

I hereby give notice that an Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on:

Date: Wednesday, 28 July 2021

Time: 2:00pm

Location: Wiradjuri Study Centre, Condobolin

# **BUSINESS PAPER**

# Ordinary Council Meeting 28 July 2021

## Lachlan Shire -THE HEART OF NSW



## Our Vision:

For the Lachlan Shire to be a resilient community providing economic and social growth, through evolving, agricultural, business and mineral activities

## Mission:

To engage the community, providing and delivering progressive services whilst implementing a long term strategic plan leading to the social and economic benefit of the community

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- 2 APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE
- 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting - 30 June 2021

#### MINUTES OF LACHLAN SHIRE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE CONDOBOLIN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY, 30 JUNE 2021 AT 2:06PM

PRESENT: Mayor John Medcalf (OAM), Cr Elaine Bendall, Cr Melissa Blewitt, Cr Dennis

Brady, Cr Dave Carter, Cr Mark Hall, Cr Peter Harris, Cr Brian Nelson, Deputy

Mayor Paul Phillips, Cr Melissa Rees

IN ATTENDANCE: Greg Tory (General Manager), Karen Pegler (Director - Corporate and

Community Services), Stephen Taylor (Acting Director - Infrastructure Services), Jon Shillito (Director - Environment, Tourism and Economic Development), Robyn Ryan (Communication and Engagement Officer) and

Paula Ewing (Executive Assistant)

#### 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND ELDERS

Was read out by Councillor Brian Nelson

#### 2 APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillor Paul Phillips (later joined the meeting at 2:46pm)

Councillor Dave Carter (later joined the meeting at 2:58pm)

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/120**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

#### 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/121**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26 May 2021 be confirmed.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4 MAYORAL MINUTE

#### 4.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - GENERAL MANAGER'S 2020/2021 PERFORMANCE REVIEW

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/122**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That:

1. Mayoral Minute R20/150 be received and noted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4.2 MAYORAL BOARD REPORT CNSWJO

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/123**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

That:

1. Mayoral Minute No R21/67 be received and noted.

**CARRIED** 

# 4.3 MAYORAL MINUTE - MEETINGS AND FUNCTIONS ATTENDED BY THE MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR

#### RESOLUTION 2021/124

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Brian Nelson

That Council

(i) Read and note Mayoral Minute R21/171.

**CARRIED** 

The WNSW Local Health District, Community Meeting with Key Stakeholders, SRA Pavilion, Condobolin was postponed and is to be rescheduled.

#### 5 PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

#### 6 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Councillor Blewitt declared a non-significant interest in Item 8.2 donations as an applicant is her intern.

Councillor Rees declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 as she works with the applicant.

Councillor Blewitt declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 as she works with a close relative of one of the applicants.

Councillor Brady declared a non-significant non-pecuniary interest in the WPRD youth services reports as he is on the board of WPRD.

#### 7 GENERAL MANAGER

#### 7.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL 2021

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/125**

Moved: Cr Mark Hall

Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

That

- 1. The General Manager's Report No. R21/149 be received and noted.
- 2. Council note advice regarding the 2021/2022 Determination of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal relating to the annual fees for the Mayor and Councillors.
- 3. Council determine the annual fees for 2021/2022 to be:
  - (a) Mayor \$27,060
  - (b) Councillors \$12,400
  - (c) Deputy Mayor \$2,950 (from the Mayoral fee)

Upon voting the motion was won by the Mayor's casting vote.

Councillors Harris, Blewitt, Bendall and Rees asked for their names to be recorded against the motion.

**CARRIED** 

#### 7.2 ACTIVE RESOLUTIONS JUNE

#### RESOLUTION 2021/126

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That:

(i) The General Manager's Report No R21/174 be received and noted.

Councillor Blewitt apologised as she hadn't mentioned her relationship to her brother-in-law who currently has the lease at Willow Bend Sports Centre.

**CARRIED** 

#### 7.3 STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES FUND ROUND 4

#### RESOLUTION 2021/127

Moved: Cr Elaine Bendall Seconded: Cr Peter Harris

That:

- 1. The General Managers Report No. R21/177 be received and noted.
- 2. Council confirm approval for the submissions of applications to Round 4 of the Stronger Country Communities Program for the following projects;
  - Tullibigeal Aussie Rules and Netball Removal of fence and courts and install new court. (Club to replace fence and shelter)

- Lachlan Valley Physie Upgrade of facility
- Lake Cargelligo Junior Cricket Club/Assoc Purchase and install modular toilet, sewer and drainage
- Diggers Ave Condobolin River walk
- Tottenham Recreation Area Purchase and installation of fencing for child care area.
- Willow Bend Sports Centre Condobolin Roof repair
- Lake Cargelligo Memorial Hall Security cameras, doors and heating
- Condobolin Youth Centre Accessibility drainage and fencing
- Lachlan Shire Council Electronic Noticeboard Ute design

**CARRIED** 

#### 8 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

#### 8.1 MAKING OF THE RATES FOR 2021-2022 FINANCIAL YEAR

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/128**

Moved: Cr Mark Hall Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That

- 1. The Director of Corporate and Community Services Report No. R21/142 be received and noted.
- 2. Council resolve to MAKE the Rates, Annual Charges and Water Consumption Charges, and ADOPT the Fees and Charges for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022, as set out in the 2017 2022 Delivery Program, the 2021/2022 Operational Plan and the 2021/2022 Budget, being as follows:

#### 1. ORDINARY RATES

In accordance with Sections 494, 500, 535 and 543 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, an Ordinary Rate be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022, being;

ORDINARY RATES 2021/2022							
Rates Category	Base Rate	Base Rate income as a % of Total Levy for Rates category	Ad Valorem	Ad Valorem income as a % of Total Levy for Rates category	% of Total Ordinary Rates Levy	Estimated Total yield \$	
Ordinary: RESIDENTIAL URBAN	\$293.00	49.75%	0.017249	50.25%	15.57%	\$1,225,033	
Ordinary: RESIDENTIAL	\$300.00	37.34%	0.009093	62.66%	2.21%	\$174,279	

NON-URBAN						
Ordinary: BUSINESS	\$335.00	36.27%	0.025421	63.73%	5.14%	\$404,043
Ordinary: MINING	\$649.00	0.12%	0.303511	99.88%	13.83%	\$1,087,868
Ordinary: FARMLAND	\$291.00	8.43%	0.00278	91.57%	63.26%	\$4,977,149

#### 2. WATER CHARGES

In accordance with sections 501, 535, 541 and 543 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, an Annual Charge be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for the provision of water and / or the availability of water service, on;

- a) land which is supplied with water from pipe of the Council; or
- b) land which is situated within 225 metres of a water pipe of the Council, whether the land has a frontage or not to the public road (if any) in which the water pipe is laid, even though the land is not actually connected with water from any water pipe of the Council, and that charge be made and levied, under the following criteria:

Annual Water Availability Charge				
	2021/2022			
All properties - Connected	Metered Service	Charge per connection		
	20 mm Water Service	\$486		
	25 mm Water Service	\$742		
	32 mm Water Service	\$ 1,196		
	40 mm Water Service	\$1,842		
	50 mm Water Service	\$2,861		
	80 mm Water Service	\$7,273		
	100 mm Water Service	\$11,342		
All properties - Connected	No Metered Service	Charge per connection		
	Residential	\$1,058		
	Farmland / Rural	\$1,058		
	Business	\$1,185		
	Business-Interconnected	\$889		
	Non-Rateable	\$1,058		
Rateable properties - Not	No Metered Service	Charge		
Connected	Residential Water Availability	\$486		
	Business Water Availability	\$486		

Annual Water Ava	Annual Water Availability Charge - BURCHER AND FIFIELD ONLY					
No Metered Service Charge						
All Properties - Connected	Water Connected B/F	\$804				
All Properties - Unconnected	Water Availability B/F	\$374				

#### **Water Consumption Charges**

In accordance with Section 502, 539, 540 and 543 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council now make and levy Water Consumption Charges in accordance with Council's 2021/22 Fees and Charges, based on the appropriate tariff charge per measure, or estimate of measure, during the 2021/22 Reading Cycle Periods 1, 2, 3 and 4 as shown below:

WATER CONSUMPTION CHARGES 2021/2022						
Category	1st 600 kilolitres per annum	> than 600 kilolitres per annum	Flat Rate per kilolitre	Minimum charge		
Residential, Non-Urban, Farmland	\$3.00	\$4.25		\$22.00		
Business, Non-Residential,	φ5.66	ψ,1.23		<b>Ÿ</b> ZZ.00		
Non-Rateable Usage			\$3.00	\$22.00		
Raw Water Usage			\$2.05	\$22.00		
Murrin Bridge Res	sidential Water (a	s per Council res	olution 2021/1	113)		
	1st 14,000	> than 14,000	Flat Rate			
	kilolitres per	kilolitres per	per	Minimum		
	annum	annum	kilolitre	charge		
Residential	\$3.00	\$4.25		\$22.00		

#### 3. SEWER CHARGES

In accordance with Sections 501, 535, 539 and 543 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, an Annual Charge be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for the provision of sewer, and / or the availability of a sewer service, on:

- a) land which is supplied with sewer supply of the Council; or
- b) land which is situated within 75 metres from a sewer of the Council and is able to be connected;

and that charge be made and levied under the following criteria:

SEWER CHARGES 2021/2022					
Annual Sewer Access Availability Charge		Charge per connection			
All Rateable Properties Connected	Residential Sewer Charge	\$768			
	Business Sewer Charge	\$768			
All Rateable Properties Unconnected	Sewer Charge	\$768			

Annual Sewer Charges					
Crown and Schools Connected	Charge per Water Closet	\$80			
	Charge per Urinal or Cistern	\$61			
All Other Non-Rateable Properties -	Charge per Water Closet	\$137			
Connected	Charge per Urinal or Cistern	\$61			

#### 4. WASTE MANAGEMENT CHARGES

#### **Annual Domestic Waste Management Charges**

In accordance with Sections 496, 501, 502, 504, 535 and 543 of the Local Government Act 1993, an Annual Charge be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for the provision or the availability of a periodic collection of a Waste Service, as described in Council's Fee and Charges, on all land for which a service is available, being:

SERVICE COLLECTION - REGULAR					
	_	Service			
20651.6 114616	\$551.00	1 x General + Organic +			
Management		Recycling			
Domestic Waste	\$551.00	1 x General + Organic +			
Management		Recycling			
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20001.0	<b>7414.00</b>				
Management		1 x General + Recycling			
Domestic Waste	\$136.00				
Management - Add General		1 x Additional General			
Domestic Waste	\$128.00				
Management - Add Recycling		1 x Additional Recycling			
, ,	\$136.00	, 0			
		1 x Additional Organic			
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Management - Add General	4	1 x Additional General			
Domestic Waste	\$128.00				
Management - Add Recycling		1 x Additional Recycling			
Domestic Waste	\$79.00	Replacement of 240			
Management - Replacement		litre each			
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#### **Other Waste Charges**

In accordance with Sections 501, 502, and 535 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, an Annual Charge be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for the provision or the availability of a periodic collection of a Waste Service, as described in Council's Fees and Charges, being:

#### **SERVICE COLLECTION - REGULAR**

Waste Management Charge -			
Section 501	2021/22	Charge	Service
Non-Residential Properties -	Business Waste	\$414.00	
Condobolin	Management		1 x General + Organic + Recycling
Non-Rateable Non-Residential	Business Waste	\$414.00	, ,
Properties - Condobolin	Management		1 x General + Organic + Recycling
	Business Waste		
	Management:	\$136.00	
Non-Residential Properties -	Additional	\$130.00	
Condobolin	Service General		1 x General
	Business Waste		
	Management:	\$128.00	
Non-Residential Properties -	Additional	7120.00	
Condobolin	Service Recycling		1 x Recycling
	Business Waste		
	Management:	\$136.00	
Non-Residential Properties -	Additional	120000	
Condobolin	Service Organic		1 x Organic
Non-Residential Properties -	Business Waste	\$414.00	
Villages	Management	. 4	1 x General + Recycling
Non-Rateable Non-Residential	Business Waste	\$414.00	
Properties - Villages	Management		1 x General + Recycling
	Business Waste		
	Management	\$136.00	
Non-Residential Properties -	Other: Additional		4 411111 16
Villages	Service General		1 x Additional General
	Business Waste		
Non Posidontial Proportion	Management	\$128.00	
Non-Residential Properties -	Other: Additional		1 v Additional Bassalina
Villages	Service Recycling		1 x Additional Recycling
	Domestic Waste		
All Properties - Non-Residential	Management - Replacement	\$79.00	Replacement of 240 litre
All Floperties - Non-Residential	Replacement		Replacement of 240 little
Waste Management - Minimum (	Charge* (s496 & S50	1)	
	Waste		
	Management		
Burcher & Mining - Uncollected	Charge	\$ 136.00	Availability
Farmland, Residential, Non-	Waste		
Urban, Rateable Vacant Land -	Management		
Uncollected	Charge	\$ 123.00	Availability

<sup>\*</sup>Previously Tip Management and Rehabilitation Charge

#### 5. STORMWATER CHARGES

In accordance with Sections 496A, 510A, 535 and 543, and clause 125A and clause 125AA, of the *Local Government Act 1993*, an Annual Charge be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for the provision of Stormwater Management Services for all occupied rateable urban residential and business land in the areas of Albert, Burcher, Condobolin, Derriwong, Fifield, Lake Cargelligo, Tottenham and Tullibigeal, as follows:

ANNUAL STORMWATER MANAGEMENT CHARGE 2021/2022					
Stormwater Management Charge		Charge			
All Rateable Properties (excluding Strata					
units)	Residential Stormwater Management	\$ 25.00			
All Rateable Properties	Business Stormwater Management	\$ 25.00			
All Residential Strata Units (each)	Residential Stormwater Management	\$ 12.50			

#### 6. ACCRUAL OF INTEREST ON OVERDUE RATES AND CHARGES

In accordance with the provisions of Section 566 of the Local Government Act 1993, that the interest rate to apply on overdue rates and charges, including water usage charges, for the period 1 July 2021 to 3 June 2022, will be 6%, the maximum allowed as determined by the Minister of Local Government for the 2021/2022 period.

#### 7. FEES AND CHARGES

The Fees and Charges as set out in the Delivery Program, Operational Plan and Budget 2017–2022, inclusive of any amendments, be adopted for the year commencing 1 July 2021.

#### 8. SERVICE OF RATE NOTICES

The Rate, and / or Charge for the 2021/2022 rating year be levied on the land specified in the Rates and Charges Notice, including Water Usage Charge notices, by the service of that notice and the General Manager be and is hereby authorised to prepare and serve such notice for and on behalf of the Council.

#### 9. REDUCTION FOR ELIGIBLE PENSIONERS

Eligible pensioners as defined in the NSW Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, Division 4 Section 134, may apply for a rating concession as per Section 575 of the Local Government Act 1993.

- 50% of the combined Ordinary Rate and Domestic Waste Management Service Charge (if applicable), up to a maximum of \$250;
- 50% of the Water Availability Charge per annum (if applicable), up to a maximum of \$87.50; and
- 50% of the Sewerage Access Availability Charge per annum (if applicable) up to a maximum of \$87.50

Or pro-rata thereof, in accordance with section 575 (2) and 575 (4) of the Local Government Act 1993

**CARRIED** 

#### 8.2 DONATIONS

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/129**

Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

That

- 1. The Director of Corporate and Community Services Report No. R21/143 be received and noted.
- 2. Council determine the amount of any donation to be granted to:

a. Condobolin & District Kennel Club - \$2000.00

Councillor Blewitt declared and interest and left the room at 2:35pm

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/130**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

b. Speak Up - \$200.00

Councillor Blewitt returned to the room at 2:35pm

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/131**

Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Melissa Blewitt

c. Condo Cook up - fees waived

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/132**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Melissa Blewitt

d. NAIDOC week - Condobolin - fees waived

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/133**

Moved: Cr Mark Hall Seconded: Cr Melissa Blewitt

e. Galari Lachlan TAFE NSW Carers Day - Declined

Cr Mark Hall moved an amendment to the original recommendation as follows:

That Council waive 50% of the fees

The amendment was put and declared by Cr Hall

The motion was not seconded.

**CARRIED** 

#### 8.3 INVESTMENTS AS AT 31 MAY 2021

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/134**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That:

 The Director Corporate and Community Services Report No. R21/144 be received and noted.

**CARRIED** 

At 2:54pm Councillor Brady declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 18.2 and left the meeting.

## 8.4 YOUTH SERVICES REPORTS - QUARTERLY REPORTS OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2020 AND JANUARY TO MARCH 2021

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/135**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

That:

- The Director Corporate & Community Services Report No. R21/145 be received and noted
- 2. Council provide feedback on the content of the reports for the Western Plains Regional Development Committee.

**CARRIED** 

At 2:56pm Councillor Brady returned to the meeting.

8.5 ADOPTION OF UPDATED DELIVERY PROGRAM 2017-2022 AND THE 2021-2022 OPERATIONAL PLAN, INCORPORATING THE 2021-2022 BUDGET AND FEES AND CHARGES

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/136**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That:

- 1. The Director of Corporate & Community Services Report R21/151 be received and noted.
- 2. The updated 2017-2022 Delivery Plan and the 2021-2022 Operational Plan incorporating the Fees and Charges and Budget for 2021-2022 be adopted, subject to any changes recommended by Council being incorporated into the documents.

**CARRIED** 

#### 8.6 ADOPTION OF AN INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/137**

Moved: Cr Mark Hall Seconded: Cr Peter Harris

That:

- 1. The Director Corporate & Community Services Report No. R21/158 be received and noted.
- 2. Council adopt Internal Audit Charter No. 2 based on the Office of Local Government internal audit guidelines, subject to any changes proposed.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor Phillips joined the meeting at 2:36pm Councillor Carter joined the meeting at 2:58pm Councillor Dave Carter left the meeting at 3:18pm

#### 9 ENVIRONMENT, TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

#### 9.1 DA2020/45 - SOLAR FARM

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/138**

Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Melissa Rees

#### That

- 1. The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/105 be received and noted.
- Council approve DA2020/45 in accordance with the Recommended Conditions of Consent provided in Attachment 2, subject to a clause being included in Condition 33, that the applicant pay an agreed amount of funds to Council to ensure that there is adequate site remediation funds available, subject to such a condition being legally enforceable.

<u>In Favour:</u> Crs John Medcalf, Paul Phillips, Elaine Bendall, Dennis Brady, Mark Hall, Peter Harris, Melissa Rees and Brian Nelson

Against: Cr Melissa Blewitt

**CARRIED** 

#### 9.2 COUNCIL REBRANDING AND TOURISM BRANDING

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/139**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

#### That

- 1. The Director Environment Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/147 be received and noted.
- 2. Council adopt Option 1 for the Corporate Brand and Option B for the Tourism Brand.
- 3. A style guide and strategy be prepared to accompany and roll out the brands.

**CARRIED** 

#### 9.3 DEVELOPMENT DATA MAY 2021

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/140**

Moved: Cr Elaine Bendall Seconded: Cr Peter Harris

That:

1. The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/156 be received and noted.

**CARRIED** 

9.4 PLANNING PROPOSAL - AMENDMENT TO LACHLAN LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2013 TO ALLOW AN ADDITIONAL PERMITTED USE FOR A "VEHICLE REPAIR STATION" AT 48 BROWNIES LANE, TOTTENHAM

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/141**

Moved: Cr Mark Hall Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

#### That

- 1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/157 be received and noted.
- 2. Council endorse the preparation and lodgement of a planning proposal to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013, to have "Vehicle Repair Station" listed as an Additional Permitted Use in Schedule 1 at 48 Brownies Lane, Tottenham, being Lots 68, 69 and 162 DP 753968 that is currently zoned R5 Large Lot Residential.
- 3. Council approve the Planning Proposal for public authority consultation and public exhibition in accordance with any conditions imposed under the Gateway Determination.
- 4. Council seek authority from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to exercise the delegation of all functions of the relevant local plan making authority under Section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to make the local environmental plan to put into effect the Planning Proposal.
- 5. Authority be delegated to the General Manager to make any minor variations to the Planning Proposal, following receipt of the Gateway Determination.
- 6. A further report be brought back to Council following the public exhibition of the Planning Proposal detailing any submissions received during the public exhibition period.

<u>In Favour:</u> Crs John Medcalf, Paul Phillips, Elaine Bendall, Melissa Blewitt, Dennis Brady, Mark Hall, Peter Harris, Melissa Rees and Brian Nelson

Against: Nil

**CARRIED** 

#### 9.5 UPDATE ON NSW GOVERNMENT FLOOD-PRONE LAND PACKAGE

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/142**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

That

1. The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/175 be received and noted.

- 2. Council decide not to opt in to the new optional "special flood considerations" clause at this time
- 3. A further report be presented to Council in relation to the implications for the new flood planning package.

**CARRIED** 

#### 9.6 FY2021 PROJECT MONTHLY UPDATE FOR MAY/JUNE

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/143**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

That:

1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No.R21/162 be received and noted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

#### 10.1 LAKE CARGELLIGO AND CONDOBOLIN LANDCARE - SIGNAGE PROJECTS

#### RESOLUTION 2021/144

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That

- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report R21/136 be received and noted.
- 2. Council offer:-
  - (a) In principal support for the initiative;
  - (b) Continue to work with the stakeholders to develop the artwork;
  - (c) The cost of installing the sign be funded from Council's existing Reserves maintenance budget;
  - (d) The Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo Landcare groups fund the manufacture and delivery of the signs.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10.2 FY2021 ROADWORKS MONTHLY UPDATE FOR MAY

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/145**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris

Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

That

1. The Director of Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/148 be received and noted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10.3 FY2021 UTILITIES MONTHLY UPDATE FOR MAY

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/146**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That

1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/164 be received and noted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10.4 BURCHER WATER TREATMENT UPDATE

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/147**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That

- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/165 be received and noted.
- 2. The outcomes from the stakeholder information session held on 1 June 2021 be noted.
- 3. Council provide guidance on the matter of water supply for the community of Burcher.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10.5 FY2021 - URBAN WORKS MONTHLY UPDATE FOR MAY

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/148**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

That

The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/170 be received and noted.

**CARRIED** 

Councillors Blewitt and Rees declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest and left the meeting at 3:41pm

#### 10.6 REQUEST TO TRANSFER A CROWN ROAD - NEAR TO NORTH FORBES ROAD

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/149**

Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

#### That

- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/172 be received and noted.
- 2. The application for Council to take over the Crown road off North Forbes Road to upgrade and maintain be declined.
- 3. Council consents to the closure of the unnamed section of public road linking lot 13 DP1053434 to the Crown road at the applicant's full cost.
- 4. Council acknowledge that the land in the unnamed road will vest in the Crown if closed and any proceeds from the sale of the road will be returned to the Crown.

Councillor Nelson and Councillor Brady asked for their names against the motion.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor Blewitt and Rees returned to the meeting at 3:41pm

#### 11 DEPUTATIONS

Nil

#### 12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

#### 13 NOTICES OF RESCISSION

Nil

#### 14 DELEGATES REPORT

#### 14.1 COUNTRY MAYOR'S ASSOCIATION

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/150**

Moved: Cr Mark Hall Seconded: Cr Brian Nelson

That:

1. Mayoral Minute No R21/166 be received and noted.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor Nelson attended the Road Safety Steering Committee meeting held on June 1<sup>st</sup> at the Forbes Council Administration building.

#### 15 CORRESPONDENCE

#### 15.1 CORRESPONDENCE JUNE

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/151**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

That

1. Correspondence report no R21/160 be received and noted.

**CARRIED** 

At 3:55pm Council ceased for a break

At 4:00pm Council resumed



### 16 QUESTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

17 PETITIONS

Nil

18 CLOSED SESSION



#### **RESOLUTION 2021/152**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

# 18.1 Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee - Minutes December 2020 & February 2021 meetings; ARIC Chair resignation

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)f of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with details of systems and/or arrangements that have been implemented to protect council, councillors, staff and Council property.

#### 18.2 Provision of Youth Services from 1 July 2021

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)c of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

#### 18.3 Quote Q2021-20 Purchase 1 new Outfront Broom and Small tractor combination

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)di of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

#### 18.4 Supply of crushed gravel and stone

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)c and dii of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council.

#### 18.5 Contract extensions - Riverview Caravan park and lakeview caravan park

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)c and di of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

#### 18.6 Rates and Charges Donations - 2020/21

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)b of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with discussion in relation to the personal hardship of a resident or ratepayer.

#### 18.7 Lease Negotiations - 16 Mile Pump Station

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)g of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with advice concerning litigation, or advice as comprises a discussion of this matter, that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

#### 18.8 Tottenham Tennis Court lighting

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)dii of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council.

**CARRIED** 

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/153**

Moved: Cr Mark Hall Seconded: Cr Peter Harris

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

**CARRIED** 

# 18.1 AUDIT, RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - MINUTES DECEMBER 2020 & FEBRUARY 2021 MEETINGS; ARIC CHAIR RESIGNATION

#### RESOLUTION 2021/154

Moved: Cr Mark Hall Seconded: Cr Peter Harris

#### That:

- 1. The Director Corporate & Community Services Report R21/145 be received and noted.
- 2. The confirmed minutes of the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee meeting held on 7 December 2020 be noted.
- 3. The unconfirmed minutes of the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee meeting held on 10 February 2021 be noted.

**CARRIED** 

4:08 Council Brady declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 18.2 and left the meeting.

#### 18.2 PROVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES FROM 1 JULY 2021

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/155**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Mark Hall

#### That:

- 1. The Director Corporate and Community Services Report R21/141 be received and noted.
- 2. A single provider model be retained for the delivery of youth services in the Lachlan Shire Council area.
- 3. The 4 year youth services contract be awarded to Western Plains Regional Development as recommended by the tender evaluation panel.
- 4. Council delegate authority to the General Manager to sign the contract for the provision of youth services commencing 2 August 2021 and terminating on 30 June 2025.

5. Council authorise the affixing of the Council seal to the contract documents.

**CARRIED** 

At 4:10 Councillor Brady returned to the meeting.

## 18.3 QUOTE Q2021-20 PURCHASE 1 NEW OUTFRONT BROOM AND SMALL TRACTOR COMBINATION

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/156**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That

- 1. The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/154 be received and noted.
- 2. Council purchase 1 new Kubota B3150 Cab Tractor with a McCormick 3611-180-0005 Out Front Mounted Broom from Equipment & Service for \$53,900.00.

**CARRIED** 

4:05pm Guy Marchant joined the meeting.

#### 18.4 SUPPLY OF CRUSHED GRAVEL AND STONE

#### RESOLUTION 2021/157

Moved: Cr Peter Harris

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips

That

- The Director of Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/159 be received and noted.
- 2. The Mays Earthmoving offer to supply gravel from Milby quarry at the rates quoted be accepted under contract T2019/1.

**CARRIED** 

# 18.5 CONTRACT EXTENSIONS - RIVERVIEW CARAVAN PARK AND LAKEVIEW CARAVAN PARK

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/158**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

That:

1. The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/161 be received and noted.

- 2. The existing contract with P.R.O Management Pty Ltd for the operation and management of the Riverview and Lakeview Caravan Parks be extended from 30 June 2021 to 31 January 2022.
- 3. The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to sign a deed/contract with P.R.O Management Pty Ltd (and affix the Council seal if required).

**CARRIED** 

#### 18.6 RATES AND CHARGES DONATIONS - 2020/21

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/159**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips

That:

- 1) The Director of Corporate and Community Services Report No. R21/168 be received and noted.
- 2) Council grant the requested rates and charges concession to the All Saints Anglican Church, Albert.

**CARRIED** 

At 4:06pm Guy Marchant left the room.

#### 18.7 LEASE NEGOTIATIONS - 16 MILE PUMP STATION

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/160**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That:

- 1. Director Infrastructure Services Report R21/169 be received and noted
- 2. Council instruct the General Manager to continue negotiations for a new lease as per option 2 of the report.
- 3. Council delegate authority to the Mayor and General Manager to sign the lease agreement and affix the Council seal.
- 4. If agreement cannot be negotiated for a fair lease fee, the General Manager be authorised to commence acquisition of the 16 Mile Pump Station land under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.

**CARRIED** 

#### 18.8 TOTTENHAM TENNIS COURT LIGHTING

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/161**

Moved: Cr Peter Harris Seconded: Cr Melissa Blewitt

That

- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/173 be received and noted.
- 2. Council accept the quote from Light Up Sports for \$46,114 (ex GST) to complete the upgrade of the Tottenham Tennis Court Lighting.
- 3. The additional funds required to complete the upgraded project, totalling \$13,231, be allocated from savings achieved on other projects funded under the Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program Round 1.

**CARRIED** 

The Meeting closed at 4:27pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 July 2021.

CHAIRPERSON

#### 4 MAYORAL MINUTE

## 4.1 MEETINGS AND FUNCTIONS ATTENDED BY THE MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR JULY

TRIM Number: R21/195

Author: Administration Coordinator - General Management

#### **PURPOSE**

To provide Council information on the meetings and functions attended by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the month of July.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1 July - Meeting to discuss skills and Evolution Mining – Cowal Expansion, online meeting (Mayor)

1 July – Regional Water Strategies Update by DPIE Water, CNSWJO Board, online meeting (Mayor)

14 July – ERM Foundations Workshop, Council Chambers, Condobolin (Mayor), (Deputy Mayor)

14 July – Strategic Briefing, Council Chambers, Condobolin (Mayor), (Deputy Mayor)

15 July – WPRD Special Meeting, online meeting (Mayor)

21 July – Lachlan ROSCo online meeting (Mayor)

22 July – Meeting to discuss Evolution Mining Expansion Proposal, Evolution Mining, Forbes Shire Council, Bland Shire Council, Bland Shire Council Administration Building (Mayor)

23 July - Lachlan District Liaison Committee Meeting, online Meeting (Mayor)

26 July – Water Infrastructure NSW- Lake Rowlands to Carcoar Dam Project Update, online meeting (Mayor)

28 July – Ordinary Meeting of Council, Council Chambers, Condobolin (Mayor), (Deputy Mayor)

#### LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That:

1. Mayoral Minute no R21/195 be received and noted.

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#### 4.2 MAYORAL MINUTE - ELIZABETH MCGREGOR PLAQUE

TRIM Number: R21/208

Author: General Manager

#### FIRST HEADING

At the Council meeting on 28 April 2021 I presented a Mayoral Minute regarding a proposal from Mr Allan Miles OAM, who is the Project Chairman for Operation Pilgrimage, to unveil a memorial plaque for Elizabeth McGregor at the Condobolin RSL Club.

After considering the Mayoral Minute Council resolved to;

"Accept the unveiling of a plaque for Elizabeth McGregor at the Condobolin RSL Club and agree to contribute \$1800 to the cost of the plaque, travel and accommodation."

After further discussion and consultation with the descendants of Elizabeth MacGregor the plaque is now proposed to be installed at Memorial Park. The Condobolin RSL have agreed to contribute \$900 to the cost of the project however the changed location has increased the cost of project.

Council is now asked to consider funding the following items at an additional cost estimated between \$3,500 and \$5,000.

- 1 Appoint a council representative to the OPG Planning Team for the project
- 2 Cash funding by direct grant or council motion of A\$1800 to OPG (this is included in Council's previous resolution)
- 3 Allocation of site for Memorial Rock in township of Condobolin
- 4 Joint selection of a suitable Memorial Rock with OPG
- 5 Site preparation for the Memorial Rock
  - (i) Lay concrete pad for memorial
  - (ii) Transport Memorial Rock to site and position on pad
  - (iii) Host Unveiling Ceremony at a date to be fixed
  - (iv) Host civic reception for official guests that will attend the unveiling ceremony
  - (v) Absorb other costs arising from the local memorial project
- Have representatives attend the planned Remembrance Memorial Plaques being unveiled on Sunday 5th December 2021 at North Head Quarantine Station Sydney with other official guests, relatives and council representatives from NSW.

This request, if approved, would increase Council's total contribution to the project to approximately \$6,800. Council should note that an allocation for this project has not been included in the current budget and the cost of the additional funding will have to be allocated from another budget allocation at QBR1.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. OPG Request <u>U</u>
- 2. Dept of Veterans Affairs Approval J.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That:

1. Council support the unavailing of a plaque for Elizabeth McGregor at Memorial Park Condobolin and agree to contribute a maximum of \$6,800 to the cost of the project as detailed in the request from the Operation Pilgrimage Group.

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#### To the Mayor and Councillors

Lachlan Shire Council 58-64 Molong St Condobolin NSW 2877

10th July 2021

Our group are currently engaged in recognizing several nurses who died in service at the North Head Quarantine Station in 1918.

One of these is a young Condobolin woman who served in several combat zones of WW1...

#### Elizabeth McGregor

I have spoken to Mayor John Medcalf OAM on this project and have invited Lachland Council to partner with Operation Pilgrimage Group (OPG) and several our interested parties in this project.

We invite council's participation and contribute in the following manner:

- Appoint a council representative to the OPG Planning Team for the project
- 2 Cash funding by direct grant or council motion of A\$1800 to OPG
- 3 Allocation of site for Memorial Rock in township of Condobolin
- 4 Joint selection of a suitable Memorial Rock with OPG
- 5 Site preparation for the Memorial Rock
  - (i) Lay concrete pad for memorial
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  - (iii) Host Unveiling Ceremony at a date to be fixed
  - (iv) Host civic reception for official guests that will attend the unveiling ceremony
  - (v) Absorb other costs arising from the local memorial project
- 6 Have representatives attend the planned Remembrance Memorial Plaques being unveiled on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at North Head Quarantine Station Sydney with other official guests, relatives and council representatives from NSW. This is the date of Nurse McGregor's death

No doubt there will be issues that arise in the progress of this project so it is important that your representative have an interest in your district history and would take an active role in this local project.

I will send supporting documents on our group's activities since 1992 along with the memorial about to be unveiled for Nurse Annie Egan from Gunnedah separately.

Sincerely

Allan Miles OAM Project Chairman Elizabeth McGregor Memorial Operation Pilgrimage Group Australia +61 412 992 997

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23 June 2021

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Approval is given under Section 83 of the Defence Act for the Australian Imperial Force (AIF) badges to be used on the private memorial to:

Name: MCGREGOR Elizabeth

Please note that the veteran's rank and unit are not specified in this letter. However rank and unit can be inscribed on the plaque or memorial without permission from the Office of Australian War Graves (OAWG).

Approval is issued on the understanding that the erection of the memorial will be at no cost to the Commonwealth. While responsibility for the inscription and layout lies with the person arranging this memorial you should be aware of copyright provisions applicable to official commemoration.

This approval should be presented to whoever is arranging for the manufacture of the memorial or plaque.

By request from certain foundries, letters of permission are unable to be faxed directly from OAWG to foundries. All correspondence must be forwarded to the applicant who must then forward the permission letter to the relevant foundry along with their order.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Australian War Graves on 1800 838 372 should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Yours faithfully

On behalf of the Director

GPO BOX 9998 BRISBANE QLD 4001

TELEPHONE: 1800 838 372 INTERNET: http://www.dva.gov.au EMAIL: wargraves@dva.gov.au

Saluting Their Service

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#### 4.3 MAYORAL MINUTE - JULY

TRIM Number: R21/211

Author: Administration Coordinator - General Management

#### **JULY MAYORAL MINUTE**

There is one thing that seems to be ruling our lives at the moment, and that is COVID -19. It is certainly a serious matter not only for our regions but for the entire country. I ask that you follow the appropriate Health Department directions that are on line or in the paper and on the Lachlan Shire Facebook and Website pages.

We need to look out for each other and follow the Public Health Order directions if we are going to shorten this pandemic. I also encourage everyone to get the jab as soon as possible, with the majority of people vaccinated we will be able to get back to a better way of life sooner.

Stay safe

John Medcalf OAM

Mayor Lachlan Shire

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

1. Read and note Mayoral Minute No R21/211.

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- 5 PUBLIC FORUM
- 6 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST



#### **7 GENERAL MANAGER**

#### 7.1 ACTIVE RESOLUTIONS - JULY

TRIM Number: R21/210

Author: Administration Coordinator - General Management

#### **PURPOSE**

To update Councillors on any Active Resolutions as at July 2021.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The Active Resolutions are attached.

#### LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP 4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Attachment A J

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That:

1. The General Manager's Report R21/210 be received and noted.

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#### **ACTIVE RESOLUTIONS AS AT 28 JULY 2021**

#### LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL REPORT TO COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD ON 28 JULY 2021

AUTHOR: GENERAL MANAGER

Date	Dept.	Resolution	Action Taken to Date	Expected Completion
JUNE 21	GM	125/2021 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL 2021		
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Council note advice regarding the 2021/2022 Determination of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal relating to the annual fees for the Mayor and Councillors.	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
		Council determine the annual fees for 2021/2022 to be:		
		(a) Mayor - \$27,060		
		(b) Councillors - \$12,400		
		(c) Deputy Mayor - \$2,950 (from the Mayoral fee)		
		Upon voting the motion was won by the Mayor's casting vote.		
		Councillors Harris, Blewitt, Bendall and Rees asked for their names to be recorded against the motion.		
		Hall/Brady		
JUNE 21	GM	127/2021 STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES	Applications submitted COMPLETE	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Council confirm approval for the submissions of applications to Round 4 of the Stronger Country Communities Program for the following projects;		
		<ul> <li>Tullibigeal Aussie Rules and Netball - Removal of fence and courts and install new court. (Club to replace fence and shelter)</li> </ul>		
		- Lachlan Valley Physie - Upgrade of facility		

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		<ul> <li>Lake Cargelligo Junior Cricket Club/Assoc – Purchase and install modular toilet, sewer and drainage</li> <li>Diggers Ave Condobolin - River walk</li> <li>Tottenham Recreation Area - Purchase and installation of fencing for child care area.</li> <li>Willow Bend Sports Centre Condobolin - Roof repair</li> <li>Lake Cargelligo Memorial Hall - Security cameras, doors and heating</li> </ul>		
		- Condobolin Youth Centre - Accessibility drainage and fencing		
		- Lachlan Shire Council - Electronic Noticeboard - Ute design		
		Bendall/Harris		
MAY 21	GM	117/2021 MELROSE STREET MEDICAL CENTRE – LEASE RENEWAL RESOLVED THAT	Revised lease prepared and sent to tenant for signature	AUGUST 2021
		The offer from Brenshaw Medical to renew the lease for the Melrose Street Medical Centre under the terms outlined in option 1 of the report be accepted.	3.3.3.3	
		That the rent for the property be increased by CPI every year on the anniversary of the lease.		
		That the rent be reviewed and re-negotiated with the tenant prior to any optional extension of the lease being accepted.		
		The General Manager be authorised to sign the lease documents.		
		Harris/Phillips		
MAY 21	GM	116/2021 REQUEST FOR ACCESS AND USE OF COUNCIL FACILITIES — CONDOBOLIN VETERAN VINTAGE AND RESTORATION CLUB INC RESOLVED THAT  The request from the Condobolin Veteran Vintage Restoration Club Inc. for use of a shed at 7 Hay Street Condobolin be accepted subject to the club entering into a suitable licence agreement with Council and negotiation of an appropriate usage fee.	Meeting held with CVVRC members and discussion held on terms of agreement. Awaiting feedback from the club prior to having a draft agreement prepared for Council's consideration and approval.	COMPLETE

MAY 21	GM	Subject to the acceptance of item 2 by the CVVRC the General Manager arrange a draft licence agreement for the consideration and approval of Council at a future Council meeting.  Harris/Brady  114/2021 OFFER TO PURCHASE LAND – LOUGHNAN STREET LAKE CARGELLIGO  RESOLVED THAT  Council accept the offer to purchase Lot 8 Section 58 DP 758595 Loughnan Street Lake Cargelligo as per option 1 in the report.  The General Manager engage Council's legal representative to prepare the contract documents and transact the sale.  The Mayor and General Manager be delegated authority to sign the contract documents and affix the Council Seal.  Phillips/Brady	The Club have advised that their members have voted not to proceed with the request for use of the shed at 7 Hay Street Condobolin. They are concerned about their ability to control risks at the site and will continue to search for a suitable meeting location.  COMPLETE  Contract prepared and issued to purchaser for signature  The purchaser's solicitor has advised that the purchaser is not proceeding with the purchase.  COMPLETE	COMPLETE
APR 21	GM	81/2021 MAYORAL MINUTE - ELIZABETH MCGREGOR PLAQUE RESOLVED THAT  Accept the unveiling of a plaque for Elizabeth McGregor at the Condobolin RSL Club and agree to contribute \$1800 to the cost of the plaque, travel and accommodation.  Carter/Bendall	Ongoing	COMPLETE

JUNE 21	ETED	158/21 Contract extensions - Riverview Caravan park and lakeview caravan park	The contract extension documents have been	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT	signed. COMPLETE	
		The existing contract with P.R.O Management Pty Ltd for the operation and management of the Riverview and Lakeview Caravan Parks be extended from 30 June 2021 to 31 January 2022.		
		The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to sign a deed/contract with P.R.O Management Pty Ltd (and affix the Council seal if required).		
		Harris/ Brady		
JUNE 21	ETED	156/2021 QUOTE Q2021-20 PURCHASE 1 NEW OUTFRONT BROOM A purchase order has been raised.	been raised.	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT	COMPLETE	
		Council purchase 1 new Kubota B3150 Cab Tractor with a McCormick 3611-180-0005 Out Front Mounted Broom from Equipment & Service for \$53,900.00.		
		Harris/Bendall		
JUNE 21	ETED	142/2021 UPDATE ON GOVERNMENT FLOOD PRONE LAND PACKAGE	A report will be provided to the Council	SEPTEMBER 2021
		RESOLVED THAT	meeting in September.	
		Council decide not to opt in to the new optional "special flood considerations" clause at this time.		
		A further report be presented to Council in relation to the implications for the new flood planning package.		
		Harris/Hall		
JUNE 21	ETED	141/2021 PLANNING PROPOSAL - AMENDMENT TO LACHLAN LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2013 TO ALLOW AN ADDITIONAL PERMITTED USE FOR A "VEHICLE REPAIR STATION" AT 48 BROWNIES LANE, TOTTENHAM	The planning proposal is currently being prepared and will be lodged with DPIE in	NOVEMBER 2021
		RESOLVED THAT	August.	
		Council endorse the preparation and lodgement of a planning proposal to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013, to have "Vehicle Repair Station" listed as an Additional Permitted Use in Schedule 1		

		at 48 Brownies Lane, Tottenham, being Lots 68, 69 and 162 DP 753968 that is currently zoned R5 Large Lot Residential.
		Council approve the Planning Proposal for public authority consultation and public exhibition in accordance with any conditions imposed under the Gateway Determination.
		4. Council seek authority from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to exercise the delegation of all functions of the relevant local plan making authority under Section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to make the local environmental plan to put into effect the Planning Proposal.
		5. Authority be delegated to the General Manager to make any minor variations to the Planning Proposal, following receipt of the Gateway Determination.
		6. A further report be brought back to Council following the public exhibition of the Planning Proposal detailing any submissions received during the public exhibition period.
		In Favour: Crs John Medcalf, Paul Phillips, Elaine Bendall, Melissa Blewitt, Dennis Brady, Mark Hall, Peter Harris, Melissa Rees and Brian Nelson
		Against: Nil
JUNE 21	ETED	139/3031 COUNCIL REBRANDING AND TOURISM BRANDING RESOLVED THAT Council adopt Option 1 for the Corporate Brand and Option B for the Tourism Brand. A style guide and strategy be prepared to accompany and roll out the brands.  Harris/Bendall  The style guide is currently being prepared and is expected to be complete in September. COMPLETE

JUNE 21	ETED	138/2021 DA2020/45 SOLAR FARM	Advice has been	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT	received regarding this matter. A report is	
		Council approve DA2020/45 in accordance with the Recommended Conditions of Consent provided in Attachment 2, subject to a clause being included in Condition 33, that the applicant pay an agreed amount of funds to Council to ensure that there is adequate site remediation funds available, subject to such a condition being legally enforceable.	provided later in the business paper. COMPLETE	
		In Favour: Crs John Medcalf, Paul Phillips, Elaine Bendall, Dennis Brady, Mark Hall, Peter Harris, Melissa Rees and Brian Nelson		
		Against: Cr Melissa Blewitt		
		Brady/Rees		
MAY 21	ETED	115/2021 FIRE DAMAGED PROPERTIES IN LACHLAN SHIRE	Works are to	OCTOBER 2021
		RESOLVED THAT	commence on the first property in late	
		Remediation/repair works be undertaken in accordance with the terms of the development control orders on each property and seek to recover the costs through legal action.	July/early August	
		The cost of the remediation/repair work be spread across the 20.21 and 21.22 financial years and be charged against the Vacant Land Expenses budget.		
		Harris/Brady		
MAY 21	ETED	102/2021 TOTTENHAM CARAVAN PARK AMENITIES UPGRADE	The variation request	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT	has been approved by the Federal	
		Council endorse the variation application under the Federal Government Drought Community Program for \$104,000. If the variation request is unsuccessful the funds be allocated from the Buildings – Capital Works – Budget.	Government under the Drought Community Program. COMPLETE	
		Harris/Rees		

MAY 21	ETED	94/2021 DRAFT ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PROTOCOL  RESOLVED THAT  The Draft Lachlan Shire Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Protocol be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of fifty six (56) days.  Following expiry of the exhibition period a further report be presented to Council for the consideration of any submissions received during the exhibition period.  Harris/Hall	The draft protocol is now on public exhibition, until 13 August 2021.	SEPTEMBER 2021
MAY 21	ETED	93/2021 AMENDED SECTION 7.12 CONTRIBUTIONS PLAN RESOLVED THAT The amended Section 7.12 Contributions Plan be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and public submissions be invited on the draft plan. A further report be presented to Council, following the public exhibition of the amended Section 7.12 Contributions Plan, detailing any submissions received during the public exhibition period and to allow Council to consider the adoption of the amended plan.  Harris/Hall	The draft Section 7.12 Contributions Plan was on public exhibition, until 7 July 2021. A report and final Section 7.12 contributions plan will be presented at a future Council meeting for adoption.	SEPTEMBER 2021
MAY 21	ETED	92/2021 HONOUR ROLL/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BOARD RESOLVED THAT That an Acknowledgement Board project be considered, along with other meritorious projects, for a funding application under the Stronger Country Communities Fund – Round 4. Subject to Council approval, and a successful grant application for the Acknowledgement Board project, expressions of interest be invited from community members to assist with the determination of appropriate criteria for a person's name to be considered for inclusion on the board. The advisory group is also to make recommendations to Council on the initial list of people's names for inclusion on the board.	The project was not supported by Council for funding under the Stronger Country Communities Fund – Round 4. Other funding opportunities will now need to be identified.	DECEMBER 2021

		A further report be presented to Council following determination of the project funding application.  Harris/Brady		
APR 21	ETED	90/2021 DRAFT KEEPING OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS POLICY RESOLVED THAT  The draft Keeping of Domestic Animals Policy be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days, allowing for public submissions to be made.  A further report be presented to Council detailing any submissions received on the draft Policy during the exhibition period for the consideration of Council prior to finalisation / adoption of the policy.  Harris/Phillips	The draft policy is currently on exhibition, from 7 June 2021 to 4 August 2021.	SEPTEMBER 2021
FEB 21	ETED	RESOLVED THAT  Council proceed with option 2 in relation to Riverview and Lakeview Caravan Parks.  A further report be presented to Council in relation to the master plans for both parks, following community consultation, to allow Council to consider what master plans are advertised with the tenders to enter into a long term lease to operate and manage the two (2) parks.  Council proceed with option 6 in relation to State Centre (Tottenham) Caravan Park and authorises the General Manager to commence an investigation into this option, including community consultation.  A further report be presented on the costs, savings and potential offsets associated with option 6 following community consultation and feedback.  Harris/Bendall	Master plans for Lakeview and Riverview have been endorsed by Council.  A meeting was held in Tottenham on 28 June to discuss the future plans for the State Centre (Tottenham) Caravan Park. A report is provided later in the business paper in relation to the feedback received. Potential costs, savings and offsets associated with the management options will now be investigated and	SEPTEMBER 2021

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			reported back to Council.	
DEC 20	ETED	348/2020 DRAFT BUSH FIRE PRONE LAND MAP		
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Council adopt the recommendations of the report prepared by Integrated Consulting, as attached to this report.  Following the completion of the tasks, recommended in Integrated Consulting's report, the draft Bush Fire Prone Land map be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days (which will be extended over the Christmas period in accordance with the Community Participation Plan) and public submissions be invited on the draft map.  A further report be presented to Council, following the completion of the public exhibition period, detailing any submissions received during the public exhibition period and to allow Council to consider the adoption of the plan prior to it being sent to the Commissioner of NSW RFS for review and certification.  Harris/Bendall	The draft Bush Fire Prone Land Map (BFPLM) was on public exhibition until 7 April 2021.  Public submissions have been reviewed by Council officers and a response was sent in June to NSW RFS to review. A report will be presented to Council once this review has been undertaken.	SEPTEMBER 2021
DEC 20	ETED	346/20 DRAFT LACHLAN ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE STUDY		
		RESOLVED THAT:		
		The draft Lachlan Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Study be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days and public submissions be invited on the draft Study. During the exhibition period, further consultation be undertaken with the Aboriginal community in accordance with the recommendation of the Study, prepared by OzArk Environment and Heritage.  A further report be presented to Council in February 2021, following the completion of the public exhibition period and further consultation,	A series of workshops have been held in Condobolin and Murrin Bridge as part of the consultation process. Some changes have been suggested as part of these workshops and a number of subsequent	SEPTEMBER 2021

	detailing any submissions received during the public exhibition period and to allow Council to consider the adoption of the final study.  Harris/Phillips	discussions have taken place.  The draft study is under review by the NSW Heritage Office before being presented to Council for adoption.	
OCT 20 ETEL	PLANNING PROPOSAL - AMENDMENT TO LACHLAN LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2013 TO ALLOW AN ANIMAL SHELTER AT THE CONDOBOLIN SEWERAGE TREATMENT PLAN SITE RESOLVED THAT  Council endorse the preparation and lodgement of a planning proposal to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013, to include the words "animal shelter" as a purpose shown on Sheet LZN_010A for the SP2 portion that is currently only identified for "Sewerage Systems".  Council approve the Planning Proposal for public authority consultation and public exhibition in accordance with any conditions imposed under the Gateway Determination.  Council seek authority from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to exercise the delegation of all functions of the relevant local plan making authority under Section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to make the local environmental plan to put into effect the Planning Proposal.  Authority be delegated to the General Manager to make any minor variations to the Planning Proposal, following receipt of the Gateway Determination.  A further report be brought back to Council following the public exhibition of the Planning Proposal detailing any submissions received during the public exhibition period.  Harris/Phillips	The planning proposal was on public exhibition from 11 June 2021 to 9 July 2021. A report is presented later in this business paper. COMPLETE	COMPLETE

SEPT 20	ETED	275/20 EXCLUSIVE USE LICENSE - WILLOW BEND SPORT CENTRE - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE NSW	New license is now with the Minister for signing	AUGUST 2021
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Council enter into a ten (10) year license agreement with the Department of Education for a fee not less than \$35,000 per year inclusive of GST, plus annual CPI increases for use of the facility of up to 800 hours per year.		
		The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to sign the license agreement and affix the Council seal.		
		Harris/Brady		
SEPT 20	ETED	PLANNING PROPOSAL-AMENDMENT OF LACHLAN LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2013 TO INCLUDE MURRIN BRIDGE	Discussions were held with representatives of	NOVEMBER 2021
		RESOLVED THAT	the Department of Planning, Industry and	
		Council endorse the preparation and lodgement of a planning proposal to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 to include the Murrin Bridge area.	Environment. They advised that a Planning Proposal may not be	
		Council approve the Planning Proposal for public authority consultation and public exhibition in accordance with any conditions imposed under the Gateway Determination.	required and undertook an internal review to determine if this was the case. Unfortunately	
		Council seek authority from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to exercise the delegation of all functions of the relevant local plan making authority under Section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to make the local environmental plan to put into effect the Planning Proposal.	DPIE have now advised that this cannot be done and that we need to proceed with a Planning Proposal. The	
		Authority be delegated to the General Manager to make any minor variations to the Planning Proposal, following receipt of the Gateway Determination.	documentation is currently being prepared and will be lodged with the	
		A further report be brought back to Council following the public exhibition of the Planning Proposal detailing any submissions received during the public exhibition period.	Department in August.	
		Hall/Phillips		

MAY 20	ETED	95/20 COUNCIL RESIDENCE – 123 OFFICERS PARADE, CONDOBOLIN  RESOLVED THAT  A Development Application be lodged to subdivide 123 Officers Parade Condobolin from Council's current land holding;  Authorise the Mayor and General Manager to enter into a contract for sale of No. 123 Officers Parade, Condobolin (once subdivision is complete) with a reserve price to be determined at that time.  Investigations commence into possible replacement dwelling options and a further report be provided to Council on the outcomes of the investigation and options identified, including cost and funding implications.  Brady/Carter	A further application will not be required. A process is being completed to issue a subdivision certificate to subdivide 123 Officers Parade, Condobolin from Council's current land holding. The surveyor has been to the site and the subdivision certificate application has been approved. The surveyor will now lodge the required documentation with NSW Land Registry Services.	AUGUST 2021
FEB 20	ETED	353/2019 COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF CROWN LAND FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE WASTE FACILITY AND THE CREATION OF A NEW ACCESS ROAD AT LAKE CARGELLIGO.  RESOLVED THAT  Council proceed with the compulsory acquisition of the land known as Lot: 7308 and DP: 1151003 and Lot: 79 DP: 752333 for the purpose of Lake Cargelligo Waste Facility Landfill Expansion in accordance with the requirements of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.  Council make an application to the Minister and the Governor for approval to acquire Lot: 7308 DP: 1151003 and Lot: 79 DP: 752333 by compulsory process under section [186(1) of the Local Government Act.  That the land is to be classified as operational land.  Council proceed with the compulsory acquisition of the land described as Lot: 7006 DP: 1029763, Lot: 7005 DP: 1029763, Lot: 7009 DP: 1057453 and Lot: 7308 DP: 1151003 for the purpose of road access in accordance	The Minister for Local Government has approved Council undertaking preacquisition procedures and the additional procedures to address Native Title in relation to the land. Proposed Acquisition Notices (PANs) will now be issued to the relevant parties in accordance with the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.	NOVEMBER 2021

	with the requirements of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.  Council make an application to the Minister and the Governor for approval to acquire Lot: 7006 DP: 1029763, Lot: 7005 DP: 1029763, Lot: 7009 DP: 1057453 and Lot: 7308 DP: 1151003 by compulsory process under section 177(1) of the Roads Act.  The General Manager be delegated authority to sign the application and affix Council's Seal.  Brady/Hall		
FEB 18 ETED	28/18 LAKE CARGELLIGO WASTE FACILITY – LAND ACQUISTION RESOLVED THAT: Approve the proposal to acquire 72,700 square metres of crown land comprising part lot 7308 DP 1151003, lot 7009 DP 1057453 and lots 7005 and 7006 DP: 1029763.  Authorise the General Manager to lodge a Compulsory Acquisition Consent to Acquire Crown Land Application to the Department of Industry – Lands.  The DIS provide an estimated cost of the access road to the March Ordinary Council meeting.  Phillips/Hall	NSW Aboriginal Land Council has sent a letter to the Minister requesting a part withdrawal of the Aboriginal Land Claim (ALC) from respective lots identified for acquisition, resolving the ALC matter.  Status search undertaken by NSW Crown Lands revealed no past use has extinguished or resolved Native Title. Council's Native Title Manager is investigating the process to resolve or extinguish Native Title.  Refer to resolutions above. The matter above needs to be resolved before the acquisition process can continue.	NOVEMBER 2021

DEC 2017	ETED	326/17 HERITAGE COMMITTEE MEETING 22 NOVEMBER 2017 RESOLVED THAT: Adopt the recommendations made by the Heritage Advisory Committee as follows; a) That Council implement a Conservation Management Plan for small rural cemeteries within the Shire. b) That Council award \$6,000 to Meredith Ervin for works to the NAB and residence in Lake Cargelligo; \$6,000 to Katrina & Jim Thomas for restoration works at Melrose Homestead, and \$2,000 to the Tottenham & Albert Cemetery Committee for headstone restoration.  Rees/ Frankel	Melrose Homestead – funds acquitted. Cemetery funds acquitted. Ervin – works not complete and funds now no longer available. The Heritage Advisor has provided a quote for the preparation of the CCMP for \$9,900. The Heritage Advisor was initially to prepare the plan for Condobolin in December 2018. However the heritage advisor was focused on the completion of the Beech Periscope in Memorial Park and ensuring that Council submitted applications for a number of grants which were available in the heritage space, including the grant for the Aboriginal Heritage Study. The Heritage Advisor visited Tottenham, Albert and Fifield cemeteries in May 2020. Draft Plans	2021– Progressive delivery and completion.

