



ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

6 DECEMBER 2022

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 that an **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING of ORANGE CITY COUNCIL** will be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE** on **Tuesday, 6 December 2022**.

David Waddell
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For apologies please contact Administration on 6393 8106.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

The provisions of Chapter 14 of the Local Government Act, 1993 (the Act) regulate the way in which Councillors and designated staff of Council conduct themselves to ensure that there is no conflict between their private interests and their public role.

The Act prescribes that where a member of Council (or a Committee of Council) has a direct or indirect financial (pecuniary) interest in a matter to be considered at a meeting of the Council (or Committee), that interest must be disclosed as soon as practicable after the start of the meeting and the reasons given for declaring such interest.

As members are aware, the provisions of the Local Government Act restrict any member who has declared a pecuniary interest in any matter from participating in the discussion or voting on that matter, and requires that member to vacate the Chamber.

Council's Code of Conduct provides that if members have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest, the nature of the conflict must be disclosed. The Code of Conduct also provides for a number of ways in which a member may manage non pecuniary conflicts of interest.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Committee Members now disclose any conflicts of interest in matters under consideration by the Environmental Sustainability Policy Committee at this meeting.

2 COMMITTEE MINUTES

2.1 MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 2 SEPTEMBER 2022

RECORD NUMBER: 2022/2435

AUTHOR: Mark Hodges, Director Development Services

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The minutes of the Environmental Sustainability Community Committee held on 2 September 2022 are provided to the Environmental Sustainability Policy Committee for adoption.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy “7.1. Engage with the community to develop plans for growth and development that value the local environment”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

- 1 That Council acknowledge the reports presented to the Environmental Sustainability Community Committee at its meeting held on 2 September 2022.**
- 2 That the minutes of the Environmental Sustainability Community Committee at its meeting held on 2 September 2022 be adopted.**

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Consideration has been given to the recommendation’s impact on Council’s service delivery; image and reputation; political; environmental; health and safety; employees; stakeholders and project management; and no further implications or risks have been identified.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 ESCC 2 September 2022 Minutes
- 2 ESCC 2 September 2022 Agenda, D22/76636 [↓](#)

ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

HELD IN COUNCILLORS WORKROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE

ON 2 SEPTEMBER 2022

COMMENCING AT 8AM

1 INTRODUCTION

ATTENDANCE

Cr D Mallard (Chairperson), Cr M McDonell, Dr Vikas Mittal, Mr Robert Alford, Mr Nick King, Mr Andrew Kennedy, Ms Bev Williams, Ms Katherine Tollner, Mr Reg Kidd, Mr Michael Brown, Ms Jennifer Lacey, Mr Cyril Smith, Chief Executive Officer, Director Development Services, Manager Waste Services and Technical Support, Water Management Officer

1.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

RESOLVED

Mr R Alford/Mr A Kennedy

That the apologies be accepted from Ms Shah Alford, Mr Stephen Nugent, Mr Peter West, Mr Ron Finch, Mr George Bate, Mr Granton Smith, Mr Malcolm Stacey, Jennifer Wickham and Ms Amanda Lockwood for the Environmental Sustainability Community Committee meeting on 2 September 2022.

1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.3 Declaration of pecuniary interests, significant non-pecuniary interests and less than significant non-pecuniary interests

Mr R Kidd declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 3.2 Committee Strategic Direction - Feedback - Robert Alford, given that he chairs the NSW Farmers Transition to Renewables Committee.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

RESOLVED

Mr R Kidd/Ms B Williams

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Environmental Sustainability Community Committee held on 8 July 2022 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Environmental Sustainability Community Committee meeting held on 8 July 2022; noting that Mr Peter West was an apology for the July Meeting and an addition is required to the ESCC Charter Purpose Statement to include 'other matters on climate actions and lowered energy consumption' and be reported back to the next Committee for review.

MATTER ARISING

The Committee were happy overall with the layout and structure of the strategic document and Teams Map and it was asked what groups members advise of their areas of special interest.

3 GENERAL REPORTS

3.1 ELECTRICITY PROCUREMENT - 100% RENEWABLE ENERGY

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/1708

The CEO spoke to the report on 100% renewables and the benefits to Council of locking in electricity prices into the future. 40% of Council GHG emissions comes from electricity consumption, so conversion to renewables is significant progress. There are currently investigations to determine what the GHG emissions from landfilling are. Discussions also around Federal and State targets. New Council buildings will include sustainable solutions where possible. The CEO suggested that the Committee may wish to invite Council's renewable energy provider, Iberdrola Australia to present, at a future Committee Meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

Mr A Kennedy/Dr V Mittal

That the report on the CWCJO Electricity Contract be acknowledged.

3.2 COMMITTEE STRATEGIC DIRECTION - FEEDBACK - ROBERT ALFORD

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/1623

Robert Alford gave a verbal report to the Committee regarding a number of issues, including the emergence of the electric vehicle market; electricity network demands; opportunities for use of batteries (charging cars and unused energy sold into the grid); Council depot option of batteries for future fleet; research options; education of the community. Mr Alford advised that he is trying to get RF Industries Australia to Orange to give presentations to the community on options for onfarm solar, batteries and charging.

