MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CLARENCE CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BLIGH STREET, ROSNY PARK, ON MONDAY 19 JUNE 2023

HOUR CALLED: 7.00pm

PRESENT: The meeting commenced at 7.02 pm with the Mayor (Cr B A

Blomeley) in the Chair and with Councillors:

H Chong

J Darko

E Goyne

D Hulme

B Hunter

R James

W Kennedy

T Mulder

J Walker

B Warren; present.

1. APOLOGIES Deputy Mayor (Cr A Ritchie)

IN ATTENDANCE Chief Executive Officer

(Mr I Nelson)

Acting Group Manager Engineering Services

(Ms A Moore)

Chief Financial Officer

(Ms J Murrell)

Acting Manager Communication and Strategic Development

(Ms G Wicks)

Executive Officer to the Chief Executive Officer

(Ms J Ellis)

Acting Manager Health and Community Well-being

(Ms T Cockburn)

Manager Governance

(Ms C Shea)

Manager Policy and Strategy

(Ms T Doubleday)

Acting Manager Regulatory Services

(Mr R Brennan)

Acting Manager City Planning

(Ms R Olsen)

Chief Information Officer

(Mr A Hannemann)

Meeting closed at 8.09 pm.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY 19 JUNE 2023

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BUSINESS TO BE CONDUCTED AT THIS MEETING IS TO BE CONDUCTED IN THE ORDER IN WHICH IT IS SET OUT IN THIS AGENDA UNLESS THE COUNCIL BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY DETERMINES OTHERWISE

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor:

• made the following statement:

"Before proceeding, I pay my respects to the Mumirimina people as the traditional and original custodians of the lands on which we meet, and I acknowledge the continuing connection of the Tasmanian Aboriginal people to the skies, land and waterways.

I pay respect to Elders past and present."

- invited those present to pause for a moment of quiet reflection and respect before commencing the council meeting.
- advised the Meeting and members of the public that Council Meetings, not including Closed Meeting, are livestreamed, audio-visually recorded and published to Council's website. The meeting is not protected by privilege. A link to the Agenda is available via Council's website.

2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Refer cover page.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS OF COUNCILLOR OR CLOSE ASSOCIATE

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 and Council's adopted Code of Conduct, the Mayor requests Councillors to indicate whether they have, or are likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary benefits or pecuniary detriment) or conflict of interest in the items on the Agenda.

INTEREST DECLARED

Nil.

4. RATES AND CHARGES FINANCIAL YEAR 2023/2024

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To set rates and charges applying to properties within the City for financial year 2023/2024.

RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS

Consistent with adopted Rates and Charges Policy and adopted Estimates for financial year 2023/2024.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Complies with rating provisions of the Local Government Act 1993.

CONSULTATION

No issues to be addressed.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The proposed resolutions give effect to the rating requirements inherent in Council's adopted Estimates for financial year 2023/2024 and are therefore critical to the ongoing operations of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

A. That the Clarence City Council makes the following General Rate, Service Rates and Service Charges under the *Local Government Act*, 1993, the *Fire Service Act*, 1979 and the *Waste and Resource Recovery Act* 2022 for the financial year 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 in respect to land in the Municipal Area which is separately valued under the *Valuation of Land Act* 2001.

Definitions and Interpretation

1. Unless the context otherwise requires, in the following resolutions, words and expressions defined in the *Local Government Act 1993* have the same meanings as they have in that Act.

Unless the context otherwise requires, in the following resolutions, the following words and expressions have the meanings set out below.

