



Victorian Local Governance Association
Annual General Meeting 2023
16 November 2023

Draft Minutes

Meeting held virtually via Zoom link
The meeting commenced at: 4.30 pm

1. Attendance, Apologies & Proxies	
Introduction and Apologies	<p>Chair: VLGA President, Cr Denise Massoud, Whitehorse City Council</p> <p>VLGA Board Members: Louise Hill, Independent Board Member Andrew Sloman, Treasurer & Independent Board Member Cr Susanne Newton, City of Darebin Cr Grace LaVella, Central Goldfields Shire Council Cr Josh Fergus, VLGA Vice-President, Monash City Council Cr Steve Holland, Mornington Peninsula Shire Council Mike Blake, Independent Board Member Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan, Merri-bek City Council Leanne Mulcahy, VLGA Governance and Risk Committee Independent Member Rita Harris, VLGA Governance and Risk Committee Independent Member</p> <p>Member Councillors present via Zoom (online): Cr Tammy Radford, Cardinia Shire Council Cr Antonella Celi, Mornington Peninsula Shire Council Cr Susan Laukens, Knox City Council Cr Janet Pearce, Macedon Ranges Shire Council Cr Frances Eyre, Nillumbik Shire Council Cr Bruce Lancashire, Brimbank City Council Cr Victoria Borg, Brimbank City Council Cr Virginia Tachos, Brimbank City Council Cr Jennifer Anderson, Macedon Ranges Shire Council Cr Jane Ogden, Gannawarra Shire Council Cr Thomas O'Reilly, Brimbank City Council Cr Gavin Gamble, Golden Plains Shire Council</p>

Cr Sue Pennicuik, Glen Eira City Council
Cr Michelle Kleinert OAM, Manningham City Council
Cr Clare Williams, South Gippsland Shire Council
Cr Kate Roper, Mornington Peninsula Shire Council
Cr Tom Melican, Banyule City Council
Cr Despi O'Connor, Mornington Peninsula Shire Council
Mr. Phil De Losa, Yarra City Council
Cr Ian Ross, Horsham Rural City Council
Cr Anna De Villiers, Central Goldfields Shire Council
Cr Trevor Gready, Northern Grampians Shire Council
Cr David Bowe, Horsham Rural City Council
Cr Rhonda Sanderson, Mitchell Shire Council

Patron Member

Hayden Raysmith AM

Life Members

Terry Larkins OAM PSM

Others/observers:

Alex Allan, Stannards

Sarah Rey, Justitia

Chris Eddy

Keiran Craig-Jones

Nicole Findlay, Reconciliation Victoria

Mike Gooley, Local Government Victoria

Guest Speaker

Sven Bluemmel, Electoral Commissioner, Victorian Electoral Commission

VLGA Staff:

Kathryn Arndt, CEO

Natalie Walker

Simon Harrex

Jackie King

Heather Falkiner (Minutes)

Apologies

Cr Mark Riley, Merri-bek City Council

Cr Brett Cunningham, Golden Plains Shire Council

	<p>Michael Stefanovic AM, Local Government Inspectorate Glenyys Romanes AM, Life Member Cr Anne-Marie Cade, Glen Eira City Council</p>
<p>2. Minutes of the previous meeting</p>	<p>Motion: That the Minutes of the 17 November 2022 Annual General Meeting be accepted.</p> <p>Moved: Louise Hill, VLGA Independent Board Member Seconded: Cr Gavin Gamble, Golden Plains Shire Council</p> <p>Carried via a virtual poll on Zoom.</p>
<p>3. President’s Report – Cr Denise Massoud</p>	<p>The VLGA President spoke to her report for the 2022/23 year.</p> <p>Motion: That the President’s Report is received.</p> <p>Moved: Cr David Bowe, Horsham Rural City Council Seconded: Cr Kate Roper, Mornington Shire Council</p> <p>Carried via a virtual poll on Zoom</p>
<p>4. Receipt of Audited 2022-23 Financial Statements (incorporating Treasurer’s Report) – Andrew Sloman</p>	<p>The VLGA Treasurer spoke to his report for the 2022/23 financial year.</p> <p>Motion: That the Audited 2022-2023 Financial Statements (incorporating Treasurer’s Report) be received.</p> <p>Moved: Cr Ian Ross, Horsham Rural City Council Seconded: Louise Hill, VLGA Independent Board Member</p> <p>Carried via a virtual poll on Zoom.</p>
<p>5. Confirmation of Auditors for 2023-2024 financial year</p>	<p>Motion: That Stannards Accountants and Advisors Pty Ltd be confirmed as auditors for the 2023/24 financial year.</p> <p>Moved: Andrew Sloman, VLGA Treasurer Seconded: Cr Steve Holland, VLGA Board Member</p> <p>Carried via a virtual poll on Zoom.</p>
<p>6. CEO’s Report – Kathryn Arndt</p>	<p>The Chief Executive Officer spoke to her report for the 2022/23 year.</p>



	<p>That the Chief Executive Officer's Report and Annual Report for the 2022/2023 year be received.</p> <p>Moved: Cr Grace LaVella, Central Goldfields Shire Council Seconded: Cr Gavin Gamble, Golden Plains Shire Council</p> <p>The motion is Carried via a virtual poll on Zoom.</p>
7. Other Business	<p>A video of the 2022/23 year in review was played.</p>
Close of AGM – 5.08 pm	