Kathleen Tolner discussed biogas use in Sydney (Malabar) and also the trial of a *Wastemaster* system at Longbay Correctional Complex that provides biogas and compost.

Reg Kidd discussed the use of biogas and feed energy at Moxey Farms in Forbes.

Reg Kidd discussed the need for community education on the use of batteries – such as how and when are they charged, so that they are used efficiently and have a long life.

RECOMMENDATION

Mr A Kennedy/Dr V Mittal

That the report on Committee Strategic Direction - Feedback be acknowledged.

Cr M McDonell left the meeting with the time being 08:50 am.

3.3 ROBERT ALFORD - MOVEMENTS BY GOVERNMENTS TO RAMP UP ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/1706

Robert Alford gave a verbal report to the Committee regarding a number of issues that warrant further investigation. A number of points raised had already been discussed in Item 3.2. It was agreed that this matter be referred to the working groups for detailed consideration and planning.

RECOMMENDATION

Mr A Kennedy/Dr V Mittal

That the report on the Movements by Governments to Ramp Up Action on Climate Change be acknowledged.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.33AM.



ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

2 SEPTEMBER 2022

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David Waddell
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For apologies please contact Lindsay Hall on 6393 8208.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

2 SEPTEMBER 2022

AGENDA**EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

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ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**2 SEPTEMBER 2022**

1 INTRODUCTION**MEMBERS**

Cr D Mallard (Chairperson), Cr M McDonell, Dr Vikas Mittal, Mr Peter West, Mr Robert Alford, Mr Nick King, Mr Anthony Doyle, Mr Andrew Kennedy, Mr Stephen Nugent, Mr Granton Smith, Mr Ronald Finch, Ms Bev Williams, Mr George Bate, Ms Katherine Tollner, Mr Reg Kidd, Mr Malcolm Stacey, Ms Shahreen Alford, Ms Jennifer Wickham, Ms Amanda Lockwood, Mr Michael Brown, Ms Jennifer Lacey, Mr Cyrill Smith, Director Development Services, Manager Building and Environment, Water Treatment Manager, Manager City Presentation, Manager Waste Services and Technical Support, Water and Sewerage Strategic Manager, Museum and Heritage Coordinator, Parks Supervisor, Project and Research Officer, Water Management Officer

1.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**1.2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, the people of the Wiradjuri Nation. I pay my respects to Elders past and present, and extend those respects to Aboriginal Peoples of Orange and surrounds, and Aboriginal people here with us today.

1.3 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

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RECOMMENDATION

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**2.2 MINUTES OF THE PARKS, TREES AND WATERWAYS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE HELD
13 OCTOBER 2022**

RECORD NUMBER: 2022/2330

AUTHOR: Nigel Hobden, Manager City Presentation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee met on 13 October 2022 and the recommendation from that meeting are provided to the Environmental Sustainability Policy Committee for adoption.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy “7.1. Engage with the community to develop plans for growth and development that value the local environment”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Should Council adopt the recommendation 2, (being the adoption of recommendation 3.2.1 of the Committee), to a develop conceptual plans based on the Cook Park Master Plan a budget submission would be required to meet that cost which is estimated to be approximately \$5,000 - \$7,500.

Adoption of the remaining recommendation has no financial impact.

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

- 1 That Council acknowledge the reports presented to the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee at its meeting held on 13 October 2022.
- 2 That Council determine recommendations 3.1 and 3.2 from the minutes of the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee meeting of 13 October 2022

3.1 Tree Canopy Coverage

That the report provided by Manager City Presentation on the Tree Canopy Coverage be acknowledged.

3.2 Cook Park Master Plan

1. That Council develops conceptual plans based on the following preferred phase list:

Phase 1:

- *Removal of the aviary*
- *Relocation of the staff works compound*
- *Path and access realignment to connect Sampson Street to park centre*
- *Improved drainage throughout the Park*

Phase 2:

- *Bastic Cottage repurposing*
- *New public amenity building*

Phase 3:

- *Restoration of entrances Summer and Clinton/Summer and Sampson Streets*

2. That Council endorse the Cook Park Conservation Management Plan and Tree Succession Plan.

- 3 That the remainder of the minutes of the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee at its meeting held on 13 October 2022 be adopted.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Consideration has been given to the recommendation's impact on Council's service delivery; image and reputation; political; environmental; health and safety; employees; stakeholders and project management; and no further implications or risks have been identified.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 PTWCC 13 October 2022 Minutes
- 2 PTWCC 13 October 2022 Agenda, D22/63463 [↓](#)
- 3 Cook Park - Final Master Plan - March 2013, IC14/12788 [↓](#)
- 4 Review of 2013 Cook Park Landscape Master Plan - Mark McCrone - August 2022, D22/56012 [↓](#)

ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE

PARKS, TREES AND WATERWAYS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

HELD IN COUNCILLOR'S WORKROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE

ON 13 OCTOBER 2022

COMMENCING AT 5.00PM

1 INTRODUCTION

ATTENDANCE

Cr M McDonell (Chairperson), Mr Brendan Stuart, Mr William Tuck, Mr Reg Kidd (Via Teams 6.12pm), Mr Malcolm Stacey, Mr Neil Jones, Mr Gavin Kidd, Ms Amanda Lockwood, Mr Andrew Kennedy, Mr Cyril Smith, Manager City Presentation, Horticultural Services Supervisor

1.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

RESOLVED

Mr N Jones/Mr C Smith

That the apologies be accepted from Cr David Mallard, Ms Sharyn Pussell and Ms Sarah Keir for the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee meeting on 13 October 2022.

