

**\*\*DRAFT\*\* Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Diamantina Shire Council  
held in the Board Room of the Diamantina Shire Council Administration Centre, Bedourie  
on Monday, August 20, 2012 commencing at 9.16am.**

**1. ATTENDANCE**

Councillors Geoff Morton (Mayor), Garth Tully (Deputy Mayor), Jody Barr, Steve Cramer and Don Rayment with Chief Executive Officer, Scott Mason and Executive Assistant, Miss Seven Ryan.

**Attendance**

9.16am

Mr Col Higginson, Consulting Town Planner, Campbell Higginson Town Planning was in the Public Gallery when the Meeting commenced.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Nil.

**3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

3.1 Ordinary Meeting – July 16, 2012

**Minute No. 2012.08.20-OM-01**

**Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Cramer**

**That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Diamantina Shire Council held July 16, 2012 be confirmed.**

**Carried 4/0.**

**4. NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nil.

**5. MOTION TO RECEIVE ALL REPORTS**

Nil.

**6. REPORTS**

6.1 Operational Plan

Nil.

6.2 Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**Attendance**

9.23am

Mr Higginson left the Meeting.

1. Private usage of vehicles
2. General Recruitment
3. Compliance Australia initial response to Council
4. Rental debt
5. Marula Aboriginal Corporation – Indigenous Housing and Homelessness Program
6. 30 Adelaide Street, Birdsville

7. 14 Merri Street, Bedourie
8. Housing Equity Report
9. Housing Status Report

**Attendance**

9.25am Mr Higginson returned to the Meeting.

10. Minister Crisafulli's visit
11. Local Government Association Queensland Councillor's training course
12. Advice from the Ombudsman
13. 2012 Local Government Practitioners' Concourse Longreach, August 28 – 31
14. Workplace Health and Safety set-up and plans
15. Letter to the Attorney General regarding local holidays
16. Practical Computer Services training
17. Report on MPEG4 (Moving Pictures Experts Group – Standard 4)
18. Request by Ms Dominique Wells for pro-rata retention bonus

**Attendance**

9.38am Cr Rayment attended the Meeting.

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-02**

**Moved by Cr Barr and Seconded by Cr Cramer**

**That Diamantina Shire Council approve the request from Ms Dominique Wells for application of Councils' Staff Retention Policy on a pro-rata basis. Carried 5/0.**

19. Removal of unsold shire houses from market

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-03**

**Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Tully**

**That Diamantina Shire Council withdraw the following houses from sale:**

- **23 Eyre Street, Bedourie described as Lot 1 on Special Plan 197778**
- **30 Jardine Street, Birdsville described as Lot 11 on Special Plan 110060**

**Carried 5/0.**

**6.3 Finance Manager**

1. Revenue and Expenditure Report for period ending July 31, 2012

**Attendance**

9.42am Mr Higginson left the meeting.

2. Balance Sheet Report as at July 31, 2012
3. Trust Fund Report for period ending July 31, 2012
4. Credit Card Expenditure Reports for period ending July 12, 2012
5. Our Cash Position as at July 31, 2012
6. Our Debt as at July 31, 2012
7. Aged Debtors Report as at July 31, 2012

**Attendance**

9.46am Mr Higginson returned to the Public Gallery.  
 9.48am Miss Ryan left the Meeting.  
 9.49am Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.  
 9.49am Mr Matt Young, Information Technology Officer, attended the Meeting.  
 9.49am Miss Ryan left the Meeting.

## Presentation – Mr Matt Young

Mr Young presented information to Council on Webmail services.

### Attendance

9.52am	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.
9.57am	Mrs Barbara Mason, Payroll Officer, attended the Meeting.
9.57am	Mrs Mason left the Meeting.
9.58am	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
9.59am	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.
9.59am	Mrs Alex Clowes, Tourism Officer, attended the Meeting.
10.03am	Mr Young left the Meeting.

## Presentation – Mrs Alex Clowes

Mrs Clowes demonstrated how to use an eServices card – an initiative of the State Library of Queensland that permits access to information and records.

### Attendance

10.22am	Mrs Clowes left the Meeting.
10.22am	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
10.22am	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.
10.24am	Mr Trevor Stewart, Works Manager, attended the Meeting.
10.24am	Mr Danny McSweeney, Sinclair Knight Merz, attended the Public Gallery.
10.24am	Mr Stuart Bourne, Engineer, George Bourne and Associates, attended the Meeting.