JUNE 21	C&CS	159/2021 RATES AND CHARGES DONATIONS 2020/21 RESOLVED THAT Council grant the requested rates and charges concession to the All Saints Anglican Church, Albert.  Harris/Phillips	for Albert, Tottenham, Tullibigeal and Fifield have been provided by the Heritage Advisor and are being reviewed by Council Officers.  Correspondence issued. Payment to be processed to rates account. COMPLETE	COMPLETE
JUNE 21	C&CS	155/21 PROVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES FROM 1 JULY 2021 RESOLVED THAT A single provider model be retained for the delivery of youth services in the Lachlan Shire Council area.  The 4 year youth services contract be awarded to Western Plains Regional Development as recommended by the tender evaluation panel.  Council delegate authority to the General Manager to sign the contract for the provision of youth services commencing 2 August 2021 and terminating on 30 June 2025.  Council authorise the affixing of the Council seal to the contract documents.  Harris/Hall	WPRD advised. Karen Legge scheduled an induction with youth project manager & executive officer for 16/7/21 IN PROGRESS	IN PROGRESS
JUNE 21	C&CS	154/21 AUDIT, RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - MINUTES DECEMBER 2020 & FEBRUARY 2021 MEETINGS; ARIC CHAIR RESIGNATION RESOLVED THAT The confirmed minutes of the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee meeting held on 7 December 2020 be noted.  The unconfirmed minutes of the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee meeting held on 10 February 2021 be noted.  Hall/Harris	COMPLETE	COMPLETE

JUNE 21	C&CS	137/2021 ADOPTION OF INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER RESOLVED THAT	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
		Council adopt Internal Audit Charter No. 2 based on the Office of Local Government internal audit guidelines, subject to any changes proposed.		
		Hall/Harris		
JUNE 21	C&CS	136/2021 ADOPTION OF UPDATED DELIVERY PROGRAM 2017-2022 AND THE 2021-2022 OPERATIONAL PLAN, INCORPORATING THE 2021-2022 BUDGET AND FEES AND CHARGES RESOLVED THAT  The updated 2017-2022 Delivery Plan and the 2021-2022 Operational Plan incorporating the Fees and Charges and Budget for 2021-2022 be adopted, subject to any changes recommended by Council being incorporated into the documents.  Harris/Hall	Document uploaded to website. COMPLETE	COMPLETE
JUNE 21	C&CS	135/2021 YOUTH SERVICES REPORT RESOLVED THAT Council provide feedback on the content of the reports for the Western Plains Regional Development Committee.  Harris/Hall	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
JUNE 21	C&CS	129/2021 DONATIONS Council donate: Condobolin & District Kennel Club - \$2000.00	Notified customer. Awaiting eft details to pay donation.	IN PROGRESS
		Councillor Blewitt declared and interest and left the room at 2:35pm  RESOLUTION 2021/1  Moved: Cr Peter Harris	Notified customer. Awaiting EFT details to pay donation.	IN PROGRESS
		Seconded: Cr Mark Hall  b. Speak Up - \$200.00  Councillor Blewitt returned to the room at 2:35pm	Council notified that condo cookup cancelled.	COMPLETE
		RESOLUTION 2021/2  Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Melissa Blewitt  c. Condo Cook up – fees waived	Council notified that naidoc deferred-interim date September 2021. NAIDOC committee	COMPLETE

		<b>RESOLUTION 202</b>	1/3				advised to write back to	
		Moved: Cr Pete	r Harris				council once event is	
		Seconded: Cr Melis					confirmed so donation	
		d. NAI	OC week -	- Condoboli	n - fees waived		can be paid.	
		<b>RESOLUTION 202</b>	1/4				Notified that donation	
		Moved: Cr Mark Seconded: Cr Melis					declined.	
		e. Gala	ri Lachlan ī	TAFE NSW	Carers Day - De	clined	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
		Cr Mark Hall move follows:	d an amen	dment to th	ne original recom	nmendation as		COMPLETE
		That Council waive	50% of the	fees				
		The amendment wa	as put and o	leclared by	Cr Hall			
		The motion was no	t seconded.					
						Brady/Hall		
JUNE 21	C&CS	year 1 July 2	MAKE to Charges, a 021 to 30 cgram, the	he Rates, and ADOPT June 2022, 2021/2022	Annual Charge the Fees and C as set out in the Operational F	s and Water harges for the 2017 – 2022	Rates module updated in Authority. Rates are in process of issuing. COMPLETE	COMPLETE
		1. ORDINARY F	RATES					
		In accordance wit Government Act 19 year 1 July 2021 to	93, an Ord	nary Rate b				
				ORDINA	RY RATES 202	1/2022		
		Rates	Base	Base	Ad Valorem	Ad		
		Category	Rate	Rate income as a % of Total Levy for		Valorem income as a % of Total Levy for	d	

		Rates category		Rates category		
		3.,		3.7		
Ordinary: RESIDENTIAL URBAN	\$293.00	49.75%	0.017249	50.25%	15.57%	\$1,225,033
Ordinary: RESIDENTIAL NON-URBAN	\$300.00	37.34%	0.009093	62.66%	2.21%	\$174,279
Ordinary: BUSINESS	\$335.00	36.27%	0.025421	63.73%	5.14%	\$404,043
Ordinary: MINING	\$649.00	0.12%	0.303511	99.88%	13.83%	\$1,087,868
Ordinary: FARMLAND	\$291.00	8.43%	0.00278	91.57%	63.26%	\$4,977,149

### 2. WATER CHARGES

In accordance with sections 501, 535, 541 and 543 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, an Annual Charge be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for the provision of water and / or the availability of water service, on;

- a) land which is supplied with water from pipe of the Council; or
- b) land which is situated within 225 metres of a water pipe of the Council, whether the land has a frontage or not to the public road (if any) in which the water pipe is laid, even though the land is not actually connected with water from any water pipe of the Council, and that charge be made and levied, under the following criteria:

## Annual Water Availability Charge

2021/2022

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All properties - Connected	Metered Service	Charge per connection
	20 mm Water Service	\$486
	25 mm Water Service	\$742
	32 mm Water Service	\$ 1,196
	40 mm Water Service	\$1,842
	50 mm Water Service	\$2,861
	80 mm Water Service	\$7,273
	100 mm Water Service	\$11,342
All properties - Connected	No Metered Service	Charge per connection
	Residential	\$1,058
	Farmland / Rural	\$1,058
	Business	\$1,185
	Business- Interconnected	\$889
	Non-Rateable	\$1,058
Rateable propertie		Charge
Not Connected	Residential Water Availability	\$486
	Business Water Availability	\$486
Annual Water A	vailability Charge - BURCHER AND	FIFIELD ONLY
	No Metered Service	Charge
All Properties - Connected	Water Connected B/F	\$804
All Properties - Unconnected	Water Availability B/F	\$374

### **Water Consumption Charges**

In accordance with Section 502, 539, 540 and 543 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council now make and levy Water Consumption Charges in accordance with Council's 2021/22 Fees and Charges, based on the appropriate tariff charge per measure, or estimate of measure, during the 2021/22 Reading Cycle Periods 1, 2, 3 and 4 as shown below:

WATER	CONSUMPTIO	N CHARGES 20	21/2022	
Category	1st 600 kilolitres per annum	> than 600 kilolitres per annum	Flat Rate per kilolitre	Minin chai
ential, Non-Urban, and	\$3.00	\$4.25		4
ess, Non- ential, Non-Rateable			\$3.00	4
Vater Usage			\$2.05	4
Murrin Bridge Resi	dential Water (a	s per Council r	esolution 20	21/113)
		> than		

	1st 14,000 kilolitres per annum	> than 14,000 kilolitres per annum	Flat Rate per kilolitre	Minin chai
ential	\$3.00	\$4.25		9

#### SEWER CHARGES

In accordance with Sections 501, 535, 539 and 543 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, an Annual Charge be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for the provision of sewer, and / or the availability of a sewer service, on:

- a) land which is supplied with sewer supply of the Council; or
- b) land which is situated within 75 metres from a sewer of the Council and is able to be connected;

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and that charge be made and levied under the following criteria:					
	SEWER CHA	ARGES 2021	/2022		
Annual Sewe Availability					Charge pe connection
l Rateable Propert	ies Connected	Residential Charge	S	ewer	\$76
		Business Se	ewer Cha	arge	\$76
I Rateable	Duamantia	Causa Char			\$76
nconnected	Properties	Sewer Char	ge		\$76
nnual Sewer Chai	rges	I			
own and Schools	Connected	Charge per	Water C	loset	\$8
		Charge pe Cistern	er Urina	l or	\$6
Other Non-Ratea	ble Properties -	Charge per	Water C	loset	\$13
prinected		Charge pe Cistern	er Urina	l or	\$6
4. WASTE N Annual Domesti In accordance wit Government Act year 1 July 2021 periodic collection Charges, on all la	th Sections 496, 1993, an Annual to 30 June 2022 n of a Waste Ser	ement Charge 501, 502, 504 Charge be not for the provivice, as desc	4, 535 an ow made sion or the cribed in	and le he ava Counc	vied for the ilability of a
	SERVICE COLL	ECTION - R	EGULAR	ł	
stic Waste ent Charge - tion 496	202	1/22	Ch	arge	Se

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Residential Properties - Condobolin	Domestic Waste Management	\$551.00	1 x General + Organic + Recycling
Non-Rateable Residential Properties - Condobolin	Domestic Waste Management	\$551.00	1 x General + Organic + Recycling
Residential Properties - Villages	Domestic Waste Management	\$414.00	1 x General + Recycling
Non-Rateable Residential Properties - Villages	Domestic Waste Management	\$414.00	1 x General + Recycling
Residential Properties - Condobolin	Domestic Waste Management - Add General	\$136.00	1 x Additional General
Residential Properties - Condobolin	Domestic Waste Management - Add Recycling	\$128.00	1 x Additional Recycling
Residential Properties - Condobolin	Domestic Waste Management - Add Organic	\$136.00	1 x Additional Organic
Residential Properties - Villages	Domestic Waste Management - Add General	\$136.00	1 x Additional General
Residential Properties - Villages	Domestic Waste Management - Add Recycling	\$128.00	1 x Additional Recycling
All Properties - Residential	Domestic Waste Management - Replacement	\$79.00	Replacement of 240 litre each

### Other Waste Charges

In accordance with Sections 501, 502, and 535 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, an Annual Charge be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for the provision or the availability of a periodic collection of a Waste Service, as described in Council's Fees and Charges, being;

SERVICE COLLECTION - REG	ULAR		
Waste Management Charge - Section 501	2021/22	Charge	
Non-Residential Properties - Condobolin	Business Waste Management	\$414.00	1 x Ge Recycling

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Non-Rateable Non-		\$414.00	
Residential Properties -	Business Waste		1 x General + Organic
Condobolin	Management		Recycling
	Business Waste		
	Management:	\$136.00	
Non-Residential Properties -	Additional	*	
Condobolin	Service General		1 x General
	Business Waste		
	Management: Additional	\$128.00	
Non-Residential Properties -	Service		
Condobolin	Recycling		1 x Recycling
	Business Waste		- Artosysiing
	Management:	\$136.00	
Non-Residential Properties -	Additional	\$136.00	
Condobolin	Service Organic		1 x Organic
Non-Residential Properties -	Business Waste	\$414.00	
Villages	Management		1 x General + Recycling
Non-Rateable Non-		\$414.00	
Residential Properties -	Business Waste		
Villages	Management		1 x General + Recycling
	Business Waste		
	Management Other:	\$136.00	
Non-Residential Properties -	Additional		
Villages	Service General		1 x Additional General
	Business Waste		
	Management	\$128.00	
	Other:	ψ126.00	
	Additional		
Non-Residential Properties -	Service		A A delite a a l D a soudia a
Villages	Recycling Domestic Waste		1 x Additional Recycling
All Properties - Non-	Management -		
Residential	Replacement	\$79.00	Replacement of 240 litre
- Toolaoniai	replacement	<u> </u>	Tropiaconion of 240 inic
Waste Management - Minimur	n Charge* (s496 &	<b>S</b> 501)	
-	Waste		
Burcher & Mining -	Management	\$	
Uncollected	Charge	136.00	Availability

Farmland, Residential, Non-	Waste		
Urban, Rateable Vacant	Management	\$	
Land - Uncollected	Charge	123.00	Availability

\*Previously Tip Management and Rehabilitation Charge

#### 5. STORMWATER CHARGES

In accordance with Sections 496A, 510A, 535 and 543, and clause 125A and clause 125AA, of the *Local Government Act 1993*, an Annual Charge be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for the provision of Stormwater Management Services for all occupied rateable urban residential and business land in the areas of Albert, Burcher, Condobolin, Derriwong, Fifield, Lake Cargelligo, Tottenham and Tullibigeal, as follows:

ANNUAL STORMWATER MANAGEMENT CHARGE 202				
Stormwater Management Charge				
All Rateable Properties (excluding				
Strata units)	Residential Stormwater Manag			
All Rateable Properties	Business Stormwater Manage			
All Residential Strata Units (each)	Residential Stormwater Manag			

## 6. ACCRUAL OF INTEREST ON OVERDUE RATES AND CHARGES

In accordance with the provisions of Section 566 of the Local Government Act 1993, that the interest rate to apply on overdue rates and charges, including water usage charges, for the period 1 July 2021 to 3 June 2022, will be 6%, the maximum allowed as determined by the Minister of Local Government for the 2021/2022 period.

### 7. FEES AND CHARGES

The Fees and Charges as set out in the Delivery Program, Operational Plan and Budget 2017– 2022, inclusive of any amendments, be adopted for the year commencing 1 July 2021.

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		8. SERVICE OF RATE NOTICES		
		The Rate, and / or Charge for the 2021/2022 rating year be levied on the land specified in the Rates and Charges Notice, including Water Usage Charge notices, by the service of that notice and the General Manager be and is hereby authorised to prepare and serve such notice for and on behalf of the Council.		
		9. REDUCTION FOR ELIGIBLE PENSIONERS		
		Eligible pensioners as defined in the NSW Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, Division 4 Section 134, may apply for a rating concession as per Section 575 of the Local Government Act 1993.		
		<ul> <li>50% of the combined Ordinary Rate and Domestic Waste Management Service Charge (if applicable), up to a maximum of \$250;</li> </ul>		
		- 50% of the Water Availability Charge per annum (if applicable), up to a maximum of \$87.50; and		
		- 50% of the Sewerage Access Availability Charge per annum (if applicable) up to a maximum of \$87.50		
		Or pro-rata thereof, in accordance with section 575 (2) and 575 (4) of the Local Government Act 1993		
		Hall/Bendall		
APR 21	C&CS	87/21 ADOPTION OF YOUTH STRATEGY 2021-2030 REALISING OUR POTENTIAL RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the Youth Strategy 2021-2030 Realising Our Potential as presented subject to the inclusion of additional actions regarding Dental Health.  Brady/Carter	Adopted with minor changes to document requested.	IN PROGRESS
MAR 21	C&CS	74/2021 PROVISION O F YOUTH SERVICES FORM 1 JULY 2021 RESOLVED THAT A fixed price selective tender process, under Section 166(b) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, by which invitations to tender for a particular proposed contract/s are made following a public advertisement asking for expressions of interest, be utilised for the procurement of a Youth Service provider	EOI Issued and has closed. 9 EOI received. Evaluation panel met & assessed 9 EOI as valid. One organisation has withdrawn. Selective tender issued 7 May to 8 remaining	WPRD AWARDED TENDER. COMPLETE

		The proposed contract be for a 4 year term from 1 July 2021.  That expressions of interest for a dual or single provider model be invited for the delivery of youth services in the Lachlan Shire Council area.  Phillips/Carter	EOI applicants. Tender closes 28 May 21. 3 organisations submitted tenders. Panel evaluation underway. Will be submitted to council at 30 June 2021 meeting for a decision COMPLETE	
FEB 21	C&CS	13/2021 DONATIONS RESOLVED THAT  RESOLUTION 2021/5  Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Brian Nelson  ii. Tottenham Swimming Club – that Council donate \$300.00  CARRIED	Tottenham Swimming Club – Email advising sent on 04/03/2021 Waiting on bank account details for payment.  No EFT details received. Cheque payment processed 30/6/21  COMPLETE	COMPLETE
DEC 20	C&CS	344/20 ABORIGINAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE - PROPOSED EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM, PROPOSED ADVERTISEMENT, REVIEWED TERMS OF REFERENCE AND UPDATE TO COUNCIL RESOLVED THAT  Council review the attached documents and provide feedback to the Director Corporate and Community Services.	Advertised & documents distributed. Nominations closed 26 February 2021. Seeking Council permission to extend	In progress

		Authorise advertising inviting nominations for appointment to the Aboriginal Advisory Committee to commence in late January 2021.  Harris/Rees	date as only 5 applications received. Extended closing date of 16/4/21	
SEPT 20	C&CS	RESOLUTION 2020/6  Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Dave Carter Condobolin Public School swimming program.  Defer the decision until the school provides further information including confirmation of their co-contribution.	29/9/20 Communication sent to Condobolin Primary School notifying of outcome. COMPLETE	IN PROGRESS-REFER TO RESOLUTION 2020/107 NO FURTHER INFORAMTION RECEIVED. MATTER CLOSED. COMPLETE
JUNE 21	IS	161/2021 TOTTENHAM TENNIS COURT LIGHTING RESOLVED THAT  Council accept the quote from Light Up Sports for \$46,114 (ex GST) to complete the upgrade of the Tottenham Tennis Court Lighting.  The additional funds required to complete the upgraded project, totalling \$13,231, be allocated from savings achieved on other projects funded under the Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program Round 1.  Harris/Blewitt	Contractor advised. Committee advised. Installation of lighting to be confirmed.	OCTOBER 2021
JUNE 21	IS	160/2021 LEASE NEGOTIATIONS 16 MILE PUMP STATION RESOLVED THAT Council instruct the General Manager to continue negotiations for a new lease as per option 2 of the report.	The land owner has accepted Council's lease offer and the lease documents are being prepared by Council's solicitor	SEPTEMBER 2021

	Council delegate authority to the Mayor and General Manager to sign the lease agreement and affix the Council seal.		
	If agreement cannot be negotiated for a fair lease fee, the General Manager be authorised to commence acquisition of the 16 Mile Pump Station land under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.		
	Harris/Bendall		
IS	157/2021 SUPPLY OF CRUSHED GRAVEL AND STONE	Contract documents	AUGUST 2021
	RESOLVED THAT	sent for execution	
	The Mays Earthmoving offer to supply gravel from Milby quarry at the rates quoted be accepted under contract T2019/1.		
	Harris/Phillips		
IS	149/2021 REQUEST TO TRANSFER A CROWN ROAD - NEAR TO NORTH FORBES ROAD	Awaiting outcome of potential rescission	AUGUST 2021
	RESOLVED THAT	motion	
	The application for Council to take over the Crown road off North Forbes Road to upgrade and maintain be declined.		
	Council consents to the closure of the unnamed section of public road linking lot 13 DP1053434 to the Crown road at the applicant's full cost.		
	Council acknowledge that the land in the unnamed road will vest in the Crown if closed and any proceeds from the sale of the road will be returned to the Crown.		
	Councillor Nelson and Councillor Brady asked for their names against the motion.		
	Brady/Hall		
IS	147/2021 BURCHER WATER TREATMENT UPDATE	Ongoing	Ongoing
	RESOLVED THAT		
	The outcomes from the stakeholder information session held on 1 June 2021 be noted.		
	IS	lease agreement and affix the Council seal.  If agreement cannot be negotiated for a fair lease fee, the General Manager be authorised to commence acquisition of the 16 Mile Pump Station land under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.  Harris/Bendall  IS 157/2021 SUPPLY OF CRUSHED GRAVEL AND STONE RESOLVED THAT  The Mays Earthmoving offer to supply gravel from Milby quarry at the rates quoted be accepted under contract T2019/1.  Harris/Phillips  IS 149/2021 REQUEST TO TRANSFER A CROWN ROAD - NEAR TO NORTH FORBES ROAD  RESOLVED THAT  The application for Council to take over the Crown road off North Forbes Road to upgrade and maintain be declined.  Council consents to the closure of the unnamed section of public road linking lot 13 DP1053434 to the Crown road at the applicant's full cost.  Council acknowledge that the land in the unnamed road will vest in the Crown if closed and any proceeds from the sale of the road will be returned to the Crown.  Councillor Nelson and Councillor Brady asked for their names against the motion.  Brady/Hall  IS 147/2021 BURCHER WATER TREATMENT UPDATE  RESOLVED THAT  The outcomes from the stakeholder information session held on 1 June	lease agreement and affix the Council seal.  If agreement cannot be negotiated for a fair lease fee, the General Manager be authorised to commence acquisition of the 16 Mile Pump Station land under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.  Harris/Bendall  IS 157/2021 SUPPLY OF CRUSHED GRAVEL AND STONE RESOLVED THAT  The Mays Earthmoving offer to supply gravel from Milby quarry at the rates quoted be accepted under contract T2019/1.  Harris/Phillips  IS 149/2021 REQUEST TO TRANSFER A CROWN ROAD - NEAR TO NORTH FORBES ROAD RESOLVED THAT  The application for Council to take over the Crown road off North Forbes Road to upgrade and maintain be declined.  Council consents to the closure of the unnamed section of public road linking lot 13 DP1053434 to the Crown road at the applicant's full cost.  Council acknowledge that the land in the unnamed road will vest in the Crown if closed and any proceeds from the sale of the road will be returned to the Crown.  Councillor Nelson and Councillor Brady asked for their names against the motion.  Brady/Hall  IS 147/2021 BURCHER WATER TREATMENT UPDATE RESOLVED THAT  The outcomes from the stakeholder information session held on 1 June

		Council provide guidance on the matter of water supply for the community of Burcher.  Harris/Bendall		
JUNE 21	IS	144/2021 LAKE CARGELLIGO AND CONDOBOLIN LANCARE – SIGNAGE PROJECTS RESOLVED THAT Council offer:-  (a) In principal support for the initiative; (b) Continue to work with the stakeholders to develop the artwork; (c) The cost of installing the sign be funded from Council's existing Reserves maintenance budget; (d) The Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo Landcare groups fund the manufacture and delivery of the signs.  Harris/Bendall	Stakeholders advised  Working with stakeholders to develop artwork	DECEMBER 2021
MAY 21	IS	118/2021 TENDER ASSESSMENT – CNSWJO SUPPLY OF EMULSION RESOLVED THAT  Council accept the tender from Bitupave Ltd for the supply and delivery of bitumen emulsion, and advise CNSWJO of its decision.  The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to sign the contract documents and affix the Council seal if required.  Phillips/Brady	Contract documents sent to Bitupave for execution. Staff have been advised the contract will be executed imminently.	AUGUST 2021
MAY 21	IS	107/2021 DENISON STREET FOOTPATH CONSTRUCTION REQUEST RESOLVED THAT  Consideration be given to allocating \$15,000 for the full replacement of the paved footpath on the eastern side of Denison Street from Molong Street to Oxley Street from a future round of the Local Road and Community Infrastructure Fund.  Landscaping, irrigation and turf work in Denison Street, adjacent to the Railway Hotel be completed and maintained by the proprietor of the	Item will be considered with other projects under the LRCI grant program.	December 2021

		property subject to the Director of Infrastructure's approval of any proposed work.		
		Harris/Phillips		
APR 21	IS	96/2021 TREE ASSESSMENT – HARDING AV AND MCDONNELL ST, CONDOBOLIN	Trees removed	JULY 2021
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Four trees on Harding Street and seven trees on McDonnell Street, between Orange and Molong Streets be removed and replaced with suitable species at the completion of the construction projects.		
		Carter/Nelson		
APR 21	IS	93/2021 LACHLAN SHIRE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING APRIL 2021	COMPLETED	COMPLETED
		RESOLVED THAT		
		The modification of the School Bus Zone Signage on Orange Street Condobolin, to include and afternoon pickup between 2:30-4pm be supported and written notification be provided to the relevant bus		
		companies. Updated signage be installed as appropriate.	COMPLETED	COMPLETED
		Council support the concept of reprioritisation of Boona Road and Maitland Street – with priority given to Maitland Street. Further detailed design be brought back to the traffic committee and Council for consideration.	Detailed design under development.	AUGUST 2021
		Harris/Hall		
FEB 21	IS	29/2021 AERODROME WATER STORAGE TANK – USER CHARGES UPDATE	Included in Draft Fees and Charges.	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT  Council implement fees for accessing the water storage tanks :-	Signage under development	AUGUST 2021
		(a) Aerodrome treated water access fee per day - \$55.70 (b) Aerodrome treated water use per kL- \$9.84	Tank bladder replacement to be completed under partial Warranty claim. \$4,500 in Council costs to be	AUGUST 2021

		Council place a limit of 50kL per day to be taken from the tank. Use of water from the tank remains at the discretion of the Director Infrastructure Services or their delegate.  Council install appropriate signage at Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo and	funded from aerodrome maintenance	
		Tottenham Aerodromes regarding use of the water storage.  Council review the fees on an annual basis is association with annual budget process.		
		Council consider funding options for the replacement of the Tottenham Aerodrome tank in the 2021/2022 Budget Process.		
		Harris/Hall		
AUG 20	IS	211/2020 GRANT DEEDS-FIXING COUNTRY ROADS		
		RESOLVED THAT		
		The General Manager be delegated authority to execute the Fixing Council Road Funding Deeds and affix the Council seal for projects RNSW2468 (Bogan Way), RNSW2469 (Tullibigeal Rd) and RNSW2471 (Gipps Way Nerathong Bridge).	Further grant application to be submitted under the Federal HVSPP next	AUGUST 2021
		The Director Infrastructure Services be directed to request a project variation from the funding body to reduce the extent of work for project RNSW2470 (Palesthan Rd) to approximately 7.2km.	year.	
		Subject to a suitable reduction in the extent of work for project RNSW2470 (Palesthan Rd) being negotiated, and approved by the funding body, the General Manager be authorised to execute the amended Fixing Council Road Funding Deed and affix the Council seal.		
		Harris/Phillips		
APR 20	IS	91/2020 NOTICE OF MOTION - CRICKET NETS LAKE CARGELLIGO		
		RESOLVED THAT	Nil update. Still waiting on DET.	AUGUST 2021
		The cricket practice nets proposed for construction at the Lake Cargelligo Recreation Ground be relocated to the south west corner of the Lake Cargelligo Central School recreational grounds.		
		Item 1 be subject to an appropriate signed Memorandum of Understanding with the NSW Department of Education.		

		Phillips/Hall		
APR 17	IS	86/17 PARKS, RESERVES & RECREATIONAL FACILITIES – 5 YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN RESOLVED THAT  1. Council support the development of a strategic plan for its parks, reserves and recreational facilities using in house staff for the period FY18/19 to FY22/23.  2. Director Infrastructure Services and Manager Recreation submit a draft strategic plan for Council consideration before 1 July 2018.  Hall/Carter	Crown Lands have been requested to reconsider their determination for a number of reserves. Council report in next month's Business paper with current draft POM's.	DECEMBER 2021
MAR 19	IS	2019/54 ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANS - TRANSPORT, WATER, SEWER, BUILDING, RECREATION RESOLVED THAT  Council defer advertising the AMP until the schedule of actions are inserted into the document.  Council note the summary of key issues raised in the asset management plans as identified in this report.  Council consider the need to increase funding for local roads and potentially other asset classes like buildings (while maintaining a financially sustainable position) as part of the next revision of its Long Term Financial Plan.	Four Year Forward Works Program received from Roads Manager and Six Year Forward Works Program received from Utilities Manager. Same requested of Recreation Manager. Ten Year Capital Works Program to be reported to September Council meeting.	DECEMBER 2021

# 7.2 DELIVERY PROGRAM AND OPERATIONAL PLAN STATUS UPDATES AS AT 30 JUNE 2021

TRIM Number: R21/212

Author: Administration Coordinator - General Management

### **PURPOSE**

To provide Council with the status updates on the Delivery Program and Operational Plan as at 30 June 2021.

### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Updated document attached.

## LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP 4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Attachment A J

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That:

1. The General Manager's Report no R21/212 be received and noted.

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## Community Services

Outcome 1.1: Connecting with our Aboriginal Communities

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
1.1.1	Connecting with our Aboriginal Communities in Lake Cargelligo and Murrin Bridge.	Consult with Aboriginal Advisory Committee to identify priority issues.	Opportunities identified.	GO/DCCS	Two Aboriginal Advisory Committee meetings organised over the last 12 months have been cancelled due to inability of members to attend. Report to Council February 2020 re future directions.  In February 2020, Council resolved to dissolve the current Aboriginal Advisory Committee and discuss options for engaging with the various Aboriginal communities following the Council elections.  Aboriginal Advisory Committee to be re-established following September 2020 Mayoral and committee member elections.  New Aboriginal Advisory Committee expressions of Interest issued in February 2021 & again in March 2021 along with media releases, website and Facebook posts to encourage membership.  Communications Officer and DCCS held a zoom conference with 2 key stakeholders to discuss committee membership and meeting options.  Spoke with new Communications Officer to progress this with a meeting with stakeholders. Insufficient numbers of applicants received to progress as initially agreed.  Ongoing discussions with key Aboriginal Organisations and community members to establish Aboriginal cultural events and develop Aboriginal tourism.

		Engage with State and Federal Government agencies to identify funding potential Aboriginal tourism and business opportunities.	Funding sources identified.		Ongoing inspections and maintenance works for water & sewerage services (under agreement with Department Primary Industries – Aboriginal Communities Program)  A \$40,000 heritage grant has been secured to undertake a shire wide aboriginal heritage study.  This study has been on public exhibition and further consultation has been taking place over the last three months. Advice is being sought from the NSW Heritage Office before the study can be finalised and adopted by Council.  A draft Aboriginal Communication protocol has been developed and is currently on public exhibition to acknowledge, consult and engage with Aboriginal people effectively, respectfully and with cultural sensitivity.  New entry signs have been placed at Murrin Bridge  A waste service is now being provided to Murrin Bridge by Council.
1.1.2	Celebrating Aboriginal heritage and achievements	Support NAIDOC week Celebrations.	Successful event held	GM/DCCs	2020 NAIDOC week celebrations deferred until November due to COVID-19.  Donation to support 2021 NAIDOC week submitted for a decision at the June 2021 Council meeting.  Previously events held in Condobolin. Several Councillors and GM attended Aboriginal flag raising and march to Memorial Park during NAIDOC week.  NAIDOC Week events supported by Council. 2021 event deferred until later in the year due to COVID-19 restrictions.
1.1.3	Increase opportunities for indigenous employment in Council's workforce.	Increase the level of indigenous employment with Council.  Implement the provisions stated in the Aboriginal employment strategy.	Council workforce is at least 10% indigenous.  Reduction in the Aboriginal unemployment rate by 2%.	Human Resource Manager	Council's workforce currently has 18.2% indigenous employees

		Develop strategies to maintain the level of Indigenous employment within Council.			Council continues to employ people of Aboriginal descent as opportunities arise.
1.1.4	Expansion of Community transport in Murrin Bridge	Apply for funding from the Department of transport or another provider to expand the amount of community transport offered from Murrin Bridge to other locations.	Community transport increased to a daily service from Murrin Bridge.	DCCS	Enquiries made with Griffith Bus Company, service not considered viable for private sector without subsidies. No opportunities for Government funding identified.

### Outcome 1.2: Successful transition from school to training to employment

CSP	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsibl e Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
1.2.1	Offer employment opportunities to young people at Lachlan Shire Council	Host School based traineeships, work experience and offer work placement opportunities	4 traineeships or apprenticeships offered.  Work experience and work place programs implemented.	Human Resource Manager	Trainee Water and Sewer operators working in Lake Cargelligo and Tottenham. Apprentice Mechanic employed in Condobolin.  Trainee Administration Officer position commenced 22 March 2020.  Council has engaged with Schools offering to host students for work experience and work placement.  Council has hosted work experience students as requests are received.

					Council advertised but did not attract suitable applicants for a Trainee IT Officer and a Cadet Finance Officer.
1.2.2	Support a youth employment model targeting young people aged 17 to 24.	Support a model , like the green army, that will fill the gap	Reduction in youth unemployment rates in the Lachlan Shire	DCCS	Water & Sewerage Trainee Operator at Lake Cargelligo and Tottenham filled. Apprentice Mechanic at Condobolin workshop. Cadet Finance Officer and IT trainee role advertised but not able to be filled.  Trainee Administration Officer employed in the HR Department.

Outcome 1.3: Council supported strategic education and training

CSP	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
1.3.1	Increase traineeships and cadetships in Council employment	Foster the growth of a local workforce through traineeship, apprenticeships and ongoing training.	Increased number of trainees	Human Resource Manager	A 2 year Trainee Administration Officer position commenced on 22/3/2020.  The apprentice Mechanic has completed year 2 of his Apprenticeship.  The Gardener – Lake Cargelligo is undertaking a Certificate III in Horticulture.  Two staff undertaking a Certificate III in Early Childhood Education & Care traineeship.  Council advertised but did not attract suitable applicants for a Trainee IT Officer and a Cadet Finance Officer.
1.3.2	Work with schools to provide work experience in Local Government.	Work closely with regional high schools to host school based traineeships, work experience and work placement programs.	Participate in Careers in Local Government. School students undertake work experience and	Human Resource Manager	The library hosted 2 work experience students in this period.  Growing Lachlan is currently developing a strategy to encourage School Based Apprentice Training (SBAT). Council is playing a role supporting this. Discussion with Condobolin High School and Lake Cargelligo Central School regarding Council participation at a local

			work placement with Council. Presentations in Local Government to local schools.		High School Careers expo. Council attended the Lake Cargelligo Central School Expo. Work experience students hosted in FY2020/21
1.3.3	Utilise library programs to encourage reading and literacy training.	Provide broadband for seniors.  Continuation of the Early intervention reading program.	Number of seniors attending.  Number of children attending.  Number of books/materials borrowed.	DCC\$/Librari an	Completed. Broadband computers for seniors are available and proving extremely popular with 182 uses this period, averaging 35 minutes per session.  LEAP program was implemented in February 2020 that provides technical assistance in the use of devices such as mobile phones, tablets and laptops to older members of the community by appointment only.  Baby Rhyme Time, and Preschool Story Time are offered in house twice a week at Condobolin Library (Wednesdays and Fridays), excluding school holidays. We have on average 8 people attending each session with a total of 2,435 items borrowed for this age group.  The Library has entered into an Agreement with ALIA for 2021 for a Pilot program which covers copyright permissions to allow us to have an online Story Time presence once a week via Facebook. Council participated in National Simultaneous Story Time.  More than 20,000 book loans in last 12 months. Library membership increase to 3,725.
1.3.4	Ensure targeted education and training is delivered across the Shire.	Lobby and advocate State Government on the need to retain skill-based training programs delivered at TAFE Campuses at Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo.	Advocacy undertaken	Human Resource Manager	TAFE NSW is delivering courses from Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo and Council currently assists with advertising on Facebook. Courses include, business administration, welding, leadership and management, community services and first aid.

	Explore RTO options.	Report on options		
		completed.		

Outcome 1.4: Childcare services and facilities that meet the needs of young families

CSP	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
1.4.	Operate Preschool in Condobolin	Maintain accreditation of Condobolin Preschool at Lachlan Children Services.  Investigate options for long day care services in Condobolin.  Offer Preschool service on Wednesdays.	Pass accreditation  Investigation completed 10% increase in enrolments  Service operating on Wednesdays with average attendance of 16.	DCCS	Accreditation completed In January 2021.  Complete - Funding has been provided by Council and the State Government to expand the existing Preschool in Condobolin.  Preschool Hours of operation: Monday - Thursday 8:30am to 4pm 20 places offered. Average attendance above 16 children per day.  After school Care hours of operation: Mon-Friday 3pm to 6pm  Vacation care offered throughout school holidays (Not Public holidays) Mon – Friday 8:30am to 5:30pm
1.4.	Provide mobile childcare services to remote communities	Complete a cost benefit analysis of providing the mobile childcare service to Lake Cargelligo, Tullibigeal, and Euabalong.	Cost benefit analysis completed Enrolments in service to increase by 10%	DCCS/ Children's Services Coordinator	A Business Plan for the provision of mobile services to the Shire's Remote communities has been completed.  Achieved - Tullibigeal and Lake Cargelligo mobile childcare now in operation.  Current Mobile Venues and Hours of Operation  Tullibigeal Mobile: Mon –Tues 8:30am to 3:15pm  Lake Cargelligo: Wed – Thurs 8:30am to 3:15pm

					Cost benefit analysis completed – not financially viable for Euabalong.
1.4.	Make the mobile service financially viable.	Apply for CCCF grant Investigate the restructuring of the service.	Grant successfully applied for  Cost to Council to be restricted to \$50,000	DCCS/ Children's Services Coordinator	Complete - Grant application successful. Complete - Service costs less than \$50,000 per annum

Outcome 1.5: Increase Community participation in arts and cultural activities

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as 31 December 2018
1.5.1	Support the Penrith Alliance in facilitating arts training for young people, sporting and cultural exchanges and staff training and exchanges with Lachlan	Partner with the Penrith Performing and Visual Arts Inc., and Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation (VFFF) to deliver the three year "On the Road" project.  Actively foster and support sporting and cultural exchanges. Promote staff training or exchanges.	Programs successfully Completed and participants satisfied.  One exchange held per year.	DCC\$/GM	On the road project communicated to the Condobolin HS. Contact made between the school and Penrith City Council  Condobolin admin staff have attended Penrith CC to learn from staff there. Arrangements made for PCC environmental staff to visit LSC To gain rural work experience.  PCC staff have also provided remote support to LSC staff for various Development Applications and general environmental advice.  Condobolin Corporate services team have been networking with and exchanging resources with Penrith team.

						PCC ecor attending Lower Lac November	m Central School sent o Penrith for work
1.5.2	Support Arts Out West and local a competitions.	ain ement and	Numbe Out	er of Arts	DETE	D	Arts Out West supported through Western Plains Regional Development which is funded by Council.

1.5.:	2 Support Arts Out West and local art competitions.	Maintain involvement and partner in Arts Out West activities.  Support Waste to Art initiative	Number of Arts Out West activities in LSC. Waste to Art Exhibition held.	DETED	Arts Out West supported through Western Plains Regional Development which is funded by Council. Waste 2 Art Supported by Council and WPRD. Due to COVID-19 Waste 2 Art was cancelled for 2020 but was held again this year.
1.5.	Build Tourism precinct	Relocate Utes in the Paddock to Condobolin Sculpture Trail in collaboration with Forbes Shire Council Build Jockey's Memorial	Relocate by December 2018 Create Trail by December 2018 Build by December 2018	ΤΟ	20 Utes relocated. Growing Local Economies \$10.1m grant approval announced. The grant application for project funding for the sculpture trail has been approved. One sculpture has been officially unveiled. Another sculpture has been installed but not officially opened. Council have made their first two contributions towards the trail.  Rotunda and Jockey Memorial erected, Wood log Sculptures completed, landscaping work to be finalised later this year. Road betterment works underway.

					Public Works Advisory (PWA) are project managing the delivery of the new Visitor Information Centre (VIC). A Head Design Consultant has been engaged and a draft concept has been presented to staff. Head Design Consultant is now progressing with design to allow Development Application to be lodged with the detailed design underway.
1.5.4	Increase usage of Council's library service	Report on the viability of increasing hours at Lake Cargelligo and Tottenham  Increase hours at Tottenham Library by four hours per week. Increase hours at Lake Cargelligo library by four hours per week.  Expand Condobolin Library	Increase of four hours per week. Increase of four hours per week.  Expansion Completed	Librarian	Analysis complete. Statistics collected show insufficient numbers. Increasing number of borrowers utilising online services such as Borrow Books.  Opening hours are after school hours in Tottenham and Council administration office days & times at Lake Cargelligo.  Condobolin expansion completed in September 2018 which resulted in library footprint doubling in size.

Outcome 1.6: Improved health care for the community.

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
1.6.1	Support programs to attract and retain medical and allied health professionals.	Facilitate annual bush bursary program.  Support the creation of a Central West JO to lobby for improved health services.	Ensure ongoing program support	DCCS / GM	Bush Bursary Students completed placement in December 2018, January 2020 & January 2021.  Central NSW Joint Organisation was proclaimed on 11 May 2018 Mayor and GM have met with representatives from Ochre Health, RaRMS and WNSWLHD to Discuss ongoing medical services.  Brenshaw Medical recruited to operate medical services from the Melrose Street Medical Centre including allied health services.  Lease of Melrose St Medical Centre to Brenshaw Medical renewed.
1.6.2	Central location for all Aged Services	Apply for funding to establish a Multi service Outlet for the provision of all Aged services in Lake Cargelligo.  Investigate the viability of moving the Lake Cargelligo HACC service to a central location in the centre of town.  Investigate the viability	Application completed  Cost /benefit analysis completed	DCCS (DIAP)	Opportunities for funding not yet identified.  Client walk ins are not a feature of the Lake HACC service. There is no benefit to service users. Completed.  Discussions with Hon Mark Coulton
		of providing aged			MP regarding possible funding

		care services to smaller villages.	Services in smaller locations across the Shire.		models for Lake Cargelligo Retirement Home
1.6.3	Advocate for visiting specialist health services to the shire.	Advocate for the provision of visiting specialists to the shire.	Dialysis offered in both towns.	DCCS (DIAP)	Preliminary research completed on the need for a Dialysis service.  Some contacts established and issue discussed. Mayor and GM have met with representatives from Ochre Health, RaRMS and WNSWLHD to discuss Ongoing medical services. Corporate services team have been liaising with interagency meeting participants to investigate options. Discussion held with GM and WNSWLHD regarding dialysis services. WPRD letter requesting re-introduction of Dialysis service at Condobolin Hospital supported. Information provided to WNSWLHD regarding lack of Community Transport Services to transport Dialysis patients to Forbes Hospital.
1.6.4	Improved Mental Health Services	Advocate for a permanent and full time mental health worker in the shire.	Permanent mental health position in Condobolin or Lake Cargelligo.	DCCS (DIAP)	Council has supported the implementation of a Suicide prevention officer funded by Western Primary Health Network Service included in Drought Communities Program, project application.

					Funding obtained under SCCF3 for a Drought Support Worker employed through WPRD.
1.6.5	The Wellbeing of Carers	Apply for funding to offer respite care in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo.	Respite care offered in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo.	DCCS/HACC Coordinator (DIAP)	Respite care now offered in Condobolin and Tottenham.
1.6.6	Optimise the efficiency of the HACC funding.	Review the allocation of spending on services between each town.	Review completed and resources re- allocated accordingly	DCCS/HACC Coordinator (DIAP)	HACC budget and spending allocation reviewed. Resources are allocated according to client needs in each community. Number of clients serviced have been increasing since late 2019 in both Condobolin and Tottenham.  Emergency COVID-19 funding received from the Department of Health to maintain meal service delivery. Applied for and successfully received grant to support seniors in social isolation though COVID-19.

#### Outcome 1.7: Improved Social Outcomes for those with disabilities.

CSI No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsibl e Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
1.7.	Advocate for the provision of aged care services across the Shire.	Engage with relevant Federal/ State agencies, RSL Life-Care, Lake Cargelligo All Care, Tottenham Welfare Council and NGOs to support aged services.	Maintenance of existing facilities and maximise opportunities for external funding.	DCCS/ HACC Coordinat or (DIAP)	Implementing improvements from successful audit. Funding secured for the next two years. Existing facilities being maintained.  Aged care services provided in Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo and Tottenham.

1.7.2	Recreational and learning facilities for people with disabilities.	Construction of a sensory playground at Bill Hurley Park Condobolin.	Construction of sensory playground by 31 December 2018.	DIS	Sensory Playground installed in Condobolin.
1.7.3	Disability access in all Council buildings.	Installation of hearing loops in major Council public buildings.	50% of major buildings installed with hearing loops.	DETED (DIAP)	Hearing Loops have been installed in the Condobolin Council Chamber. Funding is available in this year's budget (\$15,000) to install more hearing loops. Hearing loop system including PA has recently been installed in the Lake Cargelligo Memorial Hall.
		Audit of disabled access to council buildings	Audit completed		Disability access audit to Council buildings complete. 10 year maintenance and upgrade schedule close to completion.
		Installation of disabled toilets in Council buildings	50% of major buildings have disabled access.		Subject to funding availability and when refurbishments occur
1.7.4	Community Transport Available when needed	Advocate for the re- introduction of a taxi Service in Condobolin	Subsidies investigated. Taxi service re- introduced.	DCCS/ HACC Coordinat or (DIAP)	Taxi service opened in May 2018 in Condobolin. Community transport service provided in Condobolin, Tottenham and Lake Cargelligo.
		Monitor usage of bus service to Dubbo in Tottenham.	Bus service proven successful Statistic kept and reported.	(5) /	Ongoing. Bus service used regularly. Car is being used regularly.  HACC community care regularly being used in Tottenham for
		Provide community car for Tottenham.	Bus Service introduced		transport between Tottenham and larger service centres. Taxi service now in place.

		Advocate with Transport NSW for a circuit bus around Condobolin			
1.7.5	Advocate for the provision of Dialysis Services in the Shire.	Formally request the Department of Health to provide Dialysis Services in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo hospitals.	Dialysis service in Condobolin & Lake Cargelligo	DCCS (DIAP)	Contact numbers have been established. No formal advocating done. Corporate services team have been liaising with interagency meeting participants to investigate options. Mayor and GM have raised the issues at meetings with WNSWLHD.  Council is providing input to the Collaborative Care Pilot Project being undertaken by WNSWLHD.

## Outcome 1.8 Wellbeing of Youth

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsibl e Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
1.8.	Development of a Youth Strategy	Support Life Without Barriers, WPRD and WCC in the production of a youth strategy.	Support and input given to the youth Strategy. Actions implemented.	DCCS	Stakeholder engagement completed January/February 2021. Youth Strategy completed and adopted by Council. April 2021.
1.8.	Increase awareness about youth programs offered	Advertise programs through social media and on council's website.	20% increase in participation in the programs	DCCS	School holiday programs and relevant programs for youth advertised regularly.
1.8.	Support youth development programs within the shire.	Support WPRD to provide youth program.  Improve the standard of youth centres in Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo and Tottenham.	Funding of WPRD  Funding of improvements to the youth centres in the three towns.	DCC\$/DET ED	WPRD Funded.  Youth Strategy adopted by Council April 2021 which will assist with future funding applications.  Council has purchased a property in Condobolin for use as a Youth Centre & multipurpose community space. Works are being undertaken to the building, utilising funds under LRCI#2, to make facilities suitable for youth services.

Support Micro Music Festival  Work with the police to get funding to Establish a PCYC.	Participation of local amateur talent  Commitment from Police gained. Funding attained.	Council received funding under the live and local fund and micro music festivals are being carried out as appropriate.  Police informally advised that population does not meet current minimum requirement for establishment of a PCYC. WPRD staff have contacted PCYC to see if any options could be made available.
Support CDAT Committee initiatives	All meetings attended.	Ongoing

# Tourism & Economic Development

Outcome 2.1: A vibrant tourism industry

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsib le Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
2.1.1	Promote Lachlan Shire as tourist destinations.	Work with Central NSW tourism to encourage visitors to the Central region of NSW to come west and visit our towns.  Promote specific towns in Lachlan Shire as a tourist stop points.	Visitor Numbers increase by 15%.  Bed stays increased.  Increased visitor numbers by 10% according to accommodation providers	TO DETED	Destination Management Plan is complete. Staff continuing to work on establishing priorities from the plan and also completing actions from the plan.  Ongoing liaison with Destination NSW and Central West Tourism. Staff are trying to collect more information on visitor numbers so we can better understand our tourist market.

		Investigate new branding options.	Investigation completed with new branding  New brochures		Work currently underway. Council held a logo design competition which did not produce any suitable designs. Council embarked on a re-branding exercise which included the establishment of a tourism brand. Options for a new tourism brand as well as a new corporate brand were adopted by Council at the June Council meeting.  Significant work has been done on creating new brochures but they
		Update Lachlan Shire brochures.	available		cannot be printed for distribution until the branding project (mentioned above) has been completed.  New flyers have been prepared to promote Council's camping
		Advertise locations within the shire as attractive camping spots.	Increased camping numbers by 20% per year		locations as well as to advertise fishing locations within the Shire and these have been distributed to the visitor information centres
2.1.2	Increase things to see and do for visitors to the shire	Build a truck stop and tourist precinct.	Precinct completed. Visitor numbers who come to the precinct. Investigation completed	TO/DIS/DE TED	Utes in the Paddock relocated. Grant Executed for Growing Local Economies program. Roads works complete on Forbes Road, with detailed Designs being completed for internal road works, the Murie and Smythes Corner Culvert structures.  Stage 3 beautification works have commenced, with solar lights installed, further footpath works and wood sculptures completed. The funding deed has been executed, and PWA have appointed a head design consultant to design the new Visitor Information Centre with works on the centre to begin in 2021. completed.
		Investigate the viability painting of the Silos with rural characters on the Eastern entrance to		DETED	Investigation completed. Silos at the entrances in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo cannot be used for Art purposes as they are still active work sites. Lakes Alive have secured grant funding to place a mural on the old water tower in Lake Cargelligo and funding under

		Condobolin and in Lake Cargelligo.			the LRCI#2 will be used towards a mural on the water tower at Tottenham.
		Promote Farm Tours	Visitor numbers who come to town to view the silos.	ТО	Tourism Officer has started discussions with farmers. New bird website up and running. Brochures are also being prepared.
		Create a list of Birds	Successful tours List completed	то	
2.1.3	Provide a visitor Information Centre	Investigate the options for a Visitor Information Centre in Condobolin both long and short term.	Development of a business plan for a VIC. Operation of a designated VIC in Condobolin.	TO DETED	Council have obtained a grant to construct the Visitor Information Centre in Condobolin and design works are now underway.  Tourism and Economic Development Officer has been working with Western Plains Regional Development to improve signage and
				10	overall exposure of the current visitor information centre in Condobolin.
2.1.4	Participate in regional Promotion	Remain members of Central NSW Tourism and join the Newell highway Tourism committee.	Increased number of nights stayed in Lake Cargelligo and Condobolin	TO DETED	Ongoing. Council took part in the "we want you back" campaign. Council's Tourism Officer is very active in the Central NSW JO Tourism group.
2.1.5	Promote the Wiradjuri Centre as a location for Tourists to visit.	Install directional signage to the Wiradjuri Cultural Centre.  Investigate a Bush Tucker/ Bush medicine shop	Signage installed.  Investigation complete	DETED	Completed.  Included in Council's Destination Management Plan.

		Promote the WCC as a tourist destination.	Increased visitor numbers to the WCC.		The WCC is included as an attraction in the Council's Destination Management Plan. Council officers are working with the WCC to promote the WCC as a tourist destination.
2.1.6	Improve the marketing of existing events.	Creation of a calendar of events.	Calendar of events created.	DETED	Event calendar has been created
	CASHING CVCIIIS.	Events promoted on Facebook	Number of events listed on Council's face-book page.	CCE	Facebook is regularly used to promote local events.
		Creation of a text notification database which is used to promote events.	Database created and used for notification.		Community Engagement and Communications Officer is investigating options in this space as part of a communications audit.
		Create a Phone App for What's on in Town.	App created	CCE	Scheduled for 2021/22 and is dependent on funding.
2.1.7	Increase visitors to	Provide town parking for		TO	Will form part of the tourism precinct which has recently received
2.,,	the shire	motor homes and caravans.		DETED	funding and which is currently in the planning stage.
		Market premium free camping locations within the shire.	Value of receipts at Gum Bend Lake. Accommodation operator survey.		Council featured in the latest Caravanning Australia Magazine and the Free Camp Guide which is compiled every two years. Also featuring on free camping websites.
		Develop a Destination Marketing Plan	Plan Completed		Complete.