- "Act" means the Local Government Act 1993;
- "Conservation Protection Arrangements" means formal arrangements the owner of land in the municipal area has entered into for the preservation of flora or fauna or other recognised conservation values or purposes under the *Nature Conservation Act*, 2002 or by formal arrangement with Council regarding that land;
- "CPR" means a plan registered at the register at the Central Plan Office, Hobart for the lodgement and registration of plans, and included in the Central Plan Register;

- "Council Drain" means infrastructure that is a component of Council's public stormwater system, as defined in the *Urban Drainage Act 2013*;
- "Domestic Refuse" means any domestic refuse and other rubbish collected by Council's normal refuse collection service from land in the municipal area and expressly excludes biohazardous waste, controlled waste, noxious refuse and trade waste;
- "Commercial Purposes" means land used or predominantly used for commercial purposes and includes all land coded "C" in the Valuation List;
- "Industrial Purposes" means all land used or predominantly used for industrial purposes and includes all land coded "I" in the Valuation List;
- "Primary Production Purposes" means all land used or predominantly used for primary production and includes all land coded "L" in the Valuation List;
- "Public Purposes" means all land used or predominantly used for public purposes and includes all land coded "P" in the Valuation List;
- "Mining or Quarrying Purposes" means all land used or predominately used for quarrying or mining and includes all land coded "Q" in the Valuation List;
- "Residential Purposes" means all land used or predominantly used for residential purposes and includes all land coded "R" in the Valuation List;
- "Sporting Or Recreation Facilities" means all land used or predominantly used for sporting or recreation facilities and includes all land coded "S" in the Valuation List;
- "Locality Areas" means areas defined by those locality boundaries as published in the Locality and Postcode Areas Dataset as contained in the Tasmanian Spatial Data Directory on the Tasmanian Government LIST website;
- "Municipal Area" means the municipal area of Clarence;
- "Non-Used Land" means all land coded "V" in the Valuation List;
- "refuse" means any Domestic Refuse, biohazardous waste, controlled waste, noxious refuse, trade waste and other rubbish, debris, litter, recyclable materials or any other similar materials, articles or things;
- "Residential Dwelling Unit" means a building or part of a building used as a self-contained residence;
- "The Map" means the map attached to these resolutions and marked as schedule 1;
- "Valuation List" means, in respect of the financial year, the valuation list, supplementary valuation list or particulars of adjustment factors last provided to the Council by the Valuer-General under Section 45 of the *Valuation of Land Act 2001*;
- **"Waste Levy"** means the levy established in accordance with Part 3 of the *Waste and Resource Recovery Act 2022* (Tas); and
- **"Waste Management Services"** means refuse, recycling and/or green waste collection services provided by Council to land in the municipal area.

2. General Rate

2.1 Pursuant to Sections 90 and 91 of the Act Council makes the following General Rate on all rateable land (excluding land which is exempt pursuant to the provisions of Section 87) within the Municipal Area of Clarence for the period commencing 1 July 2023 and ending 30 June 2024 which consists of two components as follows:

- (a) a rate of 0.451200 cents in the dollar on the capital value of the land; and
- (b) a fixed charge of \$325.00.
- 2.2 That pursuant to Section 107 of the Act, the Council by absolute majority hereby varies the general rate component (as previously made) as follows:
 - (a) for land used for Primary Production Purposes, the rate is varied by decreasing it by 0.29528 cents in the dollar on the capital value of the land to 0.15592 cents in the dollar;
 - (b) for land used for Residential Purposes, the rate is varied by decreasing it by 0.29528 cents in the dollar on the capital value of the land to 0.15592 cents in the dollar:
 - (c) for land used for Sporting or Recreation Facilities, the rate is varied by decreasing it by 0.29528 cents in the dollar on the capital value of the land to 0.15592 cents in the dollar; and
 - (d) for land which is Non-Used Land, the rate is varied by decreasing it by 0.29528 cents in the dollar on the capital value of the land to 0.15592 cents in the dollar.

3. Services Rates and Charges

Pursuant to Sections 93, 94 and 95 of the Act Council makes the following service rates and service charges on all rateable land within the municipal area of Clarence (including land which is otherwise exempt from rates pursuant to Section 87 but excluding land owned by the Crown to which Council does not supply any of the following services) for the period commencing 1 July 2023 and ending 30 June 2024 as follows:

- 3.1 A service rate for stormwater removal on all lands which drain into a Council Drain, or where the nearest boundary of the land is within 30m of a Council Drain, of 0.03832 cents in the dollar on the capital value of the land. Pursuant to Section 93(3) Council sets a minimum amount payable in respect of this rate in the sum of \$93.35.
- 3.2 That pursuant to Section 107 of the Act, Council by absolute majority varies the service rate for stormwater removal (but not the minimum amount, if applicable) for the financial year in relation to the following land within the municipal area according to the locality of the land and/or the use of the land as follows:
 - (a) the Rate is varied by decreasing it by 0.03832 cents to 0.00 cents in the dollar of the capital value of the land if:
 - the land is not located within an area coloured red on The Map; or

