

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

Date:	Wednesday, 29 June 2022
Time:	2:00pm
Location:	Condobolin Council Chambers

BUSINESS PAPER

Ordinary Council Meeting

29 June 2022

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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1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND ELDERS

2 APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting - 25 May 2022

MINUTES OF LACHLAN SHIRE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE CONDOBOLIN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY, 25 MAY 2022 AT 9:04AM

- PRESENT: Mayor John Medcalf (OAM), Cr Judith Bartholomew, Cr Elaine Bendall, Cr Melissa Blewitt, Cr Dennis Brady, Cr Dave Carter, Cr Megan Mortimer, Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips, Cr Melissa Rees
- **IN ATTENDANCE:** Greg Tory (General Manager), Karen Pegler (Director Corporate and Community Services), Jon Shillito (Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development), Adrian Milne (Director Infrastructure Services), Paula Ewing (Executive Assistant),

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND ELDERS

Clr Carter delivered the acknowledgement.

2 APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of absence - Councillor Peter Harris

RESOLUTION 2022/140

Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Dave Carter

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 2022/141

Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Dave Carter

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 April 2022 be confirmed.

CARRIED

4 MAYORAL MINUTE

4.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - MEETINGS AND FUNCTIONS ATTENDED BY THE MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

RESOLUTION 2022/142

Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That:

1. The Mayoral Minute Report No. R22/143 be received and noted.

CARRIED

5 PUBLIC FORUM

Keith Mullette – Forbes Art Society, Lachlan Sculpture Trail

At 9:35am Councillor Bartholomew left the meeting.

At 9:38am Councillor Bartholomew returned to the meeting.

William Loader - DA2021/63 - Alterations and Additions to Railway Hotel including Extension to Street Verandah

6 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Clr Blewitt declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 as her sister was a former employee of Lachlan Shire Council.

Clr Bendall declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest Item 18.7 as the proposed purchaser is a distant relative.

7 GENERAL MANAGER

7.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL 2022

RESOLUTION 2022/143

Moved: Cr Dave Carter Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

That

- 1. The General Manager's Report No. R22/137 be received and noted.
- 2. Council note advice regarding the 2022/2023 Determination of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal relating to the annual fees for the Mayor and Councillors.
- 3. Council determine the annual fees for 2022/2023 to be:
 - (a) Mayor \$27,600
 - (b) Councillors \$12,650
 - (c) Deputy Mayor \$3,009 (from the Mayoral fee)

Councillors Blewitt, Rees, Bendall, Mortimer requested their names be recorded as voting against the motion.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr Melissa Blewitt

Seconded: Cr Melissa Rees

That Council:

Not increase the fee, and maintain the current fee.

In Favour: Crs Elaine Bendall, Melissa Blewitt, Melissa Rees and Megan Mortimer

<u>Against:</u> Crs John Medcalf, Paul Phillips, Dennis Brady, Dave Carter and Judith Bartholomew

LOST

Councillor Blewitt left the meeting at 9:51am

7.2 ACTIVE RESOLUTIONS - MAY

RESOLUTION 2022/144

Moved: Cr Elaine Bendall Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

That:

1. The General Manager's report no R22/138 be received and noted.

CARRIED

7.3 REVIEW OF ORGANISATION STRUCTURE 2022

RESOLUTION 2022/145

Moved: Cr Melissa Rees Seconded: Cr Megan Mortimer

That:

- 1. The General Manager's Report No. R22/145 be received and noted.
- Council confirm that the positions of Director Infrastructure Services, Director Corporate and Community Services and Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development are not to be classified as Senior Staff positions under section 332 of the Local Government Act 1993.
- 3. Note the roles and reporting lines of the Senior Staff positions as presented in the Organisation Structure attached to this report.

CARRIED

8 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.1 DONATIONS

RESOLUTION 2022/146

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Dave Carter

That:

- 1. The Director of Corporate and Community Services Report No. R22/105 be received and noted.
- 2. Council provide a donation of \$1,000 to the Lake Cargelligo Art & Crafts Society Inc. for the Blue Water Arts and Crafts Exhibition.
- 3. Council provide a donation of \$2,000 to the Condobolin & District Kennel Club Inc.

CARRIED

8.2 INVESTMENTS AS AT 30 APRIL 2022

RESOLUTION 2022/147

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Elaine Bendall

That:

1. The Director Corporate and Community Services Report No. R22/119 be received and noted.

CARRIED

8.3 DRAFT DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN

RESOLUTION 2022/148

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

That:

- 1. The Director Corporate and Community Services Report R22/123 be received and noted.
- 2. The draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2021-2025 be placed on public exhibition of for a period of 28 days from 26 May to 23 June 2022.
- 3. Following the completion of the public exhibition period the Director of Corporate and Community Services present a further report, summarising any submissions received during the public exhibition period, for the consideration of Council prior to final adoption of the Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2021-2025.

CARRIED

Clr Paul Phillips left the room at 10:12am Clr Paul Phillips returned to the room at 10:14am

8.4 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW 3 2022 FY

RESOLUTION 2022/149

Moved: Cr Melissa Rees Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

That:

- 1. The Director Corporate and Community Services Report No. R22/132 be received and noted.
- 2. The Quarterly Budget adjustments and reserve movements be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

8.5 DRAFT INTEGRATED PLANNING & REPORTING DOCUMENTS

RESOLUTION 2022/150

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Judith Bartholomew

That

- 1. The Director Corporate and Community Services Report R22/144 be received and noted.
- 2. The draft Community Strategic Plan 2022/23-2031/32, Delivery Program 2022/26, Operational Plan 2022/23 and Resourcing Strategy comprising the Workforce Management Plan 2022/26 and 10 year Long Term Financial Plan be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 26 May to 23 June 2022.
- 3. Following the completion of the public exhibition period the Director of Corporate and Community Services present a further report, summarising any submissions received during the public exhibition period, for the consideration of Council prior to final adoption of the Community Strategic Plan 2022/23-2031/32, Delivery Program 2022/26, Operational Plan (OP) 2022/23 and Resourcing Strategy comprising the Workforce Management Plan 2022/26 and Long Term Financial Plan.

CARRIED

9 ENVIRONMENT, TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

9.1 INDUSTRIAL AND RURAL LANDS STRATEGY 2022-2024

RESOLUTION 2022/151

Moved: Cr Dave Carter Seconded: Cr Judith Bartholomew

That

- 1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R22/36 be received and noted.
- 2. Council adopt the Industrial and Rural Lands Strategy (as presented) and
- 3. Authorise completion of the necessary arrangements to finalise and implement the strategy.

CARRIED

9.2 REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY - REVIEW

RESOLUTION 2022/152

Moved: Cr Melissa Rees

Seconded: Cr Megan Mortimer

That

- 1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R22/110 be received and noted.
- 2. That the Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development prepare and lodge an on-line submission to the Regional Economic Development Strategy Update Process, which includes the matters outlined within this report.

CARRIED

9.3 DEVELOPMENT DATA APRIL 2022

RESOLUTION 2022/153

Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Megan Mortimer

That:

The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R22/117 be received and noted.

CARRIED

9.4 DA2021/63 - ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO RAILWAY HOTEL INCLUDING EXTENSION TO STREET VERANDAH

RESOLUTION 2022/154

Moved: Cr Dennis Brady Seconded: Cr Melissa Rees

That:

1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R22/118 be received and noted.

2. Council resolve to approve DA2021/63 in accordance with the Recommended Conditions of Consent provided in Attachment 2, including consent for the street verandah extension over the footway/road reserve.

In Favour: Crs John Medcalf, Paul Phillips, Elaine Bendall, Melissa Blewitt, Dennis Brady, Melissa Rees, Judith Bartholomew and Megan Mortimer

Against: Cr Dave Carter

CARRIED

9.5 FY21/22 PROJECT MONTHLY UPDATE FOR APRIL/MAY

RESOLUTION 2022/155

Moved: Cr Dave Carter

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips

That:

1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R22/122 be received and noted.

CARRIED

9.6 UPDATE ON SCULPTURES DOWN THE LACHLAN TRAIL

RESOLUTION 2022/156

Moved: Cr Dave Carter Seconded: Cr Melissa Rees

That

- 1. The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. 22/121 be received and noted.
- 2. Council authorise the final payment to the Forbes Art Society of \$33,333.

Councillor Brady asked for his name to be recorded against the motion.

CARRIED

10 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

10.1 ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY AND STRATEGY

RESOLUTION 2022/157

Moved: Cr Melissa Rees Seconded: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips

That:

- 1. The Director of Infrastructure Service Report No. R22/106 be received and noted.
- 2. The Asset Management Policy and Asset Management Strategy be adopted.

CARRIED

10.2 FY21/22 ROADWORKS MONTHLY UPATE FOR APRIL

RESOLUTION 2022/158

Moved: Cr Dave Carter Seconded: Cr Megan Mortimer

That

1. The Director of Infrastructure Service Report No. R22/126 be received and noted.

CARRIED

10.3 FY21/22 UTILITIES MONTHLY UPDATE FOR APRIL

RESOLUTION 2022/159

Moved: Cr Elaine Bendall Seconded: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips

That:

1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R22/131 be received and noted.

CARRIED

10.4 FY21/22 URBAN WORKS MONTHLY UPDATE FOR APRIL

RESOLUTION 2022/160

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Dave Carter

That:

1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R22/134 be received and noted.

CARRIED

11 **DEPUTATIONS**

Nil

12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

13 NOTICES OF RESCISSION

Nil

14 DELEGATES REPORT

Clr Dave Carter attended the Road Safety Steering Committee in Forbes Monday 16th May.

15 CORRESPONDENCE

15.1 CORRESPONDENCE - MAY

RESOLUTION 2022/161

Moved: Cr Dave Carter Seconded: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips

That

1. The General Manager's Correspondence Report No. R22/133 be received and noted.

CARRIED

16 QUESTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

- 17 PETITIONS
- Nil
- 18 CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION 2022/162

Moved: Cr Dave Carter Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

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 Tender Plant and Truck Hire - Additional Contractor

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.

18.2 Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee - Minutes of ARIC Meetings

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.

18.3 Lachlan Shire Housing Strategy

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 Tender Assessment - Footpath Tender - 7 locations

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)dii and diii 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 and information that would, if disclosed, reveal a trade secret.

18.5 APA Group - Private works update

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.

18.6 Electricity Procurement - CNSWJO tender

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.

18.7 Offer to purchase part lot 1 DP 1134922 Bathurst St Condobolin

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.

18.8 1 McIness Street Lake Cargelligo Master Plan

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)di and h 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 and information concerning the nature and location of a place or an item of Aboriginal significance on community land.

CARRIED

- At 11am Council paused for a break.
- At 11am Councillor Judith Bartholomew left the meeting.
- At 11:15am Councillor Elaine Bendall left the meeting.
- At 11:16am Council resumed

RESOLUTION 2022/163

Moved: Cr Dave Carter Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED

18.1 TENDER PLANT AND TRUCK HIRE - ADDITIONAL CONTRACTOR

RESOLUTION 2022/164

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Dave Carter

That

- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R22/109 be received and noted.
- 2. The tendered from Seton Electrical Contracting Pty Ltd detailing rates for the plant and equipment term panel be accepted.
- 3. The General Manager be authorised to execute the contract documents.

CARRIED

18.2 AUDIT, RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - MINUTES OF ARIC MEETINGS

RESOLUTION 2022/165

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Megan Mortimer

That:

- 1. The Director Corporate & Community Services Report R22/124 be received and noted.
- 2. The confirmed minutes of the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee meetings held on 9 June 2021, 22 September 2021 and 10 November 2021 be noted.

CARRIED

18.3 LACHLAN SHIRE HOUSING STRATEGY

RESOLUTION 2022/166

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Dave Carter

That:

- 1. The Director Environment Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R22/130 be received and noted.
- 2. Council endorse the preparation of a Lachlan Shire Housing Strategy and engage Eight Mile Planning to prepare the strategy.
- 3. Council be provided with regular updates regarding the preparation of the Lachlan Shire Housing Strategy.

CARRIED

18.4 TENDER ASSESSMENT - FOOTPATH TENDER - 7 LOCATIONS

RESOLUTION 2022/167

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Dennis Brady

That:

- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report R22/135 be received and noted.
- 2. The tender submission from Central Industries be accepted.
- 3. The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute the contract documents and affix the Council seal.

CARRIED

18.5 APA GROUP - PRIVATE WORKS UPDATE

RESOLUTION 2022/168

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Megan Mortimer

That:

1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No R22/136 be received and noted

CARRIED

18.6 ELECTRICITY PROCUREMENT - CNSWJO TENDER

RESOLUTION 2022/169

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Dave Carter

That:

- 1. The General Manager's Report No. 22/139 on electricity procurement be received and noted.
- 2. Council note the extreme and unprecedented volatility of the electricity market currently being experienced,
- 3. Council replace the previous resolution from Council report resolution No. R2022/77 that

contribute a minimum of 50% of Council's electricity load to a renewable energy Power Purchase Agreement where the pricing is lower than the existing contracted price, with contribute a minimum of 50% of Council's electricity load to a renewable energy Power Purchase Agreement, and

4. Receive a report on completion of the procurement process.

CARRIED

18.7 OFFER TO PURCHASE PART LOT 1 DP 1134922 BATHURST ST CONDOBOLIN

RESOLUTION 2022/170

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Megan Mortimer

That:

- 1. The General Manager's Report No. R22/141 be received and noted.
- 2. Council reject the proposal to sell part lot 1 DP 1134922 due to the reduced opportunity for further development of the site in the future and advise the proponent accordingly.

CARRIED

18.8 1 MCINESS STREET LAKE CARGELLIGO MASTER PLAN

RESOLUTION 2022/171

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paul Phillips Seconded: Cr Megan Mortimer

That:

- 1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R22/35 be received and noted.
- 2. A further report be presented to Council in the third quarter of 2022 with an update on the budget, findings of the preliminary investigations and the development of a draft site constraints map.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 11:47am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 29 June 2022.

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CHAIRPERSON

4 MAYORAL MINUTE

4.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - MEETINGS AND FUNCTIONS JUNE

TRIM Number: R22/179

Author: Executive Assistant - General Management

MEETINGS AND FUNCTIONS ATTENDED BY THE MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR

30th May – Justin Hiller, Luke Jenner, Geoff Burgess, Essential Energy, Lachlan Shire Council, online meeting

1st June - CNSWJO - Oversight of the (SSRP) process Subcommittee, online meeting

8th June – Audit Risk and Improvement Committee, Committee Room, Council's administration building, Condobolin

8th June – Strategic Briefing, Council Chambers, Condobolin

9th June – Country Mayor's Association Executive Meeting, online meeting

19th – 22nd June – National General Assembly, Canberra

29th June – Ordinary Meeting of Council, Council Chambers, Condobolin

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. That Mayoral Minute No R22/179 be received and noted.

5 PUBLIC FORUM

6 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

7 GENERAL MANAGER

7.1 DELEGATES AND MOTIONS FOR THE NSW LOCAL GOVERNMENT ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2022

TRIM Number: R22/177

Author: General Manager

PURPOSE

To obtain Council endorsement for the nomination of delegates and the submission of motions to the Local Government NSW Annual Conference 2022.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

A copy of the Official Notice of the LGNSW Annual Conference 2022 is attached.

BACKGROUND

The Local Government NSW (LGNSW) Annual Conference is the pre-eminent policy making event for the local government sector. At Conference, delegates vote on motions which help determine the policies and priorities for LGNSW and the sector. It is a key event for local government where councillors come together to share ideas and debate issues that shape the way the sector functions and is governed.

LGNSW member councils are invited to submit motions for possible debate at Conference to advance the sector wide policy agenda. Motions are strategic local government issues which affect members state-wide and introduce new or emerging policy issues and actions.

Member Councils are encouraged to submit motions online by Monday 29 August 2022 to allow assessment of the motions and distribution of the Business Paper before the Conference. However, in line with the LGNSW Rules, the latest date motions can be accepted for inclusion in the Business Paper is 12 midnight (AEDT) on Sunday 25 September 2022.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

The LGNSW Board has resolved that motions will be included in the Business Paper for the Annual Conference only where they:

- 1. are consistent with the objects of the Association (see Rule 4 of the Association's rules);
- 2. relate to local government in NSW and/or across Australia;
- 3. concern or are likely to concern local government as a sector;

4. seek to advance the local government policy agenda of the Association and/or improve governance of the Association;

5. have a lawful purpose (a motion does not have a lawful purpose if its implementation would require or encourage non-compliance with prevailing laws);

6. are clearly worded and unambiguous in nature, and

7. do not express preference for one or several members over one or several other members.

Council members are encouraged to review Action Reports from previous Conference(s) before submitting motions for this year's Annual Conference to ensure the proposed motion wording reflects any recent developments and does not duplicate existing positions.

Any proposed motion must provide accompanying evidence of Council's support for the motion. Such evidence may include an attachment note or extract from the minutes of the Council meeting, at which the member Council resolved to submit the motion for consideration by the Conference. In the absence of a council meeting, the evidence should be a letter signed by both the Mayor and General Manager. An issue to consider for submission to the 2022 conference is for LGNSW to advocate to the NSW Government for the development of a consistent definition for the commencement of mining, for rating purposes, when any new or reactivated mining operation commences. Currently Council must levy rates based on the predominant use of land however following the granting of a mining approval mine operators usually commence work on complying with the conditions of the mining consent. For example, by planting trees and establishing visual and noise barriers, conducting dust, noise and environmental monitoring and undertaking significant infrastructure planning or early works. Currently these activities are not considered in the land use test when determining the predominant land use for rating purposes and can inhibit a Council's right to charge a mine rate for the property.

Council should also determine the delegates to attend this years conference. Traditionally the Mayor and General Manager attend the conference and Council nominates a further 2 Councillor delegates to also attend.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications with the submission of motions to the LGNSW Conference. There are registration, travel, accommodation and sustenance costs associated with delegates attendance at the conference.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RISK IMPLICATIONS

Potential reputational risk if the motion is not supported by the local government sector or local community.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Nil

OPTIONS

NA

CONCLUSION

Proposed motions for the 2022 LGNSW Annual Conference are submitted for Council's consideration and endorsement together with a request for the nomination of Councillor delegates.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP Outcome No. 4.2 Strong Effective and Responsive Council

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment A 🖖

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. The General Manager's Report No. R22/177 be received and noted.
- 2. The following motions be endorsed for submission to the Local Government NSW 2020 Annual Conference;
 - a) LGNSW lobby the NSW government to develop a definition for rating purposes of what constitutes the commencement of mining when new or reactivated mining operations commence.

- 3. The Mayor and General Manager be given delegated authority to authorise the submission of any further proposed motions that may be suggested before the deadline for submitting motions.
- 4. Council nominate 2 Councillor delegates to attend the conference with the Mayor and General Manager.



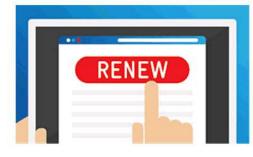
We are excited to announce that the 2022 LGNSW Annual Conference will be held from Sunday 23 October to Tuesday 25 October 2022 at the Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley.

We're really looking forward to seeing you there in person to share ideas, seek inspiration, and help determine our sector's policy position for the year ahead. In the aftermath of this year's federal election and with a state election scheduled for March 2023, this year's Annual Conference will be more important than ever.

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We'll keep you informed with everything you need to know in the run-up to 23 October, but to get the ball rolling we wanted to provide the earliest possible information on important dates, deadlines and logistical details.

So that delegates can participate in all aspects of the program, please take note of the following dates and requirements:





Membership Renewal

Voting entitlements are allocated to members who are financial on both the calculation date (**Tuesday 1 March 2022**) and the date the roll of voters closes (**Monday 29 August 2022**). Membership renewal invoices will be issued this week, so please ensure your 2022/23 Annual membership fees are paid in full prior to **Monday 29 August 2022**.

Registration: Delegates & Voting Nominations

Registration will open on Monday 4 July 2022, with discounted early bird rates available until Wednesday 17 August 2022. Standard registrations open Thursday 18 August 2022 and close 5pm Monday 10 October 2022. In addition to registering to attend the Conference, members must advise LGNSW of the names of their nominated voting delegates by 5pm on Monday 10 October 2022. You can find your councils' voting entitlements here, and more information about voting rules and substitutions here.



Motions

Financial members are asked to submit their motions by **Monday 29 August 2022** to allow for preparation of the Business Paper before the Conference. Under the LGNSW Rules, the latest date motions can be accepted for inclusion in the business paper is **Sunday 25 September 2022**. We'll provide more detailed advice on motions in future emails, but until





then you can find general advice on formulating and submitting motions <u>here</u>.

Accommodation

There are limited rooms available at the Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley, so we encourage delegates to book early. View <u>more information</u> on how to book as well as alternate accommodation options.

Information

Business papers for the Conference will be issued to members the week commencing **Monday 10 October 2022** and you'll also receive LGNSW's Annual Report 21 days before the Conference.

Further details

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Kind Regards, Cr Darriea Turley AM President LGNSW

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7.2 ACTIVE RESOLUTIONS - JUNE

TRIM Number: R22/178

Author: Executive Assistant - General Management

PURPOSE

To provide Council with an Active Resolution update as at June 2022.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The active resolutions are attached.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP 4.8 Strong effective and Responsive Council

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment A <u>J</u>

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The General Manager's report no R22/178 be received and noted.

ACTIVE RESOLUTIONS AS AT 22 JUNE 2022

LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL
REPORT TO COUNCIL MEETING
TO BE HELD ON 22 JUNE 2022

AUTHOR: GENERAL MANAGER

Date	Dept.	Resolution	Action Taken to Date	Expected Completion
JUNE 22	GM	170/2022 OFFER TO PURCHASE PART LOT 1 DP 1134922 BATHURST ST CONDOBOLIN RESOLVED THAT Council reject the proposal to sell part lot 1 DP 1134922 due to the reduced opportunity for further development of the site in the future and advise the proponent accordingly. Phillips/Mortimer	proponent advising that their offer had been declined.	COMPLETE
JUNE 22	GM	169/2022 ELECTRICITY PROCUREMENT – CNSWJO TENDER RESOLVED THAT Council note the extreme and unprecedented volatility of the electricity market currently being experienced, Council replace the previous resolution from Council report resolution No. R2022/77 that contribute a minimum of 50% of Council's electricity load to a renewable energy Power Purchase Agreement where the pricing is lower than the existing contracted price, with contribute a minimum of 50% of Council's electricity load to a renewable energy Power Purchase Agreement, and Receive a report on completion of the procurement process.	CNSWJO advised of Council's amended resolution. COMPLETE	COMPLETE

JUNE 21	GM	145/2022 REVIEW OF ORGANISATION STRUCTURE 2022	Letter sent to the	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT	Directors advising them of Council's	
		Council confirm that the positions of Director Infrastructure Services, Director Corporate and Community Services and Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development are not to be classified as Senior Staff positions under section 332 of the Local Government Act 1993.	determination and the change in their employment status. COMPLETE	
		Note the roles and reporting lines of the Senior Staff positions as presented in the Organisation Structure attached to this report.		
		Rees/Mortimer		
JUNE 21	GM	143/2022 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL 2022	DCCS advised. New	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT	fees will be paid from 1 July 2022.	
		Council note advice regarding the 2022/2023 Determination of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal relating to the annual fees for the Mayor and Councillors.	COMPLETE	
		Council determine the annual fees for 2022/2023 to be:		
		(a) Mayor - \$27,600		
		(b) Councillors - \$12,650		
		(c) Deputy Mayor - \$3,009 (from the Mayoral fee)		
		Carter/Brady		
		Councillors Blewitt, Rees, Bendall, Mortimer requested their names be recorded as voting against the motion.		