## 6.4 Works Manager Report

### 1. Water Supply to Pandie Pandie Station

Unauthorised Gate installation on the Inside Track (to Alton Downs)

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-04**

**Moved by Cr Rayment and Seconded by Cr Tully**

**That Diamantina Shire Council advise Mr Clayton Oldfield of Pandie Pandie Station of the following in relation to the boundary grid on the Inside Track (to Alton Downs).**

- **That Council disproves of the unauthorised removal of grid and subsequent installation of a gate.**
- **That Council will replace the grid removed without authorisation on the Inside Track (to Alton Downs) with a grid to current engineering standards.**
- **That Council requires a 50% contribution from Pandie Pandie Station for the supply and installation of replacement grid.**

**Further, that Council take immediate measures to install temporary warning signage on the unauthorised gate.**

**Carried 5/0.**

### 1. Water Supply to Pandie Pandie Station (continued)

Cr Morton declared a real conflict of interest in this matter (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) due to being the landholder of the neighbouring property and dealt with the real conflict of interest by leaving the meeting room, taking no part in the debate or decision on the matter.

### Attendance

10.47am	Cr Morton left the meeting.
10.47am	Cr Tully assumed the chair.

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-05**

**Moved by Cr Cramer and Seconded by Cr Barr**

**That Diamantina Shire Council grant permission in principle to Pandie Pandie Station to access water from the Birdsville Bore subject to the following conditions:**

- 1. Relevant permissions to be obtained including landholder, cultural heritage and specific conditions that may be required by the State of South Australia.**
- 2. Full connection and reticulation cost to be borne by the consumer.**
- 3. Annual volume limit of 3,000 kilolitres to apply.**
- 4. Excess water consumed to be paid for by consumer.**
- 5. Water to only be used for domestic purposes.**
- 6. That should this access prove to compromise the urban water supply, Council reserves the right to disconnect the service.**

**Carried 4/0.**

**Attendance**

10.58pm	Cr Tully left the Meeting.
10.59pm	Cr Tully returned to the Meeting.
10.59am	Cr Morton returned to the meeting.

2. Department of Transport and Main Roads Financial Management Tool
3. Plant Performance
4. Workshop Manager Report
5. Overseer's Report
6. Monthly Progress Meeting with Department of Transport and Main Roads – July 19, 2012

**Attendance**

10.59am	Cr Morton returned to the meeting.
11.05am	Council adjourned for Morning Tea.
11.30am	Council resumed the Meeting.
11.30am	Messrs Higginson and McSweeney, were present in the Public Gallery when the Meeting resumed.
11.30am	Messrs Stewart and Bourne returned to the Meeting.

**6.5 Engineers Report**

1. Visits to Shire/Conferences
2. Road Maintenance Performance Contract
3. Main Roads Minor Works Performance Contracts
  - 3.1 9 Mile Flats
  - 3.2 Burrimurra Flat
  - 3.3 Durrie Horse Paddock
  - 3.4 Waddi Trees
  - 3.5 Sunshine Flats
  - 3.6 Yamba Flats
  - 3.7 Betoota Bypass
4. Flood Damage Estimates

**Attendance**

11.45am	Mrs Mason entered the Meeting.
11.45am	Mrs Mason left the Meeting.
11.47am	Cr Cramer left the Meeting.
11.47am	Cr Cramer returned to the Meeting.

5. Bedourie Residential Subdivision

**Attendance**

11.47am	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
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11.47am Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.  
11.52am Mr Stewart left the Meeting.

6. Roads to Recovery
7. Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme
8. Betoota Realignment
9. Black Spot Funding
10. Birdsville and Bedourie Aerodromes
11. Bedourie and Birdsville Aerodrome Terminal Upgrade
12. Birdsville Water Main Upgrade and Bedourie Cooling Pond
13. 4 Mile Yards Access Road
14. Future E.Coli Monitoring
15. Bedourie and Birdsville Water and Sewer Upgrades
16. Bitumen Repair Tender
17. New Three Bedroom Houses Tender
18. Birdsville Ground Level Reservoir Roof Replacement
19. No. 3 to Nyama Realignment
20. Department of Transport and Main Roads Planning Projects
21. Betoota Bypass Easement and Road Opening

Attendance

11.59am Mr Stewart returned to the Meeting.  
11.59am Mr Stewart left the Meeting.  
12.00pm Mr Stewart returned to the Meeting.

