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**PRESENT** Clr P Batten (in the Chair), Clrs A Rawson and M Nash

Clr K Beatty arrived at 12:49pm.

Also present were the General Manager, Deputy General Manager – Cabonne Services, Department Leader Environmental Services, Executive Support Officer

### **ITEM - 1 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

#### Proceedings in Brief

The temporary absence of Clr Beatty was noted.

An apology tendered on behalf of Department Leader Innovation & Technology.

#### **RECOMMENDATION** (Nash/Rawson)

THAT the apology tendered on behalf of Clr Beatty be accepted and the necessary leave of absence be granted.

EIE 23/13

Carried

### **ITEM - 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

#### **RECOMMENDATION** (Rawson/Nash)

THAT the Declarations of Interest be noted.

EIE 23/14

Carried

### **ITEM - 3 DECLARATIONS OF POLITICAL DONATION**

#### **RECOMMENDATION** (Nash/Rawson)

THAT any political donations be noted.

EIE 23/15

Carried

### **ITEM - 4 UPDATE REPORT - ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

#### Proceedings in Brief

It was noted, the time being 12:05pm the General Manager joined the meeting with representatives from Constructive Energy.

Discussions were held regarding the flood recovery / environmental hazard clean-up.

As a result of a request from Clr Batten, the Deputy General Manager Cabonne Services provided an update on the changes to the opening hours of the Yeoval Waste Transfer Station advising that there seems to be an understanding and acceptance by the community in regards to these changes.

#### **RECOMMENDATION** (Rawson/Nash)

THAT the information contained within the report be noted.

EIE 23/16 Carried

## **ITEM - 5 INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY UPDATE**

### Proceedings in Brief

#### **MID-SCALE SOLAR PLANT UPDATE**

The General Manager invited Ashley & Tom from Constructive Energy to provide the committee with an update on the mid-scale solar project.

Discussions were held surrounding where the project is currently up to and what council's next steps are. It was advised that council needs to consider establishing a business model, with a focus on numbers and narrative for the project.

Clr Batten suggested that council should push ahead with investigations into further development of the project.

CE to provide proposals from retailers

It was noted, the time being 12:49pm Clr Beatty joined the meeting.

#### **MOLONG CREEK ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING SYSTEM**

Discussions were surrounding the Molong Creek Environmental Monitoring System with a general consensus of the system being a positive tool for the community.

As a result of a question from Clr Rawson, the Department Leader Innovation & Technology will investigate the capability of the system to record and store data.

#### **RECOMMENDATION** (Nash/Rawson)

THAT:

1. The information be noted and;
2. Advise council to continue to investigate the development of the mid-scale solar project.

EIE 23/17 Carried

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1:02pm.