment and Planning (as alternate representative).

Community Representation: Katrina Nixon and Paul Seary

Wind Farm Representation: Kirsty Levings, Global Power Generation Australia

Meets: Annually

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Crookwell Memorial Hall Committee

Functions of the Committee:

The care, control and management of the Crookwell Memorial Hall in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Plan of Management, Council policies and within the funds voted by Council annually.

Council Delegate: Cr V Flanagan alternative Cr P Culhane

Staff Representation: - Manager Library Services.

Meets: Every two months (Bi-monthly)

Cullerin Wind Farm Community Enhancement Fund Committee

Functions of the Committee:

To provide recommendations to Council prioritising available project funding involving the Community Enhancement Program for the benefit of the eligible target community.

Council Delegates: Mayor

Staff Representation: Chief Executive Officer and Director Environment and Planning (as alternate representative).

Community Representation: Michael Coley and Matthew Streat

Landowner Representation: Rachael Foley

Wind Farm Representation: Elsbeth Pickerin, EDL Energy

Meets: Annually

Gullen Range Wind Farm Community Enhancement Fund Committee

Functions of the Committee:

To provide recommendations to Council prioritising available project funding involving the Community Enhancement Program for the benefit of the eligible target community.

Council Delegate: Mayor

Staff Representation: Chief Executive Officer and Director Environment and Planning (as alternate representative).

Community Representation: Margaret McPherson and Christine McLean

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Goulburn Mulwaree Representation: Clr Liz McKeon (Goulburn Mulwaree Council)

Wind Farm Representation: Ms Erin Fletcher, BJCE

Meets: Annually

Gunning Arts Festival Committee

Functions of the Committee:

The care, control, management and organisation of the Gunning Arts Festival in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within funds that may be voted by Council from time to time.

Council Delegate: Clr S Peirce

Meets: As required by Upper Lachlan Shire Council Section 355 Committee Policy.

Gunning Shire Hall and Showground Precinct Advisory Committee

Functions of the Committee:

To provide advice with respect to the care, control, management and organisation of the Gunning Shire Hall and Showground Precinct in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within any funds that may be voted by Council from time to time.

Council Delegate: Clr S Peirce

Staff Representation: Director Infrastructure and Director Environment and Planning (as required).

Meets: As required by Upper Lachlan Shire Council Section 355 Committee Policy.

Rye Park Wind Farm Community Enhancement Fund Committee

Functions of the Committee:

To provide recommendations to Council prioritising available project funding involving the Community Enhancement Program for the benefit of the eligible target community.

Council Delegate: Mayor

Staff Representation: Chief Executive Officer and Director Environment and Planning (as alternate representative).

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Community Representation: Rodney Barnes and Daryl Johnson

Wind Farm Representation: Federica Frew (Company Rep - Rye Park Wind Farm representative).

Meets: Annually

Sport and Recreation Committee

Functions of the Committee:

To advise Council on matters involving the use, maintenance and improvement of Sporting Fields and Recreational Facilities throughout the Upper Lachlan Shire LGA.

Council Delegates: Clr A Meggitt and Clr T Yallouris (alternative Clr P Culhane)

Staff Representation: Director Environment and Planning and Coordinator Parks and Biosecurity.

Meets: Quarterly or as required.

Stonequarry Cemetery Committee

Functions of the Committee:

The care control and management of the Stonequarry Cemetery in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within the funds voted by Council.

Council Delegate: Clr G Harris

Meets: As required as per Upper Lachlan Shire Council Section 355 Committee Policy.

Taralga Wind Farm Community Enhancement Fund Committee

Functions of the Committee:

To provide recommendations to Council prioritising available project funding involving the Community Enhancement Program for the benefit of the eligible target community.

Council Delegate: Mayor

Staff Representation: Chief Executive Officer and Director Environment and Planning (as alternate representative).

Community Representation: Craig Croker and Brian Corby

Wind Farm Representation: Jackie Stojanoski, PacificBlue

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Tourism and Economic Development Advisory Committee

Functions of the Committee:

Identify economic development projects, opportunities and actions, develop and promote partnerships and business networks in the local area and assist with the commissioning of an Economic Development Strategy. Advise Council on the development of strategies relating to tourism, help build stronger local community awareness of the importance and value of the visitor community partner with Council to promote the benefits of tourism and events and provide ideas that will help grow the visitor economy in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within the funds voted by Council.

Council Delegate: Clr R Cameron, Clr S Reynolds and Clr G Harris

Community Representation: Russ Plummer, Peter Cottrell and Dianna Nixon.

Meets: Quarterly

Tuena Hall and Recreation Area Committee

Functions of the Committee:

The care control and management of the Tuena Hall and Recreation Area in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations, Council policies and within the funds voted by Council.

