

Finance and Operations Committee

Minutes

Date: Wednesday 9 November 2022

Venue: Civic Centre (Council Meeting Room)
13 Mair Street, Benalla

Committee Meetings are live streamed and recorded. Members of the public were encouraged to watch the live broadcast of the meeting at www.benalla.vic.gov.au

In accordance with Rule 6.4 of the *Governance Rules 2020* an audio recording was made of the proceedings of the meeting.

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Chair	Councillor Justin King	
Councillors	Councillor Danny Claridge Councillor Peter Davis Councillor Don Firth Councillor Bernie Hearn (Mayor) Councillor Punarji Hewa Gunaratne Councillor Gail O'Brien	
In attendance	Dom Testoni	Chief Executive Officer
	Robert Barber	General Manager Corporate
	Jane Archbold	Manager Community
	Cathy Fitzpatrick	Manager Finance
	Janine McMaster	Manager People and Performance
	Jessica Beaton	Governance Coordinator

The Finance and Operations Committee meeting commenced at 6pm.

Acknowledgment of Country

The chair recited the following acknowledgment of country:

We, the Benalla Rural City Council, acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we are meeting. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and to Elders from other communities who may be here today.

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Apologies

It is noted that Councillor Peter Davis is on an approved leave of absence.

Cr Hearn / Cr Firth:

That the apology be accepted and a leave of absence granted.

Carried

Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were been circulated to Councillors and posted on the Council website www.benalla.vic.gov.au pending confirmation at the meeting.

Cr Hearn / Cr Gunarante:

That the Minutes of the Finance and Operations Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 5 October 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Carried

Disclosures of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were disclosed to the committee.

Business**1. 2022/2023 Community Sponsorship Program**

The report presented funding applications under the 2022/23 Community Sponsorship Program.

Cr Hearn / Cr O'Brien:

That \$500 grants from the 2022/2023 Community Sponsorship Program be allocated to Rotary Club of Benalla, Stroke Association of Victoria (SAV), Lima School Community Centre Committee and Thoona and District Progress Association Incorporated.

Carried

2. People and Performance Department Activity Report for The Quarter Ended 30 September 2022

The report presented the activities of the People and Performance Department for the quarter ended 30 September 2022.

Cr Claridge / Cr Gunarante:

That the report be noted.

Carried

3. Finance Department Activity Report for The Quarter Ended 30 September 2022

The report presented an overview of the functions of the Finance Department for the quarter ended 30 September 2022.

Cr Hearn / Cr Firth:

That the report be noted.

Carried

4. Community Department Activity Report for The Quarter Ended 30 September 2022

The report presented activity for the Community Department for the quarter ended 30 September 2022.

Cr O'Brien / Cr Hearn:

That the report be noted.

Carried

5. Councillors Expenses For The Quarter Ended 30 September 2022

The report detailed expenditure associated with Councillors' mobile phone usage, attendance at professional development courses and conferences and seminars, and reimbursement of expenses incurring during the quarter ended 30 September 2022.

Cr Hearn / Cr Gunarante:

That the report be noted.

Carried

Closure of Meeting

The committee meeting closed at 6.28pm.

Confirmed this seventh day of December 2022.

Signed: _____


Cr Danny Claridge