
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL HELD
OCTOBER 28, 2015

Meeting commenced at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor W. Cuy (Mayor) Councillor D. Gallagher (Deputy Mayor),
Councillors C. Adams, B. Algate, P. Black, M. Browne, B. Licul, J. Nolan,
J. Richards and D. Turley.

Acting General Manager, Acting Deputy General Manager, Chief Financial
Officer, Manager Planning Development and Compliance, Manager
Economic Development and Culture, Division Manager Corporate and
Human Services, Governance Officer and Communication Specialist.

Media (3), Members of the Public (12).

APOLOGIES: Nil.

PRAYER

Councillor Richards delivered the prayer

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Gallagher delivered the Acknowledgment of Country

PUBLIC FORUM

Water Restrictions and options for Broken Hill's long term water supply

Mr. Darryn Clifton (spokesperson for Menindee Lakes We Want Action Group) referred to Broken Hill's current water restrictions and requested that Council informs the community regarding the work that Council is doing behind the scenes regarding the town's water supply and about Council's management of ovals/parks during water restrictions.

Mr. Clifton referred to a recent community meeting, with NSW Water Minister, the Hon. Nial Blair which was chaired by the Mayor, and stated that no-one questioned the 12 new long term options for Broken Hill's water supply which were included on the information sheet.

Mr. Clifton raised concerns that the NSW Government is continuing to include new options without consultation with the community giving the example that the information sheet included that a managed aquifer recharge was a long term option. This option was listed in the Menindee Lakes Water Saving Project power-point presentation given to the Mayor 12 month ago; with the history being that it was first suggested in 2010 in conjunction with NSW Labour Government through the 2010 Memorandum of Understanding; the MOU was then abolished by incoming Liberal/National Government in 2011; the NSW Office of Water included it as an option in the Menindee Water Savings Project in July 2014; then Mr. Clifton was advised by a GeoScience employee in 2014 that it was still being considered and was never taken off the list of options. Now Minister Blair lists it again as an option.

Mr. Clifton requested that Council continues to strongly object to any form of water supply other than a surface water supply from the Menindee Lakes and Darling River.

The Mayor responded that he had answered these questions recently in an email.

The Mayor took Mr. Clifton's comments on board.

MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45093

Councillor D. Gallagher moved)
Councillor C. Adams seconded)

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the
Council of the City of Broken Hill held September
30, 2015 be confirmed.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Councillor Turley declared:

- a pecuniary interest in Report No. 240/15 as she is enrolled in the YMCA fitness challenge which is seeking a waiver of fees and advised that she will leave the Council Chambers whilst the item is considered.

Councillor Gallagher declared:

- a conflict of interest in Report No. 240/15 as he is the President of the Silver City Racing Club which is seeking a waiver of fees and advised that he will leave the Council Chambers whilst the item is considered.

Councillor Nolan declared:

- a conflict of interest in Report No. 230/15 as he is a Trustee of the Trades Hall who would be the beneficiary of the Community Assistance grant and advised that he will leave the Council Chambers whilst the item is considered.

MAYORAL MINUTES

Council considered the two Mayoral Minutes from the Supplementary Agenda at this point in the meeting.

ITEM 25 - MAYORAL MINUTE NO. 9/15 - DATED OCTOBER 22, 2015 - REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE - MAYOR CUY 11/17

Recommendation

That Mayoral Minute No. 9/15 dated October 22, 2015, be received.

That Leave of Absence be granted to Mayor Cuy for the period Tuesday, November 4, 2015 to Wednesday, November 17, 2015.

That Deputy Mayor Cr. Gallagher carry-out all Mayoral duties in the Mayor's absence, and be paid the Mayoral Allowance from November 4, 2015 to November 17, 2015.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45094

Councillor W. Cuy moved)
Councillor D. Turley seconded)

That the recommendation of Item 25 be adopted.

CARRIED

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ITEM 26 - MAYORAL MINUTE NO. 10/15 - DATED OCTOBER 23, 2015 - RECRUITMENT
PROCESS AND SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE POSITION OF GENERAL MANAGER 13/15

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45095

Councillor W. Cuy moved

) That Mayoral Minute No. 10/15 dated October 23,
) 2015, be received.