Council Delegate: Clr A Meggitt

Meets: Quarterly

Upper Lachlan Australia Day Committee

Functions of the Committee:

The Australia Day Committee will be responsible for the co-ordination of the official Australia Day celebrations across the Upper Lachlan Shire. Subject to the Australia Day Guidelines the Committee's responsibilities in respect of this event are as follows:-

- a) The Committee will: organise the Ambassador, provide recommendations to Council on the annual Australia Day Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year Awards, Event of the Year Awards and Sportsperson of the Year Award and Young Sportsperson of the Year Award.
- b) The Council will: be responsible for any administrative assistance (Executive Assistant) to the Committee and be responsible for expenditure of funding as per the Operational Plan for the current year.

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Council Delegates: Mayor, Cllr J Searl, Cllr G Harris, Cllr T Yallouris and Cllr S Reynolds

Staff Representation: Director Finance and Administration (Voting) and Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer (Non-Voting).

Community Representation: Noelene Cosgrove, Michael Coley, John Shaw, Cheryl John, Dianne Layden, Elizabeth Newcombe, Katherine Johnson, Carmel Hills and Norm Fountain.

Meets: Annually

SCHEDULE C - COUNCIL DELEGATES / REPRESENTATIONS (OTHER THAN COUNCIL COMMITTEES)

Biala Wind Farm Community Consultative Committee

Council Delegate: Cllr R Cameron

Meets: As required

Canberra Region Joint Organisation (CRJO)

Objective:

To advocate on agreed regional positions and priorities for Canberra Region whilst providing a forum for regional cooperation and resource sharing and nurturing investment and infrastructure development.

Membership: Bega Valley Shire Council, Eurobodalla Shire Council, Goulburn Mulwaree Council, Hilltops Council, Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council, Snowy Monaro Regional Council, Snowy Valleys Council, Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Wingecarribee Shire Council, Yass Valley Council with associate members being the ACT Government and Wagga Wagga City Council.

Council Delegate: Mayor

Staff Representation: Chief Executive Officer

Meets: Quarterly

Collector Community Association

Council Delegate: Cllr J Searl alternative Cllr S Peirce

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Meets: Monthly

Collector Wind Farm Community Consultative Committee

Council Delegate: Mayor

Meets: As required

Country University Centre Committee

Council Delegate: Clr S Reynolds and Clr G Harris

Meets: Monthly

Crookwell II and III Wind Farm Community Consultative Committee

Council Delegate: Clr S Reynolds alternative Clr V Flanagan

Meets: As required

Gullen Range Wind Farm Community Consultative Committee

Council Delegate: Clr S Reynolds

Meets: As required

Gunning District Community and Health Service Inc. Management Committee

Council Delegate: Clr J Searl

Meets: Monthly

Gunning & District Historical Society

Council Delegate: Clr J Searl

Meets: Fourth Thursday of each month

Gunning Landcare

Council Delegate: Mayor and Clr S Peirce (alternative Clr J Searl)

Meets: As required

Gunning Wind Farm Community Enhancement Program Advisory Group

Council Delegate: Clr S Peirce

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Staff Representation: Chief Executive Officer.

Meets: As required

Kiamma Creek Landcare Group

Council Delegate: Cr S Reynolds

Meets: Quarterly

Local Government NSW (LGNSW)

Objective:

To promote the interests of NSW local government councils at a divisional level. LGNSW is the peak body representing local government council members and associate members, including county councils and joint organisations. LGNSW role is to support, promote, advocate for, and represent the local government sector so members are in the best position to serve communities

Membership: All Councils in NSW.

Council Delegate: Mayor, alternate is Deputy Mayor

Staff Representation: Chief Executive Officer

Meets: Annually and as required

Rye Park Wind Farm Community Consultative Committee

Council Delegate: Cr Cameron

Meets: As required

South East Australian Transport Strategy Inc. (SEATS)

Objective: To stimulate and facilitate investment in transport and infrastructure in south eastern NSW, eastern Victoria and the ACT.

Council Delegate: Mayor

Staff Representation: Director Infrastructure

Meets: Quarterly

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Southern Tablelands Bush Fire Management Committee

Council Delegate: Clr R Cameron alternative Clr S Peirce

Meets: Quarterly

Staff Representation: Director Infrastructure

Note: This Committee is a statutory Committee appointed under the Rural Fires Act.

Southern Tablelands Regional Arts (STARTS) Sub-committee

Council Delegates: Clr V Flanagan

Meets: Quarterly

Southern Tablelands (Rural Fire Services) Zone Liaison Committee

Council Delegate: Clr R Cameron alternative Clr S Peirce

Staff Representation: Director Infrastructure

Meets: Quarterly

Taralga and District Historical Society

Functions of the Committee:

The care, control and management of the history of the Taralga and surrounding villages.

Council Delegate: Clr G Harris

Meets: As required

Upper Lachlan Joint Regional Planning Panel

Function:

To determine state significant, designated development applications and other development applications as prescribed.

Council Delegate: Mayor and Clr S Reynolds

Staff Delegate: Director Environment and Planning

Meets: As required

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Upper Lachlan Landcare Group

Council Delegate: Clr S Reynolds

Meets: Quarterly

Village and Town Progress Associations

Noting these are not managed by Council and will require an invitation from the Progress Association / committee should they wish for a Councillor delegate to attend.

