

Special Committee of Council Tuesday 7 June 2022

Notice and Agenda of meeting livestreamed via the <u>Mansfield Shire Council website</u> Commencing at 5pm

Our aspiration for our Shire and its community

We live, work and play in an inclusive, dynamic and prosperous place where community spirit is strong and people are empowered to engage in issues that affect their lives.

Councillors

Cr James Tehan (Mayor) Cr Mark Holcombe (Deputy Mayor) Cr Steve Rabie Cr Paul Sladdin Cr Rohan Webb

Officers

Kaylene Conrick, Chief Executive Officer Kirsten Alexander, General Manager Infrastructure and Planning Dena Vlekkert, General Manager Community and Corporate Services

Order of Business

1. Opening of the meeting

The Mayor, who chairs the meeting, will formally open the meeting and welcome all present.

2. Present

Where a meeting is held virtually, Councillors will confirm that they can see and hear each other.

3. Apologies

Where a Councillor is not present, his/her absence is noted in the Minutes of the meeting.

4. Statement of commitment

The Council affirms its commitment to ensuring its behaviour meets the standards set by the Mansfield Shire Councillor Code of Conduct and Councillor Charter.

5. Acknowledgement of Country

The Council affirms its recognition of the Taungurung people being traditional owners of this area, and pays respect to their Elders past and present.

6. Disclosure of conflicts of interest

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 2020*, a Councillor must declare any Conflicts of Interest pursuant to sections 126 and 127 Act in any items on this Agenda.

Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to any items listed on this Agenda must declare a Conflict of Interest regarding the specific item.

7. Deputations

Deputations to be heard from members of the general public who have made a submission on a matter.

8. Officer reports

Detailed reports prepared by officers from the Community and Corporate Services Directorate are considered by the Council.

A Council position is adopted on the matters considered.

9. Close of meeting

The Mayor will formally close the meeting and thank all present for attending.

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Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting

2. Present

The Chair will call on each Councillor and ask them to confirm verbally that they can see all Councillors and hear the proceedings:

- Councillor Holcombe
- Councillor Rabie
- Councillor Sladdin
- Counillor Tehan
- Councillor Webb

Councillors will respond to their name with: "I can hear the proceedings and see all Councillors and Council officers".

The Chair will ask each Councillor to confirm by raising their hand that they could all hear each statement of the councillors.

Councilors will raise their hand to acknowledge they can hear each other.

3. Apologies

The Chair will call on the CEO for any apologies.

4. Statement of commitment

The Chair will read the statement and call on each Councillor to confirm their commitment:

"As Councillors of Mansfield Shire we are committed to ensuring our behaviour meets the standards set by the Mansfield Shire Councillor Code of Conduct and Councillor Charter. We will, at all times, faithfully represent and uphold the trust placed in us by the community."

5. Acknowledgement of Country

Deputy Mayor Mark Holcombe will recite Council's Acknowledgement of Country:

"Our meeting is being held on the lands of the Taungurung people and we wish to acknowledge them as Traditional Owners. We would also like to pay our respects to their Elders, past and present, and Aboriginal Elders of other communities who may be here today."

6. Disclosure of conflicts of interest

The Chair will call on each Councillor in turn and ask them to declare whether they have any conflicts of interest in relation to any agenda items:

- Councillor Holcombe
- Councillor Rabie
- Councillor Sladdin
- Councillor Webb

7. Deputations

Deputations to be heard from members of the general public who have made a submission on a matter.

8. Presentation of Reports

8.1. Community and Corporate Services Directorate

8.1.1. Consideration of Submissions to the Proposed Budget 2022-23

File Number	E9456	Responsible Officer	Manager of Business & Performance, Anthony Smith			
Purpose						

The purpose of this report is for the Council to hear any submissions received in relation to the Proposed 2022-23 Budget.

Executive Summary

The Proposed 2022-23 Budget was advertised from Thursday, 28 April 2022 for community consultation.

The community consultation period closed Thursday, 26 May 2022.

Five (5) written submissions were received.

Key Issues

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2020*, the Council endorsed the Proposed 2022-23 Budget for community consultation.

Council gave public notice of the Proposed 2022-23 Budget and invited submissions between Thursday, 28 April 2022 to Thursday, 26 May 2022.

As a result of the advertising process, a total of two (2) written submissions were received by Council.

Of the submissions received, two (2) have indicated that they wish to present to Council.

Council also received three (3) written submissions from Mansfield Primary School students in February 2022.

Budget Submission

Number: 1

Submission from: Startup Shakeup, Ilena Young, Managing Director

Submission summary:

For the project "Building the capacity of new and existing businesses in Mansfield Shire", a budget request of \$10,000 for the 2022-23 financial year together with a Memorandum of Understanding for 2022-2024.

