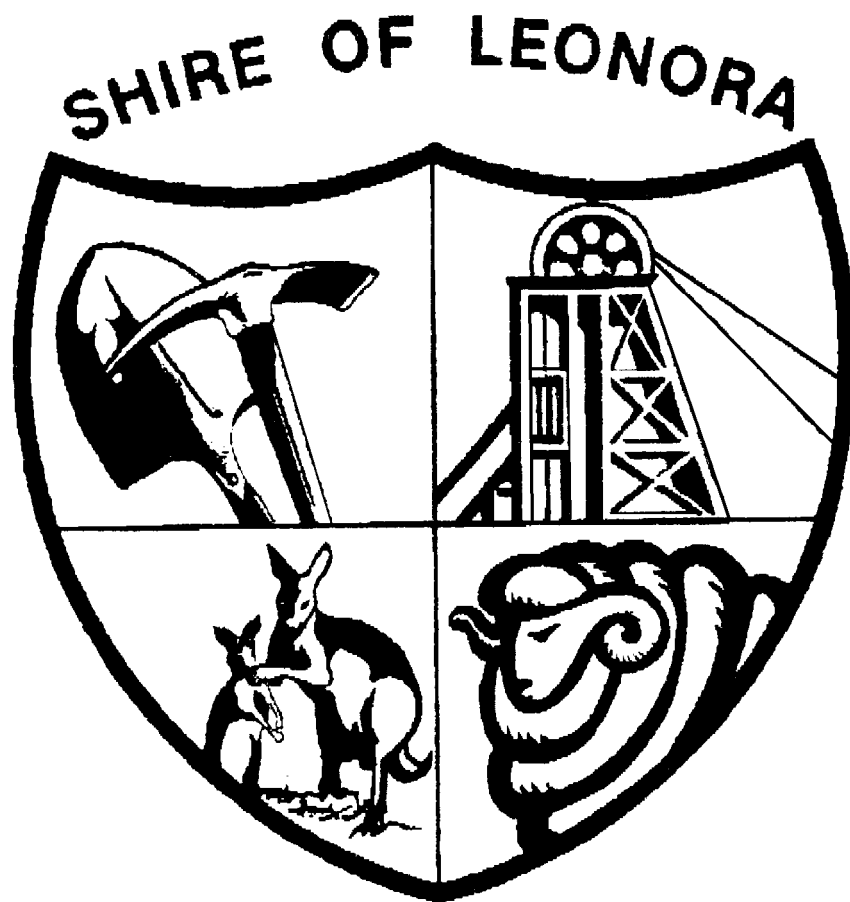


# **SHIRE OF LEONORA**

## **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING**



**HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
LEONORA ON TUESDAY,  
16<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2014**

## **SHIRE OF LEONORA**

Minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting held in Council Chambers, Leonora on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2014.

### **1.0 MEETING OPEN**

President, Cr Craig declared the meeting open, the time being 4:05pm.

### **2.0 PRESENT**

President	Cr P J Craig
Deputy President	Cr R A Norrie
Councillors	Cr M W V Taylor
	Cr L R Petersen
	Cr A E Taylor
	Cr R M Cotterill
Chief Executive Officer	J G Epis
Deputy Chief Executive Officer	T M Browning
Manager Community Services	S G Butson
Members of the Public	Ms Tralee Cable
	Mr P Breman

### **3.0 APOLOGIES**

Manager Works	D N Yates
Councillor	Cr G W Baker

### **4.0 MINUTES**

The minutes of the previous Annual Electors Meeting held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2013 were presented by the Acting Chief Executive Officer.

**Moved Cr LR Petersen, seconded Cr RA Norrie** that the minutes of the previous Annual Electors Meeting held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2013 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **5.0 PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2014**

#### **5.1 *PRESIDENTS REPORT***

Cr Craig presented and read the Presidents Report for the period ending 30th June, 2014.

#### **5.2 *CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT***

Mr J G Epis presented and read the Chief Executive Officers Report for the period ending 30th June, 2014.

### **5.3     *AUDIT REPORT***

Miss Browning read the audit report for the period ending 30th June, 2014.

### **5.4     *ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS***

The Statements for the financial year ended 30th June, 2014 were presented without query.

**Moved Cr AE Taylor, seconded Cr RM Cotterill** that the foregoing Annual Reports and Statements be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **6.0     GENERAL BUSINESS**

Ms T Cable enquired about the Northern Goldfields Regional Office Administration Centre (NGROAC) and what consultation took place with the community with regard to the appearance of the facility. CEO, JG Epis, responded that most work was undertaken by the GEDC Project Officer located in Leonora, and that further enquiries would need to be undertaken with the officer. He further advised that the officer is currently on annual leave, and when she returned to work that the CEO would be on leave. He advised that the Acting CEO would make the enquiries on his behalf in the new year, and would forward a response to Ms Cable for her information.

Ms Cable also enquired about the Shire of Leonora's building programme. In recent years, a single architect had been engaged on all projects, and she enquired whether there was any intent to engage alternative architects in the future to create opportunity for alternate views and designs. CEO, Mr JG Epis responded that the same architects had been engaged for a number of projects, and generally feedback on their projects had been positive, however he noted the concerns about the possibility of expanding future designs etc.

Cr RA Norrie enquired about the recent works carried out on the tram at the Gwalia Historic precinct. Some discussion ensued on the value of the project, and the differences between conservation works, and restoration works. CEO, Mr JG Epis provided information about the process of obtaining quotes for works and projects, and the work undertaken prior to any project commencing to ensure that it aligns with appropriate heritage practices etc. Members of the public are encouraged to raise any queries with staff as further information and clarification can be sourced in an effort to answer these queries. It was also noted that public question time provided an opportunity for these types of queries to be raised at each ordinary meeting of Council.

Deputy CEO, Miss TM Browning, provided some comment on consultation and engagement with the community, highlighting in particular one of the items contained in strategic planning documents on the future development of a communications strategy. Currently, a social media policy and operations framework has been established to commence utilising social media in the future to engage with a wider community demographic.

**7.0 CLOSURE**

There being no further business, Shire President, Cr PJ Craig, declared the meeting closed at 4:52pm.

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PRESIDENT

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DATE