



# MEDIA RELEASE

## OVERVIEW OF COUNCIL MEETING

An Ordinary Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday 1 September 2021 at the Rawson Hall Supper Room. One of the matters covered included a resolution on the Council's Transition to Sustainability which will require resilience, focus and commitment. This Transition to Sustainability (TtoS) platform aims to aggregate the change programs adopted by Council over the past 6 months and into the future.

To further one of Council's Nine Point Strategic Action Plan targets, which is for 100% renewable energy by 2024, Council resolved to engage EPC technologies for advisory services and to present a business case for Capital Expenditure from the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications (DITRDCO support for additional batteries and generation to hasten this energy renewable program.

A cost analysis of options was presented for the upgrade of Norfolk Island's Sewerage Treatment Plan, Capital Works Construction Project Initial Business Case (31 October 2019), which was prepared by Balmoral Group Australia and Public Works Advisory, otherwise known as the Balmoral Report. An updated recommendation passed by resolution, provided for a Membrane aerated Biofilm Reactor with water recycled to a community standpipe.

A resolution also provided for delegations to the General Manager of Council's functions to make recommendations to the Minister (delegate) on applications that are for 'permissible with consent use or development' and development approval modification applications.

After being tabled in July and on Public Exhibition for submissions (of which none was received), a resolution was also made for the adoption of a modest increase in the Regular Passenger Transport (RPT) fees which will start on the 1 October 2021.

This media release provides a brief overview of some of the matters that were addressed at the Council meeting. For full details visit Council's website [www.norfolkisland.gov.nf](http://www.norfolkisland.gov.nf) to view the meeting Agenda, Minutes or to view and listen to a recording of the meeting. Hardcopies of the Agenda and Minutes are available to view in hardcopy at Customer Care or the Library.

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