2.1.8	Development of a new event	Investigate the viability of different types of events.	Report on viability of new events completed.	DETED	Council provides financial and in kind support to a number of events in the Shire, including Condo 750, Condo Cookup, Novemberfest, Skyfest  Council has recently received funding to conduct live and local music events which will focus on local musicians and local venues.  Council was successful in receiving a grant for a summer event, which was a movie night which was held in Renown Park, Condobolin. The grant funding allowed Council to purchase equipment which can be used throughout the Shire which will allow more movie nights to be held over the next year (COVID pending).
2.1.9	Improve Caravan Park facilities in Lake Cargelligo, Burcher and Condobolin	Investigate the viability of leasing the caravan parks out to private operators with conditions attached for capital improvements.  Upgrade Shower & Toilet facilities at Burcher	Report completed Decision made  Toilets installed	DETED	Current Contracts for Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo Caravan Parks are in place until June 2021. Council will consider a report to extend these at the June Council meeting.  Council has endorsed master plans for both Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo Caravan Parks and documentation is now being prepared to lease out the parks under a long term (e.g. 21 years) licence.  Completed
2.1.1	Develop Forbes to Condo Sculpture Trail	Work with Forbes Shire Council to develop a sculpture trail from Forbes to Condobolin on Lachlan Valley Way	Funding Secured Sculptures Erected	DETED	Ongoing - ETED staff continue to work with the Forbes Art Society (FAS) and Forbes Shire Council to develop the sculpture trail.  Council have committed \$100,000 towards the project over the next three (3) years and have made two of the payments to the FAS The first sculpture in the Lachlan Shire LGA has been opened and another sculpture is complete but has not been officially opened.
2.1.1	Support the Lake foreshore Development	Support the development of a licensed community club and function centre near the existing boat	Support given where possible. Application submitted.	DIS/TO	Foreshore sheltered bench constructed, sheltered seats constructed, irrigation upgrades complete at Recreation Ground complete, Pontoon complete, near Recreation Ground. Second Pontoon at Apex park being progressed. Stage 3 irrigation works are

		club and recreation ground.			being progressed No progress on licenced community club and function centre.
2.1.1	Support potential environmental and eco-tourism projects	Work with Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet to attain funding for the rehabilitation of Robinson Crusoe Island.	Application submitted.	DIS	Bird Hollows project completed with a number of bird hollows installed around Gum Bend Lake. Bird watching shelters installed around Gum Bend Lake. Wading Bird areas created at Gum Bend Lake.  Working with stakeholders on the development of educational signage is complete.

Outcome 2.2: A diverse range of employment opportunities

CSP	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
2.2.1	Encourage residents to shop local	Promote Why Leave Town Program	No of retail outlets accepting Why Leave Town Cards Guide Produced by Nov 2017.	DETED/TO	Promoted through the Condobolin Chamber of commerce. Council made a financial contribution to the Why Leave Town promotion. Representations were also made by Council staff to Evolution Mining to support the program. Evolution Mining have now given the Condobolin Chamber of Commerce a substantial contribution towards the WLT program.

		Development of a Shop Local Retail Guide Hold the Christmas Fiesta in 2017	Shop local dockets exceed \$220,000.		A shop local retail guide will be prepared once a decision has been made about the branding of Council  Council continue to support the Christmas Event and have provided both financial and in-kind support.
2.2.2	A strong Retail sector	Conduct a Retail operator and Shopper survey  Development of Customer database	Survey completed and conclusions drawn from it. No of people on the database and times used.	DETED/TO	Survey has been completed. Results used for Mid Lachlan Alliance project.  An email list of customers has been prepared.
		Assist and Facilitate an effective chamber of commerce in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo.	Membership of the chamber of commerce increase from 14 to 25.		Assistance provided to Chamber where needed. Council Staff attend meetings. Council staff are investigating the possibility of a Lake Cargelligo Chamber of Commerce. The number of members of the Condobolin Chamber of Commerce is currently 40.
		Facilitate the running of Retail Revamp workshops.	Participation of ten retail businesses in the workshops		Not yet commenced, however, businesses in both Lake Cargelligo and Condobolin main streets have utilised funding under the Local Heritage Grant Fund to make improvements to their buildings.

			Council have organised a number of events to assist retail businesses from energy savings workshops to marketing events.
	Investigate the viability of a community Co-op.	Reduction in the number of vacant shops	
	Facilitate the filling up of shops in the main Street.	Empty Shops filled in main street with retail or human interest items.	Council encourages businesses to occupy the empty buildings in the main street and provides advice, as requested, to people looking to occupy premises.
	Support the Why Leave Town Program	Increase in annual value of cards loaded from \$11,000 to \$13,000 in year 1 increasing by \$2000 per annum thereafter.	The Why Leave Town program is run by the Condobolin Chamber of Commerce.
	Pursue a tenant for the former Target building	Tenant secured and operating a retail business.	COMPLETE
	Investigate business open hours on Public holidays and weekends	Business hours open at business times on	Chamber of Commerce have approached businesses re weekend openings. Limited STATUS at this point.

	Develop 'Look Local' Campaian	weekends to capture weekend visitors	Suggested in Chamber meetings. Current campaign is being
		considering local business before leaving town	supported by the Condobolin Chamber of Commerce and the Why Leave Town Cards support this.

Outcome 2.3: Encourage Business Activity

CSP	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performan ce Measure	Responsib le Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
2.3.1	Recognise Business excellence	Investigate the reintroduction of Lachlan Business Awards	Award ceremony conducte d	DETED/TO	Council supported the Chamber of Commerce in Condobolin in running the first business awards in September 2020. The event was successful and the Chamber plan to hold the event each year.
2.3.2	Implement the Actions in the Economic Development strategy	Engage consultant to commence actions in Economic Development Strategy	Strategy complete d	DETED/TO	Consultant engaged to discuss how Council can help businesses, Several actions from the Economic Development Strategy have been included in Council's Delivery Program.
2.3.3	Access to premium Industrial Land	Investigate the viability of converting the saleyards to an industrial sub-division.  Sell existing Industrial Lots	Investigation completed.  All industrial lots sold.	DETED/TO	Not yet commenced. Resistance from Agriculture sector and agents to removal of saleyards  All blocks sold in Condobolin and only one left in Lake Cargelligo.  Consideration being given to create more industrial land in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo under the Rural and Industrial Land Use Strategy which is currently being prepared

2.3.4	Encourage value added agricultural industries	Investigate the viability of a Cotton Gin in the Shire.	Investigati on complete d.	DETED/TO	Discussions held with some property owners however not financially viable at this time.
2.3.5	Attract new Industries/ Businesses to the Shire	Investigate the viability of a solar farm in the shire	Viability investigated	GM/DETED	A Development Application has been received for a solar farm on the outskirts of Condobolin which will be considered by Council at the June Council meeting.
		Follow up on the possibility of starting a feedlot in the shire.	Proponent contacted.		Lamb feedlot established at Kiacatoo.
		Liaise with Graincorp to investigate the possibility of upgrading the Grain Receival terminals at Lake Cargelligo and Condobolin.	Graincorp updating their terminals		GrainCorp Regeneration Project in planning stage. Council supported request for closure of rail crossing at Silo Road. Joint application to NSW Fixing Country Roads for upgrades to intersections along Henry Parkes Way (at Silo Road & Kiacatoo Road)
					Fuel storage business in Lake Cargelligo and Condobolin.  Significant expansion of several business such as Maspro, Allshelters, Durotank and Carmed
2.3.6	Improve Marketing of businesses in the shire	Finance an annual training session on marketing.		DETED	Western Business Forum was held in 2019 through Growing Lachlan. Social Media Workshops have been held throughout the Shire, including during small business month in October 2020. More one-on-one training is also being facilitated by Council through Business HQ. More training workshops are to be held as permitted/requested.
	Access to residential Land	Sell existing Randall St blocks	All blocks sold and being used	GM/DETED	All lots now sold

		One block sold per year. All blocks sold	Scott Street Subdivision planning & design completed. Interest in the Scott St sub-division. Investigations now being undertaken on how to develop Stage 1 of the subdivision.
	ell existing residential blocks in Lake Cargelligo		Eight lots have now been sold.
ne fo	nvestigate the viability of a new residential sub-division or older people near the ake in Lake Cargelligo.	Investigation completed.	Land subject of Aboriginal Land Claim and Native Title not available for subdivision until claim resolved.

2.3.7					
	Support Mining	Encourage and support	Report on	ELT	Regular meetings and advice provided to Platina
	operations in	the proposal of Platina	support		Resources and Cleanteq to support mining proposals
	the Shire	Resources at	required		and development.
		Owendale and support	completed.		Engagement with Cleanteq/Platina/Mineral Hill/Rim Fire
		Cleanteq at Fifield	Support given.		and Evolution is ongoing.

Outcome 2.4: Access to Reliable Current Technologies

CSP	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsibl e Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
2.4.1	Council to keep up to date with technological	Digital radio coverage	Digital radio coverage	DETED	Scope of works and specification being developed for radio network upgrade. Upgrade of radio network not cost effective. Cel- Fi boosters have been installed in plant to improve mobile phone

	improvements and achievements		available across the Shire		reception and tablets are being installed for use by staff. Submissions have been made for additional mobile phone towers to both the federal and state government
2.4.2	Advocate for complete mobile phone coverage throughout the Shire.	Liaise with service providers and Federal Government for increased mobile coverage throughout the Shire.  Advocate for NBN	Increased mobile coverage in Shire.  NBN Operating prior to December 2017.	GM DIS COUNCIL DCCS	Announcement of Yellow Mountain tower to be constructed. Submission made to federal government for additional mobile phone towers.  Facilitated public consultation for the proposed Manna Mountain phone tower.  NBN installed and operating. Letter sent to local federal MPs and NBN Co regarding connectivity in industrial areas.  Details of Mobile Blackspots provided to RDA, CNSWJO and Federal Member for Parkes for future funding opportunities.

## Outcome 2.5: Improve the appearance of each town

CSP	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsib le Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
2.5.1	Improve the appearanc e of the CBD's	Develop a streetscape plan for the main streets in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo.  Implement Plans for Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo.	Plans Developed Community Agreement 80% Resident Satisfaction with end result	DIS	Foster Street detailed design completed. Minor revisions underway, with the intension of calling construction tenders in September. Additional \$1 Mil in funding sourced through the Tourism Activation program Work programmed for delivery over 12 months, with confirmation of timeline through the Tender process  Applications for BBRF Round 5 was submitted for Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo CDB Upgrades .  Vision Concept complete for Bathurst Street Condobolin

		Complete a Management Plan for each of the villages	Plans completed for each village.	DETED/DIS	William, Busby, Lachlan Streets detailed design completed. Fixing Local Roads Funding announcement will enable the construction to commence. Denison Street concept design completed. Funding yet to be identified.  Village enhancement plans done. Follow up consultation with community to be done with next Community Strategic Plan. Works are being carried out under the plan as funding becomes available.
		Encourage businesses to paint shop awnings	Business paint shop awnings	DETED	Council has painted three buildings in the main street Condobolin, as part of lease of former Target Building. Local business owners are being encouraged to seek funding under Local Heritage Fund to undertake maintenance works such as painting shop awnings. One of the successful recipients under both last year's and this year's program is based in Foster Street, Lake Cargelligo and those works have now been completed
2.5.2	Improve the appearanc e of town entries.	Improve Parks at Condobolin Town Entrance  Improve Lake Cargelligo town entrance	Parks appearan ce improved  Town Entrances appearan ce improved	DIS	Lions Park upgrade is complete. Tottenham Memorial Park upgrade works complete.  Entrance signs installed on all four entrances to Lake Cargelligo.  36 trees planted along Canada Street entrance in Lake Cargelligo. 12 trees planted along Federation Street, Albert.  Replanted the garden bed at the town entrance sign on Melrose Road, Condobolin.

		New signage for all town entrances  Appropriate Trees at the entrance of each town.	New signage at town entrances  Trees planted at town entrances		New entry signs have been installed in Derriwong, Fifield, Albert, Tottenham, Tullibigeal, Burcher and Murrin Bridge.  16 trees planted on entrances to Tullibigeal.
2.5.3	Improve the appearanc e of Council Buildings	Facelift of Condobolin Water Treatment Plant	Treatment Plant painted	DIS	Works packaged with upgrade/replacement to plant. Perimeter fencing has been replaced.
2.5.4	Improved signage in all towns	Directional signage to Burcher from West Wyalong  Install historical Signage throughout the Shire	Signs placed at West Wyalong Historical signage erected throughout Shire	DETED	Burcher sign completed. Condobolin and Tullibigeal completed – signs already at Lake and Tottenham.  Historical signage installed in Bathurst Street Condobolin and Pioneer Park Tullibigeal. Funding application for SCCF round 3 for signage in Lake Cargelligo was successful. Community consultation is required to ensure the project aligns with community expectations

#### Outcome 2.6: Attract new residents to the Shire

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsibl e Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
2.6.	Promote the benefits	Build houses at Condobolin & Lake Cargelligo (Spec homes)	Houses built	DETED/MT P	Residential property purchased in Condobolin. New dwelling in Lake Cargelligo completed.

of a rural lifestyle	Investigate Changing Council's LEP to allow for more Rural living lots.	LEP completed with provision for Rural Living blocks	DETED/MT P	Council's Local Strategic Planning Statement has been completed.  Council will examine the need and impacts associated with creating more rural living lots as part of the rural and industrial land use strategy currently underway.
	Complete preparations for the Scott Street sub-division.	First stage of sub-division completed	DETED	Design completed. Development approval obtained. Construction plans and detailed estimate were prepared by consultant engineers. A subdivision certificate application was lodged in late June to subdivide the existing doctor's house from the remainder of the lot.
	Promote affordable housing in the Shire to external markets.	Increased resident numbers	DETED	A new prospectus pack will be prepared to provide to potential new businesses to relocate to the Shire, which will include the promotion of affordable housing in the Shire, once the branding project is complete.

# Transport

Outcome 3.1: Efficient transport networks that meet community and business needs

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21

3.1.1	Implement road maintenance, renewals and improvements in accordance with Transport Asset Management Plan.	Complete annual maintenance, renewals and improvements program.  Reinstate flood damaged roads  Implement road sealing program  Prepare and implement truck rest areas near each village.	Reseal program completed. Grant funded programs completed, e.g. Roads to Recovery, Block, REPAIR, NDRRA. Complete works identified in AMP. Rest areas completed.	DIS  MR  MR	Reseal program for FY20/21 complete. BLOCK grant works complete for FY20/21, and works underway for FY21/22. Planning underway for resealing in FY21/22.  NDRRA application approved for storm damage sustained in April 2020.  NDRRA application approved for storm damage sustained in March 2021.  Fixing Local Roads, Fixing Country Roads, REPAIR, Roads to Recovery, and FAG funded works are being programmed for delivery.
3.1.2	Operate and maintain airports at Condobolin, Tottenham and Lake Cargelligo to meet statutory standards.	Complete Condobolin Airport Master Plan  Reseal Condobolin Aerodrome  Reseal Tottenham Aerodrome  Resheet Lake Cargelligo  Complete the Condobolin Airport Management Plan.  Implement the Actions in the Condobolin Management Plan	Compliance with statutory requirements.  Resheet Lake Airport runway  Management Plan completed and adopted by Council.  Management Plan action items implemented.	DIS	Budget allocation was deferred to improve Budget position. Regional Aerodrome grant application was unsuccessful Reseal for Tottenham Aerodrome have been budgeted for FY 22/23 Gravel resheet done. Grade water Roll complete 2020  Management plan under review Not yet adopted by LEMC or Council.  Not yet done, owing to lack of funding.  Replacement and upgrade of PAALC at Lake Cargelligo Complete.

			Actions in plan implemented.		
3.1.3	Progressively widen existing narrow seals in accordance with Transport Asset Management Plan.	Complete reconstruction and widening of segments as a progressive program.	Completion of projects identified in the AMP.	DIS	Narrow seals on MR57S Gipps Way, MR231 Wyalong Road, and Fifield Road 57N have being widened and reconstructed as required during FY20/21. In total over 20kn of narrow seal was widened in FY20/21.
3.1.4	Implement Rural Addressing	Map every rural entrance Notify all rural property holders of their address Install Signage	Rural Addressing completed.	DCCS GISO	Rural addressing completed.
3.1.5	Truck By-pass for Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo & Tottenham	Advocate to the Department RMS, for a truck by-pass of Condobolin and Tottenham and develop a truck bypass for Lake Cargelligo	Submission to Department of RMS completed.	DIS	Staged concept design for Lake Cargelligo done. Stage 1 and 1 B bypass completed. Stage 2 detailed design underway. Detailed design for Condobolin bypass via Denison & Lachlan Streets done. Maitland Street, upgrade commenced and nearing completion. Henry Parkes Way, Jones Lane, Maitland Street intersection design is underway with TfNSW. Tottenham bypass signage and line marking installed. Options assessment for Tottenham rail bridge completed. Grant application for funding for design and construction submitted
3.1.6	Road Safety Program	Participate in the Local Government Road Safety Program in partnership with Parkes and Forbes Shires.	Completion of three year Road Safety Program.	DIS	FY1920 funding agreement with RMS executed.
3.1.7	Traffic calming and road safety in Lake Cargelligo, Tottenham and Condobolin	Intersection upgrades of William & Lachlan Streets, Lachlan Valley Way & Diggers Avenue Condobolin and intersection of Foster & Canada Streets, Rodeo Drive & Canada Streets, Rodeo Drive & Grace Streets, Narrandera	Designs and costings completed. Grant programs identified grant applications submitted.	DIS	Designs completed for all intersections. Rodeo Drive HV upgrade completed including line marking. Construction works complete for Rodeo & Canada and Rodeo & Grace. Construction underway for Grace and Foster.  Construction of Foster and Canada to occur with Foster Street works

Street & Rankin Springs Road Lake Cargelligo	Construction works underway. Main street masterplans	Detailed design under review for William, Busby & Lachlan Streets. Concept design completed for Denison Street. Foster Street detailed design done, with Tenders to be called in late 2022.
Main street improvements in Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo and Tottenham	are completed. Improvements completed	Vision concept developed for Condobolin CBD. Funding applications underway.

Outcome 3.2: Improved pedestrian and cycle paths

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsib le Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
3.2.	Implement the Disability Inclusion Access Plan	Improve access for pedestrians and mobility aid users in areas lacking footpaths.  Staged implementation of the Active Travel Plan (ATP) for Tottenham, Lake Cargelligo and Condobolin.  Upgrade the footpath and include a cycleway along Bathurst St with Condobolin main street improvements.  Deliver footpath and kerb and gutter replacement program	50% of Active Travel Plan completed  Footpath and kerb & gutter replacement program underway. Pedestrian crossing completed with Lake Cargelligo main street improvements .  Works underway.	DIS (DIAP)	Installation of disabled parking and pedestrian ramp in Lachlan Street Condobolin. Further modifications required  Footpath program amended.  Additional Footpath and laybacks completed at Utes in the Paddock and William Street Condobolin but not Bathurst St.  Additional footpath and layback completed in Napier Street, Canada, Uabba, Yelkin, Prior, Foster, Lake, Lorne, Grace, Walker, Umang, Merilba, Moondana, Bulbodney, Mogille and Meryula Streets.  Footpaths and pram ramp upgrades completed In Condobolin, Tottenham and Tullibigeal with Drought Communities Program. Lake Cargelligo Works have been funded through Drought Stimulus Program.  Canada Street crossing complete. Foster Street not done yet.

Install pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Foster and Canada Streets, Lake Cargelligo.  Install pedestrian lay-backs in key areas around the schools in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo.	Designs and costings completed.  Grant programs identified grant applications submitted.	Grant submissions for Condobolin High School and Lake Central School for safety improvements on Busby and Prior Streets respectively.
Construct shared paths around recreational facilities at sites identified in the Active Travel Plan, including, Tottenham racecourse and cemetery, Gum Bend Lake, Lake Walkway Stage II.	Construction works underway.	Gum Bend Lake walkway – 510m of footpath works complete. 1580m constructed - Lake Cargelligo Foreshore walkway stage 2. 806m of works complete for stage 3 510m shared path installed at Gum Bend Lake.
Install drinking stations along shared paths	begun.	2 bubblers installed at Gum Bend Lake

3.2.	Develop disabled parking zones in all main towns.	Complete a map of disabled parking spots after consultation with the disabled community.  Upgrade existing and install new disabled parking spaces. Disabled access ramp to Australian Standard AS2890	Map completed and parking spots re- located accordingly. Disabled car spaces and ramps constructed.	DIS (DIAP)	Condobolin library needs modifications to reduce grade, Condobolin Memorial Park done. Disabled parking included in design for Foster St, Lake Cargelligo pending funding FY2021. Disabled Parking at Bathurst Street, near Banner Pole and Lake Cargelligo Doctor Surgery to be considered by Traffic Committee
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## Outcome 3.3: Upgrade Street Lighting

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsib le Officer	General Ledger
3.3.	Conduct an audit of Street Lighting Requirements and develop street lighting works program.	Complete Audit and deliver works program including adjoining roads and caravan parks.  Install street lights at the side of the Lake Cargelligo caravan park.	Audit done. Delivery program underway. Installation of new lighting.	DIS	LED streetlight replacement program developed with Essential Energy.  To be rolled out across the entire shire in 2022.  No progress.

# Governance & Financial Control

Outcome 4.1: Involved and Active Community Groups

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsibl e Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
4.1.	Support and develop the capacity of Council's \$355 committees and other committees that manage Council facilities, events and initiatives.	Ongoing liaison with committees.  Provide point of contact and selected information and training opportunities.  Correspondence regarding terms of reference and Financial Reporting.	committees active and delivering on terms of reference.  Compliance with the requirements of Sect 355 of the Local Govt Act and Council attendance at Sect 355 committee meetings.	DCCS	Committees have been contacted and given the Terms of Reference. Committee meetings have been attended upon request.  The Administrative Officer – Corporate & Community Services has been established as the point of contact for the committees.  Compliance requirements followed up for 2019, 2020 & 2021 external audits.
4.1.	Re-vamp Australia Day celebrations so that there	Creation of an Australia Day Shire Wide Committee	Committee created and working Attendance of 100 people at	GM	Committee created.  Achieved

	is one main event in the shire	Run Australia Day as a Shire Wide event.	the Australia Day celebrations.		
4.1.	Encourage community events	Develop a community Event approval process for community event holders.  Notify event holders of their responsibilities for lodging documentation four months prior to the up-coming event.	Create an easier event application process with fast approval. Regular event holders notified.	TO/DETED	New approval process has been developed along with an event management guideline.  An ongoing issue – a meeting may need to be held to discuss the importance of lodging applications in advance as staff are often given 1-2 weeks and insufficient information with event applications.  A workshop will be held to assist event planners with the event approval process.

#### Outcome 4.2: Strong effective and Responsive Council

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsibl e Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
4.2.	Council is financially sustainable and provides services at	Complete quarterly reporting against budget	Quarterly budget review to Council within 2 months after the end of the quarter.	DCCS	Reports to Council occurring in accordance with Local Government (General) Regulation timelines
	a level expected	Complete Statutory accounts		DCCS	2019 & 2020 statutory accounts completed within legislative timeframes Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee has commenced meeting

	by the community.	Operate an effective Audit Committee  Continue to implement FFTF reforms  Review investment policy  Tender Council's Banking Service	Statutory Accounts completed by 31 October  Implement recommendati ons from the Audit committee  Council meets the FFTF targets each year.  Average return on Investment of 20 basis points above the Bank Bill Swap Rate. Saving total of \$20,000.	DCCS  DCCS  DCCS	regularly. ARIC training attended by GM, DCCS and Audit Committee Chair.  Asset renewals ratio benchmark not achieved in 2016-2017 or in 2017-2018 due to effects of flooding in 2016. Asset renewal ratio achieved in 2018-2019 but not achieved in 2019-2020.  Achieved 2016-2017, 2018-2019 & 2019-2020  In 2020 the portfolio outperformed bank bills by 1.53%  Bank Bill index 0.85% Council 2.37%  In 2019 the portfolio outperformed bank bills by 0.94%  Bank Bill index 1.97% Council 2.92%  In 2018 the portfolio outperformed bank bills by 1.05%  Bank Bill index 1.78% Council 2.84%
4.2.	Council's decision making is equitable	Training for Councillors	Councillor training plan developed & training undertaken.	GM DCCS	LGNSW events and training opportunities distributed. Code of Conduct, Meeting Code of Practice delivered. Finance for Councillors training offered and several Councillors trained. Social Media training delivered to Councillors. Chairing Effective Meetings training deferred due to COVID-19.

	and ethical.	Ensure that policies are reviewed regularly.	Council's decision making and operational activities meet regulation compliance and community expectation.  95% of policies reviewed by due date.	HR Manager	Policies are progressively reviewed.
4.2.	Strengthen regional cooperatio n to the benefit of local residents	Council demonstrates strong leadership developing initiatives with Central West Joint Organisation, MLA and other strategic alliances such as Penrith City Council.	Reported to Council on activities held.	GM DCCs	Opportunities to work with other strategic alliances are acted on as these become available. Discussion with PCC GM regarding resource sharing, co-operative employment models and workforce capacity.  Joint legal advice obtained with Forbes and Parkes Council's to reduce costs. Cooperation being Council's assisting with staff recruitment.
4.2.	Customer Request system in place and operational	CRM's reviewed and reported to council regularly  Community/Customer Satisfaction Survey undertaken to measure Council responsiveness and services.	95% CRM's tasked are completed in an established timeframe Average STATUS of satisfactory or better.	GM DCCS	CRM training undertaken  CRM system upgraded and Re-implemented. Reporting to ELT and Council commenced.  Community Survey completed May 2021.  Community Satisfaction Survey completed. Average status of satisfactory achieved. Report to be presented to Council.

4.2.	Council's exposure to risk is minimised.	Review Council's Enterprise Risk Management Plan and implement actions.	75% of actions implemented.	GM, DETED DIS, DCCS	Development of enterprise risk management plan delayed and rescheduled several times due to COVID-19. Currently rescheduled for July 2021.  Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Plans reviewed and adopted.  Cyber security audit undertaken and Cyber Security Policy and Framework adopted.
		Provide a safe workplace to all employees	Less than 600 hrs lost by Year 3.	HR Manager	Lost time injuries less than 600hrs in 2018/19. 488 hours Lost Time for 2019/2020. 173 hours Lost Time for 2020/2021 On track to achieve this target with the current accepted claims.
		Hold Health and Safety committee meetings	Meetings held quarterly with 80% attendance.	HR Manager	A Health and Safety Committee meetings held as scheduled
		Investigate the tendering of Insurance.	15% reduction in insurance cost from 16/17 level.	HR Manager	Complete.
		Workplace safety awareness training	Training provided to at risk staff.	HR Manager	WHS Induction training held on a regular basis. Return to Work Coordination action being delivered by WH&S Officer.

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		Active management of staff who suffer Workplace incidents.	Return to work plans in place for all staff on Work-cover.	HR Manager	Return to work plans completed for staff on workers compensation
		Review Council's Salary Structure	New Salary Structure implemented	HR Manager	New Salary Structure Framework drafted with the assistance of Council Engagement Officer from OLG Draft documents distributed to staff and Unions in October 2020. A Meeting was held in December 2020 with the USU and LGEA delegates regarding the draft Framework. Union meetings held with staff. Implementation of changes deferred pending review of leave accrual arrangements.
4.2.	Effective and efficient managem ent of fixed assets	Implementation of the Asset Management System in Authority.	Improved ROI List of Surplus Assets developed.	DCCS	All assets now incorporated in Civica Authority data base. Asset lists are progressively being reviewed and updated. List of property being prepared for consideration.
4.2.	Operational Buildings which enable Council to	Replace roof and Air conditioning at the Council Chambers  Construct new depot at	Replacement complete.  Completed	DETED	Air conditioning has been replaced and new roof has been constructed. Complete.
	efficiently perform its functions.	Condobolin in the Industrial subdivision.	Condobolin Depot.	DETED	Works on the new depot have commenced.
		Relocate Lake Cargelligo depot	Relocation Complete of Lake Cargelligo Depot.	DETED	Council staff are working on finding a suitable location for the relocation of the Lake Cargelligo depot and suitable funding to complete the project
4.2.	Ensure that Council has a skilled	Provide professional development, and required training to staff	80% of Training delivered as identified in	HR Manager	Training plans have been completed for 2020/2021. Training will be scheduled accordingly. Courses undertaken include – First Aid, Fraud

and competent workforce necessary to achieve its strategic outcomes.		staff training plans.		Awareness, WHS Compliance, Code of Conduct, Integrated Planning and Reporting and Report Writing.
	Develop succession plans for crucial positions identified in the workforce Management plan.	100% of succession plans developed for critical positions.	HR Manager	Workforce Plan to be reviewed again in 2021/2022 Succession Plan to be reviewed.
	Promote Council as an employer of choice.	Review employee benefits brochure and		Benefit brochure included in recruitment packs. Currently developing an Attraction and Retention Policy. LSC won the LGEA Employer of Choice Award 2020
	Conduct bi-annual employee opinion survey which measures employee engagement.	included in recruitment packs and on Council's website.	HR Manager	Staff Survey conducted in October 2019. 96% of employees are moderately satisfied with their job which is 7% higher than the industry average and on par with previous results
		80% undertaking of survey Staff		
	Conduct exit interviews on all exiting staff.  Ensure that staff have access to	satisfaction levels increase by 10% from 2017.	HR Manager	Exit Interviews conducted for exiting staff
	independent consultants to discuss personal issues.	90% permanent	HR Manager	Access available. Contract negotiated through Centroc 1/8/19 to 31/7/22.

			Appointment of an employee assistance provider		
4.2.	Better staff engageme nt	Regular Staff meetings.	All staff meetings held six monthly.	GM	All staff meetings deferred due to COVID-19, all staff emails and GM BLOG used to distribute information.  Monthly Depot meetings held in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo. Quarterly Depot meetings held in Tottenham.
		Staff Newsletter	Bi-monthly staff newsletter issued with contributions from all Directorates.	HR	Newsletters are issued bi-monthly.
		Hold staff inductions	95% of new staff inducted within one month of starting.	HR	Staff inductions are undertaken.

Outcome 4.3: Enhance communication with Residents

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Respon sible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
4.3.1	Enhanced Communication with the Community	Re-vamp Council's Website Increase posts to Council's face-book page.  Construct community contact database	10% increase in hits to Council's webpage.  20% more friends to face-book page. Implementation of Instagram platform.  Database completed and communication of key events issued via text and e-mail.	DCCS/ CECO	Postponed until the evaluation of IT issues for the Mid Lachlan Alliance Fitness Grant has been completed.  There has been a significant increase in the number of posts on Council's Facebook in the last two years.  Under development
		Run a monthly column in the local newspapers.	Newspaper column active.		Fortnightly column in local newspapers. Increased Media Releases being produced.

Outcome 4.4: Strategic Management of Villages and Crown Reserves

CSP	Delivery Program	Operational Plan	Performance	Responsibl	Status as at 30 Jun 21
No	Action (2017/2021)	Action	Measure	e Officer	
4.4.1	Develop Village Management Plans	Develop Specific Management Plans for Tottenham, Fifield, Burcher and Derriwong.	Village Plans Completed.	DETED	Village management plans done. Improvement actions being incorporated into LTFP prior to further community consultation. Some of the identified works have been completed works using the funds associated with the Drought

					Communities Grant Programmes.
4.4.2	Develop plans of Management for all Crown Reserves.	Develop a Management Plan for the SRA Grounds.	Management Plan completed.	DIS	Draft Plan of Management for SRA and campgrounds submitted to the Department for assessment. Plan being revised after feedback was provided.
			Masterplan	DIS	Draft Plan of Management for Tottenham Recreation Ground and Racetrack,
		completed.	5.0	Tullibigeal Recreation Ground and Racetrack and Lake Cargelligo Recreation and show ground areas have been submitted to the Department for assessment.	
					Further clarification is required around the classification and categorisation for Gum Bend Lake and the Generic Plan of Management for the other Crown Reserves.
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# People & Environment

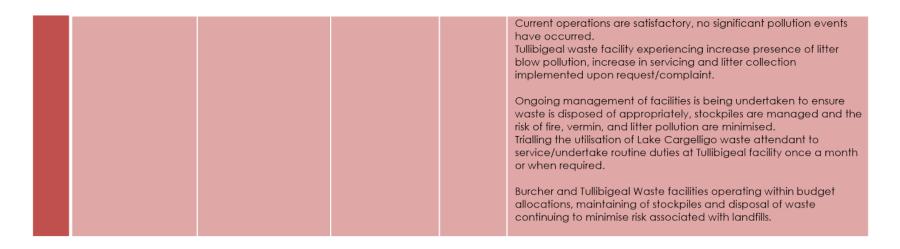
Outcome 5.1: Modern waste management system

CSP	Delivery Program	Operational Plan	Performance	Responsib	Status as at 30 Jun 21
No	Action (2017/2021)	Action	Measure	le Officer	
5.1.1	Review and implement Council's waste management strategy.	Implement Shire wide Waste Management Strategy.	Strategy implemented	DETED	Implementation underway. Fifield, Derriwong and Albert tips closed and remediated. Waste Management Strategy prepared for Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo Waste Facilities. Actions being implemented. Rehabilitation works for Albert and Fifield completed.

					New landfilling sequence implemented and removal of legacy stockpiled waste at Condobolin Waste Facility.  Lake Cargelligo enhancements completed, new waste cell installed, removal of hazardous waste stockpiles, improved operational layout and reduction in litter blown pollution.  Review of strategy to be undertaken and performance measures.  Regular servicing of stockpiles are reducing fire hazards and legacy issues.  Netwaste Regional Contracts for scrap metal, e-waste and household chemical cleanout programs are diverting waste from landfill.  Clean fill has been stockpiled for use as cover at the facilities.  Review of Lake Cargelligo Waste Facility was undertaken to evaluate the most sustainable operation for Council. Three (3) options have been identified but are dependent on the acquisition of adjoining land and/or life of existing landfill.  New Cell has been installed at the Burcher Waste Facility.
5.1.2	Provide solid waste collection and disposal services.	Maintain effective collection and disposal services  More street bins for villages  Ensure that streets in the towns are free from rubbish	Number of complaints minimised and responded to.  Favourable community satisfaction survey.  Favourable community satisfaction survey.	DETED	Appointed new collection contractor. No complaints received Completed  Ongoing  Complaints about bin bank set up requesting skip bins for bulky items.  Skip bins provided.  Council staff will monitor the budget and if sufficient funds are available a bulky waste collection will be arranged for the main villages

					Front load skip bins are effective in providing waste disposal system at Albert and Fifield. Installation of 240 litre waste bin holders highlighted to assist servicing of units at these locations and reduce incidents  Recent closure of facilities in Parkes Shire Council may impact bin bank systems at Fifield and Albert. These facilities are being monitored to ensure capacity is not exceeded and to ensure illegal dumping is not occurring.  Kerbside waste collection service has been extended to Murrin Bridge.  Design completed and Development Application lodged for the Condobolin Waste Transfer Station, Penrith City Council undertaking assessment.  The Waste Transfer Station in Condobolin is largely complete. Once the road works are complete the existing site office will be relocated and the transfer station will be opened to the public.
5.1.3	Implement and maintain recycling services.	Implement Kerbside recycling	Kerbside recycling, drop off bays at Waste Facilities where appropriate. Waste Action Plan adopted. Review kerbside collection programs as necessary.	DETED	Appointed new collection contractor. No complaints have been received.  Completed  Complaints about bin bank set up requesting skip bins for bulky items.  Skip bins provided.  Ongoing monitoring of skip system, one complaint received during Christmas period about facility not meeting excess waste demand

					during this period. Extra bins to be rolled out to accommodate waste demand over Christmas/new year period.  Appointment of new Site Management contract for all Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo, Tottenham, Tullibigeal and Burcher Facilities.  Formal instrument of agreement implemented for the processing of recycling with JR & ER Richards Pty Ltd, for the period of 2 years ending 1 July 2022.  Recycling bin banks installed at Lake Cargelligo, Condobolin, Derriwong and Tottenham Waste Facilities.  Council agreed to participate in the Netwaste regional scrap metal collection and recycling tender.  5,000 chemical drums recycled through drum muster across LSC.  The CRC shed has now been completed.
5.1.4	Develop and implement a trade waste policy.	Implement Policy through a joint project with Central West Joint Organisation/Utilities Alliance.	Policy in place.	DETED/DIS	Draft Policy prepared by DETED's team and with DIS for review.
5.1.5	Investigation into the viability of Tullibigeal and Burcher Waste Management Facilities.	Profit and loss summary for overall waste management	Investigation complete and recommendations made.	DETED	Completed Open unmanned – monitoring of tyres and asbestos to be continued. Minimal disposal of asbestos and tyres, these waste removed from site immediately if disposed. Operational cost has significantly reduced and meeting environmental performance standards with regular maintenance.



#### Outcome 5.2: Care for our community land

CSP	Delivery Program	Operational Plan	Performance	Responsib	Status as at 30 Jun 21
No	Action (2017/2021)	Action	Measure	le Officer	
5.2.1	Control weeds and feral pests.	Conduct weed and feral pest inspections inspection program and control operations.  Undertake pest and weed control program on Council managed reserved	Inspection program implemented. Weed control activities completed as programmed. Feral pest control program completed, % reserves sprayed, pest	DETED/W eeds Officer	Ongoing All targets met or exceeded  Ongoing Program conducted in accordance with the level of staffing and funding available. Positive feedback received from the general public.

		Spraying program for footpaths	numbers caught controlled.  Paths free from weeds (DIAP)		Ongoing, some complaints received regarding timeliness of spraying. Additional resources required if an increased level of service is to be provided.  Increase in mosquito activity due to recent rain. Monitoring over the summer months.  Officers undertaking weed control of footpaths, facilities and grounds in towns and villages. Recent rains have created increased cathead and Khaki weed in LGA.  Biological control (Cochineal) used and extremely effective for control of Prickly Pear. A Rust used for control of Bridal Creeper was not as effective, possibly due to the drought.  Officers undertaking weed control of footpaths, facilities, ground and red posts in towns and villages. Recent rains have created increased vegetation growth.  New officer appointed and all positions filled.  Application of mosquito control being applied to stagnate water and areas of increase activity including Gum Bend lake, Willow Bend and table drains.  Targets set by the Weeds Action Plan (WAP) completed.
5.2.2	Work with the Local Land Services to implement natural resource management initiatives.	Progress Lake Cargelligo Wetland Projects.  Investigate options for funding a development officer to work with National Parks and Wildlife service.	Wetland constructed.  Funding investigated and, if available, Development Officer employed.	DETED	Ongoing discussions with DPI and LLS

5.2.3	Develop initiatives to reduce Council's carbon footprint.	Develop initiatives to reduce Council's carbon footprint	Initiatives implemented e.g. LED street lighting, recycled plastic bins.	DETED/DIS	Ongoing within budget. Support for Southern Lights project through CNSWJO  Exploring grant options and Office of Environment and Heritage are undertaking evaluation and recommendation for Council to improve energy consumption/sustainability.  An Energy Sustainability Policy has been adopted and grant funding was allocated for the installation of a minimum of 11 solar projects by 30 June 2021.  A total of 13 solar projects have now been completed. Two further projects are to be completed by August 2021, utilising grant funds.
5.2.4	Address weed and salt issues at Gum bend lake.	Put in place a salt bush planting program to alleviate salinity issues which have arisen due to the installation of the lake.  Put in place a weed control program at Gum Bend lake	No of salt push plants planted 20% reduction in salinity levels present in the soil surrounding Gum Bend Lake 20% reduction in noxious weeds at Gum Bend Lake.	DIS/Weed s Officer	Herbicide program completed for aquatic weeds. Drought has emptied Gum Bend Lake and killed all aquatic weeds. Lake dredging and sealing works complete.  Approval obtained from LLS to improve the drainage around the Reserve to reduce salt concentration  400 salt tolerant species seedlings planted. Salt tolerant species seeds have been planted across salt affected area.  Weed management undertaken as part of going weed officer operation.

# Outcome 5.3: Ensure that animals are properly controlled

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
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5.3.1	Provide animal management services and encourage responsible ownership.	Hold discounted micro chipping and de-sexing programs each year.	20% increase in animal registrations.	Services provided and considered successful Ongoing in conjunction with vets and RSPCA. Free microchipping held at drought assistance day, part of Rapid Relief Drought Assistance, In total 55 dags microchipped.  De-sexing Program held and processed cats and dags for pensioners and low socio-economic households  Increased focus on rehoming program with RSPCA and other rehoming organisations.
				Concept Plans for a new animal shelter are being developed and the construction of the new shelter will be carried out as part of a successful grant application.

# Outcome 5.4 Community Safety

CSP	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsibl e Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
5.4.	Management of Swimming Pools	100% compliance with swimming pool regulations		DIS	Swimming Pool operations continue under contract. Toddler filtration upgrade works are currently underway.
5.4.	Management of Drug & Alcohol Issues	Support CDAT initiatives		DCCS	Council provides letters of support for projects. Meetings attended.
5.4.	Mitigation of Crime	Installation of CCTV in Foster Street, Lake Cargelligo.	Approval of funding	DCCS	Funding allocated under the LRCI Program and installation to be completed by 30 June 2021.

	Complete a Crime Prevention Plan.	Plan completed.	Not yet started
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## Outcome 5.5: Celebrating and Preserving our Heritage

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsibl e Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
5.5.	Promote and Celebrate Heritage and Achievements	Complete Heritage walks in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo.	Walks completed.	DETED/DIS	Stronger Country Communities Grant application in place for Heritage signs in Lake Cargelligo was successful. Further consultation required to ensure the project aligns with community expectations. Heritage signs in Condobolin and Tullibigeal completed.
5.5.	Protect and Manage our Heritage	Update Council's LEP with significant local buildings.	Council's LEP updated.	DETED	Council was unsuccessful in a grant application to review the European heritage study and update schedule 5 of the Council's LEP. The findings of the Aboriginal Heritage Study will be incorporated into Schedule 5 of the LEP as appropriate. Council officers will continue to seek funding to update the heritage study/Council's LEP listings.
		Adopt a Heritage Management Plan	Heritage plan adopted and implemented.		Completed
5.5.	Support our Natural and built heritage	Identify significant buildings and apply for grants under the Heritage Near Me Program.	Successful grant applications	DETED	Council is currently seeking funding through other funding streams being offered by NSW Government to support our natural and built heritage.  Council was successful in obtaining a grant to undertake an Aboriginal Heritage Study and this process is nearing completion.

# Recreation

Outcome 6.1: Increased recreational use of lakes and rivers

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
6.1.1	Complete the Lake Cargelligo and Gum Bend Lake shared paths to improve access.	Reseal shared path to Gum Bend Lake walkway. Extend Gum Bend Lake walkway around the lake.	Gum Bend Lake walk way reseal completed.	DIS	Complete 510m of concrete walkway constructed.  Camping area drainage has been improved.
		Level camping area and improve stormwater drainage at Gum Bend Lake			Feature survey and design done.
		Construct bushwalks at Mt Tilga, Wagoon and Tallinga.			Multiple grant applications submitted. Funding unsuccessful.
		Signage for walkway Mt Tilga and directional signage Finalise Lake Cargelligo foreshore Walkway	Signage erected. Lake Cargelligo Walkway Stage		Stage II Lake Cargelligo Walkway 1580m of Construction complete. Stage III 806m construction complete
			Il completed.		Works being done progressively.

		Stage II design and construct  Improve access tracks and signage to bird hides.  Implement Gum Bend Lake Committee 6 Year Improvement Plan including additional BBQ's at Gum Bend Lake and Lake Walkway	Survey, investigation, design and costing done and grant program identified for funding. Walkway complete.  New signs erected and create a safe path for users.  Implement improvement plan.		Gum Bend Lake Play equipment upgrade is complete. 2 new Sheltered BBQ's completed. 4 new seats/shelters installed with Rotary, Donations box and additional signage completed near boat ramp. Dredging and sealing works have been completed while the Lake is dry. Wetland areas created for wading birds. 6 year plan is currently being updated.
6.1.2	Secure a reliable water supply for Gum Bend Lake.	Lobby directly and participate in regional group meetings and provide information and submissions as applicable e.g. involvement and advocacy in development of next water sharing plan. Investigate ground water options	Lobbying has been undertaken. Participate in meetings, information is provided and submissions are made as determined.	DIS	Ground water options were not investigated further as they were deemed not viable.  Opportunity to purchase a high security licence through the Drought Communities program was rejected by the Grant body. Establishment of a reserve fund for the future purchase of a High Security Water licence.  Ongoing lobbying with government officials and agencies.

6.1.3	Develop feasibility study for water themed parks across the shire	Apply for grants for waterparks at Memorial Park, Condobolin and Liberty Park, Lake Cargelligo.	Groundwater hydrogeologic al report completed.	DIS	Proposal put to GM, Directors and Strategic Planning Meeting. Preference was to spend money improving parks and play equipment.
		Deliver feasibility study	estimates done for water themed parks		Upgrade to Toddler pool filter systems will include some water play elements.
		Design water themed parks	Grant program identified and grant application submitted.		Not required  Not required

## Outcome 6.2 Upgrade Community Buildings

CSP	Delivery Program	Operational Plan	Performance	Responsibl	Status as at 30 Jun 21
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6.2.	Upgrade Lachlan Shire Libraries	Increase the floor area of Condobolin Library to meet NSW State Library guidelines and install disabled toilets Investigate the options and viability of moving Tottenham library.	Plans Drawn up for Condobolin Library. Investigation re the viability completed. Review Completed.	DCCS/ Librarian	Complete  Evaluation underway.
		Review opening hours of Lake Cargelligo			Draft Library Strategic Plan completed. Undergoing peer review before
		Library and Customer Service Centre.		DCCS/ Librarian.	going on public exhibition.

			Expand opening hours for Council's office in Lake Cargelligo.		
6.2.	Upgrade & Maintain Community Halls and facilities.	Upgrade Burcher with option to relocate museum within hall.	Museum re- located.	DETED/MB S/DIS	The Museum Committee have decided to move the museum to the hall. A schedule of works has been created and works have commenced and are expected to be complete shortly.
		Install toilets and showers at Kiacatoo hall.	Evaluation completed. Toilets installed.		Toilets installed – Showers are not considered to be a viable option
		Upgraded and Cleaner Public toilets.	User satisfaction increased from a 3.5 index to a 3.7 index, according to the Micromex community survey.		New toilets at Burcher completed. Frogs Hollow toilet installed.
		Increased maintenance at Memorial Hall, Lake Cargelligo	Usage increased by 10%.		Building has been re-roofed. Kitchen has been replaced and a new curtain is being installed. PA system has been provided including a hearing loop.
		Install curtains and hanging wire at Memorial Hall Lake Cargelligo.	Curtains Installed		

Public toilets in Lake Cargelligo CBD  Public toilet in park next door to Lake Depot  Provide Swimming Pools in each main flown  Effectively operate and maintain pools at each main flown  Deliver improvement works to meet current Department of Health requirements including filter separation  Deliver improvement works done  Parking on Western Side of Tullibigeal Hall  Car-park constructed.  Not commenced-Existing toilets next to the VIC. A toilet for park has been incorporated as part of the new amenities because the valuation completed. Toilets installed.  Not commenced-Funds not available  Not commenced funds not available  Evaluation completed. Toilets installed.  Not commenced-Funds not available  Effective pool management contracts in place. Customer satisfaction taking to increase from 4.3 to 4.4.  Deliver improvement works to meet current Department of Health requirements including filter separation  Deliver improvement works done  Deliver improvement works done	lock for the Instruction
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Outcome 6.3: New and Visually appealing streetscapes

CSP	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsibl e Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
6.3.1	Programed a themed street tree replacement program.	Develop a plan of existing street trees and species list and implement a themed street tree replacement program.	Program developed	MREC	Planting complete in Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo, Tottenham, Albert and Tullibigeal and tree replacement planning continue Drought has caused the death of many street trees, with continued replacements ongoing.
6.3.2	Upgrade Foster Street Lake Cargelligo & Bathurst/William St Condobolin.	Design and implement streetscape upgrades.	Masterplan developed. Strategic upgrades implemented over 4 years	DIS/MREC	Foster St, Lake Cargelligo detailed design and cost estimate done. Additional funding has been secured through Regional Tourism Activation Fund. Works in late 2021  William, Busby & Lachlan Sts, Condobolin detailed design is being reviewed. Partial funding secured through Fixing Local Roads grant announcement. Works are being planned. Bathurst Street, Condobolin vision master plan completed and used for BBRF round 5 grant application.
6.3.3	Street tree Plan for all towns	Plant street trees according to streetscape plan.  Tree maintenance and watering of all street trees.		MREC	Further tree plantings are being planned, pending suitable conditions.  Drought has caused the death of many street trees. 66 new trees planted with the return of favourable weather conditions.

# Outcome 6.4: Improved Parks & Gardens

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21

6.4.1	Improved Infrastructure in Parks	Five year strategic plan developed for Parks and Reserves Works program developed including roll out of soft-fall at existing and new play equipment and repairs to entry way/gates at memorial Parks	Strategic plan endorsed by Council Works program underway.	DIS	Crown Lands Management review is underway.  New equipment completed at Memorial Park, Condobolin, Apex Park Lake Cargelligo and Memorial Park, Tottenham, Lions Park Condobolin Burcher Memorial Park Tottenham Racetrack and Gum Bend Lake
		Re-new existing soft-fall in playgrounds Install automated underground irrigation to all parks	Soft-fall renewed to required Depths. Irrigation installed to all parks		Soft fall renewed. Ongoing maintenance continues.  Automated irrigation is complete at Maurice O'Connor Park, Buckland Park, Bill Hurley Park, Lake Cargelligo Skate Park, and Lions Park Condobolin. Irrigation renewed for Pioneer park Tullibigeal and Memorial Park Tottenham.
6.4.2	Upgrade and Maintain recreational and sporting facilities	Five year strategic plan for parks and reserves  Management plans for sporting facilities  Replace Pat Timmins Oval change-rooms & upgrade SRA Grounds Rugby League Oval  Level car parking and extended areas of SRA grounds	Strategic plan endorsed by council Management plans completed and capital improvement underway.	DIS	Crown Lands Management review is underway.  Draft Plans of Management have been developed for all crown reserves.  Pat Timmins Oval upgrade complete.  Car park levelling complete Car park sealing complete

Improvements to Lake Cargelligo sporting facilities.	Lake Cargelligo Sporting upgrades complete. Additional Grand stand and seating installed.
Install watering systems at Lake Cargelligo oval	Stage 1 and 2 irrigation works complete
Replace Amenities at Tullibigeal Racetrack	Tullibigeal Amenities replacement complete
Install Cricket nets at Lake Cargelligo Rec Reserve	Preferred site location has changed, with discussions continuing with the Lake Cargelligo Central School to locate the cricket nets at "the Complex" on Yelkin Street. Discussions with DET on the MOU continue.

Outcome 6.5: The provision of neat, accessible and respectful cemeteries

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsib le Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
6.5.1	Improvements at Cemeteries	Upgrade toilet at Condobolin Cemetery Expand footpath network to the Condobolin Cemetery. Install seats at Condobolin cemetery.	Footpath to the cemetery completed. Seats installed	DIS (DIAP)	Cemetery Committee removed this from improvement list in the Plan of Management improvements including drainage, paths and kerb & gutter completed. Stage 1 and 2 complete. Irrigation installed at Lake Cargelligo Lawn Cemetery.  Irrigation and signage planning underway for Condobolin Cemetery. Plinth extension completed.

Outcome 6.6: Community Gardens in the towns

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
6.6.1	Develop community Gardens in Lake Cargelligo and Condobolin.	Acquire Sites for community gardens  Construct community garden  Establish \$355 committees	Investigate location for gardens and engage community interest for committee to manage gardens.	DIS	Potential for excess land within the Lake Cargelligo Swimming Pool Lot could be utilised for a community garden site. Not yet done.  Not yet done.  Not yet done.

# Service Infrastructure

Outcome 7.1: Water, sewer and energy utilities meet best practice standards with up to date technology

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
7.1.1	Complete effluent reuse systems in the shire	Implement agreed option in accordance with grant conditions	Grant monies acquitted	MU	Scope of works has been revised after receipt of concept design, and costing. Additional \$2.65m funding required before proceeding. Public Works Advisory have been engaged to Project Manage the Effluent Project.

					Additional site and water balance investigations completed. Final design and Tender documents are being developed for Tottenham scheme as a priority.
7.1.2	Implement the asset maintenance and renewal program for water and sewerage services.	Complete annual maintenance and renewals program.  Review Asset Management Plan and link with Long Term Financial Plan.	Kilometres of pipes renewed/ replaced. Number of sites receiving renewal or upgrading.	MU	Maintenance and renewals Ten Year Program being developed  Conditional rating completed for Sewer Assets.  2km of sewer mains renewed  Officers Parade, Gum Bend Lake, SRA Cottage, Lake Cargelligo 1 and Tottenham Caravan Park Sewer Pump Station upgrades complete.  SCADA upgrades for Tottenham Reservoir and Leg-O-Mutton pump station.  UF Skid Replacement and Evaporation Pond liner replacement at Lake Cargelligo WTP.
7.1.3	Upgraded power Supplies	Upgrade power at Tullibigeal Caravan Park and Recreation reserve.	Power upgraded	DIS	Power upgraded at caravan park. Upgrade for Recreation Reserve completed.
7.1.4	Plan and undertake a water mains renewal program	Implement a renewal program each year. Review Asset Management Plan and link with Long Term Financial Plan	Nominated renewal program completed.	MU	Ten Year Works Program being developed. 2.25km of water main at Tottenham has been constructed. Fire hydrants & stop valves replaced in Napier, Orange and Molong Sts, Condobolin.  Water Hydrants and valves cleaned and exercises in Tullibigeal and Lake Cargelligo.
7.1.5	Encourage the generation of alternate energy in the Shire.	Support & facilitate installation of renewable energy & energy projects within the shire.	Projects supported.	DETED/GM	Participation in OEH Sustainable Councils and Communities Program. Considering PPA proposal through JO. Potential for establishment of Micro Grids under review. Fifteen (15) new solar projects are either completed or close to completion on Council's buildings or to power Council's assets.

7.1.6	Council to improve energy efficiency of facilities and	Progressive investigations & implementation of more energy efficient facilities & plant.	Funded projects completed. Reduction in electricity costs	DIS DETED	Variable speed drives installed progressively. Solar power arrays being scoped for large capex projects. Participating in JO Southern Lights LED project. Street lighting LED due FY2021/22.
	plant.	Implement replacement of street lighting with energy efficient LED	associated with the provision of water and sewer services.		An Energy sustainability plan has been adopted and fifteen (15) solar energy projects are either complete or close to completion which will reduce Council's energy consumption.

Outcome 7.2: Water Security for all towns and villages.

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
7.2.1	Progress the Bore Fields 2 Project	Implement project in stages	Stages are progressing satisfactorily & funding applied for.	MU	Three production bores have been constructed. Funding announcement was made for the construction of the bores and pipeline to Condobolin. Public Works Advisory have been engaged to project manage the delivery of this key infrastructure. Tender process underway for the construction of the pipeline. Negotiations are ongoing with adjacent land owner. WTP upgrade options report done. Scoping study for WTP done. Site selection assessment is underway. Funding commitment has been advised from DPIE to progress the WTP upgrade project.
7.2.2	Complete Tottenham water security project	Implement agreed option in accordance with grant conditions	Grant monies acquitted	MU	B-Section Pipeline Collaboration Project underway. Discussion paper completed. Public Works Advisory have been engaged to project manage the Tottenham Water Security Project. Replacement and Upgrade of the Albert Reservoir has been selected in preference to additional storage at Tottenham.
7.2.3	Upgrade Standpipes	Redesign and install standpipe at Tottenham.	New Standpipe installed.	MU	Upgrades to non-potable standpipes completed in Condobolin & Lake Cargelligo. Albert Standpipe upgraded

7.2.4	Water	Up-grade water storage infrastructure	Sufficient	MU	Tullibigeal bore and irrigation project completed. Non-
	Availability at	to ensure water security for Tullibigeal.	water		potable water to the Recreation Ground is available.
	Tullibigeal		availability for		
			Tullibigeal.		