1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.3 Declaration of pecuniary interests, significant non-pecuniary interests and less than significant non-pecuniary interests

Nil.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

RESOLVED

Mr W Tuck/Mr B Stuart

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee held on 8 September 2022 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee meeting held on 8 September 2022.

3 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 TREE CANOPY COVERAGE

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/1988

RECOMMENDATION

Mr M Stacey/Mr C Smith

That the report provided by Manager City Presentation on the Tree Canopy Coverage be acknowledged.

3.2 COOK PARK MASTER PLAN

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/1989

RECOMMENDATION

Cr M McDonell/Mr G Kidd

1. That Council develops conceptual plans based on the following preferred phase list:

- Phase 1:
 - Removal of the aviary
 - Relocation of the staff works compound
 - Path and access realignment to connect Sampson Street to park centre
 - Improved drainage throughout the Park
- Phase 2:
 - Bastic Cottage repurposing
 - New public amenity building
- Phase 3:
 - Restoration of entrances Summer and Clinton / Summer and Sampson Streets

2. That Council endorse the Cook Park Conservation Management Plan and Tree Succession Plan.

4 GENERAL REPORTS

4.1 PARKS, TREES AND WATERWAYS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/1981

RECOMMENDATION

Ms A Lockwood/Mr G Kidd

That the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee Action Plan be placed as the first item on the agenda for the 17 November 2022 meeting.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.32PM

**2.3 MINUTES OF THE PARKS, TREES AND WATERWAY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE HELD
17 NOVEMBER 2022**

RECORD NUMBER: 2022/2427

AUTHOR: Nigel Hobden, Manager City Presentation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee met on 17 November 2022 and the recommendation from that meeting are provided to the Environmental Sustainability Policy Committee for adoption.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy “7.1. Engage with the community to develop plans for growth and development that value the local environment”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

- 1 That Council acknowledge the reports presented to the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee at its meeting held on 17 November 2022.**
- 2 That the minutes of the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee at its meeting held on 17 November 2022 be adopted.**

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Consideration has been given to the recommendation’s impact on Council’s service delivery; image and reputation; political; environmental; health and safety; employees; stakeholders and project management; and no further implications or risks have been identified.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 PTWCC 17 November 2022 Minutes
- 2 PTWCC 17 November 2022 Agenda, D22/72959 [↓](#)

ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE

PARKS, TREES AND WATERWAYS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

HELD IN COUNCILLOR'S WORKROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE

ON 17 NOVEMBER 2022

COMMENCING AT 5.00PM

1 INTRODUCTION

ATTENDANCE

Cr M McDonell (Chairperson), Cr D Mallard, Mr Brendan Stuart, Mr Reg Kidd (*teams*), Mr Malcolm Stacey, Mr Neil Jones (*teams*), Mr Gavin Kidd, Ms Amanda Lockwood, Ms Sharyn Pussell, Mr Andrew Kennedy, Mr Cyril Smith, Manager City Presentation

1.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

RESOLVED	Cr M McDonell/Mr A Kennedy
That the apologies be accepted from Ms Sarah Keir for the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee meeting on 17 November 2022.	

1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.3 Declaration of pecuniary interests, significant non-pecuniary interests and less than significant non-pecuniary interests

Nil.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

RESOLVED	Cr M McDonell/Mr A Kennedy
That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee held on 13 October 2022 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee meeting held on 13 October 2022 noting that Ms Sarah Keir was in attendance at this meeting.	

MATTER ARISING

Mr R Kidd noted the Cook Park Master Plan from the last meeting wished to request that the Aviary not be removed.

3 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 RESIGNATION OF WILLIAM TUCK

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/2283

RECOMMENDATION

Cr M McDonell/Mr M Stacey

That a letter be sent to William Tuck thanking him for his contribution to the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee and wishing him every success.

Mr N Jones left the meeting with the time being 5.48pm

4 GENERAL REPORTS

4.1 PARKS, TREES AND WATERWAYS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/2282

RECOMMENDATION

Mr R Kidd/Mr A Kennedy

That the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee Action Plan be reviewed, updated and priorities determined.

Mr R Kidd left the meeting with the time being 6.23pm

Mr G Kidd left the meeting with the time being 6.30pm

4.2 OPEN SPACES AND DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN WORKSHOP OUTCOMES

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/2329

RECOMMENDATION

Cr M McDonell/Mr N Jones

That the outcomes from the Open Spaces and Development Control Plan workshop held on 3 November 2022 be referred for consideration in the development of the draft Development Control Plan.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.30PM.