JULY 21	GM	123/2021 MAYORAL MINUTE – ELIZABETH MCGREGOR PLAQUE	Ongoing	NOVEMBER 2022
		RESOLVED THAT:	GM met with	
			representatives of	
		Council support the unveiling of a plaque for Elizabeth McGregor at	Operation Pilgrimage	
		Memorial Park Condobolin and agree to contribute a maximum of \$6,800	on 15 June 2022.	
		to the cost of the project as detailed in the request from the Operation Pilgrimage Group.	Unveiling of Nurse	
			Elizabeth McGregor plaque proposed for	
		Harris/Blewitt	October 2022, date to	
			be confirmed.	
			Large rock on which to	
			mount the plaque has	
			been obtained and will	
			be delivered to	
			Condobolin for Council	
			to install.	
JUNE 22	ETED	171/2022 1 MCINESS STREET LAKE CARGELLIGO MASTER PLAN	A report will be	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT	presented in the third	
			quarter of 2022.	
		A further report be presented to Council in the third quarter of 2022 with	COMPLETE	
		an update on the budget, findings of the preliminary investigations and the		
		development of a draft site constraints map.		
		Phillips/Mortimer		
JUNE 22	ETED	166/2022 LACHLAN HOUSING STRATEGY	Eight Mile Planning	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT	have been engaged. Regular updates will be	
		Council endorse the preparation of a Lachlan Shire Housing Strategy and	provided during the	
		engage Eight Mile Planning to prepare the strategy.	preparation.	
		Council be provided with regular updates regarding the preparation of the	COMPLETE	
		Lachlan Shire Housing Strategy.		
		Phillips/Carter		

JUNE 21	ETED	156/2022 UPDATE ON SCULPTURES DOWN THE LACHLAN TRAIL RESOLVED THAT	The final payment has now been made. COMPLETE	COMPLETE
		Council authorise the final payment to the Forbes Art Society of \$33,333.		
		Carter/Brady		
		Councillor Brady asked for his name to be recorded against the motion.		
JUNE 21	ETED	154/2022 DA2021/63 ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO RAILWAY HOTEL INCLUDING EXTENSION TO STREET VERANDAH	The consent to DA2021/63 has been issued. COMPLETE	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Council resolve to approve DA2021/63 in accordance with the Recommended Conditions of Consent provided in Attachment 2, including consent for the street verandah extension over the footway/road reserve.		
		<u>In Favour:</u> Crs John Medcalf, Paul Phillips, Elaine Bendall, Melissa Blewitt, Dennis Brady, Melissa Rees, Judith Bartholomew and Megan Mortimer		
		Against: Cr Dave Carter		
JUNE 21	ETED	152/2022 REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY - REVIEW	The submission on the Mid Lachlan REDS has	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT	been made. COMPLETE	
		That the Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development prepare and lodge an on-line submission to the Regional Economic Development Strategy Update Process, which includes the matters outlined within this report.	COMPLETE	
		Rees/Mortimer		
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JUNE 21	ETED	151/2022 INDUSTRIAL AND RURAL LANDS STRATEGY 2022-2024 RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the Industrial and Rural Lands Strategy (as presented) and Authorise completion of the necessary arrangements to finalise and implement the strategy. Carter/Bartholomew	The strategy has now been finalised and is in the process of being uploaded on Council's website along with a media release regarding the adoption of the strategy.	COMPLETE
MAR 22	ETED	75/2022 CONDOBOLIN AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL MUSEUM – EXTENSION TO MUSEUM AND DISPLAY ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT RESOLVED THAT Discussions be held with the Condobolin and District Historical Society regarding the project and determine how the available funds can be utilised and seek variations from the grant body to allow the funds to be spent.	COMPLETE Council staff have met with the Committee. In principle agreement achieved on design. Awaiting final costings before lodging scope variations with the grant body.	JULY 2022
AUGUST 21	ETED	172/2021 DRAFT BUSHFIRE PRONE LAND MAP RESOLVED THAT Following receipt of the revised mapping from the NSW RFS, the revised draft Bush Fire Prone Land Map be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days and public submissions be invited on the revised 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 map prior to it being sent to the Commissioner of NSW RFS for review and certification. Harris/Brady	As a result staff have met with the RFS and now have a revised map from the RFS. Council's draft Bush Fire Prone Land Map (BFPLM) was on public exhibition from 25 May 2022 to 23 June 2022. A report will be provided to the Council meeting in July 2022.	JULY 2022

JUNE 21	ETED	142/2021 UPDATE ON GOVERNMENT FLOOD PRONE LAND PACKAGE	A report will be provided to the Council	JULY 2022
		RESOLVED THAT	meeting in July. Clarification and advice	
		Council decide not to opt in to the new optional "special flood considerations" clause at this time.	are being sought from Penrith City Council	
		A further report be presented to Council in relation to the implications for the new flood planning package.	and an external consultant. The external consultant has	
		Harris/Hall	now provided some advice that is being reviewed.	
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 has been lodged with DPE. A gateway determination was	JULY 2022
		RESOLVED THAT	issued and a number of matters have been	
		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.	clarified with DPE to allow public exhibition. The planning proposal has been on exhibition and no submissions	
		3. Council approve the Planning Proposal for public authority consultation and public exhibition in accordance with any conditions imposed under the Gateway Determination.	were received. A report will be tabled for Council's consideration at the July Council	
		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.	meeting.	
		5. Authority be delegated to the General Manager to make any minor variations to the Planning Proposal, following receipt of the Gateway Determination.		

MAY 21	ETED	 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 <u>Against:</u> Nil 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. A further report be presented to Council following determination of the project funding application. 	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.	JULY 2022
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	The draft Bush Fire Prone Land Map (BFPLM) was on public exhibition until 7 April 2021.	JULY 2022

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	response was sent in June to NSWRFS to review. NSWRFS have met with Council staff to provide further feedback. Council resolved to re- exhibit the draft maps once received from the NSWRFS before a report is presented to Council for consideration/ adoption of the draft maps. Updated maps have been received and Council's draft Bush Fire Prone Land Map (BFPLM) was on public
	Council's draft Bush Fire Prone Land Map

SEPT 20	ETED	PLANNING PROPOSAL-AMENDMENT OF LACHLAN LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2013 TO INCLUDE MURRIN BRIDGE	Lachlan LEP 2013 has now been amended to	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT	include Murrin Bridge.	
		Council endorse the preparation and lodgement of a planning proposal to amend Lachlan Local Environmental Plan 2013 to include the Murrin Bridge area.		
		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.		
		Hall/Phillips		
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.	The Minister for Local Government has approved Council	DECEMBER 2022
		RESOLVED THAT	undertaking pre- acquisition procedures	
		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.	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	

		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 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	with the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991. Meetings were held in early February with a company that specialises in Crown land matters to determine whether they can provide any assistance in this matter. That company has now been engaged by Council and is progressing the acquisition.	
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	DECEMBER 2022

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			investigating the process to resolve or extinguish Native Title. Refer to resolution above. The matter above needs to be resolved before the acquisition process can continue.	
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	2022– Progressive delivery and completion.

			Study. The Heritage Advisor visited Tottenham, Albert and Fifield cemeteries in May 2020. Draft Plans for Albert, Tottenham, Tullibigeal and Fifield have been provided by the Heritage Advisor and are being reviewed by Council Officers.	
JUNE 22	C&CS	 150/2022 DRAFT INTEGRATED PLANNING & REPORTING DOCUMENTS RESOLVED THAT The draft Community Strategic Plan 2022/23-2031/32, Delivery Program 2022/26, Operational Plan 2022/23 and Resourcing Strategy comprising the Workforce Management Plan 2022/26 and 10 year Long Term Financial Plan be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 26 May to 23 June 2022. Following the completion of the public exhibition period the Director of Corporate and Community Services present a further report, summarising any submissions received during the public exhibition period, for the consideration of Council prior to final adoption of the Community Strategic Plan 2022/23-2031/32, Delivery Program 2022/26, Operational Plan (OP) 2022/23 and Resourcing Strategy comprising the Workforce Management Plan 2022/26 and Long Term Financial Plan. 	Out on public exhibition 26 May 2022.Updated documents will be submitted to June Council meeting. COMPLETE	COMPLETE
JUNE 22	C&CS	149/2022 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW 3 2022 FY RESOLVED THAT The Quarterly Budget adjustments and reserve movements be adopted as presented. Rees/Brady	Relevant staff advised. Authority updated for QBR3 changes COMPLETE	COMPLETE

JUNE 22	C&CS	148/2022 DRAFT DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN RESOLVED THAT The draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2021-2025 be placed on public exhibition of for a period of 28 days from 26 May to 23 June 2022. Following the completion of the public exhibition period the Director of Corporate and Community Services present a further report, summarising any submissions received during the public exhibition period, for the consideration of Council prior to final adoption of the Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2021-2025. Phillips/Brady	Out on public exhibition 26 May 2022. Meeting scheduled with stakeholder as requested by Cr Brady. Updated Plan will be submitted to June Council meeting. COMPLETE	COMPLETE
JUNE 22	C&CS	146/2022 DONATIONS RESOLVED THAT Council provide a donation of \$1,000 to the Lake Cargelligo Art & Crafts Society Inc. for the Blue Water Arts and Crafts Exhibition.Council provide a donation of \$2,000 to the Condobolin & District Kennel Club Inc.Club Inc.	Donations paid via EFT 2/6/22 and correspondence issued. COMPLETE	COMPLETE
MAY 22	C&CS	134/2022 LAKE CARGELLIGO MOBILE CHILDCARE RESOLVED THAT Council provide direction on the mobile childcare services provided at Lake Cargelligo TAFE campus. Council defer the report. That Council write to TAFE in regards to working together to provide a secure gate and fencing at Lake Cargelligo TAFE. Harris/Phillips	Report deferred while further investigation carried out. Relevant staff advised. Update provided to Councillors at May strategic briefing. In progress	In progress
MAY 22	C&CS	113/2022 COUNCILLOR SUPERANNUATION PAYMENTS FROM 1 JULY 2022 RESOLVED THAT Council agree to Superannuation Guarantee payments to Councillors from 1 July 2022, at the same rate as Superannuation paid on behalf of employees, providing all legislative requirements are met.	Council staff advised. Budget 22.23 updated. Email requesting Councillor responses sent 160522.	COMPLETE

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		Harris/Phillips	COMPLETE	
OCT 21	C&CS	253/3021 LEASE AGREEMENT – 17 MCDONNELL ST CONDOBOLIN RESOLVED THAT A new 5 year lease be offered to Forbes Veterinary Clinic for the use of 17 McDonnell Street Condobolin, as per option 1 of the report. The new lease document be prepared by Council's legal representative registered with NSW Land Registry Services once signed by both parties. The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to sign the new lease agreement and attach the Council Seal if required. Bendall/Phillips	Lease submitted to the lessee's for signing. DA submitted. Spoke to Acting Practice Manager 14/6/22, she will follow up internally & will speak to me within the week. Acting Practice Manager advised maintenance works predominantly completed. Email outlining conversation sent 14/6/22 to Acting Practice Manager. IN PROGRESS	IN PROGRESS
JUNE 22	IS	167/2022 TENDER ASSESSMENT – FOOTPATH TENDER – 7 LOCATIONS RESOLVED THAT	Tender documents sent. Awaiting execution	JULY 2022
		The tender submission from Central Industries be accepted.		
		The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute the contract documents and affix the Council seal.		
		Phillips/Brady		
JUNE 22	IS	164/2022 TENDER PLANT AND TRUCK HIRE – ADDITIONAL CONTRACTOR	Awaiting return of contract documents.	JULY 2022
		RESOLVED THAT		
		The tendered from Seton Electrical Contracting Pty Ltd detailing rates for the plant and equipment term panel be accepted.		

		The General Manager be authorised to execute the contract documents.		
		Phillips/Carter		
MAY 22	IS	139/2022 FOSTER STREET UPGRADE – TENDER NEGOTIATIONS	COMPLETED	COMPLETED
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Council confirm the Roads to Recovery budget commitment to enable the project to proceed.		
		Council resolve to accept the revised tender from Conseth Solutions Pty Ltd.		
		The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute the contract documents and affix the Council seal.		
		Harris/Bendall		
MAY 22	IS	129/2022 NOTICE OF MOTION – STORM DAMAGE, GRACE ST TO HOLT ST, LAKE CARGELLIGO	Capital Budget allocation included in	JULY 2022
		RESOLVED THAT	next year's draft budget	
		Consult with land owners re: major storm damage over several years from Grace Street to Holt Street running west to east – with it being very dangerous during storms and wild weather. There is water channel/erosion and a danger to public safety.		
		Phillips/Bartholomew		
APR 22	IS	105/2022 TENDER ASSESSMENT – PLANT HIRE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Tendered rates for the plant and equipment term panel be accepted for all Tenders received (including late tenders).		
		The General Manager be authorised to execute the contract documentation.		
		Harris/Brady		

APR 22	IS	104/4022 TENDER ASSESSMENT – SUPPLY OF CRUSHED GRAVEL AND STONE 2022-2025	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Council accept the tender from Mays Earthmoving Pty Ltd for gravel winning and crushing services		
		Council accept the offer from Mays Earthmoving Pty Ltd for the supply of gravel from Milby quarry at the rates quoted		
		Council accept the offer from Ross Brothers Excavations for supply of gravel at the rates quoted		
		The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute contract documents and affix the Council seal (if required).		
		Rees/Phillips		
APR 22	IS	96/2022 CONDOBOLIN CEMETTERY ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS	Re-advertisement complete. Nil further	JUNE 2022
		RESOLVED THAT	applications. Committee will proceed	
		That Council accept the nominations of Jeffrey Grogan and Elizabeth Riley to reform the Committee.	with limited number present.	
		Re-advertise and call for a second round of nominations to the committee.		
		Blewitt/Bendall		
APR 22	IS	95/2022 GUM BEND LAKE ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS	Re-advertisement	JUNE 2022
		RESOLVED THAT	complete. Nil further applications.	
		That Council accept the nominations of Todd Smith, Colin Doonan and Meg Crouch to reform the Committee.	Committee will proceed with limited number	
		Re-advertise for further nominations to the vacant committee positions.	present.	
		Rees/Brady		
MAR 22	IS	63/2022 LAKE CARGELLIGO CRICKET NETS – LICENCE WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	Awaiting response from Dept Education.	JULY 2022
		RESOLVED THAT		

		Council decline to accept and sign the proposed licence agreement with Secretary of the Department of Education and investigate an alternate location to construct the Lake Cargelligo Cricket Nets.		
		Harris/Phillips		
FEB 22	IS	32/2022 TREE ASSESSMENT – 47 ORANGE STREET, CONDOBOLIN	Replacement trees to	JULY 2022
		The tree in front of 47 Orange Street be removed as requested and be replaced with a more suitable species of street tree.	be planted	
		Plant two additional new suitable trees in appropriate location, with a view to the removal of the other mature Sugar Gum trees in future years.		
		Rees/Bendall		
OCT 21	IS	246/2021 TREE ASSESSMENT – 50 BATHURST STREET, CONDOBOLIN	Footpath maintenance works planned.	JULY 2022
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Council decline the request for removal and replacement of the tree due to the significant amenity and shade benefit it provides in Bathurst Street.		
		Council reduce the risk to person and property through continuing to trim the tree branches to maintain clearance from the building and awning, lift pavers and trim the troublesome roots and reinstall pavers.		
		Hall/Phillips		
OCT 21	IS	243/2021 FY21/22 UTILITIES MONTHLY UPDATE FOR SEPTEMBER	Deed extension has	DECEMBER 2022
		RESOLVED THAT	been confirmed to allow further discussion	
		Refer the RNSW842 Sewage Effluent Reuse Management System project costings for Tottenham to the Project Steering Committee for further discussion, highlighting the high ongoing cost for the proposed system.		
		Harris/Hall		
OCT 21	IS	242/2021 LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING SEPTEMBER 2021		
		RESOLVED THAT		
		Council support the following recommendations from Traffic Committee:		

		(a)	The disabled car park at the Canada Street Doctor Surgery in Lake Cargelligo be sign posted and delineated to comply with the relevant Australian Standard and the ramp be modified to be made more mobility friendly by reducing the "lip" in the pavers.	COMPLETED	COMPLETED
		(b)	The disabled car park at Condobolin Library in Bathurst Street be altered to comply with Australian Standards by reconstructing the kerb and gutter, reducing the slope, adding the line and artwork and the installation of a bollard.	COMPLETED	COMPLETED
		(c)	The disabled car park at the intersection of Bathurst and William Street be deferred and considered with future CBD upgrades.	COMPLETED	COMPLETED
		(d)	The "loading zone" signage request be declined, instead install "no parking" sign at the post box to comply with sect 199 of Road Rules Regulations.	COMPLETED	COMPLETED
		(e)	The design of Maitland Street and Boona Road be adopted. With reprioritisation of Maitland Street, including staggering of Boona Road, the site boards and stop signs.	COMPLETED	COMPLETED
		(f)	The traffic control plan for West Milby Gymkhana event be endorsed.	COMPLETED	COMPLETED
		(g)	The design of the traffic facilities in the Foster Street upgrade be endorsed, including Foster, Lake, Canada and Lorne Street intersections, installation of pedestrian islands, disabled parking, line marking and road signage.	COMPLETED	COMPLETED
			Hall/Phillips		
SEPT 21	IS	223/2021 1	TOTTENHAM RESERVOIR – MURAL PAINTING	Works underway.	JUNE 2022
		RESOLVE	D THAT	Due for completion mid June	
			ocate \$10,000 to the Tottenham Mural Project from the reserve utions to mural projects.		
		Tottenham	e of works for other Water Fund Capital Works items in , as follows, be reduced to fund the remediation of the Reservoir.		

		a. Water Main renewal \$46,394 – reduce length of water main renewal.		
		 b. Tottenham potable water standpipe \$40,000 – reduce scope of works to deliver a partial upgrade. 		
		Phillips/Harris		
JUNE 21	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.		
		Council provide guidance on the matter of water supply for the community of Burcher.		
		Harris/Bendall		
MAY 21	IS	107/2021 DENISON STREET FOOTPATH CONSTRUCTION REQUEST	Consideration to be	JULY 2022
		RESOLVED THAT	given to this in FY22/23 footpath budget	
		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.	iootpath budget	
		Landscaping, irrigation and turf work in Denison Street, adjacent to the Railway Hotel be completed and maintained by the proprietor of the property subject to the Director of Infrastructure's approval of any proposed work.		
		Harris/Phillips		
APR 20	IS	91/2020 NOTICE OF MOTION - CRICKET NETS LAKE CARGELLIGO		
		RESOLVED THAT	See comments from 63/2022	JUNE 2022

		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 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. Director Infrastructure Services and Manager Recreation submit a draft strategic plan for Council consideration before 1 July 2018. 	Asset Management Plans in June business paper	JUNE 2022
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.	Asset Management Plans in June business paper	JUNE 2022

7.3 RECONNECTING REGIONAL NSW - COMMUNITY EVENT PROGRAM

TRIM Number: R22/181

Author: Communications and Engagement Officer

PURPOSE

To inform Council on the result of expressions of interest received for potential funding under the Department of Regional NSW Reconnecting Regional NSW – Community Events Program.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

BACKGROUND

The NSW Government recently unveiled a \$20m Regional Recovery Package that will create new jobs and support community events, shows and festivals to boost tourism across the state. This package includes the \$25m Reconnecting Regional NSW – Community Event Program that will promote economic and social recovery across all regional NSW local government areas.

A dedicated allocation of \$239,651 has been made available to Lachlan Shire Council to support and deliver local COVID-Safe community events and festivals that are open to the entire community.

Eligible Projects

Eligible projects are those that will deliver community events or festivals providing immediate positive economic and social benefits to Lachlan Shire.

Events must:

- be open to all members of the public
- be free to attend or a very small fee to cover any extra costs
- have a primary purpose of reconnecting communities and improving social cohesion of the local community
- be planned and delivered using the COVID-19 NSW Public Health Orders current at that time and have a COVID-19 Safety Plan in place for all events (the development of these plans is an eligible expense)
- be held before 31 March 2023.

All events are encouraged to be accessible and inclusive, aligning to Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan and Community Strategic Plan.

Examples of Eligible Events

Each applicant can apply for multiple events. Each event will require a separate application form unless it is a series of connected events (e.g. monthly town markets). Activities eligible for funding include existing or new:

- community markets and bazaars
- festivals and fairs
- sporting events
- food and leisure events
- recovery events
- · community classes and workshops
- agricultural field days run by community organisations

- regional racing carnivals (e.g. horse or greyhound racing) run by community organisations
- touring events and theatre programs
- community public holiday celebrations (e.g. Australia Day).

For existing events: applicants are encouraged to use this funding to make the events larger or more accessible.

Ineligible events under the Program include:

- events with the primary focus on fundraising and charity events
- running grant programs
- business events and conferences
- events where membership is required to attend (for example, club gatherings including RSLs, Rotary, pony and golf clubs)
- country and agriculture shows
- grassroots sporting games (for example, home/away games, local tournaments)
- events with religious or cultural ceremony or celebration as the principal focus (for example, Diwali, Easter, Eid or Christmas celebrations)
- events/festivals already funded by the NSW Government
- Australian or State/Territory government owned and/or operated events.

Ineligible Projects - Events must not:

- · have a primary purpose of fundraising
- have a primary purpose of financial gain for an applicant or a sole stakeholder (events may have commercial activities as a part of the program for example, stalls at a market, food trucks at a festival)
- promote or be for political purposes.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

Council sought expressions of interest (EOI) for event concepts that meet the funding criteria. The EOI opened on Wednesday 1 June 2022, and closed on Tuesday 14 June 2022.

Council received eleven (11) external expressions of interest totalling \$179,445. When the costs of employing an Events Co-ordinator and an allowance to hold an opening event for the new Lachlan Shire Visitor Information Centre is added the program is over subscribed by \$54,794.00.

EVENT NAME FUNDING APPLICANT APPLICATION REQUESTED RECEIVED Born to Read Spectacular Born 2 Read \$8,000 14 June 2022 - 3:54pm Condobolin Street Festival Condobolin Chamber of \$17,500 14 June 2022 - 3:39pm Commerce Condobolin Park Run Margot Wynn \$10,000 10 June 2022 - 3:25pm Condobolin Tattoo 2022 Condobolin RSL Pipe Band \$30,000 9 June 2022 - 6:49pm Long Lunch by the Lake Lower Lachlan Community \$27,445 14 June 2022 - 9:24pm Services Condobolin Rotary Club 2022 Rotary Club of Condobolin Inc. \$15,500 9 June 2022 - 3:31pm Summer Carnival **Reconnection Art Show** St Xavier Primary School \$3,500 3 June 2022 - 3:12pm - Lake Cargelligo

The table below provides an overview of all EOIs received:

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Tottenham Horse Sports and Gymkhana	Tottenham Horse Sports and Gymkhana Club Inc.	\$10,000	13 June 2022 - 8:59pm
Open Night 22/23 Tottenham Swimming Club	Tottenham Swimming Club	\$1,500	6 June 2022 - 10:40am
Tottenham Community Expo	Tottenham Welfare Council Inc.	\$16,000	16 June 2022 - 8:33pm
Condo SkyFest Miima Warrabinya	Wiradjuri Condobolin Corporation Ltd.	\$40,000	15 June 2022 - 2:00pm
		Subtotal: \$179,445	
In addition to the above events i	t is suggested that Council set aside	funds for the following:	
In addition to the above events i Community Events Coordinator	t is suggested that Council set aside Lachlan Shire Council	funds for the following: \$40,000	

Advice is still be obtained from the funding body on the eligibility of the event applications.

Community Events Program Coordinator (September 2022 to April 2023). This temporary part-time position will provide 32 hours per fortnight administrative support for this program. The position objectives are:

- administer and acquit the Community Events Program according to the program guidelines.
- successfully deliver any approved **<u>Council</u>** events under the program.
- assist with promoting Lachlan Shire as a destination of choice for tourists and event organisers through the program.
- enhance the visitor experience in Lachlan Shire through the program.
- ensure stakeholders are informed and working collaboratively to grow the visitor economy.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Discussion with Regional NSW representatives indicate the program will be flexible and allow changes to events over the course of the funding period. It was also confirmed that additional hours required to co-ordinate and manage the events are eligible expenditure.

