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PRESENT Clr P Batten (in the Chair), Clrs K Beatty, A Rawson, M Nash.

Also present were the General Manager, Deputy General Manager – Cabonne Services, Department Leader Innovation & Technology, Governance Officer.

ITEM - 1 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RECOMMENDATION (Beatty/Nash)

THAT it be noted there were nil applications for leave of absence.

EIE 22/16 Carried

ITEM - 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RECOMMENDATION (Nash/Rawson)

THAT it be noted there were nil declarations of interest.

EIE 22/17 Carried

ITEM - 3 DECLARATIONS FOR POLITICAL DONATIONS

RECOMMENDATION (Rawson/Nash)

THAT it be noted there were nil declarations for political donations.

EIE 22/18 Carried

FOR NOTATION

ITEM - 1 DRAFT EMISSIONS REDUCTION PLAN

Proceedings in Brief

The Department Leader Innovation and Technology noted that Council is working with the Central NSW Joint Organisation on small waste facilities. The Deputy General Manager Services advised that Council has four (4) landfill sites and two (2) transfer stations. She further noted that increased usage of landfill sites will trigger EPA licencing in the future.

The General Manager raised discussion around medium term targets, midscale solar and the State Government goal of zero (0) emissions by 2050. He further noted that in August, Council will work towards setting goals that Council can make a solid commitment to.

Clr Batten raised the possibility of Council investing in sites that can have an immediate impact.

RECOMMENDATION (Rawson/Beatty)

THAT the committee discuss and provide any feedback in relation to the draft Emissions Reduction Plan.

EIE 22/19 Carried

ITEM - 2 ENVIRONMENT, INNOVATION AND ENERGY COMMITTEE STRATEGIC ACTIVITIES REPORT

Proceedings in Brief

The Department Leader Innovation and Technology provided an update on the mid-scale solar project. The Deputy General Manager stated that the project must proceed with the current planning guidelines and that Council only regulates the provisions that are imposed.

The Department Leader Innovation and Technology noted that smart meters have been installed and baseline data is being received.

RECOMMENDATION (Rawson/Nash)

THAT the Committee note the strategic activity update.

EIE 22/20 Carried

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM - 1 CARRYING OF COMMITTEE RESOLUTION INTO CLOSED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

RECOMMENDATION (Beatty/Nash)

THAT the committee now hereby resolve into Closed Committee of the Whole for the purpose of discussing matters of a confidential nature relating to personnel or industrial matters, personal finances and matters which the publicity of which the Committee considers would be prejudicial to the Council or the individual concerned and that the press and the public be excluded from the meeting in accordance with the conditions of Council's Confidentiality Policy AND FURTHER that as reports to the Closed Committee of the Whole are likely to be confidential and their release prejudicial to the public interest and the provisions of Council's confidentiality policy, that copies of these reports not be made available to the press and public.

EIE 22/21 Carried

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ITEM - 2 ELECTRICITY PROCUREMENT

RECOMMENDATION (Rawson/Beatty)

THAT the Committee endorse the General Manager's decision to enter into the contract including the option of 100% renewable energy.

EIE 22/22 Carried

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ITEM - 3 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING GRANTS

RECOMMENDATION (Nash/Rawson)

THAT the Committee receive and note the report.

EIE 22/23 Carried

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.51pm.