

# Minutes of Meeting

## Water and Sewer Advisory Committee Meeting

Venue	Conference Room, Station Street, Mullumbimby
Date	Thursday, 17 April 2025
Time	11:30 AM



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WATER AND SEWER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 17 APRIL 2025

## Minutes of the Water and Sewer Advisory Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 17 April 2025

File No: I2025/491

### PRESENT:

Councillors:	Cr S Ndiaye (Mayor)	Zoom
	Cr M Lyon	Zoom
	Cr E Hauge (Chair)	Present
Staff:	Christopher Soulsby (Acting Director Infrastructure Services)	Present
	Cameron Clark (Manager Utilities)	Present
	Pablo Orams (Integrated Water Management Officer)	Present
	Rachel Derbyshire (Project Liaison Officer)	Present
	Amber Evans Crane Corporate Planning & Improvement Officer)	Present
	Chloe Woods (Minute taker)	Present
Community	Duncan Dey	Present
	Ben Fawcett	Present
	Taisa Baars	Present

*The Water and Sewer Advisory Committee voted Cr Hauge as Chair.*

*Cr Hauge (Chair) opened the meeting at 11:33 am and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Bundjalung Country.*

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### ATTENDANCE VIA AUDIO-VISUAL LINK:

*Cr S Ndiaye (Mayor) and Cr Lyon attended via Zoom Link.*

### APOLOGIES:

*An apology was received from Phillip Holloway (Director Infrastructure Services).*

### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY

Ben Fawcett declared a non-pecuniary interest in Report 4.2. The nature of the interest being that Ben Fawcett's residence is less than 1km from Lavertys Gap Weir and 500m from the water treatment plant. Ben Fawcett elected to remain in the Meeting and will participate in discussion and the vote.

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### MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**Report No. 3.1      Adoption of minutes from Previous Meeting**  
**File No:            I2025/480**

#### **Moved:**

**That the minutes of the Water and Sewer Advisory Committee Meeting held on 19 July 2024 be confirmed.**

(Ndiaye/Fawcett)

*Note: The minutes of the meeting held on 19 July 2024 were noted, and the Committee Recommendations adopted by Council, at the Ordinary Meeting held on 15 August 2024.*

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## STAFF REPORTS - CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Report No. 4.1      Integrated Planning and Reporting  
File No:              I2025/481

### Committee Recommendation:

That the Water and Sewer Advisory Committee:

1. Notes Council's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework;
2. Notes Council's priorities as identified by Councillors for the 2025 – 2029 and Delivery Program (Fawcett/Baars)

*The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.*

*Cr Hauge left the meeting at 12:28 pm and returned to the meeting at 12:28 pm.*

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## STAFF REPORTS - INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Report No. 4.2      Mullumbimby water supply strategy - High-level project plan  
File No:              I2025/395

### Committee Recommendation:

1. That the Water and Sewer Advisory Committee notes the proposed project design
2. That the Committee provides feedback to staff on how to improve the project design, in alignment with: -
  - a) The aim of the project i.e. provide evidence-based recommendations for Council to decide on a long-term water supply strategy for Mullumbimby
  - b) The need to provide best-value to ratepayers via sustainable and efficient water services provision
3. That Council keep the WSAC informed of subsequent changes to the project design, including between WSAC meetings.
4. That Council consider in the project the investigations previously sought by the WSAC, and recorded in its Minutes for the meeting of 19 July 2024.

(Dey/Hauge)

*The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.*

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*Rachel Derbyshire left the meeting at 12:45pm and did not return.*

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**Report No. 4.3**      **Byron STP Wetlands Monitoring Report**  
**File No:**            I2025/470

**Committee Recommendation:**

**That the committee note the report.**

(Lyon/Hauge)

*The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.*

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### FOR INFORMATION ONLY

**Report No. 6.1**      **Infrastructure Services Utilities Monthly Status Report**  
                              **December 2024 - February 2025**  
**File No:**            I2025/434

*Cr Lyon left the meeting 12:53 pm and did not return.*

*Quorum was lost at 12:53pm and the Chair, Cr Hauge, subsequently declared the meeting closed.*

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*There being no further business the meeting concluded at 12:54 pm.*