Due to the nature of this program, the reporting and acquitting requirements and the 31 March 2023 event deadline, a temporary part-time Community Event Coordinator has been included for Council's consideration.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil. All event equipment, material and services will be procured in accordance with the requirements of the NSW Local Government Act 1993 and Council's procurement policy.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

There is the potential for reputational risk to Council when making decisions to endorse or not endorse expression of interest requests.

Event plans and financial controls will be implemented to manage administration and budget risks. The events have been assessed against relevant program guidelines to minimise Council's risk implications, and all activities will be required to undertake a detailed risk assessment.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

The expression of interest was promoted through Council's fortnightly Council Column, Talking Tottenham Column, paid advertising in the Lake News, Condobolin Argus, Talking Tottenham, Council and community Facebook pages, Council's website, posters around the communities and via email distributions.

OPTIONS

- 1. Adopt the recommended event list and seek event approval from the NSW Government.
- 2. Amend the proposed event list and seek event approval from the NSW Government.

CONCLUSION

This report details expressions of interest received from the community. Council is eligible to receive funding of \$239,651 under the Reconnecting Regional NSW Community Event Program to support local community events. To access the funding Councillors are requested to select and endorse the expressions of interest progressing to full application, and authorise referral of events and associated activities to the NSW Government for funding approval. It is anticipated that the approval process will be completed within 20 business days. Council will notify all applicants of their expression of interest status following the 29 June Council Meeting.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP 5.7.3 Council's decision making is equitable and ethical.

CSP 2.1.8 Development of a new event.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. The General Manager Report No. R22/181be received and noted.
- 2. Council determine the events that will progress to full application under the Department of Regional NSW Reconnecting Regional NSW Community Event Program, including the dollar value of the funding request.
 - (i) Born to Read Spectacular Born to Read
 - (ii) Condobolin Street Festival Condobolin Chamber of Commerce
 - (iii) Condobolin Park Run
 - (iv) Condobolin Tattoo Condobolin RSL Pipe Band
 - (v) Long Lunch by the Lake Lower Lachlan Community Services
 - (vi) Condobolin Summer Carnival 2022 Condobolin Rotary Club
 - (vii) Reconnection Art Show St Francis Xavier Primary School
 - (viii) Tottenham Horse Sports and Gymkhana Tottenham Horse Sports and Gymkhana Clun Inc.
 - (ix) Open Night 22/23 Tottenham Swimming Club
 - (x) Tottenham Community Expo Tottenham Welfare Council Inc.
 - (xi) Condo SkyFest Miima Warrabinya Wiradjuri Condobolin Corporation Ltd.
 - (xii) Community Events Coordinator Lachlan Shire Council
 - (xiii) Lachlan Shire Visitor Information Centre Celebration Lachlan Shire Council
- 3. The endorsed events be submitted to the NSW Government for approval prior to the 8 July 2022 deadline.

8 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.1 INVESTMENTS AS AT 31 MAY 2022

TRIM Number: R22/120

Author: Financial Accountant

PURPOSE

The Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 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

Investments held at 31 May 2022 totalling \$61,886,987 are set out in Attachment 1.

Responsible Accounting Officer Certificate

I certify that the investments have been reconciled with the Council's general ledger as at 31 May 2022, and that investments have been made in accordance with the *Local Government Act, Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* and Council's Investment Policy.

Karen Pegler Responsible Accounting Officer

FINANCIAL UPDATE

As at the end of May 2022, Council's portfolio is compliant across its counterparty and credit quality limits. Over the past 12 months, the portfolio, excluding on call cash, returned +0.87% p.a., outperforming the AusBond Bank Bill Index (bank bills) by 0.83% p.a.

Imperium has advised that Lachlan Shire Council remains amongst the best performing Councils in the state of NSW where deposits are concerned (as per our March 2022 Council Rankings), earning on average, around \$40,000 in additional interest income compared to its peers.

Due to faster than expected rising interest rates, Council has been able to secure attractive rates for term deposits. As an example, an investment made in May 2022 returned 3.76% vs June 2021 0.5% and May 2020 1.06%.

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. May 2022 Investment report <u>U</u>

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Director Corporate and Community Services Report No. R22/120 be received and noted.



Investment Report

01/05/2022 to 31/05/2022



Portfolio Valuation as at 31/05/2022

Issuer	Rating	Туре	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Rate	Capital Value	Accrued	Accrued MTD
Members Equity Bank	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	09/06/2021	14/06/2022	0.5000	1,000,000.00	4,890.41	424.66
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	09/06/2021	14/06/2022	0.4500	2,000,000.00	8,802.74	764.38
AMP Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	11/06/2020	14/06/2022	1.4000	750,000.00	10,212.33	891.78
AMP Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	22/12/2020	21/06/2022	0.7500	750,000.00	2,481.16	477.74
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	23/06/2020	28/06/2022	1.2500	1,000,000.00	11,746.58	1,061.64
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	20/04/2022	20/07/2022	0.9600	2,000,000.00	2,209.32	1,630.68
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	22/07/2020	26/07/2022	1.0000	600,000.00	5,161.64	509.59
Auswide Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	18/08/2020	23/08/2022	0.9000	500,000.00	8,038.36	382.19
Auswide Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	27/08/2020	29/08/2022	0.9000	750,000.00	11,891.10	573.29
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	26/08/2020	30/08/2022	0.8200	1,000,000.00	134.79	134.79
Bank of Sydney	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	26/08/2021	30/08/2022	0.6500	1,500,000.00	7,452.74	828.08
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	26/08/2020	30/08/2022	0.9500	1,000,000.00	16,761.64	806.85
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	08/09/2020	08/09/2022	0.7800	1,500,000.00	2,724.66	993.70
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/09/2020	08/09/2022	0.8000	1,500,000.00	8,745.21	1,019.18
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/09/2020	13/09/2022	0.8000	1,500,000.00	8,745.21	1,019.18
BankWAW	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/09/2020	13/09/2022	1.0500	500,000.00	3,826.03	445.89
Bank of Sydney	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/09/2021	04/10/2022	0.6400	500,000.00	2,332.05	271.78
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	20/10/2021	20/10/2022	0.4200	500,000.00	1,288.77	178.36

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Issuer	Rating	Туре	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Rate	Capital Value	Accrued	Accrued MTD
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	20/10/2020	20/10/2022	0.8000	500,000.00	2,454.79	339.73
AMP Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	23/11/2021	29/11/2022	1.0000	1,000,000.00	5,205.48	849.32
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	27/11/2020	29/11/2022	0.6300	500,000.00	1,587.95	267.53
Members Equity Bank	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	25/05/2022	07/12/2022	2.5100	1,500,000.00	722.05	722.05
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	10/12/2020	13/12/2022	0.6300	500,000.00	1,493.01	267.53
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	20/04/2022	18/01/2023	1.8800	2,000,000.00	4,326.58	3,193.42
Warwick Credit Union	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	10/02/2021	13/02/2023	0.6500	1,000,000.00	1,976.71	552.05
Warwick Credit Union	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	09/02/2021	14/02/2023	0.6500	500,000.00	997.26	276.03
ING Direct	A	TD	GENERAL	Annual	17/02/2022	21/02/2023	1.0200	1,000,000.00	2,906.30	866.30
BankWAW	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	02/03/2021	02/03/2023	0.7000	500,000.00	872.60	297.26
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	29/04/2022	14/03/2023	2.5400	1,000,000.00	2,296.44	2,157.26
ING Direct	А	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	31/03/2022	29/03/2023	1.6800	1,000,000.00	2,853.70	1,426.85
BNK Bank	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	30/03/2021	04/04/2023	0.7000	900,000.00	1,087.40	535.07
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	13/04/2021	18/04/2023	0.6000	1,000,000.00	6,805.48	509.59
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	29/04/2022	26/04/2023	2.7100	2,000,000.00	4,900.27	4,603.29
BNK Bank	Unrated	TD	GENERAL	Annual	04/05/2021	09/05/2023	0.7000	1,000,000.00	536.99	536.99
AMP Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	04/05/2021	09/05/2023	0.7000	1,000,000.00	536.99	536.99
MyState Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	04/05/2021	09/05/2023	0.5500	1,000,000.00	421.92	421.92
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	10/05/2022	10/05/2023	3.0000	500,000.00	904.11	904.11
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	25/05/2021	23/05/2023	0.6300	2,000,000.00	241.64	241.64

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Issuer	Rating	Туре	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Rate	Capital Value	Accrued	Accrued MTD
ING Direct	А	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	25/05/2022	06/06/2023	3.1600	1,000,000.00	606.03	606.03
ING Direct	A	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/06/2021	13/06/2023	0.5000	500,000.00	2,452.05	212.33
ING Direct	А	TD	GENERAL	Annual	15/06/2021	13/06/2023	0.5000	750,000.00	3,606.16	318.49
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	06/07/2021	11/07/2023	0.5600	1,000,000.00	859.18	475.62
AMP Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/09/2021	05/09/2023	0.7500	500,000.00	2,732.88	318.49
ING Direct	А	TD	GENERAL	Annual	25/05/2022	07/11/2023	3.3300	1,000,000.00	638.63	638.63
AMP Bank	BBB	TD	GENERAL	Annual	23/05/2022	23/11/2023	3.3000	1,000,000.00	813.70	813.70
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	30/11/2021	05/12/2023	1.1900	750,000.00	48.90	48.90
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	09/02/2022	13/02/2024	1.5800	500,000.00	497.81	497.81
Bendigo and Adelaide	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	22/02/2022	27/02/2024	1.6500	500,000.00	203.42	203.42
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	23/03/2022	26/03/2024	2.3200	1,000,000.00	4,449.32	1,970.41
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	31/03/2022	27/03/2024	2.6000	1,000,000.00	4,416.44	2,208.22
ING Direct	А	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	24/05/2022	28/05/2024	3.7600	1,000,000.00	824.11	824.11
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	18/06/2021	18/06/2024	0.8000	1,500,000.00	2,465.75	1,019.18
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	06/07/2021	09/07/2024	0.8000	1,000,000.00	1,227.40	679.45
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	Annual	10/08/2021	12/08/2025	1.0000	1,000,000.00	8,082.19	849.32
Macquarie Bank	A+	CASH	GENERAL	Monthly	31/05/2022	31/05/2022	0.6000	3,818,720.00	1,994.14	1,994.14
NAB	AA-	CASH	GENERAL	Monthly	31/05/2022	31/05/2022	0.3100	4,818,267.00	1,268.25	1,268.25
TOTALS								61,886,987.00	197,758.77	46,865.20

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8.2 PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS POLICY

TRIM Number: R21/358

Author: Director - Corporate and Community Services

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is two-fold:

- to provide a draft copy of the revised Payment of Expenses and the Provision of Facilities to the Mayor and Councillors Policy for consultation with elected members; and
- to Council seek approval to place the policy on public exhibition for 28 days.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

See attachments.

BACKGROUND

The Office of Local Government (OLG) issued Guidelines for the payment of expenses and the provision of facilities for Mayors and Councillors in NSW. Under section 23A of the *Local Government Act 1993 NSW* council must take into consideration relevant Guidelines.

Section 252 of the *Local Government Act 1993 NSW* requires councils to adopt a new policy on the payment of expenses and the provision of facilities to the mayor and councillors within 12 months of the election.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

The draft document is provided with tracked changes so Councillors can review the key changes. A couple of changes to note include:

- Recent amendments to the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 section 403 (2)* require policies adopted under section 252 to provide for the payment of reasonable. expenses associated with carer responsibilities.
- Superannuation payments can be made to Councillors from 1 July 2022. Council adopted a resolution to approve superannuation payments for Councillors at the April 2022 meeting.

The payment of expenses and provision of facilities under the policy must not be open-ended. Monetary limits for all expenses and limits to the standard of provision for all facilities must be clearly stated and, where appropriate, justified within councils' policies.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Council has made a budget provision to cover these expenses.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Office of Local Government Circular 21-31 dated 5 October 2021 Post Election Guide

Office of Local Government Guidelines for the payment of expenses and the provision of facilities for Mayors and Councillors in NSW.

As per Section 403 (1) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, the policy cannot permit Council:

(a) to pay any councillor an allowance in the nature of a general expense allowance, or

(b) to make a motor vehicle owned or leased by the council available for the exclusive or primary use or disposition of a particular councillor other than a mayor.

Local Government Act 1993 NSW

252 Payment of expenses and provision of facilities

(1) Within the first 12 months of each term of a council, the council must adopt a policy concerning the payment of expenses incurred or to be incurred by, and the provision of facilities to, the mayor, the deputy mayor (if there is one) and the other councillors in relation to discharging the functions of civic office.

(2) The policy may provide for fees payable under this Division to be reduced by an amount representing the private benefit to the mayor or a councillor of a facility provided by the council to the mayor or councillor.

(3) A council must not pay any expenses incurred or to be incurred by, or provide any facilities to, the mayor, the deputy mayor (if there is one) or a councillor otherwise than in accordance with a policy under this section.

(4) A council may from time to time amend a policy under this section.

(5) A policy under this section must comply with the provisions of this Act, the regulations and any relevant guidelines issued under section 23A.

253 Requirements before policy concerning expenses and facilities can be adopted or amended

(1) A council must give public notice of its intention to adopt or amend a policy for the payment of expenses or provision of facilities allowing at least 28 days for the making of public submissions.

(2) Before adopting or amending the policy, the council must consider any submissions made within the time allowed for submissions and make any appropriate changes to the draft policy or amendment.

(5) A council must comply with this section when proposing to adopt a policy in accordance with section 252(1) even if the council proposes to adopt a policy that is the same as its existing policy.

254 Decision to be made in open meeting

The council meeting must not close to the public that part of its meeting at which a policy for the payment of expenses or provision of facilities is adopted or amended, or at which any proposal concerning those matters is discussed or considered.

The Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 and Schedule 1 of the Government Information (Public Access) Regulation 2018 provides that the public is able to inspect during office hours at Council, and at no charge, the current version and the immediately preceding version of the Council's expenses and facilities policy. The public is also entitled to a copy of the policy, either free through Council's website, or on payment of a reasonable copying charge.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

Legislative Risk if Council is not compliant with all requirements under the Act, associated Regulations and Office of Local Government Guidelines.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Councillors

OPTIONS

- 1. Approve the draft policy as presented for public exhibition.
- 2. Incorporate any Councillor recommended changes and place the draft policy as amended on public exhibition for 28 days.

CONCLUSION

The draft policy is proposed to go on public exhibition on 30 June 2022 for 28 days as required by legislation.

Any proposed changes, received in writing, during the public exhibition period will be provided to Council for consideration and where necessary incorporated into the draft policy. The final policy will be presented to Council for adoption at the August 2022 Ordinary meeting.

As it is a publicly available document, Councillors may receive questions from the community.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 4.2. Strong, effective and responsive council
- 4.2.5 Council's exposure to risk is minimised.

ATTACHMENTS

1. draft Payment of Expenses & Provision of Facilities to Councillors Policy J.

RECOMMENDATION

That

- 1. The Director Corporate & Community Services Report R21/358 be received and noted.
- 2. Subject to any changes Council wishes to make being incorporated, the draft Payment of Expenses and the Provision of Facilities for Mayors and Councillors Policy be placed on public exhibition for 28 days, from 30 June 2022, as required under the *Local Government Act 1993 NSW section 253*.
- 3. Following the completion of the public exhibition period the Director of Corporate and Community Services present a further report to the August 2022 ordinary Council meeting, summarising any submissions received during the public exhibition period, for the consideration of Council prior to final adoption of the Payment of Expenses and the Provision of Facilities for Mayors and Councillors Policy.

LACHLAN SHIRE

COUNCIL

Policies, Procedures and Guidelines

PAYMENT OF EXPENSES & PROVISION OF FACILITIES TO COUNCILLORS POLICY

1. BACKGROUND

The purpose of the Policy is to ensure that there is accountability and transparency in the reimbursement of expenses incurred or to be incurred by councillors. The policy ensures that the facilities provided to assist councillors to carry out their civic duties are reasonable.

2. OBJECTIVE

To define, and provide a public statement, in conformity with the requirements of Section 252 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the Council's policy on the payment of expenses and provision of facilities for the Mayor and Councillors. The policy gives guidance to the Mayor and Councillors as to what facilities and resources are available to them when discharging the functions of civic office and when attending to Council business.

3. SCOPE

This policy applies to all elected council officials namely the Councillors, Deputy Mayor and Mayor in the execution of their civic duties as the elected representatives of Lachlan Shire Council.

4. POLICY

Reporting Requirements

In accordance with Section 428 of the *Local Government Act* 1993 and Clause 217 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* Council is required to include in its Annual Report the following information regarding the payment of expenses and provision of facilities to the Mayor and Councillors:

(i) the provision during the year of dedicated office equipment allocated to Councillors on a personal basis, such as laptop computers, mobile telephones and landline telephones and facsimile machines installed in councillors' homes (including equipment and line rental costs and internet access costs but not including call costs),

(ii) telephone calls made by Councillors, including calls made from mobile telephones provided by the council and from landline telephones and facsimile services installed in councillors' homes,

- (iii) the attendance of Councillors at conferences and seminars,
- (iv) the training of Councillors and the provision of skill development for Councillors,

(v) interstate visits undertaken during the year by Councillors while representing the council, including the cost of transport, the cost of accommodation and other out-of-pocket travelling expenses,

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(vi) overseas visits undertaken during the year by Councillors while representing the council, including the purpose of the visit, as well as the cost of transport, accommodation and other out-of-pocket travelling expenses,

(vii) the expenses of any spouse, partner (whether of the same or the opposite sex) or other person who accompanied a Councillor in the performance of his or her civic functions, being expenses payable in accordance with the Guidelines for the payment of expenses and the provision of facilities for Mayors and Councillors for Local Councils in NSW prepared by the Director-General from time to time,

(viii) expenses involved in the provision of care for a child of, or an immediate family member of, a Councillor, to allow the Councillor to undertake his or her civic functions

Schedule 1 of the *Government Information (Public Access) Regulation 2018* provides that the public is able to inspect during office hours at Council, and at no charge, the current version and the immediately preceding version of the Council's expenses and facilities policy.

Approval Arrangements

Attendance at conferences, travel on Council business and the like is to be, where possible, approved by a full meeting of the Council. If this is not possible then <u>under delegated authority</u>, <u>the</u> approval is to be given by the Mayor <u>and General Manager</u>.

The Mayor may attend any function, training or conference that he/she deems appropriate without seeking prior approval from the Council or another councillor. Such events are to be reported to the next meeting of Council by way of a report by the Mayor.

When travel involves overnight accommodation, an Authority to Travel form must be completed at least one week prior to the event and forwarded to the Executive Assistant for filing (see attached form).

4.1 PAYMENT OF EXPENSES

FEES

Fees payable as outlined below are additional to any claims for expense reimbursement or provision of facilities as detailed with this policy.

Annual Fees - Mayor

Council will determine annually the fee to be paid to the Mayor in accordance with Section 249 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act). This fee, which is in addition to the councillor's fee, will be paid to the Mayor monthly in arrears as provided by Section 250 of the Act.⁻

Annual Fees – Deputy Mayor

Council will determine annually the fee to be paid to the Deputy Mayor, if there is one, in accordance with Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1993. This fee, which is to be deducted from the Mayor's fee, and is in addition to the councillor's fee. This fee will be paid to the Deputy Mayor monthly in arrears as provided by Section 250 of the Act.-

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Annual Fees – Councillors

Council will determine annually the fee to be paid to the Councillor in accordance with Section 248 of the *Local Government Act 1993*. As required under section 248A of the Act, Annual Fees will not be paid during any period of suspension. Fees will be paid to Councillors monthly in arrears as provided by Section 250 of the Act.

Superannuation - Councillors

Council will be permitted to make superannuation contributions from 1 July 2022 to councillors' equivalent to the Superannuation Guarantee Rate paid on behalf of employees. Individual Councillors may, in writing, opt out of receiving superannuation contribution payments or opt to receive reduced payments.

A superannuation contribution payment is payable at the same intervals as the Councillor fee is payable.

To receive a superannuation contribution payment, each councillor must first nominate a superannuation account for the payment before the end of the month to which the payment relates. The superannuation fund must comply with the Commonwealth Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992 (Cwlth).

Superannuation, will not to be paid when a:

- Councillor is suspended or
- If a Councillor is not entitled to a fee because they are absent, as defined under section 254A of the *Local Government Act NSW 1993*.

Payment of Expenses and Limitation of Time

Where there is a right under this Policy to claim reimbursement of costs and expenses, reimbursement will only be made upon the production of appropriate receipts and tax invoices, and the completion of the required claim forms.

Councillors must should seek reimbursement of expenses within three (3) months of incurring that expense.

In conformance with section 403 (1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, the policy does **not** permit Council:

(a) to pay any councillor an allowance in the nature of a general expense allowance, or

(b) to make a motor vehicle owned or leased by the council available for the exclusive or primary use or disposition of a particular councillor other than a mayor.

Spouse and Partner Expenses

Except as provided below, councillors are required to meet all expenses incurred by spouse/ partners in attending conferences and seminars including any additional cost supplement for accommodation.

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Limited expenses of spouses, partners or accompanying persons associated with attendance at the Local Government NSW annual conference may be met by Council. The expenses will be limited to the cost of registration and the official conference dinner. Travel expenses, any additional accommodation expenses, and the cost of partner / accompanying person tours etc. are the personal responsibility of individual councillors.

4.2 SPECIFIC EXPENSES FOR MAYORS AND COUNCILLORS

Attendance at Seminars and Conferences

Council will meet the costs associated with councillors attending conferences or seminars that have been authorised by Council resolution or approved under delegated authority by the Mayor and General Manager as follows, within the limits-as prescribed in this policy:

- The payment of registration fees
- Accommodation
- Reasonable sustenance and incidental expenses
- Travel

Where such costs are paid by Council and the councillor does not attend the conference or seminar then the Councillor shall be personally liable to repay all <u>non-refundable</u> amounts paid by Council. Where the Councillor believes there are extenuating circumstances for non-attendance the Councillor may apply to Council to have such repayment waived.

Travel Arrangements and Expenses

Transportation

Where Council Officers are attending any meeting, conference, seminar or function and are travelling by motor vehicle Councillors will, where practical, travel to and from the meeting, conference, seminar or function with the Officers.

Should travel with an Officer be impractical, then the Councillor will make a request of the Mayor or General Manager (or the General Manager's nominee) to authorise travel by the most direct route to and from the meeting, conference, seminar or function either in a 'pool' vehicle or the Councillor's private vehicle. (See below).

A travelling allowance, based on the rates applicable under the relevant State Award (or its successors), or the cost of the equivalent return first class rail fare or <u>economy class</u> air fare (whichever is the lesser amount) will be paid to the Councillor upon presentation of the appropriate claim form, where the Councillors private vehicle is used.

Where distances or practicality prevent travel by motor vehicle Council will meet the cost of either the return first class travel by rail or return economy class airfare together with taxi fares to and from the railway stations or airports for councillors attending meetings, conferences, seminars or functions.

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Where road travel is required over a time period greater than 3 hours each way then Council approved economy class air travel may be utilised.

Class of Air Travel

Economy Class travel will be used for all official air travel. with the exception that Business Class travel may be used for air travel to destinations overseas.

Private chartered flights or hired planes may also be used where appropriate.

Use by Councillors of Their Private Motor Vehicle(s)

Where car pool vehicles are unavailable Council will meet the cost of councillors using their own motor vehicle for travelling by the most direct route to and from the destination (plus an allowance for incidental kilometres on overnight stays) for:

- meetings of the Council or the meetings of any Committee of the Council, Working Party, Taskforce, forum or the like, of which the Councillor is a member; or any briefing, community consultation, or the like, organised or authorised by the Council.
- b) business or inspections within or outside the Council area in accordance with a resolution of the Council.
- c) periodical conferences and/or meetings of organisations of which the Council is a member or other meetings specifically authorised by resolution of Council or where a Councillor has been elected as the Council's delegate to an organisation
- any meeting, conference or function on behalf of the Council or the Mayor when such attendance is authorised.

Councillors are to lodge claims for travelling expenses within a period of three months after which the expense was incurred and the claim is to be on the appropriate form. The Councillor will also lodge with any claims a log of the journey in the "Councillor Expense Claim" form.