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-06**

**Moved by Cr Barr and Seconded by Cr Tully**

**That Diamantina Shire Council progress the road opening/easement application for the Betoota Bypass on the Birdsville–Windorah Road. Further, that the Department of Transport and Main Roads be advised of this decision.**

**Carried 5/0.**

22. Bitumen Patching Second Coat Variation Approval

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-07**

**Moved by Cr Rayment and Seconded by Cr Cramer**

**That the variation pricing submitted by Gilby and Thomson Contractors, for a second coat seal to flood damage patch repairs, consisting of a price of \$9.35 per square metre for approximately 162,000 square metres be accepted.**

**Carried 5/0.**

23. Tender for the Protective Coating Upgrade to the Birdsville Reservoirs

Attendance

12.11pm Miss Ryan left to the Meeting.  
12.12pm Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-08**

**Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Rayment**

**That Diamantina Shire Council reject all tenders submitted in relation to the Protective Coating Upgrade to the Birdsville Reservoirs.**

**Carried 5/0.**

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-09**

**Moved by Cr Cramer and Seconded by Cr Barr**

**That Diamantina Shire Council accept the quotation from SP and KJ Hullock to install two Polyurethane liners to the Birdsville river water tanks for a total of \$13,750.**

**Carried 5/0.**

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-10**

**Moved by Cr Barr and Seconded by Cr Rayment**

**That Diamantina Shire Council re-advertise an amended tender for corrosion protection of the Birdsville bore water reservoirs.**

**Carried 5/0.**

24. Ergon Relocation of Infrastructure

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-11**

**Moved by Cr Cramer and Seconded by Cr Tully**

**That Council accept the offer from Ergon Energy to relocate power poles to the North of the Bedourie Airport terminal building to enable the future apron upgrade to progress, for the cost of \$55,969.10.**

**Carried 5/0.**

**Attendance**

12.14pm	Messrs Stewart, McSweeney and Bourne left the Meeting.
12.14pm	Mr Higginson returned to the Meeting.
12.16pm	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
12.19pm	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.

**Deputation – Mr Col Higginson, Consulting Town Planner, Campbell Higginson Town Planners**

Mr Col Higginson presented an update to Council on the Shire Planning Scheme, including:

- Update on legislative changes to the planning scheme process including administrative definitions regarding interpretations (i.e. storm water)
- New planning tools being utilised by Queensland Reconstruction Authority relating to flood prone areas

**Attendance**

1.13pm	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
1.14pm	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.
1.14pm	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
1.14pm	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.
1.15pm	Mr Higginson left the Meeting.
1.16pm	Diamantina Shire Youth Council members, Mesdames Nerissa Parsons (Chairman), and Bryony Stewart (new member) and Mr Aaron May (new member) attended the Meeting for the purpose of being sworn in as members of the Diamantina Shire Youth Council
1.18pm	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
1.20pm	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.
1.20pm	Mr Higginson returned to the Meeting.
1.20pm	Mr Higginson left the Meeting.
1.20pm	Miss Breeanna Monghan entered the Meeting.

**Diamantina Shire Youth Council new member oaths**

Cr Morton officiated as the Diamantina Shire Youth Council's newest members, Miss Stewart and Mr May, pledged their oaths in the presence of those attending the Ordinary Council Meeting.

**Attendance**

1.20pm	Miss Monghan left the Meeting.
1.21pm	Mesdames Parsons, Stewart and May left the Meeting.
1.21pm	Council adjourned for Lunch.
2.09pm	Council resumed the Meeting.

**6.6 Tourism and Development Manager Report**

**Attendance**

2.09pm	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
2.09pm	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.
2.10pm	Mr Steven Baldwin, Tourism and Development Manager, attended the Meeting.

