



Ararat Rural City



AGENDA

STATUTORY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday 30 October 2018

To be held in the
Council Chamber, Shire Hall,
233-235 Barkly Street, Ararat
Commencing at 6.00pm

Council:

**Cr Gwenda Allgood
Cr Jo Armstrong
Cr Peter Beales
Cr Bill Braithwaite
Cr Frank Deutsch
Cr Fay Hull
Cr David Pettman**

Our Vision

Our communities, our opportunities

Our Mission Statement

We will demonstrate leadership through social responsibility, openness and transparency by actively working with our community to achieve shared goals.

Our Values

Respect - Respect for each other and the wider community.

Excellence - Striving for ongoing professionalism and organisational excellence.

Passion - Passion for our people, community and services.

A video recording of this meeting is being made for the purpose of verifying the accuracy of the minutes of the Council Meeting, Special Council Meeting or Assembly of Councillors.

The recording is being streamed live via Facebook, to improve transparency between council and the community and give more people the opportunity to view what decisions are being made.

Recordings of Council Meetings and Special Council Meetings (excluding closed sessions) are made available on Council's website.

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ITEM 1 OPENING OF MEETING

Under Section 72(2) of the Local Government Act 1989, the office of Mayor becomes vacant at 6am on the day of a general election whether or not the Mayor has completed his or her term of office as resolved by the Council under Section 71(1).

Under Governance Local Law 2012 Section 9(1)(b) The Chief Executive Officer must conduct the election of Mayor.

The Chief Executive Officer (Temporary Chair), will declare the meeting open.

ITEM 2 LIVE STREAMING

Council is keen to engage with members of the community and now live streams the formal Council Meetings to make them accessible. The stream will be available to view on Ararat Rural City Council's Facebook page from 6pm and on Council's website, www.ararat.vic.gov.au from Wednesday morning following the Council Meeting.

You do not require a Facebook account to watch the live broadcast, simply enter www.facebook.com/aratruralcitycouncil into your address bar.

ITEM 3 TRADITIONAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/OPENING PRAYER/COUNCILLORS PLEDGE

The Temporary Chairperson will read the Traditional Acknowledgment and Opening Prayers.

Traditional acknowledgement

We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today, and pay our respects to their elders, past, present and emerging.

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, we humbly ask you to help us, as elected Councillors of the Ararat Rural City Council. Guide our deliberations. Prosper what is your will for us, to your honour and glory and for the welfare and benefit of the people whom we serve in the Ararat Rural City.

Councillors Pledge

We will undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of the people of the municipal district of the Ararat Rural City Council and faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in us under the local government act 1989 or any other act to the best of our skill and judgment.

ITEM 4 APOLOGIES

RECOMMENDATION (if required)

That the apology of **(Name)** be accepted.

ITEM 5 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Under Section 79C of the Local Government Act 1989 a Councillor does not have a conflict of interest if the matter relates to the election of the Mayor or a decision in relation to the payment of allowances to the Mayor or Councillors.

ITEM 6 ELECTION OF MAYOR

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
DEPARTMENT: EXECUTIVE SERVICES
REFERENCE: 13047340

Section 71 of the Local Government Act 1989 provides for the election of the Mayor after the fourth Saturday in October and no later than 30 November each year.

The process of election of the Mayor will take place in accordance with Section 9(1)(a)(ii) of Council's Governance Local Law 2012.

Vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor / Presentation

The Chief Executive Officer (Temporary Chair) calls for nominations for the position of Mayor for the forthcoming year.

On election of the Mayor, the Temporary Chairperson vacates the Chair and the Mayor assumes the Chair.

Statement by newly elected Mayor.

Council has no obligation to elect a Deputy Mayor as per the Local Government Act 1989. Council's Governance Local Law 2012 Clause 10 (1) states "at a meeting to elect the Mayor, Council may determine to elect a Deputy Mayor".

RECOMMENDATION

That Council determine if it wishes to elect a Deputy Mayor for the 2018/2019 term.

ITEM 7 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

**RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
DEPARTMENT: EXECUTIVE SERVICES
REFERENCE: 13047340**

The Mayor calls for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming year.

ITEM 8 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL DELEGATES TO COMMITTEES/ORGANISATIONS

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
DEPARTMENT: EXECUTIVE SERVICES
REFERENCE: 13047340

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is to provide clarity on Council representation on the various Council Committees and external bodies that Council will be represented for 2018/2019.

RECOMMENDATION

That the appointment of Council delegates to Committees/Organisations for the Council term 2018/2019 as listed below be approved:

Committee/Organisation with Council Representation	Basis of Representation	Council Delegate	Support Officer
<i>National/State/Regional Bodies</i>			
Municipal Association of Victoria	One Councillor	Mayor Deputy Mayor (sub)	CEO
MAV Human Services Committee	One Councillor	Cr Beales	-
MAV Emergency Management Committee	One Councillor	Cr Beales	-
Rural Councils Victoria	Mayor	Mayor	CEO
Central Highlands Councils Victoria (Mayor and CEO's Forum)	Mayor	Mayor	CEO
Western Highway Action Committee	One Councillor	Cr Armstrong	General Manager Infrastructure
Grampians Central West Waste and Resource Recovery Region Local Government Waste Forum	One Councillor	Cr Hull	General Manager Community Services
Lake Fyans Recreational Area Committee of Management	One Councillor	Cr Braithwaite	-
<i>Council Committees</i>			
Ararat Regional Art Gallery Advisory Committee	One Councillor	Cr Armstrong	Manager Cultural Services
Audit Committee	Two Councillors	Cr Beales and Cr Braithwaite	CEO
CEO Employment and Recruitment Advisory Committee	Mayor and Two Councillors	Cr Allgood, Cr Armstrong and Cr Braithwaite	Manager Governance