- ii. the land is not within a sewerage district, defined as at 30 June 2009, being the Clarence Limited Sewerage District, the Richmond Limited Sewerage District (together with land outside that District and which is within the Locality Areas described as Richmond, Dulcot and Grasstree Hill but excluding properties 353 and 391 Grasstree Hill Road) and the Cambridge Industrial Limited Sewerage District.
- (b) for land which is used:
 - i. for Primary Production Purposes;
 - ii. for Residential Purposes;
 - iii. for private aged care purposes;
 - iv. for sporting or recreational facilities; or
 - v. which is Non-Used Land and which is not the subject of the variation at clause 3.3(a) the Rate is varied by decreasing it by 0.0207301 cents to 0.0175899 cents in the dollar of the capital value of the land.
- 3.3 A service charge for Waste Management Services in respect of each Residential Dwelling Unit to which Council supplies or makes available a kerbside Domestic Refuse collection service utilising an 80L mobile refuse garbage bin, a 140L mobile recycling garbage bin and a 240L mobile green waste garbage bin of \$224.35.
- 3.4 That pursuant to Section 107 of the Act, Council by absolute majority varies the Waste Management Service Charge (previously made) [3.3] as follows:
 - (a) For each Residential Dwelling Unit to which Council supplies or makes available a Domestic Refuse kerbside collection utilising a 120 litre mobile refuse garbage bin the service charge is varied to \$281.50.
 - (b) For each Residential Dwelling Unit to which Council supplies or makes available a Domestic Refuse kerbside collection utilising a 240 litre mobile refuse garbage bin the service charge is varied to \$452.95.
 - (c) For each Residential Dwelling Unit to which Council supplies or makes available a mobile Domestic Refuse kerbside collection service where a 240 litre mobile recycling bin has been provided by Council the waste charge is varied by increasing the charge otherwise applicable by \$40.50.
 - (d) For each Residential Dwelling Unit to which Council supplies or makes available a mobile Domestic Refuse kerbside collection service where no 240 litre mobile green waste bin has been provided by Council the service charge is varied by decreasing the charge by \$53.30.

- (e) Council determines additional bins may be made available to any rate payer in the municipality that Council supplies and makes available a mobile Domestic Refuse kerbside collection service. Bin costs for 2023/24 are as follows:
 - a. 80 litre refuse bin \$114.30
 - b. 120 litre refuse bin \$171.45
 - c. 240 litre refuse bin \$342.90
 - d. 140 litre recycling bin \$56.75
 - e. 240 litre recycling bin \$97.25
 - f. 240 litre green waste bin \$53.30
- 3.5 A service charge to offset the waste levy payable by Council to the State Government under the *Waste and Resource Recovery Act* 2022 (waste levy State Government Charge) as follows:
 - A. 80 litre refuse bin \$8
 - B. 120 litre refuse bin \$12
 - C. 240 litre refuse bin \$24

4. Fire Service Rate

Pursuant to Section 93A of the Act, Council makes the following service rates in respect of the Fire Service contributions it must collect under the Fire Service Act 1979 for the rateable parcels of land within the municipal area as follows:

- 4.1 A Permanent Brigade Fire Service Rate of 0.04293420 cents in the dollar on the capital value of all lands within the Permanent Brigade Fire District (ES) shown on CPR 3332. Pursuant to Section 93(3) Council sets a minimum amount payable in respect of this rate of \$48.00.
- 4.2 A Volunteer Brigade Fire Service Rate of 0.01219500 cents in the dollar on the capital value of all lands within the Cambridge, Seven Mile Beach, Lauderdale, Richmond and South Arm Fire Volunteer Brigade Rating Districts shown on CPRs 3307, 3361, 3339, 3356 and 3366 respectively. Pursuant to Section 93(3) Council sets a minimum amount payable in respect of this rate of \$48.00.
- 4.3 A General Land Fire Service Rate of 0.01203000 cents in the dollar on the capital value of all lands which are not within the Permanent Brigade Fire District (E.S.) shown on CPR 3332 or the Cambridge, Seven Mile Beach, Lauderdale, Richmond, or South Arm Fire Volunteer Brigade Rating Districts shown on CPRs 3307, 3361, 3339, 3356 and 3366 respectively. Pursuant to Section 93(3) Council sets a minimum amount payable in respect of this rate of \$48.00.