That Council endorse the action taken by the Mayor to seek Expressions of Interest from a restricted panel of three suitably qualified recruitment agencies:

- Management Solutions, Local Government Shires Association
- McArthur
- Blackadder Associates

That subject to guidelines under Section 23A of the Local Government Act, Council endorses the Mayor's recommendation of Selection Committee Members consisting of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillor Turley.

That once appointed, the Selection Committee confirm the selection criteria to be followed for the appointment of a recruitment agency and that the Mayor and a suitable qualified member of staff be the contact points for the selected recruitment agency.

That once the recruitment agency has undertaken the preliminary selection process the Selection Committee review the shortlisted candidates presented by the agency and select the preferred candidates to participate in the selection process with the Selection Committee.

That the closing date for expressions of interest from the selected recruitment agencies be changed to November 13, 2015 and the Selection Committee make a determination of the successful agency as soon as possible thereafter.

That the three short-listed candidates selected by the Selection Committee be presented to Council for Council approval and appointment of the General Manager

That the Mayor be delegated the role of negotiating with the preferred candidate to make an offer of appointment once approval to make an offer has been resolved by Council.

CARRIED

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil.

REPORTS FROM DELEGATES

ITEM 1 - REPORTS FROM DELEGATES NO. 3/15 - DATED OCTOBER 16, 2015 - COUNCILLOR NOLAN'S ATTENDANCE AT THE ASSOCIATION OF MINING RELATED COUNCILS MEETING HELD AUGUST 13, 2015 11/195, 11/363

Recommendation

That Reports from Delegates No. 3/15 dated October 16, 2015, be received.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45096

Councillor J. Nolan moved)

Councillor B. Algate seconded)

That the recommendation of item 1 be adopted.

CARRIED

ITEM 2 - REPORTS FROM DELEGATES NO. 4/15 - DATED OCTOBER 21, 2015 - COUNCILLOR TURLEY'S ATTENDANCE AT THE NSW LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE 13/147

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45097

Councillor D. Turley moved)

Councillor D. Gallagher seconded)

That Reports from Delegates No. 4/15 dated
October 21, 2015, be received.

That correspondence is forwarded to the Premier
supporting the reinstatement of Minister for
Western NSW.

That Council investigate the Green Army for
heritage and native vegetation programs.

CARRIED

REPORTS

**ITEM 3 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 230/15 - DATED OCTOBER 12, 2015 -
CORRESPONDENCE REPORT - COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE GRANT TO BROKEN HILL TRADES
HALL TRUST** 11/117

Councillor Nolan declared an interest in item 3 and left the Council Chambers at 6:44pm

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Motion

Councillor P. Black moved
Councillor B. Licul seconded

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That Council's offer stands, as resolved at the June 2015 Council Meeting (Minute Number 44968), to the Broken Hill Trades Hall Trust for roof repairs; that is:

That Council offers a grant of \$20,000 towards roofing works at the Trades Hall building conditional upon the following:

- 1. That a property management plan including financial planning be developed and implemented; and*
- 2. That the grant be matched dollar for dollar by the affiliated unions; and*
- 3. That the grant be taken from budgets available for Councils Community Assistance Program.*
- 4. That Council's Heritage Adviser assists the Trades Hall Trust to compile future heritage grant submissions.*

Amendment

Councillor C. Adams moved

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That the decision to provide a grant to the Broken Hill Trades Hall Trust be deferred until the consultative report on the condition of the Trades Hall is complete.

WITHDRAWN

The original motion was put.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45098

Councillor P. Black moved
Councillor B. Licul seconded

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- 2. That the grant be matched dollar for dollar by the affiliated unions; and*
- 3. That the grant be taken from budgets available for Councils Community Assistance Program.*

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4. *That Council's Heritage Adviser assists the Trades Hall Trust to compile future heritage grant submissions.*

CARRIED

Councillor Nolan returned to the Council Chambers at 6:45 p.m. The Mayor advised Councillor Nolan that Council had resolved not to change the conditions of the grant and that Council's offer stands as resolved at the June 2015 Council Meeting.