Community Road Safety Steering Committee	One Councillor	Cr Allgood	Design and Project Management Coordinator
Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee	One Councillor	Cr Pettman	Waste and Sustainability Coordinator
Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee	One Councillor	Cr Beales	Manager Safety
<i>S86 Special Committees</i>			
Alexandra Hall Committee of Management	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Allgood	-
Buangor Community Sports Centre Committee (including Cobb & Co Building)	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Braithwaite	
Elmhurst Public Hall Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Beales	
Lake Bolac Complex Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Beales	
Lake Bolac Memorial Hall Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Beales	
Maroona Recreation Reserve Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Pettman	
Minirera Recreation Reserve Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Beales	
Moyston Public Hall Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Pettman	
Pomonal Hall & Reserve Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Braithwaite	
Streatham Memorial Hall Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Armstrong	
Tatyoan Hall and Recreation Reserve Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Beales	
Warrak Public Hall Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Allgood	
Westmere Progress Association Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Armstrong	
Wickliffe Action Group Wickliffe Common Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Allgood	
Wickliffe Recreation Reserve Committee	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Allgood	
Willaura Golf Club	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Beales	

Willaura Memorial Hall	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Beales	
Willaura Recreation Reserve	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Pettman	
Yalla-Y-Poora Community Centre	One Councillor (non-voting)	Cr Armstrong	

DISCUSSION

Council is represented on a range of committees, which are convened by external bodies and on various internal committees, the 2018/2019 committees and organisations.

KEY CONSIDERATIONS

Alignment to Council Plan Strategic Objectives

- 1.1 Work with communities to develop and prosper
- 2.3 Promotion of Regional Living
- 3.1 A strong and diverse local economy
- 5.1 Good governance through leadership

Financial

Costs for Councillors attending (travel expenses) are included in the current budget allocations.

Policy/Legal/Statutory

Council representation is required on various bodies and committees, including: Municipal Association of Victoria, Rural Councils Victoria, Central Highlands Regional Councils, Western Highway Action Committee, Grampians Central West Waste and Resource Recovery Region Local Government Waste Forum. Lake Fyans Recreational Area Committee of Management and all Section 86 Committees.

Risk Assessment

A definitive list will clarify who is the Council appointed delegate/s to any particular body or Committee.

Stakeholder Consultation and Communication

Council representation on Committees and Organisations across the municipality.

CONCLUSION

That Council determines representation on the various Council committees and external bodies with which Council is associated for 2018/2019.

ITEM 9 FIXING OF MEETING CYCLE 2018/2019

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
DEPARTMENT: EXECUTIVE SERVICES
REFERENCE: 13047340

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to set Council Meeting dates for 2018/2019.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1 Adopts the Ordinary Council Meeting dates for 2018/2019 as follows:**
 - 7.00pm - Tuesday 20 November 2018;
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 11 December 2018 (one week earlier);
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 19 February 2019;
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 19 March 2019;
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 16 April 2019;
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 21 May 2019;
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 25 June 2019 (one week later);
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 16 July 2019;
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 20 August 2019;
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 17 September 2019;
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 15 October 2019; and
 - 6.00pm - Tuesday 29 October 2019 (Statutory Meeting); and
- 2 Advertises the dates and times of the Council Meeting dates for 2018/2019 in the Ararat Advertiser and on Council's website.**

DISCUSSION

On the basis of Council continuing to meet on the third Tuesday of the month, the following dates will be the ordinary Council Meeting days for the ensuing twelve months (excluding December 2018 and June 2019).

December 2018 Council Meeting

The December 2018 Council Meeting is held one week earlier to assist employees to following up on resolutions prior to the Christmas break. Last year Council held the December meeting on the 2nd Tuesday.

June 2019 Council Meeting

The Mayor and Chief Executive Officer attend the ALGA National General Assembly in Canberra, which is held the third week of June the same week as the Council Meeting. This change allows Council representatives to attendance the National General Assembly.

Proposed times and dates:

- 7.00pm - Tuesday 20 November 2018;
- 6.00pm - Tuesday 11 December 2018 (one week earlier);
- 6.00pm - Tuesday 19 February 2019;
- 6.00pm - Tuesday 19 March 2019;
- 6.00pm - Tuesday 16 April 2019;
- 6.00pm - Tuesday 21 May 2019;
- 6.00pm - Tuesday 25 June 2019 (one week later);
- 6.00pm - Tuesday 16 July 2019;
- 6.00pm - Tuesday 20 August 2019;
- 6.00pm - Tuesday 17 September 2019;
- 6.00pm - Tuesday 15 October 2019; and

Proposed times and dates for Special Meetings:
6.00pm - Tuesday 29 October 2019 (Statutory Meeting).

KEY CONSIDERATIONS

Alignment to Council Plan Strategic Objectives

5.1 Good governance through leadership

Financial

None identified.

Policy/Legal/Statutory

Schedule set for Council Meetings, and meetings advertised and placed on Council website.

Risk Assessment

None identified.

Stakeholder Consultation and Communication

Community awareness of meeting cycle for 2018/2019.

CONCLUSION

Meeting cycle set for the 2018/2019 term.

ITEM 10 CLOSURE OF MEETING

Meeting closed at pm.