



**MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 34 CHURCH STREET, SALISBURY ON**

20 APRIL 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor G Aldridge
Cr M Blackmore
Cr L Braun
Cr B Brug
Cr C Buchanan
Cr A Duncan
Cr K Grenfell
Cr N Henningsen (*via videoconference*)
Cr D Hood
Cr P Jensen
Cr S Ouk
Cr D Proleta
Cr S Reardon
Cr G Reynolds
Cr J Woodman (Deputy Mayor)

STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Mr J Harry
General Manager Business Excellence, Mr C Mansueto
General Manager City Development, Mr T Sutcliffe
General Manager City Infrastructure, Mr J Devine
A/General Manager Community Development, Ms V Haracic
Manager Governance, Mr M Petrovski
Risk and Governance Program Manager, Ms J Crook
Governance Support Officer, Ms K Boyd

The meeting commenced at 8.57 pm.

OPENING PRAYER AND WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed the members, staff and the gallery to the meeting.

The Chief Executive Officer read the Opening Prayer.

The Mayor read the Kaurna Acknowledgement.

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

ITEM 1: Budget and Finance Committee - Recommendations for Council Ratification

Moved Cr C Buchanan

Seconded Cr G Reynolds

That Council adopt the recommendations of the Budget and Finance Committee meeting on 20 April 2020, regarding items 6.0.3 and 6.6.1 on the agenda and the recommendation for item 6.6.1 be expanded to incorporate the Committee recommendation pertaining to item 6.0.2 on the agenda, to read as follows:

6.0.3 Salisbury Water – COVID-19 Financial Support

1. Payment deferral be implemented for Salisbury Water customers experiencing financial hardship due to COVID-19 so that the latest date for payment of 'Third Quarter 2019/20, Fourth Quarter 2019/20 and the First Quarter 2020/21 Water Notices' is deferred to 1st December 2020, noting that Water Notices will be issued with the relevant instalment due dates, but will highlight the relief being provided by Council. No legal action is to be taken in relation to deferred payments and customer supply will not be restricted due to non-payment if based on the extended due date. Salisbury Water customers are to be encouraged to make regular payment where possible.
2. The criteria for the Salisbury Water Hardship Policy for residential customers be expanded to include financial hardship from COVID-19. The assessment of residential customers claiming hardship from COVID-19 will align with the COVID-19 Hardship Policy in order to maintain consistency across the organisation.

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3. Salisbury Water non-residential customers suffering financial hardship from COVID-19 need to apply and be assessed against the following criteria:
 - a. community or sporting organisation that has previously been approved as a Salisbury Water Community-Based Not for Profit Organisation
 - b. business or activity that has temporarily suspended operations or shut down as a direct impact of COVID-19 and intends to resume operations post COVID-19
 - c. not a private or government school or tertiary education institution.

6.6.1 COVID-19 Rates Financial Hardship and measures for Sundry Debtors

1. Information be received.
2. The COVID-19 Rates Financial Hardship Policy as contained in Attachment 1 to this report, with the exception that Policy Statement Part E, part 3, be amended from \$10,000 to \$30,000, (Budget and Finance Committee, 20 April 2020 Item 6.6.1), be endorsed with a review date of August 2020
3. The Financial Hardship Policy as contained in Attachment 2 to this report (Budget and Finance Committee, 20 April 2020 Item 6.6.1) be endorsed.
4. Council endorse the following measures to support the community impacted by COVID-19:
 - a. Waive various business fees & charges, as listed in section 6.7 of this report, for the period of 1 April through to 30 June 2020.
 - b. Waiving of commercial rents for the following period 1 April 2020 through to 30 June 2020
 - Commercial leases excluding telecommunications leases (such as café leases and business premises)
 - Permit for a Business Purpose (such as use of road reserves for signage, storage yards, etc)
 - Minor permits (for uses such as awnings over road reserves of fixed chairs and tables for a café)
 - Joint use agreements
5. A further waiving of Community & Sporting Club lease fees and additional measures identified in part 4 (a) & (b) for the period July 2020 to December 2020 be considered at the July Budget & Finance Committee.

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6. Council endorse the following measures to be implemented
 - a. Provision of subsidised business support as noted in Section 6.12 of this report for 6 months
 - b. Deferral of loan payments for six months for the Salisbury Bowling Club.
 7. That staff bring back a further report on a proposed Sports and Community Clubs COVID-19 Recovery Support Package and grant guidelines (to be administered by the Sport Rec & Grants Committee), that incorporates the repurposing of existing Council grants as listed in Section 10.3.1 (Item 6.0.2, Managing The Response to COVID-19, 20 April 2020) and the inclusion of:
 - a. Other Not For Profit Sporting & Community clubs that currently do not have a council lease
 - b. General operating costs of the clubs as eligible support that Council can approve within the grant guidelines of the Sports and Community Club COVID-19 Recovery Support Package.
 8. Council write to all Sports and Community Clubs advising of the State Government \$250 Million Community and Jobs Support Fund and provide assistance with application through the Property Services Division and Polaris Centre.

**CARRIED
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The meeting closed at 8.59 pm.

CHAIRMAN.....

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