

POLICY REGISTER

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One of the requirements of the Proclamation establishing Council is that it must establish a Customer Advisory Committee. No specific guidelines regarding such a committee are contained in the proclamation or appear to be documented elsewhere.

Contact has been made with the two other County Councils' which have the same requirement to establish a Customer Advisory Committee. The County Councils have not established an advisory committee to date, with one of the County Council's claiming that they will not be, but having their Council as the as the advisory committee. The other County Council issued a newsletter to their customers seeking expression of interest for nomination on the Advisory Committee, no nominations were received.

For Council to comply with the statutory requirement, Council needs to establish a Customer Advisory Committee.

Two options are suggested:

1. The Advisory Committee consist of all Riverina Water Councillors, plus three additional persons nominated from industrial, commercial and residential users respectively.

In this case the four Shire councils might jointly nominate one representative, and Wagga Wagga nominate the other two

2. The Advisory Committee consist of some 5 Riverina Water Councillors, plus up to six additional persons nominated from industrial, commercial and residential users.

In this case, the additional members might be nominated or invited by (but not members of) the constituent councils.

Advisory Committee Meetings would be on an occasional basis, when specific issues exist for discussion and recommendation. Meetings could be held on the same day (and at the same venue) prior to County Council Meetings.

RECOMMENDED that Council establish a Customer Advisory Committee consisting of either option (a) or Option (b) as outlined in this report

ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 23rd December 1998

98/90 - RESOLVED on the motion of Clrs. Kidson and Dale that Council establish a Customer Advisory Committee to consist of five (5) Riverina Water Councillors, plus up to six additional persons nominated from industrial, commercial and residential users.

After advertising, the additional members will be nominated or invited by (but not be members of) the constituent councils.

Advisory Committee Meetings will be on an occasional basis, when specific issues exist for discussion and recommendation. Meetings could be held on the same day (and at the same venue) prior to County Council Meetings.

Nominations for Councillors for the Committee will be called after Questions & Statements.

98/99 Nominations to Advisory Committee.

Clr. Brassil called for nominations to Advisory Committee, and received nominations from Clrs. P. Dale, P. Brassill AM, Clr. Edwards, Clr. Coghill, Clr. Kidson and Clr. Peardon. Clr. Coghill declined nomination, and the remaining 5 were declared elected.