

**BALLINA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY INCORPORATED
RULES AND REGULATIONS
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BALLINA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY INCORPORATED

RULES & REGULATIONS

PART 1
INTERPRETATION

1. (1) In these rules, except in so far as the context or subject-matter otherwise indicates or requires –
“the Act” means the Associations Incorporation Act, 1984;
“the association” means the Ballina Chamber of Commerce and Industry
“Board Member” means a member of the Board elected at the Annual General Meeting or appointed to the Board in accordance with rules 13 and 14.
“Director General” means the Director General for the time being of the Department of Fair Trading or its successor
“the objects” means the objects of the association as referred to in rule 35 and set out in Appendix 1
“the Regulation” means the Associations Incorporation Regulation, 1999.
“secretary” means –
 - (a) the person holding the office under these rules as secretary of the association; or
 - (b) where no such person holds that office – the public officer of the association;“special general meeting” means a general meeting of the association other than an annual general meeting;
- (2) In these rules –
 - (a) a reference to a function includes a reference to a power, authority and duty; and
 - (b) a reference to the exercise of a function includes, where the function is a duty, a reference to the performance of the duty.
- (3) The provision of the Interpretation Act, 1897, apply to and in respect of these rules in the same manner as those provisions would so apply if these rules were an instrument made under the Act.

PART II
MEMBERSHIP

Membership Qualification

2. A person is qualified to be a member of the association if, but only if –
- (a) the person is a person referred to in section 15 (1) (a), (b) or (c) of the Act and has not ceased to be a member of the association under the Act; or
 - (b) the person is a natural person who -
 - (i) has been nominated for membership of the association as provided by rule 3; and
 - (ii) has been approved for membership of the association by the Board of the association.

Nomination for membership

3. (1) A nomination of a person for membership of the association –
- (a) shall be made by a member of the association in writing in the form set out in Appendix 1 to these rules; and
 - (b) shall be lodged with the Secretary of the association.
- (2) As soon as practicable after receiving a nomination for membership, the Secretary shall refer the nomination to the Board which shall determine whether to approve or to reject the nomination.
- (3) Where the Board determines to approve a nomination for membership, the Secretary shall, as soon as practicable after that determination, notify the nominee of that approval and request the nominee to pay within the period of 28 days after receipt by the nominee of the notification the sum payable under these rules by a member as entrance fee and annual subscription.
- (4) The secretary shall, on payment by the nominee of the amounts referred to in clause (3) within the period referred to in that clause, enter the nominee's name in the register of members and, upon the name being so entered, the nominee becomes a member of the association.

Cessation of membership.

4. A person ceases to be a member of the association if the person –
- (a) dies;
 - (b) resigns that membership; or
 - (c) is expelled from the association.

Membership entitlements are not transferable.

5. A right, privilege or obligation which a person has by reason of being a member of the association –
- (a) is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person; and
 - (b) terminates upon cessation of the person's membership.

Resignation of membership

6. (1) A member of the association is not entitled to resign that membership except in accordance with this rule.
- (2) A member of the association who has paid all amounts payable by the member to the association in respect of the member's membership may resign from membership of the association by first giving notice (being not less than 1 month or not less than such other periods as the board may determine) in writing to the Secretary of the member's intention to resign and, upon the expiration period of notice, the member ceases to be a member.
- (3) Where a member of the association ceases to be a member pursuant to clause (2), and in every other case where a member ceases to hold membership, the Secretary shall make an appropriate entry in the register of members recording the date on which the member ceased to be a member.

Register of Members.

7. (1) The Public Officer of the association shall establish and maintain a register of members of the association specifying the name and address of each person who is a member of the association together with the date on which the person became a member.
- (2) The register of members shall be kept at the principal place of administration of the association and shall be open for inspection, free of charge, by any member of the association, at any reasonable hour.

Fees, subscriptions, etc.

8. (1) A member of the association shall, upon admission to membership, pay to the association a fee as determined by the Board.
- (2) In addition to any amount payable by the member under clause (1), a member of the association shall pay to the association an annual membership fee as determined by the Board.

Member's liabilities

9. The liability of a member of the association to contribute towards the payment of the debts and liabilities of the association or the costs, charges and expenses of the winding up of the association is limited to the amount, if any, unpaid by the member in respect of membership of the association as required by rule 8.