1. Visitor Statistics for Birdsville, Bedourie and Birdsville Caravan Park
2. Dingo Caves Access Update
3. Expression of Interest Birdsville Baths
4. Update from Tourism and Community Manager
5. Destination Branding Project
6. Community Development Officer Report
7. Events Coordinator Update
8. Big Red Run – Event background and proposal
9. Bedourie Town Services Team Report
10. Bedourie Airport Report
11. Birdsville Town Services Team Report
12. Birdsville Airport Report
13. Diamantina Shire Economic Development Plan and Economic Profile

**Attendance**

2.29pm Miss Monaghan entered the Meeting.  
 2.29pm Miss Monaghan left to the Meeting.

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-12**

**Moved by Cr Rayment**

**That Diamantina Shire Council defer the resolution to approve the Diamantina Shire Economic Development Plan and Economic Profile until its September Ordinary Council Meeting.**

**Carried 5/0.**

15. Diamantina Shire Tourism Development Plan

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-13**

**Moved by Cr Barr and Seconded by Cr Tully**

**That Diamantina Shire Council adopt the Tourism Development Plan – July, 2012 as presented.**

**Carried 5/0.**

16. Old Bedourie Airport Terminal Building

**Attendance**

2.40pm Mr Higginson entered the Meeting.

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-14**

**Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Barr**

**That Diamantina Shire Council agree for the old Bedourie airport terminal building to be demolished.**

**Carried 3/2.**

**Attendance**

2.53pm Mr Higginson left the Meeting.

17. Poeppel Corner - Application by National Trust

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-15**

**Moved by Cr Barr and Seconded by Cr Rayment**

**That Diamantina Shire Council advise the Department of Environment and Resource Management that it considers that Poeppel Corner at the junction of the 26<sup>th</sup> parallel and the 138<sup>th</sup> meridian does satisfy the cultural heritage criteria specified in the Queensland Heritage Act 1992 for inclusion in the Queensland Heritage Register.**

**Carried 5/0.**

**Attendance**

2.58pm	Mrs Rachel Farran, Administration Officer, attended the Meeting.
2.58pm	Mrs Farran left the Meeting.
3.00pm	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
3.02pm	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.
3.02pm	Ms Karen Brook, Karen Brook Studios, attended the Meeting.
3.02pm	The Chief Executive Officer left the Meeting.
3.04pm	The Chief Executive Officer returned to the Meeting.

**Deputation – Ms Karen Brook**

Ms Brooks, Karen Brook Studios, presented information to Council on third round of concepts for the Diamantina Shire Destination Branding Project.

**Attendance**

3.19pm	Mr Stewart entered the Meeting.
3.19pm	Mr Stewart left the Meeting.
3.22pm	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
3.26pm	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.
3.44pm	Miss Ryan left the Meeting.
3.51pm	Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.
3.52pm	Ms Brook left the Meeting.

18. Waste Management - Birdsville Races

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-16**

**Moved by Cr Barr and Seconded by Cr Tully**

**That Diamantina Shire Council accept the tender from Veolia Environmental Services to provide Waste Management services at the Birdsville Races for the contract sum of \$89,430, plus \$150.00 per pump out, subject to the execution of a suitable agreement that makes provisions for the extension of the contract for two periods of three years and that makes provision for abandonment should the event not continue.**

**Carried 5/0.**

Delegation of Authority

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-17**

**Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Rayment**

**That Council endorse the delegation of power from its Chief Executive Officer, Mr Scott Mason to its Works Manager, Mr Trevor Stewart for the sole purpose of facilitating the Chattel Auction held in Birdsville on August 18, 2012.**

**Carried 5/0.**

Public Notice – Wet Area Extension for the Birdsville Race Weekend

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-18**

**Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Cramer**

**That Diamantina Shire Council agreed to support the Birdsville Races and endorse the proposed Road Closures and Wet Area in accordance with the Road Closure Policy (minute reference 2008.7.29) and extension endorsed at the Ordinary Meeting, August 16, 2010 (minute reference 2010.7.14).**

**Carried 5/0.**

**Attendance**

4.05pm	Mr Baldwin left the Meeting.
4.07pm	Council adjourned for Afternoon Tea.
4.13pm	Council resumed the Meeting.



## 6.7 Community Service Manager Report

Nil.

## 6.8 Environmental Health Officer

Nil.

## 6.9 Councillors

Nil.

## 6.10 Emergency Services

Nil.

