

Council Meeting Agenda

**Unscheduled Council Meeting
Tuesday 16 February 2021 at 1.30 pm
Gisborne Administration Centre**

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

To start the official proceedings, I would like to acknowledge that Macedon Ranges Shire Council is on Dja Dja Wurrung, Taungurung and Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Country whose ancestors and their descendants are the traditional owners of this Country. We acknowledge that they have been custodians for many centuries and continue to perform age old ceremonies of celebration, initiation and renewal. We acknowledge their living culture and their unique role in the life of this region.

1. RECORDING AND LIVE STREAMING OF THIS COUNCIL MEETING

Please note that this meeting will be closed to the public to deal with a confidential item of business. Council is not required to stream a Council meeting or make a recording of a Council meeting if Council considers it necessary to close the meeting to consider confidential information (section 395 of the *Local Government Act 2020*). Accordingly, this meeting will not be live streamed or recorded.

Councillors are attending this meeting in person and, in line with current directions by the Chief Health Officer, face masks must be worn in indoor settings.

I also remind everyone that local government decision making, unlike state and federal government, does not afford the benefit of parliamentary privilege and hence no protection is afforded to Councillors and Council officers for comments made during meetings which are subsequently challenged in a court of law and determined to be slanderous.

Thank you

2. PRESENT

3. APOLOGIES

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

Councillors' attention is drawn to Division 2 Sections 126-131 of the *Local Government Act 2020* and Part 5, Rule 48 of Council's Governance Rules regarding conflicts of interest.

Councillors are reminded that conflicts of interest must be disclosed in the manner required by Council's Governance Rules. The Councillor must make a full disclosure of the interest by either advising:

- the Council at the meeting immediately before the matter is considered at the meeting; or
- the CEO in writing before the meeting;

and

- whether the interest is a general conflict of interest or a material conflict of interest; and
- the nature of the interest

(If a Councillor advised the CEO in writing before the meeting, the Councillor must make a disclosure of the class of interest only to the meeting immediately before the matter is considered at the meeting)

5. Contractual arrangements with the Frontier Touring Co Pty Ltd

Purpose and Overview

Council is currently negotiating a licence agreement with the Frontier Touring Co Pty Ltd in relation to the future use of the Eastern Paddock at Hanging Rock.

Recommendation

That Council:

Close the meeting to the public under Section 66(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act) to consider a matter that is confidential under the terms of section 3(1) of the Act on the basis that it contains information relating to Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released.