**ITEM 4 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 231/15 - DATED OCTOBER 20, 2015 -
CORRESPONDENCE REPORT - GREAT SOUTHERN RAIL SUBSIDIES** 11/291

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45099

Councillor P. Black moved) That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 231/15
Councillor D. Gallagher seconded) dated October 20, 2015, be received.

That correspondence from the Member for Barwon dated September 17, 2015 and Great Southern Rail dated October 3, 2015 in reply to Council's correspondence regarding the Government's proposed cuts in rail subsidies, be received.

That Council seeks a response from the Hon. Mr. Kevin Humphries, Member for Barwon to Council's initial correspondence regarding NSW State Government's position.

CARRIED

**ITEM 5 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 232/15 - DATED AUGUST 31, 2015 -
ADOPTION OF DRAFT REVISED WASTE SERVICES POLICY** 11/200

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 232/15 dated August 31, 2015, be received.

That Council adopts the Draft Revised Waste Services Policy as a policy of Council.

That adoption of the Draft Revised Waste Services Policy renders the Dumper Hire Policy obsolete.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45100

Councillor C. Adams moved) That the recommendation of item 5 be adopted.
Councillor D. Turley seconded)

CARRIED

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**ITEM 6 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 233/15 - DATED SEPTEMBER 01, 2015 -
ADOPTION OF DRAFT REVISED SWIMMING POOL BARRIER INSPECTION POLICY** 12/14

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 233/15 dated September 1, 2015, be received.

That Council adopts the draft revised Swimming Pool Barrier Inspection Policy as a policy of Council.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45101

Councillor D. Gallagher moved) That the recommendation of item 6 be adopted.
Councillor B. Algate seconded)

CARRIED

**ITEM 7 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 234/15 - DATED SEPTEMBER 01, 2015 -
ADOPTION OF DRAFT ASBESTOS POLICY** 12/180

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45102

Councillor B. Algate moved) That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 234/15
Councillor J. Nolan seconded) dated September 1, 2015, be received.

That Council adopts the Draft Asbestos Policy as
a policy of Council.

That Council notes a change to the wording on
page 2 of the report (page 68 of Business Paper)
the second paragraph under the heading
"Financial Implications" - to remove the word
"volume" and change to "quantities" as per clause
4.5 of the Draft Policy.

CARRIED

**ITEM 8 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 235/15 - DATED SEPTEMBER 01, 2015 -
ADOPTION OF DRAFT COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE GRANT POLICY** 11/117

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45103

Councillor P. Black moved) That consideration of the report be deferred for
Councillor M. Browne seconded) one month to permit further consultation.

CARRIED

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**ITEM 9 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 236/15 - DATED SEPTEMBER 29, 2015 -
ESTABLISHMENT AND RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF ALCOHOL FREE ZONES** 11/307

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 236/15 dated September 29, 2015, be received.

That Council endorse the establishment of the two following Alcohol Free Zones (in accordance with the Local Government Act, and Ministerial Guidelines) as per the attached proposals.

- 1) The Zone known as South Broken Hill including all public roads, footpaths and public car parks in an area bounded by Bonanza, Patton, Central and Hebbard Streets with an extension to include South Street from Piper Street through to Wilson Street with the exception of any businesses in the Zone with a current or future approved liquor licence and approved outdoor dining. The responsible consumption of alcohol in these areas will only be permitted to the patrons of those particular businesses.
- 2) The Zone known as Shell Memorial including all public roads and footpaths and public car parks in an area bounded by, Thomas, Bromide, Mica and Iodide Streets including Oxide Street from Thomas Street through to Morgan Street with the exception of any businesses in the Zone with a current or future approved liquor licence and approved outdoor dining. The responsible consumption of alcohol in these areas will only be permitted to the patrons of those particular businesses.

That Council endorse the re-establishment of the two following Alcohol Free Zones (in accordance with the Local Government Act, and Ministerial Guidelines) as per the attached proposals.

- 1) The Zone known as E.T.Lamb Memorial Oval including all public roads and footpath area and public car parks surrounding the oval bounded by South, Boughtman, Comstock and Jamieson Streets with the exception of any businesses in the Zone with a current or future approved liquor licence and approved outdoor dining. The responsible consumption of alcohol in these areas will only be permitted to the patrons of those particular businesses.
- 2) The zone comprising the area of Creedon Street, bounded by Rakow and Wills Streets.