Disciplining of members.

10. (1) Where the Board is of the opinion that a member of the association –
 - (a) has persistently refused or neglected to comply with a provision or provisions of these rules; or
 - (b) has persistently and wilfully acted in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the association, the Board may, by resolution –
 - (i) expel the member from the association; or
 - (ii) suspend the member from the association for a specified period.
- (2) A resolution of the Board under clause (1) is of no effect unless the board, at a meeting held not earlier than 14 days and not later than 28 days after service on the member of a notice under clause (3), confirms the resolution in accordance with this rule.
- (3) Where the Board passes a resolution under clause (1), the Secretary shall, as soon as practicable, cause a notice to be served in writing to be served on the member –
 - (a) setting out the resolution of the Board and the grounds on which it is based;
 - (b) stating that the member may address the committee at a meeting to be held not earlier than 14 days and not later than 28 days after service of the notice;
 - (c) stating the date, place and time of that meeting; and
 - (d) informing the member that the member may do either or both of the following: -
 - (i) attend to speak at the meeting;
 - (ii) submit to the Board at or prior to the date of that meeting written representations relating to the resolution.
- (4) At a meeting of the Board held as referred to in clause (3), the Board shall –
 - (a) give to the member an opportunity to make oral representations;
 - (b) give due consideration to any written representation submitted to the Board by the member at or prior to the meeting; and
 - (c) by resolution determine whether to confirm or to revoke the resolution.
- (5) Where the Board confirms a resolution under clause (4), the Secretary shall, within 7 days after that confirmation, by notice in writing inform the member of the fact and of the member's right of appeal under rule 11.
- (6) A resolution confirmed by the Board under clause (4) does not take effect –

- (a) until the expiration of the period within which the member is entitled to appeal against the resolution where the member does not exercise the right of appeal within that period; or
- (b) where within that period the member exercises the right of appeal, unless and until the association confirms the resolution pursuant to rule 11 (4).

Right of appeal of disciplined member.

11. (1) A member may appeal to the association in general meeting against a resolution of the Board which is confirmed under rule 10 (4), within 7 days after the notice of the resolution is served on the member, by lodging with the Secretary a notice to that effect.
- (2) Upon receipt of a notice from a member under clause (1), the Secretary shall notify the Board which shall convene a general meeting of the association to be held within 21 days after the date on which the Secretary received the notice.
- (3) At a general meeting of the association convened under clause (2) –
 - (a) no business other than the appeal shall be transacted;
 - (b) the Board and the member shall be given the opportunity to state their respective cases orally or in writing, or both; and
 - (c) the members present shall vote by secret ballot on the question of whether the resolution should be confirmed or revoked.
- (4) If at the general meeting the association passes a special resolution in favour of the confirmation of the resolution, the resolution is confirmed.

PART III
THE BOARD

Powers etc, of the Board.

12. The Board shall be called the Board of Management of the association and, subject to the Act, the Regulation and these rules and to any resolution passed by the association in general meeting –
 - (a) shall control and manage the affairs of the association;
 - (b) may exercise all such functions as may be exercised by the association other than those functions that are required by these rules to be exercised by a general meeting of members of the association.
 - (c) has the power to perform all such acts and do all such things as appear to the Board to be necessary or desirable for the proper management of the association.
 - (d) shall have the power to appoint a Business and Promotions Manager, and
 - (e) shall have the power to appoint up to two Board members in addition to the Board members elected at the Annual General Meeting.

Constitution and membership.

13. (1) The Board shall comprise seven members from people working in, or representing, businesses in Ballina and up to two other members, as may from time to time be appointed by the Board.
- (2) Each member of the Board shall, subject to these rules and in particular to sub-rule 14 (7), hold office until the conclusion of the second Annual General Meeting following the member's election or appointment.
- (3) In the event of a casual vacancy occurring in the membership of the Board, the Board may appoint a member of the association to fill the vacancy and the member so appointed shall hold office, subject to these rules, until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting next following the date of the appointment.
- (4) The Board shall elect, from within the Board Members, a Chairman, a Deputy Chairman, a Secretary and a Treasurer who shall also be Chairman, Deputy Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the association. One person may fill the role of Secretary and Treasurer if the Board so determines.