The total quantum of travelling expenses paid for the use of a Councillor's motor vehicle by a Councillor for travelling on Council business is to be either:

- an amount calculated according to the rates applicable under the Local Government State Award (or its successors), or;
- (ii) an amount equivalent to the cost of a return first class rail fare, or <u>an economy</u> air fare whichever is the lesser amount.

Frequent Flyer Points

Councillors shall not be entitled to claim frequent flyer points relating to air travel authorised by this policy. In circumstances where the Councillor has no option but to pay for air travel and frequent flyer points are accrued to his/her personal account, the Councillor will surrender the points to the airline upon reimbursement of the airfare by Council.

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Accommodation whilst out of the Council Area

Council will meet the cost of accommodation for councillors attending to Council business, inspections, meetings, conferences or functions outside the Council area which are authorised by the Council or Mayor.

Council will meet the cost of accommodation for each Councillor at the venue of the conference or seminar or at another suitable location providing an equivalent standard of accommodation in close proximity to the venue.

When traveling by motor vehicle to conferences or seminars that require the Councillor to break their journey the Council will meet the accommodation and meal expenses of the Councillor, provided that the accommodation is located along the most direct and practicable route when journeying to and from the conference or seminar venue.

Sustenance and Incidental Expenses

Sustenance whilst on Council Business within Australia

Where no meals are provided Council will meet the cost of reasonable sustenance for councillors attending to Council business, inspections, meetings, conferences, seminars or functions which are authorised by the Council or Mayor

Sustenance will be paid on an actual cost basis or reimbursed following the receipt of an appropriate claim and supported by tax invoices. Where details to support the expenditure are not available a sum of up to \$35 may be paid for each meal.

Incidental expenses whilst on Council business within Australia

Council will meet reasonable incidental expenses for councillors associated with conferences and seminars, or such other forums as the Council approves, on an actual cost basis upon the production of receipts and duly authorised claims.

Sustenance and incidental expenses whilst on Council business outside Australia

Council will, in the case of approved Overseas Travel for councillors, pay an allowance equivalent to that applicable in tax ruling determination TR2003/7<u>TD-2021/6</u> for federal public servants (to be paid as if the councillors received a salary in the mid range<u>mid-range</u>) or any other document that should replace the above tax rulingdetermination.

Functions

Official Functions

Council will meet the costs of the Mayor and councillors and their spouse / partner when they attend Council organised functions.

Community Functions within the Lachlan Shire

In those cases where the Mayor and councillors are invited to attend any official function that is of such a nature that the councillor's spouse / partner would normally be expected to accompany the councillor, any reasonable costs associated with the attendance of the spouse / partner will be met by Council. This includes instances where a councillor is representing the Mayor.

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The payment of expenses for attending functions as permitted above will be limited to the ticket, meal and / or the direct cost of attending the function. Peripheral expenses incurred by spouses / partners / accompanying person such as grooming, special clothing and transport are not considered reimbursable expenses.

The Council will NOT meet any costs associated with attendance at fund-raising activities or rallies held by registered political parties or groups.

Training and Educational Expenses

Councillors will be provided with any necessary training / education in the use of equipment supplied by the Council or in sessions relating to issues like probity, pecuniary interests or other issues that has been authorised by Council resolution or approved under delegated authority by the Mayor or General Manager.

Council will meet the full cost of attendance of councillors at any of these sessions in the same manner as applicable to a Councillor's attendance at Conferences, Seminars and the like.

Care and other related Expenses

Councillors who require access to childcare, in order to attend Council meetings, events and activities will be provided with child care through a registered and accredited child care provider, at Council's expense.

In addition the reimbursement of the reasonable cost of other carer arrangements is also provided for. Carer arrangements include the care of elderly, disabled and/or sick immediate family members of councillors, to allow councillors to undertake their council business obligations.

Council will also reimburse the payment of other related expenses associated with the special requirements of councillors such as disability and access needs, to allow them to perform their normal civic duties and responsibilities. The payment of expenses for attending functions as permitted above will be limited to the ticket, meal and / or the direct cost of attending of the carer to attend functions to support the councillor. Peripheral expenses incurred by carers such as grooming and special clothing are **not** considered reimbursable expenses.

Councillors seeking to claim carer expenses are to provide sufficient documentation to support their claim.

Council will meet councillors' reasonable medical expenses associated with travel on approved Council business.

Insurance Expenses and Obligations

In accordance with Section 382 of the Local Government Act, Council is insured against public liability and professional indemnity claims. Councillors are included as a named insured on this Policy.

Council will effect and maintain Personal Accident Insurance, Councillors and Officers Liability and Professional Indemnity cover for councillors.

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Insurance protection is only provided if a claim arises out of or in connection with the councillor's performance of his or her civic duties, or exercise of his or her functions as a councillor. All insurances are subject to any limitations or conditions set out in the policies of insurance.

Council will also take out full travel insurance, which includes personal effects, personal accident and travel accident or sickness insurance, where appropriate, for councillors <u>travelling</u> interstate or intrastate on Council business.

Council will effect and maintain insurance to cover any loss or damage to Council property in the possession or control of councillors.

At any time during the currency of this policy, additional insurance may be taken out to cover councillors, if and when it is identified.

Legal Expenses and Obligations

If the Mayor or a Councillor incurs legal expenses in an inquiry, investigation or hearing instigated by any of the following:

- Independent Commission Against Corruption
- The Office of the Ombudsman
- The Office of Local Government
- The Police
- The Director of Public Prosecutions
- The Local Government Pecuniary Interest Tribunal
- The Australian Securities Commission
- Any other person, body or authority approved by a resolution of Council

and the enquiry, investigation or hearing results from the Mayor or Councillor discharging their duty, or relates to the office of Mayor or Councillor, then the Council may, after considering this matter (and an estimate of the cost) resolve to pay such expenses incurred.

This assistance is on the basis that the costs do not vary substantially from the estimate considered by Council provided that:

- a) the amount of such reimbursement shall be reduced by the amount of any monies that may be or are recouped by the Councillor; and
- b) the enquiry, investigation, hearing or proceeding results in a finding substantially favourable to the Councillor; and
- c) The costs are only paid after the hearing, enquiry or investigation.

Council will not meet the legal expenses of proceedings initiated by the Councillor under any circumstance.

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Friendship Agreement

Council will meet all reasonable costs associated with delegations to and from Penrith City. Other Councillors may join official delegations (with Mayor's approval) but must meet all their own costs except accommodation or other expenses agreed to by the host Penrith City.

4.3 PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR COUNCILLORS

PROVISIONS

Each Councillor will be provided with:

- Business Cards
- Diary
- Name badge

In addition councillors may be provided with ties/scarves and or corporate clothing for use when representing the Council up to a value of \$500 per term.

EQUIPMENT

Computers

Council will provide each Councillor with an Apple IPad (or mobile tablet of similar quality) to assist in accessing Council information. Each device will be fitted with appropriate software to enable the Councillor to carry out his or her responsibilities.

Each device will be loaded with the current polices, plans and key documents of Council and will be able to store Council meeting reports and minutes. Business papers will be provided by email, on the Hub or similar <u>platform</u>, or on Council's website.

Where Councillors reside outside normal mobile phone coverage areas Council will provide a suitable internet connection.

Virus scanning processes will be set to automatically run when the machine is turned on. All use is to be in accordance with Council's current policies on email and IPad use. The equipment and information held on it remains the property of the Council. Reasonable technical support and training will be provided.

Emails

Each Councillor will be provided with an email address for official use. All emails received or sent will go through Council's official records management systems and will remain the property of Council.

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MEALS

Ordinary Meeting

Councillors shall be provided with a light meals on the days of Ordinary Meetings.

Committee, Briefings and Working Party Meetings

Councillors shall be provided with light refreshments at committee, briefing and working party meetings, commensurate with the time of day that the meeting is to be held, and the amount of business to be conducted at the meeting.

4.4 PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES FOR MAYOR

It is recognised that the Mayor has specific needs to adequately meet the demands of civic office.

Accordingly the Mayor, in addition to the facilities outlined elsewhere in this Policy, will be provided with the following facilities:

Office Facilities and Secretarial / Clerical Support

The Mayor will be provided with a fully furnished office and telephone as well as secretarial / clerical support, during normal office hours, for work directly associated with the official functions and duties of the Office of Mayor.

Council will meet the cost of postage of correspondence forwarded by the Mayor in the conduct of official duties.

Mayoral Vehicle

Council will provide to the Mayor, at its cost, a registered, insured, maintained and fuelled vehicle for use by the Mayor on official duties and for private use.

The vehicle is provided on the following basis:

- The changeover of the vehicle is to occur in accordance with Council's Motor Vehicle
 Policy or practices
- The Mayor is to be provided with a suitably equipped vehicle commensurate with the requirements of the Office of Mayor in accordance with Council's Motor Vehicle Procurement Policy that is in place at the time of purchase. The standard of vehicle shall be equivalent to a Toyota Prado VX model.
- The Mayor is to enter into Council's standard agreement for the use of the vehicle, which is the subject of this Policy.

Car Parking

Car parking will be available in the car park at the Council Administration Centre for use of the Mayor.

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Mobile Telephone

A mobile telephone will be provided to the Mayor for use in relation to official functions and duties of the office of Mayor and the Council will meet the cost of maintenance, rental and calls. A call limit of \$1,500 per annum is to be applied. Council's Communications and Mobile Device Policy shall apply.

Mayoral Robes and Chains

Mayoral chains, robes and other insignia of office will be provided to the Mayor to be worn at civic functions.

Gifts

The Mayor undertakes a range of civic, ceremonial and promotional activities.

In recognition of this the Mayor will be provided with mementos such as ties, scarves, cuff links and books for presentation to people who have made significant contributions to the community, dignitaries or guests who visit the area.

The Mayor at his/her absolute discretion may provide councillors with mementos for presentation, by the councillors, to people visiting the area who it is considered have made significant contributions to the community, are dignitaries or are guests who visit the area.

Photographs

The Mayor will be given an official framed photograph of himself/herself as a memento of his/her term in Office.

Credit Card

- The Mayor will be provided with a Corporate Credit Card to facilitate payment of incidental expenses such as attendance at functions, parking and sustenance in conjunction with discharging the functions of the Mayoral Office.
- The credit card will have a limit of \$5,000.
- The account is to be in the name of Lachlan Shire Council, the card being personally issued to the Mayor. The application form is to be signed by the Mayor.
- The credit card is to be used for Council-related business expenditure only.
- The credit card must not be used for obtaining cash advances.
- Upon completion of the Mayoral term, the credit card is to be returned to the General Manager on or prior to the date the term ceases.
- On-going use of the credit card by the Mayor will be in accordance with and subject to Council's Corporate Credit Card Policy and any other policy relating to the use of such credit facilities adopted by Council from time to time.

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Community Functions

In those cases where the Mayor is invited to attend any official function that is of such a nature that the councillor's spouse / partner would normally be expected to accompany the councillor either within or outside of the Council area, any reasonable costs associated with the attendance of the spouse / partner will be met by Council.

The payment of expenses for attending functions as permitted above will be limited to the ticket, meal and / or the direct cost of attending the function. Peripheral expenses incurred by spouses / partners / accompanying person such as grooming, special clothing and transport are **not** considered reimbursable expenses.

The Council will **not** meet any costs associated with attendance at fund-raising activities or rallies held by registered political parties or groups.

4.5 PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES FOR DEPUTY MAYOR

It is recognised that the Deputy Mayor has specific needs to adequately meet the demands of civic office and to assist the Mayor.

Accordingly the Deputy Mayor, in addition to the facilities outlined elsewhere in this Policy, may be provided with the following facilities:

Office Facilities and Secretarial / Clerical Support

The Deputy Mayor will be provided with secretarial / clerical support, during normal office hours, for work directly associated with the official functions and duties of the office of Deputy Mayor.

Council will meet the cost of postage of correspondence forwarded by the Deputy Mayor in the conduct of official duties.

Mobile Telephone

A mobile telephone will be provided to the Deputy Mayor for use in relation to official functions and duties of the office of Mayor and the Council will meet the cost of maintenance, rental and business calls. A call limit of \$1,200 per annum is to be applied. Council's Communications and Mobile Device Policy shall apply.

4.6 OTHER MATTERS

Private Use of Equipment and Facilities

Councillors should generally not obtain private benefit from the provision of equipment and facilities, nor from travel bonus or any such loyalty schemes. However, it is acknowledged that incidental use of council equipment and facilities may occur from time to time. Such incidental private use is not subject to a compensatory payment.

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Use of Council Resources Prior to Local Government Elections

Council officials must not use council resources, property (including intellectual property), and facilities for the purposes of assisting their election campaign or the election campaign of others unless the use is lawfully authorised and proper payment is made where appropriate.

Equipment to Remain the Property of the Council

Any equipment or office machinery provided to councillors remains the property of the Council.

Acquisition and Returning of Facilities and Equipment by Councillors

It is to be returned to the Council, in good working order and condition having regard to the age of the equipment, within 21 days of the Councillor ceasing to hold office unless otherwise specified in this policy. Councillors will be responsible for meeting the cost of repairs to any damaged equipment.

Special Circumstances

If special circumstances arise where it is impractical for the strict terms of this policy to be applied the General Manager may authorise a one-off variation to the policy to meet those special circumstances.

Status of the Policy

This policy, once adopted, is to remain in force unless it is reviewed by the Council in accordance with the provisions of Sections 253 and 254 of the *Local Government Act 1993*. Under section 252 of the Act, councillor expenses and facilities policies must be adopted within 12 months of the commencement of the new council term.

5. RELATED DOCUMENTS

Lachlan Shire Council Code of Conduct for Councillors Policy Lachlan Shire Council Corporate Credit Card Policy Local Government Act 1993 NSW Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW 2020 Guidelines for the payment of expenses and provision of facilities for mayors and councillors in NSW (Office of Local Government) Schedule 1 of the Government Information (Public Access) Regulation 2018

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Limits to Expenses and Facilities

In accordance with the guidelines issued by the Office of Local Government the following table establishes the reasonable limits for all expenses and facilities covered by this policy. The policy sets out the maximum amounts council will pay for specific expenses and facilities. Expenses not explicitly addressed in this policy will not be paid or reimbursed.

Expense or Benefit	Туре	Limit Per Event – excluding GST
Travel expenses	Economy class Air fares	Standard charge applicable at the time
	Private vehicle	Rates as prescribed in the Local Government State Award applicable at the time
Accommodation	Shires Conference	Standard room rate charged by the conference venue
	Other conferences and functions	Standard room accommodation up to a maximum of \$350 per night in capital cities and \$250 elsewhere
Sustenance	Conferences and functions	The charge levied by the conference organisers for the meals included in the conference
	Conferences	Up to a maximum of \$60 per head per meal on the provision of tax invoices.
	Conferences	Where receipts are not available \$35 may be paid per meal
Incidentals	Taxi fares, parking fees	Taxi fares up to a maximum of \$100 per day and parking fees up to \$70 per day
Sustenance	Community and Council functions within the shire	Cost of the ticket for the Councillor and partner
Mobile Telephone call costs	Mayor	\$1,500 per annum
	Deputy Mayor	\$1,200 per annum
Carer Costs	Councillors	Maximum \$2,000 per annum
Clothing	Councillors	\$500 per term
Meal at Council Meetings	Councillors	Maximum \$40 per head

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Commencement Date: Version 1 Nov. 2008

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8.3 DONATIONS

TRIM Number: R22/154

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 requests for donation are 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

Tullibigeal Team Yarding

Maddie Frankel is requesting a donation of \$5,000 for the Tullibigeal Team Yarding inaugural event to be held on the 2 and 3 July 2022. This event is noted as a fundraiser for the local swimming pool. The donation from Council will be going towards the transportation of cattle.

As the event is not affiliated with any local committee group, the funds would be paid directly to individuals.

Condobolin RSL Pipe Band Tattoo

In kind support was approved by Council at its 24 June 2020 meeting for the 2021 event. The 2021 event was cancelled and the organisation is now seeking Council approval to carry over the in-kind support to the 10 September 2022 event. The requested in kind support as attached is identical to the original request.

Lake Cargelligo Gym

The yearly request for a contribution towards gym expenses and public liability is attached. The request totals \$7,195 however the budget allocation is only \$6,830. Council has historically supported this.

FUTURE DONATIONS

- Lake Cargelligo and District Care for the Aged Association Inc. letter sent on 19 April 2022 requesting more information. No response has been received as yet.
- Lake Cargelligo Rodeo Committee Council requested more information. No response has been received as yet.
- Workshops Out West Council requested more information. No response has been received as yet.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

A provision was made in the FY2021/2022 budget to provide cash and in-kind support for Community events. There is sufficient budget remaining to fund the request for \$5,000 for the Team Yarding event. A copy of the donations paid for the year to 16 June 2022 is attached showing \$27,550 remaining before this donation is approved.

There is an allocation of \$4,400 in the draft 2022.23 FY budget to cover in kind support for the RSL Pipe Band Tattoo.

The budget allocation of \$6,830 is insufficient to cover the gym expenses claim of \$7,195. The balance could be funded from elected member general donations as there is sufficient remaining to cover this.

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

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OPTIONS

- 1. Provide the full amount of the requested donation.
- 2. Decline the full amount of the requested donation.
- 3. Vary the amount of the donation.

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. Tullibigeal Team Yarding J
- 2. Condobolin RSL Pipe Band in kind support <u>J</u>
- 3. Lake Cargelligo Gym expenses 😃
- 4. Donations YTD 160622 👃

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. The Director of Corporate and Community Services Report No. R22/154 be received and noted.
- 2. Council provide direction of the amount of any donation it wishes to make to the Tullibigeal Team Yarding event.
- 3. Council provide in principle support to carry over the previously agreed, in kind assistance for the Condobolin RSL Pipe Band Tattoo from the cancelled 2021 event to the 2022 event.
- 4. Council approve payment of the Lake Cargelligo gym expenses donation with the additional funds above the approved budget being funded from elected member general donations.

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From:	Maddie Frankel < Maddie.frankel@outlook.com>
Sent:	Thursday, 2 June 2022 10:43 AM
To:	Council
Subject:	Donation request

To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of the tullibigeal team yarding event to be held on the 2&3rd of July, we are holding this event as a fundraiser for our local swimming pool for future developments and maintenance, I am asking for a donation towards the transportation of the cattle for this event so we can put more money towards the pool and less towards the cost of running this event,

Thankyou for your time,

Maddie Frankel

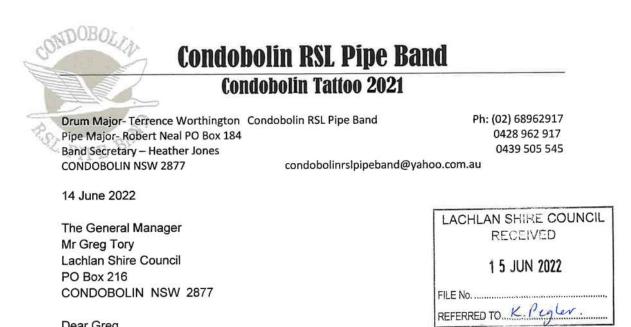
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Project budget Cattle transport - \$3000 Sand transport (to ensure the arena is not slippery)- \$3000 Collar hire for cattle - \$100 Cattle levy (@ \$5 per rider) - \$600 Barrier mesh for arena - \$296 Cleaning/office supplies - \$200 Prize money (runs @ \$55 each - 50%) - \$2750 Insurance/public liability- \$1428.32 Canteen

- Drinks \$350
- Bread \$150
- Cups \$60
- Chips/lollies \$100



Dear Greg

The Condobolin RSL Pipe Band are excited that we will be hosting the Fifth Condobolin Tattoo on Saturday 10th September 2022.

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 kind support for our 2021 Tattoo. It would be appreciated if this approval could be rolled over to the 2022 Tattoo.

This being as follows: -

- 1. Provision of tiered seating within the town limits
- 2. Transport of the tiered seating to the RSL car park Friday 9th September and removal of tiered seating after the event.
- 3. Sweeping of the RSL carpark before the tiered seating is placed.
- 4. 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.
- 6. Approval for street closure (RSL Club McDonnell Street to round-a-bout Bathurst Street through to William Street round-a-bout) to conduct a street parade for participants in the 2022 Tattoo between 5pm and 6pm.
- 7. Use of the SRA horse stables if needed for the Trundle Light Horse Infantry.
- 8. Waiving of Development Application Section 68 Fee.

We would also like to thank you for the \$5,000 financial assistance that you gave to us for the 2020 Tattoo which we will now be using for the 2022.

Yours faithfully

ROBERT NEAL **Pipe Major** Condobolin RSL Pipe Band

LAKE CARGELLIGO FITNESS CENTRE ABN: 29 277 997 901

C/ Lake Cargelligo Health Service Uabba St, Lake Cargelligo NSW 2672 Phone: 0435 894 666

TO: Lachlan Shire Council 58-64 Molong St Condobolin NSW 2877 Phone: 02 6895 1903 SHIP TO: Mr Andrew Carter Lake Cargelligo Post Office PO BOX 231, Lake Cargelligo NSW 2672 Phone: 0435 894 666

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	2021/2022 Gym Expenses		\$5,000
1	Gym Insurance Public Liability (Marsh Advantage Insurance Pty Ltd)		\$2,195.23
		SUBTOTAL	
		SALES TAX	Î.
		SHIPPING & HANDLING	
		TOTAL DUE	\$7,195.23

Please make all checks payable to Lake Cargelligo Fitness Centre If you have any questions concerning this invoice, contact Andrew Carter on 0435 894 666

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

Phone: 02 6895 1903

INVOICE

INVOICE #091 DATE: June 10th, 2022



Lake Cargelligo Fitness Centre PO Box 231 Lake Cargelligo NSW 2672

TAX INVOICE

Marsh Advantage Insurance Pty Ltd ABN 31 081 358 303 Level 1, 11 Murray Rose Ave, Sydney Olympic Park, NSW 2127 PO Box H176 Australia Square NSW 1215 Tel +61 2 8824 1600 Fax +61 2 8824 1690 www.marshadvantage.com.au

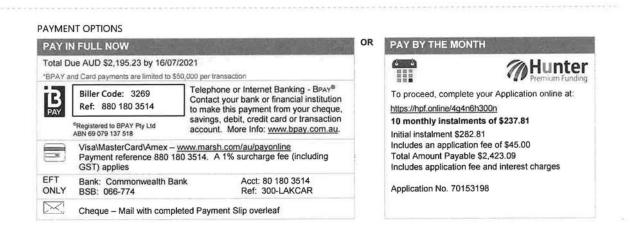
		Your Adviser/s	
Invoice No.	300-514016	Martin Cheung	+61 2 8824 1610
Date	2 July 2021		
Our Ref	043848		
Client Code	300-LAKCAR	Premium	1,512.00
Policy No.	SUAS005779	FSL/ESL	0.00
Class	Public & Products Liability - Renewal	U/W Fee	150.00
Insured	Lake Cargelligo Fitness Centre	Broker Fee	200.00
Period	2/07/2021 to 2/07/2022	GST	186.20
Situation	Willandra Street Lake Cargelligo 2672	Stamp Duty	147.03
Insurer	As per schedule		
		TOTAL DUE	AUD \$2,195.23

The above Premium amount includes our broking commission.

Refer overleaf for information about statutory notices, terms and conditions Stamp Duty Exemptions may apply for small businesses with risks in NSW

Underwriters

Wentworth Insurance CompanyLimited Barbados through Sports Underwriting Australia P/L Kew East VIC Policy No: SUAS005779 100.000%





INFORMATION RELATING TO YOUR INVOICE

Marsh Advantage Insurance Pty Ltd operates a trust account with the support services of its affilitate Marsh Pty Ltd.

Unless we have expressly indicated in correspondence that your policy has already been automatically renewed, then only if you have paid your premium in full and the insurer has accepted your insurance policy, will cover commence on the effective date of your policy.