That the necessary signage be installed showing operation of the four Zones from November 9, 2015 to November 9, 2019.

That re-establishment and establishment of the four Alcohol Free Zones be advised to the public by way of media release and advertisement in the Barrier Daily Truth.

That the advertisement reminds the public that the CBD Alcohol Free Zone in Broken Hill is also in force.

That all Alcohol Free Zones be published on Council's website.

That Council thank the Broken Hill Police for its ongoing support of alcohol free zones in Broken Hill and the Barrier Liquor Accord (Broken Hill) for its contribution.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45104

Councillor B. Algate moved) That the recommendation of item 9 be adopted.
Councillor D. Turley seconded)

CARRIED

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**ITEM 10 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 237/15 - DATED OCTOBER 16, 2015 -
CODE OF CONDUCT ANNUAL REPORT** 13/100

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 237/15 dated October 16, 2015, be received.

That the Code of Conduct Complaint Statistics for the Broken Hill City Council for the period of 1 September 2014 – 31 August 2015 be forwarded to the Office of Local Government.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45105

Councillor B. Algate moved) That the recommendation of item 10 be adopted.
Councillor D. Gallagher seconded)

CARRIED

**ITEM 11 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 238/15 - DATED OCTOBER 14, 2015 -
PORTFOLIO PROGRAMS** 12/66

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45106

Councillor D. Gallagher moved) That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 238/15
Councillor J. Richards seconded) dated October 14, 2015, be received.

That a further more comprehensive report be presented to Council outlining options for the implementation of a standardised framework for all of Council's Portfolios.

CARRIED

**ITEM 12 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 239/15 - DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 2015 -
ASSET NAMING COMMITTEE - SEPTEMBER 2015 MEETING** 12/7

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 239/15 dated September 16, 2015, be received.

That the Minutes of the Asset Naming Committee Meeting held 16 September 2015 be endorsed.

That Council consider renaming The Flora and Fauna Sanctuary to The John Simons Flora and Fauna Sanctuary.

That Council consider renaming The Outback Art Prize to The Pro Hart Outback Art Prize.

That Council invite public comment on these proposals through an advertisement in local newspaper with time for response within twenty eight (28) days.

That a further report be submitted to Council upon completion of the consultative process.

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RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45107

Councillor C. Adams moved) That the recommendation of item 12 be adopted.
Councillor B. Algate seconded)

CARRIED

**ITEM 13 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 240/15 - DATED OCTOBER 07, 2015 -
COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE REQUESTS FOR OCTOBER**

11/117

Councillors Turley and Gallagher each declared an interest in item 13 and left the Council Chambers at 7:01 p.m.

Motion

Councillor B. Algate moved) That the recommendation of item 13 be adopted;
Councillor C. Adams seconded) that is:

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 240/15 dated October 7, 2015, be received.

That Council approves the request from the YMCA for waiver of the Sturt Park Hire fees of \$499.44 for the conduct of an 8 week fitness challenge program.

That Council endorses the Mayor's approval of the request from the Silver City Race Club Inc. for in-kind assistance to the value of approximately \$1,320.00 for the provision and servicing of MGB's and dumper bins for the Silver City Race Meeting on Saturday, October 24, 2015.

Amendment

Councillor M. Browne moved) That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 240/15
Councillor B. Licul seconded) dated October 7, 2015, be received.

That Council declines the request from the YMCA for waiver of the Sturt Park Hire fees of \$499.44 for the conduct of an 8 week fitness challenge program, as the YMCA are charging participants a fee to take part in the challenge.

That Council endorses the Mayor's approval of the request from the Silver City Race Club Inc. for in-kind assistance to the value of approximately \$1,320.00 for the provision and servicing of MGB's and dumper bins for the Silver City Race Meeting on Saturday, October 24, 2015.

CARRIED

The amendment becomes the motion.

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RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45108

Councillor B. Algate moved
Councillor C. Adams seconded

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That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 240/15
dated October 7, 2015, be received.

That Council declines the request from the YMCA
for waiver of the Sturt Park Hire fees of \$499.44
for the conduct of an 8 week fitness challenge
program, as the YMCA are charging participants
a fee to take part in the challenge.