# Outcome 7.3: Adequate town drainage

CSP No	Delivery Program Action (2017/2021)	Operational Plan Action	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer	Status as at 30 Jun 21
7.3.1	Ensure that towns have adequate drainage	Design Drainage system for Tullibigeal.  Implement Drainage system and Kerb & guttering in Tullibigeal.	Design & Survey completed.	MU	Two options investigated, unaffordable. Kerb & gutter with urban street sealing completed in Wooyeo St. Cargelligo St Construction completed.

## 8 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

## 8.1 BUSH BURSARY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2021

TRIM Number: R21/152

Author: Administration Officer - Corporate & Community Services

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's support for the 2021 Bush Bursary Scholarship Program.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

A request has been received from NSW Rural Doctors Network to host students for the 2021 Bush Bursary Scholarship program.

## **BACKGROUND**

Lachlan Shire Council initiated this scholarship in 1996. In previous years Council has supported the NSW Rural Doctors Network with their Bush Bursary Scholarship program by hosting medical students to gain rural experience during their university training.

## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

Council has supported the Bush Bursary program in previous years and received positive feedback from students, health facilities and the community. The medical students have the opportunity to visit the Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo and Tottenham medical facilities.

## FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Council has budgeted \$3,000 for this program.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no legal implications identified.

## **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

There are no risk implications identified.

#### STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Council Staff will consult with students and medical centres across the shire to arrange a schedule once dates are confirmed.

# **OPTIONS**

- 1. Council approve the report.
- 2. Council not approve the report.

## CONCLUSION

A request has been received from NSW Rural Doctors Network to host students for the 2021 Bush Bursary Scholarship program. The NSW Rural Doctors Network's Bush Bursary program is important to showcase our area to medical students.

## LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

1.6.1 Support programs to attract and retain medial and allied health professionals

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Bush Bursary 2021 - Council Invitation <a href="#">J</a>

## **RECOMMENDATION**

## That

- 1. The Director Corporate & Community Services Report No. R21/152 be received and noted
- 2. Council support the Bush Bursary program
  - (a) Financial contribution of \$3,000 + GST for the 2021.2022 financial year and
  - (b) In kind support to facilitate the local placements.

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22 March 2021

To whom it may concern,

## Re: The 2021 Bush Bursary/Country Women's Association (NSW) Scholarship Program

I am writing to invite you to participate in the Bush Bursary/ CWA (NSW) scholarship Program in 2021.

## What are the Bush Bursary and CWA (NSW) Scholarships?

The Bush Bursary and CWA Scholarships provide selected medical students in NSW and the ACT with funding to assist with costs associated with their studies. In return, students spend two weeks on a rural placement in country NSW during their university holidays. Lachlan Shire Council initiated this scholarship in 1996 and the CWA of NSW first funded a student in 1997. Over the past two decades, the program has grown to be a well-respected initiative among those studying to pursue a rural health career.

## How do the scholarships work?

The scholarships are offered annually to selected medical students in NSW and the ACT and are financially supported by the rural councils of NSW, the Country Women's Association and NSW Rural Doctors Network (RDN). This year scholarships will continue to be open to nursing students, recognising the important role played by nurses in rural communities. This scholarship will be the only opportunity of its type available to nursing students in NSW. The Council investment is \$3,000 plus GST, for one or two students.

## Why should your Council be involved?

Over the past two decades, more than 350 students have participated in the Bush Bursary program. Our ability to place students is limited by the number of councils involved and the number of placements sponsored. In 2018, RDN received 125 applications for the program, our **highest number ever** – yet we only had 14 places on offer. With more placements available, there is more opportunity for RDN to expose the next generations of doctors and nurses to rural medical practice and lifestyle.

Please read the attached short information pack for more information about how your council can help promote rural NSW living to a future health professional by investing in a Bush Bursary Scholarship.

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I am more than happy to discuss this opportunity with you further if you need more information.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Russell NSW Rural Doctors Network Future Workforce Manager students@nswrdn.com.au 02 8337 8100

## Why is the Bush Bursary Scholarship important?

RDN is driven by a fundamental belief that access to quality healthcare is the right of every Australian, no matter where they live. To create a skilled and sustainable health and medical workforce in rural and regional towns, we work with the next generation of practitioners to encourage them to choose a career in country NSW. Our research shows that positive immersion experiences in rural health settings are known contributors to students choosing rural medical and health careers.

RDN and local councils work together to provide a positive Bush Bursary experience and showcase the incredible rural lifestyles available to students.

#### NSW Rural Doctors Network's role:

- Advertising and promotion of the Bush Bursary Scholarships to eligible students studying at universities in NSW/ACT
- · Recruitment and selection of Bush Bursary recipients
- · Administration of funds from sponsoring councils to Bush Bursary recipients
- Matching recipients to sponsoring councils
- Organisation of placement for the sponsored Bush Bursary student, including liaising with local medical practitioners and community groups, accommodation and social aspects of the two-week placement.
- Ongoing support and information for recipients and councils throughout the year
- Distribution of research and evaluation about the Bush Bursary to stakeholders and interested parties

#### Your Councils Role:

- Investment of \$3,000 (+GST) for two sponsored students
- Nomination of contact person from within council or associated organisation
- Liaise with RDN and sponsored Bush Bursary student regarding placement arrangements
- Liaise with RDN, Bush Bursary recipients and local media (where appropriate) to promote the placements in your community
- Assist RDN in sourcing accommodation in the community for the students whilst they are on placement

In 2012 RDN completed a longitudinal study of scholarship recipients from 1996–2006 to track their career choice and practice locations. The study found:

- one-quarter of previous scholarship receipts were working in a rural or regional area when surveyed
- 41% of scholarship holders spent their first and second postgraduate years (PGY) in a non-metropolitan hospital
- 35% of PGY3 scholarship holders were in a non-metropolitan hospital.

These figures equate to 140 combined years spent in the rural and regional medical workforce and are significant as they indicate a high proportion of scholarship holders began their careers in a non-metropolitan area, spending two or three years as junior rural doctors.

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## **Bush Bursary Case Study: Crookwell, NSW**

Annabelle Carter, a first-year medical student at the University of Wollongong, spent two weeks in Crookwell, NSW in January 2021.





"After this experience, I'm more passionate than ever about working in rural NSW. And I'm advocating for my peers to work there too. Medical students should give it a go."

#### ANNABELLE CARTER

BUSH BURSARY AND CWA SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT CROOKWELL JANUARY 2021

## In her words:

"I had a wonderful time in Crookwell and am so glad I had the opportunity to experience rural lifestyle. I wish all medical students would give it a go - for a glimpse into the life but also to understand the struggles that rural towns go through daily.

I am so pleased to have met wonderful hosts, health care workers and locals in Crookwell. It's not everyday you are welcomed into a beautiful community like this one!"

"I met with a woman from council on my arrival and from then on she took me under her wing and made my social experience awesome! She gave me a tour of the town, showed

me restaurants, cafes, a brewery, took me to some incredible farms and introduced me to her friends, family and colleagues. I met with CWA for morning tea which was also a lovely day. They also gifted me a wonderful scrapbook detailing the history of health care delivery in Crookwell with photos and newspaper clippings"

"I think my perspective about rural health care has changed dramatically in that I have an awareness of what rural towns experience with access. There were only 2-3 doctors in the town which meant locums were constantly coming in and out of the town, therefore putting a burden on the town of a lack of continuity of care. I discovered that I have an even stronger desire to practise rural medicine to help communities like Crookwell and I wish to advocate to my peers to do the same"

Annabelle Carter, Bush Bursary Scholarship recipient, January 2020



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## In the community's words:

"Upper Lachlan Shire enjoyed having Annabelle during her RDN visit. Annabelle emerged herself into the local health groups including Gunning District Health, various teams within Crookwell Hospital and the Thrive Medical Practice in Crookwell, all of which enjoyed her enthusiasm and kind nature. She also was able to enjoy experiences like the Alpaca Farm, a morning with the Country Women's Association and even a visit to our local sock factory – Lindner socks.

The feedback from everyone involved has been very positive and we hope more likeminded students come and visit to explore the social and clinical activities the Upper Lachlan Shire has to offer"

Katie Dewar, Executive Assistant to Mayor and General Manager, Upper Lachlan Shire Council

## How to participate:

Please complete the enclosed sponsorship form and **return it by Friday 3 May 2021**, via email or post. Contact details are included on the form.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to showcase country NSW to a future rural health professional. Your support is greatly appreciated.

## 8.2 DONATIONS

TRIM Number: R21/153

Author: Administration Officer - Corporate & Community Services

## **PURPOSE**

Council is asked to consider requests for monetary and in kind support for community events to be held in the 2021/2022 financial year.

## **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

A copy of the request for donation is included as an attachment.

## **BACKGROUND**

Throughout the year Council receives requests from individuals, community groups and sporting clubs for financial and in kind support. This support may promote the liveability of the shire or enable residents to undertake representation in their chosen sport or activities outside of the shire.

## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

## **Condobolin RSL Pipe Band Tattoo**

Condobolin RSL Pipe Band are requesting Council erect bunting by 10am and dismantle the bunting after 11:30am in Memorial park on Sunday12 September 2021 for the Campbelltown Camden District Band. Council staff are available.

The club have since advised Council that they are no longer wanting to hire chairs, and they will now be sourcing their own.

## **Updates**

Condo Cook Up - Council has received confirmation that this event has been cancelled.

NAIDOC week events have been deferred and are expected to be held in September 2021.

## **Donations expected to come to a future Council meeting**

## Lake Cargelligo Sports Club

The Lake Cargelligo Sports Club has requested assistance towards maintaining the cricket ovals and a concession on their rates and charges for 12 months. Council requested more information on 9 February 2021. A copy of the Hardship Policy was also provided.

It should be noted that the Club owes Council over \$13,000 in water consumption arrears and Club management have been contacted about resolving this outstanding debt. These arrears are historical and the current water consumption charges are being paid.

Meetings were held in June 2021 with two club members. Further information was requested from the club before this matter can be progressed.

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## FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

A provision was made in the FY2021/2022 budget to provide cash and in kind support for Community events.

Due to a Council resolution made in July 2020, there is an allowance in the 2021.2022 budget of \$4,400 for in kind support and \$5,000 for financial assistance for the Condobolin RSL Pipe Band Tattoo.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no known legal implications.

## **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

There is reputational risk for Council when making decisions to approve or not to approve particular requests.

## STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Council at the July 2021 strategic briefing.

## **OPTIONS**

- 1. Provide the full amount of the requested donation.
- 2. Decline the full amount of the requested donation
- 3. Offer a reduced donation to allow as many organisations as possible to be supported in the financial year.

## CONCLUSION

Council is asked to consider and make a resolution on the amount of any donation it wishes to provide.

## LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP 4.2.1 Council is financially sustainable and provides services at a level expected by the community.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Condobolin RSL Pipe Band - Condobolin Tattoo &

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That

- 1. The Director of Corporate and Community Services Report No. R21/153 be received and noted.
- 2. Council determine the amount of any additional donation in the form of in kind support to be granted to the Condobolin RSL Pipe Band Tattoo.

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## **Immogine Turner**

From: Robert & Belinda Neal <rbslgn@activ8.net.au>

Sent: Tuesday, 6 July 2021 5:50 PM

To: Council

Subject: ATTENTION - Immogine Turner - Condobolin RSL Pipe Band - Condobolin Tattoo

Attachments: 05072021145153-0001.pdf; Letter No. 2 to LSC asking for assistance .docx

## Hello Immogine

I refer to your attached letter and advise that we had a meeting last night and decided that we would organise the chairs ourselves for the park.

So we won't need the LSC to provide chairs.

We require the Council to erect the bunting to be used in the Memorial Park Sunday morning 12 September.

The performance by the Campbelltown Camden District Band will be 10.30am to 11.30am so the bunting will need to be installed by 10am and dismantled after 11.30am

Therefore I am asking the Council to waive the fee for erecting and dismantling the bunting for this community performance.

I have changed the letter that was given to Paula to show this.

Regards Robert Neal Pipe Major 02 6896 2917 0428 962 917



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From: Condo Pipe band <condobolinrslpipeband@yahoo.com.au>

Sent: Monday, 5 July 2021 2:18 PM

To: Rob & Belinda Neal <rbslgn@activ8.net.au>

Subject: Fw: Condobolin RSL Pipe Band - Condobolin Tattoo - additional information

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

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Begin forwarded message:

On Monday, July 5, 2021, 2:15 pm, Karen Pegler < Karen.Pegler@lachlan.nsw.gov.au > wrote:

Hi Belinda & Robert

Paula did pass on your details & we require further information. Apologies for the delayed response but my administration officer has been on extended leave due to an accident.

If you could response as soon as possible to council@lachlan.nsw.gov.au & Att Immogine Turner

For your request to be submitted to the July council meeting, we need a response no later than Monday 12 July.

Kind Regards



Karen Pegler | Director - Corporate and Community Services Lachlan Shire Council | 58-64 Molong Street | Condobolin NSW 2877

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From: Immogine Turner < Immogine.Turner@lachlan.nsw.gov.au >

Sent: Monday, 5 July 2021 2:07 PM

To: Karen Pegler < Karen.Pegler@lachlan.nsw.gov.au > Subject: Condobolin RSL Pipe Band - Condobolin Tattoo

Hi Karen

 ${\it Please find attached the letter for the Condobolin RSL Pipe Band, Condobolin Tattoo.}\\$ 

Kind regards,



um Major- Terrence Worthington Condobolin RSL Pipe Band pe Major<sub>- R</sub>obert Neal PO Box 184

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Ph: (02) 68962917

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18th June 2021

The General Manager
Mr Greg Tory
Lachlan Shire Council
PO Box 216
CONDOBOLIN NSW 2877

Band Secretary - Heather Jones

CONDOBOLÍN NSW 2877

Dear Greg

The Condobolin RSL Pipe Band are excited that we will be hosting the Fifth Condobolin Tattoo on Saturday 11th September 2021.

The Condobolin RSL Pipe Band received a letter dated 7 July 2020 from the Lachlan Shire Council stating that they were happy to provide in principle support for our 2021 Tattoo. This being as follows: -

- Provision of tiered seating within the town limits
- Transport of the tiered seating to the RSL car park Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September and removal of tiered seating after the event.
- 3. Sweeping of the RSL carpark before the tiered seating is placed.
- Provide Council portable toilet amenities block and bins.
- Transport portable toilet amenities block to the Council's car park south of the RSL Club prior to the event and removal from this site after the event.
- Approval for street closure (RSL Club McDonnell Street to rounda-bout Bathurst Street through to William Street round-a-bout) to conduct a street parade for participants in the 2021 Tattoo between 5pm and 6pm.
- Use of the SRA horse stables if needed for the Trundle Light Horse Infantry.
- 8. Waiving of Development Application Section 68 Fee.

CONDOBOLÍN NSW 2877

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# **Condobolin RSL Pipe Band**

## Condobolin Tattoo 2021

Drum Major- Terrence Worthington Condobolin RSL Pipe Band Pipe Major- Robert Neal PO Box 184 BandiSecretary – Heather Jones

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condobolinrslpipeband@yahoo.com.au

However, we are now asking for one more additional support for Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September. The Campbelltown Camden Brass Band which is the feature band for the Tattoo would like to perform in the Memorial Park on the Sunday morning. Therefore, we require the following assistance for that performance:

 To supply and dismantle the orange bunting to be used for the performance by Campbelltown Camden Brass Band on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September in Memorial Park Lachlan Street. They will be performing between 10.30am and 11.30am.

We would also like to thank you for the \$5,000 financial assistance.

Yours faithfully

ROBERT NEAL
Pipe Major
Condobolin RSL Pipe Band

#### 8.3 INVESTMENTS AS AT 30 JUNE 2021

TRIM Number: R21/183

Author: Financial Accountant

#### **PURPOSE**

The Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 section 212 specifies that Council's Responsible Accounting Officer must provide elected members with a monthly written report detailing the funds invested by Council. The report must include information up to the last day of the month immediately preceding the meeting.

The Responsible Accounting Officer must also provide a certificate stating whether the investments have been made in accordance with the Act, the Regulations and Council's investment policy.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Council's general bank account reconciled balance at 30 June 2021 is \$3,117,536.18.

Investments held at 30 June 2021 totalling \$52,315,952 are set out in Attachment 1.

#### **Responsible Accounting Officer Certificate**

I certify that the bank accounts and investments have been reconciled with the Council's general ledger as at 30 June 2021, and that investments have been made in accordance with the *Local Government Act, Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* and Council's Investment Policy.

Karen Pegler

Responsible Accounting Officer

#### **FINANCIAL UPDATE**

As at the end of June 2021, Council's portfolio is compliant across its counterparty and credit quality limits. Over the past 12 months, the portfolio, excluding on call cash, returned +1.29% p.a., outperforming bank bills by 1.323% p.a.

The official cash rate remains at 0.10%. This low rate will have a negative impact on Council's interest income. The expectation is that the Reserve Bank will not raise rates again until there is a sustained recovery and both of the economic objectives of full employment and target inflation are met. Returns of 0.40% to 0.80% p.a. can be expected over the next few financial years.

#### LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Investments are made in accordance with Council's Investment Policy and the Community Strategic Plan/Delivery Program Item 4.2.1, which aims to ensure that "Council is financially sustainable and provides services at a level expected by the community".

#### **CONCLUSION**

Investments will continue to be managed so Council can meet its cash commitments as and when they fall due.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. June 2021 Investment Report <u>U</u>

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

That:

1. The Director Corporate and Community Services Report No. R21/183 be received and noted.

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# **Investment Report**

01/06/2021 to 30/06/2021



## Portfolio Valuation as at 30/06/2021

Issuer	Rating	Туре	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Rate	Value	Accrued	Accrued MTD
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	30/06/2020	06/07/2021	1.0500	1,000,000.00	28.77	28.77
Auswide Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	12/08/2019	10/08/2021	1.9500	1,000,000.00	36,809.59	1,602.74
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	26/08/2020	26/08/2021	0.8000	1,000,000.00	789.04	657.53
Bank of Sydney	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/09/2020	08/09/2021	0.9300	500,000.00	3,770.96	382.19
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	20/10/2020	20/10/2021	0.6300	500,000.00	2,192.05	258.90
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	22/10/2019	26/10/2021	1.6000	1,000,000.00	3,068.49	1,315.07
AMP Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	27/05/2020	23/11/2021	1.4500	1,000,000.00	1,390.41	1,191.78
Community First	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	25/11/2020	30/11/2021	0.6500	500,000.00	1,941.10	267.12
Community First	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	03/12/2020	07/12/2021	0.6500	1,000,000.00	3,739.73	534.25
ING Direct	Α	TD	GENERAL	Annual	06/02/2020	08/02/2022	1.6500	500,000.00	3,232.19	678.08
Bank of Sydney	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	09/02/2021	09/02/2022	0.5900	500,000.00	1,147.67	242.47
Newcastle Permanent	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	20/02/2019	22/02/2022	3.0500	500,000.00	1,754.79	1,253.42
Newcastle Permanent	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	05/03/2019	08/03/2022	2.9500	500,000.00	969.86	969.86
Members Equity Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	23/03/2021	23/03/2022	0.5000	1,000,000.00	1,369.86	410.96
Macquarie Bank	A+	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	23/03/2021	23/03/2022	0.4900	1,000,000.00	1,342.47	402.74
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	06/05/2020	10/05/2022	1.4500	500,000.00	1,112.33	595.89
AMP Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	24/11/2020	23/05/2022	0.7500	1,000,000.00	4,500.00	616.44
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	27/05/2020	24/05/2022	1.3000	1,000,000.00	14,246.58	1,068.49

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Issuer	Rating	Туре	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Rate	Value	Accrued	Accrued MTD
AMP Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	11/06/2020	14/06/2022	1.4000	750,000.00	575.34	575.34
Members Equity Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	09/06/2021	14/06/2022	0.5000	1,000,000.00	301.37	301.37
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	09/06/2021	14/06/2022	0.4500	2,000,000.00	542.47	542.47
AMP Bank	ввв	TD	GENERAL	Annual	22/12/2020	21/06/2022	0.7500	750,000.00	2,943.49	462.33
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	23/06/2020	28/06/2022	1.2500	1,000,000.00	273.97	273.97
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	22/07/2020	26/07/2022	1.0000	600,000.00	5,654.79	493.15
Auswide Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	18/08/2020	23/08/2022	0.9000	500,000.00	3,908.22	369.86
Auswide Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	27/08/2020	29/08/2022	0.9000	750,000.00	5,695.89	554.79
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	26/08/2020	30/08/2022	0.9500	1,000,000.00	8,042.47	780.82
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	26/08/2020	30/08/2022	0.8200	1,000,000.00	808.77	673.97
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	08/09/2020	08/09/2022	0.7800	1,500,000.00	737.26	737.26
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/09/2020	08/09/2022	0.8000	1,500,000.00	9,731.51	986.30
WAW Credit Union	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/09/2020	13/09/2022	1.0500	500,000.00	4,257.53	431.51
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/09/2020	13/09/2022	0.8000	1,500,000.00	9,731.51	986.30
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	20/10/2020	20/10/2022	0.8000	500,000.00	2,783.56	328.77
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	27/11/2020	29/11/2022	0.6300	500,000.00	1,864.11	258.90
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	10/12/2020	13/12/2022	0.6300	500,000.00	1,751.92	258.90
Warwick Credit Union	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	10/02/2021	13/02/2023	0.6500	1,000,000.00	2,510.96	534.25
Warwick Credit Union	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	09/02/2021	14/02/2023	0.6500	500,000.00	1,264.38	267.12
WAW Credit Union	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	02/03/2021	02/03/2023	0.7000	500,000.00	1,160.27	287.67

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Issuer	Rating	Туре	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Rate	Value	Accrued	Accrued MTD
BNK Bank	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	30/03/2021	04/04/2023	0.7000	900,000.00	1,605.21	517.81
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	13/04/2021	18/04/2023	0.6000	1,000,000.00	1,298.63	493.15
BNK Bank	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	04/05/2021	09/05/2023	0.7000	1,000,000.00	1,112.33	575.34
AMP Bank	ввв	TD	GENERAL	Annual	04/05/2021	09/05/2023	0.7000	1,000,000.00	1,112.33	575.34
MyState Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	04/05/2021	09/05/2023	0.5500	1,000,000.00	873.97	452.05
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	25/05/2021	23/05/2023	0.6300	2,000,000.00	1,277.26	1,035.62
ING Direct	Α	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/06/2021	13/06/2023	0.5000	500,000.00	157.53	157.53
ING Direct	Α	TD	GENERAL	Annual	15/06/2021	13/06/2023	0.5000	750,000.00	164.38	164.38
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	18/06/2021	18/06/2024	0.8000	1,500,000.00	427.40	427.40
Macquarie Bank	A+	CASH	GENERAL	Monthly	30/06/2021	30/06/2021	0.4000	5,512,554.96	1,811.77	1,811.77
NAB	AA-	CASH	GENERAL	Monthly	30/06/2021	30/06/2021	0.3100	5,303,397.14	612.06	612.06
TOTALS								52,315,952.10	158,398.56	29,404.24

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## Counterparty Compliance as at 30/06/2021

## **Long Term Investments**

Compliant	Bank Group	Term	Rating	Invested	Invested (%)	Limit (%)	Limit (\$)	Available
<b>~</b>	Commonwealth Bank	Long	AA-	2,500,000.00	4.78	25.00	-	10,578,988.03
<b>✓</b>	Westpac	Long	AA-	6,000,000.00	11.47	25.00	-	7,078,988.03
<b>✓</b>	NAB	Long	AA-	12,303,397.14	23.52	25.00	-	775,590.89
<b>✓</b>	Macquarie Bank	Long	A+	6,512,554.96	12.45	20.00	-	3,950,635.46
<b>✓</b>	ING Direct	Long	А	1,750,000.00	3.35	20.00	-	8,713,190.42
<b>✓</b>	BOQ	Long	BBB+	5,600,000.00	10.70	15.00	-	2,247,392.82
<b>✓</b>	MyState Bank	Long	BBB	1,000,000.00	1.91	15.00	-	6,847,392.82
<b>✓</b>	Members Equity Bank	Long	BBB	2,000,000.00	3.82	15.00	-	5,847,392.82
<b>✓</b>	Auswide Bank	Long	BBB	2,250,000.00	4.30	15.00	-	5,597,392.82
<b>✓</b>	AMP Bank	Long	BBB	4,500,000.00	8.60	15.00	-	3,347,392.82
<b>✓</b>	Newcastle Permanent	Long	BBB	1,000,000.00	1.91	15.00	-	6,847,392.82
<b>✓</b>	Warwick Credit Union	Long	Unrated	1,500,000.00	2.87	5.00	-	1,115,797.61
<b>✓</b>	WAW Credit Union	Long	Unrated	1,000,000.00	1.91	5.00	-	1,615,797.61
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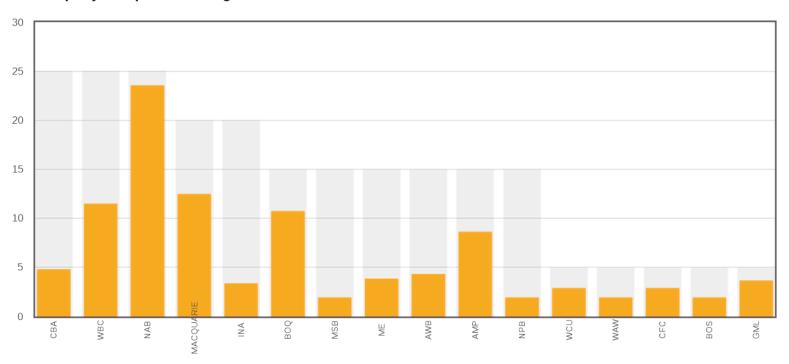
Compliant	Bank Group	Term	Rating	Invested	Invested (%)	Limit (%)	Limit (\$)	Available
*	Community First	Long	Unrated	1,500,000.00	2.87	5.00	-	1,115,797.61
~	Bank of Sydney	Long	Unrated	1,000,000.00	1.91	5.00	-	1,615,797.61
4	Goldfields Money	Long	Unrated	1,900,000.00	3.63	5.00	-	715,797.61
TOTALS				52,315,952.10	100.00			



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## **Counterparty Compliance - Long Term Investments**



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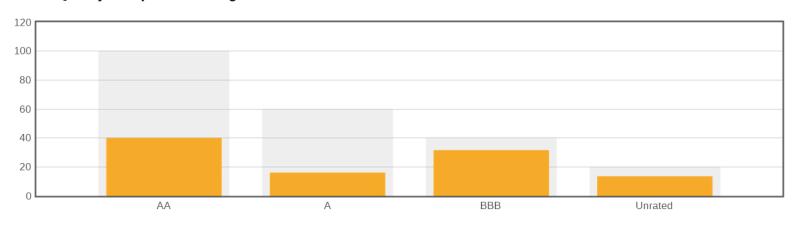


## Credit Quality Compliance as at 30/06/2021

## **Long Term Investments**

Compliant	Rating	Invested (\$)	Invested (%)	Limit (%)	Available
<b>~</b>	AA	20,803,397.14	39.77	100.00	31,512,554.96
<b>✓</b>	А	8,262,554.96	15.79	60.00	23,127,016.30
<b>✓</b>	BBB	16,350,000.00	31.25	40.00	4,576,380.84
<b>4</b>	Unrated	6,900,000.00	13.19	20.00	3,563,190.42
TOTALS		52,315,952.10	100.00		

## **Credit Quality Compliance - Long Term Investments**



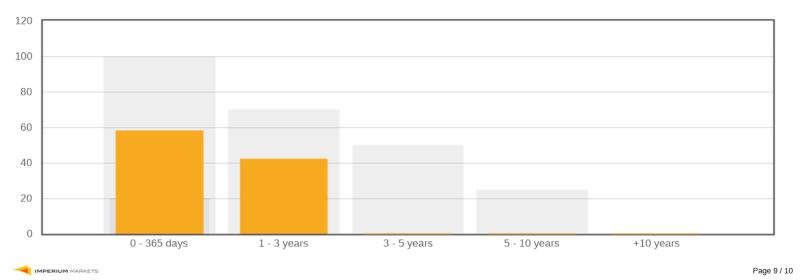
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## Maturity Compliance as at 30/06/2021

Compliant	Term	Invested	Invested (%)	Min Limit (%)	Max Limit (%)	Available
<b>*</b>	0 - 365 days	30,315,952.10	57.95	20.00	100.00	22,000,000.00
<b>*</b>	1 - 3 years	22,000,000.00	42.05	0.00	70.00	14,621,166.47
<b>*</b>	3 - 5 years		0.00	0.00	50.00	26,157,976.05
<b>*</b>	5 - 10 years	-	0.00	0.00	25.00	13,078,988.03
<b>*</b>	+10 years		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
TOTALS		52,315,952.10	100.00			

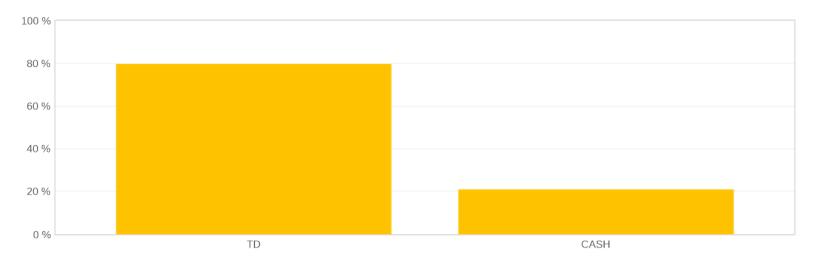
## **Maturity Compliance**





## **Asset Class** as at 30/06/2021

Code	Number of Trades	Invested	Invested (%)
TD	47	41,500,000.00	79.33
CASH	2	10,815,952.10	20.67
TOTALS	49	52,315,952.10	100.0



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#### 8.4 CUSTOMER REQUESTS - 30 JUNE 2021

TRIM Number: R21/184

Author: Project Officer

#### **PURPOSE**

This report is provided quarterly for the information of Councillors only.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Attached you will find a high level summary report of the customer requests registered for the month of June 2021.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Authority system has the ability to capture customer requests for service. Reporting to Council forms part of the Customer Relationship Management Framework.

#### **UPDATE**

Attached you will find a high level summary report of the customer requests registered for the month ended 30 June 2021. You will note some line items may appear under more than one member of the executive leadership team (e.g. Council properties) as this relates back to the staff member registering the request into the Authority CRM module. This is not a user error but is related to which department the staff member works in.

The Authority CRM module is not very flexible therefore graphs have also been attached to assist Councillor's gauge progress over time.

There are two (2) graphs attached. The first graph shows the number of requests that missed the target close off date over time. Please note these are percentages which can distort the actual results.

The second graph is complex and relates to the current month only:

- The left hand axis and green bars show the number of requests created; and
- The right hand axis and blue line depicts the number of open requests at the end of the month.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no known financial implications.

#### LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council

#### CONCLUSION

The high level CRM reports attached provide Council with data on the number of CRM's received and completed in the month of June.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. June CRM Report J.
- 3. Graph Missed Due Date U

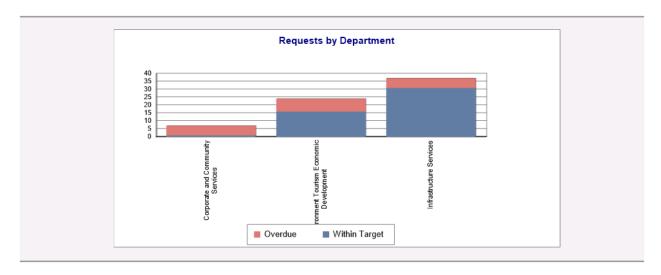
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## **RECOMMENDATION**

That:

 The Director Corporate and Community Services Report No. R21/184 be received and noted.

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## Received Request Statistics

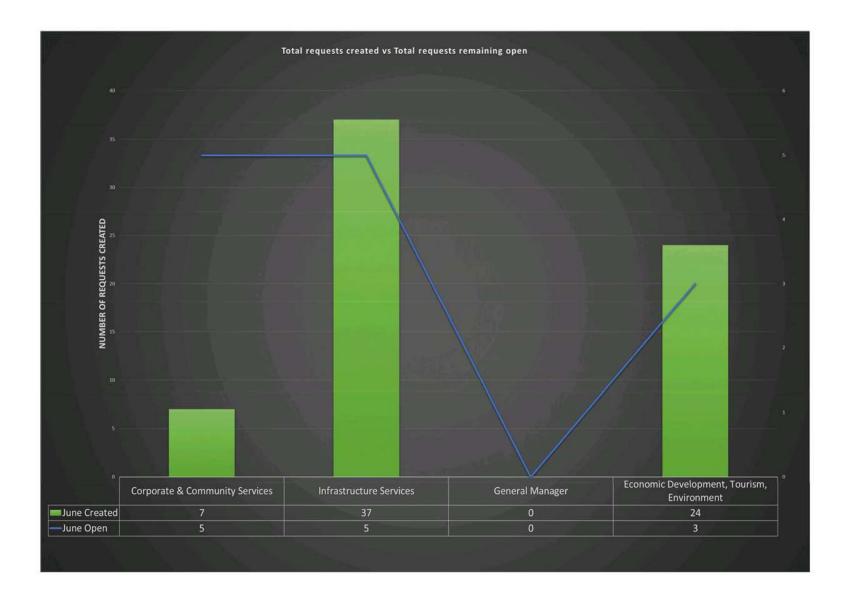
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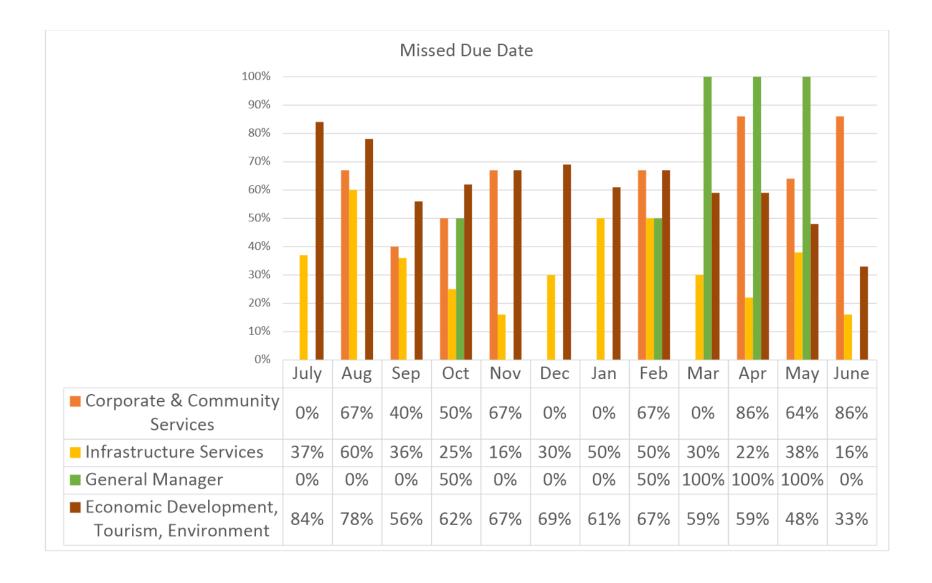


2 - Customer Request Management 1/06/2021 to 30/06/2021

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Department / C	Category	New	Closed	C/F Open	Within Tgt	%	Overdue	%
Corporate ar	nd Community Services	7	2	5	1	14%	6	86%
Communi	ty Services & Governance	2	1	1	0	0%	2	100%
Council P		1	1	0	1	100%	0	0%
Finance	•	4	0	4	0	0%	4	100%
Environment	Tourism Economic Development	24	21	3	16	67%	8	33%
Animals		3	3	0	2	67%	1	33%
Council P	roperties	9	8	1	8	89%	1	11%
Developm	nent	1	0	1	0	0%	1	100%
Environm	ent & Planning	2	2	0	2	100%	0	0%
Environm	ent & Public Health	2	2	0	1	50%	1	50%
Waste Ma	anagement	7	6	1	3	43%	4	57%
Infrastructur	e Services	37	32	5	31	84%	6	16%
Infrastruc	ture Services	5	4	1	5	100%	0	0%
Parks & F	Reserves	1	1	0	1	100%	0	0%
Roads		20	18	2	19	95%	1	5%
Sewer		3	3	0	2	67%	1	33%
Stormwat	er	1	1	0	1	100%	0	0%
Trees		3	1	2	0	0%	3	100%
Water		4	4	0	3	75%	1	25%
Total:		68	55	13	48	71%	20	29%

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#### 9 ENVIRONMENT, TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

#### 9.1 ALCOHOL PROHIBITED AREA AND ALCOHOL-FREE ZONE FOR ALBERT

TRIM Number: R21/163

Author: Manager- Town Planning

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide details of the exhibition period and to seek Council's decision on a request from the NSW Police Force to declare the village of Albert an Alcohol Prohibited Area and/or an Alcohol-Free Zone.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Letter from NSW Police Force

Letter from the Rabbit Trap Hotel in Albert

Submission from NSW Police Force

Submission from Tottenham Welfare Council Inc.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Council received a letter, dated 9 February 2021 requesting that Council declare Albert to be an Alcohol Prohibited Area and/or an Alcohol-Free Zone. The request was considered at the Ordinary Meeting of Council in March, where the following resolution was made;

#### 9.3 ALCOHOL PROHIBITED AREA OR ALCOHOL-FREE ZONE FOR ALBERT

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/55**

Moved: Cr Melissa Rees Seconded: Cr Melissa Blewitt

#### That:

- The Director Environment Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/37 be received and noted.
- Council proceed with a proposal to declare Albert (as per the area shown in Figure 1 of this report) to be both an Alcohol Free Zone and an Alcohol Prohibited Area.
- The proposal, to declare Albert an Alcohol Free Zone and an Alcohol Prohibited Area be
  placed on public exhibition for a period of twenty-eight (28) days and invite
  submissions/objections to the proposal.
- A further report be considered by Council, outlining the details of any submissions/objections
  made during the notification period for Council's consideration before making any final
  declarations.

CARRIED

The policy was subsequently placed on public exhibition for twenty-eight (28) days and two (2) supporting public submissions were received during this time.

The area the NSW Police requested to be declared an Alcohol Free Zone (AFZ) is shown below:



Figure 1 – The area which NSW Police have requested to be declared an Alcohol Free Zone (AFZ)

However, they highlighted two specific areas of concern, being the travelling stock route (on the opposite side of the road to The Rabbit Trap Hotel) and the parking areas within the Dandaloo Road reserve, adjacent to The Rabbit Trap Hotel, and adjacent to the children's park and public toilet, which are shown overleaf:



Figure 2 - The Travelling Stock Route



Figure 3 - Parking areas within the road reserve adjacent to The Rabbit Trap Hotel, Owens Fuel and children's park

#### **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

The letter from the NSW Police Force stated:

"In the last few years, it has become common practice for young people to attend Albert for a night out, with the plan to 'free camp' in Albert, in either of the carparks or in the common. For some larger events, this has resulted in a situation not unlike an uncontrolled Bachelor and Spinster Ball, with major consequences for the community, council and police.

Major issues have arisen as a result such as-

- · Underage drinking,
- · Drug use,
- Drink driving,
- · Serious assaults,
- Offensive behaviour
- · Damage to property, including council property, and
- · Traffic offences

Police have been attempting to police these issues with little to no result. There are often too many people, and too many offences in such a remote area.

The licensee of the Rabbit Trap Hotel has been working with police, despite the fact that most offences are occurring in public areas and not on the licensed premises. The Rabbit Trap has altered their operations in attempt to deter people attending Albert for the sole purpose of attending an uncontrolled event in the free camping areas.

Police are requesting that Lachlan Shire Council declare the public areas in Albert NSW either Alcohol Prohibited areas or Alcohol-Free Zones.

This will enable police to proactively police the cause of the issues, before they occur. Police will be able to attend these gatherings early and enforce these zones. This will reduce the amount of alcohol being consumed later in the evening, and will result in -

- · less underage drinking
- · less property damaged to the township including council toilets
- less dangerous and risky behaviour including burnouts,
- less assaults
- · less noise complaints and
- · less offensive behaviour"

Alcohol prohibited areas and alcohol free zones are different in that alcohol prohibited areas deal with public places (except for public roads, footpaths and car parks), whilst alcohol free zones deal with public roads, footpaths and car parks. They are dealt with under different sections of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

#### Alcohol Free Zone (AFZ)

The objective of alcohol free zones is an early intervention measure to prevent the escalation of irresponsible street drinking involving serious crime. The drinking of alcohol is prohibited in an alcohol-free zone once it is established by Council. Pursuant to Section 644 Council can establish an alcohol free zone. Section 644 of the LG Act 1993 states:

- "644 Proposal for establishment of alcohol-free zone
- (1) A council may prepare a proposal for the establishment of an alcohol-free zone, either on its own motion or on the application of one or more of the following people—
  - (a) a person who the council is satisfied is a representative of a bona fide community group active in the area,

- (b) a police officer,
- (c) a person who the council is satisfied lives or works in the area.
- (2) The application must be in the form set out in the guidelines in force under section 646 or, if there are no such guidelines, in the approved form.
- (3) The proposal must comply with the guidelines (if any) in force under section 646.
- (4) The proposed alcohol-free zone may comprise either or both of the following—
  - (a) a public road or part of a public road,
  - (b) a public place that is a car park or part of a car park.
- (5) The proposal may provide for an alcohol-free zone to be established for a period not exceeding 4 years and for the zone to operate for the whole of that period or just for days on which particular special events occur." (our emphasis)

There are public consultation requirements which must be met before Council can declare a public place as being an alcohol free zone (AFZ), outlined within Section 644A of the LG Act 1993. Now that the public consultation has been carried out Council can declare the area in Albert as an AFZ.

Once established the AFZ must be signposted and notice of the zone must be published in a manner which Council is satisfied is likely to bring the notice to the attention of members of the public (e.g. the local paper, etc.). The maximum duration of an alcohol-free zone is four years, although it may be re-established at the conclusion of the original period, following a review by council of its continuing applicability. Alcohol-free zones may also be established for special events only.

Council already has two alcohol free zones, Lake Cargelligo and Condobolin which were reestablished in 2018 until 21 July 2022.

There are 16 Local Government Areas (LGAs) that must consult with the NSW Anti-Discrimination Board before establishing either an AFZ or an Alcohol Prohibited Area. However, Lachlan Shire Council is not one of those LGAs.

Alcohol-free zones are enforced by the NSW Police Force. Any person observed to be drinking in an AFZ may have the alcohol in their possession immediately seized and tipped out or otherwise disposed of.

#### Alcohol Prohibited Areas (APA)

Section 632A(4) of the Act enables councils to declare any "public place" or "part of a place" to be an Alcohol Prohibited Area, except those places (public roads, footpaths and car parks) which are to be dealt with under the Alcohol Free Zone provisions of the LG Act.

Apart from the areas that APAs and AFZs apply to, the enforcement powers are consistent across both areas. Police can confiscate and tip out alcohol in the possession of a person who is in an area where alcohol consumption is prohibited by a notice under section 632A of the Local Government Act 1993 (the Act).

A "public place" is defined under the Local Government Act 1993 as:

- "(a) a public reserve, public bathing reserve, public baths or public swimming pool, or
- (b) a public road, public bridge, public wharf or public road-ferry, or
- (c) a Crown reserve comprising land reserved for future public requirements, or
- (d) public land or Crown land that is not—
  - (i) a Crown reserve (other than a Crown reserve that is a public place because of paragraph (a), (b) or (c)), or
  - (ii) a common, or
  - (iii) land subject to the Trustees of Schools of Arts Enabling Act 1902, or
  - (iv) land that has been sold or leased or lawfully contracted to be sold or leased, or

(e) land that is declared by the regulations to be a public place for the purposes of this definition."

Lot 7311 in DP 1164339 is a Travelling Stock Route (TSR) and therefore is a crown reserve. Therefore, the APA will not apply to the TSR. Local Land Services (LLS) are responsible for the management of the crown reserve and discussions with LLS, regarding the measures that may be placed on the TSR, are ongoing. The APA can apply to Albert Park and therefore Council can decide to declare Albert Park and APA under the Local Government Act 1993.

#### FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There will be costs for installing the required signage in Albert. It is estimated that this cost will be approximately \$3,000.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The legal implications are addressed within the body of the report.

Where a person does not cooperate with a request by the Police to hand over alcohol in an Alcohol Prohibited Area or Alcohol-Free Zone, they can be charged with obstruction under the Local Government Act 1993, which currently carries a maximum penalty of \$2,200.

#### **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

The AFZ and APA are being proposed as an early intervention measure to prevent the escalation of irresponsible street/public place drinking involving serious crime. Not proceeding with the AFZ and APA could allow matters to more easily escalate to serious crime.

Another risk is that people may stop camping in these areas altogether or to a level which may have adverse economic and social impacts on the village of Albert.

#### STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Pursuant to the Local Government Act 1993 the proposal to declare an AFZ and an APA has been publically notified.

Section 644A of the Local Government Act 1993 states:

- "(1) After preparing a proposal under section 644, the council may, by notice published in a manner that the council is satisfied is likely to bring the notice to the attention of members of the public in the area as a whole or in a part of the area that includes the zone concerned—
  - (a) declare that it proposes to establish an alcohol-free zone, indicating the location of the zone and the proposed period or special events for which it will operate, and
  - (b) state the place at which, the dates on which and the times during which a copy of the proposal may be inspected, and
  - (c) invite representations and objections from persons and groups within the area, indicating that any representations or objections by them must be made within 14 days after the date on which the notice is published.
- (2) The council must give a copy of its proposal to each of the following persons, indicating that any representations or objections by the person must be made within 30 days after the date on which the copy is given—
  - (a) the officer in charge of the police station within or nearest to the proposed alcohol-free zone.
  - (b) each holder of a licence in force under the Liquor Act 2007 for premises that border on, or adjoin or are adjacent to, the proposed alcohol-free zone.
  - (c) (Repealed)

- (3) If required to do so by the guidelines in force under section 646, the council must also give a copy of its proposal to the Anti-Discrimination Board, indicating that any representations or objections by the Board must be made within 40 days after the date on which the copy is given.
- (4) The council must consider all representations and submissions that are duly made to it under this section."

Council published a notice in the Condobolin Argus, at the Rabbit Trap Hotel in Albert and in a visible location within the two areas identified by the Police. The proposal was also made available for inspection at The Rabbit Trap Hotel.

The proposal, to declare Albert an Alcohol Free Zone and an Alcohol Prohibited Area was placed on public exhibition between 21 April 2021 and 21 May 2021 inviting submissions/objections to the proposal. As a result of the public exhibition (2) two supporting submissions were received. These were from NSW Police and Tottenham Welfare Council Inc.

#### ALCOHOL FREE ZONE AND ALCOHOL PROHIBITED AREA FOR ALBERT



MAP OF ALBERT - (Red area depicts the proposed alcohol free zone and alcohol prohibited area)

The street and road boundaries of the proposed AFZ and APZ for Albert are:

Dandaloo Road between Comeback Street and Golf Links Road

Unnamed Lane between Dandaloo Road and Cedar Street

Unnamed Lane between Dandaloo Road and Federation Street

Federation Street

Comeback Street

Rymer Street

Cedar Street

Jonathan Street

Yethara Road to 800m from of intersection with Dandaloo Road

Figure 4 – Map of Albert showing the proposed alcohol free zone and alcohol prohibited area along with the list of street and road boundaries within that area.

#### **OPTIONS**

- 1. Decide to declare the entire village of Albert or part of Albert an Alcohol Free Zone and declare Albert Park an Alcohol Prohibited Area for a period of four (4) years;
- 2. Decide not to proceed with the proposal.

#### CONCLUSION

Council is being requested to finalise a declaration, following a request from the NSW Police Force, to declare the village of Albert an Alcohol-Free Zone and to declare Albert Park an Alcohol Prohibited Area. Given the matters raised by the NSW Police initially, and the supporting submissions received during the public notification period, it is recommended that the proposal be finalised declaring Albert an Alcohol-Free Zone and Albert Park an Alcohol Prohibited Area.

#### LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Community Strategic Plan - 4.2 Strong Effective Responsive Council

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. NSW Police Force Supporting Submission J.
- 2. Tottenham Welfare Council Inc Supporting Submission U

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### That:

- The Director Environment Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/163 be received and noted.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 644B of the Local Government Act, 1993, an Alcohol-Free Zone be established at the following locations:
  - Dandaloo Road between Comeback Street and Golf Links Road
  - Unnamed Lane between Dandaloo Road and Cedar Street
  - Unnamed Lane between Dandaloo Road and Federation Street
  - Federation Street
  - Comeback Street
  - Rymer Street
  - Cedar Street
  - Jonathan Street
  - Yethara Road to 800m from of intersection with Dandaloo Road
- 3. The duration of the Alcohol-Free Zone be for four years, 24 hours per day, unless otherwise suspended or cancelled by Council.
- 4. Pursuant to Section 632A of the Local Government Act, 1993, Council declare Albert Park in Albert an Alcohol Prohibited Area.

The General Manager Lachlan Shire Council PO Box 216 CONDOBOLIN NSW 2877



REFERRED TO B. LOOP

The General Manager,

Re: PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF ALCOHOL FREE ZONE AND ALCOHOL PROHIBITED AREA IN ALBERT

The Central West Licensing Police have reviewed the exhibition package for the proposed establishment of the Alcohol Free and Alcohol Prohibited Area in Albert NSW. The Central West Police District fully support this proposal and have no objections to its implementation.

Police believe this will assist in reducing alcohol related crime within the Albert area.

If you require any further information please don't hesitate to contact me as per my details below.

Shannon MCGANN Acting Sergeant

Central West Police District

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## TOTTENHAM WELFARE COUNCIL INC.

PRESIDENT: Geoff Chase

SECRETARY: Catherine Jarvis

28/5/2021

Mr Greg Tory General Manager Lachlan Shire Council Condobolin NSW 2877

Dear Mr Tory,

The Tottenham Welfare Council is aware of a submission made by the NSW Police Force to make parts of the Albert Village an Alcohol Free Zone.

Presumably the Albert community has also been consulted on this matter, and if so the Tottenham Welfare Council confirms our support for this proposal.

Yours sincerely,

Geoff Chase President

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#### 9.2 FY2021 PROJECT MONTHLY UPDATE FOR JUNE/JULY

TRIM Number: R21/181

Author: Manager - Projects and Building

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of projects currently being undertaken by the Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Department. The execution and completion of works varies on resource availability, weather conditions, work priorities and unforeseen circumstances. Work priority will be allocated based on safety and risk.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

#### **BACKGROUND**

Council has adopted the 2021/22 budget and associated Delivery and Operational Plans. This report provides updates on the delivery of the capital projects in regard to buildings.

#### **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

Project	Budget	Funding Source	Expend. To Date	Forecast Expend.	Comments
Gum Bend Lake Amenities Upgrade	\$373k	\$300k NSW Drought Stimulus Package (DSP) plus Council funds \$73k	\$88k	\$373k	Contracts have been signed. Works have commenced. 13 pier holes have been poured, internal drainage has been provided. It is anticipated that the slab will be poured prior to the end of July, weather permitting. Works are scheduled to be completed by September 2021.
Tottenham Caravan Park Amenities Upgrade	\$274k	\$125k DSP plus \$49k Council funds , \$104k Federal Drought Community Program	\$243k	\$274K	Works on the amenities building have been completed. A variation request has been lodged under the Federal Government Drought Community Program, which has been approved. The camp kitchen design and costings are currently being finalised.

Lake Cargelligo Caravan Park Amenities Upgrade	\$125k	DSP	\$90k	\$125k	Works have been completed. Staff finalising grant milestone submissions
Tottenham Youth Club Renovation	\$57,046	SCCF R3	\$43k	\$57,046	Both roof & external cladding have been completed. Awaiting installation of fencing.
Lake Cargelligo Pool Amenities Upgrade	\$1.1 million	\$825K BBRF R4 plus Council funds \$275K	\$431k	\$1.1m	Building is now at lock up stage, with roof and windows installed. Internal fit out works have commenced. The building will be completed by the start of the swimming season. Preliminary approval has been obtained for provision of solar from Origin Energy, awaiting Level 1 design.
Condobolin and District Historical Museum - Extension to Museum and Display Enhancements	\$77,765	SCCF R3	\$6k	\$77,765	An agreement was reached with the Committee on 27 April 2021. Awaiting design corrections as per that agreement, prior to calling for quotations to complete the works. Council staff have been in contact with the draftsperson to express the need for the revised plans ASAP.
Condobolin Works Depot	\$7,246,707.60	\$6,000,000 Loan and remaining \$1.25m from Council reserves	\$684k	\$7,246,707.60	Contracts signed. Works commenced 8 March 2021. Issue in regard to subsoil compaction problems has been resolved with Council providing direction to Hines to re-commence work. Earthmoving contractors are now due back on-site to re-commence works and are on standby pending weather. The

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					contractor is also investigating other options to continue works on-site outside the road & drainage works.
Lake Cargelligo Memorial Hall	\$30k	Drought Stimulus Program	\$26k	\$30k	Kitchen completed. Awaiting installation of curtains. Council staff have been in contact with the supplier to express the need for provision of the curtains ASAP.
Provision of new Animal Shelter	\$300k	Local roads and Community Infrastructure Program – Rd1	\$7.3K	\$300k	Plans finalised and Planning Proposal is to be considered as part of the business paper for the July Council meeting. The DA has been lodged but is awaiting the finalisation of the LEP before assessment/determ ination can continue. An extension to complete the works has been approved to December 2021. Quotations are currently being sought for the construction of the building due to the timeframes imposed by the grant.
Solar Project	\$1.1m	Local roads and Community Infrastructure Program – Rd1	\$1m	\$1.1m	8 roof top sites have been completed, comprising the HACC, Condobolin Library, Children Services, Tottenham WTP, Tottenham Pool, Condobolin Pool, Condobolin Caravan Park, and Lake Cargelligo Office/Library.  4 ground mount sites have been completed comprising the Merri Abba Pump, STP Condobolin, STP Lake

					Cargelligo, and Tullibigeal 16 Mile Pump Station.  The Lake Cargelligo Water Treatment Plant solar and battery project is complete, Stage 1, 100KW of solar, has been commissioned and activated.  Commissioning and activation of Stage 2 (140kW) is to be completed when large-scale generation certificate application has been finalised.
					The design for the Solar carport within the Condobolin Administration Office Carpark area has been approved and works will commence 23 August (pending COVID restrictions).
Lachlan Shire Visitor Information Centre	\$3,288,798	Growing Local Economies Fund	\$83K	\$3,288,798	PWA engaged to provide Project Management Services. PCG established to overseer project delivery. Head Design Consultant appointed.
					Onsite meeting held with head designer on 5 May 2021. Initial design has been provided to Council and feedback has been provided to the architect who is now finalising the concept design. QS Report is also being provided by the architect prior to finalising the concept plans for DA lodgement.