5. Maximum Percentage Increase

5.1 Pursuant to Section 88A of the Act, the Council sets a maximum percentage increase for all rates payable on any rateable land within the municipal area of 50% above the amount payable in respect of that rateable land in the 2022/2023 financial year.

- 5.2 Pursuant to Section 88A(1)(b) Council declares that the maximum percentage increase varies within the municipal area according to the following factors:
 - (a) for all rateable land used, or predominantly used, for Residential Purposes and is occupied as a principal dwelling by persons who are eligible pensioners within the meaning of the *Local Government (Rates and Charges Remissions) Act 1991*, the maximum percentage increase is varied to 10%;
 - (b) for all rateable land used or predominantly used for Residential Purposes and where the variation at sub-paragraph (a) does not apply, the maximum percentage increase is varied to 20%;
 - (c) for all rateable land which is used or predominantly used for Primary Production Purposes and where sub-paragraph (a) does not apply, the maximum percentage increase is varied to 20%;
 - (d) for all rateable land which is used or predominantly used for Commercial Purposes, Industrial Purposes, Public Purposes, Mining and Quarrying Purposes, or Sporting or Recreation Facilities and where sub-paragraph (a) does not apply, the maximum percentage increase is varied to 30%;
 - (e) subparagraphs (a) to (d) do not apply to:
 - i. any increase in the value of rateable land the subject of a supplementary valuation pursuant to Section 92 of the Act made after 1 July 2022 if any increase in the value of the land is attributable to the undertaking of capital improvements or the subdivision of land; or
 - ii. where the general rate was not applied in full in the 2022/2023 financial year for any reason, including the exercise of any discretion or the grant of any remission: or
 - iii where the land use code as provided by the Valuer General in respect of the 2023/2024 year varies from 2022/2023.

6. Remissions

- 6.1 Pursuant to Section 129 of the Act, Council grants by absolute majority a remission of all or part of any rates paid or payable by the following classes of ratepayers:
 - (a) for the class of ratepayers liable to pay the General Rate who lease land from the Crown and upon which there is constructed a boat shed or jetty used for private purposes, Council grants a Remission of \$190.00;

(b) in respect of the class of ratepayers where the rateable land is 20 hectares or greater in area and is wholly or partially zoned pursuant to the Tasmanian Planning Scheme – Clarence Local Provisions Schedule, as Agriculture, Rural Living, Landscape Conservation or Rural, Council grants the following Remissions in respect of component (a) of the General Rate, (as per clause 2.1):

Area of Land	Proportional Remission of component
	(a) of the General Rate
Not less than 20 hectares and not greater	20% of component (a) of the general
than 50 hectares	rate
Not less than 50 hectares and not greater	30% of component (a) of the general
than 80 hectares	rate
Greater than 80 hectares	40% of component (a) of the general
	rate

- 6.2 For all rateable land used or predominantly used by ratepayers who are eligible pensioners within the meaning of the Local Government (Rates and Charges Remissions) Act 1991 in line with the State Revenue Office, Department of Treasury and Finance Pensioner Rates Remission Guidelines for Councils, a remission of 2.0% applies to all rates excluding any fire service rate.
- 6.3 The amount of the minimum stormwater service rate (if applicable) is remitted in respect of all properties to which Paragraph 3.2(a) above applies.

7. Separate Land

For the purposes of these resolutions the rates and charges shall apply to each parcel of land which is shown as being separately valued in the Valuation List prepared under the *Valuation of Land Act 2001*.