That Council endorses the Mayor's approval of
the request from the Silver City Race Club Inc. for
in-kind assistance to the value of approximately
\$1,320.00 for the provision and servicing of
MGB's and dumper bins for the Silver City Race
Meeting on Saturday, October 24, 2015.

CARRIED

Councillors Turley and Gallagher returned to the Council Chambers at 7:04 p.m. The Mayor advised Councillors Turley and Gallagher that Council had adopted the report recommendation with an addendum to decline the request from the YMCA as the YMCA are charging participants a fee to take part in the fitness challenge.

**ITEM 14 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 241/15 - DATED OCTOBER 13, 2015 -
MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING NO.353, HELD 7 OCTOBER 2015**

11/397

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 241/15 dated October 13, 2015, be received.

That the Minutes for the Local Traffic Committee Meeting No.353, held October 7, 2015 be received.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45109

Councillor D. Gallagher moved
Councillor B. Algate seconded

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That the recommendation of item 14 be adopted.

CARRIED

**ITEM 15 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 242/15 - DATED OCTOBER 13, 2015 -
INFRASTRUCTURE MONTHLY ACTIVITIES - SEPTEMBER 2015**

11/514

Councillor Algate queried the Year to Date REX comparison figures on page 157 and the Mayor concurred with Councillor Algate's query and advised that there has been an anomaly in the reporting of the figures for some time that has gone unnoticed, in that each quarter has been compared with the whole of the previous year figures.

The General Manager advised that the template for the reporting of the Airport statistics has been corrected for future reports.

Councillor Turley requested that the corrected figures for this report be circulated to Councillors.

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Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 242/15 dated October 13, 2015, be received.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45110

Councillor P. Black moved) That the recommendation of item 15 be adopted.
Councillor B. Algate seconded)

CARRIED

**ITEM 16 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 243/15 - DATED OCTOBER 12, 2015 -
INVESTMENT REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2015** 11/48

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 243/15 dated October 12, 2015, be received.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45111

Councillor B. Algate moved) That the recommendation of item 16 be adopted.
Councillor J. Richards seconded)

CARRIED

**ITEM 17 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 244/15 - DATED OCTOBER 13, 2015 -
TOURISM AND CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS ACTIVITY REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2015** 11/514

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45112

Councillor D. Turley moved) That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 244/15
Councillor J. Nolan seconded) dated October 13, 2015, be received.

That Council formally thank Cathy Farry
(Council's former Art and Culture Curator) for her
outstanding work at Council and her input into
Council acquiring a \$300,000 grant for the
Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery.

CARRIED

**ITEM 18 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 245/15 - DATED OCTOBER 16, 2015 -
DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES - SEPTEMBER 2015** 11/514

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 245/15 dated October 16, 2015, be received.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45113

Councillor P. Black moved) That the recommendation of item 18 be adopted.
Councillor D. Gallagher seconded)

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CARRIED

ITEM 19 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 246/15 - DATED OCTOBER 16, 2015 -
HERITAGE STATUS REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2015 11/126

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 246/15 dated October 16, 2015, be received.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45114

Councillor C. Adams moved) That the recommendation of item 19 be adopted.
Councillor M. Browne seconded)

CARRIED

ITEM 20 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 247/15 - DATED OCTOBER 07, 2015 -
ACTION LIST REPORT - OCTOBER 11/25

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 247/15 dated October 7, 2015, be received.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45115

Councillor D. Turley moved) That the recommendation of item 20 be adopted.
Councillor C. Adams seconded)

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM 21 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 248/15 - DATED OCTOBER 12, 2015 -
MINUTES OF THE MEMORIAL OVAL COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 1,
2015 12/52

Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 248/15 dated October 12, 2015, be received.

That Minutes of the Memorial Oval Community Committee Meeting held September 1, 2015 be received.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45116

Councillor P. Black moved) That the recommendation of item 21 be adopted.
Councillor D. Gallagher seconded)

CARRIED

ITEM 22 - BROKEN HILL CITY COUNCIL REPORT NO. 249/15 - DATED OCTOBER 12, 2015 -
MINUTES OF THE BIU BAND HALL AND SOCCER COMPLEX COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD OCTOBER 7, 2015 12/48

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Recommendation

That Broken Hill City Council Report No. 249/15 dated October 12, 2015, be received.

