

**MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CESSNOCK CITY  
COUNCIL HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THURSDAY, 28 JULY 2022,  
COMMENCING AT 6.36PM**

**PRESENT:** His Worship the Mayor, Councillor J Suvaal (in the Chair) and Councillors Dunn, Jurd, Hawkins, Olsen, Burke, Moores, Jackson, Watton, Sander, Grine, Hill, Paynter.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Acting Director Corporate and Community Services (Human Resources Manager)  
Christian Morris - LGNSW  
Corporate Governance Officer  
Help Desk Support Officer

**APOLOGY & LEAVE  
OF ABSENCE:** **NIL**

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST NO. PPD14/2022**

**SUBJECT:** **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

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NIL

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DEAL WITH MATTERS IN  
CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

**NOTICE OF INTENTION NO. NI5/2022**

**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DEAL WITH MATTERS IN  
CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

**MM13/2022 - APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL MANAGER**

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**MOTION**            **Moved:**    Councillor Dunn            **Seconded:**    Councillor Sander  
216

**RECOMMENDATION** that

1. That Council considers in Confidential Session the following matters in accordance with Sections 10A (2) (a) of the *Local Government Act 1993*:

Report MM13/2022 – Appointment of General Manager as the report deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals.

2. That Council requests the Mayor in accordance with Clause 14.21 of Councils Code of Meeting Practice to report on these matters to the meeting in Open Session following completion of the Confidential Session.

<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
Councillor Suvaal	
Councillor Jackson	
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
<b>Total (13)</b>	<b>Total (0)</b>

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

6.40PM

**Confidential reports (closed session)**

**MOTION**            **Moved:**    Councillor Burke            **Seconded:**    Councillor Grine  
217  
**RESOLVED**

**That the meeting move into closed session in order to consider confidential items.**

<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
Councillor Suvaal	
Councillor Jackson	
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
<b>Total (13)</b>	<b>Total (0)</b>

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*During discussion and debate on MM13/2022 – Appointment of General Manager, the Corporate Governance Officer and Help Desk Support Officer left the meeting.*

6.44PM

**Open Session**

The meeting move back into open session and the Mayor continued the meeting as well as reporting on the outcomes of the Confidential Item.

*Councillor Moores Left The Meeting, The Time Being 6.44pm*

## **MOTIONS OF URGENCY**

### **MOTIONS OF URGENCY NO. MOU7/2022**

**SUBJECT: MOTION OF URGENCY**

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**MOTION**      **Moved:** Councillor Hawkins      **Seconded:** Councillor Paynter  
218  
**RESOLVED**

**That Report No CC62.2022 – Appointment of Acting General Manager be dealt with as a Matter of Urgency.**

<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
Councillor Suvaal	
Councillor Jackson	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
<b>Total (12)</b>	<b>Total (0)</b>

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY

### CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC62/2022

**SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF ACTING GENERAL MANAGER**

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**MOTION**      **Moved:** Councillor Watton      **Seconded:** Councillor Sander  
219

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council appoint Peter Mickleson temporarily to the position of Acting General Manager from 25 July 2022 to 12 August 2022 whilst Robert Maginnity is on Annual Leave.
2. That Council reappoint Robert Maginnity to the role of Acting General Manager from 15 August 2022 until the commencement of a new General Manager.
3. That should Robert Maginnity be absent for any reason after 12 August 2022 but prior to the appointment of a new General Manager, Council will continue to temporarily appoint Mr Peter Mickleson to the position of Acting General Manager.
4. That Council appoint David Maloney temporarily should Peter Mickleson be absent for any reason during his acting period.

<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
Councillor Suvaal	
Councillor Jackson	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
<b>Total (12)</b>	<b>Total (0)</b>

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Councillor Moores returned to the meeting, the time being 6.45pm*

**MAYORAL MINUTES NO. MM13/2022**

**SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL MANAGER**

*This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) (a) of the Local Government Act, as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals.*

**MOTION**            **Moved:**    Councillor Suvaal

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**RESOLVED**

1.     That Council notes the presentations from shortlisted candidates for the position of General Manager.
  
2.     That Council, subject to the satisfactory completion of pre-employment checks, offer the position of General Manager to the recommended candidate and authorise the Mayor to negotiate and enter into a contract of employment based on the standard contract of employment issued by the Office of Local Government.
  
3.     That the recommended candidate remain confidential until the position is accepted by the recommended candidate and the Mayor announces the appointment of the General Manager. All other information presented and discussed in the closed session remains confidential.

<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
Councillor Suvaal	Councillor Moores
Councillor Jackson	Councillor Dunn
Councillor Burke	Councillor Paynter
Councillor Grine	Councillor Watton
Councillor Sander	Councillor Olsen
Councillor Hill	Councillor Jurd
Councillor Hawkins	
<b>Total (7)</b>	<b>Total (6)</b>

**CARRIED**

*The Meeting Was Declared Closed at 6.46pm*

**CONFIRMED AND SIGNED** at the meeting held on

.....**CHAIRMAN**

.....**GENERAL MANAGER**