If you are registered for GST purposes, your input tax credit entitlement is, or is based on, the GST amount shown. In accordance with the GST law relating to insurance premiums, the GST amount will be less than 1/11th of the total amount payable. This document will be a tax invoice for GST when you make a payment.

We will keep the interest (if any) earned in our trust account from money paid by you in connection with a financial service or a financial product that has, may or will be provided, to you.

In the event of any refund of premium being allowed for the cancellation or adjustment of this insurance policy, we reserve the right to retain all brokerage, fees and charges.

Unauthorised Foreign Insurer

Your insurance contract(s) is / are proposed to be placed with (or partly with) an unauthorised foreign insurer that is not located in Australia or authorised under the Insurance Act 1973 (the Act) to conduct insurance business in Australia.

Such insurers are not subject to the provisions of the Insurance Act 1973, which establishes a system of financial supervision of general insurers in Australia by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA).

You should consider whether to obtain further information from us on matters such as:

- the name and postal address of the insurer;
- · the country of incorporation of the insurer and whether that country has a scheme of financial supervision of insurers;
- the paid up capital of the insurer;
- its rating by a credit rating agency;
- which country's laws apply to the policy and will determine disputes under the contract.

MARSH ADVA	NTAGE				PAYMENT SLIP
In the following ca	riculars of cheques. Proceeds of	cheques, whilst credited to the account, a	ere generally not available until cleared, Pie	ase refer to your account	terms and conditions for details
If 'paying i	n full now' by cheq	ue, please provide you	r payee details:	Client Ref	300-LAKCAR
Drawer				Our Ref	043848
Cheque No.				Invoice No.	300-514016
BSB			In Provide III.	Date of Issue	2 July 2021
				Due By	16/07/2021
Make chec	que payable to:	Marsh Advar	ntage Insurance Pty Ltd	- ABN 31 081	358 303
Post chequ	ue and payment sli	p to: MARSH PTY L	TD, LOCKED BAG 312, SILVE	ERWATER NSW	2128
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MARSH 🛤

Invoice # 300-514016 Policy # SUAS005779 Lake Cargelligo Fitness Centre

INSURED	Lake Cargelligo Fitness Centre Incorporated
ABN AND ITC DETAILS	ABN To Be Advised ITC 0.00%
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES	None Advised
BUSINESS	24 Hour Fitness Centre. Listed activities of a Fitness Centre include Fitness Assessment, General Nutritional Advice, Personal Training, Weight Training, Aerobics, Health/Snack Bar/Cafe, Yoga, Pilates, Aqua-aerobics, Step Training, Members Only Swimming Pool/Spa/Sauna during staffed hours only, Boxercise, Dance Childminding or Crèche
SITUATION	Willandra Street, Lake Cargelligo NSW 2672
GOVERNING LAW OF CONTRACT	Australian
PERIOD OF INSURANCE	From: 2 July 2021 at 4 PM Local Time ().
	To: 2 July 2022 at 4 PM Local Time (). and any further period for which the Insurer(s) agrees to provide cover.
ESTIMATED ANNUAL TURNOVER	Up to \$25,000
LIMIT OF LIABILITY	General Liability
	Limit of Indemnity Part A \$10,000,000
	Property in your physical or legal control \$500,000
	Excess Nil Each and Every Claim
	Professional Indemnity
	Limit of Indemnity for Part B \$2,000,000
	Retroactive Date for Part B – The date the insured first held continuous Professional Indemnity cover or the inception date of this policy, which ever the earlier
	Excess Nil Each and Every Claim
	Management Liability
	Limit of Indemnity Part C \$1,000,000
	Optional Extensions

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	Members/Participants must sign a dis It is hereby declared and agreed that all disclaimer prior to participating in activiti disclaimer must be prepared by a qualifi insured and contain an acknowledgmen unsupervised. The insured must keep th 7 years after the member/participant cear by the insured.	members/participants must sign a ies arranged by the insured. The ied legal practitioner on behalf of the t that, at times the facility may be ne signed disclaimer on file for a period of
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	Waterslides, Diving Boards/Platform a Caused by or arising directly or indirectly existence, maintenance, hire or any other	y from the operation, use, ownership,
	a) waterslides:b) diving boards and/or diving platformsc) pools which are used as public pools.	
	Steroids &/or Performance Enhancing	g Drugs



Caused by or arising directly or indirectly out of the distribution, supply, provision or any other form whatsoever from steroids or performance enhancing drugs

Contact Sports

Caused by or arising directly or indirectly from the participation in any form or type of:

a)Fighting sport such as Martial arts, boxing wrestling or any similar sport whether it is sparring, practise, trial, and/or competition; and/or b)Contact sport such as Rugby League, rugby union, Australian Rules Football or any similar sport whether it be practice, trial and/or competition.

Trampoline and Foam Pits

Caused by or arising directly or indirectly from the operation, use, ownership, existence, maintenance, hire or any other form whatsoever from a) trampoline; or, b) foam pits.

Solarium

Cause by or arising directly or indirectly from the effects of using or being exposed to any solarium, sun bed, tanning machine or any other appliance intended to perform the same function.

Rope-related Activities

Cause by or arising directly or indirectly from the use of ropes for any form of climbing and/or descending activities.

All other terms, Exclusions and Conditions remain unaltered.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Your Insurance Contract

DUTY OF DISCLOSURE

Before you enter into an insurance contract, you have a duty of disclosure under the Insurance Contracts Act 1984. You have a duty to tell us anything that you know, or could reasonably be expected to know, may affect the insurer's decision to insure you and on what terms. You have this duty until the insurer agrees to insure you. You have the same duty before you renew, extend, vary or reinstate an insurance contract.

If we ask you questions that are relevant to the insurer's decision to insure you and on what terms, you must tell us anything that you know and that a reasonable person in the circumstances would include in answering the questions.

Also, we may give you a copy of anything you have previously told us and ask you to tell us if it has changed. If we do this, you must tell us about any change or tell us that there is no change. If you do not tell us about a change to something you have previously told us, you will be taken to have told us that there is no change.

You do not need to tell us anything that reduces the risk insured, is common knowledge, the insurer knows or should know as an insurer or the insurer waives your duty to tell them about.

IF YOU DO NOT TELL US SOMETHING

If you do not tell us anything you are required to, the insurer may cancel your contract or reduce the amount it will pay you if you make a claim, or both. If your failure to tell us is fraudulent, the insurer may refuse to pay a claim and treat the contract as if it never existed.

DUTY OF DISCLOSURE - OTHER CONTRACTS

In relation to policies which are not governed by the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 such as marine insurance (other than marine inland transit insurance and pleasure craft insurance) and insurance required by statute, the insured still owes a duty of disclosure to the insurer. This is a duty to disclose to the insurer before the contract is concluded, every material circumstance which is known to the insured. Every circumstance is material which would influence the judgment of a prudent insurer in fixing the premium or determining whether they will take the risk. The insurer may avoid the contract from inception if the insurer fails to make such disclosure. In the case of insurance required by statute, such as compulsory third party motor vehicle insurance, the insurer may have rights of recovery against the insured in the event of misrepresentation, misstatement or non-disclosure.

DUTY OF DISCLOSURE - SUBSIDIARY AND ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

Cover which is arranged for subsidiary and/or associated companies in addition to named insureds.

If you enter into a contract of insurance on behalf of any subsidiary and/or related company of the named insured, that subsidiary and/or related company has the same duty of disclosure as the named insured. We recommend that you ensure that each subsidiary and/or related company is made aware of the duty of disclosure and given an opportunity to make any necessary disclosures.

ESSENTIAL READING OF POLICY WORDING

We will provide you with a full copy of your policy as soon as it is received from the insurer.

It is essential that you read this document without delay and advise us in writing of any aspects which are not clear or where the cover does not meet with your requirements.

CHANGE OF RISK OR CIRCUMSTANCES

It is vital that you advise the insurer of any changes to your company's usual business. For example, insurers must be advised of any

- mergers or acquisitions,
- changes in occupation or location,
- new products or services, or
- new overseas activities.

Please contact us if you are in doubt as to whether to notify your insurer of a change in business operations.

Your duty to disclose applies also when you amend, alter, vary or endorse a policy,

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENTS, CONTRACTING OUT, REMOVAL OF SUBROGATION OF RIGHTS

You may prejudice your rights to a claim if, without prior agreement from your insurer, you make any agreement that could prevent the insurer from recovering the loss from a third party. These 'hold harmless' clauses are often found in leases, licences and contracts for maintenance, supply, construction and repair.

INSURING THE INTERESTS OF OTHER PARTIES

If you require the interest of another party to be covered by the policy, you MUST request this. Most policies will attempt to exclude indemnity to other parties (e.g. mortgagees, lessors, principals etc.) unless their interest is expressly noted on the policy. This is not applicable to Professional Indemnity or Directors & Officers policies.



GENERAL ADVICE WARNING

It is important that you understand and are happy with the policies we arrange for you. Any recommendations we have made have been based on a consideration of the premium quoted and the scope of cover offered by an insurer. We can give you general information to help you decide but unless we have specified otherwise, we have not advised you on whether the terms are specifically appropriate for your individual objectives, financial situation or needs. We therefore recommend that you should carefully read the relevant Product Disclosure Statement and other information we provide before deciding.

NSW STAMP DUTY EXEMPTION

From 1 January 2018, some small businesses with an aggregated annual turnover of less than \$2 million may be exempt from NSW stamp duty on commercial motor vehicle, commercial aviation, occupational indemnity or public/product liability insurance policies. (*aggregated turnover is your Australia wide annual turnover plus the annual turnover of any businesses that are your affiliates or are connected with you). To apply for an exemption or a refund please contact us for a copy of the 'NSW Insurance Duty - Small Business Exemption Declaration Form' if one has not been provided to you.

SEVERAL LIABILITY

Where your policy cover is provided by more than one insurer it is important to note that each insurer is only responsible to the extent of their individual subscription and there is no obligation for that insurer to make up the shortfall of any other subscribing insurer in a claim or return premium payment.

NEW CLAIMS / UNREPORTED LOSSES

Any quotation we have obtained on your behalf is based on the understanding that there will be no deterioration in the claims experience between the date insurers quoted their terms and the inception date of the cover. If claims do occur during this period, insurers have the right to revise the terms quoted or even withdraw their quotation. Please let us know whether there are any losses which have occurred that have not been reported to us/insurers, whether you intend making a claim or not.

CONFIRMATION OF TRANSACTION

You may contact us by telephone or in writing to confirm any transaction under your policy, such as renewals and endorsements. If necessary, we will obtain the information for you from the insurer.

RETROSPECTIVE COVER

Some policies do not provide cover in respect of claims arising out of acts committed prior to any 'Retroactive Date' specified in the policy wording unless you specifically request and obtain this cover. An additional premium may apply to any extension to the retroactive date.

UNAUTHORISED FOREIGN INSURER

Your insurance contract(s) is / are proposed to be placed with (or partly with) an unauthorised foreign insurer that is not located in Australia or authorised under the Insurance Act 1973 ('the Act') to conduct insurance business in Australia.

Such insurers are not subject to the provisions of the Insurance Act 1973, which establishes a system of financial supervision of general insurers in Australia by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA).

You should consider whether to obtain further information from us on matters such as:

- the name and postal address of the insurer;
- the country of incorporation of the insurer and whether that country has a scheme of financial supervision of insurers;
- the paid up capital of the insurer;
- its rating by a credit rating agency;
- · which country's laws apply to the policy and will determine disputes under the contract.

EVENTS OCCURRING PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT

Some policies provide cover on an 'occurrence' basis. Your attention is drawn to the fact that such policies do not provide indemnity in respect of events that occurred prior to commencement of the contract.

NOT A RENEWABLE CONTRACT

Some policies terminate on the date indicated. We emphasise that such a policy is not a renewable contract. If you require similar insurance for any subsequent period, you will need to complete a new proposal so that terms of insurance and quotation/s can be prepared for your consideration prior to the termination of the current policy.

REFUND OF PREMIUMS

In the event of any refund premium being allowed for the cancellation or adjustment of this insurance policy, we reserve the right to retain all brokerage, fees and charges.



PRIVACY POLICY

We value your privacy and are committed to handling your personal information in accordance with the Australian Privacy Principles and Privacy Act. Full details of how we collect, hold, use and disclose personal information is detailed in our <u>Privacy Policy</u>. Contact your Adviser if you require a copy, or email privacy.australia@marsh.com.

RECEIVING INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

We may, from time to time, offer you information about products and services which may be of interest to you. Please notify us if you do not wish to receive such additional information.

REMUNERATION AND OTHER INCOME

Our principal remuneration for arranging insurance on your behalf is either by way of commission paid by the Insurer and/or a fee including a service fee and an administration fee to be paid by you. In the event of a mid-term broker appointment, we reserve the right to retain all commission, fees and charges. In addition to the above we, or any company within the Marsh Group of Companies may receive income from insurers including: interest earned on insurance monies passing through our bank accounts; profit commissions or profit shares paid by insurers on specific classes of business; administrative service fees or expense reimbursements for limited specific services we provide to insurers as part of the placing or claims process. We will disclose any potential conflict of interest not included above which may occur and affect our relationship.

FINANCIAL SERVICES GUIDE (FSG)

For information about the services offered and to assist you in making a decision whether to use any of our services

go to https://www.marsh.com/au/financial-services-guide.html to download the Marsh Advantage Insurance Pty Ltd FSG.

Commission

The Premium shown on the tax invoice includes commission received from the insurer.

IF YOU REQUIRE A FURTHER EXPLANATION FOR ANY THE ABOVE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT US IMMEDIATELY.

2021/22 DONATIONS BUDGET AS AT 16/06/2022

			Connection	Annual Budget for	Amount paid for					
Organisation/Individual	Work order number	Annual Budget for Special Events - in kind	General Ledger- Master/sub account number	Community Events - specified donations & contributions	Community Events - specified donations & contributions	General donations - elected members	Rates/water - elected members	Community Events - general	Special Events-in kind support only	Donation Purpose
Master.sub					3820.various	3020.0405	3020.0406	3820.0460	3230.509	
Annual Budget						\$ 26,680	\$ 9,000	\$ 30,550		Donation - Rates & water account Q1, Q2 & Q3
sttenham Blue Light (Youth centre)							\$2,190			1023781
onald McDonald House Orange						\$600				Donation - October 2021
ottenham Anglican Church							\$139			Donation - Assessment 1000319
bert Anglican Church							\$148			Donation - Assessment 1000319
ondobolin Clay Target Club Inc. otary Club of Lake Cargelligo						\$1,000 \$1,000				Donation event
tary Club of Lake Cargelligo chlan Shire Council Credit Card						\$1,000				Donation - Christmas Carnival fire works GIVIT - NSW Flood Appeal
achlan Shire Council Credit Card						\$200				Cancer Council - Biggest Morning Tea
icy Kirk - Speak Up - July 2021						\$200				Speak up event 2021
icy Kirk - Speak Up - April 2022						\$200				Speak Up event 2022
										Waste charges churches: 66 Reef St Lake Cargelligo
niting Church-Lake Cargelligo							\$828			& 14 Wooyeo Tullibigeal
SW Rural Doctors Network Illibigeal Central School						\$3,000 \$100				Bush Bursary Program 2023
alloigeal Central School attenham Christmas Tree						\$100				Presentation event Presentation event
ondobolin High School						\$100				Presentation event
ottenham Swimming Club						\$300				Donation
ke Cargelligo Arts & Crafts						\$1,000				Donation - Exhibition October 2022
ke Cargelligo Central School						\$100				Presentation event
est Milby Rodeo & Gymkhana						\$1,000				Event donation
ondobolin PAH & I Association						\$2,000				Event donation - Jan 22
Ilibigeal Pool Committee						\$500 \$100				Christmas event
vttenham Central School pori Kids						\$100				Donation - August 2021 NAIDOC week - Donation - January 2022
ondobolin Rotary Club						\$450	\$1,386			Event donation - January 2022 + rates 1003888
ottenham CWA						\$1,000	\$1,037			Donation - Rates Account 1025830
Illibigeal CWA							\$682			Donation - Rates Account 1022913
'iradjuri Condobolin Corporation						\$500				NAIDOC Event 2022
xley CWA						\$300				Donation - Feb 22
ondobolin Chamber of Commerce								\$3,000		Donation - October 2021
ondobolin & District Kennel Club						\$2,000				Condobolin Dog Show - August 2022
Ionations - NAIDOC week			3820.409 3820.494	\$1,440	\$0					
lurrin Bridge Programs & Events Vestern Plains Regional Development			3820.494 3820.476	\$20,890 \$54,440	\$0 \$53,370					
ower Lachlan Community Services			3820.476	\$54,440	\$55,570					
ottenham Welfare Council			3820.478	\$4,160	\$4,000					
ullibigeal Progress Association			3820.479	\$4,160	\$0					
ake Cargelligo Community Gym			3820.483	\$6,830	\$0					
ullibigeal Pool operations			3720.405	\$45,000	\$45,000					
our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church Lake Cargelligo							\$900			Donation - Rates Account 1017439
t Isadore Catholic Church - Tullibigeal							\$900			Donation - Rates Account 1023692
pecial Event - Condobolin Races	812	\$10,080							\$18,166	
pecial Event - Pony Club Condobolin pecial Event - Breast Screen Van Movement	1,062 1,081	\$650 \$470							\$242 \$0	
pecial Event - Yellow Mountain Cross Country	1,093	\$1,310							\$1,206	
pecial Event - RSL Pipe band Tattoo	1,000	\$4,400							\$1,200	
pecial Event - Milby Sports	1,234	\$2,640							\$2,891	In kind support
pecial Event - Condo 750	1,071	\$4,890							\$0	
pecial Event - ANZAC day	1,072	\$4,330							\$2,998	
pecial Event - Condobolin B&S	1,138	\$0							\$0	
pecial Event - Condobolin Show	1,163	\$16,350							\$0	
pecial Event - Tottenham Races pecial Event - Tullibigeal Carols	813 1,365	\$8,020 \$0							\$7,556	In kind support
pecial Event - Tullibigeal Carols	1,365	\$0 \$2,720							\$759	In Kind support
pecial Event - Tullibigeal Races	1,001	\$2,720							\$1,084	
pecial Event - Tottenham Gymkhana	1,232	\$3,550							\$0	
pecial Event - Lake Cargelligo Show	1,221	\$1,720							\$0	
ottenham Christmas event	1,364	\$0								In kind support
pecial Event - NAIDOC Week	1,505	\$2,150							\$0	
pecial Event - Lachlan Christmas Fiesta	1,873	\$3,580							\$4	In kind support
pecial Event - Rotary Christmas event Lake Cargelligo	4 9 0 9								#0.000	In kind support
pecial Event - Rotary Christmas event Lake Cargelligo pecial Event - Rotary Christmas event Condobolin	1,363 1,362	\$0								In kind support In kind support
becial Event - Rotary Christmas event Condobolin becial Event - White Ribbon march	2.653	\$0							\$2,701	
TOTAL	2,000	\$67,770		\$191,360	\$156,810	\$16,750	\$8,211	\$3,000	\$40,341	
TOTAL		307,770		9191,000	\$150,010	\$10,750	₽0,211	\$3,000	\$40,341	
Total paid						\$ 16,750		\$ 3,000	\$ 40,341	
Annual Budget - General (GL3020.405)						\$ 27,000				
Annual Budget - Rates/water (GL3020.406)							\$ 9,000			
Annual Budget - Special events (GL3230.509)									\$ 67,770	
Annual Budget - Community Events (GL3820.460)						é 40.050	é 700	\$ 30,550	¢ 07.400	
Balance Remaining						\$ 10,250	\$ 789	\$ 27,550	\$ 27,429	

8.4 DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN 2022-2025

TRIM Number: R22/171

Author: Director - Corporate and Community Services

PURPOSE

To present to Council the Disability Inclusion Plan (DIAP) 2022-2025 for adoption.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Included in the attachments – to be provided after 23 June 2022

- Executive Summary consultation including comments from public exhibition period
- DIAP

BACKGROUND

It was intended that prior to 30 June 2021, the new DIAP would be developed in accordance with legislation. Due to extenuating circumstances as a result of COVID-19, the NSW Minister for Families and Communities extended the legislative timeframe to 30 June 2022.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

Under the Disability Inclusion Act (NSW) 2014, all NSW Councils are required to develop a Disability Inclusion Plan to demonstrate their commitment to improve access, employment, and facilities for people with a disability.

These plans will outline the measures put into place to break down barriers and promote access to services, information and employment whilst promoting the rights of people with a disability.

Four priority areas have been identified by people with a disability, these areas will guide strategies and actions of the DIAP:

- Developing positive community attitudes towards disability
- Creating liveable communities
- Increasing access to meaningful employment
- Improving access to mainstream services through improved systems and processes

There are several regulations and frameworks that guide disability inclusion planning and ensure the rights of people with disability are exercised and possible barriers are removed.

The Lachlan Shire Disability Inclusion Action Plan is developed by reference to International, Commonwealth and NSW State Legislation.

A suitably qualified and experienced inclusion professional was engaged to undertake community consultation and to develop the DIAP on behalf of Council.

Council and the DIAP consultant have worked diligently to ensure there has been an opportunity for as many stakeholders as possible to engage with the process. In person, written, telephone and virtual community engagement occurred during January and February 2022.

At the May strategic briefing Council requested an additional consultation opportunity be provided to a community member. This occurred on 14 June 2022.

An Executive Summary of all consultation including any comments received through the public exhibition period will be provided to Council after the 23 June 2022.

In summary, consultation consisted of community surveys advertised on Council's website and Facebook page as well as 'community pop ups' and informal meetings carried out with: staff, disability and broader service providers and individuals with disabilities in the community.

Peer review of the document was undertaken by the Manager, Disability Inclusion Strategy, Policy and Commissioning, Department of Communities and Justice in April 2022. Relevant feedback was incorporated.

The Delivery Program 2022-26, Operational Plan 2022-23 and Lachlan Shire Council Workforce Plan 2022-26 all include references to the DIAP. Lachlan Shire Council has chosen to incorporate DIAP actions into its four-year Delivery Program.

Reporting on the Plan will take place though the Lachlan Shire Council Annual Report which is made publicly available online and via hardcopy (paper) versions. Annual reporting on outcomes of the plan will be provided to the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services as required.

This plan will be reviewed and amended accordingly in 2025.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The DIAP was completed within budget. It is important to note that nothing in the Disability Inclusion Action Plan proposes an increase in costs to Council. The majority of actions are similar to previous plans & refer to initiatives that are included in Council's Long Term Financial Plan e.g. ramps in footpaths, hearing loops, website accessibility improvements and advocacy.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Under the Disability Inclusion Act (NSW) 2014, all NSW Councils are required to develop a Disability Inclusion Plan (DIAP) to demonstrate their commitment to improve access, employment, and facilities for people with a disability.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

None identified.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Lachlan Shire's Youth Strategy (2021 – 2030)

Micromex Survey May 2021

ELT- September 2021 & November 2021

OMT – September 2021

Internal Working party formed to facilitate information sharing with representatives from all Council Directorates- December 2021.

Peer review of document undertaken by Manager, Disability Inclusion Strategy, Policy and Commissioning, Department of Communities and Justice – April 2022.

Councillors – May strategic briefing.

Stakeholder engagement as set out in the attached Executive Summary.

The draft document was on public exhibition from 26 May to 23 June 2022.

OPTIONS

Not applicable.

CONCLUSION

Council is asked to adopt the Disability Inclusion Action Plan as presented.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Outcome 1.7 Improved Social Outcomes for those with disabilities

Outcome 1.8 Wellbeing of Youth

Outcome 3.2.2 Implement the Disability Inclusion Action Plan

Outcome 4.2 Strong Effective & Responsive Council

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

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. The Director Corporate and Community Services Report R22/171 be received and noted.
- 2. The Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2022-2025 be adopted as presented.

8.5 INTEGRATED PLANNING & REPORTING DOCUMENTS

TRIM Number: R22/172

Author: Director - Corporate and Community Services

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to ask Council to adopt the

- Community Strategic Plan (CSP) 2023-2032;
- Delivery Program (DP) 2022-2026;
- Operational Plan (OP) 2022-2023; and
- Resourcing Strategy comprising the Workforce Management Plan (WMP) 2022-2026, the Asset Management Strategy and Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP).