Condobolin Waste Transfer Station	\$300,000	100% Council funds – Waste Reserve	\$300K	\$300,000	Construction works have largely been completed. Awaiting roadworks to be completed to allow the facility to be opened. The roadworks have been delayed due to the weather.
					Road works are set to commence 21 July 2021.
Tottenham Swimming Pool BBQ Shelter	\$50,000	Local roads and Community Infrastructure Program – Rd2	Nil	\$50,000	On-site meetings have been held with swimming pool committee representatives to discuss and agree upon design. Design was finalised and committee were requested to provide feedback and no feedback was provided. Slab was poured on 22 June 2021, awaiting installation of structure. Project is scheduled to be completed prior to the 21/22 pool season.
Burcher Camp Kitchen	\$30,000	Local roads and Community Infrastructure Program – Rd2	Nil	\$30,000	On-site meetings have been held with Burcher representatives to discuss and agree upon design. Quotation has been received. Meeting to be held with Community representative on 21 July to discuss final design and confirm location. Final quotations to be obtained prior to the works commencing.

#### **Condobolin Works Depot Budget Update**

Budget	\$7,816,707.60
Contract Value	\$7,246,707.60*
Other Works and Project Management Costs	\$570,000.00
Contingency (included in Contract Value)	\$400,000.00
Current Expenditure	\$684,854.75
Approved Variations	\$166,148.00

All figures include GST

#### FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Project management and financial controls are in place to manage financial expenditure and resource allocation.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil. All project materials and services have been procured in accordance with the requirements of the NSW Local Government Act 1993 and Council's procurement policy. Environmental Planning and Assessment Act provisions are being complied with regarding development approvals and planning controls.

#### **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

Project management and financial controls are in place to manage time and budget risks and projects have been assessed against relevant legislative requirements to minimise Council's exposure to risk.

Risks surrounding project delivery are being managed through the use of external project managers such as Pubic Works advisory and a temporary Project Management Officer has been employed to assist with the delivery of building projects.

### STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Council's fortnightly news column, Talking Tottenham and Mayoral Newsletters update the community on the major improvement works being undertaken around the Shire.

Community consultation has been undertaken in relation to the projects, either through the Community Strategic Plan, through requests for projects to receive grant funding and/or through reports to Council advising of the projects which are being put forward for progression.

#### **OPTIONS**

1. Receive and note the report

#### CONCLUSION

This report updates Council on the capital improvements/new work being undertaken by the Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Department.

#### LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

#### Nil

<sup>\*</sup> Figure includes Contingency

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That:

1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No.R21/181 be received and noted.

#### 9.3 DEVELOPMENT DATA - JUNE 2021

TRIM Number: R21/187

Author: Manager- Town Planning

#### **PURPOSE**

This report is to provide Council with information in relation to development activity occurring within the Shire during June 2021.

#### **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

Council's Development Application Data.

#### **BACKGROUND**

During the month of June 2021 there were ten (10) applications lodged with a value totalling \$2,848,505. One (1) approval was issued within this time.

## Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates Approved in June 2021.

Approval Number	Development Description	Location	Value	Delegated Authority/Council
DA 2021/15	Construction of Dwelling with attached Garage	103 Officers Parade, Condobolin	\$1,000,000	Delegated Authority
TOTAL No. OF APPROVED DEVELOPMENTS	2		\$1,000,000	

Comparison to Previous Year: Applications Approved June 2020

Total <u>Number</u> of Applications <u>approved in June 2020:</u> 2

Total <u>Value</u> of Applications <u>approved for June 2020</u>: \$177,500

### Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates Received in June 2021.

Development Identifier	Development Description	Location	Value
DA 2021/16	Installation of Manufactured Home, Change of use of Existing Dwelling to Farm Stay Accommodation	6921 Lachlan Valley Way, Fairholme	\$680,000
DA 2021/17	Construction of Two Storey Dwelling with attached Garage	,	\$1,300,000
DA 2021/18	Construction of Dwelling with attached Garage	9 Conapaira Street, Lake Cargelligo	\$749,505
DA 2021/20	Construction of Two Outbuildings (Sheds)	32 Officers Parade, Condobolin	\$47,200
DA 2021/21	Temporary Event – Condobolin Tattoo	20-24 McDonnell Street, Condobolin	\$1,000
DA 2021/22	Demolition of Outbuilding	64 Bathurst Street, Condobolin	\$3,000
DA 2021/23	Construction of Storage Shed	29 Foster Street, Lake Cargelligo	\$12,800
DA 2021/24	Four Lot Torrens Title Subdivision	4423 Brotherony Road, Kiacatoo	\$0
DA 2021/25	Two Lot Boundary Adjustment	8247 Wyalong Road, Lake Cargelligo	\$0
DA 2021/26	Water Supply System	139 Grassmere Road, Condobolin	\$55,000
TOTAL	10		\$2,848,505

### Comparison to Previous Year: Applications Received June 2020

Total Number of Applications received in June 2020: 4

Total Value of Applications *received for June 2020*: \$797,000

### **Processing Times for Approvals**

A total of forty one (41) approvals have been issued this financial year at an average of 31 days, which is within the legislative timeframe for approvals and well below the average net days taken to determine a DA across all NSW Councils.

## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

No foreseeable issues.

## FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

All fees associated with the applications referred to herein have been paid.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

None anticipated.

## **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

Council has assessed all applications against relevant legislation to minimise Council's exposure to risk.

## STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Regular consultation and engagement with applicants of Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates occurs during the pre-lodgement, assessment and approval stages of each application in line with legislation and Council's planning instruments. Council also often engages with the community and adjoining owners in respect of applications.

## **OPTIONS**

1. Receive and note the report.

## CONCLUSION

Development Application and Complying Development Certificate approved data reveals a total development value of \$7,996,717 for applications approved in the 2020/2021 financial year.

## LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Build Civic Leadership and Pride

4.7 Strong Effective Council

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That:

The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/187 be received and noted.

# 9.4 PLANNING PROPOSAL - ADDITION OF "ANIMAL SHELTER" AS A PERMITTED USE ON THE CONDOBOLIN SEWERAGE TREATMENT PLANT SITE

TRIM Number: R21/188

Author: Manager- Town Planning

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to inform Council on the outcome of the public exhibition period and to seek Council's endorsement to finalise the Planning Proposal to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 (LLEP 2013) by allowing "Animal Shelter", as an Additional Permitted Use in Schedule 1 of LLEP 2013, on Lot 16 DP 914643 known as 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin.

The report also seeks Council's endorsement to determine DA2021/07, for the construction of the Animal Shelter, under delegation by the General Manager or his delegate following finalisation of the Planning Proposal process and the assessment of the Development Application.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

## **BACKGROUND**

At the August 2020 Ordinary Council meeting, Council endorsed Report 20/231 (Resolution 2020/219) "Local Road and Community Infrastructure Grant Projects" and allocated \$300,000 towards a new Animal Shelter in Condobolin. The new shelter is to replace the existing facility, which is located on the former Abattoir site, which is past its useful life. The existing Condobolin sewage treatment plant site was identified as the preferred location for the new animal shelter. The site is identified in **Figure 1**, below.



1. Figure 1 – Proposed site for new animal shelter

At the 28 October 2020 Council Meeting, Council endorsed (Resolution 2020/293) the preparation and lodgement of a planning proposal to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013, to include the words "animal shelter" ", as a purpose shown on the SP2 Infrastructure - Land Zoning Map, Sheet LZN 010A, currently identified for only "Sewerage Systems".

The Planning Proposal (PP) was subsequently prepared by staff and then lodged (PP-2021-146) via the Online Planning Portal System on 19 January 2021.

A gateway determination was issued by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment on 19 February 2021. As part of the determination the following conditions were applied:

- 1. "Prior to community consultation, the planning proposal is to be updated to provide:
  - (a) amendment to the Explanation of Provisions to include a broad description of the activities to be undertaken at the 'Animal Shelter' (to aid drafting of the LEP amendment) and identify that the amendment will be achieved by an Additional Permitted Use ("APU") in Schedule 1 of the Lachlan LEP 2013 (rather than adding a new term on the zoning map);
  - (b) establishment of an APU map;
  - (c) an assessment against section 9.1 Direction 2.6 Remediation of Contaminated Land; and
  - (d) outline the strategic consistency with the draft Lachlan Shire Urban Settlement Strategy.
- 2. Prior to community consultation, the planning proposal is to be revised to address condition 1 and forwarded to the Department for review and approval.
- 3. Public exhibition is required under section 3.34(2)(c) and schedule 1 clause 4 of the Act as follows:
  - (a) the planning proposal must be made publicly available for a minimum of 28 days; and
  - (b) the planning proposal authority must comply with the notice requirements for public exhibition of planning proposals and the specifications for material that must be made publicly available along with planning proposals as identified in section 6.5.2 of A guide to preparing local environmental plans (Department of Planning and Environment, 2018).
- 4. Consultation is required with the NSW Environment Protection Authority under section 3.34(2)(d) of the Act. The NSW Environment Protection Authority is to be provided with a copy of the planning proposal and any relevant supporting material and given at least 21 days to comment on the proposal.
- 5. A public hearing is not required to be held into the matter by any person or body under section 3.34(2)(e) of the Act. This does not discharge Council from any obligation it may otherwise have to conduct a public hearing (for example, in response to a submission or if reclassifying land).
- 6. The planning proposal authority is authorised as the local plan-making authority to exercise the functions under section 3.36(2) of the Act subject to the following:
  - (a) the planning proposal authority has satisfied all the conditions of the Gateway determination:
  - (b) the planning proposal is consistent with section 9.1 Directions or the Secretary has agreed that any inconsistencies are justified; and
  - (c) there are no outstanding written objections from public authorities.
- 7. Prior to submission of the planning proposal under section 3.36 of the Act, the final LEP maps must be prepared and be compliant with the Department's 'Standard Technical Requirements for Spatial Datasets and Maps' 2017. New 'Additional Permitted Use' map applicable to the subject land is required to be prepared.
- 8. The time frame for completing the LEP is to be 6 months following the date of the Gateway determination."

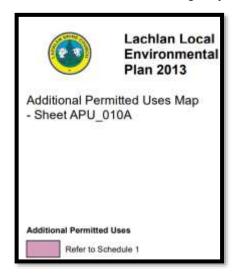
## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

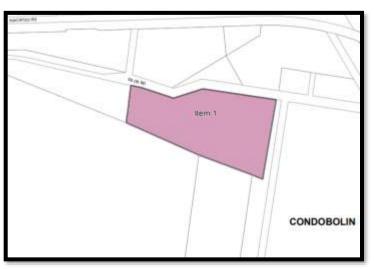
The preparation and lodgement of the planning proposal was completed in accordance with Section 3.33 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and the relevant guidelines prepared by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment ("the Department").

The Planning Proposal was amended in accordance with Condition 1 of the gateway determination to achieve permissibility through an Additional Permitted Use ("APU") in Schedule 1 of the Lachlan

LEP 2013 (rather than adding a new term on the zoning map) meaning it would not be shown as a purpose shown on Sheet LZN\_010A for the SP2 portion currently identified for "Sewerage Systems" as originally proposed.

The required mapping has been prepared for Council by the Department. An extract of the Additional Permitted Uses Map – Sheet APU\_010A, is provided in Figure 2, below. The site is currently zoned SP2 Infrastructure "Sewerage Systems".





2. Figure 2 – Additional Permitted Uses Map LZN\_10A

Envirowest Consulting were engaged to address condition 1(c) of the gateway determination and they undertook the required preliminary contamination investigation, to demonstrate compliance with Section 9.1, Direction 2.6 - Remediation of Contaminated Land.

Prior to community consultation, the revised planning proposal was forwarded to the Department for review and approval.

The planning proposal was publically exhibited, in accordance with the gateway determination and Council's community participation plan and no submissions were received.

Council has been authorised, as the local plan making authority, to exercise the functions under section 3.36(2) of the Act, provided the following matters of Condition 6 of the gateway determination have been resolved:

- (a) the planning proposal authority has satisfied all the conditions of the Gateway determination;
- (b) the planning proposal is consistent with section 9.1 Directions or the Secretary has agreed that any inconsistencies are justified; and
- (c) there are no outstanding written objections from public authorities.

In relation to point (a) above, all of the conditions of the gateway determination have been satisfied.

In relation to point (b) above, the planning proposal is now considered consistent with Section 9.1 Directions and an approval to exhibit the planning proposal was provided by the Department.

In relation to point (c) above, there are no outstanding written objections from public authorities.

Once the planning proposal has been adopted by Council, a request will be made that the legal instrument (the LEP) be drafted by the Parliamentary Counsel's Office (PCO). Once an Opinion has been issued by the PCO that the plan can be legally made, the actual LEP can be made.

DA2021/07, for the construction of the Animal Shelter, can be determined once the LEP has been made. It is proposed that DA2021/07 be assessed by Penrith City Council officers and then determined by the General Manager (or his delegate). A Development Application of this nature would ordinarily be determined by Council as the application relates to a Council owned facility. However, Council is requested to delegate, to the General Manager (or his delegate), authority to determine DA2021/07, once the DA has been assessed by Penrith City Council.

## FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The preparation and lodgement of the Planning Proposal has been done within existing budgets, utilising existing staff members. There is expected to be no additional financial or resource implications in the finalisation of the Planning Proposal.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The addition of "Animal Shelter" as an Additional Permitted Use in Schedule 1 of Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 (LLEP 2013) on Lot 16 DP 914643 known as 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin, will ensure that an animal shelter is permissible with consent on the site.

A Development Application (DA2021/07) for the construction of the animal shelter has been lodged and may be determined following finalisation of the Planning Proposal process and the making of the LEP.

## **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

The preferred site for the animal shelter cannot be used at the moment as the zoning of the site does not permit the development. There is a risk that Council will not be able to develop the animal shelter with the grant funding (by the due date) as an alternative site has not been established at this point in time.

## STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Public exhibition, as required under Section 3.34(2)(c) and Schedule 1, Clause 4 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, was undertaken for a period of 28 days (between 18 June 2021 – 9 July 2021). In accordance with section 6.5.2 of *A guide to preparing local environmental plans* the proposal was exhibited in the Condobolin Argus, Lake News, on Lachlan Shire Council's Website and the online Planning Portal.

The public consultation that was undertaken meets the requirements of Council's adopted Community Participation Plan (CPP).

No public submissions were received as part of the public consultation and exhibition period.

The required agency consultation was undertaken with the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) under section 3.34(2)(d) of the Act. The NSW EPA was provided with a copy of the planning proposal including relevant supporting material and requested to respond within 21 days.

The NSW EPA responded on 2 July 2021, raising the following matters:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on PP-2021-146 to amend the Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 (Lachlan LEP) (the Planning Proposal).

The EPA understands the Planning Proposal seeks to amend Council's land zoning map under Lachlan LEP 2013 to permit development of an animal shelter at 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin.

Based on the information provided, the proposed "animal shelter" land use is unlikely to constitute a Scheduled Activity under Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. Therefore, the EPA is unlikely to be the appropriate regulatory authority for this activity.

If the Planning Proposal is approved and it is determined at the development application stage that the EPA would be the appropriate regulatory authority, the EPA may provide further comments at that time.

In relation to the current Planning Proposal, the EPA recommends that Council refer to the Lachlan Shire Council Contaminated Land Policy (the Policy) and seek a site auditor to review the Preliminary Contamination Investigation (Envirowest Consulting 2021) if it is necessary under Section 14 of that Policy.

A review of the Lachlan Shire Council Contaminated Land Policy, and in particular Section 14 of the policy, has been undertaken following the receipt of the comments from the EPA. Based on the review of the Contaminated Land Policy it is not necessary to seek a site auditor to review the Preliminary Contamination Investigation. Development Application (DA2021/07) for the construction of the animal shelter, will be sent to the EPA as well and any additional matters raised by the EPA will need to be addressed as part of the assessment/determination of that DA.

## **OPTIONS**

- 1. Endorse the finalisation of the Planning Proposal to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 (LLEP 2013) allowing "Animal Shelter", as an Additional Permitted Use in Schedule 1 on Lot 16 DP 914643 known as 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin. Allow Development Application 2021/07 for the Construction of the Animal Shelter to be determined under delegation by General Manager (or his delegate) following finalisation of the Planning Proposal.
- 2. Endorse the finalisation of the Planning Proposal to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 (LLEP 2013) allowing "Animal Shelter", as an Additional Permitted Use in Schedule 1 on Lot 16 DP 914643 known as 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin. Request a further report be brought to Council to determine Development Application 2021/07 for the Construction of the Animal Shelter, once the DA is ready to be determined.
- 3. Decide that Council will not progress with amending Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 to allow an Animal Shelter to be permissible on Lot 16 DP 914643 known as 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin.

## CONCLUSION

This report informs Council on the outcome of public exhibition process and seeks Council's endorsement to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 (LLEP 2013) to allow an "Animal Shelter" to be permissible on the site as an Additional Permitted Use in Schedule 1 of the LEP. The amendment will be carried out through the finalisation of the Planning Proposal and the making of the LEP. This will allow an animal shelter to be permitted with consent on the site, being Lot 16 DP 914643 known as 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin, which currently contains the Condobolin sewerage treatment plant. A separate development application, for the construction of the animal shelter, is proposed to be assessed by Penrith City Council and determined by the General Manager (or his delegate).

## LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council
- 5.3 Ensure that animals are properly controlled

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Signed Gateway Determination PP-2021-146 U
- 2. Environmental Protection Agency Consultation Letter to Lachlan Shire Council 4

## **RECOMMENDATION**

## That:

- 1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/188 be received and noted.
- 2. Council endorse the finalisation of the Planning Proposal (PP-2021-146) to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 (LLEP 2013) allowing "Animal Shelter", as an Additional Permitted Use in Schedule 1 on Lot 16 DP 914643, 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin.

3. Development Application 2021/07 for the Construction of the Animal Shelter be determined under delegation by the General Manager (or his delegate) following finalisation of the Planning Proposal and assessment of the DA.



PP-2021-146 IRF21/301

Mr Greg Tory General Manager Lachlan Shire Council PO Box 216 CONDOBOLIN NSW 2877

Attention: Bryce Koop, Manager Town Planning

Dear Mr Tory

Planning proposal PP-2021-146 to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 – 'Animal Shelter' at Lot 16 DP 914643, 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin

I am writing in response to Council's request for a Gateway determination under section 3.34(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) in respect of the planning proposal to add "Animal Shelter" as a permissible use for Zone SP2 Infrastructure at Lot 16 DP 914643, 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin.

As delegate of the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, I have now determined that the planning proposal should proceed subject to the conditions in the enclosed Gateway determination.

Council proposes to amend the Lachlan Shire LEP 2013 Land Zoning Map. The preferred mechanism to allow permissibility of the 'Animal Shelter' is to create an 'Additional Permitted Use' (APU) under Schedule 1 of the Lachlan LEP 2013. The planning proposal is to be amended to reflect this mechanism including the establishment of an APU map and inclusion of a broad outline of the activities proposed for the site prior to community consultation. Refer to condition 1 of the Gateway determination.

The planning proposal is inconsistent with the requirements of section 9.1 Direction 2.6 Remediation of Contaminated Land at this time as it does not consider the impact of the existing on-site sewage treatment plant. Council is to update the planning proposal to consider if the land is contaminated from current and historical sewage treatment activities. Potential land contamination sources include raw sewerage overflows and leakages, irrigation of treated effluent as part of a reuse scheme as well as the on-site disposal of biosolids and grit contaminated waste. Consultation with the NSW Environment Protection Authority will assist Council in addressing this matter.

Council may still need to obtain the agreement of the Secretary to comply with the requirements of section 9.1 Direction 2.6 Remediation of Contaminated Land.

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I would also like to draw your attention to potential implications for future nearby residential development including noise and odour nuisance issues. The planning proposal does not adequately address the potential for nearby residential development, including strategic consistency with the draft Lachlan Shire Urban Settlement Strategy. Council is to update the planning proposal as required in condition 1 of the Gateway determination.

It is noted that Council has requested to be authorised as the local plan-making authority. I have considered the nature of Council's planning proposal and have conditioned the Gateway for Council to be authorised as the local plan-making authority.

Council is reminded to notify the Western Region office of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment when the plan making milestones are achieved as identified in the attached 'Authorised plan-making reporting template'.

The amending local environmental plan (LEP) is to be finalised within six (6) months of the date of the Gateway determination. Council should aim to commence the exhibition of the planning proposal as soon as possible. Council's request to draft and finalise the LEP should be made directly to Parliamentary Counsel's Office six (6) weeks prior to the projected publication date. A copy of the request should be forwarded to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's Western Region office via the NSW Planning Portal.

All related files for LEP Amendment, including PDF maps, Map Cover Sheet, planning proposal document and GIS data, if available, must be submitted to the Department via the Planning Portal website at www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au. To submit the data, Council is requested to create an account and log in using these details.

The state government is committed to reducing the time taken to complete LEPs by tailoring the steps in the process to the complexity of the proposal, and by providing clear and publicly available justification for each plan at an early stage. In order to meet these commitments, the Minister may act under section 3.32(2)(d) of the Act if the time frames outlined in this determination are not met.

Should you have any enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Ms Helen Smith to assist you. Ms Smith can be contacted on 5852 6800.

Yours sincerely

19 February 2021

**Garry Hopkins Director, Western Region** 

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Attn: Bryce Koop

Dear Mr Koop

Planning proposal PP-2021-146 to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 - 'Animal Shelter' at Lot 16 DP 914643, 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on PP-2021-146 to amend the Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 (Lachlan LEP) (the Planning Proposal).

The EPA understands the Planning Proposal seeks to amend Council's land zoning map under Lachlan LEP 2013 to permit development of an animal shelter at 301 Golf Links Road, Condobolin.

Based on the information provided, the proposed "animal shelter" land use is unlikely to constitute a Scheduled Activity under Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. Therefore, the EPA is unlikely to be the appropriate regulatory authority for this activity.

If the Planning Proposal is approved and it is determined at the development application stage that the EPA would be the appropriate regulatory authority, the EPA may provide further comments at that time.

In relation to the current Planning Proposal, the EPA recommends that Council refer to the Lachlan Shire Council Contaminated Land Policy (the Policy) and seek a site auditor to review the Preliminary Contamination Investigation (Envirowest Consulting 2021) if it is necessary under Section 14 of that Policy.

Should you require any further information, please contact Anthony Knox on (02) 8837 6046.

Yours sincerely

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(from outside NSW)

## 9.5 TOTTENHAM CARAVAN PARK COMMUNITY MEETING OUTCOME

TRIM Number: R21/205

Author: Manager - Projects and Building

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update of the public consultation meeting held with the Tottenham community in relation to the management/operation of the Tottenham Caravan Park on 28 June 2021.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

## **BACKGROUND**

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council in February, Council resolved (Resolution Number 35/2021) to proceed with option 6 in relation to the State Centre (Tottenham) Caravan Park and authorised the General Manager to commence an investigation into this option, including community consultation. A further report was to be presented on the costs, savings and potential offsets associated with option 6 following community consultation and feedback.

Option 6 was that Council convert the park to a "low-cost camp" with a self-serve ticket machine and investigate the option to lease the front portion of the site for a commercial venture. There would still be maintenance and management costs associated with this option but they could potentially be offset by the ticketing income and the commercial venture. Consideration was also to be given to leasing the manager's residence associated with the caravan park.

In accordance with this resolution a meeting was held at the Tottenham War Memorial Hall on 28 June 2021 at 5pm.

## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

At the meeting an overview of the operation and management of the Tottenham Caravan Park was provided to the community members, including a discussion on the Business and Masterplan Report prepared by Innoviv Park Services and the recommendations made within that report. The community members were then invited to provide feedback and suggestions to Council in relation to the recommendations from the report and also the future management/operation of the caravan park.

A summary of the comments and suggestions made, by the community members present at the meeting, is provided below:

- Concern was raised about the online presence of the caravan park and the lack of comments on WikiCamps and the matter of comments that are on there being negative comments
  - Council needs to address this
  - How do we change this
  - Who will manage the online presence and website for the caravan park
  - Can we add own reviews
  - o Can Council create a standalone website or social media page
  - Do we look at creating a new name for the caravan park to stop confusion
  - Can the caravan park be rebranded
- Tired appearance of the park, the overall appearance needs work
  - Increase staff hours for ground maintenance

- Need to do a tidy up around the whole park, maybe a community working bee
- Remove antennae tower and concrete rainwater tank
- Improve signage, currently it is hard to read and invisible at night
- Provide lighting to entrances and on signs to make visible at night
- Paint murals on the side of the donga's
- Improve landscaping around the park
- Provide a revised and increased cleaning schedule
- Investigate funding opportunities
- Do we need to increase the capacity of the caravan park
  - o Create site for permanent vans. This could increase regular income by around \$6,000/year
  - Provide more cabins as well as ensuites to the donga's
  - o Renovate the existing donga's
  - Create drive thru sites by removing colorbond fence and providing an access road
  - Increase the number of van sites
  - Accept that it is a low-cost camping concept and not a caravan park
- Can we look at provide lighting (solar) to footpath from the caravan park to town
- Discussion was had in regard to old existing sports oval (Crown land) across the road and the use of this as free camping, etc.

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• Suggestion raised about moving or providing donga's or units on the land opposite Memorial hall and getting the Hotel to manage and operate.

Two (2) main areas were identified by the community members at the meeting being;

- 1. Improve the online presence try to reduce minimise bad reviews and start to promote the park through social media. Provide an identity (brand) to the park and the services provided.
- 2. Improve the overall appearance of the park, including:
  - a. Improved/new signage
  - b. lighting around entrance and signage
  - c. remove antenna and concrete rainwater tank
  - d. improve landscaping throughout the park to improve appearance
  - e. provide drive thru sites to make it easier for caravans to access the park

The matters raised by the community are now being investigated and quotes/costings are being arranged/organised for the different elements associated with the future management of the park. Once more information has been obtained a further report will be presented to Council.

### FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There will be financial and resource implications associated with the ongoing management of the caravan park. Details regarding these implications will be outlined in a further report to Council.

#### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The legal implications, associated with the ongoing management of the park will be outlined in a further report to Council.

## **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

There are financial risks and reputational risks associated with the ongoing management of the caravan park. The risks will be examined and options will be presented to Council on how best to manage these risks.

## STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

A meeting was held at the Tottenham War Memorial Hall on 28 June 2021 at 5pm. Ten (10) members of the Tottenham community were present at the meeting.

An on-site meeting and discussions have also been held with the current staff who manage the facility on behalf of Council.

## **OPTIONS**

Receive and note the report.

## CONCLUSION

A meeting has been held with members of the Tottenham community and a number of matters have been raised that require further investigation. A report will be presented to Council outlining the financial and resource implications associated with the ongoing management of the caravan park and to allow Council to make a decision regarding the preferred management model.

## LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP Outcome 2.1: A vibrant tourism industry.

CSP Outcome 2.5: Improve the appearance of each town

## CSP OUTCOME 4.2: STRONG EFFECTIVE AND RESPONSIVE COUNCILATTACHMENTS

Nil

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That

1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No.R21/205 be received and noted.

## 9.6 DA2020/45 - SOLAR FARM - CONSIDERATION OF CONDITION 33

TRIM Number: R21/201

Author: Manager- Town Planning

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the legal advice received on Condition 33 regarding decommissioning of the solar farm and to seek Council's determination of Development Application 2020/45, for the installation of a ground mounted photovoltaic solar farm facility (5 Mega-Watt) with battery storage and ancillary infrastructure at Lot: 70 DP: 752080 known as 121, Willis Lane Condobolin.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

**Development Application Planning Assessment Report** 

**Recommended Conditions of Consent** 

**Development Application Plans** 

Statement of Environmental Effects (Available on request)

## **BACKGROUND**

At the June 2021 Ordinary Council meeting, Council resolved as follows (Resolution 2021/138) that:

- 1. The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/105 be received and noted.
- 2. Council approve DA2020/45 in accordance with the Recommended Conditions of Consent provided in Attachment 2, subject to a clause being included in Condition 33, that the applicant pay an agreed amount of funds to Council to ensure that there is adequate site remediation funds available. Subject to such a condition being legally enforceable.

Condition 33, as proposed, required a decommissioning plan be created prior to the facility commencing operation;

## 33. Decommissioning

The solar energy system shall be decommissioned within 12 months of terminating operations. Prior to operation of the approved solar farm, a Decommissioning Plan shall be prepared and submitted for approval by the General Manager or delegate.

The plan shall include, but not be limited to expected timeline for the rehabilitation program, decommissioning of all solar panels, above and below the ground infrastructure, inverter stations, fencing and any other structures or infrastructure relating to the approved development. A programme of site restoration to re-establish the ground profiles to predevelopment status and enable the land to be returned back into agricultural production must form part of the decommissioning plan.

The plan should outline the rehabilitation objectives and strategies be developed conceptually as part of the conditions. This includes, but is not limited to, describing the design criteria of the final land use and landform, indicators to be used to guide the return of the land back to agricultural production, along with the anticipated timing for the rehabilitation program.

All works shall follow the same management principles outlined in the Construction Management Plan.

Decommissioning of the facility will occur at the end of the useful life of the infrastructure, this is anticipated to be around 25 years from commencement of energy generation. At the end of the facilities life a decision on whether to upgrade or decommission the facility will be undertaken.

The objective of the decommissioning condition is to restore the land to its pre-development status and enable the land to be returned back into agricultural production.

## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

Advice, in respect of whether Council can impose a condition of consent that requires the payment of a bond to ensure the rehabilitation of land used for a solar energy system was sought from Lindsay Taylor Lawyers (LTL). That advice was received on 15 July 2021.

LTL advised that the only way Council can secure this bond is if the developer agrees to pay it under a voluntary planning agreement (VPA). However, if such an offer is not forthcoming, it is difficult to see how a refusal of the DA could be justified given that a DA cannot be refused on grounds that a VPA has not been entered into or offered. In circumstances where conditions of consent can and will require the carrying out of the rehabilitation works, there would have to be compelling evidence to support the expectation of the impracticality of compliance with such conditions. LTL advised that they are not presently aware of any such evidence in this case, and in fact the developer has informed Council that due to the value of the infrastructure for the solar farm, the site would be decommissioned.

Therefore, based on the advice received, it is recommended that Council determine the DA and rely on Condition 33 to ensure that the site is decommissioned within 12 months of terminating operations.

## FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The legal advice was obtained utilising Council's adopted budget. The application has been processed by staff within existing budgets. The application is subject to Councils Section 7.12 Contributions Plan which requires a developer contribution of 1%, being \$52,538.50 based on clause 25J of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The application has been assessed in accordance with the relevant legislation, including the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. There are no legal implications to report at this time. Should Council decide to refuse the Application, sufficient planning grounds would need to be provided. The legal advice, obtained from LTL has advised that Council cannot impose a condition requiring a bond to be paid for the rehabilitation works. The only way Council can secure this bond is if the developer agrees to pay it under a voluntary planning agreement (VPA). However, no such offer from the developer has been made. Council cannot refuse the DA based on the fact that the developer has failed to make such an offer.

## **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

There are no risk implications to report at this time.

#### STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Legal advice has been received from Lindsay Taylor Lawyers. The stakeholder consultation, undertaken on the DA, was outlined in the report to the June Ordinary Meeting of Council.

## **OPTIONS**

1. Council resolve to accept the legal advice from Lindsay Taylor Lawyers which does not allow Council to reword Condition 33 to require the applicant to pay an agreed amount of funds, to Council, to ensure that there is adequate site remediation funds available. Council resolve to finalise the determination of Development Application (DA2020/45) via an approval in accordance with the recommended conditions of consent in Attachment 2.

2. Council resolve not to accept the legal advice from Lindsay Taylor Lawyers and seek another legal opinion on Condition 33 Development Application (DA2020/45).

## CONCLUSION

DA2020/45 seeks approval for the installation of a ground mounted photovoltaic solar farm facility (5 Mega-Watt) with battery storage and ancillary infrastructure at Lot: 70 DP: 752080, 121 Willis Lane, Condobolin. The DA was considered by Council at the June Ordinary Meeting of Council and Council requested that a clause be included in Condition 33, that the applicant pay an agreed amount of funds to Council to ensure that there is adequate site remediation funds available. Subject to such a condition being legally enforceable. Legal advice has been sought and that advice is that Council cannot legally enforce such a condition and must rely on compliance with Condition 33, in the absence of an offer from the developer to enter into a voluntary planning agreement (VPA). It is recommended that the DA be approved, subject to conditions.

## LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

4.2 Strong Effective and Responsive Council

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Attachment 1: Development Assessment Report U
- 2. Attachment 2: Recommended Conditions of Consent U
- 3. Attachment 3: DA Plans U

## **RECOMMENDATION**

## That

- 1. The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R21/201 be received and noted.
- 2. Council accept the legal advice from Lindsay Taylor Lawyers regarding Condition 33.
- 3. Council resolve to approve Development Application (DA2020/45) in accordance with the Recommended Conditions of Consent provided in Attachment 2.

## Background

#### a. Context

The development site falls 2.5km to the north of the Condobolin Township. The site is 23.86 hectares and has been used for general cropping and grazing agricultural undertakings

The site is zoned RU1 - Primary Production, under Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013.

The development site is surrounded by a number of rural properties of similar size, a number of which have dwellings and ancillary buildings.

## b. Site Description

The subject site is legally described as Lot 70 in DP 752080, 121 Willis Lane Condobolin and is known as "Gifford" with a total area of 23.86 hectares. The site is also has frontage to Worthingtons Lane and Browns Lane.

The site currently is void of any buildings and only has a small amount of scattered vegetation over the site as well as a farm dam.

## c. The Proposal

The application is for the installation of a ground mounted photo voltaic solar farm facility (5 Mega-Watt) with battery storage and ancillary infrastructure. The estimated lifespan of the development is 25 years. The proposal is identified by the applicant as "Condobolin Solar Farm" (CSF) Decommissioning will result in the land being returned to primary production purposes by the removal of all infrastructure associated with the development.

The development includes:

- Footprint of approximately 15ha with a total of 14,896 panels.
- Construction period of four (4) months with a maximum of 25 on-site workers.
- Year round operation.
- Four (4) vehicular parking spaces on site including one (1) disabled parking space.
- Exporting electricity into the network through connection into the existing 22 kV overhead
  powerline located in Browns Lane adjacent to the solar farm, feeding into Essential
  Energy's Condobolin Zone Substation located in Maitland Street approximately 1km to the
  south east of the solar farm.
- A single site access via a gravel access track from Browns Lane.
- Internal site fencing to a height of 2.4m
- Removal of four (4) cypress pine paddock trees.

The capital investment value of the project is \$4,776,227 (excluding GST).

The proposed development layout is shown in Figure 1 below:



Figure 1 – Location of the Site and Proposed Development Layout

## **Property Attributes**

Property attributes detail the characteristics and any restrictions on the property.

Table 1 below outlines the property attributes of the development site.

Table 1 - Property Attributes

Attribute	Comment
	Lot 70 DP 752080
Easements, restrictions or fill affected. List applicable attribute and how dealt with.	The site has no identified easements or restrictions.
Ground Water	No
Indigenous Heritage	No – AHIMS search showed no items or areas within 250 metres of the site
Flood Prone under Council's mapping	No
Bushfire Prone under Council's mapping	No
Geotechnical Issues	No
Contamination	No
Council reserves – site adjoins?	No
Improvements:	None
Current Use:	Primary Production
Prior Determinations: None on record	
Surrounding Environment:	Predominately small lot rural primary production

## **Integrated Development**

The following outlines which other approvals are required which would constitute "integrated development" for the purpose of Section 4.46 of the EP&A Act.

Issue	Yes	No	Issue	Yes	No
Coal Mine Subsidence Compensation Act 2017		×	Petroleum (Onshore) Act 1991		$\boxtimes$
Fisheries Management Act 1994		×	POEO Act 1997		$\boxtimes$
Heritage Act 1977		×	Roads Act 1993		$\boxtimes$
Mining Act 1992		$\boxtimes$	Rural Fires Act 1997		$\boxtimes$
NPWS Act 1974		$\boxtimes$	Water Management Act 2000		$\boxtimes$

#### Other Matters for Considerations

Issue	Yes	No
Is the development Designated Development (check schedule3 of EP&A Regs)?		$\boxtimes$
Is the development Crown Development (check Division 4.6 EP&A Act)?		
Is the development for a Concept DA (check Division 4.4 EP&A Act)?		$\boxtimes$
Is the development Regional Development (check SRD SEPP)?		$\boxtimes$
Is the development State Significant Development (check SRD SEPP)?		$\boxtimes$
Is the development for an existing use (check Division 4.11 EP&A Act)?		$\boxtimes$

## 2. Assessment

## a. Planning Assessment

The consent authority is required to take into consideration the matters referred to in section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 as are of relevance to the development the subject of the application.

Relevant matters for consideration under s4.15 are:

- State Environmental Planning Policy No. 55 Remediation of Land;
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007
- Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013;
- Lachlan Development Control Plan 2013;
- Lachlan Shire 7.12 Contributions Plan 2015;
- Lachlan Shire Community Participation Plan 2019:
- The likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social and economic impacts in the locality;
- The suitability of the site for the development;
- Any submissions made in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act & Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation (the Regulation), and

- The public interest.
- a. Section 4.15(1)(a) The Provisions Of Any Environmental Planning Instrument

#### i. State Environmental Planning Policy No. 55 – Remediation of Land

The aim of SEPP 55 is to provide for the remediation of contaminated land for the purpose of reducing the risk of harm to human health or environment and requiring that any remediation work meet certain standards and notification requirements.

The site is not identified on Council's contaminated land register and there is no sign on site of any historical farming containing given it is void of any buildings and infrastructure.

Pursuant to Clause 7 of State Environmental Planning Policy No 55 – Remediation of Land there is no apparent reason to consider that land to be disturbed by the proposed development would be contaminated.

Based on the above the development satisfies the objectives of SEPP 55 and the development is fit for purpose, subject to conditions being imposed to ensure all works cease in the event of unexpected findings during development phase. At this time (if unexpected findings were encountered) testing would be required and compliance with the recommended remediation works by the owner.

#### ii. State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007

Clause 34 of the SEPP (Infrastructure) 2007 applies to the development;

- (1) Development for the purpose of electricity generating works may be carried out by any person with consent on the following land—
  - (a) in the case of electricity generating works comprising a building or place used for the purpose of making or generating electricity using waves, tides or aquatic thermal as the relevant fuel source—on any land,
  - (b) in any other case—any land in a prescribed rural, industrial or special use zone.

By virtue of Clause 34 of Division 4 of Part 3 of the SEPP development for the purpose of electricity generating works is permitted with consent on any land in a prescribed rural, industrial or special use zone, by any person. The RU1 zone is a prescribed rural zone. As the SEPP is a State document the legislation within it overrides any legislation within a Local Environmental Plan with which it may conflict, in this case being Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 which prohibits electricity generating works in the zone.

## iii. Lachlan Local Environmental Plan (LLEP) 2013

Part 2 Permitted or prohibited development & Land Use Table

D	evelopment Characterisation	electricity generating works means a building or place used for the purpose of—  (a) making or generating electricity, or  (b) electricity storage.

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Land Use Zone	The site is identified on Land Zoning Map – Sheet LZN_10A as RU1 Primary Production:
	Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013  Land Zoning Map - Sheet LZN_010A  Zone  E1 National Parks and Nature Reserves  R5 Large Lot Residential  RE1 Public Recreation  RU1 Primary Production
Zone Objectives	<ul> <li>To encourage sustainable primary industry production by maintaining and enhancing the natural resource base.</li> <li>To encourage diversity in primary industry enterprises and systems appropriate for the area.</li> <li>To minimise the fragmentation and alienation of resource lands.</li> <li>To minimise conflict between land uses within this zone and land uses within adjoining zones.</li> </ul>
Land Use Table - Is Proposal Permissible In Zone?	The proposed use, is prohibited within the RU1 Primary Production Zone, as it is not a use listed as permitted with consent is not listed in Item 2 (permitted without consent) or Item 3 (permitted with consent) of the Land Use Table, therefore it is prohibited.  The proposal is however permitted with consent under Clause 34 State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure 2007).
Is Proposal Consistent With Zone Objectives? (Clause 2.3(2))	Under clause 2.3(2) of LLEP 2013, the consent authority must have regard to the objectives for development in the zone.  The following comments are made regarding each zone
	To encourage sustainable primary industry production by maintaining and enhancing the natural resource base.
	The site is currently being used for grazing and whilst the development will not encourage sustainable primary industry production on the site, the development will not impact significantly on the natural resource base or the

existing agricultural potential of the site. There is scope for grazing to continue on the land and across parts of the subject site that are not developed for the solar farm.

 To encourage diversity in primary industry enterprises and systems appropriate for the area.

The proposed development is for a non-rural use which will not encourage diversity of primary industry enterprises or systems for the locality. However the use of the land for a solar farm is diversification into an alternative land use that is considered suitable within the rural zone under SEPP Infrastructure.

 To minimise the fragmentation and alienation of resource lands.

The proposed development does not result in the fragmentation of land but will minimise the ability for the land to be used for agriculture. The value of current resources on the land for agricultural purpose is not considered to be significant as the land parcel is not being subdivided and the intention is to return the land to agricultural use in 25-30 years.

 To minimise conflict between land uses within this zone and land uses within adjoining zones.

The proposed development has the potential to conflict with other land uses in terms of visual and environmental impacts. The potential impacts of the development and proposed mitigation methods are discussed in more detail later in this report.

The suitability of the use being located away from densely populated areas and upon an area of open rural land is considered appropriate. If the facility is managed and operated in an appropriate manner the impacts on existing land uses in the locality can be mitigated to a suitable and acceptable level.

Compliance with conditions of consent will ensure the development will have minimal adverse effects on other land surrounding permitted land uses, including residential.

The development will not undermine land use objectives and is considered to be consistent with the zone objectives.

## Principal Development Standards (Part 4)

Part 4 Principal Development Standards			
Part 4	Local Provisions Applicable To Development And/Or Site	How Does The Development Comply (Where Applicable)	

There are no Principal Development Standards that apply.

## Miscellaneous Provisions (Part 5)

	Part 5 Miscellaneous Provisions				
Part 5	Local Provisions Applicable To Development And/Or Site	How Does The Development Comply (Where Applicable)			
Clause 5.10 – Heritage	(a) to conserve the environmental	A detailed search has shown the site does not contain any listed items and is not located within proximity of any items.			
	of heritage items and heritage conservation areas, including associated fabric, settings and views,	Consequently the proposal is satisfactory with this section including the objectives.  A stop works condition has been recommended during works for any unexpected items that may be found during construction works.			

## Additional Local Provisions (Part 6)

Part 6 Additional Local Provisions			
Part 6	Local Provisions Applicable To Development And/Or Site	How Does The Development Comply (Where Applicable)	
	The objective of this clause is to ensure that earthworks for which development consent is required will not have a detrimental impact on environmental functions and processes, neighbouring uses, cultural or heritage items or features of the surrounding land.  Before granting development consent for earthworks (or for development involving ancillary earthworks), the consent authority must consider the following matters—  (a) the likely disruption of, or any detrimental effect on, drainage patterns and soil stability in the locality of the development  (b) the effect of the development on the likely future use or redevelopment of the land,  (c) the quality of the fill or the soil to be excavated, or both,  (d) the effect of the development on the existing and likely amenity of adjoining properties,  (e) the source of any fill material and the destination of any excavated material,	Bulk earthworks are not proposed however the site will be subject to soil disturbance for the construction, installation and dem of the solar farm which are considered to be minor earthworks. These works are not expected to significantly affect existing environmental functions.  The hydraulic impact assessment prepared to consider the impacts of the development found there to be no adverse impacts to drainage patterns. The development includes decommissioning of the solar farm and as such does not prevent the future use of the land for a variety of uses including agriculture. There will be no importation of fill to the site and there is not anticipated to be any fill leaving the site, the use of material will be balanced with the proposed earthworks and is suitable for this purpose.  In considering the required matters listed under this clause the proposed earthworks are an ancillary part of the solar farm installation. During site works sediment and erosion control measures will be installed across the site to ensure no adverse effects to neighbouring properties occur.  A condition has been included which requires a detailed Construction Management Plan for the development and the recommendations implemented throughout the installation and construction phase of the project.	

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	Part 6 Additional Lo	ocal Provisions
Part 6	Local Provisions Applicable To Development And/Or Site	How Does The Development Comply (Where Applicable)
	(f) the likelihood of disturbing relics,  (g) the proximity to, and potential for adverse impacts on, any waterway, drinking water catchment or environmentally sensitive area,  (h) any appropriate measures proposed to avoid, minimise or mitigate the impacts of the development.	
Clause 6.2 - Flood Planning	(1) The objectives of this clause are as follows—  (a) to minimise the flood risk to life and property associated with the use of land,  (b) to allow development on land that is compatible with the land's flood hazard, taking into account projected changes as a result of climate change,  (c) to avoid significant adverse impacts on	The site is not identified on Council's Flood Planning Area on the Flood Planning Map however is subject to flooding per the applicants flood impact assessment which shows part of the site is at or below the flood planning level per 6.2(2)(b);
	(2) This clause applies to— (a) land identified as "Flood Planning Area" on the Flood Planning Map, and (b) other land at or below the flood planning level.  (3) Development consent must not be granted to development on land to which this clause applies unless the consent authority is satisfied that the development— (a) is compatible with the flood hazard of the land, and (b) will not significantly adversely affect flood behaviour resulting in detrimental increases in the potential flood affectation of other development or properties, and (c) incorporates appropriate measures to manage risk to life from flood, and (d) will not significantly adversely affect the environment or cause avoidable erosion, siltation, destruction of riparian vegetation or a reduction in the stability of river banks or	This shows the northern section of the subject site is partly identified as being prone to flooding. The development is only impacted in a small way by the flood to a very low level.  Hydrologic modelling was undertaken using specific runoff software to provide a preliminary estimate of the peak discharges from the proposed solar farm. Although the solar panels are 100% impermeable the ground underneath the solar panels will remain as grassland. Any rainwater falling onto the panels will drain freely onto the under laying ground surface which remains permeable.  The results show that post development discharge levels from the site are less pre levels. These

	Part 6 Additional L	Local Provisions	
Part 6	Local Provisions Applicable To Development And/Or Site	How Does The Development Comply (Where Applicable)	
		predict that the development is not to clause external impacts in terms of water surface levels or discharge velocities.	
		The applicants assessment concludes the proposed development:	
		<ul> <li>will not increase the flood risk to life and property associated with the use of land;</li> <li>is a development that is not incompatible with the land's flood hazard;</li> <li>will not result in significant adverse impacts on flood behaviour and the environment;</li> <li>will not significantly adversely affect flood behaviour resulting in detrimental increases in the potential flood affectation of other development or properties;</li> <li>will not significantly adversely affect the environment or cause avoidable erosion, siltation, destruction of riparian vegetation or a reduction in the stability of any river banks or watercourses; and</li> <li>is not likely to result in unsustainable social and economic costs to the community as a consequence of flooding.</li> </ul>	
		Based on the above the proposal has demonstrated that it is consistent with the requirements of this section.	
Clause 6.7 – Essential Services	consent authority is satisfied that any of the following services that are essential for the development are available or that adequate arrangements have been made to make them available when required:  a. the supply of water,  b. the supply of electricity,  c. the disposal and management of	Relevant referrals were sent for assessment, along with review of utilities mapping. Through this process it has been confirmed that the site is currently serviced by water, electricity, sewer as well as direct vehicular and pedestrian access services, as required by the clause.  Connection to reticulated water or sewerage is not required. A rainwater tank and waterless composting toilet would service the unstaffed control room. The flood risk assessment shows no requirement for on-	
	sewage, d. stormwater drainage or on-site conservation, e. suitable vehicular access.	site stormwater retention and a suitable access off Browns Lane will be constructed.  Regardless servicing conditions have been applied as relevant and it is the responsibility of the owner to upgrade services to the site, at their cost, if required.	

 Section 4.15 (1)(a)(ii) The provisions of any proposed instrument that is or has been the subject\_of public consultation under the Act and that has been notified to the Consent Authority

Nil

c. Section 4.15 (1)(a)(iii) The provisions of any Development Control Plan

## Lachlan Shire Development Control Plan 2018 (LDCP)

The proposal has been assessed in regard to compliance with the following chapters:

DCP Provision / Objective	Assessment/Compliance
Chapter 1 – Introduction	
1.3 - Land to which this plan applies	
This plan applies to all land within Lachlan Shire and subject to Lachlan LEP 2013.	The subject site within the Lachlan Shire and subject to the LLEP 2013.

DCP Provision / Objective	Assessment/Compliance
Chapter 3 – Development	
3.1 - Development on all land	
This section applies to all land within Lachlan Shire and to all streets and road frontages with the exception of:  Lanes in settlements not exceeding 6.5 metres in width, and  Land on which a building is proposed to be erected and being of a class 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8 as defined in the Building Code of Australia.	The proposal is subject to the requirements of the plan.
3.1.3 – Energy Efficiency	The proposal does not impact on any adjoining development.
3.1.4 – Water Efficiency and stormwater management	A Flood Risk Assessment provided by the applicant has determined that stormwater flows would not exceed predevelopment levels and no onsite detention structures are required.
3.1.5 – Landscaping	A detailed landscaping plan will be required to ensure that sensitive receivers and
3.7 - Development of flood prone land	The proposed solar farm encroaches only a small amount onto the flood affected land as shown below in the consultant's report. Refer to Clause 6.2 of LLEP 2013 above for detailed discussion on the matter.

d. Section 4.15 (1)(a)(iiia) The provisions of any Planning Agreement

The subject site does not have a Planning Agreement.

e. Section 4.15 (1)(a)(iv) The provisions of the Regulations

The *Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000* prescribes certain development consent conditions that form part of the development consent conditions imposed.

- AS 2601 Australian Standard AS 2601—1991: The Demolition of Structures
  Demolition does not form part of this application.
- BCA The development is capable of complying with the *Building Code of Australia* and relevant Australian Standards.
- f. Section 4.15 (1)(b) The Likely Impacts Of The Development

The proposal has the potential to result in adverse impacts however those impacts are capable of being mitigated by conditions of consent (e.g. context, visual setting, glare and construction impacts including noise) or can be considered to result in minimal impact within reasonable/acceptable limits. There are no adverse social and economic impacts associated with the proposal.

#### Context and setting

The site is located within a rural area with the predominant surrounding land uses being agricultural in nature. There are residential properties to the south and east of the subject site fronting both Willis Lane and Jones Lane respectively as well as properties further to the east on Airport Road, to the north on Worthington Lane and to the west on Browns Lane as well as properties further to the west on Boona Road. These properties include a mix of built form with small clusters of established dwellings and farm buildings accessed by gravel and sealed roads.

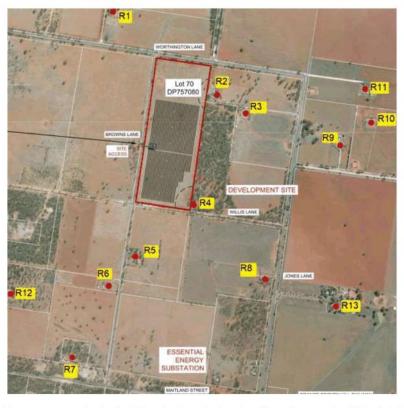
Views to and from the site are open and undulating, the development is set within the existing landscape that allows for views above and beyond the development to be maintained.

The use of the site as a solar farm would likely not lead to any ongoing impacts that would detrimentally impact on the operations of nearby properties and does not prohibit or limit future redevelopment opportunities for surrounding sites to the south. The land to the south of Willis Lane has potential to be development further into smaller lots with dwellings given zoning as R5 Large Lot Residential with a minimum lot size of 2 hectares. Landscape screening of 5m in width will be required along Willis Lane, given the 19m setback between boundary and internal fencing, this will assist with the change in zoning and transition to residential land.

Whilst from a long term sense the proposal will be generally inconsistent with the character of the area given there is no existing solar farms it is not totally incompatible with adjacent land uses in the existing context and setting given it is confined to a single lot.

## Noise and Vibration

A noise and vibration impact assessment has been prepared by technical consultant Assured Environment to assess the potential impacts of the construction and operation of the proposed solar farm on nearby sensitive receptors in accordance with applicable NSW policies and guidelines. The nearest residential receptors to the proposed solar farm are identified on the figure below.



Attachment 1 - Development Application Assessment Report
Development Application No. 2020/45 - Lot: 70 DP: 752080, 121 Willis Lane Condobolin

The sensitive receptors include 13 existing single dwellings located within 1.5 km of the development.

The construction of the proposed development is expected to take approximately 4 months with several different activities to be undertaken over that time. Noise during construction will be experienced from site establishment works and internal road works of approximately one month, construction including pile driving and installation of solar infrastructure of approximately two months and commissioning of the solar farm over approximately two months.

In terms of noise emissions, the site preparation activities and the driving of the support posts into the ground have the most significant potential for adverse impacts. An indicative project schedule has determined these two activities may occur concurrently, therefore, the impacts associated with these two elements were assessed cumulatively.

Construction works are expected to progress across the site therefore plant and equipment would only be in a single area for a short period of time. For example, each post takes approximately 25-30 seconds to drive into the ground thereby providing the ability to install a new pile approximately every 2.5 minutes. Given this, the potential for adverse impacts at any one receptor is expected to only occur for a short period of time.

The noise modelling used to determine the impacts from noise emissions incorporated the influence of meteorology, terrain, ground type and air absorption as well as the sound power levels from the different types of equipment being used. The Interim Construction Noise Guidelines (2009) include construction noise criteria against which noise from the works should be measured.

For the majority of the receptors, the highest noise levels will be experienced during site works and clearing activities. The high noise levels are associated with the piling of posts, the use of a mulching machine (for packaging material) and onsite vehicle movements. A review of the predicted noise levels confirms compliance with the noise management levels provided in the Interim Construction Noise Guidelines (ICNG) for all receptors during standard construction hours. The highest predicted noise level is expected to occur at receptor R4; it is recommended that reasonable and feasible mitigation measures such as those presented in Section 3.5 of the technical report are implemented to reduce the noise impact at this receptor.

Given the rural location and the relatively large separation distances between the development and the majority of nearby sensitive receptors, the assessment considered the potential for adverse amenity impacts associated with construction outside of standard construction hours. No construction will be allowed outside of standard hours due to the results of the modelling indicating exceedances of the noise limits.