(5) No member of the Board shall be a paid employee of the association.

Election of Board Members.

14. (1) Nominations of candidates for election as Board members -
- (a) shall be made in writing, signed by 2 members of the association and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the form of the nomination); and
 - (b) shall be delivered to the Secretary of the association not less than 7 days before the date fixed for the holding of the Annual General Meeting at which the election is to take place.
- (2) If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies on the Board, the candidates nominated shall be deemed to be elected and further nominations shall be received at the Annual General Meeting.
- (3) If insufficient further nominations are received, any vacant positions remaining on the Board shall be taken to be casual vacancies.
- (4) If the number of nominations received is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, the persons nominated are taken to be duly elected.
- (5) If the number of nominations received exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, a ballot shall be held.
- (6) The ballot for the election of the Board of Management shall be conducted at the Annual General Meeting in such usual and proper manner as the Board may direct.
- (7) Following the 2005 Annual General Meeting, four (4) of the Board members, determined by lot by the Board, shall hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting following the member's election. At every subsequent Annual General Meeting those Board members who have held office for more than one (1) year shall retire.
- (8) All retiring Board members shall be eligible for re-election.

Secretary

15. (1) The Secretary of the association shall, as soon as practicable after being appointed as Secretary, lodge notice with the association of his or her address.
- (2) It is the duty of the Secretary to keep minutes of -
- (a) all appointments of the office-bearers and members of the Board;
 - (b) the names of members of the Board present at a Board meeting or a general meeting; and
 - (c) all proceedings at Board meetings and general meetings.
- (3) Minutes of proceedings at a meeting shall be signed by the chairman of the meeting or by the chairman of the next succeeding meeting.

Treasurer

16. It is the duty of the Treasurer of the association to ensure that -
- (a) all money due to the association is collected and received and that all payments authorised by the association are made;
 - (b) correct books and accounts are kept showing the financial affairs of the association including full details of all receipts and expenditure connected with the activities of the association.

Casual Vacancies

17. For the purpose of these rules, a casual vacancy in the office of a member of the Board occurs if the member -
- (a) dies;
 - (b) ceases to be a member of the association;
 - (c) becomes insolvent under administration within the meaning of Companies (New South Wales) Code;
 - (d) resigns office by notice in writing given to the Secretary;

- (e) is removed from office by under rule 18;
- (f) the majority of the remaining Board Members are of the opinion the member has become incommunicate as defined by the Power of Attorney Act 2003 (NSW) ; or
- (g) is absent without consent of the Board from all meetings of Board held during a period of 6 months.

Removal of member.

18. (1) The association in general meeting may by resolution remove any member of the Board before the expiration of the Board member's term of office and may by resolution appoint another person to hold office until the expiration of the term of office of the member so removed.
- (2) Where a member of the Board to whom a proposed resolution referred to in clause (1) relates makes representations in writing to the Secretary or Chairman (not exceeding a reasonable length) and requests that the representations be notified to the members of the association, the Secretary or the Chairman may send a copy of the representations to each member of the association or, if they are not so sent, the member is entitled to require that the representations be read out at the meeting at which the resolution is considered.

Meetings and quorum

19. (1) The Board shall meet at least 10 times in each period of 12 months at such place and time as the Board may determine.
- (2) Additional meetings of the Board may be convened by the Chairman or by any member of the Board.
- (3) The Secretary shall give notice of a Board meeting orally, in writing or by other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form to each member of the Board at least 48 hours (or such other period as may be unanimously agreed upon by the members of the Board) before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting.
- (4) Notice of a meeting given under clause (3) shall specify the general nature of the business which to be transacted at the meeting, except business which the Board members present at the meeting unanimously agree to treat as urgent business.
- (5) Any 3 members of the Board constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the Board.
- (6) No business shall be transacted by the Board unless a quorum is present and if within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present the meeting stands adjourned to the same place and at the same hour of the same day in the following week.
- (7) If at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting, the meeting shall be dissolved.
- (8) At a meeting of the Board-
- (a) the Chairman or, in the Chairman's absence, the Deputy Chairman shall preside; or
 - (b) if the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman are absent or unwilling to act such one of the remaining members of the Board as may be chosen by the members present at the meeting shall preside.