## 6.11 Chief Executive Officer

1. Corporate Plan
2. Call for motions – 2012 Western Queensland Local Government Association

**Council provided advice to the Chief Executive Officer to prepare motions relating to the following:**

- **Provision of low interest loans by the State Government for Council's to build houses within remote shires where markets are not providing an adequate rental stock**
- **To seek support for full funding of the Diamantina Health Service**

### Attendance

4.37pm Miss Amy Woodhouse, Administration Officer, attended the Meeting.  
4.37pm Miss Woodhouse left the Meeting.

3. Call for motions – 2012 Local Government Association of Queensland Incorporated

**Council provided advice to the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a motion in conjunction with Barcoo Shire Council, relating to the following:**

- **Support for the construction of two fibre tails: one from Boulia to Bedourie to Birdsville; and one from Longreach to Stonehenge to Jundah to Windorah.**

4. Sculptures of Dreamtime 'Sand, Dust and Gibbers' Project
5. Upgrade to Marula Aboriginal Corporation Houses in Birdsville
6. Meeting with Skytrans
7. Possible Official Misconduct
8. Record of Directions from the Mayor to the Chief Executive Officer
9. Native Title Claims Update
10. Staff Matters – August, 2012

## 7. Other Minutes

7.1 Bedourie Playgroup Meeting Minutes – July 30, 2012

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-19**

**Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Rayment**

**That the Minutes of the Bedourie Playgroup Meeting held July 30, 2012 be endorsed.**

**Carried 5/0.**

7.2 Workplace Health and Safety Committee Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2012

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-20**

**Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Barr**

**That the Minutes of the Diamantina Shire Council Workplace Health and Safety Committee Meeting held July 13, 2012 be endorsed.**

**Carried 5/0.**

7.3 Youth Council Meeting Minutes - July 16, 2012

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-21**

**Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Rayment**

**That the Minutes of the Diamantina Shire Youth Council Meeting held July 16, 2012 be endorsed.**

**Carried 5/0.**

## **8. Councillors ideas and Recommendations**

Cr Rayment Expressed concern regarding the potential for people to expect the payment of dingo/wild dog bounties for animals not destroyed in the Diamantina Shire.

## **9. Late Correspondence**

Letter received requesting approval to install a 20,000 – 30,000 litre fuel supply pod on Lots 109/110 Special Plan 152768, described respectively as 5 and 9 Marrawilla Street, Bedourie.

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-22**

**Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Cramer**

**That Diamantina Shire Council grant permission to Mr Jim Smith to install a fuel tank on 5-9 Marrawilla Street, Bedourie described as Lot 109 on Special Plan 152766 and Lot 110 on Plan EU8 subject to the following conditions.**

- Fuel capacity of tank to not exceed 30,000 litres
- Adequate bunding to be installed
- Immediate area around the tank and all manoeuvring areas to be covered in crusher dust to assist with the control of spills and dust
- Positioning of tank to be such that vehicles accessing the tank do not protrude onto Marrawilla Street
- Provision of adequate fire fighting equipment
- Flammable and Combustible Liquids Approval to be obtained from Council prior to operation

**Carried 5/0.**

## **2012 – 2013 BUDGET RESOLUTIONS**

### **Attendance**

5.33pm

Miss Ryan left the Meeting.

5.38pm

The Chief Executive Officer left the Meeting.

5.38pm The Chief Executive Officer returned to the Meeting.  
5.38pm Cr Barr left the Meeting.  
5.38pm Cr Barr returned to the Meeting.  
5.42pm Miss Ryan returned to the Meeting.

## Revenue Policy

### **Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-23**

**Moved by Cr Rayment and Seconded by Cr Barr**

**That, in accordance with Section 104 (Financial management, planning and accountability documents) of the Local Government Act 2009 and Section 134 (Revenue Policy) of the Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulation 2010, the 2012/2013 Revenue Policy as set out in Section A of the 2012/2013 Budget Publication, be adopted.**

**Carried 5/0.**

## Revenue Statement

### **Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-24**

**Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Tully**

**That, in accordance with Section 104 (Financial management, planning and accountability documents) of the Local Government Act 2009, Section 106 (Preparation of revenue statement) and Section 107 (Revenue statement contents) of the Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulation 2010, the 2012/2013 Revenue Statement as set out in Section A of the 2012/2013 Budget Publication, be adopted.**

