

SOUTHERN  
MIDLANDS  
COUNCIL



# **MINUTES**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

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Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
5.00 p.m.

Oatlands Municipal Offices  
71 High Street, Oatlands



## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL**

**WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2024 AT THE OATLANDS MUNICIPAL OFFICES  
COMMENCING AT 5.00 P.M.**

### **1. OPENING/WELCOME**

Mayor Edwin Batt opened the Southern Midlands Council Annual General Meeting and welcomed those present.

### **2. APOLOGIES**

Clr A E Bisdée OAM, Clr F Miller

### **3. ATTENDANCE**

**Councillors:** Mayor Edwin Batt, Deputy Mayor K Dudgeon, Clr D Blackwell, Clr B Campbell and Clr D Fish

**Officers:** T Kirkwood (General Manager), A Benson (Deputy General Manager), G Finn (Manager Development & Environmental Services), D Richardson (Manager Infrastructure and Works), W Young (Manager Community & Corporate Development), J Thomas (Executive Assistant)

**Residents:** Nil.

### **4. MEETING PROCEDURES**

Refer Attachment 1.

### **5. 2023/2024 ANNUAL REPORT & 2023/2024 GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL REPORT**

#### **5.1 Mayor's Report**

Mayor Edwin Batt presented the 2023/2024 Annual Report, incorporating the 2023/2024 General Purpose Financial Report.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT the meeting note the presentation of the Annual Report for the year ending 30th June 2024 incorporating the 2023/2024 General Purpose Financial Report.**

**DECISION**

*Moved by Deputy Mayor K Dudgeon, seconded by Cllr D Blackwell*

**THAT the meeting note the presentation of the Annual Report for the year ending 30th June 2024 incorporating the 2023/2024 General Purpose Financial Report.**

**CARRIED**

<b>DECISION</b>		
<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Vote FOR</b>	<b>Vote AGAINST</b>
Mayor E Batt	✓	
Deputy Mayor K Dudgeon	✓	
Cllr D Blackwell	✓	
Cllr B Campbell	✓	
Cllr D F Fish	✓	

**6. STRATEGIC PLAN 2024-2034**

Members of the public are encouraged to provide comment on the 2024-2034 Strategic Plan available on Councils website at any time.

**6.1 Questions/Discussion on Strategic Plan**

Nil.

**7. DISCUSSION ITEMS ON NOTICE**

Nil.

**8. DISCUSSION ITEMS WITHOUT NOTICE**

Nil.

**9. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 5.06 p.m.

## MEETING PROCEDURES

### Attachment 1

1. The Annual General Meeting is in essence a Council meeting and will be conducted in accordance with normal Council procedures for the conduct of meetings; with the exception of course it is intended to make it as easy as possible for members of the public to have input so that maximum benefit is gained.
2. The Mayor is Chairman of the meeting.
3. The first part of the meeting comprises a presentation of an overview of:
  - (i) the Annual Report
  - (ii) Financial Statement, and
  - (iii) the Strategic Plan
4. At the conclusion of each of these presentations electors may ask questions.
5. Questions and comments should be concise to allow as many people as possible to have their input.
6. No one is to be interrupted whilst they are speaking.
7. You will be asked, as a matter of courtesy and for the minutes, to identify yourself before speaking.
8. All discussion will be addressed through the chair.
9. No person may:
  - (i) make any personal reflection on any Councillors, Council employee or member of the public;
  - (ii) disrupt the meeting; or
  - (iii) in the opinion of the Chairman, use any offensive expression.
10. If you intend to move a motion the following procedures apply: -
  - (i) All motions must be moved and seconded before debate is permitted.
  - (ii) In speaking to a motion, individuals may speak only once and for no longer than 5 minutes.
  - (iii) Voting is by a show of hands.
  - (iv) Only electors of the Southern Midlands municipal area are entitled to vote.
  - (v) A motion is passed by half plus one of the electors present voting in favour of it.
11. Any resolution passed at the Annual General Meeting will be considered at the next ordinary meeting of Council.