Delegation by Board or to sub-committee

20. (1) The Board may, by instrument in writing, delegate to one or more sub-committees (consisting of such member or members of the association as the Board thinks fit) the exercise of such of the functions of the Board as are specified in the instrument, other than –
- (a) this power of delegation; and
 - (b) a function, which is a duty, imposed on the Board by the Act or by any other law.
- (2) A function the exercise of which has been delegated to a sub-committee under this rule may, while the delegation remains unrevoked, be exercised from time to time by the sub-committee in accordance with the terms of the delegation.

- (3) A delegation under this section may be subject to such conditions or limitations as to the exercise of any function the subject thereof, or as to time or circumstances, as may be specified in the instrument of delegated.
- (4) Notwithstanding any delegation under this rule, the Board may continue to exercise any function delegated.
- (5) Any act or thing done or suffered by a sub-committee acting in the exercise of a delegation under this rule has the same force and effect as it would have if it had been done or suffered by the Board.
- (6) The Board may, by instrument in writing, revoke wholly or in part delegation under this rule.
- (7) A sub-committee may meet and adjourn as it thinks proper.

Voting and decisions

- 21. (1) Questions arising at a meeting of the Board or of any sub-committee appointed by the Board shall be determined by a majority of the votes of members of the Board or sub-committee present at the meeting.
- (2) Each member present at a meeting of the Board or of any sub-committee appointed by the Board (including the person presiding at the meeting) is entitled to one vote but, in the event of an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding may exercise a second or casting vote.
- (3) Subject to rule 19 (5), the Board may act notwithstanding any vacancy on the Board.
- (4) Any act or thing done or suffered, or purporting to have been done or suffered, by the Board or sub-committee appointed by the Board, is valid and effectual notwithstanding any defect that may afterwards be discovered in the appointment or qualification of any member of the Board or sub-committee.

PART IV
GENERAL MEETINGS

Annual General Meetings – holding of

- 22. (1) With the exception of the first Annual General Meeting of the association, the association shall at least once in each calendar year and within the period of 6 months after the expiration of each financial year of the association, convene an Annual General Meeting of its members.
- (2) The association shall hold its first Annual General Meeting –
 - (a) within the period of 18 months after its incorporation under the Act; and
 - (b) within the period of 6 months after the expiration of the first financial year of the association.
- (3) Clause (1) and (2) have effect subject to any extension or permission granted by the Department of Fair Trading under section 26 (3) of the Act.

Annual General Meetings – calling of and business at

- 23. (1) The Annual General Meeting of the association shall, subject to the Act and to rule 22, be convened on such date and at such time as the Board thinks fit.
- (2) In addition to any other business, which may be transacted at an Annual General Meeting, the business of an Annual General Meeting shall be –
 - (a) to confirm the minutes of the last preceding Annual General Meeting and of any special general meeting held since that meeting;
 - (b) to receive from the Board reports upon the activities of the association during the last preceding financial year;
 - (c) to elect Board Members of the association, and
 - (d) to receive and consider the statement which is required to be submitted to members pursuant to section 26 (6) of the Act.
- (3) An Annual General Meeting shall be specified as such in the notice convening it.

Special general meetings – calling of

24. (1) The Board may, whenever it thinks fit, convene a special general meeting of the association.
- (2) The Board shall, on the requisition in writing of not less than 5 per cent of total number of members, convene a special general meeting of the association.
- (3) A requisition of members for a special general meeting –
- (a) shall state the purpose or purposes of the meeting;
 - (b) shall be signed by the members making the requisition;
 - (c) shall be lodged with the Secretary; and
 - (d) may consist of several documents in a similar form, each signed by one or more of the members making the requisition.
- (4) If the Board fails to convene a special general meeting to be held within one (1) month after that date on which a requisition of members for the meeting is lodged with the Secretary, any one or more of the members who made the requisition may convene a special general meeting to be held not later than 3 months after that date.
- (5) A special general meeting convened by a member or members as referred to in clause (4) shall be convened as nearly as is practicable in the same manner as general meetings are convened by the Board and any member who thereby incurs expense is entitled to be reimbursed by the association for any expense so incurred.

