

# Shire of Denmark Minutes



## ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
953 SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY, DENMARK,  
TUESDAY 20 DECEMBER 2011.

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**1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS**

7.03pm – *The Shire President declared the meeting open.*

**2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE****COUNCILLORS**

Cr Ross Thornton  
Cr John Sampson  
Cr Kelli Gillies  
Cr Adrian Hinds  
Cr Jan Lewis  
Cr Barbara Marshall  
Cr Ian Osborne  
Cr Belinda Rowland  
Cr Roger Seeney  
Cr Alex Syme

**STAFF:**

Mr Dale Stewart (Chief Executive Officer)  
Mr Garry Bird (Director of Finance & Administration)  
Ms Annette Harbron (Director of Planning and Sustainability)  
Mr Gregg Harwood (Director of Community and Regulatory Services)  
Mr Rob Whooley (Director of Infrastructure Services)  
Ms Claire Thompson (Executive Assistant)

**ELECTORS:**

Ms Dawn Cottam  
Mr Owen Stokes-Hughes

**APOLOGIES:**

Nil

**ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**

Cr Phil Barnes  
Cr Dawn Pedro

**3. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING**

Nil

**4. REPORTS**

The following Reports are contained within the Annual Report attached to this Agenda.

**4.1 SHIRE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Please refer to the Annual Report.

**RESOLUTION & RECOMMENDATION**

MOVED: CR ROWLAND

ITEM 4.1

SECONDED: CR SAMPSON

That the Shire Presidents Report for the year ended 30 June 2011 be received.

CARRIED

**4.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Please refer to the Annual Report.

<b>RESOLUTION &amp; RECOMMENDATION</b>	<b>ITEM 4.2</b>
MOVED: CR SAMPSON	SECONDED: CR ROWLAND
That the Chief Executive Officers report for the year ended 30 June 2011 be received.	
CARRIED	

**4.3 2010/2011 AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Please refer to the Annual Report.

<b>RESOLUTION &amp; RECOMMENDATION</b>	<b>ITEM 4.3</b>
MOVED: CR GILLIES	SECONDED: CR MARSHALL
That the Audit Report for the year ended 30 June 2011 be received.	
CARRIED	

**4.4 2010/2011 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

Please refer to the Annual Report.

<b>RESOLUTION &amp; RECOMMENDATION</b>	<b>ITEM 4.4</b>
MOVED: CR MARSHALL	SECONDED: CR GILLIES
That the 2010/11 Annual Financial Report, incorporating the Annual Financial Statements, be received.	
CARRIED	

**5. GENERAL BUSINESS****5.1 Mr Owen Stokes-Hughes – Wilson Inlet**

Mr Stokes-Hughes referred to a statement made in a report which stated “the lifeblood of Denmark is the Wilson Inlet” and also referred a statement by a marine scientist (engagement by Council some years ago) who stated that the only way to keep in the Inlet clean and clear was to make a permanent opening. Mr Stokes-Hughes stated that the basic health of the inlet was vital to the community.

**5.2 Mr Owen Stokes-Hughes – Windfarm**

Mr Stokes-Hughes urged Council to be strong on the issue of renewable energy and encourage the construction of a Windfarm at Wilsons Head.

*The Shire President stated that the Denmark Community Windfarm Inc had lodge a Development Application which would be assessed by the Development Assessment Panel sometime in January 2012. Cr Thornton advised that although the decision would not be one of full Council, the meeting would still be open to the public.*

**5.3 Mr Owen Stokes-Hughes – Amaroo & Former Depot Site**

Mr Stokes-Hughes referred to the proposal to use the former Shire Depot site for further development of the Village and asked what stage the clean-up of the contamination was at.

*The CEO responded stating that Council would be considering a request to accept hand over from the site from Lionsville Inc. in January 2012 and assuming Council agreed to the request, and this was supported by the State Government, the Council, on behalf of Lionsville and the Community, may vote to accept responsibility for clean up.*

Mr Stokes-Hughes also asked whether anything could be done about suppressing the dust from the site.

*Mr Harwood replied that an emulsion could be applied to the surface during the dryer summer months and this would be investigated if Council assumed control of the site.*

## **6. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

*7.25pm – There being no further business to discuss the Shire President declared the meeting closed.*