The Budget, Revenue Policy and Fees and Charges are incorporated within the Operational Plan.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The above mentioned documents will be provided under separate cover due to their size, after public exhibition closes on 23 June 2022.

BACKGROUND

The *Local Government Act 1993* and associated regulations set out the requirements for Integrated Planning and Reporting.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

Council's documents comply with the Office of Local Government's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework as required by the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021.* The Framework requires councils to ensure their plans are integrated and subsequently provide streamlined service delivery to their community through the optimal use of resources and economies of scale throughout their operations.

Resourcing Strategy

The Resourcing strategy consists of three components being:

- The Long Term Financial Plan
- The Workforce Management Plan
- Asset Management Strategy (adopted at the May 2022 Council meeting).

The resourcing strategy provides the financial resources, people and assets to achieve the outcomes in the CSP.

Council is not required to place its Resourcing Strategy on public exhibition but chose to exhibit it with the other IP&R documents.

Budget including Revenue Policy and Fees and Charges

The Revenue Policy sets outs Council's rating plan for the 2022/23 year.

When reviewing or making changes to the budget, Council is required under the Local Government Act 1993, to consider the Principles of sound financial management which are set out below:

- a) Council spending should be responsible and sustainable, aligning general revenue and expenses.
- b) Councils should invest in responsible and sustainable infrastructure for the benefit of the local community.

As part of its annual budget process, Council reviews its Fees and Charges.

Section 610F of the *Local Government Act 1993* states public notice of the proposed fees and the opportunity to provide a written submission on these must occur.

Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP)

The DIAP is included in a separate report in this month's business paper. Actions from the DIAP have been incorporated into the Delivery Program.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The LTFP shows a surplus including capital income across the life of the delivery plan.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The Local Government Act 1993 NSW requires:

402 Community Strategic Plan

(1) Each local government area must have a community strategic plan that has been developed and endorsed by the council. A community strategic plan is a plan that identifies the main priorities and aspirations for the future of the local government area covering a period of at least 10 years from when the plan is endorsed.

(2) A community strategic plan is to establish strategic objectives together with strategies for achieving those objectives.

(3) Following an ordinary election of councillors, the council must review the community strategic plan before 30 June following the election. The council may endorse the existing plan, or develop or endorse a new community strategic plan, as appropriate, to ensure that the area has a community strategic plan covering at least the next 10 years.

403 Resourcing Strategy

A council must have a long-term strategy (called its resourcing strategy) for the provision of the resources required to perform its functions (including implementing the strategies set out in the community strategic plan).

404 Delivery Program

(1) A council must have a program (called its delivery program) detailing the principal activities to be undertaken by the council to perform its functions (including implementing the strategies set out in the community strategic plan) within the resources available under the resourcing strategy.

(2) The council must establish a new delivery program after each ordinary election of councillors to cover the principal activities of the council for the 4-year period commencing on 1 July following the election.

405 Operational Plan

A council must have a plan (called its operational plan) that is adopted before the beginning of each financial year and details the activities to be engaged in by the council during the year as part of the delivery program covering that year.

Section 610F Public notice of fees

Council must not determine the amount of a fee until it has given public notice of the fee and has considered any written submissions made to it during the period of public notice. The council must give public notice (in accordance with section 705) for at least 28 days of the fee proposed.

The Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 requires

196A Integrated planning and reporting guidelines—the Act, s 406

A council must comply with the integrated planning and reporting guidelines in the document entitled Integrated Planning and Reporting Guidelines for Local Government in NSW, published on the website of the Department, as in force from time to time.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

There are a number of risks to Council in relation to the timing and amount of revenue to be received as well as the ability to collect rates in a timely manner. In particular, changes to valuations and decisions around rating and rating categories are subject to risk.

There are financial risks related to ensuing actual expenditure is in line with budgeted amounts.

It should be noted that all financial figures are unaudited and subject to change.

Forecasts are subject to change during the 2022-2023 financial year as part of the Quarterly Budget review processes.

Councillors are subject to political risk when making decisions about revenue options and the funding of particular programs.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

These documents have been developed after extensive public consultation with Councillors, staff and the community.

The draft documents were on public exhibition from 26 May to 23 June 2022. Submissions, received in writing, during the public exhibition period will be provided to Council for consideration and where appropriate incorporated into the final documents.

OPTIONS

N/A

CONCLUSION

Council's Integrated Planning and Reporting documents have been on public exhibition since 26 May 2022. This report is provided to inform Council of any public submissions received and to seek the adoption of the documents by Council. As it is a publicly available document, Councillors may receive questions from the community.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The actions relating to this report link to the following strategic outcomes in the CSP:

Outcome 4.2 Strong Effective & Responsive Council

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

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That

- 1. The Director Corporate and Community Services Report R22/172 be received and noted.
- The Community Strategic Plan 2023-2032, Delivery Program 2022-2026, Operational Plan 2022-2023 and Resourcing Strategy comprising the Workforce Management Plan 2022-2026, Asset Management Strategy and 10 year Long Term Financial Plan be adopted as presented.

8.6 MAKING OF THE RATES FOR 2022-2023 FINANCIAL YEAR

TRIM Number: R22/175

Author: Director - Corporate and Community Services

PURPOSE

To formally make the Rates and Annual Charges; and adopt the Fees and Charges, for the 2023 financial year.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

In conjunction with the adoption of the Operational Plan 2022/23 and the Delivery Program 2022-2026, and associated budgets, it is appropriate for Council to make the Rates and Annual Charges and adopt the Fees and Charges for 2022/2023.

BACKGROUND

The power for Council to make rates and charges is conferred by Chapter 15 of the *Local Government Act 1993*. Part 10 of the Local Government Act 1993 confers the power to make fees. This is undertaken each year in conjunction with the adoption of the Operational Plan which includes the Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the financial year commencing 1 July 2022.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Total estimated income in FY2022/2023 from Rates & Annual Charges is \$12.2 million. Failure to make provision for this income would impact significantly on the projected operating result.

CONSULTATION

The Rates and Annual Charges along with the Fees and Charges have been on public exhibition from 26 May 2022 to 23 June 2022, as required by legislation. A summary of any changes made following the public exhibition will be provided to Council after 23 June 2022.

CONCLUSION

Rates, Annual Charges and Fees are made in accordance with Council's Operational Plan 2022/2023, Delivery Program 2022-2026, and the associated budget and Community Strategic Plan.

Council must formally make Rates and Annual Charges and adopt the Fees and Charges for the coming financial year to ensure appropriate income streams are maintained.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Item 4.2.1 of the Community Strategic Plan aims to ensure that "Council is financially sustainable and provides services at a level expected by the community".

ATTACHMENTS

1. Marking of the Rates 2022-2023 <u>J</u>

RECOMMENDATION

That

- 1. The Director of Corporate and Community Services Report No. R22/175 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 2022 to 30 June 2023, as set out in the

2022 – 2026 Delivery Program, the 2022/2023 Operational Plan, the 2022/2023 Budget, and as listed in the attachment circulated separately to the report.

MAKING OF THE RATES AND CHARGES FOR 2022/2023 FINANCIAL YEAR

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 2022 to 30 June 2023, being;

Ordinary Rates for 2022/23							
Category	Base Rate	% of Total Levy for Category	Ad Valorem	% of Total Levy for category	% of Total Ordinary Rates	Estimated Yield \$	
					Levy		
Ordinary – Residential Urban	\$298	49.74%	0.017559	50.26%	17.79%	\$1,251,775	
Ordinary-Residential Non Urban	\$305	37.48%	0.009257	62.52%	2.52%	\$177,598	
Ordinary - Business	\$341	36.31%	0.025879	63.69%	5.83%	\$410,308	
Ordinary - Mining	\$661	0.56%	0.308974	99.44%	1.68%	\$118,039	
Ordinary - Farmland	\$296	8.43%	0.002830	91.57%	72.18%	\$5,080,582	

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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 2022 to 30 June 2023 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:

4	Annual Water Availability Charge	s		
	2022/2023			
	Metered Service	Charge per Connection		
	20 mm Water Service	\$535		
	25 mm Water Service	\$816.20		
	32 mm Water Service	\$1,315		
	40 mm Water Service	\$2,026		
	50 mm Water Service	\$3,147		
All properties - Connected	80 mm Water Service	\$8,000		
	Untreated water - Tottenham	\$535		
	Kikiora Pipeline 20mm Water			
	Service	\$535		
	Gibsonvale 20mm Water			
	Service	\$535		
	100 mm Water Service	\$12,476		
	No Metered Service	Charge per Connection		
	Residential	\$1,163		
All properties - Connected	Farmland/ Rural	\$1,163		
An properties - connected	Business	\$1,303		
	Business - Interconnected	\$977		
	Non - Rateable	\$1,163		
Rateable properties - Not	No Metered Service	Charge		
Connected	Residential Water Availability	\$535		
connected	Business Water Availability	\$535		
Annual Water A	vailability Charge - BURCHER AN	ID FIFIELD ONLY		
All Properties - Connected	No Metered Service	Charge per Connection		
An rioperties - connected	Water Connected	\$884		
All Properties - Unconnected	No Metered Service	Charge		
An Froperties - Onconnected	Water Availability	\$411		

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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 2022/2023 Fees and Charges, based on the appropriate tariff charge per measure, or estimate of measure, during the 2022/2023 Reading Cycle Periods 1, 2 and 3 as shown below:

Water Consumption Charges 2022/2023 (billed 3 times per year)					
Category	1st 600 Kilolitres per annum	> than 600 Kilolitres per annum	Flat Rate per kilolitre	Minimum Charge	
Residential (rateable & non rateable), Non-Urban, Farmland	\$3.10	\$4.35		\$32.00	
Business, Non-Residential, Non-Rateable Usage			\$3.10	\$32.00	
Raw Water Usage			\$2.10	\$32.00	
Murrin	Bridge Residential Wa	ater (as per Council re	solution 2021/113)		
	1st 14,000 Kilolitres per annum	> than 14,000 kilolitres per	Flat Rate per kilolitre	Minimum Charge	
Residential	\$3.10	\$4.35		\$32.00	

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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 2022 to 30 June 2023 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:

Se	ewer Charges 2022/2023	
Annual Sewer Acces	Charge per connection	
All Rateable & Non-rateable	Residential Sewer Charge	\$845
residential Properties Connected	Business Sewer Charge- metered	\$845
All Rateable Properties	Business Sewer Charge- unmetered	\$845
Unconnected	Business Sewer Charge- unmetered per unit/flat	\$365
Annual Sewer Charges - exclu	iding non rateable residential	Charge per
prop	erties	connection
Non-rateable Crown Lands	Charge per Water Closet	\$151
and Schools Connected	Charge per Urinal or Cistern	\$67
	Charge per Water Closet	\$151
Other Non-Rateable Properties Connected	Charge per Urinal or Cistern	\$67

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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 2022 to 30 June 2023 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					
Domestic Waste Management Charge - Section 496	2022/23	Charge	Service			
Residential Properties - Condobolin	Domestic Waste Management	\$590.00	1 x General + Organic + Recycling			
Non-Rateable Residential Properties - Condobolin	Domestic Waste Management	\$590.00	1 x General + Organic + Recycling			
Residential Properties - Villages	Domestic Waste Management	\$443.00	1 x General + Recycling			
Non-Rateable Residential Properties - Villages	Domestic Waste Management	\$443.00	1 x General + Recycling			
Residential Properties - Condobolin	Domestic Waste Management - Add General (Red)	\$146.00	1 x Additional General			
Residential Properties - Condobolin	Domestic Waste Management - Add Recycling (Yellow)	\$137.00	1 x Additional Recycling			
Residential Properties - Condobolin	Domestic Waste Management - Add Organic (Green)	\$146.00	1 x Additional Organic			
Residential Properties - Villages	Domestic Waste Management - Add General (Red)	\$146.00	1 x Additional General			
Residential Properties - Villages	Domestic Waste Management - Add Recycling (Yellow)	\$137.00	1 x Additional Recycling			
All properties - Residential	Domestic Waste Management - Replacement bin	\$84.00	Replacement of 240 litre MGB each			

Other Waste Charges

In accordance with Sections 501, 502, and 535 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, an Annual Charge be made and levied for the year 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 for the provision or the availability of a periodic collection of a Waste Service, as described in Council's Fees and Charges; being;

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	Service Collection - Regular				
Waste Management Charge - Section 501	2022/23	Charge	Service		
Non-Residential Properties - Condobolin	Business Waste Management	\$431.00	1 x General + Recycling		
Non-Rateable Non- Residential Properties - Condobolin	Business Waste Management	\$431.00	1 x General + Recycling		
Non-Residential Properties - Condobolin	Business Waste Management: Additional Service General (Red)	\$146.00	1 x General		
Non-Residential Properties - Condobolin	Business Waste Management: Additional Service Recycling (Yellow)	\$137.00	1 x Recycling		
Non-Residential Properties - Condobolin	Business Waste Management: Additional Service Organic (Green)	\$146.00	1 x Organic		
Non-Residential Properties - Villages	Business Waste Management	\$431.00	1 x General + Recycling		
Non-Rateable Non- Residential Properties - Villages	Business Waste Management	\$431.00	1 x General + Recycling		
Non-Residential Properties - Villages	Business Waste Management Other: Additional Service General (Red)	\$146.00	1 x Additional General		
Non-Residential Properties - Villages	Business Waste Management Other: Additional Service Recycling (Yellow)	\$137.00	1 x Additional Recycling		
All Properties - Non- Residential	Domestic Waste Management - Replacement bin	\$84.00	Replacement of 240 litre MGB- each		
Waste	Management - Mini	mum Charge* (s496 &	& S501)		
Burcher Mining - No collection	Waste Management Charge	\$156.00	Availability		
Farmland, Residential, Non- Urban, Rateable Vacant Land - No collection	Waste Management Charge	\$141.00	Availability		

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STORMWATER CHARGES

In accordance with Sections 496A, 510A, 535 and 543 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, and clause 125A and clause 125AA, of the *Local Government Regulation (General) 2021*, an Annual Charge be now made and levied for the year 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 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 2022/2023			
Stormwater Management		Charge	
Charge		charge	
All Urban Rateable Properties	Residential Stormwater	\$25.00	
(excluding Strata Units)	Management	ŞZ3.00	
All Urban Rateable Properties	Business Stormwater	\$25.00	
All ofball Rateable Properties	Management	ŞZ3.00	
All Urban Residential Strata	Residential Stormwater	\$12.50	
Units (Each)	Management	Ş12.50	

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 2022 to 3 June 2023, will be 6%, the maximum allowed, as advised by the Office of Local Government for the 2022/2023 period.

FEES AND CHARGES

The Fees and Charges as set out in the Delivery Program 2022-2026, Operational Plan 2022-2023 and Budget 2022–2023, inclusive of any amendments, be adopted for the financial year commencing 1 July 2022.

SERVICE OF RATE NOTICES

The Rate, and / or Charge for the 2022/2023 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.

REDUCTION FOR ELIGIBLE PENSIONERS

Eligible pensioners as defined in the NSW *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021,* 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.

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9 ENVIRONMENT, TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

9.1 DEVELOPMENT DATA MAY 2022

TRIM Number: R22/148

Author: Manager- Town Planning

PURPOSE

This report is to provide Council with information in relation to development activity occurring within the Shire during May 2022.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Development Application Data.

BACKGROUND

During the month of May 2022 there were three (3) applications lodged with a value totalling \$237,000.00. Two (2) approvals were issued within this time.

Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates <u>Approved</u> in May 2022.

Approval Number	Development Description	Location	Value	Delegated Authority/Council
DA 2021/42	Installation of Transportable Dwelling	2 Officers Parade, Condobolin	\$368,000	Delegated Authority
DA 2021/63	Extension to Existing Street Verandah and Covered Beer Garden at Railway Hotel	44-46 Molong Street, Condobolin	\$25,000	Council
TOTAL	2		\$393,000	

Comparison to Previous Year: Applications Approved <u>May 2021</u>

Total *Number* of Applications *approved in May 2021:* 4

Total Value of Applications approved for April 2021: \$383,000

Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates <u>Received</u> in May 2022

Development Identifier	Development Description	Location	Value
DA2022/12	Construction of Industrial Storage Shed	10 Wiradjuri Way, Condobolin	\$212,000

DA 2022/16	Two (2) Lot Torrens Title Subdivision	34 Uabba Street, Lake Cargelligo	\$0
DA 2022/17	Construction of Shed (Outbuilding)	2 Officers Parade, Condobolin	\$25,000
TOTAL	3		\$237,000

Comparison to Previous Year: Applications Received May 2021

Total Number of Applications *received in May 2021*: 3

Total Value of Applications *received for May 2021*: \$1,015,920

Processing Times for Approvals

A total of sixty (60) approvals have been issued this financial year at an average of 35 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

No foreseeable issues.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

All applications have been assessed 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

Not applicable

CONCLUSION

Development Application and Complying Development Certificate approved data reveals a total development value of \$17,253,727 for applications approved in the 2021/2022 financial year.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Community Strategic Plan - 4.2 Strong Effective Responsive Council.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Director Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R22/148 be received and noted.

9.2 RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF ALCOHOL FREE ZONES IN CONDOBOLIN AND LAKE CARGELLIGO

TRIM Number: R22/149

Author: Director - Environment, Tourism and Economic Development

PURPOSE

To seek endorsement from Council to undertake community consultation for the re-establishment of Alcohol Free Zones (AFZ) in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

BACKGROUND

An Alcohol Free Zone (AFZ) exists in Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo and Albert. The current AFZs in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo commenced on 21 July 2018, for a four (4) year term, which expires on 21 July 2022.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

Council needs to consider whether to continue with the AFZs in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo.

Detailed below are plans of Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo showing the boundaries of the AFZ (outlined in purple) and the locations of the AFZ signage (shown in purple dots).



Figure 1: AFZ in Condobolin with the AFZ boundary shown in purple

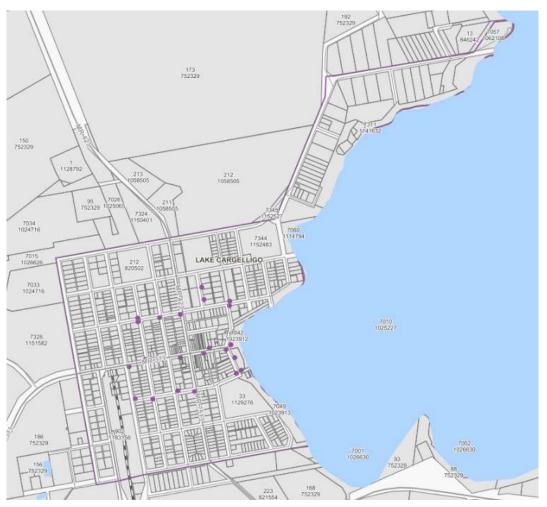


Figure 2: AFZ in Lake Cargelligo with the AFZ boundary shown in purple Condobolin AFZ

The street boundaries of the existing AFZ for Condobolin are: Maitland Street from Melrose Road to Jones Road Jones Road from Maitland Street to Henry Parkes Way Henry Parkes Way from Jones Lane to unnamed lane off Rogers Street Unnamed Lane between Henry Parkes Way and Rogers Street **Rogers Street** May Street between Rogers Street and Weir Street Stenhouse Street between May Street and Mooney Street Mooney Street between Stenhouse Street and Molong Street Molong Street between Chinaman's Bridge and Goobang Street Goobang Street between Molong Street and Orange Street Orange Street between Goobang Street and Gordon Street Gordon Street between Orange Street and Bathurst Street Bathurst Street between Gordon Street and Denison Street **Denison Street** between Bathurst Street and Lachlan Street Lachlan Street Innes Street between Lachlan Street and Officers Parade

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Officers Parade including Graf Street Turner Street between Officers Parade and Moulder Street Moulder Street Bathurst Street between Moulder Street and Golf Links Road Golf Links Road Silos Road between Golf Links Roads and Melrose Road

Melrose Road between Silos Road and Maitland Street.

Lake Cargelligo

The street boundaries for the existing AFZ in Lake Cargelligo are:

Loughnan Street

Uabba Street

McInnes Street

Lachlan Street

Conapaira Street including Bokhara Street South between Lachlan Street and Lake Street

Lake Street

Johnston Street between Lake Street and Holt Street

Holt Street between Johnston Street and Naradhan Street

Naradhan Street between Holt Street and Lake Street South

Lake Street South

Narrandera Street to Loughnan Street.

Alcohol Free Zones

The object 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."

As the current four (4) year period is nearly complete, Council must consider whether to continue the AFZ. It is recommended that Council establish the AFZs for a further four (4) years.

There are public consultation requirements which must be met before Council can declare an AFZ, outlined within Section 644A of the LG Act 1993. Only once the public consultation has been carried out can Council declare an area to be 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.).

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.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There will be costs associated with advertising the AFZ/APA as well as costs for installing the amended signage (with the new dates). It is estimated that these costs will be approximately \$3,000.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

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 carries a maximum penalty of \$2,200.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

The AFZ/APA is 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/APA could allow matters to more easily escalate to serious crime.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Pursuant to the Local Government Act 1993 a proposal to declare an AFZ must be publicly 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."

It is suggested that Council publish a notice in the Condobolin Argus and Lake News.

OPTIONS

- 1. Decide to prepare a proposal to re-establish the AFZs in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo for a further four (4) years and carry out the required public consultation with a further report to consider any submissions made before making a final declaration.
- 2. Decide not to proceed with the proposal.

CONCLUSION

The current AFZs in Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo will lapse on 21 July 2022. Council needs to consider whether to continue with the AFZs and if they wish to re-establish the AFZs a public consultation process needs to be completed. It is recommended that the AFZs are re-established and that the public consultation period commence with a further report to be considered by Council before the AFZs are declared.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Community Strategic Plan - 4.2 Strong Effective Responsive Council

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. The Director Environment Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R22/149 be received and noted.
- 2. Council proceed with a proposal to re-establish the Alcohol Free Zones (AFZs) in Lake Cargelligo and Condobolin with the same boundaries as the current AFZs.
- 3. The proposal, to declare Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo Alcohol Free Zones be placed on public exhibition for a period of twenty-eight (28) days and invite submissions/objections to the proposal.
- 4. 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.