Notice

25. (1) Except where the nature of the business proposed to be dealt with at a general meeting requires a special resolution of the association, the Secretary shall, at least 14 days before the date fixed for the holding of the general meeting, cause to be sent by prepaid post, by facsimile or by other modes representing or reproducing words in a visible form to each member at the member's address appearing in the register of members, a notice specifying the place, date and time of the meeting and the nature of the business proposed to be transacted at the meeting.
- (2) Where the nature of the business proposed to be dealt with at a general meeting requires a special resolution of the association, the Secretary shall, at least 21 days before the date fixed for holding of the general meeting, cause notice to be sent to each member in the manner provided in clause (1) specifying, in addition to the matter required under clause (1), the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution.
- (3) No business other than that specified in the notice convening a general meeting shall be transacted at the meeting except, in the case of an Annual General Meeting, business which may be transacted pursuant to rule 23 (2).
- (4) A member desiring to bring any business before a general meeting may give notice in writing of that business to the Secretary who shall include that business in the next notice calling a general meeting after receipt of the notice calling a general meeting given after receipt of the notice calling a general meeting given after the receipt of the notice from the member.

Procedure

26. (1) No item of business shall be transacted at a general meeting unless a quorum of members entitled under these rules to vote is present during the time the meeting is considering that item.
- (2) Five members present in person (being members entitled under these rules to vote at a general meeting) constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a general meeting.
- (3) If within half an hour after the appointed time for the commencement of a general meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting if convened upon the requisition of members shall be dissolved and in any other case shall stand adjourned to the same day in the following week at the same time of the adjournment by the person presiding at the meeting or communicated by written notice to members given before the day to which the meeting is adjourned) at the same place.

- (4) If at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the members present (being not less than 3) shall constitute a quorum.

Presiding member

27. (1) The Chairman or, in the Chairman's absence, the Deputy Chairman, shall preside as chairman at each general meeting of the association.
- (2) If the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman are absent from a general meeting or unwilling to act, the members present shall elect one of their number to preside as chairman at the meeting.

Adjournment

28. (1) The Chairman of a general meeting at which a quorum is present may, with the consent of the majority of members present at the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and place to place, but no business shall be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting at which the adjournment took place.
- (2) Where a general meeting is adjourned for 14 days or more, the Secretary shall give written or oral notice of the adjourned meeting to each member of the association stating the place, date, time of the meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting.

Making of decisions.

29. (1) A question arising at a general meeting of the association shall be determined on a show of hands and, unless before or on the declaration of the show of hands, a poll is demanded, a declaration by the chairman that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried or carried unanimously or carried by a particular majority or lost, or an entry to that effect in the minute book of the association, is evidence of the act without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against that resolution.
- (2) At a general meeting of the association, a poll may be demanded by the Chairman, or by at least three (3) members present in person or by proxy at the meeting.
- (3) If a poll is demanded at a general meeting of the association, the poll shall be taken –
 - (a) immediately in the case of a poll which relates to the election of the chairman of the meeting or to the question of an adjournment; or
 - (b) in any other case, in such manner and at such time before the close of the meeting as the chairman directs.

And, the resolution of the poll on the matter shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting on that matter.

Special resolution

30. A resolution of the association is a special resolution if –
 - (a) it is passed by a majority which comprises not less than three-quarters of such members of the association as being entitled under these rules so to do, vote in person or by proxy at a general meeting of which not less than 21 days' written notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution was given in accordance with these rules; or
 - (b) where it is made to appear to the Department of Fair Trading that it is not possible or practicable for the resolution to be passed in the manner specified in paragraph (a) – the resolution is passed in a manner specified by the Department of Fair Trading.

Voting

31. (1) Upon any question arising at a general meeting of the association a member has one vote only.
- (2) All votes shall be given personally or by proxy but no member may hold more than 1 proxy.
- (3) In the case of an equality of votes on a question at a general meeting, the Chairman of the meeting is entitled to exercise a second or casting vote.

- (4) A member or proxy is not entitled to vote at any general meeting of the association unless all money due and payable by the member or proxy to the association has been paid, in respect of the then current year.