Bigga Progress Association

Council Delegates: Clr P Culhane

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

Binda Progress Association

Council Delegates: Clr A Meggitt

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

Crookwell Progress Association

Council Delegates: \ Clr S Reynolds

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

Dalton Community and District Association

Council Delegates: Clr J Searl

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

Golspie Progress Association

Council Delegates: Clr G Harris

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

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Grabben Gullen Community Progress Association Inc.

Council Delegates: Clr J Searl

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

Gunning District Association

Council Delegates: Clr S Peirce

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

Laggan & District Progress Association

Council Delegates: Clr S Reynolds

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

Middle Arm Progress Association

Council Delegates: Clr V Flanagan

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

Roslyn Progress Association

Council Delegates: Clr V Flanagan

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

Taralga & District Progress Association

Council Delegates: Clr G Harris

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

Tuena Progress Association

Council Delegates: Clr A Meggitt

Meets: on invitation from Association / Committee

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ITEM 14.4 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2025 - NOMINATION OF VOTING DELEGATE**
162/25 **RESOLVED** by Cr Flanagan and Cr Peirce

1. The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chief Executive Officer, may attend and represent Council, at the Annual Conference of Local Government NSW, on 23 - 25 November 2025.
2. The Mayor is nominated as the Council's voting delegate at the Annual Conference of Local Government NSW. The Chief Executive Officer is the nominated Council's observer.
3. In the event the Mayor cannot attend the Annual Conference of Local Government NSW, the Deputy Mayor is delegated to take the Mayor's place as the voting delegate of Council.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

SECTION 15: **LATE REPORTS**

Nil

SECTION 16: **REPORTS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES, SECTION 355 COMMITTEES AND DELEGATES**

Cr V Flanagan declared a non-pecuniary interest however voted on Item 16.1 in line with her declaration.

Cr S Peirce declared a non-pecuniary interest however voted on Item 16.1 in line with his declaration.

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REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES FOR THE MONTHS OF AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER

163/25

RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Meggitt

That Item - Minutes of Committee/Information listed below be received:

1. Audit Risk and Improvement Committee – Minutes from 1 July 2025
 2. Collector Oval, Section 355 Committee – Minutes from meeting held 6 August 2025.
 3. Tuena Hall & Recreation Area, Section 355 Committee – Minutes from meeting held 6 August 2025.
 4. Crookwell Historical Society, Section 355 Committee – Minutes from meeting held 14 August 2025.
 5. Crookwell Historical Society, Section 355 Committee – AGM Minutes from meeting held 14 August 2025.
 6. Breadalbane Hall, Section 355 Committee – Minutes from meeting held 24 August 2025.
 7. Access Committee, Section 355 Committee – Minutes from meeting held 27 August 2025.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:-

Crs R Cameron, P Culhane, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yalouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

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RESOLVED by Cr Flanagan and Cr Meggitt that -

1. That Council write to Crookwell Historical Society, Section 355 Committee formally accepting the new office bearers – President Ray Croker, Vice President Ian Laverty, Secretary Jeanette Painter, Treasurer Glen Millar and other nominated committee members.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:-

Crs R Cameron, P Culhane, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yalouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

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SECTION 17: NOTICES OF MOTION

Cr R Cameron declared a non-pecuniary interest, and did not vote on the item in line with his declaration.

ITEM 17.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - REVIEW OF SECTION 355 COMMITTEES

165/25

RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Flanagan

1. That Council undertake a review of Section 355 Committees to ascertain the scope and relevance of each committee's function in regard to exercising the functions of Council, and governance in relation to the Code of Meeting Practice, reporting to Council and any areas for improvement in compliance and operation.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:-

Crs P Culhane, V Flanagan, G Harris, S Peirce and J Searl

Councillors who voted against:- Crs A Meggitt and T Yallouris

Cr R Cameron did not vote in line with his declaration.

SECTION 18: QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM 18.1 QUESTION WITH NOTICE - UPDATE OF DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN

Refer to the business paper for 18 September 2025 Council Meeting for the CEO's comments.

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) 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:

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RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Peirce

1. That Council move into closed Council to consider business identified, together with any late reports tabled at the meeting.
2. That pursuant to 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, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yalouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

Council closed its meeting at 15:30pm and the public, staff and press left the chambers and live streaming ceased.

167/25

RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Peirce

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

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:-

Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yalouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

Open Council resumed at 15:35pm 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 19: CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

ITEM 19.1 **COUNCIL SECTION 355 ACCESS COMMITTEE - SELECTION OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE APPLICATION**
168/25 **RESOLVED by Cr Searl and Cr Flanagan**

1. Council write to Marlene Lannan advising of her appointment as a community representative member of the Council Section 355 Access Committee.

- CARRIED

Councillors who voted for:- Crs P Culhane, R Cameron, V Flanagan, G Harris, A Meggitt, S Peirce, J Searl and T Yallouris

Councillors who voted against:- Nil

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 15:35pm

Minutes confirmed 16 OCTOBER 2025

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Mayor