



## MINUTES

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS**

**11 FEBRUARY 2026**

### **Acknowledgement of Noongar People**

The Shire of Narrogin acknowledges the Noongar people as traditional custodians of this land and their continuing connection to land and community. We pay our respect to them, to their culture and to their Elders past and present.

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**Narrogin**  
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# STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN 2017-27

SNAPSHOT

## VISION

A leading regional economic driver and a socially interactive and inclusive community.

## MISSION

Provide leadership, direction and opportunities for the community.

## KEY PRINCIPLES

In achieving the Vision and Mission, we will set achievable goals and work with the community to maintain a reputation of openness, honesty and accountability. In doing so we will:

- Respect the points of view of individuals and groups;
- Build on existing community involvement;
- Encourage community leadership;
- Promote self-reliance and initiative;
- Recognise and celebrate achievement;
- Support the principles of social justice; and
- Acknowledge the value of staff and volunteers.

## OUR VALUES

### Care with Trust & Teamwork

**Caring** - We display kindness and concern for one another and our community

**Accountability** - We accept responsibility for our actions and outcomes

**Respect** - We treat everyone how we would like to be treated

**Excellence** - We go the extra mile to deliver outstanding services

**Trust** - We share without fear of consequences

**Team Work** - We work together for a common goal

## ECONOMIC

### Support growth and progress, locally and regionally...

#### Growth in revenue opportunities

- Attract new industry, business, investment and encourage diversity whilst encouraging growth of local business
- Promote Narrogin and the Region
- Promote Narrogin's health and aged services including aged housing

#### Increased Tourism

- Promote, develop tourism and maintain local attractions

#### An effective well maintained transport network

- Maintain and improve road network in line with resource capacity
- Review and implement the Airport Master Plan

#### Agriculture opportunities maintained and developed

- Support development of agricultural services

## SOCIAL

### Provide community facilities and promote social interaction...

#### Provision of youth services

- Develop and implement a youth strategy

#### Build a healthier and safer community

- Support the provision of community security services and facilities
- Advocate for mental health and social support services
- Continue and improve provision of in-home care services

#### Existing strong community spirit and pride is fostered, promoted and encouraged

- Develop and activate Sport and Recreation Master Plan
- Engage and support community groups and volunteers
- Facilitate and support community events
- Provide improved community facilities (eg library/recreation)
- Encourage and support continued development of arts and culture

#### Cultural and heritage diversity is recognised

- Maintain and enhance heritage assets
- Support our Narrogin cultural and indigenous community

#### A broad range of quality education services and facilities servicing the region

- Advocate for increased education facilities for the region
- Advocate for and support increased education services

## ENVIRONMENT

### Conserve, protect and enhance our natural and built environment...

#### A preserved natural environment

- Conserve, enhance, promote and rehabilitate the natural environment

#### Effective waste services

- Support the provision of waste services

#### Efficient use of resources

- Increase resource usage efficiency

#### A well maintained built environment

- Improve and maintain built environment

## CIVIC

### Continually enhance the Shire's organisational capacity to service the needs of a growing community...

#### An efficient and effective organisation

- Continually improve operational efficiencies and provide effective services
- Continue to enhance communication and transparency

#### An employer of choice

- Provide a positive, desirable workplace

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**1. OFFICIAL OPENING**

The Presiding Member, President Ballard, declared the meeting open at 7:01 pm.

**2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE OF ELECTORS & APOLOGIES**

**Elected Members**

Mr L Ballard – Shire President (Presiding Member)

Cr G Broad – Deputy Shire President

Cr M Fisher

Cr C Bartron

Cr J Pomykala

Cr T Wiese

Cr R McNab

**Employees**

Mr D Stewart – Chief Executive Officer

Mr I Graham – Executive Manager Corporate & Community Services

Mr A Majid – Executive Manager Planning & Sustainability

Mr J Warburton – Executive Manager Infrastructure Services

Mrs L Webb – Executive Support Coordinator

**Electors**

Deborah Hughes-Owen

Coral Mahoney

Brian Seale

**Apologies**

Nil

**3. RECEIVING OF ANNUAL REPORT**

Contents of the [Annual Report, Financial Statements and Auditor's Report.](#)

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION & RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Pomykala

Seconded: Cr Wiese

That the Annual Report for the financial year of 2024-25 be as presented be accepted.

**CARRIED**

#### **4. GENERAL BUSINESS**

##### **4.1. DEBORAH HUGHES-OWEN**

1. Ms Hughes-Owen raised concerns regarding unease among some users of Narrogin Regional Homecare Services, particularly those attending Jessie House for social support days. Concerns relate to the unknown changes that may occur with the proposed commencement of Silver Chain as the service provider. Ms Hughes-Owen requested further information to help reassure service users.

Response from the Executive Manager Community & Corporate Services:

The EMCCS advised that Council has recommended Silver Chain as the incoming provider; however, the final decision rests with the Department of Health. The Administration anticipates that a decision will be made in March 2026.

It was noted that group activities, transport services, Meals on Wheels, and gardening services are all being considered as part of succession planning, pending the Department of Health's final determination.

2. Ms Hughes-Owen queried the terms of provision in relation to the use of Jessie House.

Response from the Shire President:

The Shire President advised that no specific conditions had been determined at this stage and sought clarification from the Executive Manager Community & Corporate Services as to whether respite services were being discussed by Silver Chain as a service to be continued.

Response from the Executive Manager Community & Corporate Services:

The Executive Manager Community & Corporate Services confirmed that Silver Chain has expressed an intention to lease Jessie House to continue providing relevant services.

Response from the Chief Executive Officer:

The Chief Executive Officer advised that internal discussions have included a formal application from Silver Chain outlining its strong desire and intent, subject to Council approval, to continue operating from Jessie House.

Discussions have included the continuation of administrative support services and respite services (excluding residential respite), as well as consideration of other potential support services that Council may determine in due course. This may involve collaboration with other entities, such as the Senior Citizens, potentially operating from the same location.

The Chief Executive Officer emphasised that the Administration is mindful of the community's desire for these services to continue.

##### **4.2. CR WIESE**

Cr Wiese expressed his thanks to the Chief Executive Officer for his service to the Council and community of Narrogin, noting that this would be his final Annual Report and Electors' Meeting following nearly eight years of service.

The Shire President acknowledged that it was appropriate to formally note this appreciation.

**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Wiese

Seconded: President Ballard

That the electors of the Shire of Narrogin formally record their sincere appreciation to the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Dale Stewart, for his dedicated service to the Shire of Narrogin over nearly eight years and acknowledge his valuable contribution to the community and the organisation.

**CARRIED**

4.3. CORAL MAHONEY

Ms Mahoney expressed her appreciation to the Chief Executive Officer for his contributions to the Shire, including personal acknowledgements.

She also conveyed thanks for the financial and administrative support provided toward the Australia Day event and the Welcome to Narrogin event and extended her appreciation to Council for its contribution to both events.

**5. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further business to discuss, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 7:13 pm.



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