Operational noise is associated with the single axis tracking panels that will rotate throughout the day using small motors to track the suns movement and maximise the solar effect. Noise emissions from the tracking motors are expected to occur for approximately one minute out of each 15-minute period (providing for up to five degrees' rotation per hour) during day periods. An assessment of the predicted noise levels confirms that compliance with the intrusive noise criteria established in accordance with the Noise Policy for Industry can be achieved for all receptors for day periods under worst-case meteorological conditions. During evening and night periods where solar radiation is present (e.g. early mornings or late afternoons), the reduced load on the inverters results in a reduction in noise emissions. There are no noise mitigation measures recommended during the operation of the solar farm.

During the construction phase high traffic volumes have the potential to result in noise disturbance. Construction is expected to be completed over a 4 month period with an expected peak period of two months. During the peak period it is anticipated that up to 25 workers will be on site daily dropping to 10 during the other two months. The consultant's assessment has considered the potential impacts associated with noise emissions from the maximum expected 40 light and 20 heavy vehicle movements from the site entry along the local access road (Browns Lane).

All vehicle movements during construction are expected to occur during standard construction hours however, as a worst-case, it has been assumed that vehicle movements associated with arrival of construction workers to site could occur over the one-hour period from 6 am - 7 am (i.e. during night periods). The assessment found that the impact of traffic during construction was in compliance with the applicable standards.

Noise impacts associated with vehicle movements during the operational phase of the solar farm are expected to be negligible given the small number of movements expected.

Vibration impacts associated with the site preparation and construction works have been assessed in accordance with technical guidelines (Assessing Vibration: A technical Guide [2006] DECCW). The modelling determines continuous vibration, impulsive vibration and intermittent vibration and associated amenity impacts. The predicted vibration levels indicate compliance with the criteria due to the separation distance from residences. Vibration impacts are not expected to be cumulative.

## Access, Transport and Traffic

Access to the site will be from Browns Lane via a single access point to be established as part of this application. The entry is to be sited the western boundary on Browns Lane, 260 metres north of Willis Lane and achieves good visibility in both directions.

Traffic generation associated with the solar farm once operational is considered to be negligible as it would be for maintenance purposes only. Whilst there are no marked parking spaces laid out there is capacity within the proximity of the storage containers for a number of permanent spaces.

Construction is expected to be completed over a 4 month period with an expected peak period of two months. During the peak period it is anticipated that up to 25 workers will be on site daily dropping to 10 during the other two months. Employee vehicles during this time could number around 20 private light vehicles travelling to and from the site daily for the 2 month peak, with adequate provision of 11 spaces to be made in a temporary on-site vehicle parking area within the construction laydown area.

Heavy vehicle movements to and from the site will be via new Browns Lane access. Over the construction period a total of 113 heavy vehicles will be required to access the site including infrastructure deliveries (panels, inverters, piles etc), concrete, gravel, sand and water trucks. There could be up to a maximum of 20 heavy vehicles per day during the peak period generating with light vehicles a total of 60 vehicle movements. There is sufficient capacity on the site to accommodate a construction compound and parking for construction staff and plant, again the details of which will be secured within the Construction Management Plan.

## Glare Impact and Visual Amenity

A detailed glare impact assessment has been prepared to consider the potential visual influence of the proposal overhead to aircraft given proximity to the Condobolin Airport and the impact to the existing built landscape at ground level to neighbours.

Glare analysis is conducted using the ForgeSolar 'GlareGauge' glare analysis tool. GlareGauge is a model used to identify the potential occurrence of glare to observation points in the surrounding landscape. GlareGauge also has a flight path tool which models the potential occurrence of glare for pilots in aircraft on approach to a runway.

The solar farm would use a single axis tracking system, which tracks the sun for most of the day and has a lower glare risk than a fixed frame photovoltaic system.

Per the consultant's report, based on the following parameters, the solar farm would not result in glare to aircraft:

- single axis tracking PV array;
- · module surface material is smooth glass with anti-reflective coating;
- · tracking axis oriented 8.4 degrees from True North;
- tracking axis is not tilted;
- no offset between the tracking axis and solar panel;
- maximum tracking angle of 52 degrees;
- · resting angle of 1 degree; and
- maximum height of solar panel of 2.65 metres (assuming 1P tracker)

The application was referred to the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) for review, who have raised no immediate concern, however have recommended that changes be made to the design once operational if such matters arise.

A visibility analysis assessment has been prepared that considers the potential visual influence of the proposal on the surrounding landscape including 15 dwellings "receptors" in close proximity. The assessment method identifies view shielding and existing screening which creates a theoretical area from which the proposal may be visible. It is created using topographic data, separation distance and the height of the proposal elements. This will then provide a Viewshed Visibility percentage indicating the amount of the solar farm infrastructure that is visible.

As a result of the visibility analysis there is potential glare impact to neighbouring properties in the afternoon period for up to 10 minutes for about half of the year. The solar farm will not generate light spill for any neighbour. For all neighbours, intervening vegetation and other buildings will provide varying levels of screening from the curtilage of their homes. For two dwellings on adjoining properties to the east, identified as R2 and R4, mitigation measures are recommended in the form of vegetation screening. This would possibly be located in the shaded areas shown in the consultant's report as Figures 29 and 30 below.





Figure 29: Receptor 2

Figure 30: Receptor 4

Due to the nature of the solar farm, the inappropriate adverse visual impacts identified are prevented through an appropriate amount of screening prior to operation and the minor impacts fully reversible with the decommissioning of the solar farm at the end of the project life.

## Impacts during Construction

Given the size of the development, temporary impacts resulting from construction noise, dust and traffic are likely to bring short term inconveniences to the surrounding area over the four month period.

Conditions have been recommended that require the developer to produce Construction Site and Management Plans that relates will relate to the management of matters such as, but not limited to, dust, hours, noise, pollution, access and sediment control.

#### **Natural Hazards**

The northern end of the site is subject to flooding in the 1% AEP flood event. The proposed solar farm encroaches only a small amount onto the flood affected land.

A Hydraulic Impact Assessment provided by the applicant has concluded that the proposed solar farm does not cause significant adverse flood impacts to neighbouring properties and infrastructure. The impact of flooding is summarised:

- will not increase the flood risk to life and property associated with the use of land;
- is a development that is not incompatible with the land's flood hazard;
- will not result in significant adverse impacts on flood behaviour and the environment;
- will not significantly adversely affect flood behaviour resulting in detrimental increases in the potential flood affectation of other development or properties;
- will not significantly adversely affect the environment or cause avoidable erosion, siltation.
- destruction of riparian vegetation or a reduction in the stability of any river banks or watercourses; and
- is not likely to result in unsustainable social and economic costs to the community as a consequence of flooding.

Whilst the site is not mapped bushfire prone land is located on Council's draft mapping. The matter has been appropriately considered and the development meets the recommendations under Section 8.3.5 (Wind and Solar Farms) of the RFS *Planning for Bushfire Protection 2019* (PFBP 2019) specifically:

- a minimum 10m Asset Protection Zone (APZ) for the structures and associated buildings/infrastructure; and
- the APZ must be maintained to the standard of an Inner Protection Area (IPA) for the life of the development.

A security fence will be installed around the solar farm infrastructure. Inside this fence a minimum 10m wide APZ will be maintained to provide for bush fire control and tanker access.

The APZ will provide the requisite defendable space around the solar farm infrastructure.

#### Flora and Fauna

The development application proposes the removal of trees and ground vegetation from the site. A detailed biodiversity assessment was completed and submitted with the application. The need for a biodiversity development assessment report (BDAR) is not triggered and this is discussed in greater detail below under the Biodiversity Act section.

The principal impact on biodiversity is the permanent removal of four White Cypress Pine paddock trees and clearing of 60m2 of native groundcover in the roadside corridor to construct the new site access.

An assessment of the impacts to the different flora and fauna types found that the impacts are unlikely to be significant given the heavily cleared nature of the land.

#### Contamination

The site is not identified as contaminated and shows no history or evidence of any previous land use that may contribute toward contamination of the site.

Risks to the environment in respect of the use of solar technologies are considered to be low. Materials used in the construction of solar modules have the potential to be recycled following the decommissioning of the site. All infrastructure will be removed from site reducing any risk to human health and/or the local environment.

## Decommissioning

Decommissioning of the facility will occur at the end of the useful life of the infrastructure, this is anticipated to be around 25 years from commencement of energy generation. At the end of the facilities life a decision on whether to upgrade or decommission the facility will be taken.

To ensure that the land is left in a suitable state for a return to primary production purposes a decommissioning plan is to be prepared. The plan will include as a minimum, timeline for the rehabilitation program, decommissioning of all solar panels, above and below the ground infrastructure, inverter stations, fencing and any other structures or infrastructure relating to the approved development and a programme of site restoration to return the land back into agricultural production. The objective of the decommissioning plan would be to restore the land capability to its pre-existing agricultural value and use.

A recommended condition of consent requires that the plan be created prior to operation of the facility commencing.

#### **Economic Impacts**

The construction and installation of the solar farm will provide some employment opportunities for the local labour force during the construction phase offering an opportunity to enhance existing and develop new skills and expertise whilst working on the project. Though once operation there will be no permanent employees on-site.

Additional employment opportunities may arise from the supply of goods and materials that are needed during the installation phase from local manufacturing companies and suppliers. There are no ongoing employment opportunities other than required maintenance work.

The development has a strong focus on enabling renewable energy in the locality. On a broader scale the proposed development contributes to achieving increased renewable energy outputs and investment into the local area.

#### Operational Management

As there will be no permanent staff members on site the equipment will be monitored remotely with personnel coming to site for routine maintenance and repair work only. The management of groundcover will also be included as part of the Operational Management Plan. This could include the use of selective grazing by livestock, mechanical slashing and the establishment and maintenance of a suitable vegetative groundcover that provides effective competition for weeds, maintained through regular inspection. A permanent water supply will not be provided on-site, with water to be trucked to the site for the pressure cleaning of panels in the event of soiling from events such as dust-storms.

#### Services

The proposed development is not anticipated to have any significant impact on services other than providing a renewable energy source to the benefit of the local areas power supply. The application has been referred to both Transgrid and Essential Energy for comment who have raised no objection to the development.

g. Section 4.15 (1)(c) The suitability of the site for the development

The land is appropriately zoned for permissibility under the provisions of SEPP Infrastructure. The proposed land use does differ to the historical use of the land for agricultural purposes but

is one that can be suitably located and managed on this land with an acceptable degree of impact.

The site has been selected for a solar farm due to its predominantly cleared, undulating nature within close proximity to existing electricity infrastructure and which is also easily accessible.

The character of farmland throughout country NSW is transitioning to include solar energy production as an alternative to traditional agricultural production where suitable infrastructure and locations exist, in order to support additional renewable energy sources and provide alternative sources of rural income.

The site is of a sufficient size to accommodate the use and is located away from the main village populated areas. There are no site constraints that would render the site unsuitable for the proposed development.

## h. Section 4.15 (1)(d) Any submissions

This application was notified for a period of 21 days in accordance with the requirements of the Lachlan Community Participation Plan from 4 December 2020 to 21 January 2021. No public submissions were made during this period.

## i. Section 4.15 (1)(e) The public interest

The public interest is best served by the consistent application of the requirements of the relevant planning controls and by Council ensuring that any adverse effects on the surrounding area and the environment are avoided.

The proposed development contributes to federal, state and local goals of promoting the development of renewable energy and reduces the reliance on other forms of electricity generation that are reliant on the burning of fossil fuels. The proposed development is considered to be in the public interest as it offers an opportunity for productive and sustainable economic activity within the area and provides significant employment opportunities during the construction phase.

It is also in the public interest to consider the development in the context of strategic planning documents that may not be legislative but provide relevance and significance to the determination of the application. Such documents include Central West and Orana Regional Plan 2036 and Council's Local Strategic Planning Statement 2020-2040 that list 'Direction 9: Increase Renewable Energy Generation' Under this direction it refers to the region's and Council's potential for renewable energy industries and one of the key actions is to 'Facilitate small-scale renewable energy projects using bioenergy, solar, wind, small-scale hydro, geothermal or other innovative storage technologies.'

Taking into account the full range of matters for consideration under Section 4.15(1) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment 1979 (as discussed within this report) it is considered that approval of the application is in the public interest.

The application is not expected to have any unreasonable impacts on the environment or the amenity of the locality, with noise related and operational matters controlled by conditions. It is considered appropriate with consideration to the zoning and the character of the area and is therefore considered to be in the public interest.

Accordingly, development consent of this proposal will not undermine the public interest subject to appropriate conditions being imposed on any development consent.

## 3. Consultations

#### a. Council Referrals

The application was referred to a number of Council internal teams. Where required, conditions have been recommended and imposed by the technical assessments.

For external agencies, the following were issued referral for assessment;

## Department of Primary Industries

Response dated 12 January 2021;

The NSW Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI) Agriculture is committed to the protection and growth of agricultural industries, and the land and resources upon which these industries depend.

This proposal has an impact on land zoned primary production that has been used for cropping and grazing. Whilst we acknowledge this is a relatively small development in an area that has had some fragmentation, in order to address the impacts on this on adjacent agricultural lands the following recommendations area made:

1. A detailed assessment of the land and soil at the site be undertake in conjunction with the geotechnical testing proposed on approval. This will assist with the decommissioning and rehabilitation issue of the project site. Soil information will that can assist in determining soil construction limitations (such as erosion potential and mitigation of sodality conditions) and land management operations, and provide a baseline to the reinstatement of soil characteristics to achieve final closure outcomes that include pre- development soil and landscape characteristics including land capability. Hence a soil survey is recommended to take place in addition to the geotechnical testing prior to construction. For this area it may take 2-3 profile sites with some verification locations to satisfy this.

The Guidelines for this include:

- Australian Soil and Land Survey Handbook (CSIRO, 2009)
- Guidelines for Surveying Soil and Land Resources (CSIRO, 2008)
- The land and soil capability assessment scheme: second approximation (OEH, 2012).
- Crash grazing to manage vegetation growth may be undertaken during the solar farm's operation. Ideally a 70% groundcover is recommended as part of the Operations Environmental Management Plan that will ensure optimal conditions to ensure infiltration, and less erosion and surface water movement or structural damage on the land,

There are various references that can explain this including the Central West Local Land Services website (<a href="https://www.lls.nsw.gov.au/our-regions/central-west/articles-and-publications/crop-production/maintaining-groundcover-for-water-infiltration">https://www.lls.nsw.gov.au/our-regions/central-west/articles-and-publications/crop-production/maintaining-groundcover-for-water-infiltration</a>

This outlines the reasons why and also a simple way the level of groundcover can be monitored by the solar farm operator.

The Meat and Livestock website also provides some guidance for perennial pasture management (https://www.mla.com.au/research-and-development/Environment-

sustainability/Sustainable-grazing-a-producer-resource/productive-persistent-and-profitable-pastures/improved-perennial-pastures/).

The Plan is supported especially in dealing with soil and groundcover aspect with the operation of the solar farm.

- The Decommissioning Management Plan should outline the rehabilitation objectives and strategies be developed conceptually as part of the conditions. This includes, but is not limited to, describing the design criteria of the final land use and landform, indicators to be used to guide the return of the land back to agricultural production, along with the anticipated timing for the rehabilitation program.
- 3. The visual buffer should also be specific in relation to appropriate species and structure and their ongoing maintenance and care. We note the visual impact of the infrastructure and any glare impact be considered in the establishment of the buffer. Management actions to take place e.g. increased watering frequency, mulching, temporary protection from the western sun, etc. should form part of managing this area.

The establishment of native grass species may also be considered after initial sterile plantings are undertaken to provide immediate cover of the solar farm.

## Department Planning Industry and Environment - Environment, Energy and Science

Response dated 12 January 2021;

Thank you for your request dated 17 December 2020 to the Biodiversity, Conservation and Science Directorate (BCS) seeking advice in relation to the proposed solar farm at Willis Lane, Condobolin. BCS has reviewed the Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE) and the appended Biodiversity Assessment Report (BAR).

We note that the BAR describes the vegetation on the development footprint as "restricted to four paddock trees. The remainder of the paddock is bare cultivated soil. A small area of native groundcover will also be cleared (0.0060 ha) at a new access point on the western side of the site". The proposed activities are "not considered likely to have an adverse impact on the life cycle or habitat of any of the threatened species identified as having potential to occur on the study area. Nor will the proposed activity remove, modify or fragment the habitat of the subject species". BCS is satisfied that entry into the BOS is not required.

## Essential Energy

Response dated 23 June 2021 following submission of additional information:

Based on the documents submitted, Essential Energy has no comments to make as to potential safety risks arising from the proposed development.

Essential Energy makes the following general comments:

- If the proposed development changes, there may be potential safety risks and it is recommended that Essential Energy is consulted for further comment;
- Any existing encumbrances in favour of Essential Energy (or its predecessors) noted on the title of the above property should be complied with; and

- In addition, Essential Energy's records indicate there is electricity infrastructure
  located within the property. Any activities within this location must be undertaken in
  accordance with the latest industry guideline currently known as ISSC 20 Guideline
  for the Management of Activities within Electricity Easements and Close to
  Infrastructure.
- Prior to carrying out any works, a "Dial Before You Dig" enquiry should be undertaken
  in accordance with the requirements of Part 5E (Protection of Underground Electricity
  Power Lines) of the Electricity Supply Act 1995 (NSW).
- Given there is electricity infrastructure in the area, it is the responsibility of the
  person/s completing any works around powerlines to understand their safety
  responsibilities. SafeWork NSW (www.safework.nsw.gov.au) has publications that
  provide guidance when working close to electricity infrastructure. These include the
  Code of Practice Work near Overhead Power Lines and Code of Practice Work
  near Underground Assets.

## **TransGrid**

Advised referral not required.

Civil Aviation Safety Authority

Response dated 15 March 2021:

CASA has reviewed the Glare Assessment by Enerparc of 28 October 2020 and notes that the centre of the site is approximately 3km west from threshold 10 and to the south of the runway 10/28 centreline of Condobolin Airport. The Glare Assessment analysed northern, southern and western approaches, however it did not analyse approaches from the east on runway 28. For aircraft approaching runway 28 from the east, there is little chance that the pilot would receive excessive glare. The Glare Assessment advised that the panels will have anti-reflective coatings.

CASA does not have any regulatory advice or "reflectivity standards" with specific regard to solar installations. CASA is not an approving authority and does not have expertise in this area. The US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is relatively advanced in terms of solar farm glare evaluation. The FAA guidelines recommend that a solar development within 2 miles (nm) of an aerodrome should be assessed for potential glare along the final approach paths to the airport to ensure pilot vision is not impacted during the critical last phases of a flight.

Normally, approval should be conditional on the resultant level of after image glare from the solar panels not exceeding "low potential for after-image" along the final approach path. The final approach path is defined as 2 miles from 50 feet above the landing threshold using a standard 3° glide path. The Glare Assessment advised 'no glare predicted' for the three approaches to Condobolin Aerodrome runways.

The proposed solar farm is not likely to impact pilots' sight during the critical approach phases of a flight. CASA has no objection to the installation of the solar farm and an Acceptable Level of Safety should be achieved. Once installed, in the unlikely event that safety concerns relating to glare caused by the solar panels are raised by pilots when landing aircraft at Condobolin Airport, the location and/or configuration of the solar panels may need to be reviewed and revised.

#### Political Donations Disclosure

Under Section 10.4(4) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act*, 1979 (the Act), a person who makes a relevant planning application to Council is required to disclose any reportable political donations and gifts made by any person with a financial interest in the application within the period commencing two years before the application is made and ending when the application is determined, including:

- a. all reportable political donations made to any Councillor of this Council
- b. all gifts made to any Councillor or employee of this Council.

**Note:** Section 10.4(1) of the Act states 'political donations or gifts are not relevant to the determination of any such planning application and the making of political donations or gifts does not provide grounds for challenging the determination on any such planning application'.

The Disclosure Statement received by Council indicates that no reportable donations or gifts have been made.

## 4. Other Matters for Consideration

#### a. Biodiversity Conservation Act

The Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (BC Act) establishes a framework to avoid, minimise and offset the impacts of proposed development and land use change on biodiversity. The primary requirement under the BC Act, is to determine whether the development is likely to significantly affect threatened species

According to clause 7.7(2) of the BC Act, if the proposed development is likely to significantly affect threatened species, the development application is to be accompanied by a biodiversity development assessment report (BDAR).

In order to determine if the development is likely to significantly affect threatened species three key tests are required as follows:-

1. Is the subject site identified as an area of outstanding biodiversity value on the biodiversity values map? The site is not identified on the map.

The site is not identified on the map.

Does the amount of native vegetation being removed exceed the biodiversity offsets scheme threshold?

The threshold area is determined by the minimum lot size associated with the property, the minimum lot size of the property is 400ha, the site is 25ha. For lots that are greater than 40ha and less than 1000ha the threshold for clearing, above which the offsets scheme will apply is 1ha.

The amount of vegetation to be removed is less than 1ha, being an area of only 0.0060ha (60 square metres) of native ground cover for the new access point from Browns Lane and four scattered paddock trees.

 Test of Significance - the test to determine whether the proposed development or activity is likely to significantly affect threatened species or ecological communities, or their habitats.

An assessments of significance was carried out by Premise (dated 18 September 2020) a suitability qualified biodiversity consultant; the findings are detailed below;

The proposed development will not have a significant adverse impact on the life cycle or habitat of any of the threatened species assessed in this assessment of significance. Nor will the proposed development remove, modify or fragment the habitat of the subject species or contribute to a key threatening process in any way. Neither a Species Impact Statement nor triggering of the Biodiversity Offsets Scheme is required for any of the fauna species.

Given the small scale of removal that is proposed in relation to the habitat available within the study area and locality and the absence of any recorded endangered flora or fauna on site the proposed development is not anticipated to significantly affect threatened species or ecological communities or their habitats.

Based on the above assessment the proposal does not trigger the BC Act thresholds. Therefore, a BDAR is not required to accompany the development application and the proposed development is not required to enter into the Biodiversity Offset Scheme (BOS).

#### b. Lachlan Shire 7.12 Contributions Plan 2015

Section 7.12 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and the Lachlan Shire Section 7.12 Contributions Plan enables Council to levy contributions, where anticipated development will or is likely to increase the demand for public facilities. A Section 7.12 contribution applies and will be put towards the provision high quality and diverse public facilities to meet the expectations of the shires residents.

The Lachlan Shire Council Section 7.12 Contribution Plan 2015 is applicable to this application. The cost of the works including GST is \$5,253,849.70 and a contribution of 1% is applied being \$52,538.50. This amount is to be adjusted in accordance with clause 25J(4) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000* and section 1.16 of the Lachlan Shire Council Section 7.12 Levy Contributions Plan 2015.

## 5. Conclusion

An assessment of the application has resulted in this application being supported on the following grounds:

- The application has appropriately addressed the provisions of State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007 under which it is permitted with consent.
- The application is consistent with the controls contained in LDCP 2018 as outlined in the body of this report.
- The potential noise impacts to adjoining properties in close proximity, particularly during construction have been addressed through a detailed technical consultant's report and recommended measures and conditions.
- There are no site constraints that would result in the site being unsuitable for the proposed development.
- Whilst the solar farm will have an impact on the existing landscape it is one that is
  consolidated to a single site and that is becoming more common within a rural landscape
  and one that has an accepted degree of impact when balanced against other factors
  associated with the importance of renewable energy targets.

 The solar farm will contribute to a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and a move toward cleaner electricity generation, thereby serving the public interest.

In conclusion, the proposal is permitted with consent, is generally consistent with the objectives of the zone and where necessary conditions have been recommended such as to offset any adverse potential environmental impacts.

Based on the assessment above, where there are no outstanding issues, it is recommended that DA No. 2020/45 be approved.

#### 6. Recommendation

That Council approve DA No. 2020/45, for Installation of a ground mounted photo voltaic solar farm facility (5 Mega-Watt) with battery storage and ancillary infrastructure at Lots: 70 DP: 752080, 121 Willis Lane, subject to the recommended conditions of consent in **Attachment 2**.

## **END OF REPORT**

#### Attachment 2 - Recommended Conditions of Consent

#### ADMINISTRATIVE CONDITIONS

#### 1. Construction Certificate & PCA Notification

Before any site works, building or use is commenced, the person having the benefit of the development consent must:

- a. obtain a Construction Certificate from Lachlan Shire Council or other accredited certifier, and
- b. appoint a Principal Certifying Authority.

#### 2. Prescribed Conditions

This development consent is subject to the prescribed conditions made under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000*.

## 3. Development in Accordance with Plans and Documents

The development must be in accordance with the following approved Development Application plans and documents as endorsed by Council's stamp. Where there is an inconsistency between the approved plans/documentation and conditions of consent, the conditions of consent take precedence to the extent of the inconsistency.

Reference/Dwg No.	Title/Description	Prepared By	Date
220132 – EV01, 03D	Development Site	Premise	17/10/2020
220132 – EV02, 03D	Farm Layout	Premise	17/10/2020
220132_SEE_001B	Statement of Environmental Effects	Premises	28 October 2020
13181 – R2	Condobolin Solar Farm: Noise Impact Assessment	Assured Environmental	12/10/2020
	Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment	Domestic Drafting Services	03/06/2021
220132_TER_001A, Rev: A	Biodiversity Assessment Report	Premise	1 September 2020
	Glare Impact Assessment	ForgeSolar	09/10/2020
2003421/GEO- 0065, R01A	Flood Risk Assessment Report	Premise	9 September 2020

A current copy of the Development Consent and Construction Certificate (including all plans, specifications and certificates) shall be maintained on the development site at all times until issue of an occupation certificate.

Note 1: Modifications to the approved plans will require the lodgement and consideration by Council of a modification pursuant to Section 4.55 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.

**Note 2**: The approved plans and supporting documentation may be subject to conditions imposed under section 4.17 of the Act modifying or amending the development (refer to conditions of consent which must be satisfied prior to the issue of any Construction Certificate).

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#### PRIOR TO ISSUE OF CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

#### 4. Section 7.12 Contributions

Pursuant to s7.12 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and the Lachlan Shire Council Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2015, a levy in the amount for \$52,538.50 must be paid to Council prior to the issuing of the Construction Certificate. This amount is to be adjusted in accordance with clause 25J(4) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000* and section 1.16 of the Lachlan Shire Council Section 7.12 Levy Contributions Plan 2015.

#### Detailed Site Layout Plan

Prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate a detailed site layout plan of the solar installations must be prepared to the satisfaction of the General Manager or delegate. The plan must demonstrate, by the inclusion of a minimum 4.5 metres wide separation between the rows of panels the ability for emergency access to all parts of the site and appropriate maintenance as required.

#### 6. Construction Site Management Plan

Prior to the release of the Construction Certificate, a Construction Site Management Plan must be submitted to and approved by Council. The Construction Site Management Plan must include the following measures:

- Construction Traffic Management including required access routes to and from the subject site, access and egress arrangements for all construction related vehicles to and from the site, deliveries of materials and parking arrangements for contractors.
- Details of, and vehicular movement diagrams for, the largest vehicle to access the site to show that such vehicles can enter and leave the site in a forward direction and details of the frequency and timing of vehicle movements to and from site.
- Timing for construction of the works across the site demonstrating any proposed staging of works across the site and including operational hours.
- Site layout during construction including storage of materials, plant and equipment, site
  office and amenities, hoardings and any proposed traffic control devices.
- Waste management plan including the type and location of waste storage containers onsite, proposed method of removal and disposal of all waste types and treatment of packaging material.
- Tree Protection, habitat and species protection and methodology for vegetation removal including mitigation measures.
- Noise Management
- Aboriginal Heritage Management
- Bush Fire Management
- Dust Management, including control of dust from stockpiled sites.
- Soil and Water Management including any required earthworks, stabilising batters where required and protection of waterways.
- Integrated Site Restoration
- Details of what method will be used to ensure that the plan is adhered to including appropriate signage and fencing.
- Security Management including details of relevant project manager and/or site foreman contact details.

## 7. Long Service Levy

The Long Service Levy must be paid prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate for work exceeding a value of \$25,000.00.

Note: This is a levy imposed by the NSW Government and administered by the Long Service

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Payments Corporation for the purpose of long service payments to building and construction workers.

#### 8. Utility Arrangements

Arrangements are to be made with utility authorities in respect to the services supplied by those authorities to the development. The cost associated with the provision or adjustment of services within the road and footway areas is to be at the developer's expense.

#### Soil Testing

Prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate a detailed assessment of the land and soil at the site be undertake in conjunction with the geotechnical testing to the satisfaction of the General Manager or delegate.

Note: Soil information will that can assist in determining soil construction limitations (such as erosion potential and mitigation of sodality conditions) and land management operations, and provide a baseline to the reinstatement of soil characteristics to achieve final closure outcomes that include pre- development soil and landscape characteristics including land capability.

Note: For this area it may take 2-3 profile sites with some verification locations to satisfy this.

Note: The Guidelines for this include:

- Australian Soil and Land Survey Handbook (CSIRO, 2009)
- · Guidelines for Surveying Soil and Land Resources (CSIRO, 2008)
- The land and soil capability assessment scheme: second approximation (OEH, 2012).
- Crash grazing to manage vegetation growth may be undertaken during the solar farm's operation. Ideally a 70% groundcover is recommended as part of the Operations Environmental Management Plan that will ensure optimal conditions to ensure infiltration, and less erosion and surface water movement or structural damage on the land,

There are various references that can explain this including the Central West Local Land Services website (https://www.lls.nsw.gov.au/our-regions/central-west/articles-and-publications/crop-production/maintaining-groundcover-for-water-infiltration

The Meat and Livestock website also provides guidance for perennial pasture management (<a href="https://www.mla.com.au/research-and-development/Environment-sustainability/Sustainable-grazing-a-producer-resource/productive-persistent-and-profitable-pastures/improved-perennial-pastures/">https://www.mla.com.au/research-and-development/Environment-sustainability/Sustainable-grazing-a-producer-resource/productive-persistent-and-profitable-pastures/improved-perennial-pastures/</a>).

#### PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS

#### 10. Construction Certificate

A CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE must be obtained pursuant to Section 6.7 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, as amended from either Council or an accredited certifying authority certifying that the proposed works are in accordance with the Building Code of Australia PRIOR to any works commencing.

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#### 11. Construction Certificate Requirements

Prior to commencement of work, the person having the benefit of the Development Consent:

- a. Shall appoint a Principal Certifying Authority (PCA).
- Shall ensure a Construction Certificate is issued by the PCA.
- Shall notify Council of their intention to commence the site works, at least two days prior to commencement of work.

Where Lachlan Shire Council is nominated as the Principal Certifying Authority, the following requirements shall be satisfied before the commencement of work:

- The LSC Principal Certifying Authority Service Agreement shall be completed and signed by the applicant.
- b. The LSC Notice of Commencement of Building Works and Appointment of Principal Certifying Authority shall be completed and issued to Council at least two days before undertaking any work in accordance with the Construction Certificate.
- Terms and conditions of the LSC Principal Certifying Authority Service agreement shall be satisfied.

## 12. Existing Trees & Vegetation

The existing trees and vegetated areas to be retained situated within the property of the proposed development shall be protected from all construction works.

All care must be taken to protect existing trees to be retained from damage, including trees located adjacent to the proposed development. The developer must identify all trees to be retained prior to commencement of any site or construction works.

A Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) must be constructed for all existing trees to be retained within the development in accordance with Australian Standards - AS 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites.

Construction of Tree Protection Zone's, shall be completed and inspected by Council's Supervisor of Tree Planning and Management, prior to the commencement of any site works. Contact can be made by phoning 1300 292442 during normal business hours.

Removal, relocation or disruption of the Tree Protection Zone fencing will be considered as a breach of this consent. TPZ fences shall remain in place until the end of construction.

If damage of any sort should occur to any protected trees / vegetation within the development, contact shall be made with Council's Manager Town Planning to determine what remedial action should be taken. Throughout the construction period regular inspections of protected trees shall be carried out to ensure trees retained are of good health and vigour.

## 13. Construction Site Management Plan

The Construction Site Management Plan measures are to be implemented prior to the commencement of any works including demolition and excavation.

## 14. Site Requirements

Prior to the commencement of construction works:

(a) Toilet facilities at or in the vicinity of the work site shall be provided at the rate of one toilet for every 20 persons or part of 20 persons employed at the site. Each toilet provided must be:

- a standard flushing toilet connected to a public sewer, or
- if that is not practicable, an accredited sewage management facility approved by the council, or
- alternatively, any other sewage management facility approved by council.
- (b) All excavations and backfilling associated with the erection or demolition of a building must be executed safely and in accordance with the appropriate professional standards. All excavations associated with the erection or demolition of a building must be properly guarded and protected to prevent them from being dangerous to life or property.
- (c) If an excavation associated with the erection or demolition of a building extends below the level of the base of the footings of a building on an adjoining allotment of land, the person causing the excavation to be made:
  - must preserve and protect the building from damage, and
  - if necessary, must underpin and support the building in an approved manner, and
  - must at least 7 days before excavating below the level of the base of the footings of a building on an adjoining allotment of land, give notice of intention to do so to the owner of the adjoining allotment of land and furnish particulars of the excavation to the owner of the building being erected or demolished. The owner of the adjoining allotment of land is not liable for any part of the cost of work carried out for the purposes of this condition, whether carried out on the allotment of land being excavated or on the adjoining allotment of land, (includes a public road and any other public place).
- (d) If the work involved in the erection or demolition of a building is likely to cause pedestrian or vehicular traffic in a public place to be obstructed or rendered inconvenient, or involves the enclosure of a public place, a hoarding or fence must be erected between the work site and the public place:
  - if necessary, an awning is to be erected, sufficient to prevent any substance from, or in connection with, the work falling into the public place,
  - the work site must be kept lit between sunset and sunrise if it is likely to be hazardous to persons in the public place, and
  - any such hoarding, fence or awning is to be removed when the work has been completed.

## **DURING WORKS**

#### 15. Hours of Construction and Site Works

All works that are carried out in accordance with an approved consent that involve the use of heavy vehicles, heavy machinery and other equipment likely to cause offence to adjoining properties shall be restricted to the following hours:

- Mondays to Fridays, 8am to 6pm
- Saturdays, 8am to 1pm (if inaudible on neighbouring residential premises), otherwise 8am to 1pm
- No work is permitted on Sundays and Public Holidays.

Other construction works carried out inside a building/tenancy and do not involve the use of equipment that emits noise are not restricted to the construction hours stated above.

The provisions of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act, 1997 in regulating offensive noise also apply to all construction works.

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#### Construction and Site Works – Noise Mitigation Measures

During construction works the following noise mitigation measures as outlined in Section 7 of the Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment prepared by Assured Environmental dated 12/10/2020 shall be implemented and complied with:-

- a) Limiting the type and scale of concurrent activities undertaken close to sensitive receptors where possible;
- b) Using broad-band reversing alarms on all mobile plant and equipment;
- Examine different types of machines that perform the same function and compare the noise level data to select the least noisy machine;
- d) Operating plant in a quiet and efficient manner;
- e) Reduce throttle setting and turn off equipment when not being used; and
- f) Regularly inspect and maintain equipment to ensure it is in good working order including checking the condition of mufflers.
- g) Piling activities should only be undertaken:
  - between the hours of 8:00am and 6:00pm Monday to Friday;
  - between the hours of 8:00am and 1:00pm Saturday; and
  - in continuous blocks of no more than three hours, with at least a one-hour respite between each block of work generating high noise impact, where the location of the work is likely to impact the same receivers.

#### 17. Construction Site Management Plan

The Construction Site Management Plan measures are to be maintained throughout the works, to maintain reasonable levels of public health, safety and amenity. A copy of the Construction Management Plan must be retained on site during works and is to be made available upon request.

#### 18. Temporary On-Site Parking Area

A temporary on-site car parking area with a minimum of 15 vehicle parking spaces and at least 1 disabled car parking space shall be provided. Vehicle parking facilities, including all parking and manoeuvring areas are to be designed in accordance with an all-weather standard. Trafficable areas shall be maintained in good order and kept clear and available at all time for such purposes.

#### 19. All Weather Access

All weather access and manoeuvring areas shall be provided and maintained within the site at all times.

#### 20. Site Toilet Facilities

Adequate toilet facilities for workers must be provided at or in the vicinity of the work site.

#### 21. Inspections

The applicant is to obtain a Compliance Certificate from Council or an accredited certifying authority, certifying compliance with the Building Code of Australia, and any other relevant conditions of consent for the relevant stages of construction.

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#### 22. Survey Certificate Confirming Setbacks

A survey certificate prepared by a registered surveyor must be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to work proceeding beyond slab formwork to confirm that the development is constructed at the approved setbacks from the boundaries.

#### 23. Maintenance of Erosion & Runoff Controls

The soil and water management controls must be maintained at all times and checked for adequacy daily. The controls must not be removed until the development is completed and the disturbed areas have been stabilised.

Maintenance must include but is not limited to ensuring:

- a. all sediment fences, sediment traps and socks are properly placed and are working effectively
- b. drains, gutters and roads must be maintained clear of sediment at all times.

It is an offence under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* to allow soil or other pollutants to fall or be washed into any waters or be placed where it is likely to fall or be washed into any waters. Substantial penalties may be issued for any offence.

Any excavated soil to be disposed of offsite must be assessed by a suitably qualified consultant in accordance with the Waste Classification Guidelines, Part 1: Classifying Waste (EPA 2014) to inform appropriate disposal. All waste requiring offsite disposal must be taken to a licenced waste facility.

#### 24. Licensed Plumber

All plumbing and drainage work shall be carried out by a licensed plumber and drainer and to the requirements of AS/NZS 3500 and the National Plumbing Code of Australia (Volume 3 of the NCC).

<u>Note1:</u> Notice of Work is to be issued to the Council no later than 2 business days before the work concerned is carried out.

<u>Note 2:</u> A Certificate of Compliance for the plumbing and drainage work identified in Colum 1 at the times specified in Colum 2 must be obtained from Council:

	Column 1	Column 2
Α	Stormwater Drainage	When all external stormwater drainage work is installed and prior to concealment.
В	Final	Prior to occupation of the building or structure.

<u>Note 3:</u> Sewer Diagram is to be issued to the Council and the owner of the land or the owner's agent, on completion of the final inspection.

#### 25. Contamination – Unexpected Finds Protocol

Should any contamination or suspect material be encountered during site preparation, earth works, construction or any other stage of the development, works must cease immediately, and a suitably qualified consultant engaged to conduct a thorough contamination assessment and provide recommended management actions to guide the management of any contamination onsite. Council must be notified if this protocol is required to be enacted.

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#### 26. Cultural Heritage Stop Work Protocol

A stop work protocol must be implemented for any potential heritage items found during excavation including ceasing work immediately if any Aboriginal objects are found/uncovered, secure the site and inform Office of Environment and Heritage and Lachlan Shire Council immediately.

#### 27. Public Roads

The developer is to maintain all adjoining public roads to the site used as part of the access to the site in a clean and tidy state, free of excavated "spoil" material.

#### 28. Dust Mitigation

During all site works reasonable steps must be taken to suppress dust by regular watering until such time as the soil is stabilised to prevent airborne dust transport. Dust suppression measures must include the control of dust from stockpiled sites. Where excessive dust generation is occurring due to high winds and/or dry conditions it may be necessary to temporarily cease operations.

#### 29. Construction Works

All construction works must be undertaken in accordance with the latest industry guideline currently known as ISSC 20 Guideline for the Management of Activities within Electricity Easements and Close to Electricity Infrastructure as well as understanding safety responsibilities when working around powerlines as per SafeWork NSW.

#### 30. Loading and Unloading

All loading and unloading operations shall be carried out wholly within the confines of the site. No unloading/loading is permitted to be undertaken within the roadway unless approved in writing by Council.

## PRIOR TO OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE OR PRIOR TO OPERATION

#### 31. Occupation Certificate

An Occupation Certificate, must be obtained pursuant to Section 6.9 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, from either Council or an accredited certifying authority, prior to occupation of the building.

In order to obtain this, the "Final Occupation Certificate" form must be completed and submitted to Council with all required attachments - failure to submit the completed Occupation Certificate Application form will result in an inability for Council to book and subsequently undertake Occupation Certificate inspection.

NOTE: The issuing of an Occupation Certificate does not necessarily indicate that all conditions of development consent have been complied with. The applicant is responsible for ensuring that all conditions of development consent are complied with.

## 32. Operational Plan of Management

Prior to issue of the Construction Certificate, the applicant must submit an Operational Plan of Management. The Operational Plan of Management must be approved by Council prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Matters to be addressed in the plan of management include (but are not limited to):

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- a) General maintenance and operation of the site e.g. contact details of the site manager/maintenance staff; emergency protocols, safety and security measures
- b) Addressing complaints relating to the operation of the premise;
- c) Access arrangements to the site including parking and maintenance of access roads;
- d) Bushfire management including annual inspection of the site prior to the bushfire danger period;
- e) Management of water run-off and erosion
- f) Maintenance and inspection of groundcover
- g) Dust mitigation measures
- h) Weed management (including specific measures for priority weeds)
- i) Groundcover management plan (including measures to facilitate the grazing of sheep)
- j) Waste management
- k) Future site decommissioning
- I) Reviews, amendments and updates to the plan.

#### 33. Decommissioning

The solar energy system shall be decommissioned within 12 months of terminating operations. Prior to operation of the approved solar farm, a Decommissioning Plan shall be prepared and submitted for approval by the General Manager or delegate.

The plan shall include, but not be limited to expected timeline for the rehabilitation program, decommissioning of all solar panels, above and below the ground infrastructure, inverter stations, fencing and any other structures or infrastructure relating to the approved development. A programme of site restoration to re-establish the ground profiles to pre-development status and enable the land to be returned back into agricultural production must form part of the decommissioning plan.

The plan should outline the rehabilitation objectives and strategies be developed conceptually as part of the conditions. This includes, but is not limited to, describing the design criteria of the final land use and landform, indicators to be used to guide the return of the land back to agricultural production, along with the anticipated timing for the rehabilitation program.

All works shall follow the same management principles outlined in the Construction Management Plan.

## 34. Landscape Plan and Works

Prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, a detailed landscape management plan must be submitted to and approved by the General Manager or delegate.

The plan is to include the following:

- 5m wide landscaping strip the full length of the southern boundary fronting Willis Lane.
- Landscape screening protecting properties identified as Receptor 2 and Receptor 4 in the Viewshed Analysis from Statement of Environment Effects – Premise – ref. 220132\_SEE\_001B.

The landscaping is intended to provide a visual buffer and soften the impacts of the development when viewed from the surrounding locality.

Prior to operation of the use the landscaped areas and tree planting identified in the approved landscape management plan shall be established on site in accordance with the approved plan.

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#### **DURING USE**

#### Signage

No signage is approved as part of the application, no signs or advertising material shall be erected on or in conjunction with the proposed occupation of the site without a subsequent application being approved by Council.

#### 36. Operational Plan of Management

The Operational Plan of Management (OPM) is to remain in place for the perpetuity of the consent.

#### 37. Offensive Noise

The use of the site including all plant and equipment shall not give rise to any 'offensive noise' as defined under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 and shall comply with the Noise Policy for Industry (2017) (as amended).

#### 38. Amenity - General

The development is to be conducted in a manner that will not interfere with the amenity of the locality by reason of the emission of noise, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, waste water, waste products, grit, oil, by causing interference to television or radio reception or otherwise.

### 39. Landscaping

The landscaped development area of the development is to be maintained by the developer at all times to the satisfaction of the General Manager or delegate in accordance with the approved landscaping management plan.

## 40. Outdoor Lighting

External lights shall be operated/maintained generally in accordance with the Australian Standard AS4282 – Control of the Obstructive Effects of Outdoor Lighting so as not to cause a nuisance or adverse impact on the surrounding private land or to motorists on nearby roads.

#### 41. Decommissioning

The solar energy system shall be decommissioned within 12 months of terminating operations to allow pre-development agricultural activities to be undertaken.

#### 42. Glare Impact

The development is to be managed so as to not cause glare to pilots when landing aircraft at Condobolin Airport. The location and/or configuration of the development may need to be reviewed and revised to the satisfaction of the General Manager or delegate.

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# Prescribed conditions under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000

This development consent is subject to the prescribed conditions made under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000*.

#### Compliance with Building Code of Australia

- A development consent for development that involves any building work must be issued subject to the following conditions:
  - (a) that the work must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Building Code of Australia, in force on the date of the application.

Note: In this condition, a reference to the *Building Code of Australia* is a reference to that Code as in force on the date the application for the relevant complying development certificate is made.

#### Erection of signs

Note:

- A sign must be erected in a prominent position on any site on which building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out:
  - (a) showing the name, address and telephone number of the principal certifying authority for the work, and
  - (b) showing the name of the principal contractor (if any) for any building work and a telephone number on which that person may be contacted outside working hours, and
  - (c) stating that unauthorised entry to the site is prohibited.

Any such sign is to be maintained while the building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out, but must be removed when the work has been completed.

Note: This condition does not apply in relation to building work, subdivision work or demolition work that is carried out inside an existing building that does not affect the external walls of the building.

Note: This condition does not apply in relation to Crown building work that is certified, in accordance with section 109R of the Act, to comply with the technical provisions of the State's building laws.

Note: This condition applies to a complying development certificate issued before 1 July 2004 only if the building work, subdivision work or demolition work involved had not been commenced by that date.

Principal certifying authorities and principal contractors must also ensure that signs required by this clause are erected and maintained (see clause 227A which currently imposes a maximum penalty of \$1,100).

### Condition relating to shoring and adequacy of adjoining property

- 3. Where development involves an excavation that extends below the level of the base of the footings of a building on adjoining land, the person having the benefit of the certificate must at the person's own expense:
  - (a) protect and support the adjoining premises from possible damage from the excavation, and
  - (b) where necessary, underpin the adjoining premises to prevent any such damage.

Note: This condition does not apply if the person having the benefit of the complying development certificate owns the adjoining land or the owner of the adjoining land has given consent in writing to that condition not applying.

#### Reasons for Conditions:

Development Application № 2020/45 was assessed using current procedures developed by the Lachlan Shire Council and other resource information. This includes:

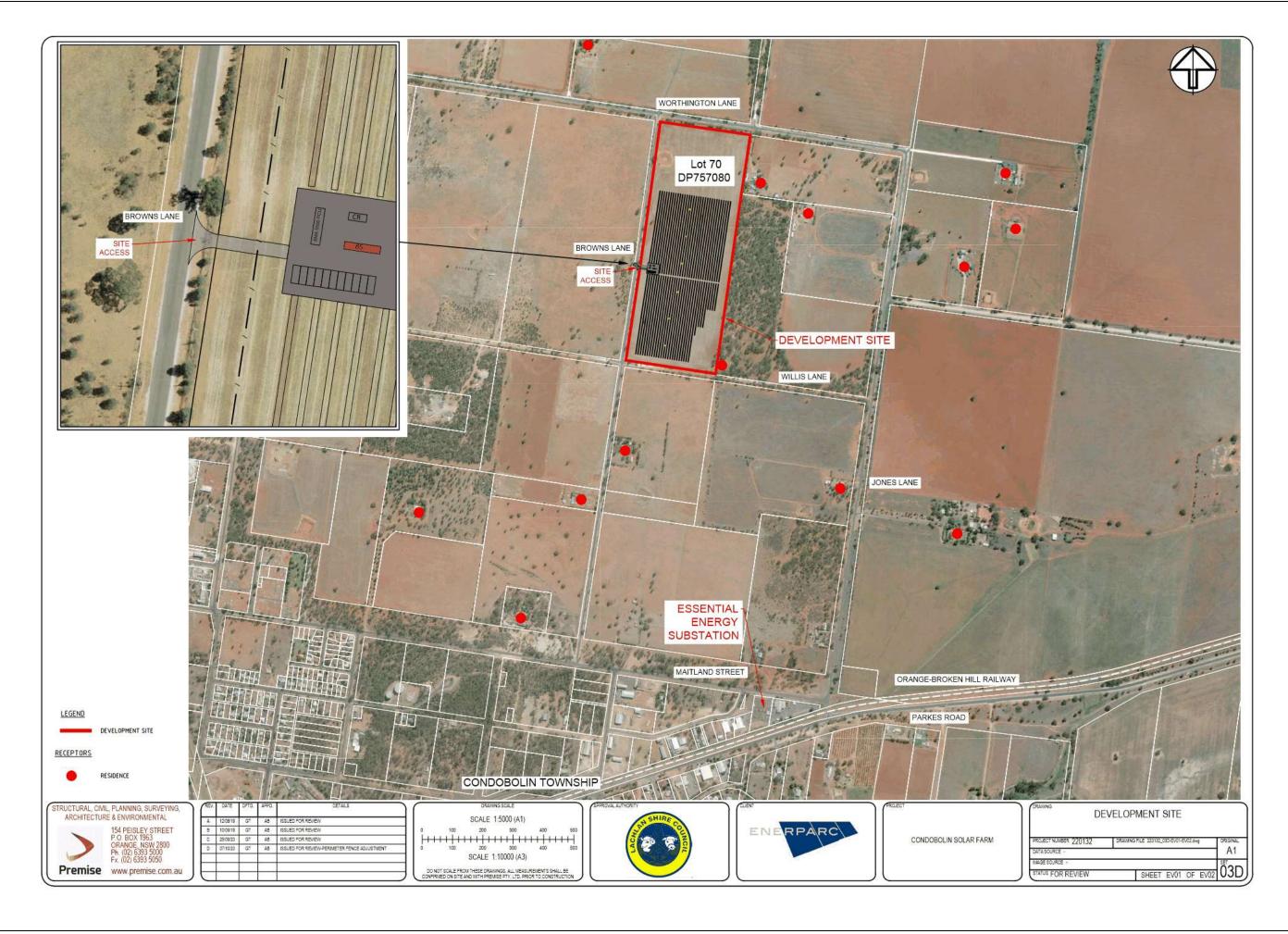
• the requirements of Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 which states:

#### Section 4.15(1) Matters for consideration - general

In determining a development application, a consent authority is to take into consideration such of the following matters as are of relevance to the development the subject of the development application:

- (a) the provisions of:
  - (i) any environmental planning instrument, and
  - (ii) any draft environmental planning instrument that is or has been placed on public exhibition and details of which have been notified to the consent authority, and
  - (iii) any development control plan, and
  - (iv) any matters prescribed by the regulations that apply to the land to which the development application relates
- (b) the likely impacts of that development, including environmental impacts on both the natural and built environments and social and economic impacts in the locality
- (c) the suitability of the site for the development
- (d) any submissions made in accordance with this Act or the regulations
- (e) the public interest
- the requirements of the Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013
- · the requirements of the following Development Control Plans and Council Policies:
  - (i) Lachlan Shire Development Control Plan 2018
- · field inspection and liaison between officers of the Lachlan Shire Council

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## 10 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

## 10.1 FY2021 UTILITIES MONTHLY UPDATE FOR JUNE

TRIM Number: R21/180

Author: Manager - Utilities

#### **PURPOSE**

To provide a summary of the existing and future works and projects associated with the provision of water and sewerage services across Lachlan Shire. Items listed are works undertaken for June, in progress for the month of July and forecast for the month of August 2021.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

#### **BACKGROUND**

Lachlan Shire Council is responsible for a suite of capital and operational works associated with the provision of water and sewerage services. This report provides status updates on projects and programmes of significance and interest to Council and stakeholders.

## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

#### Condobolin

Project	Progress
RNSW 1879 Condobolin Water Supply Upgrade Scoping Study	The bore testing result that outlines the water quality data has been forwarded to Hunter H2O for their interpretation. A memo will then be developed and send to DPIE Water for their review.
RNSW 1880 Condobolin Sewerage Scheme	The draft Condobolin WTP Scoping Study will also be amended to include the following:
Scoping Study	<ul> <li>Confirm that the proposed treatments in the current study are aligned with the recent water quality results.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Confirm the additional proposed treatment in the current Condobolin WTP that meets ADWG if Council needs to exercise the bore in the emergency situation before the new Condobolin WTP is built.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Identify and investigate greenfield sites options for the new Condobolin WTP.</li> </ul>
RNSW 755 Condobolin Bore Fields II	The final report on Aquifer and Water Quality has been forwarded to the adjacent landowner for his consideration.
	<ul> <li>A meeting was held on Monday 19 July 2021 with the adjacent landowner to discuss various issues, e.g. power connection, NRAR water licence, location of the transfer pump station, etc. A conclusion was not reached on any matter but Council staff are continuing to work alongside the landowner to ensure that he is not disadvantaged with the development of the bore sites and the bore pipeline.</li> </ul>
DWS072 Condobolin Drought Water Security Project	A separate report is provided under Report No. R21/203, updating Council on the Tender assessment for the construction of the pipeline for the emergency water supply for Condobolin.

Condobolin WTP – installation of electric	<ul> <li>The civil works in installing the electric actuators on both of the sludge clarifiers at the Condobolin WTP has been completed.</li> </ul>
actuators	<ul> <li>These electric actuators will now be connected to Council's telemetry system and operated automatically.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Once these actuators are automated, it is intended that the sludge clarifier will work more efficiently during the summer months, improving the ability to produce clean water.</li> </ul>
Condobolin Reservoir No.2 – Investigation Study	Condobolin Reservoir No.2 is the western reservoir located on the Reservoir Hill Site. This reservoir has been leaking in multiple locations for the past 20 years, with a number of attempts to patch and repair to reduce the leakage.
	<ul> <li>Recently a complaint was received from a nearby property that their yard and driveway is continuously wet, with water now seeping through a concrete slab at the rear of the building. It is difficult to ascertain exactly how much of this is due to leakage at the reservoir. But Council is in regular communication with the resident to address their concerns.</li> </ul>
	Council has lowered the operational water level in the reservoirs to reduce the pressure and leaks.
	<ul> <li>Recently an external visual inspection was undertaken by PWA and a Structural Engineer. The condition was confirmed as "poor". The reservoir may only have 5 – 10 years left of useful life remaining. It was recommended to empty the reservoir in order to complete a comprehensive internal inspection, from which information can be gathered to confirm what repairs can be made in the short term and what targets should be developed for the Asset replacement.</li> </ul>
Condobolin Depot Standpipe upgrade	The standpipe near Condobolin Depot in Bathurst St will be upgraded to the water filling station style similar to the one in the SRA Ground.
	<ul> <li>The pipeline connection to the standpipe will also receive an upgrade to improve the flow in the new standpipe and reduce filling time for trucks. The new water filling station will have an 80mm vertical standpipe with an 80mm side-fill camlock outlet which can be reduced to 50mm.</li> </ul>

## Lake Cargelligo

Project	Progress	
Lake Cargelligo SPS2 and SPS3 – electrical & control system upgrade	<ul> <li>These two sewer pump station sites are still running on the old RADTEL system. With these upgrades, the sites will be installed with a new SCADAPack 474 RTU and trio radio as a back-up. The existing switchboards are still in good condition and will be refurbished to save costs,</li> </ul>	
	The commissioning of this upgrade is pending the Lake Cargelligo ClearSCADA upgrade project.	
Lake Cargelligo Merri Abba Bore Pipeline Electric Actuator –	This site is still running on the old RADTEL system. The existing panel will be refurbished and a new SCADAPack 474 RTU will be installed.	

electrical & control system upgrade	•	The commissioning of this upgrade is pending the Lake Cargelligo ClearSCADA upgrade project.
Lake Cargelligo STP – RTU upgrade	•	This site is still running on the old RADTEL system. The existing panel will be refurbished and new SCADAPack 474 RTU will be installed.
	•	The commissioning of this upgrade is pending the Lake Cargelligo ClearSCADA upgrade project.
	•	Please note that this upgrade will only allow this site to be monitored remotely. The full electrical and control system upgrade is budgeted in financial year 2022-23.