9.3 FY21/22 PROJECT MONTHLY UPDATE FOR MAY/JUNE

TRIM Number: R22/155

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 and grant funded projects regarding buildings.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

Project	Budget	Funding Source	Expend. To Date	Forecast Expend.	Comments
Condobolin and District Historical Museum - Extension to Museum and Display Enhancements	\$77,765	SCCF R3	\$6k	\$77,765	A report was presented to February Council meeting. Council staff have met with the Committee. In principle agreement achieved on design. Awaiting final costings before lodging scope variation with the grant body.
Condobolin Works Depot	\$7,246,707.60	\$6,000,000 Loan and remaining \$1.25m from Council reserves	\$2,798,895.36	\$7,246,707.60	Contracts signed. Works commenced 8 March 2021. Ongoing issue with alleged subsoil moisture which is the subject of a formal dispute raised by the contractor. Several requests have been made of the contractor to provide quality assurance evidence, as required under the contract, which remains outstanding. Steel frame work and roof installed for

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					store and workshop. The office framework has also been erected. Electrical and plumbing works have commenced.
Provision of new Animal Shelter at Condobolin	\$344,507.00k	LRCI P1	\$345,416.10	\$345,416.10	Project completed and will removed from the list for next month
Lachlan Shire Visitor Information Centre	\$4,403,973.00 above includes contingency of \$347,836.03	Growing Local Economies Fund	\$310k	\$4,404,974.00	PWA engaged to provide Project Management Services. PCG established to overseer project delivery. Contract has been issued to Patterson Building Group (PBG) to construct the VIC. PBG have commenced works. Screw piers and internal drainage line installed. Slab was to be formed the week starting 12 June 2022. First progress payment has been made.
Electronic Noticeboard	\$77,000	SCCF R4	\$77,000	\$77,000	Sign installed Friday 10 th June and is operational. Project complete.
Lake Cargelligo Hall Upgrade	\$50,000	SCCF R4	\$42.5k	\$50,000	Air Conditioning units have been installed. Door has been repaired, PO issued for alarm system
Physie - Condobolin (Tennis Club Hall)	\$60,000	SCCF R4	\$52k	\$60,000	Renewal of amenities are being finalised. Remaining works have been completed.
Willow Bend Sport Centre – Roof Repair	\$75,000	SCCF R4	\$20k	\$75,000	PO issued for works. Roof safety system has been installed. Repairs to roof have been undertaken, with significant savings. Variation to project scope has been lodged to spend

					remaining funds on the centre to seal the gym.
Willow Bend Sports Centre Renewal	\$300,000	LRCI P3	Nil	\$300,000	A meeting has been held with the manager of the sports centre to discuss potential impacts of works as well as options. Meeting held onsite with builder in regard to amenities renewal. Quotes being obtained for other works.
Companion Animal Surrender Cages - Lake Cargelligo	\$50,000	LRCI P3	Nil	\$50,000	Preferred site has been identified and SOW is being finalised. Plans are being prepared.
Tottenham Caravan Park Enhancement	\$155,000	LRCI P3	\$24k	\$155,000	Schedule of works being finalised. Quotes are being obtained for various items. Some items have been purchased and are currently under construction.
Roof Safety System – Various Council buildings	\$45,000	2021/22 Budget	Nil	\$45,000	Works have been undertaken. Minor additional works required. Awaiting invoice & quote for additional works.
Sign Replacement – Lake Cargelligo Foreshore walk	\$50,000	SCCF R3	Nil	\$50,000	Audit undertaken. Meeting to be held with relevant parties on Monday 20 June 2022 in Lake Cargelligo

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
Approved Variations	\$244,247.14
Remaining contingency	\$7,100.86
Current Expenditure	\$2,798,895.36

All figures include GST

* Figure includes Contingency

Please note a saving of \$69,679.03 was achieved for the electrical substation, which has been reflected in the above approved variation figure.

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. The 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 Public Works Advisory and a temporary Project Management Officer has been employed to assist with the delivery of building projects.

The cost of the formal arbitration process associated with the resolution of the contractual dispute with the Works Depot construction contractor possess a financial risk to this project that cannot be quantified at this time.

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

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Director of Environment, Tourism and Economic Development Report No. R22/155 be received and noted.

10 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

10.1 FY21/22 ROADWORKS MONTHLY UPDATE FOR MAY

TRIM Number: R22/157

Author: Manager - Roads

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of road works undertaken by the Infrastructure Services Department which were completed in May, works in progress in the month of June and works scheduled for the month of July 2022. The execution and completion of works varies depending on resource availability, weather conditions, work priorities and unforeseen circumstances.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

BACKGROUND

Advice has been received that Council's application for \$2,500,000 from the Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program (Federal funding) for 17 km of seal extension and causeway upgrade on SR 1187 Palesthan Road has been unsuccessful for the current round of this program.

Council had previously been successful in 2020 receiving \$1,397,700 from the Fixing Country Roads program (State funding). This funding is now at risk as the project was expected to commence twelve months after receipt of advice on funding. It is now over 2 years since that advice has been received and there are not sufficient funds available to complete the 17 km of seal extension. The project scope is not able to be reduced as the original cost/benefit ratio submitted with the application was calculated on competing the full 17 km and for providing HML AB-Triple/Road Train access. A single lane width seal and substandard single lane causeway would not provide this level of access.

Advice on the application for MR 347 Dandaloo Road reconstruction has not been received at this stage.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

Road Construction

MR 57N The Bogan Way – Tullamore to Albert. A reasonable period of fine weather in late May allowed sealing of the road shoulders and full reseal of 11.9 km of The Bogan Way. The final 1.5 km of the road at the Jumble plains intersection will be reconstructed when sufficient dry weather occurs to allow completion of culvert replacement.

MR 57S Lachlan Valley Way and The Gipps Way. The first forty-eight of the 130 culverts have been delivered to site for Smythes culvert. McMahon Services, contractors for culvert installation, have established on-site and once their required paperwork is complete will take formal possession of site. The by-passes at both Murie and Smythes culverts have been sealed and are in operation to allow the contractor to prepare for formal site possession. These side tracks are experiencing deterioration with the traffic now using them. Council staff are regularly monitoring these tracks and arranging maintenance as required. The NBN and Telstra cables have been relocated allowing formation work for the intersection realignment to commence.

MR 57S The Gipps Way – Nerathong bridge replacement. The contractor has requested an extension of time due to wet weather on his current job site. This will delay site establishment till October, approximately a three months delay. Due to current high water levels in Nerathong Creek the delay could be beneficial to the bridge construction, however this would result in construction through the harvest period. This will be the second extension of time that will be lodged with the grant body.

SR 230 Lachlan Valley Way. Gravel carting is continuing and road pavement construction is in progress.

Maitland Street/Boona Road intersection. The realignment of the intersection and final section of widening on Maitland Street is in progress. Final preparation for sealing is underway.

McDonnell/Molong/William Streets – Condobolin School Precinct. Installation of replacement kerb and gutter has been completed and excavation for new median islands is in progress, with road works to follow.

Foster Street, Lake Cargelligo. Contractor is onsite and has commenced installation of stormwater pipes.

Road Maintenance

Minimal road maintenance grading has been undertaken during May with resources being allocated to flood damage repairs required as a result of the November – January event. To date expenditure on this event is in excess of \$890k with repairs still required on parts of the road network. The majority of the repairs should be completed by the end of June 2022.

Routine road maintenance for the remainder of the financial year will continue to be reduced, due to relatively high expenditure levels (see graphs in Financial Section of this report). Staff will be allocated to capital works and flood damage response as much as practical.

Works undertaken in May

- Heavy patching, re-sheeting and grade water and roll undertaken on the following unsealed roads
 - All Roads
 - nil
- Road and culvert reconstruction and sealing undertaken on the following roads
 - o Main Roads
 - MR 57N Slee Street, Fifield Block grant Culvert replacement, preparation for sealing, two coat seal
 - MR 57S Lachlan Valley Way/The Gipps Way Regional NSW/Block grant 48 culverts delivered on site for Smythes culvert
 - MR 57S Lachlan Valley Way/The Gipps Way Repair/Block grant formation of intersection alignment is underway.
 - MR 57S The Gipps Way FCR/Block grant Nerathong bridge replacement precast components being manufacturing continuing
 - Shire Roads and Town Streets
 - SR 230 Lachlan Valley Way FLR/RTR gravel carting is continuing and pavement construction is in progress
 - Condobolin School Precinct FLR/RTR kerb and gutter replacement has been completed and excavation is underway for centre islands in McDonnell St, Molong St and William St.
 - Visitor Information Centre Regional NSW completion of car park formation is on hold to allow area to dry sufficiently to complete work.

Road reseals/sealing

- Main Roads
 - MR 57NN The Bogan Way FCR/Block grant 11.9 km of shoulder sealing and full reseal was completed in May

- MR 57S The Gipps Way and Lachlan Valley Way Regional NSW/Block primer seal on detours for Smythes and Murie culverts
- Urban Streets
 - Federation Street, Albert two coat seal over area previously too wet to seal
- Maintenance grading/sucker removal/storm damage repairs undertaken on the following unsealed roads
 - o Main Roads
 - nil
 - Shire Roads
 - SR 34 Wilmartha Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 50 Vermont Hill Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 89 Kingswood Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 90 Grassmere Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 91 Marsden Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 95 Ilginndrie Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 106 Fitzgerald Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 108 Fosters Lane flood damage repairs
 - SR 148 Halls Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 149 Gubbata Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 150 Slant Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 154 Tuggerabach Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 161 Bygalore Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 169 Carruthers Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 180 O'Reillys Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 181 Pidgeons Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 182 Recreation Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 437 Stockman Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 1006 Brotherony Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 1145 Burcher Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 1169 Bobadah Road maintenance grading
 - SR 1347 Albert Road –maintenance grading
- Shoulder grading/slashing/vegetation control and patching undertaken on the following sealed roads
 - Main Roads
 - MR 57NN The Bogan Way pothole patching/slashing
 - MR 57S The Gipps Way pothole patching
 - MR 347 Dandaloo Road pavement failure repairs
 - MR 423 Lachlan Valley Way (Lake to Murrin Bridge) pothole patching
 - MR 461 Henry Parkes Way north pothole patching

- MR 501 Lachlan Valley Way (Lake to Hillston) pothole patching/vegetation control
- RR 7513 Lake Cargelligo Road pothole patching
- RR 7514 Kiacatoo Road pothole patching/slashing
- Shire Roads
 - SR 5 Lansdale Road slashing
 - SR 11 Moira Vale Road pothole patching
 - SR 37 Yambora Road slashing
 - SR 45 Boona Road slashing
 - SR 85 North Forbes Road slashing
 - SR 341 Gum Bend Road slashing
 - SR 1187 Palesthan Road pothole patching

Works in progress June 2022

- Heavy patching, re-sheeting and grade water and roll in progress on the following unsealed roads
 - Main Roads and Shire Roads
 - nil
- Road and culvert reconstruction and sealing in progress on the following roads
 - Main Roads
 - MR 57S The Gipps Way FCR/Block grant Nerathong bridge replacement manufacture of precast units continuing
 - MR 57S The Gipps Way/Lachlan Valley Way Repair/Block grant intersection realignment, commencement of slab construction for installation of culverts
 - Shire Roads
 - SR 230 Lachlan Valley Way FLR/RTR gravel carting and pavement construction continuing
 - o Town Streets
 - Maitland St/Boona Road intersection culvert replacement and intersection realignment, with final widening of Maitland Street
 - Condobolin School Precinct FLR/RTR Preparation for installation of median islands on McDonnell St, Molong St and William St continuing. Road reconstruction will commence
 - Harding Ave, Busby St FLR Kerb and gutter replacement will commence
- Road reseals/sealing
 - All Roads
 - nil
- Maintenance grading/sucker removal/storm damage repairs in progress on the following roads
 - o Main Roads
 - nil

- Shire Roads
 - SR 5 Lansdale Road maintenance grading attempted, but too wet.
 - SR 101 Corinella Road maintenance grading
 - SR 154 Tuggerabach Road flood damage repairs
 - SR 361 Shanklin Lane maintenance grading
 - SR 382 Bloomfield Road maintenance grading

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- Shoulder grading/slashing/vegetation control and patching in progress on the following sealed roads
 - All Roads
 - nil

Works planned for July 2022

- Heavy patching, re-sheeting and grade water and roll to be undertaken on the following unsealed roads
 - Main Roads
 - Nil
 - Shire Roads
 - SR 45 Boona Road RTR gravel re-sheeting 3 km
 - SR 46 Carawatha Road gwr
- Road resealing/sealing
 - o All Roads
 - nil
- Road and culvert reconstruction and sealing to be undertaken on the following roads
 - Main Roads
 - MR 57S The Gipps Way FCR/Block grant Nerathong bridge replacement manufacture of precast units continuing
 - MR 57S The Gipps Way/Lachlan Valley Way Repair/Block grant intersection realignment, commencement of slab construction for installation of culverts
 - MR 461 Henry Parkes Way/Maitland St and Silo Roads HVSPP/Block grant widening.
 - Shire Roads
 - SR 230 Lachlan Valley Way FLR/RTR road construction for 10 km of seal extension
 - Town Streets
 - Visitor information centre Regional NSW completion of carpark construction
 - Busby St/Harding Ave, Condobolin FLR kerb and gutter replacement and street reconstruction

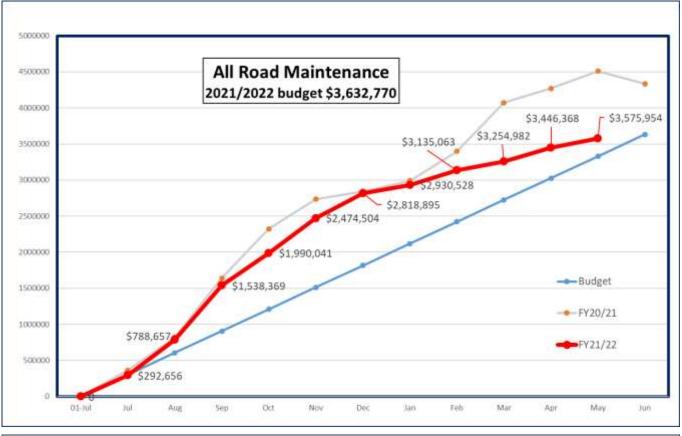
- Condobolin School Precinct footpath replacement and street reconstruction with safety improvements
- Officers Parade FLR stormwater installation
- Maintenance grading/sucker removal/storm damage repairs undertaken on the following roads
 - All Roads
 - A maintenance grading program is currently being prepared for the new financial year. Bus Routes to be prioritised.
- Shoulder grading/slashing/vegetation control and patching undertaken on the following sealed roads
 - o All Roads
 - Ongoing pothole patching

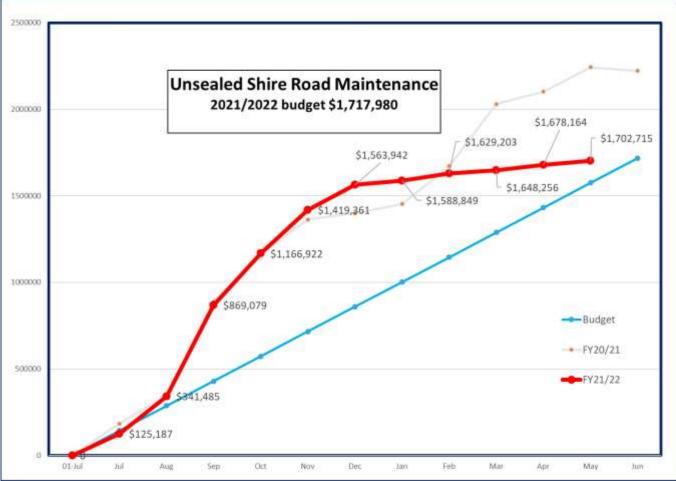
FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

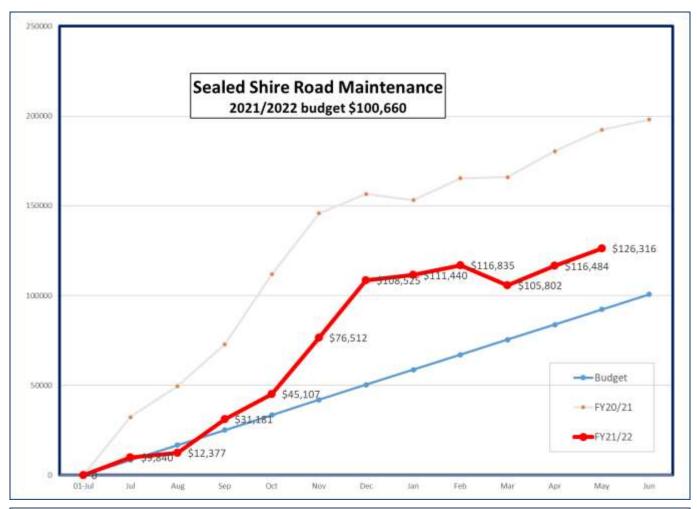
CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS							
Regional Roads							
Project	Budget	Funding source	Expend to date	Forecast Expend	Comments		
Regional Roads, reseals	\$447k	TfNSW Block Grant	\$386k	\$447k	8 of 10 segments on Fifield Road completed. Cold weather will prevent further work being undertaken.		
Regional Roads, heavy patching	\$50k	TfNSW Block Grant	\$127k	\$127k	Completed		
MR 461 William St / MR 57S Lachlan St intersection reconstruction	\$260k	TfNSW Block Grant \$150k, RTR \$110k	\$19k	\$20k	Design still be finalized. Due to commitment on other projects work will not commence until FY22/23.		
MR 371 Foster St, Lake Cargelligo, Lake St to Lorne St reconstruction	\$3.6m	FY 21/22 and 22/23 RTR \$500k, State Government funding \$2,800k, LRCI \$300k	\$280k	\$1.635m	Contractor commenced on site in early June.		
MR 57N The Bogan Way, widening 28 km	\$2.985m	FCR \$2.686m, TfNSW Block Grant \$299k	\$965k in FY20/21, \$2.056k in FY21/22 Total \$2.319m	\$2.985m	Widening and seal completed on last 12 km at Tullamore end of project. Over expenditure to be funded from Block Grant		
MR 57S The Gipps Way, Nerathong Bridge replacement	\$2.808m	FCR \$2.387m, TfNSW Block Grant \$421k	\$89k in FY20/21, \$150k in FY21/22 Total \$239k	\$2.808m	Detailed design has been finalised. Construction of precast components in progress.		
MR 57S, MR 377, Condobolin Freight Betterment and Visitor Centre road works	\$1.203m FY20/21, \$8.196m FY21/22	Funding for FY21/22: Regional NSW funding \$5,971k, TfNSW Block grant \$1,553k, TfNSW Repair \$400k, RTR \$272k	\$1.235m pre 1 July 2021. \$1.684m in FY21/22 Total \$2.919m	\$9.399m	Bypasses for Murie and Smythrs culverts are in operation. The Gipps Way/Lachlan Valley Way intersection realignment being constructed.		
MR 461 Henry Parkes Way intersection upgrades, MR 7521 Kiacatoo Road and SR 340 Silos Road	\$516k	HVSPP \$258k, TFNSW Block Grant \$208k, Graincorp \$50k	\$102k	\$516k	Intersection construction work will commence when staff resources are available.		

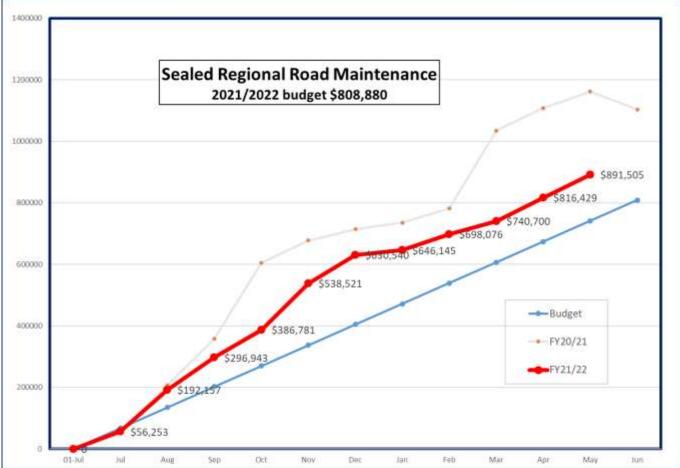
CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS							
Local Roads							
Project	Budget	Funding source	Expend to date	Forecast Expend	Comments		
Local Roads res	seals/ heavy	patching					
SR 3 Tabratong Crossing Road			\$64k		600 m heavy patch with primer seal. Complete		
SR 74 Derriwong Road			\$126k		2.6 km of shoulder re-sheeting and 4.0 m wide reseal. Complete		
SR 124 Crown Camp Road			\$128k		600 m reconstruction and widen and seal. Complete		
Total	S280k	FAG Roads \$280k	\$318k	\$280k	Over expenditure to be funded from the FAG grant		
Local Roads Gravel	re-sheets						
SR 106 Fitzgerald Road			\$14k		Complete		
SR 124 Crown Camp Road			\$223k		Complete		
Total	\$200k	Special Rate Variation \$200k	\$237k	\$237k	Over expenditure to be funded from the FAG grant		
Grace Street, Lake Cargelligo, reconstruction and widen	\$600k	RTR	\$581k	S600k	Vehicle crossing work to be completed		
SR 1029 Tullibigeal Road, extend seal 26km - stage 1 & 2 combined	\$4.173m	FRC \$1,868.5k, RTR \$2,182.5k, Total \$4.051m	\$2,919k pre 1 July 2021, \$1,132k FY21/22, Total \$4.051m	\$4.051m	Complete		
Maitland Street HV upgrade	\$1.422m	FRC \$765k, RTR \$657k	\$1,020k pre I July 2021, \$350k in FY21/22, Total \$1.37m	\$1.422m	Maitland St/Boona Road intersection reconstruction in progress		
SR 120 Merribogie Road widen and reseal	\$1.4m	Fixing Local Roads \$1,260k, RTR 140k	\$649k	\$649K	Project will be completed in FY22/23		
SR 230 Lachlan Valley Way, 10 km seal extension	\$1.3m FY21/22, \$700k FY22/23	Fixing Local Roads \$1.9m, RTR \$100k	\$326k	\$600k	Gravel catage and pavement construction in progress. Project will be completed in FY22/23		
Busby St/Harding Ave reconstruction	\$800k	Fixing Local Roads	\$19k	\$100k	Waiting for availability of kerb and gutter contractor. Project will be completed in FY22/23		

Condobolin School Precinct Officers Parade upgrade	51 680m	RTR \$50k, FAG Roads \$270k Fixing Local		\$321k \$1.68 \$169k \$200			Excavatation for centre islands progress. Project will be completed in FY22/23 Project will be completed in FY22/23	
	FUNDING SOURCES							
Funding Source	Amount	Contribu	tion	% sp	ent	ι	Jsed by	Comments
Roads to Recovery	\$2.637m	100% Fed grant	eral	54.4	%		30-Jun	Year 3 of five program. Unspent allocation will be carried over for FY22/23
TfNSW Block and Supplementary Grants	\$3.132m	100% TfN	SW	95.0%			30-Jun	Budget will be 100% spent by 30 June
TfNSW Traffic Facilities	\$147k	100% TfN	SW	122.()%		30-Jun	Overspend to be funded from TfNSW block grant
TfNSW repair	\$400k	100% TfN	sw	0%			31-Jul	Extension of time confirmed by TfNSW for this project
FAG Roads	\$3.28m	100% Fede grant	eral	89.8	%			To reserve if not used by 30 June.









LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Roads Act 1993 and Roads Regulations 2008

RISK IMPLICATIONS

Delays with the supply of goods and the lack of availability of contractors is the major risk at present for the continuation of the capital works program. This has been minimised by getting contracts in place for specialised construction work and the early ordering of goods such as concrete pipes and culverts. However, some delays are still occurring as the road construction industry is extremely busy.

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

Work priorities until end of June will be capital projects and flood damage restoration work.

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 Service Report No. R22/157 be received and noted.

10.2 SWIMMING POOL OPERATIONS - END OF SEASON REPORT - CONDOBOLIN, LAKE CARGELLIGO AND TOTTENHAM

TRIM Number: R22/159

Author: Director Infrastructure Services

PURPOSE

Provide Council with a summary of the Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo and Tottenham Swimming Pool Operations for the 2021/2022 Swim Season.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1. Contract for Operation of each Swimming Pool 2020-23 (available upon request).
- 2. Monthly Reports provided by each Pool Contractor for 2020-21 season (available upon request).

BACKGROUND

Condobolin Swimming Pool was operated under the existing contract with Mark and Kathy Thorpe. Lake Cargelligo Swimming Pool was operated under the existing contract by Leisure and Recreation Group Pty Ltd (Angus Westaway). Tottenham Swimming Pool was operated under the existing contract by JW TM Fulton (Tanya and Jason Fulton).

All three contracts commenced on 1 August 2020, and have a 3 year term.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

MATTERS ASSOCIATED WITH CONDOBOLIN POOL

Condobolin Swimming Pool collected the following ticket sales information. Pool entry numbers for season ticket holders was not collected, nor was the number of casual entries. Condobolin only records ticket sales, not total entry numbers

Ticket Sales Condobolin

Month	Tota	Combined Casual Entry Fees		
	Season Adult	Season	Season	Adult and
		Child	Family	Children
October	33	8	52	\$3,794.30
November	8	1	18	\$2,751.90
December	9	10	0	\$7,700.00
January	3	3	0	\$6,254.00
February	0	0	0	\$2,744.00
March	0	\$3,040.00		
Total	53	\$26,284.20		

Note: total income from all gate takings and season ticket sales = \$46,962.20.

Down 30% from 2020/21.

