



MINUTES

Moorabool Growth Management Committee Meeting Wednesday, 5 March 2025

Date: Wednesday, 5 March 2025

Time: 3.30pm

Location: Council Chamber, 15 Stead Street, Ballan & Online

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1 OPENING

The Mayor opened the meeting at 3.30pm

2 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

Cr Paul Tatchell, Mayor

Cr Rod Ward, Deputy Mayor

Cr Moira Berry

Cr Jarrod Bingham (joined the meeting at 3.46pm)

Cr Sheila Freeman

Cr John Keogh (joined the meeting at 4.10pm)

Cr Ally Munari

Cr Tom Sullivan (joined the meeting at 4.03pm)

Cr Steven Venditti-Taylor

IN ATTENDANCE:

Derek Madden Chief Executive Officer

Henry Bezuidenhout Executive Manager Community Planning & Development

Phil Jeffrey General Manager Community Assets & Infrastructure

Leigh McCallum General Manager Community Strengthening

APOLOGIES:

Nil

3 RECORDING OF MEETING

In accordance with Moorabool Shire Council's Governance Rules, the meeting was not livestreamed.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Moira Berry

Seconded: Cr Rod Ward

That the minutes of the Moorabool Growth Management Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 4 December 2024 be confirmed.

CARRIED

5 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

6 DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS

Nil.

7 UPDATE ON TRENDS, ISSUES AND OTHER MATTERS

- Plan for Victoria has been released and Moorabool's housing target has been confirmed at 20,000 dwellings.
- Infrastructure Victoria's Draft 30 Year Infrastructure Strategy is out for comment. Not a lot on Moorabool at first review, however there is a recommendation in the strategy that the train line to Melton be electrified by 2030 and the tracks to Bacchus Marsh duplicated.
- Retail Strategy Implementation will be achieved through a Planning Scheme Amendment to update local policy and provide guidance in decision making for Planning Scheme Amendments and Planning Permit applications. This will be brought to a future briefing of Council, and a Council report is being prepared for the May OMC to seek a resolution to request authorisation from the Minister for Planning.
- C85 will commence exhibition with letters going out to landowners and newspaper ads appearing this week.

8 OTHER BUSINESS

Nil.

9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 4 June 2025.

10 CLOSED SESSION OF THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION****Moved: Cr Ally Munari****Seconded: Cr Moira Berry****That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 66(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 2020*:****10.1 Bacchus Marsh Growth Areas Update**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 3(1) - c and e of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with land use planning information, being information that if prematurely released is likely to encourage speculation in land values and legal privileged information, being information to which legal professional privilege or client legal privilege applies.

10.2 Ballan Growth Areas Update

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 3(1) - c and e of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with land use planning information, being information that if prematurely released is likely to encourage speculation in land values and legal privileged information, being information to which legal professional privilege or client legal privilege applies.

10.3 Special Projects Update

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 3(1) - a, c and e of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released, land use planning information, being information that if prematurely released is likely to encourage speculation in land values and legal privileged information, being information to which legal professional privilege or client legal privilege applies.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**Moved: Cr Rod Ward****Seconded: Cr Tom Sullivan****That Council moves out of Closed Session and resumes the Open Session of Council.****CARRIED**

11 MEETING CLOSE

The Meeting closed at 5:45pm.

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CHAIRPERSON