## Tottenham

Project	Progress
RNSW 841 Tottenham Water Supply	Tottenham Reservoir Options Study recommends an additional 500kL reservoir in Tottenham or Albert. Given the "Poor" condition of the Albert Reservoir, there was a preference towards the installation of a new 1.1ML reservoir in Albert.
	<ul> <li>PWA will prepare a cost estimate for a new 1.1ML reservoir in Albert and prepare a submission to INSW for consideration and to fund under the RNSW841 Project.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Draft Geotechnical Assessment Report for Leg o Mutton Dam Expansion has been received and is currently under review by Council staff.</li> </ul>
	In summary, the report highlights the following:
	<ul> <li>It is strongly recommended that the embankment between the storages is removed.</li> </ul>
	It is highlighted that the material used to construct the embankments is highly dispersive, meaning it is extremely vulnerable to water and erosion. Some measures have been recommended to reduce erosion in the short term. Long term solution would be reconstructing the embankments in accordance with engineering principals.
	<ul> <li>Spillway. The lack of formal spillway increases the risk of erosion and embankment failure. Part of the short to medium term strategy involves cleaning and/or upgrading the existing outlet.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Seepage. It is apparent that an impervious lining has not be provided. Given the nature of the material, it is predicted that seepage may be an issue and further monitoring is required. In the long term if it is shown that seepage is a problem, an impervious layer needs to be installed.</li> </ul>
Tottenham WTP Upgrade	<ul> <li>MBS Water Pty Ltd has been to site to collect data and gain a full understanding of the project. In addition to this, MBS Water Pty Ltd has also undertaken the chemical configuration to review and confirm that the current treatment processes are the best suitable in accordance with the water quality data.</li> </ul>
	A report will be prepared and submitted to Council highlighting the recommendations and specifications for the upgrade works.

Tottenham Reservoir Instrument Replacement	•	The new instrument has arrived and will be installed by the authorised technician.
	•	Assessments are underway to seal the reservoir in preparation for the mural painting under the LRCI phase 2.

#### **Shire Wide**

Project	Progress
RNSW 842 Sewage Effluent Reuse Management System (Lake Cargelligo, Condobolin & Tottenham)	<ul> <li>Council staff would like to ensure that the proposed effluent reuse management system will produce a better quality effluent than the existing arrangement, good community outcomes will be achieved through the implementation of the project and the operation and maintenance of these systems needs to be sustainable into the future.</li> </ul>
Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM) Strategy	• Council staff are working through the list of data gaps that has been highlighted through the initial data gathering. The information includes planning information, asset data register, financial data and approximate number visitors in the shire.
	<ul> <li>Once all the information is gathered, the IWCM Issues Paper will be produced that outlines all the issues in Council's town water supply and sewerage systems.</li> </ul>
ClearSCADA upgrade	The current ClearSCADA licence will be out of active support in December 2021.
	<ul> <li>Council's standard SCADAPack 300 series RTUs will be at end of commercialisation this year and be replaced with SCADAPack 474 series RTUs.</li> </ul>
	• SCADAPack 474 RTU needs to be supported by the new GeoSCADA2020.
	<ul> <li>This upgrade will involve upgrading the hardware servers as well as upgrading ClearSCADA 2017 version to GeoSCADA 2020 version for both water and sewer assets in Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo and Tottenham.</li> </ul>

## FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

All projects are listed as per the Delivery and Operational Plan 2020/21, reflecting changes made in QBR3 and works in progress from the previous year.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

In the Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo, Tottenham and Albert water schemes, sufficient high quality drinking water, which meets the standards prescribed in the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (ADWG), is being supplied to the community. The day to day operation of Council's water supply system is governed by DPIE Water and the backwash discharge from the water treatment plant is administered by the EPA.

Non-potable water continues to be supplied to Tullibigeal, Fifield and Burcher.

Lachlan Shire Council is providing sewerage services to communities across the shire. The day to day operation of Council's sewerage services is governed by DPIE Water and the effluent discharge from the sewerage treatment plant is administered by the EPA. There are significant risks should Council fail to achieve satisfactory outcomes in the following areas:

- Water quality
- Water quantity
- Effluent discharge quality
- Workplace Health & Safety
- Environmental Impacts

Council has systems in place to mitigate all risks in the form of trained personnel, documented work systems and routine audits and reports to various NSW Government Departments. Water and effluent quality is checked regularly to identify any deviation from the current guidelines and standards.

#### **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

Risk associated with the engagement of PWA is addressed by the formation of a project steering committee with INSW, DPIE Water, PWA and Council staff representation.

Council senior staff regularly attend NSW Government agency meetings to keep updated on issues affecting water supply to the Lower Lachlan River System. This includes the River Operations Stakeholder Consultation Committee (ROSCCo), NSW Govt Critical Water Advisory Panel (CWAP) and Central West Joint Organisation Water Utilities Alliance (CWUA).

## STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

DPIE Water, Infrastructure NSW, NSW Public Works Advisory, the EPA, NSW Public Health Unit representatives and relevant Council staff have been consulted in relation to capital works & operational projects and compliance issues. Residents impacted by planned temporary disruption of services are provided reasonable notice where possible using a combination of letter box drops, public notices and media releases.

### **OPTIONS**

- 1. Council continue to implement the Water and Sewer capital, operation and maintenance program as resources permit, i.e. as funds, staff and contractors are available.
- 2. Council amend the Water and Sewer capital, operation and maintenance program.

#### CONCLUSION

This report is provided to update Council on activities in the Utilities section in June, underway for July and planned for August 2021.

#### LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP 7.1 Water, sewer and energy utilities meet best practice standards with up to date technology.

CSP 7.2 Water Security for All Towns and Villages.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

#### RECOMMENDATION

That:

The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/180 be received and noted.

#### 10.2 FY2021 ROADWORKS MONTHLY UPDATE FOR JUNE

TRIM Number: R21/191

Author: Manager - Roads

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of road works undertaken by Infrastructure Services which have been completed in the month of June, works in progress in the month of July and works scheduled for the month of August. The execution and completion of works varied depending on resource availability, weather conditions, work priorities and unforeseen circumstances.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

#### **BACKGROUND**

Applications for round 3 of the Fixing Local Roads program have closed. Four projects were submitted:

- SR 5 Lansdale Road reconstruct and widen seal 8 km \$2,000,000 Council share \$200,000
- SR 45 Boona Road widen and part reconstruct 18 km \$3,300,000 Council share \$330,000
- SR 230 Lachlan Valley Way seal extension 10 km North River Road to Brotherony Road \$2,000,000 – Council share \$100,000
- SR 230 Lachlan Valley Way seal extension 6 km Tullibigeal Road to North River Road \$1,200,000 – Council share \$60,000

Council's share of any successful projects can be funded from Roads to Recovery funding. There is no indication of when successful projects will be announced but funded projects must be commenced within six months of funding announcement.

## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

## **Road Construction**

The road pavement of the remaining 13 km of SR 1029 Tullibigeal Rd is almost complete. Work will pause shortly on this project, with work to recommence in late September in preparation for sealing.

A wet patch at the Leifermann Street end of the Maitland Street reconstruction is still preventing sealing being complete on this project. The approach that will be taken to finalise the construction of this wet section includes the installation of a cut off drain to divert the stormwater away from the road and stabilising the pavement. This will hopefully allow for sealing to be completed in late July.

Gravel sheeting work has commenced on SR 124 Crown Camp Road. This road is a school bus route and has suffered significant damage during recent wet weather.

#### **Road Maintenance**

The recent wet weather has continued to cause problems with the unsealed road network. This has led to a number of roads being in substandard condition with several complaints and concerns received from property owners and road users. Maintenance grading work is being undertaken with five of the Council's graders but progress is slow as many roads still have water laying on the roads in several places. It is likely to take a least three months to catch up with all the required maintenance, with priority given to bus routes and roads with higher risks. Council does have a number of Contractors that can be engaged to complete maintenance work when conditions become more favourable. Council may remember that very similar wet conditions occurred 12 months ago, with the majority of the rural road maintenance budget being expended in the first half of the financial year – leading to issues in the latter half of the financial year. A similar approach will be taken this

year in an effort to repair necessary roads as required, however it does need to be highlighted that this approach will create budget constraints and will impact on services later in the financial year.

## Works undertaken in June 2021

Road Heavy Patching,	Works were undertaken on the following roads.
re-sheeting / grade, water & roll.	Main Roads     nil
	<ul> <li>Shire Roads</li> <li>SR 106 Fitzgerald Road – gravel re-sheeting (Evolution Mine funded and RTR)</li> <li>SR 1347 Albert Road – gwr (Mineral Hill Road to Henry Parkes Way)</li> </ul>
Road and culvert reconstruction and sealing	Road and culvert reconstruction and sealing work was undertaken on selected segments of the following roads.  • Main Roads
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	<ul> <li>Shire Roads</li> <li>SR 1029 Tullibigeal Road – FRC/RTR construction of 13 km (stage 1 part b and stage 2). Carting and spreading of gravel for road pavement, continuing.</li> <li>Maitland Street – FRC/RTR reconstruction and widen 2 km</li> </ul>
Road reseals	Road resealing works were completed on the following roads.
	Main Roads     nil
	<ul> <li>Shire Roads and Town Streets</li> <li>nil</li> </ul>
Maintenance grading /sucker removal /line marking/ storm damage repairs	Routine maintenance grading was undertaken on the following unsealed roads.  • Main Roads  • nil
	<ul> <li>Shire Roads</li> <li>SR 11 Moira Vale Road – vegetation spraying</li> <li>SR 23 Jumble Plains Road</li> <li>SR 190 Wilgadale Road</li> <li>SR 230 Lachlan Valley Way</li> <li>SR 302 Gooma Road</li> <li>SR 414 Fyfes Road</li> <li>SR 1145 Burcher Road</li> <li>SR 1169 Bobadah Road</li> </ul>

Shoulder grading / re- sheeting / slashing and resealing / patching	Routine maintenance work was undertaken on the following sealed roads.  • Main Roads  • MR 231 Wyalong Road – shoulder grading  • SR 347 Dandaloo Road – pothole patching/vegetation control
	<ul> <li>Shire Roads</li> <li>SR 3 Tabratong Crossing Road – pothole patching</li> </ul>

# Works in Progress July 2021

Road Heavy Patching, re-sheeting / grade, water & roll.	<ul> <li>Works in progress on the following roads.</li> <li>Main Roads</li> <li>MR 461 Henry Parkes Way - gwr</li> <li>Shire Roads</li> <li>SR 24 Crown Camp Road – gravel sheeting</li> <li>SR 1145 Burcher Road – gravel pit closed, road alignment reinstated</li> <li>SR 1347 Albert Road - gwr</li> </ul>	
Road and culvert reconstruction and sealing	Road and culvert reconstruction and sealing work is currently underway on selected segments of the following roads.  • Main Roads  • nil  • Shire Roads  • SR 1029 Tullibigeal Road – FRC/RTR construction of 13 km (stage 1 part b and stage 2)  • Maitland Street – FRC/RTR reconstruction and widen 2 km  • Town Streets  • Busby/Harding Street, Condobolin – FLR reconstruction – tree removal  • Condobolin School Precinct – FLR/RTR safety improvements – tree removal McDonnell St	
Road reseals	Road resealing works will be undertaken on the following roads.  • All Roads  o nil	

Maintenance grading /sucker removal /line marking/ storm damage repairs	Routine maintenance grading is currently underway on the following unsealed roads.  • Main Roads  • MR 57N Fifield Road – pothole patching  • Shire Roads  • SR 50 Vermont Hill Road  • SR 52 Wirrinun Road  • SR 149 Gubbata Road  • SR 190 Wilgadale Road  • SR 230 Lachlan Valley Way
	SR 1006 Brotherony Road
Shoulder grading / resheeting / slashing and resealing / patching	Routine maintenance work will be undertaken on the following sealed roads.  • Main and Shire Roads  ○ as required

## **Works Planned for August 2021**

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Road Heavy Patching,	Works planned on the following roads.
re-sheeting / grade, water & roll.	Main Roads     nil
	<ul> <li>Shire Roads</li> <li>SR 124 Crown Camp Road – SRV gravel re-sheeting</li> </ul>
Road and culvert reconstruction and	Road and culvert reconstruction and sealing work planned on selected segments of the following roads.
sealing	<ul> <li>Main Roads</li> <li>MR 461 Henry Parkes Way/Maitland St and Silo Roads</li> <li>HVSPP/Block grant widening</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Shire Roads         <ul> <li>SR 120 Merribogie Road – FLR/RTR widening and sealing 7 km</li> <li>SR 1029 Tullibigeal Road – FRC/RTR construction of 13 km (stage 1 part 2 and stage 2)</li> <li>Maitland Street – FRC/RTR reconstruction and widen 2 km</li> </ul> </li> <li>Town Streets         <ul> <li>Visitor information centre – heavy vehicle parking internal earthworks.</li> <li>Busby/Harding Street, Condobolin – FLR reconstruction</li> <li>Condobolin School Precinct – FLR/RTR safety improvements</li> <li>Grace Street, Lake Cargelligo – RTR reconstruction, including Foster Street intersection</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Road reseals	Road resealing works planned undertaken on the following roads.			
	All Roads			
	o nil			
Maintenance grading /sucker removal /line	Routine maintenance grading planned on the following unsealed roads.			
marking/ storm damage	Main Roads			
repairs and	o <b>nil</b>			
	Shire Roads			
	○ SR 1 Wonga Road			
	<ul> <li>SR 2 Hunts Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 5 Lansdale Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 6 Billandry Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 114 Sandy Camp Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 121 Camp Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 123 Stidwells Lane</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 144 Burgooney Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 193 River Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 194 North Uabba Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 204 Bartholomews Lane</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 206 Mt Daylight Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 208 Brewer Lane</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 212 Hoopers Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 251 Queens Plains Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 252 Lone Wilga Road</li> </ul>			
	○ SR 270 Carada Road			
	○ SR 272 Logans Road			
	<ul> <li>SR 427 St Kilda Lane</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 408 Deacons Lane</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>SR 413 Keronga Road</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Others as required</li> </ul>			
Shoulder grading / re-	Routine maintenance work planned on the following sealed roads.			
sheeting / slashing and	<ul> <li>Main and Shire Roads</li> </ul>			
resealing / patching	<ul> <li>as required</li> </ul>			

## FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

		CONSTRUCTIO		CTS	
Regional Roads					
Project	Budget	Funding Source	Expend to date	Forecast Expenditure	Comments
Regional Roads, reseals	\$250k	TfNSW Block Grant	\$986k	\$986K	Complete. Additional cost to be funded from Block grant.
Regional Roads, heavy patching	\$50k	TfNSW Block Grant	\$0k	\$0k	Complete on MR 371 Lachlan Valley Way, costs charged against maintenance.
MR 57S The Gipps Way, seal widening	\$1.043m	FCR \$2.8m, Block grant \$1.172m, Repair grant (18/19) \$400k Total \$4.372m	\$1.06m	\$1.06m	Complete.
MR 461 William / MR 57S Lachlan St, intersection reconstruction	\$850k	TfNSW Block Grant \$450k, RTR \$400k	\$0k	\$0k	Programmed to commence in FY21/22.
MR 371 Foster St, Lake Cargelligo, Canada St to Lorne St reconstruction	\$1.065m	TfNSW Block Grant \$300k, RTR \$295k, FAG \$470k	\$0k	\$0k	Programmed to commence in FY21/22.
MR 57N Fifield Road, reconstruction and widening 3 km	\$600k	TfNSW Repair program and Block Grant	\$967k	\$967k	Complete. Additional cost funded from Block grant.
MR 57N The Bogan Way, widening 29km	\$2.985m	FCR \$2.686m, TfNSW Block grant \$299k. Programmed for 2020/21 and 2021/22.	\$964k	\$964k in FY20/21, \$2.021m in FY21/22	Project on hold over winter period
MR 57S The Gipps Way, Nerathong Bridge replacement	\$2.808m	FCR \$2.387m, TfNSW Block Grant \$421k. Programmed for 2020/21 and 2021/22.	\$60k	\$60k in FY 20/21, \$2.748m in FY 21/22	Consultant appointed for bridge replacement options report. Geotechnical investigation in progress.
MR57S, MR 377 Condobolin Freight and Visitor Centre road works	\$1.203m FY 20/21	Regional NSW funding \$563k, TfNSW Block \$640k	\$938k	\$1.203m	1.5 km of Lachlan Valley Way and 0.7 km of Diggers Ave reconstructed and sealed and 5 km of Lachlan Valley Way reseal funded from project.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS					
	Local Roads				
Project	Budget	Funding Source	Expend to date	Forecas	Comments
		Source	uate	Expendi ture	
SR 194 North Uabba Road, reconstruction and widening 1.5 km	\$270k	RTR	\$269k	\$269k	Complete
Grace Street, Lake Cargelligo, reconstruction and widen	\$600k	RTR	\$203k	\$600k	Sealing of stage 1 was completed mid-October. Water main replacement work has been completed for Stage 2.
Foster Street, Lake Cargelligo, reconstruct centre lane	\$300k	RTR \$100k, FAG Roads \$200k	\$15k	\$300k	Programmed to commence in Q1 2021/22.
Local Roads reseals	\$433k	RTR \$293K, FAG Roads \$140k	\$60k	\$60k	SR 1187 Palesthan Road complete.
Local Roads Gravel re-sheets					
SR 11 Moira Vale Road			\$83k		Complete
SR 44 Melrose     Plains Road			\$56k		Complete
SR 45 Boona Road			\$185k		Complete
SR 1187     Palesthan Road			\$220k		Complete
SR 1347 Albert Road			\$103k		Complete
SR 56 Bimbella Road			\$71k		Complete
SR 1347 Albert Road (section 2)			\$91k		Extension of Natural Disaster restoration work. Complete
• TOTAL	\$708k	RTR \$458k, Special Rate Variation \$250k	\$809k	\$830k	Additional funding from Roads to Recovery budget
SR 106 Fitzgerald Road	\$213k	Evolution Mining \$137k, RTR \$76k	\$213k	\$213k	Complete

SR 376 Willow Bend Road, reconstruct and widen 2 km, reseal	\$231k (2019/20) \$370k (2020/21)	RTR \$600k	\$231k (2019/20) \$371k (2020/21) Total \$601k	\$601k	Complete
SR 231 Curlew Road, extend seal 13 km	\$1,945m	FCR \$1.595m, RTR \$350k	\$1,007k (2019/20) \$803k (2020/21) <b>Total</b> \$1.864m	\$1.81m	Complete. \$124k of RTR funding unspent and will be allocated to other RTR projects.
SR 1029 Tullibigeal Road, extend seal 17km – stage 1	\$2.186m	FCR \$913.5k, RTR \$1,272.5k	\$1,008k (2019/20) \$926k (2020/21) <b>Total</b> \$1.934m	\$2.186 m	Pavement formation of last 4km of stage 1 road complete. Sealing will be delayed until October 2021
SR 1029 Tullibigeal Road, extend seal 9km – stage 2	\$1.061m	FCR \$955k, RTR \$106k	\$735k	\$1.061 m	Pavement formation of stage 2 in progress. Pavement will be sealed in October 2021.
Maitland Street HV Upgrade	\$900k	FCR \$765k, RTR \$135k	\$981k	\$900k	Wet patch has delayed sealing. Additional cost will be funded from RTR.
Busby/Harding St reconstruction	\$800k	Fixing Local Roads	\$0k	\$800k	Work will commence with trees being removed in July.
Condobolin School Precinct	\$1.181m 2020/21	Fixing Local Roads \$952k, RTR \$120k, FAG Roads \$109k	\$0k	\$1.18m	Work will commence with trees being removed in July.
Cargelligo Street, Tullibigeal	\$60k	RTR \$40k, FAG Roads \$20k	\$126K	\$126k	Complete
Urban Reseals, Condobolin	\$100k	FAG Roads	\$0k	\$0k	To be re-voted to FY21/22.

FUNDING SOURCES					
Funding Source	Amount	Contribution	% Spent	Used by	Comments
Roads to Recovery	\$3.637m	Nil	82.0%	30-Jun	Year 2 of five year program. \$444k of carry-over funds from 2019/20. Unspent allocation will be revoted for FY21/22
TfNSW Block and Supplementary Grants	\$3.132m	100% TfNSW	100%	30-Jun	TfNSW confirmed budget unchanged from 2019/20.
TfNSW Traffic Facilities	\$147k	100% TfNSW	100%	30-Jun	TfNSW confirmed budget unchanged from 2019/20.
TfNSW Repair	\$300k	100% TfNSW	100%	30-Jun	Project complete
FAG Roads	\$3.4m	100% Federal Grant	102.7%		To reserve if not used by 30 June. Note: Some of current maintenance expenditure will be recovered from Natural Disaster funding.
Fixing Country Roads MR 57S The Gipps Way Upgrade	\$2.8m	FCR \$2.8m, TfNSW Block \$1.172m, TfNSW repair FY18/19 \$0.4m.	100%	December 2020	Project complete
Fixing Country Roads SR 231 Curlew Road Upgrade	\$1.585m	FCR \$1.585m, RTR \$350k	100%	December 2020	Project complete
Fixing Country Roads Maitland Street Bypass Upgrade	\$765k	FCR \$765k, RTR \$135k	109.0%	June 2020	Time extension approved. Stage 2 underway.
Fixing Country Roads SR 1029 Tullibigeal Road Upgrade – stage 1	\$913.5k	FCR \$913.5k, RTR \$1.272m	91.2%	June 2020	Time extension approved. Part 2 in progress
Fixing County Roads SR 1029 Tullibigeal Road Upgrade – stage 2	\$955k	FCR \$955k, RTR \$106k	75.5%	October 2021	In progress with completion of stage 1
Fixing Country Roads MR 57NN The Bogan Way widening	\$2.687m	FCR \$2.687m, TfNSW Block \$298k	32.0%	May 2022	7.3 km at Albert end of project has been widened with 6.8 km fully resealed
Fixing Country Roads MR 57S The Gipps Way, Nerathong bridge replacement	\$2.387m	FCR \$2.387m, TfNSW Block \$421k	1.6%	June 2022	Geotechnical investigation in progress.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Roads Act 1993 and Roads Regulations 2008

#### **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

Wet weather continues to be the major risk factor for the road network. A large number of the unsealed roads in average to poor condition with water laying on the road in numerous places. Until there is a sustained period of dry weather there is likely to be ongoing complaints regarding the state of the roads.

The other major risk factor that has been noted during the year is the increase in traffic volumes on main roads and decrease in care by some drivers through road works sites. This has required the need to increase traffic control on the busier road works sites with all traffic being escorted through the site. This results in an increase in costs for these projects.

#### STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Roads to Recovery grant program officers, TfNSW Parkes Regional Office, Restart NSW program officers. Media Releases and council news columns will continue to update the community on works that are likely to cause significant traffic impacts. Targeted stakeholder updates will be completed for large urban improvement projects.

## **OPTIONS**

Continue to plan and implement the roads program as staff and contractors are available and as weather conditions permit.

#### CONCLUSION

During the 2020/2021 financial year, there was a significant increase in the level of road works undertaken with expenditure being 34% higher than the previous year at over \$16m. However weather effected several projects resulting in increased costs on projects such as Maitland St and MR 57N Fifield Road 3km rehabilitation. In additional, the wet weather continues to impact on the condition of the unsealed rural road network.

Grant funding continues to be received for some of the larger projects, however this does create additional pressure as there is often completion and reporting deadlines which result in conflicting demands in terms of labour and plant resources.

## LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP No. 3.1 Efficient transport networks that meet community and business needs.

Transport Asset Management Plan

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

#### RECOMMENDATION

That

1. The Director of Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/191 be received and noted.

## 10.3 FY2021 - URBAN WORKS MONTHLY UPDATE FOR JUNE

TRIM Number: R21/199

Author: Manager - Urban Works

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update of the capital improvements in the Urban Works Section. The items listed are for works undertaken in June, in progress for the month of July and forecast for the month of August 2021. This is the final report for the Financial Year.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

## **BACKGROUND**

Council has adopted the 2020/21 budget and associated Delivery and Operational Plans. This report provides updates on the delivery of the Urban Works/Recreation section's program, with some overlap with roads, utilities, tourism and buildings where required.

#### **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

## **Works Completed in June**

	Lake Cargelligo Recreation Ground recreation reserve, seating to be
Drought Stimulus	completed and grant to be acquitted. Installation costs have exceeded the
Lake Cargelligo	budget, this is to be covered through savings in footpath works.
	Tottenham Recreation Ground drainage to be acquitted
	Detailed design progressing, preliminary detailed design received and
Tourism Precinct –	comments provided. Next stage of detailed design is due in July.
stage 2.	DETED and Manager Building services are progressing the VIC design.
	Preparations underway for Heavy Vehicle parking earthworks.
Tourism Precinct –	Sculpture carving completed. Irrigation designer engaged.
stage 3. BBRF	Water and sewer main design under review by Manage Utilities. Levels
Stage 3. DDIN	confirmed to allow Heavy Vehicle parking construction.
SRA – Netball Courts	RFQ to be sent to prospective contractors.
LED Lighting	Tri Q to be sent to prospective contractors.
Condobolin Cemetery	Row and Section markers have been received.
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Condobolin Toddler	Design received for comment.
Pool Filtration	Comments returned.
Bridge Street	Businesses and property owners contacted 24 June and advised of
Drainage	upcoming disruptions. Box Culverts received 30 June.
Drainago	Installation contractor engaged and works program confirmed for July.
Lake Cargelligo	Walkway verge clean up and rail and bollards installation has been
Walkway stage 3	completed. Signage remains to be installed.
Apex Park Pontoon	Contract awarded for manufacture and installation.
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and foreshore	Manufacture is underway. Installation confirmed for September.

Tottenham Tennis court upgrade	Discussions underway with the Tennis club on preferred solution. Separate report delivered to June Council meeting.
Tottenham Toddler Pool Filtration	Plant room slab and shed installed. Electrical designs and pump designs completed. Balance Tank installed and concourse restoration complete
Tullibigeal AFL/Netball Storage shed	Shed Kit delivery has been pushed back into July. Council has confirmed builder to install slab and build shed.
Tullibigeal Gymkhana Fencing.	Fence panels, gates and sand to be purchased and delivered to the site, discussions with committee to organise volunteer works to be undertaken

## Works Underway in July

Tourism Precinct – stage 2.	Construction EOI to be called for construction. Heavy Vehicle parking earthworks to commence.  DETED and Manager Building services progressing with the VIC design.		
Tourism Precinct – stage 3. BBRF	RFQ to be issued to prospective irrigation installers.  Dog exercise and play area procurement underway.		
SRA – Netball Courts LED Lighting	RFQ to be received. Contract to be awarded. Timeframes to be confirmed.		
SRA – irrigation stage 3 – Soccer/Jnr Cricket	Contract awarded to Aquawest and works to begin after the end of the Soccer season with works to be fully completed by mid-September.		
Wellington Square Irrigation	Designs have been completed. Budget revote will be required prior to commencing in-ground works.		
Condobolin Pool Filtration	Underground service location and site works commenced. Leak sealing of Large pool to be investigated with contractor.		
Lake Cargelligo Toddler Pool resurfacing	Works are programmed to commence in late July and be completed within 3 weeks. Works to be co-ordinated with the Amenities construction to ensure Contractors do not interfere with each other.		
Bridge Street Drainage	Works commence 5 July. Excavation complete, base slab installed. Crowns to be put in place, backfilled where possible to restore access to business and residents as soon as possible. Insitu works to follow.		
Lake Cargelligo irrigation stage 3 – Liberty Park	Discussions underway with Aquawest to start these works in July. Once timeframes are confirmed, the Lake Cargelligo community will be notified.		
Apex Park Pontoon	Manufacture is underway. Installation confirmed for September.  Application underway - Crown Lands and Fisheries for construction approval		
Lake Cargelligo Recreation Ground play equipment	Shade sail extension to be installed.		
Tottenham Toddler Pool Filtration	Plant room fit out including electrical, pump, chemical and control system.  Pool Inlet and outlet works underway. Commissioning and testing		
Tullibigeal AFL/Netball Storage shed	Concrete slab has been constructed, still awaiting delivery of the kit shed.		
Tullibigeal Racecourse Skillion	Designs have been assessed and the builder is in discussions with club representatives to ensure full design is captured.		

Tullibigeal Gymkhana	Fence panels and gates purchased, sand delivered now awaiting for the
Fencing.	Gymkhana club volunteers to construct the Gymkhana fields

## Works scheduled in August

Tourism Precinct – stage 2.	Construction EOI to be assessed. Drainage, roadworks and parking works to continue.
Tourism Precinct – stage 3. BBRF	Irrigation installer to be confirmed.  Dog exercise and play area equipment to be ordered.
SRA – Netball Courts LED Lighting	Contract to be awarded timeframes to be confirmed.
Condobolin Cemetery	Completion of installation of Row and Section markers.
Condobolin Pool Filtration	Site works underway. Balance tank and pipework to be installed. Water features to be installed, resurfacing to commence. Completion is due mid-September.
Lake Cargelligo Toddler Pool resurfacing	Works to be completed
Bridge Street Drainage	Works to be completed
Apex Park Pontoon	Manufacture nearing completion. Installation confirmed for September.  Application underway - Crown Lands and Fisheries for construction approval
Tullibigeal AFL/Netball Storage shed	Installation to be completed – dependent on delivery of shed kit
Tullibigeal Racecourse Skillion	Installation to be completed – dependent on delivery of skillion kit
Tullibigeal Gymkhana Fencing.	Installation to be completed by the Gymkhana club volunteers

# FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Project	Budget	Funding Source	Expenditure To Date	Forecast Expenditure	Comments
Tourism Precinct Stage 3	\$600k	BBRF 4 SCCF2	\$222k	\$600k	Budget is on track
Condobolin Cemetery Row Markers	\$26K	Capital Works	\$14K	\$26K	On Budget
Condobolin Toddler Pool Filtration	\$239K	Capital Works LRCI	\$14K	\$239K	On Budget
Lake Cargelligo pool resurfacing	\$90K	Capital Works LRCI	\$0K	\$82K	On Budget
Lake Cargelligo community facilities -Footpaths -Hall kitchen -Rec ground seating	\$90k \$30k \$50k	Drought Stimulus	\$81k \$22k \$78k	\$81k \$30k \$78k	Reviewing work order to confirm expenditure.
Lake Cargelligo Foreshore Walkway stage 3	\$379k	Active Transport LRCI	\$290k	\$310k	Under Budget
Bridge Street Drainage	\$325k	LRCI, Stormwater reserve	\$314k	\$325k	Scope reduced to ensure project completed within budget
Apex Park pontoon	\$200k	Boating now	\$130k	\$200k	Budget is on track
Tottenham sports ground fencing and stormwater drainage	\$173k	Drought Stimulus	\$157k	\$173k	Under Budget
Tottenham tennis court refurbishment	\$83k	LRCI	\$30k	\$83k	Budget increased at June Council meeting.
Tottenham Toddler Pool Filtration	\$203K	Capital Works LRCI	\$38K	\$203K	On Budget
Tullibigeal AFL/Netball Storage shed	\$25K	LRCI	\$8K	\$25K	On Budget.
Tullibigeal Racecourse Skillion	\$20K	LRCI	\$0K	\$20K	On Budget.
Tullibigeal Gymkhana Fencing.	\$15K	LRCI	\$10K	\$15K	On Budget.

# **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

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#### **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

Project management and financial controls are in place to manage time and budget risks. Manager Urban Works is working towards achieving full project delivery on time and in budget for all allocated projects. Some projects may be cancelled if the budget is not revoted.

#### STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Council staff are seeking to engage with specific stakeholders on each project, in accordance with Council's community consultation policy.

Gum Bend Lake Committee continue to be updated on specific activities at Gum Bend Lake. Discussions are continuing with Landcare and local bird watchers regarding signage. Requests to investigate more funding for the completion of the walkway around the lake.

Swimming Pool operators have been consulted and provided the opportunity to comment on the concept design for toddler pool filtration separation.

Tottenham Tennis Club discussions continue to progress lighting works.

Tullibigeal Racecourse Skillion, discussions have been undertaken with the builder and representatives of the Race Club regarding the construction of a skillion roof that will service both the Tullibigeal Race Club and the Gymkhana Club. The AFL committee has been advised that the concrete slab construction has been completed.

# **OPTIONS**

- 1. Council continue to implement recreational capital improvements as programmed, as resources permit, i.e. as funds, staff and contractors are available.
- 2. Council amend the capital improvements budget.

#### CONCLUSION

This report updates Council on the capital improvements undertaken by the recreation section in June, in progress for July and forecast work for August 2021.

# LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 3.2 Improved Pedestrian and Cycle Paths
- 4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council
- 4.4 Strategic Management of Villages and Crown Reserves
- 6.1 Increase recreational use of the lakes and rivers
- 6.3 New and visually appealing streetscapes
- 6.4 Improved Parks, Gardens and Sporting Ovals
- 6.5 Provision of neat, accessible and respectful cemeteries

# **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That:

1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/199 be received and noted.

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#### 10.4 DIGGERS AVENUE TREES

TRIM Number: R21/200

Author: Manager - Urban Works

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the condition of the Diggers Avenue trees.

# SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Diggers Avenue Tree Assessment Report attached

#### **BACKGROUND**

The health of the avenue of Peppercorn trees that align Diggers Avenue has been a concern for Council and Councillors for a number of years. The trees were pruned in early 2017 in consultation with the Condobolin Historic society, with the intention of removing the dead wood, dry rot and improving the health and longevity of the trees. A number of trees were not able to be salvaged, and drought conditions continued to have an impact on tree health.

# **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

Refer to report attached.

This report will give an overview of the current condition assessment of the Diggers Avenue Memorial line of Peppercorn Trees, which was dedicated to the World War 1 enlistments from the Condobolin and districts who never returned.

#### FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

A sum of \$30,000 has been allocated in the 2022-23 budget for improvements to the avenue of these trees. This report presents a number of proposed maintenance/improvement options. Direction on the works will inform the budget required.

# **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Diggers Avenue Peppercorn trees are listed in Council's Local Environmental Plan as trees of significance, for their heritage values

Heritage Listing and conditions have been included in the report attached.

## **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

Refer to Report attached

## STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Consultation has been in reference to existing documents regarding the "Avenue of Honour". This report if accepted, will be referred to the Heritage Advisory and the RSL Sub-Branch for their input.

#### **OPTIONS**

- 1. Council accepts this report and refers it onto the Lachlan Heritage Advisory and the RSL Sub-Branch for input.
- 2. Council rejects the report.

# CONCLUSION

This report updates Council on the condition rating of every remaining tree in the "Avenue of Honour" and provides a way forward to improve the appearance and safety of the trees. If accepted, this

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assessment should be referred to the Lachlan Heritage Advisory and the RSL Sub-Branch for their input prior to undertaking any further action.

# LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Lachlan Heritage Strategy

- 4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council
- 6.3 New and visually appealing streetscapes

# **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Diggers Avenue Trees Report <a> </a>.

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That

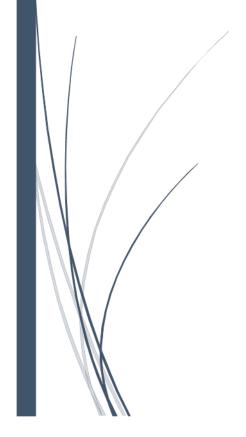
- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/200 be received and noted
- 2. Council refer the tree condition report to the Lachlan Heritage Advisory and the RSL Sub-Branch for comment.

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8 June 2021

# Diggers Avenue – Peppercorn Trees

Tree Condition Report



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LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL

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#### Background

At a meeting of the Condobolin Municipal Council on 13 March 1920, it was resolved, on the motion of Aldermen Maitland and Black that the Condobolin War Memorial Committee be granted permission to plant peppercorn trees on both sides of the road, from the Lachlan River Bridge to the Forbes Road turnoff. It was further decided the plantation be named 'Diggers Avenue'.

During the time of World War 1 (1914 - 1918), enlistments from Condobolin and district included three nursing sisters and sixty six young men who lost their lives. It was considered that an avenue of trees would stand as a living memory of the service and sacrifices by those who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

#### Tree Information

Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Family: Anacardiaceae

The Peppercorn tree has the Botanical name of Schinus aeria var molle, is native to the arid zone of northern South America and Peru's Andean deserts and goes to central Argentina and central Chile The tree is a quick growing evergreen tree that grows up to 15 metres tall and wide. It is the largest of all Schinus species and potentially the longest lived. The upper branches of the tree tend to droop. The trees pinnately compound leaves measure  $8-25\,\mathrm{cm}$  long  $\times$   $4-9\,\mathrm{cm}$  wide and are made up of 19-41 alternate leaflets.

#### Introduction

This report will give an overview of the current condition rating of the Diggers Avenue Memorial line of existing Peppercorn Trees known to the Condobolin community as the "Avenue of Honour", which was dedicated to the World War 1 enlistments from the Condobolin and districts who never returned. This "Avenue of Honour" is located at the southern entrance to the Condobolin Township, where there are approx. 48 x Schinus molle (Peppercorn) trees planted on either side of the road from the bridge to a few metres beyond the junction with the caravan park. The original Peppercorn trees were planted about 5 metres apart, but now there are gaps, which indicate the loss of some of these trees over the years. Further south of the Peppercorns is a newer establishment of Sugar Gum trees, which were planted in memory of those enlistments, who served in World War 2.

The trees have been planted on road reserve west of the Showground site and are under the care and control of the Lachlan Shire Council, Parks and Open Spaces maintenance team. Some years ago (at the beginning of the drought in the early part of the 2000's) the trees were cut back (pollarded) and in some instances this action accelerated the die-back, which has now caused the death of numerous trees.

# Remedial Actions

This report will provide some options for this "Avenue of Honour" to ensure the longevity of this significant piece of history for the township of Condobolin. Three options will be discussed requiring different actions for each option, which will be followed up by a recommendation for the ongoing maintenance of this significant part of the Condobolin Township.

#### Option 1

This option will require the progressive removal and replacement of the trees based on a risk rating category of one year to five years, with the dead and dangerous trees to be removed in the first year. This will be followed by the second category of trees, which are those that will survive the next couple of years, but are slowly declining. The final stage will be to remove the remainder of the trees however, this action may not need to be undertaken depending on the health of the trees, because

many of these trees have been replaced through the years and may not be as old as the trees that are in poor health.

#### Option 2

This option will require the wholesale removal and replanting of the "Avenue of Honour" and will create a dramatic 'shock' in the short term however, the purpose of this option is to ensure the "Avenue of Honour" has an even age and growth rate, ensuring that there will be no 'shade' issues. This option would require some public consultation, because it would be newsworthy and may cause some distress to those families, who have links to those who served.

#### Option 3

This option is less dramatic and would require some block replacements, which means that we would remove and replace 6 pairs of trees annually, the following year we would take out a further 6 pairs of trees and replace those and finally in the third year, we could remove and replace the remainder of the trees and replace those and the ones that are missing, so the avenue represents all enlistments. This option is flexible in that the trees could be removed on one side of the road first and then the other side of the road at the end of the three years, rather than the removal of the trees in pairs.

#### Replacement Trees

The replacement trees could be purchased in smaller pots and grown on by the Parks and Gardens staff until they reach a size suitable for replanting. This strategy would also allow for the trees to acclimatise to the Condobolin area, which would be beneficial to the health of the trees. The staff could also train the trees in their younger years, allowing for a stronger more resilient tree to form the "Avenue of Honour".

Using a preferred nursery supplier would be the desired manner in which to purchase the stock. Taking cuttings from the existing stock will more often than not produce a poor form of tree, with a smaller rather than larger root system. If the stock selected is healthy and not pot-bound, the long term health of the trees should be better, which would allow the "Avenue of Honour" to be a memorial for the next 70-100 years. Whilst the trees are immature and require nurturing, tree guards should be in place to prevent pedestrian or vehicle damage. The guards do not need to be the large barrier types, they only need to be larger tree stakes that are visible to the driving and walking public.

Prior to any re-planting, the soil should be improved and reconditioned to remove any former plant allergens in order to provide the best possible start for a new trees. Once planting is completed the maintenance staff need to monitor the trees for branch pruning, to maintain enough light to get good upright leader growth on the young trees and of course watering, mulching and nutrition are to be programmed for the trees.

#### Heritage NSW Listing

The Diggers Avenue Peppercorn trees are listed in Council's Local Environmental Plan as trees of significance for their heritage values. This listing will require that Council follow the rules under (Standard Exemption 13 – permits the pruning of heritage listed trees with special conditions).

#### STANDARD EXEMPTION 13 - VEGETATION

The following activities/works to an item do not require approval under subsection 57 (1) if the specified activities/works are undertaken in accordance with each of the relevant standards prescribed below.

## Specified Activities/Works

 Weeding (including poisoning of weeds), watering, mowing, manual clearing of paths and drains, top-dressing and fertilising.

- b) New planting of species sympathetic to the item.
- c) Pruning to control the size, improve the shape, condition, flowering or fruiting.
- d) Removal of non-significant diseased, dying, dead and/or dangerous trees and/or plant material.
- e) Tree surgery

#### Relevant Standards

- f) Activities/works must not alter the significant layout, contours, plant species or other significant landscape features or views.
- g) Pruning of significant vegetation must not exceed 30% of the tree canopy within a period of two years.
- h) Tree surgery may only be performed by a qualified arborist, horticulturalist or tree surgeon and must be necessary for the health of those plants.
- i) Selective herbicide should be used when poisoning weeds. Herbicide should be applied using:
  - Spot application around significant elements of the heritage item (e.g. ornamental or symbolic plants, remnant native vegetation, structures, exposed relics and moveable items) to avoid impacts to these; and
  - ii. Spraying in non-significant areas of the curtilage.
- j) Removal of diseased, dead, dying or dangerous trees and/or plant material must not disturb archaeological relics (for example through stump grinding or removal of tree boles, in such situations stumps and tree boles should be left in place).

#### **Memorial Funding**

There is an opportunity open to the RSL to apply for funding to assist with the upgrade of this significant memorial to past service people, who paid the ultimate price for our freedom. If this proposal was accepted a plaque for each newly planted tree could be installed, which would give some meaning to the "Avenue of Honour". The funding can be applied for through the following funding program <a href="http://www.veterans.nsw.gov.au/heritage/memorialsfund.html">http://www.veterans.nsw.gov.au/heritage/memorialsfund.html</a>



#### Tree Condition Report

Tree No 1



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree growth looks to be stunted. There is minimal dead wood present however, the trunk has two large branch hollows, indicating that the trunk itself is hollow or full of decaying matter.

**Recommendation:** Tree to remain and be monitored and place on the third round of tree removals.



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree growth is straggly with two large dead branches, which need to be removed. The trunk is hollow with a large cavity at its base.

**Recommendation:** Remove the dead wood branches as part of maintenance. Tree to remain and be monitored and place on the third round of tree removals.



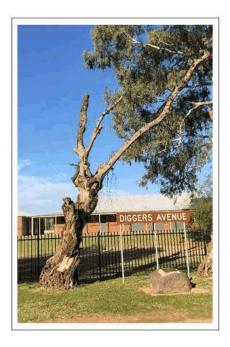
Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree growth is straggly with a couple of smaller dead branches which need to be removed. The trunk is distorted indicating that it is not stable and needs to be monitored.

**Recommendation:** Remove the dead wood branches as part of maintenance. Tree to remain and be monitored and place on the third round of tree removals.



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree is dead and to be removed as part of the round one removals.

Recommendation: Tree to be removed as part of the round one removals. Replacement to be

ordered to be planted by no later than March 2022.



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree is dead and to be removed as part of the round one removals.

**Recommendation:** Tree to be removed as part of the round one removals. Replacement to be ordered to be planted by no later than March 2022.



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

Health: Tree is 90% dead all but some straggly regrowth probably caused by poor pruning practices

Recommendation: Tree to be removed as part of the round one removals. Replacement to be

ordered to be planted by no later than March 2022.



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

Health: Tree is dead.

**Recommendation:** Tree to be removed as part of the round one removals. Replacement to be ordered to be planted by no later than March 2022.



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree growth appear healthy for the age of the tree however, there is one or two smaller dead branches which need to be removed.

**Recommendation:** Remove the dead wood branches as part of maintenance. Tree to remain and be monitored and place on the third round of tree removals.



Genus: Schinus

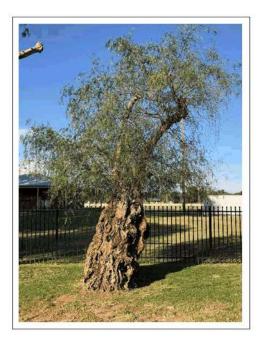
Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

Health: Tree is dead.

Recommendation: Tree to be removed as part of the round one removals. Replacement to be

ordered to be planted by no later than March 2022.



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree is 90% dead and the trunk looks diseased and has some hollows in it. There is some dead branches however, the tree could remain as it is not completely dead.

Recommendation: Tree to be removed as part of the round two removals in 2023.



Genus: Schinus

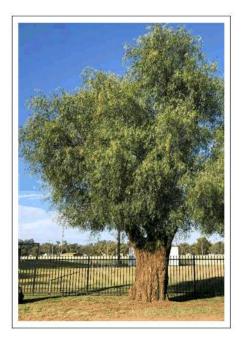
Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

Health: Tree is dead.

Recommendation: Tree to be removed as part of the round one removals. Replacement to be

ordered to be planted by no later than March 2022.



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

Health: Tree appears to be quite healthy and can remain.

Recommendation: Tree to remain and be monitored and place on the third round of tree removals.



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

Health: Tree appears to be quite healthy and can remain.

Recommendation: Tree to be removed as part of the round three removals in 2025.



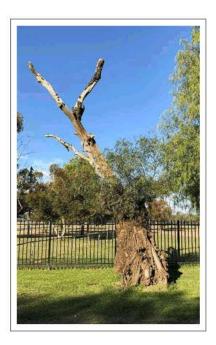
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Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

Health: Tree appears to be quite healthy and can remain.

Recommendation: Tree to be removed as part of the round three removals in 2025.



Genus: Schinus

Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree is 90% dead all but some straggly regrowth probably caused by poor pruning practices in the past.

**Recommendation:** Tree to be removed as part of the round one removals. Replacement to be ordered to be planted by no later than March 2022.



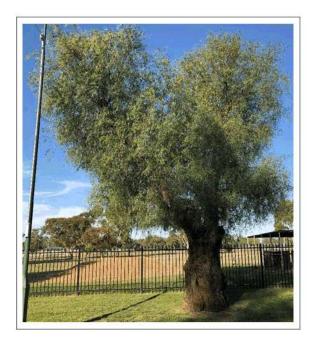
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Recommendation: Tree to be removed as part of the round three removals in 2025.



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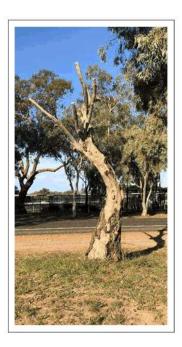
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Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree is 90% dead and the trunk looks diseased and has some hollows in it. There is some

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Recommendation: Tree to be removed as part of the round two removals in 2023.



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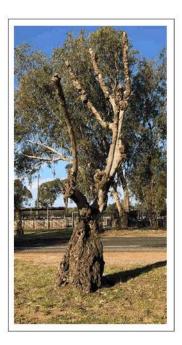
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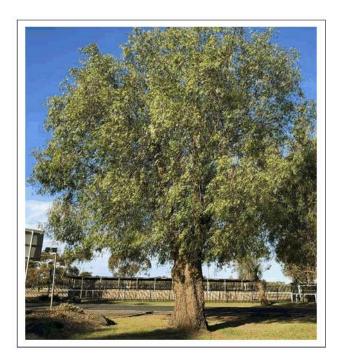
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Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree is 60% dead and the trunk looks diseased and has some large hollows in it. There is some healthy growth however, the instability of the trunk requires that it should come out.

Recommendation: Tree to be removed as part of the round two removals in 2023.



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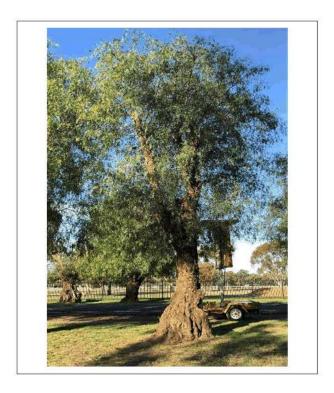
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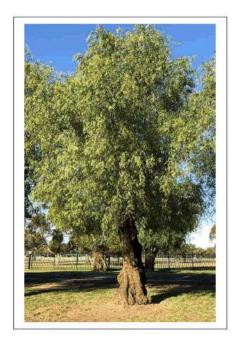
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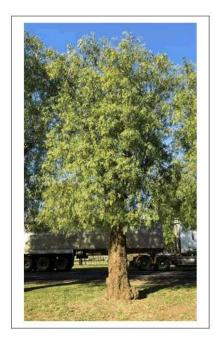
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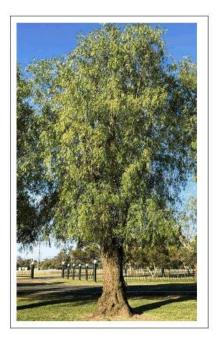
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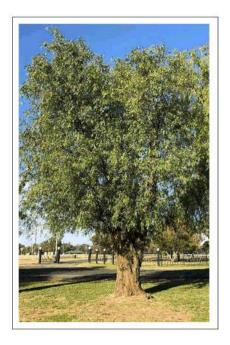
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Common Name: Peppercorn

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**Recommendation:** Remove the dead branches as part of maintenance. Tree to be removed as part of the round two removals in 2023.



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Species: aeria var. molle

Common Name: Peppercorn

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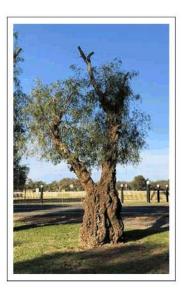
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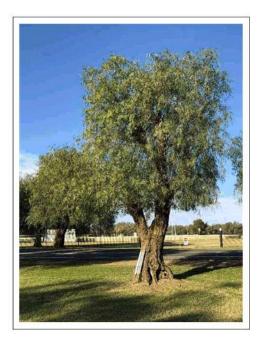
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**Health:** Tree is 50% dead and the trunk looks diseased and has some hollows in it. There is some dead branches that need to be removed however, the tree could remain as it is not completely dead.

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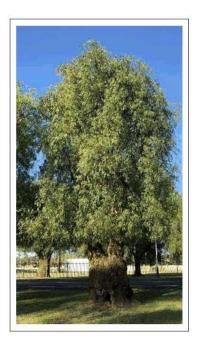
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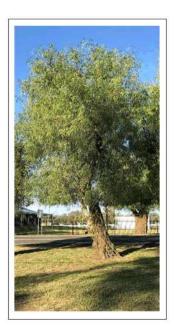
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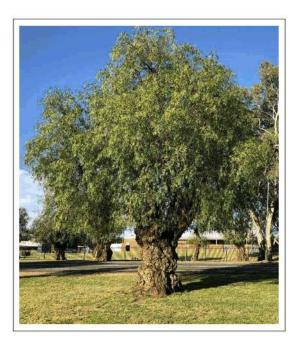
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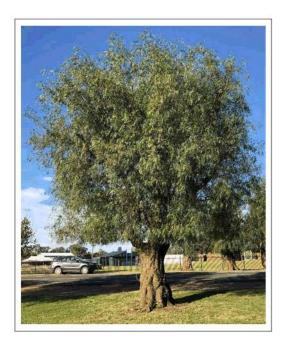
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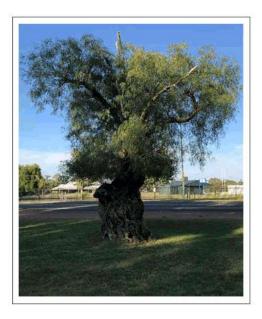
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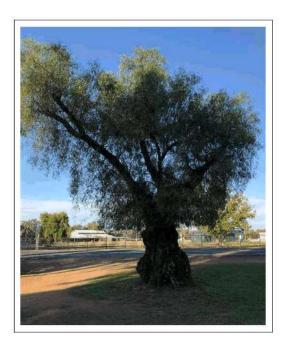
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Common Name: Peppercorn

**Health:** Tree appears to be quite healthy and can remain however there are a couple of dead branches, which require removal.

**Recommendation:** Dead branches to be removed as part of maintenance. Tree to be removed as part of the round three removals in 2025.



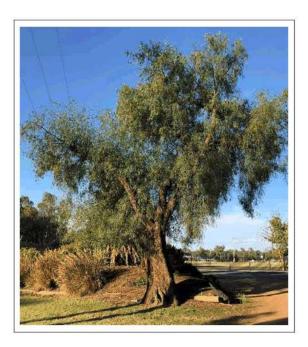
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## **Summary of Tree Conditions**

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## **Meeting Council Values**

### Responsive

This report is in response to Council's inspection of these trees, conducted in 2011 by Mr. S Jackson - Heritage Advisor, who made a site visit on 10 April 2019 and refers to the Lachlan Heritage Study 2002. Council has been reviewing this report for some time and has committed a budget of \$30K to the renewal of this Avenue of Honour to be undertaken in 2022-2023.

## Cooperative

Reviewing the Avenue is in cooperation with the Lachlan Heritage, the Condobolin RSL and the community of Condobolin. This report will be discussed at length with representatives of the Heritage Advisory and RSL, prior to any recommendations being adopted.

## Effective

This Avenue of Honour will blend in perfectly with the new Tourism Precinct and will demonstrate to the visiting public, the strength that people of the Condobolin districts are displaying in making Condobolin the heart of Central New South Wales.

#### Proud

Pride in our history is what the Condobolin community are saying to the rest of Australia by ensuring that they continue to honour the fallen who gave their lives so that the lives of Australians can be lived in the freedoms we enjoy today.

#### Respectful

Renewing this Avenue of Honour demonstrates the respect that the Condobolin Council on behalf of its community is showing by retaining this memorial avenue of trees as a significant part of the township of Condobolin.

#### Conclusion

The "Diggers Avenue" Peppercorn trees are a highly significant part of the township and district of Condobolin people, past and present. This is regarded as a memorial to the people who served in World War 1 who came from the Condobolin district and never returned. There would be numerous families who still have ties to some of those fallen service people and to retain the 'Diggers Avenue of Trees' would show true respect to those families.