8. Adjusted Values

For the purposes of each of these resolutions any reference to the capital value of land includes a reference to that value as adjusted pursuant to Sections 89 and 89A of the Act, except where these resolutions otherwise provide.

9. Instalments

Pursuant to Section 124 of the Act Council decides:

- 9.1 Where rates are not paid by instalments, the date of payment is the 31st day after the issue of the rates notice.
- 9.2 All rates may be paid by all rate payers by four instalments, which must be of approximately equal amounts.

- 9.3 The dates by which instalments are to be paid shall be as follows:
 - (i) the first instalment on or before the 31st day after the issue of the rates notice;
 - (ii) the second instalment on or before the 61st day after the due date of the first instalment;
 - (iii) the third instalment on or before the 31st day of January 2024; and
 - (iv) the fourth instalment on or before the 28th day of March 2024.
- 9.4 If a rate payer fails to pay any instalment within 21 days of the due date, Council may determine that the entire balance of the rates payable becomes due.

10. Late Payments

That in accordance with Section 128 of the Act, and subject to the application of Council's relevant policies, Council decides as follows.

- 10.1 If any rate or instalment is not paid by the due date daily interest applies to the unpaid amount for the period during which it is unpaid from and including the day after it fell due.
- 10.2 Interest shall not apply to any rate or instalment that is not paid by the due date where:
 - (a) the ratepayer adheres to regular payments through Council's direct debit system and the total rates are paid in full by 30 June 2024.
- 10.3 The amount of the interest is the maximum prescribed percentage under Section 128 of the Act, being 9.85% per annum.
- 10.4 A penalty of 5% will be applied on the unpaid instalment or part thereof that remains outstanding 15 days after the instalment due date, except:
 - (a) Where the ratepayer has adhered to an approved payment arrangement plan; or
 - (b) Where the ratepayer adheres to regular payments through Council's direct debit system.

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RATES AND CHARGES FINANCIAL YEAR 2023/2024 /contd...

Decision:	MOVED: Cr Kenne	dy SECONDED: Cr Ch	ong
	"That the Recommendation be adopted."		
			CARRIED
	FOR	AGAINST	
	Cr Blomeley	Cr James	
	Cr Chong	Cr Mulder	
	Cr Darko	Cr Walker	
	Cr Goyne		
	Cr Hulme		
	Cr Hunter		
	Cr Kennedy		
	Cr Warren		

5. ANNUAL PLAN 2023-2024

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To consider the Annual Plan for the 2023-2024 financial year.

RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS

Consistent with Council's adopted Strategic Plan and adopted Estimates.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Section 71 of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires Council to prepare and adopt an annual plan for each financial year.

CONSULTATION

No issues to be addressed.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No direct financial implications, however, the draft Annual Plan reflects the Estimates adopted by Council for financial year 2023-2024.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Annual Plan for financial year 2023-2024 included as Attachment 1 to the Associated Report be adopted.

Decision:	MOVED: Cr Hunter SECONDED: Cr Kennedy		
	"That the Recommendation be adopted".		
			CARRIED
	FOR	AGAINST	
	Cr Blomeley	Cr James (abstained)	
	Cr Chong		
	Cr Darko		
	Cr Goyne		
	Cr Hulme		
	Cr Hunter		
	Cr Kennedy		
	Cr Mulder		
	Cr Walker		
	Cr Warren		

6. LONG TERM FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN AND ASSOCIATED FINANCIAL POLICIES AND STRATEGIES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To approve Council's current Long Term Financial Management Plan and associated financial policies and strategies.

RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS

Consistent with current policies.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Review of the Long Term Financial Management Plan and the Financial Management Strategy is required at least every four years under the Local Government Act, 1993.

CONSULTATION

No issues to be addressed.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No direct financial implications, however, the Plan and associated policies and strategies set Council's strategic financial framework.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- A. Approve the revised Long Term Financial Management Plan.
- B. Approve the revised Financial Management Strategy.
- C. Approve the Investment Strategy.
- D. Approve the Investment Policy.
- E. Approve the Borrowing Policy.
- F. Approve the revised Fees and Charges (non rates) Policy.

