

**Ordinary meeting business paper**

**Wednesday, 18 October 2023**

commencing 10.00 am

Rous Administration Centre (L4), 218-232 Molesworth Street, Lismore

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## AGENDA

**1. Opening of the meeting**

**2. Acknowledgement of Country**

Rous County Council acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land upon which we work and live. We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and emerging and acknowledge their continuing connection to Country who will guide us on our shared journey to the future.

**3. Apologies and Applications for Leave of Absence or Attendance by Audio-Visual Link by Councillors**

**4. Confirmation of Minutes of previous meeting..... 1 - 6**

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**5. Disclosure of Interest**

**6. Matters of urgency**

**7. Notices of Motion/Questions with Notice - Nil**

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