A key outcome of the activity is that Mansfield has an opportunity to grow itself as a regional hotspot for digital capacity building and innovation in North East Victoria.

This budget submission for \$10,000 is to be invested into programs by Startup Shakeup that will accelerate the digital capacity and innovation of new and existing business in Wangaratta over the 2022-2023 financial year. Investment in innovation has the potential to grow existing and new businesses in a rapid timeframe.

The submitter would appreciate the opportunity to personally present to Council on this budget submission.

Number: 2

Submission from: Tony Tehan

Submission summary:

I would like to commend the shire for their recent budget, particularly their decision to purchase the land for future parking in High St. Their support for the Heritage Museum is much appreciated.

I would like the Council to:

- investigate the establishment of a dedicated weather station in Lakin's Road in conjunction with the Bureau of Meteorology.
- celebrate the 20th anniversary of de amalgamation. I hope there are appropriate celebrations to mark this historic and so far, unique event.
- a larger sign in Station St indicating Local Traffic Only and a similar sign on the side road east of Station St.
- continue their policy of preserving agricultural land.
- examine the economic benefit of Targa and whether they should continue the sizeable subsidy towards the event.
- review the amount of merchandise that proliferates on the main street footpaths causing danger to people in mobility carts.

I would like to have the chance of speaking to these issues at the special meeting of council.

Numbers: 3, 4 & 5

Submission from: Mansfield Primary School Students

Submission summary:

The provision of a water/splash park in Mansfield.

Recommendation

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Notes five (5) submissions were received as detailed in the section Key Issues of the report.
- 2. Takes into consideration the matters raised within the submissions in its consideration of the 2022-23 Budget at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held Tuesday, 28 June 2022.
- 3. Provides a written response to each submitter following the adoption of the 2022-23 Budget.

Support Attachments

- 1. Budget Submission Ilena Young [8.1.1.1 67 pages]
- 2. Budget Submission Tony Tehan [8.1.1.2 1 page]
- 3. Budget Submission Mansfield Primary Student Submission 1 [8.1.1.3 2 pages]
- 4. Budget Submission Mansfield Primary Student Submission 2 [8.1.1.4 1 page]
- 5. Budget Submission Mansfield Primary Student Submission 3 [8.1.1.5 1 page]

Considerations and Implications of Recommendation

Sustainability Implications

Not Applicable

Community Engagement

Community Engagement has been undertaken in accordance with the Council Community Engagement Policy via the Engage Mansfield portal on Council's website.

During the exhibition period, Council also held two community budget information sessions.

The community information sessions were held in the Council Chambers, Mansfield on Tuesday 10 May 2022 (3 attendees) and at the Box Hill Town Hall, Box Hill on Wednesday, 11 May 2022 (15 attendees).

Collaboration

Not Applicable

Financial Impact

Not Applicable

Legal and Risk Implications

Not Applicable.

Regional, State and National Plans and Policies

Not Applicable

Innovation and Continuous Improvement

Not Applicable

Alignment to Council Plan

Theme 3: A Trusted, Effective and Efficient Council

Strategic Objective 7 Financial sustainability and value for money

Strategy 7.1 Increase Council's financial resilience by utilising opportunities to derive own source of funding income and optimising costs of delivering services

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Strategic Objective 8 A consultative Council that represents and empowers its community Strategy 8.1 Increase community trust in Council to make informed decisions with "no surprises"

Governance - Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

The author of this report and officers providing advice in relation to this report do not have a conflict of interest to declare in this matter, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2020.

8.1.2. Consideration of Submissions to the Revised Revenue and Rating Plan 2021-25

File Number	E9456	Responsible Officer	Manager Business & Performance, Tony Cooper
Purpose			

The purpose of this report is for Council to hear any submissions received in relation to the Revised Revenue and Rating Plan 2021-25.

Executive Summary

The Revised Revenue and Rating Plan 2021-25 was advertised from Thursday, 28 April 2022 for community consultation.

The community consultation period closed Thursday, 26 May 2022.

No written submissions were received.

Key Issues

In accordance with Section 93 of the *Local Government Act 2020*, Council endorsed the Revised Revenue and Rating Plan 2021-25 for community consultation.

Council gave public notice of the Revised Revenue and Rating Plan 2021-25 and invited submissions between Thursday, 28 April 2022 to Thursday, 26 May 2022.

As a result of the advertising process, no written submissions were received by Council at the conclusion of the community consultation period, Thursday, 26 May 2022.

Recommendation

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Notes no submissions were received.
- 2. Considers the Revised Revenue and Rating Plan 2021-25 at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held Tuesday, 28 June 2022.

Support Attachments

Nil

Considerations and Implications of Recommendation

Sustainability Implications

Not Applicable

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Regional, State and National Plans and Policies

Not Applicable

Innovation and Continuous Improvement

Not Applicable

Alignment to Council Plan

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