Decision:	MOVED: Cr Hulme SECONDED: Cr Hunter	
	"That the Recommendation be adopted".	
	The Mayor advised the meeting that the Recommendations would be dealt with ad seriatim.	

/Refer to Page 14 for Decision...

LONG TERM FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN AND ASSOCIATED FINANCIAL POLICIES AND STRATEGIES /contd...

RECOMMENDATION A

"That Council approve the revised long term financial management plan".

CARRIED

FOR AGAINST
Cr Blomeley Cr James
Cr Chong Cr Mulder

Cr Darko
Cr Goyne
Cr Hulme
Cr Hunter
Cr Kennedy
Cr Walker
Cr Warren

RECOMMENDATION B

"That Council approve the revised Financial Management Strategy".

CARRIED

FOR AGAINST
Cr Blomeley Cr James
Cr Chong Cr Mulder

Cr Darko
Cr Goyne
Cr Hulme
Cr Hunter
Cr Kennedy
Cr Walker
Cr Warren

RECOMMENDATION C

"That Council approve the Investment Strategy".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECOMMENDATION D

"That Council approve the Investment Policy".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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LONG TERM FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN AND ASSOCIATED FINANCIAL POLICIES AND STRATEGIES /Decision contd...

RECOMMENDATION E

"That Council approve the Borrowing Policy".

CARRIED

FOR AGAINST
Cr Blomeley Cr James
Cr Chong Cr Mulder

Cr Darko
Cr Goyne
Cr Hulme
Cr Hunter
Cr Kennedy
Cr Walker
Cr Warren

RECOMMENDATION F

"That Council approve the revised Fees and Charges (non-rates) Policy".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. GRANTS AND SPONSORSHIP POLICY 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To approve a Grants and Sponsorship Policy 2023.

RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS

This report proposes to adopt a consolidated Grants and Sponsorship Policy that brings together Council's current Sponsorship Policy and Grants Procedures from across multiple Council program areas.

The Policy will replace Council's Waiving or Reducing Fees for Planning and Building Permits Policy – 2003, which outlines provisions for the waiver or reduction of building and planning application fees.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Section 77 of the *Local Government Act* 1993 provides the authority for Council to make a grant or provide a pecuniary benefit or a non-pecuniary benefit.

CONSULTATION

This matter has been the subject of consultation across a multi-program working group. The draft policy was provided to councillors at a recent workshop for review and comment.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No change is proposed to current sponsorship and grant funding levels. Funding arrangements form part of Council's budget deliberations each year.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council endorses the Grants and Sponsorship Policy 2023.

Decision: MOVED: Cr Kennedy SECONDED: Cr Goyne

"That the Recommendation be adopted".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES POLICY 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To approve Council's revised and updated Councillor Allowances and Expenses Policy 2023.

RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS

This report proposes amendments and updates to Council's existing Policy.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

The *Local Government Act* 1993 (the Act) requires that a Council is to adopt a policy in respect of payment of expenses incurred by councillors in carrying out the duties of office.

Regulation 43 of the Act enables councillors to be reimbursed for reasonable expenses in relation to telephone and internet usage, travelling, stationery and office supplies, and "the care of any person who is dependent on the councillor and who requires the care while the councillor is carrying out his or her duties or functions as a councillor", in accordance with the Council's policy.

CONSULTATION

The matter has been the subject of two previous workshops.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No significant financial implications arising from the updated policy. Where financial changes are proposed, these are of a minor nature and have been included in Council's most recently approved budget Estimates.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council endorses the revised Councillor Allowances and Expenses Policy 2023.

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COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES POLICY 2023 /contd...

Decision:	MOVED: Cr Mulder SE	CONDED: Cr Goyne
	"That Council endorses the revised Councillor Allowances and Expenses Policy 2023 subject to the deletion of the section relating to stationery and postage expenses and any other consequential changes".	
		CARRIED
	FOR	AGAINST
	Cr Blomeley	Cr Walker
	Cr Chong	
	Cr Darko	
	Cr Goyne	
	Cr Hulme	
	Cr Hunter	
	Cr James	
	Cr Kennedy	
	Cr Mulder	
	Cr Warren	

The Meeting closed at 8.09 pm