That the minutes of the BIU Band Hall and Soccer Complex Community Committee meeting held October 7, 2015 be received and noted.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45117

Councillor B. Licul moved)

Councillor C. Adams seconded)

That the recommendation of item 22 be adopted.

CARRIED

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

ITEM 23 - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE NO. 13/15 - DATED OCTOBER 07, 2015 - COUNCILLORS
QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 COUNCIL MEETING 11/126

Recommendation

That Questions On Notice No. 13/15 dated October 7, 2015, be received.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45118

Councillor C. Adams moved)

Councillor D. Gallagher seconded)

That the recommendation of item 23 be adopted.

CARRIED

ITEM 24 - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE NO. 14/15 - DATED OCTOBER 07, 2015 - PUBLIC FORUM
QUESTIONS ON NOTICE REPORT FROM SEPTEMBER 30, COUNCIL MEETING 11/467

Recommendation

That Questions On Notice No. 14/15 dated October 7, 2015, be received.

RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45119

Councillor C. Adams moved)

Councillor D. Gallagher seconded)

That the recommendation of item 24 be adopted.

CARRIED

QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

Tourism and Cultural Attractions Activity Report

11/514

Councillor Algate requested a change to the reporting of tourism figures in the Tourism and Cultural Attractions Activity Report each month that shows accommodation occupancy rates rather than traffic the current reporting, as this is not showing a true picture of tourism activity in the City.

The Acting General Manager advised that Council will replace the Council statistics in the Tourism and Cultural Attractions Activity Report, with more relevant statistical information from Destination

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NSW and Destination Far West.

Museum Advisory Service

11/514

Councillor Adams advised that there has not been an update report on the Museum Advisor for a few months.

The Acting General Manager advised that this service is now part of the Our Economy Portfolio and that the Museum Advisory Service will be included in future Tourism and Cultural Attractions Activity Reports.

Corrected REX Comparison Figures – Infrastructure Activity Report

11/514

Councillor Algate queried the Year to Date REX comparison figures on page 157 and the Mayor concurred with Councillor Algate's query and advised that there has been an anomaly in the reporting of the figures for some time that has gone unnoticed, in that each quarter has been compared with the whole of the previous year figures.

The General Manager advised that the template for the reporting of the Airport statistics has been corrected for future reports.

Councillor Turley requested that the corrected figures for this report be circulated to Councillors.

The Acting General Manager advised that the corrected figures and new report template would be circulated to Councillors.

Water Restrictions

Councillor Turley requested that Council starts a media campaign regarding water restrictions and Council's plans for watering of ovals and parks in the city and include reminders of the watering rules and water wise tips for residents. Council could also include messages about the work Council is doing to lobby for a long term quality water supply and how Council intends to manage its ovals and parks should they deteriorate to an unacceptable level for sport.

The Mayor advised that this is a role of the NSW Office of Water, Safe Water and Essential Energy who provide regular updates into the media which is relayed to the community and that all messages regarding water restrictions and water usage should come from the relevant government departments.

The Mayor advised that Council has an advocacy roll which it is undertaking and thanked Councillors Browne and Gallagher for their participation on Monday at the Senate Select Committee into the Murray Darling Basin Plan and thanked the Councillors on their participation, stating that their contributions were noted.

Councillor Turley referred to Councillor Browne's opening address to the Senate Select Committee and requested that it be included in Council's messages to the community and placed on Council's Face Book page.

MATTER OF URGENCY

The Mayor accepted the following motion by Councillor Turley as a matter of urgency.

**MATTER OF URGENCY - CLOSURE OF THE BROKEN HILL OFFICE OF THE NSW TRUSTEE
AND GUARDIAN**

11/161

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RESOLUTION

Minute No. 45120

Councillor D. Turley moved)

Councillor D. Gallagher seconded)

That Council strongly opposes the closure of the Broken Hill office of the NSW Trustee and Guardian and makes urgent representations to the Local Member, State Member, Attorney General, the Premier and the Leader of the Opposition expressing Council's extreme disappointment in the closure of this service.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil.

There being no further business the Mayor closed the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES WERE READ
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