**Carried 5/0.**

## Rates and Charges

### **Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-25**

**Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Tully**

**That, in accordance with Section 94 (Power to levy rates and charges) of the Local Government Act 2009 Diamantina Shire Council will levy the following rates and charges:**

<b>Category 1</b>	<b>Bedourie</b>
<b>Category 2</b>	<b>Betoota</b>
<b>Category 3</b>	<b>Birdsville</b>
<b>Category 4</b>	<b>Rural</b>
<b>Category 5.1</b>	<b>Mining Small</b>
<b>Category 5.2</b>	<b>Mining Medium</b>
<b>Category 5.3</b>	<b>Mining Large</b>
<b>Category 5.4</b>	<b>Mining Lease &gt;50Ha</b>
<b>Category 6</b>	<b>Telecommunications</b>
<b>Category 7</b>	<b>Commercial</b>
<b>Category 8</b>	<b>Industrial</b>
<b>Category 9</b>	<b>Intensive Accommodation</b>
<b>Category 10</b>	<b>Petroleum Lease</b>
<b>Category 11</b>	<b>Petroleum Other</b>
<b>Category 12</b>	<b>Geothermal Lease</b>
<b>Category 13</b>	<b>Geothermal Other</b>
<b>Category 14</b>	<b>Power Station &gt;2MW</b>

### **Utility Charges**

**Water Access Charges;**

**Sewerage (Common Effluent Disposal) Charges; and  
Cleansing Charge**

as outlined in Council's Revenue Statement in Section A of the 2012/2013 Budget Publication, be adopted.

**Carried 5/0.**

**DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES**

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-26**

**Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Tully**

**That, in accordance with Section 15 (Categorisation of land for differential general rates) of the Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulation 2010 the categories into which rateable land in its area is to be categorised; and criteria by which land is to be categorised is set as follows, be adopted.**

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>CRITERIA</b>
<b>CATEGORY 1 Bedourie</b>	Those urban lands situated within boundaries of the Town Reserve of Bedourie and having a primary land use code 00 to 09, 21, 50 to 52, 55 to 57, 72, 92, 94, 97 and 99.
<b>CATEGORY 2 Betoota</b>	Those urban lands situated within boundaries of the Town Reserve of Betoota and having a primary land use code 00 to 09, 21, 50 to 52, 55 to 57, 72, 92, 94, 97 and 99.
<b>CATEGORY 3 Birdsville</b>	Those urban lands situated within boundaries of the Town Reserve of Birdsville and having a primary land use code 00 to 09, 21, 50 to 52, 55 to 57, 72, 92, 94, 97 and 99.
<b>CATEGORY 4 Rural</b>	Those rural lands within the Shire used for the purposes of sheep grazing, cattle grazing, dairy cattle, agriculture or other rural uses and having a primary land use code 64 to 66, 68, 74, 75, 79, 80, and 82 to 89 including lands leased from the Crown or subject to an occupation licence.
<b>CATEGORY 5.1 Mining-Small</b>	Those rural lands within the Shire used for extractive (mining) purposes and having a primary land use code 40. Extraction less than 1,000 tonnes.
<b>CATEGORY 5.2 Mining-Medium</b>	Those rural lands within the Shire used for extractive (mining) purposes and having a primary land use code 40. Extraction of 1,000 to 10,000 tonnes.
<b>CATEGORY 5.3 Mining-Large</b>	Those rural lands within the Shire used for extractive (mining) purposes and having a primary land use code 40. Extraction of greater than 10,000 tonnes.
<b>CATEGORY 5.4 Mining Leases &gt;50Ha</b>	All Mining leases, which are not otherwise categorised, issued within the Council Area of greater than 50Ha
<b>CATEGORY 6 Telecommunications</b>	Those lands within the Shire used for transformers and having a primary land use code 91.
<b>CATEGORY 7 Commercial</b>	Those lands within the Shire used for commercial purposes and having a primary land use code 10 to 16, 17, 18, 22 to 27, 30, 38, 41 to 44, 47 to 49 and 58.
<b>CATEGORY 8 Industrial</b>	Those lands within the Shire used for industrial purposes and having a primary land use code 28, 29, 31, 33 to 37 and 95.

