

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

6.1 Ordinary Council on 21 April 2026

Attachments

- 1 21/04/2026 - Ordinary Council - minutes [↓](#)

Enclosures

- 1 21/04/2026 - Ordinary Council - minutes attachment

RECOMMENDED

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 21 April 2026 be received and accepted.

Item 6.1



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

commencing at 5:00 PM on

TUESDAY 21 APRIL 2026

Council Chambers
11 Manning Street, KIAMA NSW 2533

Item 6.1

Attachment 1

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING

21 APRIL 2026

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF
THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF KIAMA
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY 21 APRIL 2026 AT 5:00 PM**

- PRESENT:** Mayor – Councillor C McDonald (Chair)
Deputy Mayor – Councillor M Matters
Councillors M Brown, M Cains, Larkins, M Lawton, Y Tatrai and E Warren
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Jane Stroud – Chief Executive Officer
Ed Paterson – Director Strategies and Communities
Darren Brady – Director Infrastructure and Operations
Joe Gaudiosi – Director Corporate and Commercial
Kimberley Norton – Head of Implementation
Stephanie Salviejo – Public Officer
Jose Diaz – Chief Financial Officer

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting at 5pm.

2 WEBCASTING STATEMENT

The Mayor stated that the meeting was being livestreamed, recorded and made publicly available on the Council website, and asked that persons attending the meeting refrain from making any defamatory statements.

3 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional owners.

Kiama Municipal Council acknowledges the Wodi Wodi people on Dharawal country as the traditional custodians of the land on which our Municipality is located. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and future. We are committed to honouring Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' unique cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and seas and their rich contribution to our community.

4 STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

The Mayor reminded Councillors of their oaths or affirmations of office that they will undertake their duties as councillors in the best interests of the people of the Kiama Local Government Area and the Kiama Municipal Council to the best of their ability and judgement.

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21 APRIL 2026

5 APOLOGIES

Apology

26/069OC

Resolved that the apology tendered from Councillor Draisma be accepted and the leave of absence granted.

(Councillors Brown and Warren)

For: Councillors Brown, Cains, Larkins, Lawton, Matters, McDonald, Tatrai and Warren

Against: Nil

Procedural motion: Allow media to record sessions of the meeting

26/070OC

Resolved that Council allows the media (The Bugle) to record the meeting in accordance with clause 17.27 of the Code of Meeting Practice.

(Councillors Cains and Warren)

For: Councillors Brown, Cains, Larkins, Matters, McDonald, Tatrai and Warren

Against: Councillor Lawton

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

6.1 Ordinary Council on 17 March 2026

26/071OC

Resolved that the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 17 March 2026 and associated minutes attachment be received and accepted.

(Councillors Larkins and Warren)

For: Councillors Brown, Cains, Larkins, Lawton, Matters, McDonald, Tatrai and Warren

Against: Nil

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6.2 Extraordinary Council on 7 April 2026**26/0720C**

Resolved that the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 7 April 2026 be received and accepted.

(Councillors Larkins and Warren)

For: Councillors Cains, Larkins, Lawton, Matters, Tatrai and Warren

Against: Brown and McDonald

It was noted that Councillors Brown and McDonald were absent from the Extraordinary Council Meeting on 7 April 2026 and did not vote on item 6.2 however under section 11.4 of the Code of Meeting Practice, a Councillor who fails to vote on a motion is taken to have voted against the motion.

7 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**Disclosure of Interest - Councillor McDonald**

Councillor McDonald declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item 14.2 *Endorse for public exhibition: Draft Employment Lands Strategy V2* as in his capacity as lawyer he has acted for a party in the strategy. Councillor McDonald proposed to disclose and leave the chamber.

Disclosure of Interest - Councillor Matters

Councillor Matters declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item 14.2 *Endorse for public exhibition: Draft Employment Lands Strategy V2* as she was on the same ticket as a landowner affected by the strategy. Councillor Matters proposed to disclose and vote.

Disclosure of Interest - Councillor Warren

Councillor Warren declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item 14.2 *Endorse for public exhibition: Draft Employment Lands Strategy V2* as she was on the same ticket as a landowner affected by the strategy. Councillor Warren proposed to disclose and vote.

Disclosure of Interest - Councillor Larkins

Councillor Larkins declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item 14.3 *Grants, Donations and Sponsorships – Round 2 Funding* as one of the funding recipients is the Kiama Lions Club and his father is a club member. Councillor Larkins proposed to disclose and vote.

Disclosure of Interest - Councillor Lawton

Councillor Lawton declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item 14.3 *Grants, Donations and Sponsorships – Round 2 Funding* as she is employed by Healthy Cities Australia who is funding recipient. Councillor Lawton proposed to disclose and leave the chamber.

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8 TABLING OF PETITIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS**8.1 Tabling of Auditor General Local Government reports**

Councillor Warren tabled the NSW Auditor General's reports on local government for the period 2021- 2025.

Attachments

- A NSW Auditor General's report on local government for 2021
- B NSW Auditor General's report on local government for 2022
- C NSW Auditor General's report on local government for 2023
- D NSW Auditor General's report on local government for 2024
- E NSW Auditor General's report on local government for 2025

8.2 Tabling of Auditor General letter to Hon. Wendy Tuckerman MP

Councillor Lawton tabled a letter from the NSW Auditor General to The Hon Wendy Tuckerman MP dated 16 August 2022.

Attachments

- A Letter from Auditor General NSW to The Hon Wendy Tuckerman MP dated 16 August 2022

8.3 Tabling of Council Minutes

Councillor Matters tabled the following correspondence from May 2024, February 2024 and October 2022 Council meetings.

Attachments

- A Letter from the Hon. Ron Hoenig MP to Kiama Council date stamped 23 May 2024
- B Letter from the Hon. Ron Hoenig MP to Kiama Council Notice of intention to vary PIO
- C Letter from the Hon. Wendy Tuckerman MP to Mayor and CEO Kiama Council

8.4 Tabling of email from Geoff Heinecke dated 20 April 2026

Councillor Matters tabled email correspondence from Geoff Heinecke dated 20 April 2026.

Attachments

- A Email from Geoff Heinecke dated 20 April 2026 redacted