The opportunity for the RSL to apply for Memorial Upgrade funding would help to increase the significance of this World War 1 commemoration. Funding would allow for the installation of plaques dedicated to each individual enlistment, who paid the ultimate price. A further addition to this memorial could be a sculpture made from one of the larger trees that is removed that could further signify the importance of the "Avenue of Honour" for the people of Condobolin.

#### Recommendation

That Option 1 be adopted and that the trees are removed and replaced over a period of five years and that the RSL are made aware of the funding available for the upgrade of memorials.

#### 10.5 REQUEST FOR STOCK GRID NORTH FORBES ROAD

TRIM Number: R21/202

Author: Manager - Roads

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a request for the installation of a stock grid on SR 85 North Forbes Road

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Attached letter of request, letter of support from Local Land Services and maps

## **BACKGROUND**

Mr Dylan and Mrs Kim Hoe have a management agreement permit for a travelling stock route reserve on North Forbes Road from the Local Land Services - Reserve 4502, known as "The Strip". The property is 133 hectares and straddles North Forbes Road for approximately 4 km. Mr and Mrs Hoe have written to Council requesting to install a stock grid on the western boundary of the reserve as there is no fencing on the reserve and they believe a stock grid will make it easier for them to manage the reserve. At the eastern end of the property there is a single lane stock grid that is in the Forbes Shire LGA.

### **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

North Forbes Road within Lachlan Shire is approx. 16.2 km long with 7.1 km of seal and 9.1 km unsealed. There are no stock grids on the road within the shire, however there are several in Forbes Shire including the one on the Forbes Shire boundary.

Stock grids often create a traffic hazard as they are not well maintained and warning signs and hazard markers are lost or damaged. Other issues to consider include the safety of road users with stock walking on the road.

The applicants' management permit of the reserve has a four year term. There is no indication of any ongoing commitment beyond that four years which could result in Council being left with the ongoing maintenance of the stock grid.

The Roads Act 1993 does not specifically reference stock grids on roads, rather in Division2 – sections 128-137 refers to 'Public Gates' and permitted "By-passes" being interchangeable with stock grids. Permits for such structures are issued under this section of the Roads Act, with the adjacent land owner being the permit holder.

Lachlan Shire Council does not have a Policy on Public Gates, or Grids, however there are a number of cases where grids are installed on low traffic roads or no through road. North Forbes Road is not a 'no through' road, rather it has been previously identified as a class 4 (of 7 classes) local road with class 3 being the highest class of local road. These grids each have an annual fee paid by the Permit holder (Fees and charges line 228 = \$70).

There is provision within the legislation to place conditions on the permit for a public gate and bypass. These conditions can include installation and maintenance of the stock grid, signs, reflectors, road maintenance up to 20m either side of the stock grid and public gates and removal of the stock gird at the ceasing or revoking of the permit.

A search of other council websites, indicate that a number of Councils discourage installation of new stock grids unless there are no alternatives. With one Council's policy allowing for the Council to contribute to the property owner's fencing costs subject to grids being removed.

The property in question could be fenced from the road reserve with cost being the main impediment, access to other adjoining land and access to permanent water on the southern side of the road being another consideration.

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## FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The installation of a stock grid on North Forbes Road will have an impact on future road maintenance from the stock walking on and damaging the road. During wet weather stock, particularly cattle, will stand on the road as that is the driest location. This could become a significant issue at the eastern end of the property as approx. half the property is only 100m wide from boundary to boundary with the 20m road reserve within that 100m.

Council could be left with the liability for the stock grid, if the grazing/management of the TSR ceases after the 4 year term expires. Council has limited recourse against the applicant, if they choose to not adhere to certain conditions of the permit other than to direct removal of the grid, as they do not own the land.

Council is required to publicly advertise the permit application to construct a public gate or stock grid for a minimum of 28 days and consider any public objections to the proposal prior to issuing a permit. The application fee for the permit is \$174, and annual fee is \$70

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Roads Act 1993 - Part 9 Division 2 Sections 128-137

Road Regulations 2018 - Part 6 Sections 68-71

## **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

There is a public liability risk for Council if they grant permission for a stock grid on a Council Road. Regardless, of the conditions placed upon the permit, Council is required to ensure the conditions of the approval are being followed and public safety is being maintained.

#### STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

An initial discussion has been held with the applicant at which time it was indicated by the Manager Roads that a stock grid in this instance was not favoured.

## **OPTIONS**

- 1. Council decline the request for a stock grid permit.
- 2. Council approve the request for a stock grid, with appropriate conditions, and costs to be borne by the applicant, including restoration of the site with the ceasing of the Reserve management.

#### CONCLUSION

The installation of a stock grid on North Forbes Road is likely to increase Council's maintenance costs and increase Council's liability risk. Therefore the application is not supported in this instance.

#### LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP No. 3.1 efficient transport networks that meet community and business needs.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Letter of request, letter of support, maps !

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That

- 1. Director of Infrastructure Services Report No R21/202 be received and noted.
- 2. The request from Mr and Mrs Hoe for a stock grid on SR 85 North Forbes Road be declined.

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Dylan and Kim Hoe 48 Emerton Road Parkes NSW 2870 Phone: 0437 620 676

Dear Lachlan Shire,

We are writing to you as we have a Management Agreement Permit with the local land service for the TRS reserve name, The Strip, Number (R4502), located on the North Forbes Road.

The intention of the lease is grazing cattle however there is not a current stock grid on the western end of the road to enable this.

We are land owners of Lot 16 and Lot 17. 981 North Forbes Road, Condobolin on the Western side of the strip.

We have had consultation with Mr Taylor on the matter of installing a grid. We would like to install a 6-meter grid with 2 x 3-meter gates, 1 either side of the grid.

There are currently 8 grids heading east on the same road on the Forbes Shire side.

The existing grids are 3 meters where we would like to put in a 6-meter grid to make it more user friendly for the public. We would construct it under the Lachlan Shire speciation's and conditions. Currently there are no occupied houses known to us that could be affected by the grid.

We look forward to your favourable decision.

**Yours Sincerely** 

Dylan and Kim Hoe



**Central West Local Land Services** 

209 Cobra St PO Box 1048 Dubbo NSW 2830 Tel: 02 6841 6500

www.lls.nsw.gov.au/centralwest

Lachlan Shire Council 58-64 Molong Street Condobolin NSW 2877

7 July 2021

To Whom it may concern

Re: Application from Dylan and Kim Hoe for installation of grid on North Forbes Road.

I am writing to support the application made by Dylan and Kim Hoe for the installation of a grid on the North Forbes Road.

The grid will be used to manage stock on Travelling Stock Reserve R4502 (The Strip) on which Dylan and Kim have a Management Agreement permit from Central West LLS for 4 years until 2025.

Central West Local Land Services are in agreement with a grid being installed as it will not impact stock movements and will improve the management of stock on the TSR.

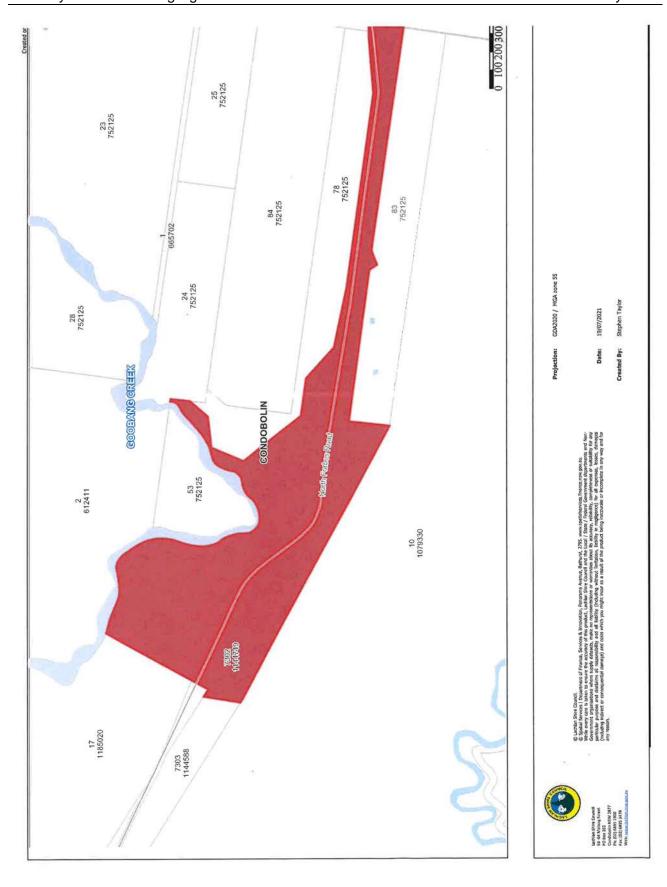
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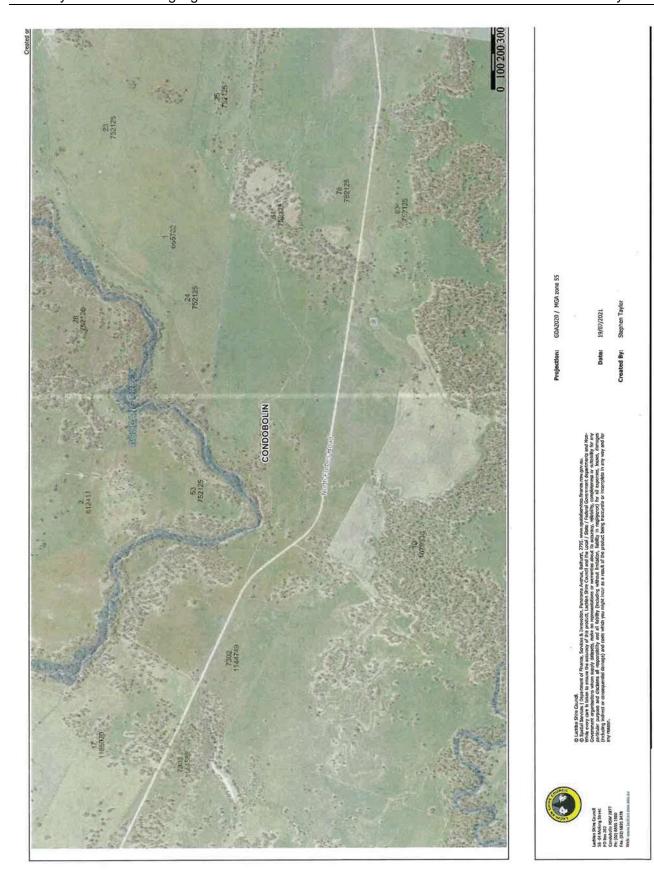
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Central West Local Land Services

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# 10.6 PROJECT DELIVERY - THE MURIE CREEK AND SMYTH'S CORNER DRAINAGE STRUCTURES

TRIM Number: R21/204

Author: Director Infrastructure Services

## **PURPOSE**

This report is to update Council on the preferred method of project delivery for the Murie Creek and Smyth's Corner drainage structures and seek an exemption from conducting an open tender process.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Attachment 1 - Site locations

Council Procurement Policy

#### **BACKGROUND**

Council is undertaking the Condobolin Freight and Visitor Centre project. This is also referred to as the Tourism precinct stage 2 and road betterment works. This project contains internal road works and heavy vehicle parking within the Tourism Precinct, the Visitor Information Centre building and Road Betterment works on Lachlan Valley Way, Diggers Avenue and The Gipps Way.

As part of these road works, the project has the intention of increasing the flood immunity of the Lachlan Valley Way and the Gipps Way to allow the road network to remain open for up to a 1 in 20 year flood event. The project involves the construction of 2 large drainage structures that will increase the capacity for flood water to pass under the road without increasing the flooding impacts on the surrounding properties.

## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

The Funding Deed requires the completion of the road works by June 2022.

Council staff have been targeting a January – April construction period for the large drainage structures. This will avoid potential delays produced through wet ground conditions during winter and avoid the local road freight peaks for cereal grain harvest (Oct-Dec) and cotton harvest (May-June). The detailed design for this project will be completed by the end of August, which leaves 5 months to secure the materials and a workforce to install the drainage structures.

There are a number of project delivery methods that Council staff have considered in delivering these large drainage structures. These include all combinations of RFQ/Tender for supply only of culverts, Council staff installation and Tender/EOI for supply and construction of separate projects or combined projects.

The construction industry is experiencing a peak in demand with a number of products across NSW. This peak in demand and Covid-19 related supply delays have resulted in significant time delays and cost increases in sourcing steel, timber and concrete products. A recent road construction project on Fifield Road experienced delivery timeframes of 5 months from placing of order to product delivery. Typically, this product can be delivered in a 2 month timeframe.

Given the current work load for Council's culvert construction staff and the size of the structures, it is believed that best value for money in constructing both of these structures will be achieved through the engagement of an external contractor - that is an expert in constructing these type of drainage structures. Due to the value of these construction works, this will require an EOI or Tender Process.

Due to the timeframe that the Deed requires for completion of the project, the time needed to run an EOI or tender process (4 months) and the lead time required to procure the box culvert structures (4 to 5 month), it is necessary that these processes be completed concurrently. That is, the procurement

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for the supply of the box culverts and the RFQ/Tender for installation of the structures needs to happen at the same time.

## FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The procurement strategy suggested for the supply of the box culvert structures is a selective RFQ process. Local Government Procurement (LGP) Supply Contract for precast concrete products, contains limited suitable options for supply of custom box culvert structures, therefore this procurement option is not beneficial. Given the limited number of suppliers which provide custom pre-cast box culvert structures an open tender process will be of limited benefit and will extend the procurement time. A selective RFQ process from 3 reputable suppliers would provide a similar outcome. Therefore, it is suggested that Council utilise the Section 55 (3) (i) of the Local Government Act 1993 which states:

"because of extenuating circumstances, remoteness of locality or the unavailability of competitive or reliable tenderers, a council decides by resolution (which states the reasons for the decision) that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders,"

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Local Government Act 1993,

Local Government (General) Regulations 2005,

OLG Local Government Procurement Guidelines.

## **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

Council is required to be transparent and compliant, with the Local Government procurement requirements and Council's Policy.

Not completing the construction works required within the time frames specified within the Terms of the project funding deed present Council with the risk of the project funding being withdrawn.

To date, the grant body has indicated a firm completion date for the project, with no commitment to a timeframe extension.

#### STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Council staff have been meeting regularly with Public Works Advisory and Regional NSW regarding the progress of this project.

#### **OPTIONS**

- Conduct an open tender for the supply of pre-cast drainage structures and an open tender process for the installation of the drainage structures. This could be done individually for each structure, or combined. A timeframe extension from the grant body for this approach would likely be required.
- 2) Conduct and open tender for the supply and installation of the drainage structures. This could be done individually for each structure, or combined. A timeframe extension from the grant body for this approach would be required.
- 3) Invite selective quotations from 3 reputable companies for the supply of pre-cast drainage structures and conduct an EOI process for the installation of the drainage structures, with quotations requested from preferred Contractors. This could be done individually for each structure, or combined. A timeframe extension would not be required.

## CONCLUSION

This report has updated Council on the preferred method of project delivery for the Murie Creek and Smyth's Corner drainage structures and requests a resolution to proceed with a selective RFQ for the pre-cast concrete structure and EOI for the installation works.

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## LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Lachlan Shire Council Procurement Policy

CSP 3.1 Efficient transport networks that meet community and business needs

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Project Overview aerial photo with flood imagery U
- 2. Project Timeline U

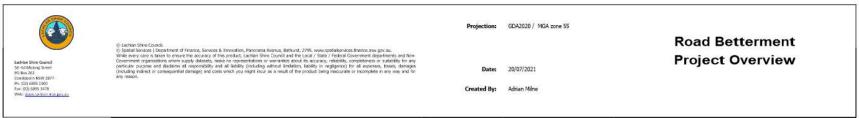
#### **RECOMMENDATION**

## That

- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R21/204 be received and noted
- 2. Due to extenuating circumstances and remoteness of locality the box culvert drainage structures for the Murie Creek and Smyth's corner be procured by inviting quotations from 3 suitable companies, rather than through an open tender process.
- 3. Expressions of Interest be called for the installation of the Murie Creek and Smyth's Corner drainage structures and competitive quotations then be invited from the preferred Contractors identified in the EOI process.
- 4. A further report be presented to Council outline details of the quotations received, with a recommendation of a preferred Contractor or Contractors for the installation of the Murie Creek and Smyth's Corner drainage structures.

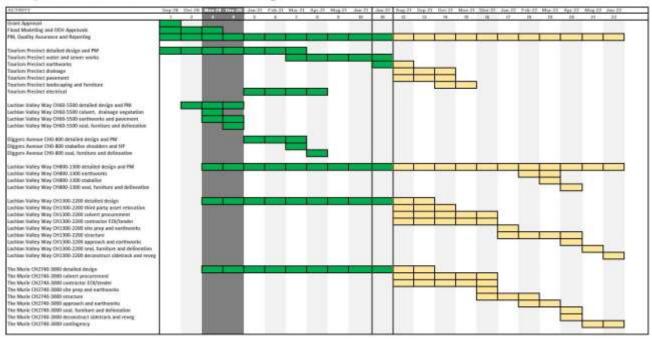
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## Project Timeline - Tourism Precinct Stage 2 and Betterment works



## 10.7 CROWN RESERVE 190069 - MADLINE STREET RESERVE

TRIM Number: R21/207

Author: Director Infrastructure Services

#### **PURPOSE**

To advise Council of correspondence received from DPIE - Crown Lands regarding an Aboriginal Land Claim on the Crown Reserve 190069, Madline Street West Reserve, Lot 7304 DP1143186.

Seek Council direction on the response that should be provided to the Department.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Attachment 1 – Letter to stakeholders requesting feedback

Attachment 2 – Gazette 1988 reserving the land for Public Recreation

Attachment 3 – Gazette 1995 declaring Lachlan Shire Council as the Reserve Manager

Attachment 4 – map of Lot and DP

#### **BACKGROUND**

In July 2018, the United Hospital Auxiliaries of NSW – Condobolin Branch wrote to Council requesting Council consider the Madline Street Reserve as a location for the proposed Condobolin Helipad, as the previous site they had identified had become unsuitable for a number of reasons. Council staff offered no objection to this proposal in principle, and committed to working with the group to explore the option further, noting the changes to the Crown Land Management Act 2016.

Aboriginal Land Claim 48428 was lodged by the Condobolin Local Aboriginal Land Council on 3 May 2019.

In Jan 2020 DPIE Crown Lands advised that Reserve 190069 is one of the 7 reserves that the categorisation of "General Community Use", request by Council, was not accepted and "the categorisation of these reserves requires further investigation by the department. Council will be notified of the outcome in due course."

## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

DPIE Crown Lands has expedited the process for this Aboriginal Land Claim and has requested stakeholders provide feedback and evidence of an interest in the land in questions. It is requested that the responses should include evidence of lawful use or occupation and future need for essential public purpose.

Currently, the Reserve is not being utilised in accordance with its original purpose, which is Public Recreation. Rather the land is being used as a temporary stockpile site for Council and Contractor aggregate and is partially available for passive recreation.

Council is being asked to consider

- 1. Any future use that this Reserve may have for General Community Use.
- 2. Is the matter of a Helipad in this location something to be dismissed or pursued further?
- 3. Is there a separate use for the Reserve which Council would like to consider (e.g. BMX track)?
- 4. Should Council offer no objection to the Aboriginal Land Claim and recommend that the claim be upheld and the land be returned to the original custodians?

## FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Staff and Contractors have been instructed to cease using this Reserve as a stock pile site, and the stock piles are being gradually removed as resources permit.

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Council would receive limited reduction in maintenance costs if the Aboriginal Land Claim was upheld. The ongoing maintenance of the land would be undertaken by the Local Aboriginal Land Council.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Local Government Act 1993,

Crown Lands Management Act 2016,

Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983.

#### **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

Council will continue to face ongoing challenges with the management of Crown Lands under the new Crown Lands Management Act 2016. Council will be required to balance alternative stakeholder views as to the future management and use of Crown Land. Council has the opportunity to show civic leadership in this area.

## STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Discussions have been held with the Local Aboriginal Land Council on a number of land related matters in recent months. The matter of this Reserve and the Aboriginal Land Claim was mentioned in passing, however, specific details were not discussed at that time.

Recent events have caused the United Hospital Auxiliaries of NSW – Condobolin Branch to move away from this Reserve as their preferred site and are reconsidering other sites for their facility.

## **OPTIONS**

- Council respond to the letter from DPIE Crown Lands and provide all relevant information relating to the management of the Reserve. Council request the land continue to be reserved for General Community Use.
- 2) Council respond to the letter from DPIE Crown Lands and provide all relevant information relating to the management of the Reserve. Council offer no suggestion for the future use of the Reserve and suggest the Aboriginal Land Claim be upheld.
- 3) Council response to the letter from DPIE Crown Lands and provide all relevant information relating to the management of the Reserve. Council suggest an alternative essential use for the

## CONCLUSION

Council has been advised of correspondence regarding an Aboriginal Land Claim on the Crown Reserve 190069, Madline Street West Reserve, Lot 7304 DP1143186.

## LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP Outcome 4.4 Strategic Management of Villages and Crown Reserves

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Letter to stakeholders requesting feedback to Aboriginal Land Claim 48428 U
- 2. NSW Gazette 28 October 1998 Declaring Reserve for Public Recreation U
- 3. NSW Gazette 17 Feb 1995 Declaring Reserve Manager U

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## 4. Lot and DP map J.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

## That:

- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report R21/207 be received and noted
- 2. Council respond to the Letter from DPIE Crown Lands and provide all relevant information relating to the management of the Reserve.
- 3. Council offer no suggestion for the future use of the Reserve and suggest the Aboriginal Land Claim be upheld.

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Our reference: CT-Case No.4025

File number: 19/04935 Case officer: Paul Parker

#### Reference to authorities and stakeholders via email:

Lachlan Shire Council	council@lachlan.nsw.gov.au
Essential Energy	alc@essentialenergy.com.au
TransGrid	alc@transgrid.com.au
NSW Department of Industry - Geological Survey NSW	landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au
NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services Roads/access team	OEH.Roads@environment.nsw.gov.au

To whom it may concern

## Aboriginal Land Claim 48428 at CONDOBOLIN

The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) – Crown Lands, Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team (ALCAT) is currently assessing the Aboriginal Land Claims shown on the attached list.

Lodging of an Aboriginal Land Claim creates an interest in the land. Prior to any future dealings in this land, consultation should be undertaken with DPIE – Crown Lands.

Aboriginal Land Claims are assessed in accordance with the provisions of section 36(1) of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*. Regardless of when an assessment is conducted the key date for the assessment is the **date the claim is lodged**.

The ALCAT is seeking information from your organisation as a relevant authority that may have evidence or hold an interest in the land at the **date of claim** that establishes:

- Lawful use or occupation
- Need or likely to be needed for an essential public purpose.

The Minister's decision is subject to appeal to the Land & Environment Court. It is important all information relevant to the claimed land be made available to the ALCAT to ensure the claim is properly and thoroughly assessed.

Any comment, assertion or statement you make should be as at the date of the claims and should be supported by documented evidence. Attached is an information sheet for your reference. The document also provides a definition of the assessment criteria mentioned above.

Should you require easements to accommodate proposed or existing infrastructure please ensure you advise the required widths and any specific conditions in your initial response. If you do not specify any specific conditions Schedule 4 of the *Conveyancing Act 1916* will be used.

Please note, if the claimed land is subject to multiple claims, your response should address each claim and should provide evidence relevant to the date of each claim.

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A response is requested to be provided by 17 August 2021. If you have no interest in the granting or refusal of this claim it would be appreciated if you could contact this office via e-mail advising of such. This will prevent unnecessary delays in processing claims, and we will not reference you further.

If you have any questions or require an extension of time to provide a response please contact the Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team on (02) 4925 4113, or by email to <a href="mailto:paul.parker@crownland.nsw.gov.au">paul.parker@crownland.nsw.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

For the Manager

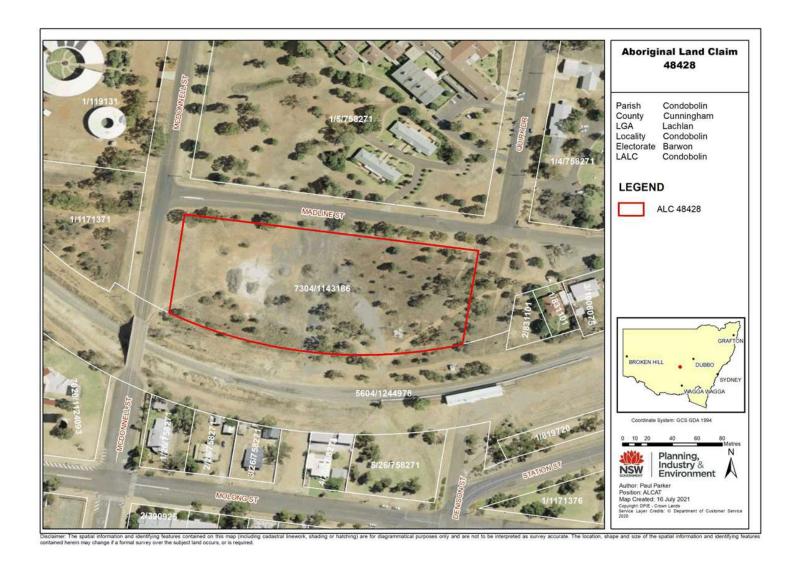
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Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team

16 July 2021

Claim No	Land Council	Land Claimed	Lodged	Status at date of Claims
48428	Condobolin LALC	Lot 7304 DP1143186	3 May 2019	Reserve 190069 for public recreation (GG – 28 October 1988) CLM – Lachlan Shire Council

NSWALC = New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council LALC = Local Aboriginal Land Council Obo = on behalf of



## Criteria and evidence

Information to assist you in your response



## Providing information for an Aboriginal land claim assessment



This sheet details the two common terms, explains their interpretation and gives examples of the types of evidentiary materials to provide when requested for information during a Claim assessement.

#### Lawful use

Occurs when use is to more than a notional degree. The lands need to be used for its specified public purpose or for a purpose that furthers or is ancillary to the public purpose. The use needs to be actual, not just contemplated or intended.

## Lawful occupation

Encompasses legal possession, conduct amounting to actual possession and some degree of permanence. It involves an element of control, of preventing or being in a position to prevent the intrusion of strangers. Continuous physical presence on every part of the land is not required, however some physical occupancy is required, mere activities of maintenance are insufficient.

#### Evidentiary materials

Examples of materials supporting lawful use and occupation include, but are not limited to;

- Copies of tenure documents (licences, leases, permits etc.)
- Receipts
- Rosters, sign in books, attendance sheets etc
- Photographs taken at time
- Documents that prove activity at the location
- Evidence of improvements made and/or maintenance undertaken
- Utilities bills
- Anything that establishes a presence upon the lands
- Diary entries
- Media material.

If reference is made to a document in the course of providing a response, provide the entire document to support the response.

# Needed or likely to be needed for an essential public purpose

#### Needed

Means required or wanted. Where lands are needed for an essential public purpose, a manifestation of political will is required to establish need. Where lands are likely to be needed for an essential public purpose, it is a question as to whether it is likely that there will in the future be a government requirement; and if this addressed by considering a trajectory, then the trajectory needs to be towards a requirement at the appropriate government level at the specified time in the future.

## Likely

Is a real or not remote chance, a real chance or possibility, not more probable than not (possibility being a lower legal standard than probability). The essentiality of the need must be sufficient to counteract the beneficial intent of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act*. A 25 to 30-year time frame is appropriate when establishing a likely need.

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## Criteria and Evidence

Information to assist is providing a response



## Essential public purpose

Public purposes are those that are required and created by the government of the country, or purposes of the administration of the government of the country. To be essential, the purpose must be indispensable, or at least material and important. The use of the word essential sets a high standard. Public purposes may be served by private interests. Purposes carried out under statutory authority or requirement, for example, the *Local Government Act* (Shire Councils) can be public purposes. Examples of evidentiary materials supporting the need or likely need for an essential public purpose include, but are not limited to;

- Government materials stating the lands are required for the essential public purpose
- Material illustrating a trajectory towards the land being developed for the essential public purpose
- Any documentation relating to the development of the land in general

- Documentation supporting the lack of development of the kind proposed
- Documentation showing the lack of other suitable lands in the area
- Documentation illustrating why the purpose proposed is important and indispensable
- Documentation proving that the intended use for the claimed lands existed as at the date of claim lodgement

## More information

If reference is made to a document in the course of providing a response, it would be appreciated that the entire document be provided as an annexure/attachment to support the response.

If you have any questions regarding this information please contact the Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team on 02 6883 3396 or email alc@crownland.nsw.gov.au.

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# Aboriginal land claims

Definition of terms



## Definition of terms relating to Aboriginal land claims



Over time, courts have provided some guidance on the definition of terms surround the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (NSW) and the assessment of Aboriginal land claims

## Lawful use and/or occupation

Lawful: The term lawful means the activity being conducted on the claimed land at the date of claim was being conducted with the appropriate authority to do so. For instance, if the activity required the approval of the reserve trust, then that approval had been granted.

Lawful use: Lawful use of claimed lands occurs when the use is to more than a notional degree. The level required to demonstrate the use is more than notional will depend on the purpose for which the land is reserved. For example, a reserve for public recreation would be expected to have a higher level of use than a reserve for tree plantation.

The use of the land needs to be consistent with the reserve purpose; for a purpose that is in furtherance of or ancillary to the reserve purpose; or an authorised secondary interest. The use needs to be actual, not just contemplated or intended.

Lawful occupation: Lawful occupation encompasses legal possession, conduct amounting to actual possession and some degree of permanence. It involves an element of control, of preventing or being in a position to prevent the intrusion of strangers. Continuous physical presence on every part of the land is not required; however, some physical occupancy is required. Mere activities of maintenance in isolation are insufficient.

# Needed or likely to be needed for an essential public purpose

Needed: Needed means required or wanted. Where lands are needed for an essential public purpose, a manifestation of political will is required to establish need. Where lands are likely to be needed for an essential public purpose, the question is whether it is likely that there will in the future be a government requirement; and if this is addressed by considering a trajectory, then the trajectory needs to be towards a requirement at the appropriate government level at the specified time in the future.

**Likely**: The term likely refers to a real, or not remote, chance; a real chance or possibility. It does not refer to something being more probable than not (possibility being a lower legal standard than probability). The essentiality of the need must be sufficient to counteract the beneficial intent of the Act. A 25- to 30-year time frame is appropriate when establishing a likely need.

Essential public purposes: Essential public purposes are those that are required and created by the government, or purposes of the administration of the government. To be essential, the purpose must be indispensable, or at least material and important. The use of the word essential sets a high standard. Public purposes may be served by private interests. Purposes carried out under statutory authority or requirement, for example, the Local Government Act 1993 (shire councils), can be public purposes.

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# Aboriginal land claims Fact sheet

# Information for Crown land tenants about Aboriginal land claims



The Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (NSW) is important legislation that recognises the rights of Aboriginal people in New South Wales, recognising land was traditionally owned and occupied by Aboriginal people, and is of spiritual, social, cultural and economic importance to their people. It recognises the need of Aboriginal people for land and acknowledges that land for Aboriginal people in the past was progressively reduced without compensation.

## The effect on a lease or licence

The lodgement of an Aboriginal land claim by a Land Council creates what is known as an inchoate (unformed) interest in the land. The full extent of this interest is not known until the claim is assessed and a determination is made by the relevant Minister.

The NSW Government (through the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment) will generally not authorise any dealing in land subject to a claim that will:

- prevent the land being transferred to a claimant Land Council in the event it is found to be claimable
- · impact on the physical condition of the land.

To ensure these conditions are met, the proponent must usually seek consent from the claimant Land Council for the proposed works or activity before any landowner's consent can be provided.

During the assessment of an Aboriginal land claim, the department identifies and gathers relevant information about the land at the date of lodgement. We will generally seek information from relevant agencies (including local government and infrastructure providers) and

tenure (lease or licence) holders to understand if the land subject to claim is lawfully used or occupied or is needed or likely to be needed for an essential public purpose.

Over time, the courts have provided some guidance on the definition of these terms and an extract of this guidance is detailed in the fact sheet titled *Definition of terms relating to Aboriginal land claims* (go to industry.nsw.gov.au/lands and search for the title).

Once relevant information has been gathered and assessed, we provide advice to the Minister on whether the land can be claimed. There is very little discretion available to the Minister, and if land is found to be claimable against the criteria, the claim must be granted.

The Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 provides appeal rights to claimant Land Councils where Aboriginal land claims are refused. The appeal can be lodged in the NSW Land and Environment Court within a four-month period from the date of determination.

It is important to keep in mind during the assessment of an Aboriginal land claim that the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* is beneficial and remedial legislation.

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# Criteria and evidence Fact Sheet

## Claimable Crown land

Section 36(1) of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act* 1983 states that:

'claimable Crown lands means lands vested in Her Majesty that, when a claim is made for the lands under this Division:

- (a) are able to be lawfully sold or leased, or are reserved or dedicated for any purpose, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act 1913 or the Western Lands Act 1901
- (b) are not lawfully used or occupied
- (b1) do not comprise lands which, in the opinion of a Crown Lands Minister, are needed or are likely to be needed as residential lands
- (c) are not needed, nor likely to be needed, for an essential public purpose
- (d) do not comprise lands that are the subject of an application for a determination of native title (other than a non-claimant application that is an unopposed application) that has been registered in accordance with the Commonwealth Native Title Act, and
- (e) do not comprise lands that are the subject of an approved determination of native title (within the meaning of the Commonwealth Native Title Act) (other than an approved determination that no native title exists in the lands).

## Lodgement of Aboriginal land claims

The Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 provides that the NSW Aboriginal Land Council and Local. Aboriginal Land Councils may make claim(s) to claimable Crown land(s). The date an Aboriginal land claim is lodged is critical, and any assessment generally will only be able to consider information and activities relevant to that date.

# Assessment and determination of Aboriginal land claims

The responsibility for determining Aboriginal land claims lies with the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016.

The Crown Lands team at Department of Planning, Industry and Environment assesses claims and provides the Minister with relevant information to assist in determining whether land is claimable, with reference to the statutory criteria.

## More information

You can get general information about the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* from:

- the Office of the Registrar of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 at www.oralra.nsw.gov.au
- Aboriginal Affairs NSW at www.aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au/alra

The assessment of claims is done by the Crown Lands Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team within Department of Planning, Industry and Environment. Contact the team on:

- E: alc@crownland.nsw.gov.au
- P: (02) 6883 3396

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## RESERVE FROM SALE

IN pursuance of the provisions of section 28, Crown Lands Consolidation Act 1913, I declare that the Crown land described hereunder shall be reserved from sale for the public purpose specified and such land is reserved accordingly.

I. R. CAUSLEY, Minister for Natural Resources.

Sydney, 28th October, 1988.

## FOR PUBLIC RECREATION

Land District-Condobolin; Shire-Lachlan

No. 190069. Parish and Town Condobolin, County Cunningham, about 1.765 hectares, being that part of section 26 north of the railway line and closed road traversing the section. OE80 H 887.

Government Gazette of the State of New South Wales (Sydney, NSW: 1901 - 2001), Friday 17 February 19

#### **ORANGE OFFICE**

Department of Conservation and Land Management Corner Kite and Anson Streets (P.O. Box 53), Orange, N.S.W. 2800 Phone: (063) 63 8395; Fax: (063) 62 3896

## ESTABLISHMENT OF RESERVE TRUSTS AND APPOINTMENT OF TRUST MANAGERS

- (1) PURSUANT to section 92 (1) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the reserve trusts specified in Column 2 of the Schedules is established under the name stated in that column and is appointed as trustee of the reserves specified in Column 1 of the Schedules.
- (2) PURSUANT to section 95 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Corporations specified in Column 3 of the Schedules is appointed to manage the affairs of the reserve trusts specified in Column 2.

GEORGE SOURIS, M.P., Minister for Land and Water Conservation.

## SCHEDULE 1

## COLUMN 1

Reserve 69910 at Burcher, for the purpose of domestic water supply, notified in the Government Gazette of 7 March 1941.

Reserve 86922 at Bygalore, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 18 October 1968.

Reserve 190020 at Condobolin, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of

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Government Gazette of the State of New South Wales (Sydney, NSW: 1901 - 2001), Friday 17 February 19

recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 5 December 1986.

Reserve 190023 at Condobolin, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 16 January 1987.

Reserve 190069 at Condobolin, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 28 October 1988.

Dedication 590122 at Condobolin, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 12 January 1983.

Reserve 63680 at Condobolin, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 16 December 1932.

Reserve 74629 at Condobolin, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 7 December 1951.

Reserve 85588 at Fifield, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 17 December 1965.

Reserve 60840 at Gulgo, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 30 November 1928.

Reserve 84715 at Gulgo, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 17 January 1964.

Reserve 84574 at Micabil, for the purpose of public recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 10 October 1963.

Reserve 61650 at Vermont Hill, for the purpose of public

Government Gazette of the State of New South Wales (Sydney, NSW: 1901 - 2001), Friday 17 February 19

recreation, notified in the Government Gazette of 17 January 1930.

## COLUMN 2

Lachlan Shire Council Crown Reserves Reserve Trust.

## COLUMN 3

Lachlan Shire Council.

## **SCHEDULE 2**

## COLUMN 1

Dedication 590130 at Condobolin, for the purpose of water supply, notified in the Government Gazette of 2 September 1938.

## COLUMN 2

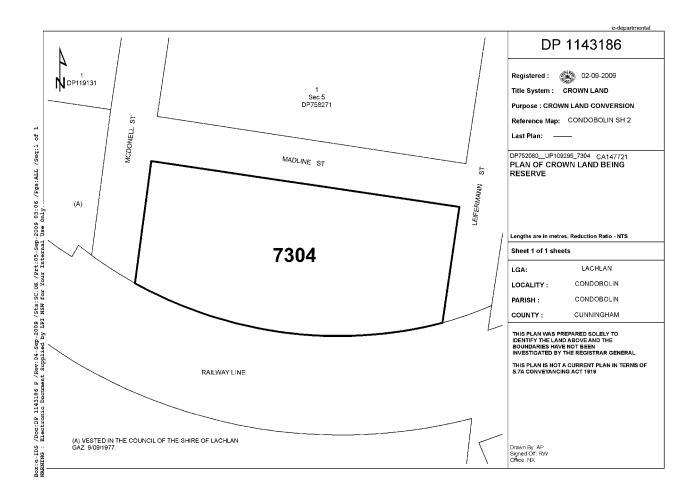
Condobolin Water Reserve (D.590130) Reserve Trust.

## COLUMN 3

Lachlan Shire Council.

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## 11 DEPUTATIONS

## 12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil



## 13 NOTICES OF RESCISSION

## 13.1 NOTICE OF RESCISSION - ITEM 10.6 JUNE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

TRIM Number: R21/209

I, Councillor Dennis Brady, give notice that at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on 28 July 2021, I intend to move the following rescission motion:-

That Council rescind resolution of Item 10.6 of the June 30<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Meeting as not all the relevant information was able to be presented and the applicants did not get an opportunity for their case to be adequately put forward.

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## 14 DELEGATES REPORT

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## 15 CORRESPONDENCE

## 15.1 CORRESPONDENCE - JULY

TRIM Number: R21/196

Author: Administration Coordinator - General Management

## **PURPOSE**

To provide Council with correspondence received for the month of July.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Copies of the correspondence are attached.

The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP – Changes to the Local Government Act 1993

Country Mayors Association of New South Wales Chairman Message – Local government Emergency Services Levy (ESL) contributions, urging Councils to lobby local member on the importance of passing the necessary amendment to the legislation.

Letter to Telstra – Backup Power Supplies to Mobile phone towers (see Attachment D for Telstra reply)

Telstra, Northern NSW Regional General Manager – Response to correspondence

Crown Lands - Determination of Aboriginal Land Claim

Letter from Minister Pavey - Aboriginal Land Claim 38588

## **BACKGROUND**

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## **ISSUES AND COMMENTS**

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CSP 4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council

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#### RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Correspondence Report no R21/196 be received and noted.

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Ref: A767610

Clr John Medcalf OAM Mayor Lachlan Shire Council PO Box 216 CONDOBOLIN NSW 2877

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10 June 2021

Dear Mayor

I am writing to advise you about important amendments recently made to the *Local Government Act* 1993 (the Act) through a Bill that I had the pleasure to introduce on behalf of the NSW Government.

The Government remains committed to strengthening the performance and sustainability of local government. As part of this commitment, I introduced the (then) Local Government Amendment Bill 2021, which was passed by the NSW Parliament on 13 May and assented to on 24 May 2021.

The original provisions in the Bill reflects a series of sensible reforms developed collaboratively with the local government sector as part of an extensive public consultation process. It implements the Government's commitments to rating reform, provides for payment of superannuation contributions for councillors, align terms of office of chairpersons for county councils and joint organisations to their member councils and allows greater flexibility in the administration of elections.

#### Greater flexibility to fairly harmonise rates

Importantly, the Act now provides for greater flexibility for those councils formed in 2016 as they prepare to harmonise rates from 1 July 2021. Each council can choose, in consultation with their communities, whether to harmonise their rating structures gradually over up to 8 years. Councils in contiguous urban areas are also able to set different rates for different residential areas. Further, councils may set different rates for farmland based on location.

It is a matter for each council to determine whether or not to take up one or more of these options as they develop a rating structure for their area. Councils requiring further advice or support should consult their Council Engagement Manager in the first instance.

## Fairer and more flexible rating categories and subcategories

Most changes to the Act can be accessed by all councils. All councils, including councils in contiguous urban areas, like Greater Sydney and the Central Coast, can now set different residential rates for different residential areas. In addition, all councils can set different rates for farming land based on location. These measures have already come into effect.

Councils will also be able to create more flexible business rates subcategories, allowing fairer rates that better reflect access to, and demand for services and infrastructure. They will be able to set different business rates based on whether land is predominantly used for industrial activities. This will commence by proclamation.

A new, fifth rating category for environmental land will also be created. This is designed to capture land where meaningful development is constrained by geography or regulation that imposes significant restrictions on use of the land, such as conservation agreements. This will commence by proclamation once supporting regulations are prepared.

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#### Meeting growth and infrastructure costs

The Government is strongly committed to ensuring that growing communities have adequate and effective infrastructure needed to support that growth. To that end, I commissioned IPART to recommend a new methodology for taking population growth into account when setting the rate peg and I look forward to receiving a final report in September this year. The Act now clearly allows multiple rate pegs to be set, if required, enabling the Government to deliver its commitment to align council's general income to population growth to help relieve pressure in growing communities.

Councils are increasingly jointly funding infrastructure projects with other governments. To reduce red tape, the Act will allow councils to levy a new kind of special rate for infrastructure jointly funded with other government entities. These special rates are not limited to funding council functions and do not form part of councils' general income under the rate peg.

#### Better targeting of rating exemptions

Land with certain conservation agreements currently benefit from a rating exemption. To better balance the need to support private conservation with the need to pay for council services and infrastructure, this exemption will be targeted via changes to be made to regulations, in consultation with key stakeholders. Relevant landholders may also be rated under the new environmental land category. This will come into effect in future.

#### Improved debt management and recovery options

Limits will also be placed on those ratepayers that are eligible to postpone rates due to a change in the permitted use of their land. This reduces the cost burden on other ratepayers while still allowing owner occupiers who would face hardship to apply to postpone the portion of their rates that have increased due to rezoning.

#### New superannuation payments for councillors

Under the Act, councils will also be given the option to make payments for councillors into a complying superannuation fund nominated by councillors from 1 July 2022. These payments will be equivalent to the amount under Commonwealth superannuation legislation. This recognises the high workload and responsibilities of many councillors and the significant contribution they make to communities while juggling work and family commitments.

## Minor changes to council elections and terms of office

Finally, the Act allows the timeframe for receipt of postal votes at council elections to be prescribed by regulation. After the next elections, councils will have the option to fill vacancies in the first 18 months of their terms by a countback. There will also be greater flexibility in the appointment of returning officers for countback elections. The terms of chairpersons of county councils also will be extended to two years to align them with the terms of mayors elected by councils. The terms of office of chairpersons of county councils and joint organisations will also align with the electoral terms of their member councils.

## Other changes as amended

The Act as amended includes a provision to enable councils to collect levies payable under the *Fire and Emergency Services Levy Act 2017* (FESL Act) outside of general income when the FESL Act takes effect. Councils should note that the NSW Government has deferred the introduction of the FESL Act and the levying of a FESL has been postponed at this time. There is no change to the requirement for councils to pay an annual Emergency Services Levy (ESL) contribution from within councils' general income.

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The Act as amended also includes a new process for councils constituted within the last 10 years to submit a business case with supporting reasons to the Minister for a de-amalgamation of an area. Further information on this process will be provided separately.

I look forward to continuing to work with the local government sector to ensure that communities across the State are well served by their local council. I encourage you to draw the attention of councillors and staff to information about these changes as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP Minister for Local Government

Cc: General Manager, Mr Greg Tory

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# Country Mayors Association of NEW SOUTH WALES

Chairperson: Cr Ken Keith OAM PO Box 337, Parkes NSW 2870 02 6861 2333 ABN 92 803 490 533

## To Mayors and General Managers

At our last meeting held on 28 May 2021, Country Mayors made the decision to make representations to the State Government, to reconsider their decision not to pay to the Emergency Services Levy, or to have it separated on the rate notice as a separate charge. Country Mayors also suggested to members that until the matter is resolved they consider not paying the increased levy.

Subsequently, the Legislative Council when considering amendments to The Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2021, on the 8 June 2021, it was raised that the Legislative Council consider an amendment to the Local Government Act 1993 relating to the exclusion of fire and emergency services levies from councils general income, which was agreed to and has now been referred to the Legislative Assembly.

All Councils received a letter from the Minister for Local Government, the Hon Shelley Hancock MP, on Wednesday 16 June 2021, advising that the NSW Government is providing a one-off payment to fully fund the increase in FY21-22 local government Emergency Services Levy (ESL) contributions, and this payment will ensure that councils pay the same amount in FY21-2022 as it did in the 2019-20 financial year pre COVID-19.

This of course is welcome news for the next financial year but it does not solve the long term problem. What happens in financial year 2022-23 and beyond? It is imperative that the amendments are passed by the Legislative Assembly.

I urge you all to lobby your local member on the importance of passing the necessary amendment to the legislation.

Cr Ken Keith OAM Chairman

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2 February 2021

Mr Michael Marom Telstra Regional General Manager Northern NSW 10-13 Racecourse Road BALLINA NSW 2478

email: Michael.Marom@team.telstra.com

Dear Mr Maron

#### RE: LOSS OF COMMUNICATION DURING POWER OUTAGES

I am writing to inform you of a dangerous situation that arises in our community during power outages and to request your advice on any action proposed by Telstra to overcome this problem.

Lachlan Shire is located close to the geographical centre of NSW and is home to a population of just over 6,000 people. The shire covers an area of approximately 15,000 km² with the major industry being agriculture and primary production. Given the sparsely populated nature of our community, reliable communication systems are imperative for business efficiency and people's safety.

Recently, on two separate occasions, our communities experienced loss of communication on the mobile phone network due to power outage; almost immediately once the power was lost. While the community understands that backup power supplies will not last indefinitely, during extended power outages, some contingency arrangement should be provided.

In one of the recent instances the Rural Fire Service had difficulty communicating with their volunteers who had been deployed to fight a Header fire on a rural property. This created a difficult and dangerous situation for the volunteers. A report that a Telstra technician was deployed to recharge the backup power supply several days later following the incident, with a DC generator and charger, only exacerbated community concern.

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Could you please advise me of what procedures Telstra has in place to maintain backup power supplies at mobile phone towers and if there is any option to improve the reliability of the mobile phone network during power outages.

Should you wish to discuss this matter with me I can be contacted on (02) 6895 1900 or 0427 073770.

Yours sincerely

Greg Tory

**General Manager** 

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Dear Carolyne and Greg,

I refer to your enquiry related to back up power for our Mobile sites across the Lachlan Shire.

I can confirm that subsequent to our review of back up power we have now replaced batteries and equipment at 3 key sites - Boona Mount, Murrin Bridge and Ootha.

In the event of AC failure this upgrade should provide emergency power provisions for these sites of between 7 hours to +10 hours. This will (under normal circumstances) allow time for a Power Technician to be engaged with generator back up in the event of outages exceeding these timelines.

Thanks you once again for raising your concerns and please contact me should you require further information.

Regards,

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To whom it may concern

Please find attached advice regarding the determination of Aboriginal Land Claim 38588 - Grant.

Arrangements are now being made to transfer the granted land to the Murrin Bridge Local Aboriginal Land Council.

Land and Environment Court Rules 1996 allow a four month appeal period relating to the determination of Aboriginal Land Claims. The appeal period for the refused land ends on the 24 October 2021. It is recommended no dealings be undertaken with this land until the conclusion of the appeal period.

If you have any queries concerning this claim, please contact our Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team on 02 6333 3396 or by email: alc@crownland.nsw.gov.au.

Kind regards,

For the Manager, Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team

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## Determination of Aboriginal Land Claim 38588

Purpose: Determination of Aboriginal Land Claim 38588 located at Lake Cargelligo.

**Analysis:** Aboriginal Land Claim 38588 lodged 25 March 2015, in relation to Lots 6-10 Section 56 DP 758595, comprised claimable Crown land at the date of lodgement.

Electorate of: Barwon

## Recommendations

That the Minister for Water, Property and Housing:

- 1 Grant Aboriginal Land Claim 38588
- 2 Sign the letter to the New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council advising of this decision.

## Minister approval

Minister for Water, Property and Housing

Approved/Not Approved

Date: 1461

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## Key reasons

'Attachment B' contains an analysis of the facts relevant to the claimed land against the criteria contained within section 36 of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*. The analysis established the land claimed in Aboriginal Land Claim 38588 was claimable.

## Supporting analysis

#### Communications

If approved, a copy of the signed letter will be forwarded by the Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team to the Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act and the relevant Aboriginal land councils. Parties that contributed to the assessment of the claimed land will be advised of the outcome

A copy of the letter will also be provided to Mr. Roy Butler MP, Member for Barwon.

## Background

Aboriginal Land Claim 38588 was lodged with the Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act on 25 March 2015 by New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council under the provisions of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* in relation to Lots 6 – 10 Section 56 DP 758595, Parish of Gurangully, County of Dowling, Local Government Area of Lachlan, Electorate of Barwon, shown by green edge on attachment "A".

The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, Minister for Water, Property and Housing, as the Minister administering the *Crown Land Management Act 2016*, for the purposes of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*, has the responsibility for the determination of Aboriginal land claims.

In that context, the Minister is required to determine the subject claim on the basis of whether or not the claimed land was "claimable Crown land" as defined in the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* when the claim was made.

NSW Land and Environment Court Rules provide a four-month appeal period for Aboriginal land councils relating to any refused claims, which commences at the date at which the determination letter is signed.

## **Attachments**

Attachment	Title	
Α	Diagram of claimed area	
В	Detailed assessment and analysis, including appendices	

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## Departmental approval and contact

Approver	Position	Date approved
Lyndsay Brooker	Executive Director Strategy and Policy	17 May 2021
Signature	The state of the s	
Contact Name	Position	Phone number

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Ms Anne Dennis Chairperson New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council PO Box 1125 PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

Via email: Iru@alc.org.au

CC: legalservicesunit@alc.org.au; alc@crownland.nsw.gov.au

Dear Ms Dennis

I refer to Aboriginal Land Claim 38588 lodged with the Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act by New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council on 25 March 2015 in relation to Lots 6-10 Section 56 DP 758595 in the locality of Lake Cargelligo (the Claim).

As the Minister administering the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* for the purposes of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*, I have responsibility for the determination of Aboriginal land claims.

Following the assessment of the Claim, I am satisfied that when the Claim was made the land was claimable Crown land.

I am pleased to advise I have granted the Claim.

Pursuant to sections 36(9) and (9A) of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*, the grant and transfer of the land does not affect any existing native title interest therein. It might also be noted that any proven native title interest in the land will restrict disposal in accordance with section 42 of the Act.

Arrangements will now be made to transfer title to the land to Murrin Bridge Local Aboriginal Land Council unless advised otherwise by New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council. A Certificate of Title will be forwarded to Murrin Bridge Local Aboriginal Land Council following completion of this action.

Yours sincerely

Melinda Pavey MP

Minister for Waten, Property and Housing

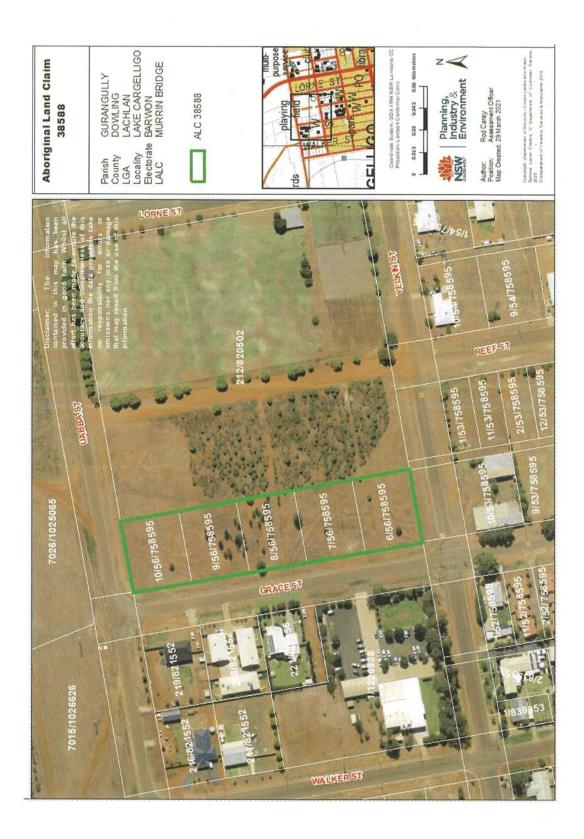
Date signed:

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Encl: Attachment A diagram

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## 16 QUESTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

## 17 PETITIONS

Nil



## 18 CLOSED SESSION



## **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

#### 18.1 Section 355 Committees

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)a of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

## 18.2 Rates and Charges Donations - 2021/22

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)b of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with discussion in relation to the personal hardship of a resident or ratepayer.

## 18.3 Offer to purchase land - Merilba Street Tottenham

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)c and di of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

## 18.4 Expressions of Interest for the Lease of 54 Blackers Road, Lake Cargelligo for Grazing Purposes

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)di of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

## 18.5 Offer to purchase land - Walker Street Lake Cargelligo

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)c and di of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

## 18.6 IFT T2021/12 Condobolin Bore Fields II Scheme - Contract 1 - Pipeline

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)di of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

## 18.7 Rating concession

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)b of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with discussion in relation to the personal hardship of a resident or ratepayer.

## 18.8 Senior Staff Update

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)a of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