<b>CATEGORY 9 Intensive Accommodation</b>	All land predominately used for providing intensive accommodation for more than 50 people (other than the ordinary travelling public) in rooms, suites, or caravan sites specifically built or provided for this purpose. Land within this category is commonly known as “workers accommodation”, “single persons quarters”, “work camps”, “accommodation village” or “barracks”.
<b>CATEGORY 10 Petroleum Lease</b>	All Petroleum leases issued within the Council Area
<b>CATEGORY 11 Petroleum Other</b>	All land, used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or oil extraction and/or processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction /processing such as water storage, pipelines), excluding petroleum leases.
<b>CATEGORY 12 Geothermal Lease</b>	All geothermal leases issued within the Council Area.
<b>CATEGORY 13 Geothermal Other</b>	All land, used or intended to be used primarily for geothermal extraction and/or processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction /processing such as water storage, pipelines), excluding geothermal leases.
<b>CATEGORY 14 Power Station &gt;2MW</b>	All land, within the Council area, used or intended to be used for or ancillary to the generation and transmission of electricity from a gas fired power station with an output capacity of more 2 MW.

**Carried 5/0.**

#### WHEN RATES OR CHARGES MUST BE PAID

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-27**

**Moved by Cr Cramer and Seconded by Cr Rayment**

**That, in accordance with Section 52 (When rates or charges must be paid) of the Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulation 2010 the period within which rates or charges must be paid is set at 60 days after the rate notice for the rates or charges is issued.**

**Carried 5/0.**

#### DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-28**

**Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Rayment**

**That, in accordance with Section 64 (Discount for prompt payment of rates or charges) of the Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulation 2010 the discount for prompt payment of Rates and Charges be:**

- (a) Set at 15%**
- (b) Will be applicable to only differential general rates and not be applicable to utility charges such as water, sewerage and cleansing charges.**
- (c) Will apply only if all other rates or charges are paid in full**
- (d) Will be applicable to the discount period of the due date of which rates or charges must be paid**

**Carried 5/0.**

#### PENSIONER CONCESSIONS

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-29**

**Moved by Cr Barr and Seconded by Cr Tully**

That, in accordance with Part 10 (Concessions) of the Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulation 2010, Council will grant assistance by way of remission of rates to pensioners under the State Government Pensioner Subsidy Scheme provided they:-

- Hold a valid Blue Centrelink Pension Card, a Gold Veteran Affairs Card or a Blue Veteran Affairs Card
- are the registered owner or life tenant of the property; and
- are solely or jointly with a co-owner, legally responsible for the payment of the rates/charges; and
- reside on the property for which the remission is claimed; and
- make a claim on the appropriate application form, for an initial application.

This will entitle eligible pensioners to receive a rate concession of 20% on all rates/charges, up to a maximum of \$180.00.

Carried 5/0.

#### DEBT POLICY

Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-30

Moved by Cr Cramer and Seconded by Cr Rayment

That, in accordance with Section 104 (Financial management, planning and accountability documents) of the Local Government Act 2009 and Section 133 (Debt policy) of the Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulation 2010, the 2012/2013 Debt Policy as set out in Section A of the 2012/2013 Budget Publication, be adopted.

Carried 5/0.

#### 2012/2013 BUDGET

Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-31

Moved by Cr Morton and Seconded by Cr Tully

That, in accordance with Section 104 (Financial management, planning and accountability documents) of the Local Government Act 2009 and Section 100 (Adoption and amendment of the budget) of the Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulation 2010, the 2012/2013 Budget as set out in Section B of the 2012/2013 Budget Publication, be adopted.

Carried 5/0.

#### 2012/2013 FEES AND CHARGES

Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-32

Moved by Cr Rayment and Seconded by Cr Tully

That the 2012/2013 Fees and Charges as set out in Section E of the 2012/2013 Budget Publication, be adopted.

Carried 5/0.

2012/2013 INVESTMENT POLICY

**Minute Number 2012.08.20-OM-33**

**Moved by Cr Barr and Seconded by Cr Cramer**

**That the 2012/2013 Investment Policy as set out in Section A of the 2012/2013 Budget Publication be adopted.**

**Carried 5/0.**

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 5.46pm.

Minutes confirmed this eleventh day of September, 2012.

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Cr Geoff Morton  
**MAYOR**