Appointment of proxies

32. (1) Each member shall be entitled to appoint another member as proxy by notice given to the secretary no later than 24 hours before the time of the meeting in respect of which the proxy is appointed.
(2) The notice appointing the proxy shall be in the form set out in Appendix 2 to these rules.

PART V
MISCELLANEOUS

Insurance

33. (1) The association shall effect and maintain insurance pursuant to section 44 of the Act.
(2) In addition to the insurance required under clause (1), the association may effect and maintain other insurance.

Funds – source

34. (1) The funds of the association shall be derived from entrance fees and annual subscriptions of members, donations and, subject to any resolution passed by the association in general meeting, such other sources as the Board determines.
(2) All money received by the association shall be deposited as soon as practicable and without deduction to the credit of the association's bank account.
(3) The association may, as soon as practicable after receiving any money, issue an appropriate receipt.

Funds – management

35. (1) Subject to any resolution passed by the association in general meeting, the funds of the association shall be used in pursuance of the objects of the association in such manner as the Board determines.
(2) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments shall be signed by any two (2) members of the board or employees of the association, being members or employees authorised to do so by the Board.

Alteration of objects and rules

36. The statement of objects and these rules may be altered, rescinded or added to only by a special resolution of the association.

Common seal

37. (1) The Common Seal of the association shall be kept in the custody of the Public Officer.
(2) The Common Seal shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of the Board and the affixing of the Common Seal shall be attested by the signatures either of two (2) members of the Board or of one of the Public Officer or Secretary.

Custody of books, etc

38. Except as otherwise provided by these rules, the Public Officer shall keep his or her custody or under his or her control all records, books and other documents relating to the association.

Inspection of books, etc

39. The records, books and other documents of the association shall be open to inspection, free of charge, by a member of the association at any reasonable hour.

Service of notices

40. (1) For the purpose of these rules, a notice may be served or given to a person :-
- (a) by delivering it to the person personally, or
 - (b) by sending it by prepaid post to the address of the person, or
 - (c) by sending it by facsimile transmission or some other form of electronic transmission to an address specified by the person for giving or serving the notice.
- (2) For the purpose of these rules, a notice is taken, unless the contrary is proved, to have been given or served:-
- (a) in the case of a notice given or served personally, on the date on which it is served by the addressee, and
 - (b) in the case of a notice sent by pre-paid post, on the date when it would have been delivered in the ordinary course of post, and
 - (c) in the case of a notice sent by facsimile transmission or some other form of electronic transmission, on the date it was sent or, if the machine from which the transmission was sent, produces a report indicating that the notice was sent on a later date, on that date.

APPENDIX 1

OBJECTS OF THE CHAMBER

The objects for which the Chamber is established are:

1. To promote the trades and industries of Ballina.
2. To promote the town of Ballina and its surrounds.
3. To consider all matters, which affect or are affected by the above promotions and which are brought up by the Chamber members.
4. To purchase, lease, hire or otherwise acquire for the purpose of the Chamber any real or personal property so far as the law may allow and from time to time sell demise let, mortgage or dispose of same.
5. To borrow or raise money by the issue of or upon bonds, debentures, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other obligations or securities of or undertakings by the Chamber or any Mortgage or charge on all or any part of the property of the Chamber.
6. To invest and deal with the moneys or other property of the Chamber not immediately required upon such securities or in such manner as may from time to time be determined.
7. To engage professional assistance of any kind and to remunerate any person for services rendered in or about the promotion of the Chamber.
8. To assist, promote and encourage the development of cultural educational and other facilities or activities, which might prove advantageous to Ballina and its surrounds.
9. To raise money by subscription and to grant any rights and privileges to subscribers.
10. To do all such things as may be conducive to the extension of trade, commerce, transport, manufacturers and industries, or incidental to the attainment of the above objects.
11. To encourage the enrolment as members or individuals in their own right, or as representatives of companies, firms, organisations, associations and societies.
12. To promote, support or oppose legislation or other measures affecting the interests of members, free enterprise or national welfare.
13. To combine with other Chambers of Commerce or similar bodies on a district, state or national basis in the interests of members, free enterprise and national welfare and to open and cultivate exchanges with bodies of similar character in Australia or overseas countries.