Major Maintenance and Improvements completed by Council

- Preventative maintenance on pumps, chlorination system, pool cleaner and breathing apparatus
- Solar PV panels installed.
- Toddler Pool filter separation completed.
- Toddler Pool resurfaced and new play features
- Heat Pump 3 failure replacement completed.
- Replace failed booster chemical pump
- Replace failed hotplate

Proposed Off Season Maintenance and Improvements

- Service and preventative maintenance on pumps, chlorination system, heat pumps, pool vacuum cleaner, leaking pipes and breathing apparatus
- Entrance Gate replacement remains ongoing.
- After the leak sealing in 2018, the water consumption was down 50% from the previous year. However, in 19/20 the water consumption increased and was monitored throughout this year.
 - 2018/19 = 8ML
 - 2019/20 = 15ML
 - 2020/21 = 20ML
 - 2021/22 = 27ML
- Structural engineers and pool construction experts consulted regarding the slab movements and leaks. Recommendations range from continue to replace expansion seal at a cost of \$120k every 3-5 years, install commercial grade liner \$500k, reconstruct pool >\$4M. Further investigation is required.

Work Health & Safety, Marketing and Events

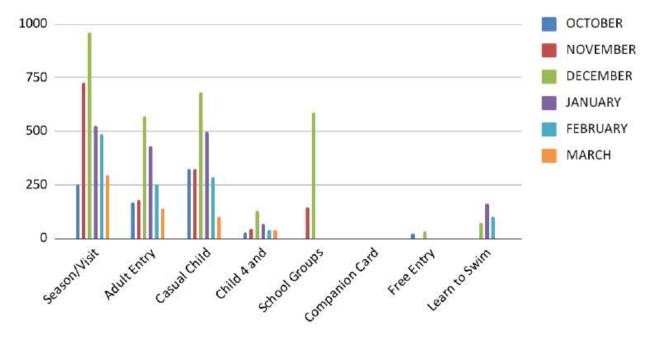
The pool contractor has the responsibility to maintain the pool premises in a safe and orderly manner, including Covid-19 regulations. Throughout the season, improvements were made to the Contractors WH&S Policies and Procedures to continually improve the safety of the facility for the public. There were no major safety issues reported throughout the season. There were minor incidents, electrical storms, trips and falls, joint injuries, abrasions, burns and faecal incidents. All instances were handled appropriately by the pool contractor.

As part of the pool operations contract, it is the contractor's responsibility to market events and activities at the pool. The contractor uses Facebook regularly to update patrons. Council has also advertised significant pool announcements on Council's website and Facebook page.

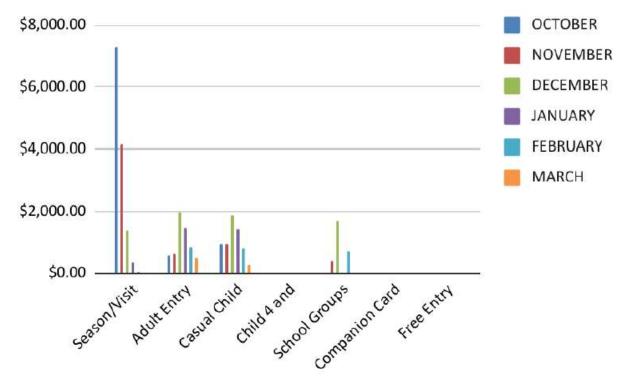
The Condobolin Swimming Pool continues to hold regular community events and swim classes. Some of these events include Australia Day celebrations, Swim Club, Diggers, exercise classes, Aqua aerobics, Learn to Swim, birthdays and school swim carnivals, district swimming carnival and physical education classes.

MATTERS ASSOCIATED WITH THE LAKE CARGELLIGO POOL

Lake Cargelligo Pool Attendance



Lake Cargelligo Pool Revenue from gate entry.



Note: Leisure and recreation group have updated their reporting format.

Total income from all gate takings and season ticket sales \$28,485.90. Up 5% from 2020/21

Major Maintenance and Improvements completed by Council

- Amenities / Kiosk Building installed, including solar PV system installed
- Solar thermal pool heating system and blankets installed
- Chemical Auto-dosing installation of 50m pool.

- Irrigation system installed
- Toddler Pool resurfaced
- Fallen Trees from January Storm Dead trees and large branches removed
- Main pool pump system pump and foot valve annual maintenance
- Pump 2 rebuilt after pump 1 failed last year
- Maintenance and warranty claim for toddler pool auto-dosing system.

Proposed Off Season Maintenance and Improvements

- Concrete repairs to filter tanks.
- Clean up of south west corner of pool block, remove old fence and dead/dying shrubs.
- Preventative maintenance for pumps, valves and chemical dosing.
- Repair storm damaged fence.

Work Health & Safety, Marketing and Events

The pool contractor has the responsibility to maintain the pool premises in a safe and orderly manner, including Covid-19 regulations. Throughout the season, improvements were made to the contractors WH&S Policies and procedures to continually improve the safety of the facility for the public. There were no major safety issues reported throughout the season. There were minor incidents, electrical storms, trips and falls, joint injuries, abrasions, faecal incident and anti-social patron removal. All instances were handled appropriately by the Pool Contractor. At the commencement of the season, when the new lifeguards were familiarising themselves with the facilities, there was a complaint from a community member who was not assisted into the pool using the disabled hoist. The new lifeguards were soon inducted in how to use the hoist and contact was made with the customer to confirm commitment to making the pool available for people of all abilities.

As part of the Pool Operations Contract, it is the Contractors responsibility to market events and activities at the Pool. The Contractor uses Facebook regularly to update patrons. Council has also advertised significant Pool announcements on Council's website and Facebook page. Changes to the pool operating hours were received well by the users of the facilities (Report to August 2021 Council meeting)

The Lake Cargelligo Swimming Pool continues to hold regular community events and swim classes. Some of these events include Australia Day celebrations, Swim Club, exercise classes, Learn to Swim, birthdays and school swim carnivals and physical education classes.

MATTERS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TOTTENHAM POOL

	Tota	al Season Ticl	kets	Total Season	Total Casual Entry through	
Month	Season Adult	Season Child	Season Family	Ticket Entry through gate	Adult	Child
October	5	2	14	113	36	75
November	4	4	5	487	27	140
December		2	2	649	179	276
January				533	150	163
February				610	193	220
March				396	40	52
Total	9	8	21	2788	625	926
Total Revenue	\$ 828.00	\$ 528.00	\$ 4,635.00		\$1,812.50	\$3,241.00

Note: total income from all gate takings and season ticket sales \$11,044.50. Down 6% from 2020/21

Major Maintenance and Improvements completed by Council

- Toddler filtration separation completed
- Installation of new BBQ, camp kitchen and shelter
- Repaint lane lines
- Preventative maintenance on pumps, chlorination system, pool vacuum cleaner and breathing apparatus.
- Dead trees and large branches removed.
- Purchase and installation of more plants and trees in the front garden of the pool.
- Repairs and maintenance to the irrigation system.
- Top dress grounds to remove holes/ditches/trenches.

Proposed Off Season Maintenance and Improvements

- Service and preventative maintenance on pumps, chlorination system, pool vacuum cleaner and breathing apparatus.
- Upgrade of carpark (LRCI 2)

Work Health & Safety, Marketing and Events

Pool Contractor has the responsibility to maintain the pool premises in a safe and orderly manner, including Covid-19 regulations. Throughout the season, improvements were made to the Contractors WH&S Policies and Procedures to continually improve the safety of the facility for the public. There were no major safety issues reported throughout the season. There were minor incidents, such as electrical storms, extended blackouts, trips and falls, joint injuries, abrasions, anti-social patrons, snakes and faecal incidents. All instances were handled appropriately by the Pool Contractor. Operation of the pool back wash system needs to be optimised to avoid negative impact of Tottenham STP operation.

As part of the Pool Operations Contract, it is the Contractors responsibility to market events and activities at the Pool. The Contractor uses Facebook regularly to update patrons. Council has also advertised significant Pool announcements on Council's website and Facebook page.

The Tottenham Swimming Pool continues to hold regular community events and swim classes. Some of these events include Australia Day celebrations, Swim Club, exercise classes, Learn to Swim, birthdays and school swim carnivals and physical education classes

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Financial Summary of all Pool Operations for the Financial Year as at 14/06/2022 is a follows.

Pool	Grand Total	Total Budget	Total Available	
Condobolin	\$438,704	\$410,009	-\$28,090	
Lake Cargelligo	\$302,819	\$354,837	\$51,800	
Tottenham	\$206,102	\$226,648	\$20,546	
Total	\$947,625	\$991,494	\$44,257	

The budget underspend at Lake Cargelligo pool and Tottenham can be transferred to cover overspend at Condobolin Pool. Primary cause of this overspend is an increase of \$23k in water consumption. It has not been determined if this is due to increase in leakage of the big pool, or changes to the configuration of the toddler pool and leakage from the new balance tank.

The remaining funds are adequate to cover the remaining expenditure of the financial year.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

NSW Public Health Act 2010

NSW Public Health Regulations 2012

OLG Practise Note 15

RISK IMPLICATIONS

The toddler filtration separation projects for Condobolin and Tottenham are now complete. This now complies with NSW Health guidelines and increases the ability for the operators to monitor and control water and chemical levels within the separate pools.

The amenities and kiosk replacement project are also complete at Lake Cargelligo. These improved facilities will also reduce risks associated with the old building.

All capital improvement projects undertaken at the pools have contributed to improved facilities for the community and visitors and reduce WH&S risks around the facilities. The backwash disposal at Tottenham will have to be refined to reduce negative impacts on the Tottenham STP.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Pool Operators have been the source of all operational data within this report.

Pool Operators will be consulted regarding the off season works.

Tottenham community has requested Council consider installation of a solar thermal heating system similar to Lake Cargelligo Pool. Staff offered to assist with grant application writing. This offer of assistance was not accepted.

Independent of Council, Lake Cargelligo Swimming Club and pool operator have applied for \$165k grant for increased/improved undercover area, starting block replacement and electronic timing system.

OPTIONS

This Report is for Council's information. Items for capital upgrade and maintenance for the pool have been included in this 2022/2023 Budget for Council's consideration.

CONCLUSION

This report is for Council's information on the operation of the Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo and Tottenham Swimming Pools for the 2021/2022 swim season.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Outcome 5.4 Community Safety

5.4.4 Management of Swimming pools.

Outcome 6.2 Upgrade Community Buildings - 100% compliance with swimming pool regulations

6.2.3 Provide Swimming pools in each main town.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1) The Director Infrastructure Services Report No R22/159 be received and noted.

10.3 MEMORIAL PARK CONDOBOLIN - WATER EXTRACTION

TRIM Number: R22/161

Author: Director Infrastructure Services

PURPOSE

Update Council on correspondence from the Natural Resource Access Regulator - Formal Warning letter for water extraction at Memorial Park

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Attached – Formal warning letter from NRAR

BACKGROUND

Council has received correspondence from the Natural Resource Access Regulator highlighting two areas of concern.

- 1. Extraction of irrigation water prior to placement of water orders
- 2. Insufficient water within water licence allocation to allow extraction.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

Surface Water extraction for the Condobolin area requires water orders to be placed on the WaterNSW iWas portal 13 days prior to pumping commencing. The warning letter alleges that Council has extracted water to irrigate the Memorial park in Condobolin without placing an order for water to be released from Wyangala Dam. The reason of this extraction requirement is to ensure there is adequate water within the river system to allow for the water extraction without having a negative impact on the environment or operations of the river.

The total volume of water extracted during any daily irrigation cycle for the entire park is around 0.1ML/day. Approximate daily river flow at Condobolin Bridge during these summer irrigation times is around 500ML/day.

Staff have been instructed to communicate intentions to commence irrigation 14days prior to starting the irrigation system, allowing adequate time to place water orders on the iWas portal and for extraction totals to be reported fortnightly with timesheets.

A result of this water extraction without placing a water order, is that on occasion there has been insufficient water allocation within the water account. This shortfall has always been corrected within each financial year reporting period, ensuring that Council is accounting for and paying for all water consumed. However, it is necessary for a water allocation to be available within the account prior to water being ordered. The above changes to the irrigation process will rectify any shortfall into the future.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The additional time and resources required to undertake this administration is not onerous and will be completed as part of normal operating procedures for staff.

NRAR have highlighted in their Formal Warning communication that no penalty notice is warranted.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Water Management Act 2000

RISK IMPLICATIONS

Reputational risk to Council in this instance is high. Council should take a civic and environmental leadership role in ensuring all water extraction is undertaken in accordance with the necessary licence conditions. The quantity of this water extraction and consequence to the river system is not

significant, however the administrative improvements that have been implemented shall ensure that Council complies with all necessary water allocation licence conditions.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Nil

OPTIONS

- 1) Council staff implement the suggested improvements to the administration process.
- 2) Further improvements to the water allocation process be suggested.

CONCLUSION

Council has been informed of the correspondence from the Natural Resource Access Regulator -Formal Warning letter for water extraction at Memorial Park. Council has been updated on the improvements that have been implemented to ensure compliance with water licence conditions.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

4.2 Strong, Effective and Responsive Council

6.4 Improved Parks, Gardens and Sporting Ovals

ATTACHMENTS

1. Natural Resource Access Regulator - Formal Warning Letter 😃

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R22/161 be received and noted.

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Lachlan Shire Council Attn The Proper Officer PO Box 216 CONDOBOLIN NSW 2877

6 April 2022

To the Proper Officer

Natural Resources Access Regulator Locked Bag 5022, Parramatta NSW 2124 T 1800 633 362 www.industry.nsw.gov.au/nrar

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Alleged breach of 60B and 60C of the Water Management Act 2000 at 3 Lachlan Street Condobolin, Lot 701 DP1125197

Formal Warning Letter

The Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR), the state's water regulator, is issuing the Lachlan Shire Council, with a formal warning letter for 2 alleged breaches of the *Water Management Act* 2000 (WM Act) for taking water from the Lachlan River without ordering water prior to take, and overdrawing Water Access Licence account 70AL600645 during temporary water restrictions.

Lachlan Shire Council holds Water Access Licence 70AL600645. This licence allows for the take of water from the Lachlan Regulated River Water Source. This licence is subject to a number of conditions, including Condition MW3574-00001 – Before water is taken under this access licence a water order must be placed and confirmed by WaterNSW

Formal warning letter details

 Alleged breach of section 60B of the WM Act – Contravention of terms and conditions of access licence

It is alleged that Lachlan Shire Council failed to place required water orders from May 2018 to December 2021. It is the understanding of NRAR that this water was taken at Lot 701 DP1125197 for the purpose of watering the public park.

 Alleged breach of section 60C of the WM Act – Take of water for which there is no, or insufficient, water allocation.

It is alleged Lachlan Shire Council took water on 7 occasions between March 2019 and July 2021 when there was insufficient water available in the water account. Of

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concern is that on 5 of these 7 occasions, the take of water was during temporary water restrictions published in the NSW Gazette on 28 June 2019.

The onus is on water users to comply with the law

The onus is on water users to ensure that they are operating within relevant water laws

Failing to order water reduces the available water for other water users and the environment. In 2014, Lachlan Shire Council received a formal warning letter for an alleged breach of s60B of the WM Act, for failing to place a water order before water was taken subject to Water Access Licenses 70AL600022 and 70AL600019.

NRAR has determined a formal warning letter is the most appropriate course of action in this case. This decision was made as the water was allegedly used for public benefit, not for commercial purposes. Further breaches may result in further regulatory actions by NRAR.

The likelihood of being called out for non-compliance is high

Communities across NSW want fair, transparent and enforceable compliance to protect our water resources. NRAR takes non-compliance seriously and responds in a range of ways when breaches of water laws are identified.

We have enclosed a fact sheet, which can also be found on our website, entitled 'Water laws licences and approvals' which includes more information about our regulatory approach.

What you need to know about this formal warning letter in the future

NRAR will retain a copy of this formal warning letter on file.

If you commit an offence under the WM Act in the future, NRAR may take into account this formal warning letter in determining the most appropriate enforcement action. Such action may involve the issue of a penalty notice or the commencement of a prosecution.

Please contact Mia Wilson, Investigator on 0419 701 652 or email

mia.wilson@nrar.nsw.gov.au, if you require any further information on the matter, quoting the reference number 06981-2021

Yours sincerely,

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Attachment (one)

Water laws licences and approvals fact sheet

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Water laws, licences and approvals

Natural Resources Access Regulator Fact sheet



The Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) is an independent regulator established under the *NSW Natural Resources Access Regulator Act 2017.* The current regulatory focus of NRAR is water regulation, a key part of which is to prevent, detect and stop unlawful water activities.

To ensure the fair use of our precious water and minimise development impacts on waterfront land, we:

- inform, educate and engage to promote understanding of water laws and users' responsibilities
- issue licences and approvals
- monitor and audit the use of surface and groundwater
- respond to reports of suspicious water activity and investigate suspected high- priority breaches.



NSW water laws

The Water Management Act 2000 (WM Act) includes requirements for water users or landholders to hold:

- a water access licence to take water from a river, lake, dam or groundwater for irrigation, industrial or commercial purposes
- a water supply work approval to construct and use a water supply work, such as a pump, dam, channel or bore
- a water use approval to use water for a specific purpose at a particular location
- a flood work approval for works on floodplains that divert floodwaters
- a controlled activity approval to carry out work in a watercourse or within 40 metres of the bank of a river, lake or estuary, such as extracting material from a river bed, constructing a creek crossing or residential developments.

A person who wants to take water to use on their land for irrigation will normally require a water access licence, a water supply work approval and a water use approval.

The WM Act replaces the *Water Act 1912* (Water Act). While this transition process is largely complete, Water Act licences may be required in limited circumstances in areas where water sharing plans do not apply.

Exemptions

Exemptions from some of these licence and approval requirements apply for some low-impact activities under certain conditions. This includes basic landholder rights, such as taking water for domestic use or to water stock, and constructing small dams on small creeks, known as harvestable-rights dams.

Metering

The WM Act also includes requirements relating to the use of non- urban water meters, with more requirements in the Water Management (General) Regulation 2018.

Licence and approval terms and conditions

Licences and approvals issued under the WM Act and Water Act also typically include terms and conditions that must be met. This can include metering, log book and cease-to-pump requirements for water take.

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Temporary water restrictions

The WM Act allows the minister to temporarily impose restrictions on water take by licence holders. These restrictions are in addition to any licence and approval conditions and may include cease-to-pump requirements, which apply when the flow in a river or creek is lower than a specified level.

Information on current restrictions is available at <u>www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/temporary-water-</u> <u>restrictions</u>

Penalties for breaches

Individuals found guilty of breaching these laws, including breaching the terms and conditions of a licence or approval, can face fines of up to \$1.1 million and prison terms of up to two years. Higher maximum penalties apply to corporations.

Licences and approvals can also be suspended or cancelled for serious breaches of their terms and conditions.

NRAR can also issue stop-work orders for unlawful water take or activities being carried out without the required approvals. NRAR can issue directions requiring removal of any unlawful works or the restoration of degraded rivers.

More information

Download the Complying with water management laws fact sheets at <u>www.nrar.nsw.gov.au/fact-sheets-and-faqs</u>

Learn how the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment manages surface and groundwater resources in NSW, including information on water sharing plans: www.water.dpie.nsw.gov.au

Visit the NSW Water Register at www.waterregister.waternsw.com.au

The NSW Water Register provides information about water licences and approvals (other than for controlled activities) that have been issued. If you hold a licence or a water management works approval, you can use this register to check their terms and conditions. This register also has information on water allocations.

To use this water register, you will need the lot and deposited plan (DP) number for the property. You can use the street address of a property to find the lot and DP number at www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/spatialviewer

Licences, approvals and exemptions

Go to <u>www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/licensing-and-trade</u> for more information on licensing, approvals and any applicable exemptions.

WaterNSW is responsible for water access licences and associated approvals required by rural landholders, rural industries and developments which are not state- significant development, or state-significant infrastructure.

Contact us

Call WaterNSW on 1300 662 077; email <u>Customer.Helpdesk@waternsw.com.au</u> or visit <u>www.waternsw.com.au</u>

Controlled activity approval

NRAR is responsible for all CAAs. NRAR also issues licences and approvals for large water users such as water utilities, mines and irrigation corporations.

Call NRAR on 1800 633 362; email <u>nrar.enquiries@nrar.nsw.gov.au</u> or visit <u>www.nrar.nsw.gov.au</u>

Reporting suspicious water activity

To make a confidential report of suspicious water activity:

 use NRAR's online reporting form at <u>www.nrar.nsw.gov.au/report-suspicious-</u> <u>water-activities</u>

phone 1800 633 362.

For more information on the Natural Resources Access Regulator visit <u>www.nrar.nsw.gov.au</u>

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10.4 FY21/22 UTILITIES MONTHLY UPDATE FOR MAY

TRIM Number: R22/162

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 May, in progress for the month of June and forecast for the month of July 2022.

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	• It has been confirmed that Water Infrastructure NSW (WINSW) is still several months away in developing the opt-in pilot model in assisting Council to deliver its related SSWP Projects.			
RNSW 1880 Condobolin Sewerage Scheme Scoping Study	With the pressure from the EPA regarding the ongoing non- compliances from the existing Condobolin STP, PWA has been engaged to project manage the concept design stage of a new sewage treatment plant.			
RNSW 755 Condobolin Bore Fields II	• The land matters are yet to be resolved and require resolution before the NRAR approval can be finalised.			
DWS072 Condobolin Drought Water Security Project	• Contract 1: Pipeline – construction of the 28km of the bore pipeline has been completed. Testing and commissioning of the pipeline will wait until the under bore contract is completed.			
	• Contract 4: Under bore – the underbore beneath the Lachlan River was completed on 15 June 2022. A further 80-100m PVC pipes have to be laid to provide connection to the rest of the bore pipeline. It is estimated that this project will be completed by 24 June 2022.			
	 Contract 5: Transfer Pump Station – a separate report will be provided under R22/160 for the tender assessment. 			
Lachlan St Sewer Pump Station – Concept and Detail Design Upgrade	Concept design report was received and currently being reviewed by Council staff.			

Lake Cargelligo

Project	Progress			
Lake Cargelligo STP – Screen Extractor	• Due to the wet weather, the construction of a new concrete slab is delayed until 27 June 2022.			
	• The manufacturing of the customised screen extractor is experiencing delays due to the shortage of raw materials in Australia. It is expected that the screen extractor will be completed by the end of July 2022.			
Lake Cargelligo WTP – western chemical evaporation pond desilting and upgrade works	• Although the western chemical evaporation pond has been taken offline for summer, wet weather in the last few months has caused delays to this project. The pond is now full of water and work cannot commence until the weather warms up and evaporates the water in the pond.			
Lake Cargelligo Reservoir No.1 (4ML) and 16 Mile Reservoir Remediation	• The condition assessment works were carried out on 6-8 June 2022 and the report is not yet received.			
Lake Cargelligo Merri Abba Bores – radiation detected	• A sample was taken from Murrin Bridge town water supply on 21 February 2022 through routine screening organised by the Aboriginal Communities Water and Sewerage Program (ACWSP). When the sample was taken, Merri Abba Bores were the raw water source for Murrin Bridge town water supply.			
	• The result received on 6 June 2022 indicated an increase in the radiation levels (Gross Alpha 1.38 Bq/L and Gross Beta 0.94 Bq/L) above the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (ADWG) screening levels (Gross Alpha and Beta 0.5 Bq/L). The ADWG screening levels are not health-based guidelines but a trigger for further investigation.			
	 Annual calculated dose is recommended to be <1 mSv. A yearly dose between 1 – 10 mSv is not expected to present an increased risk to health but is a trigger for management options such as optimising or installing treatment. An annual dose >10 mSv would be a trigger to consider using an alternative source of water or alter the water treatment process to remove the elements. 			
	• In this scenario, based on Gross Alpha 1.38 Bq/L and Gross Beta 0.94 Bq/L, an estimated annual dose would be approximately 0.55 mSv from the consumption of 2 litres of water per day or 730 litres over the year. This equates to approximately half the annual dose a member of the public is allowed to receive from discrete sources of radiation, excluding exposures from medical treatment, diagnosis or normal background.			
	• There is nil risk associated with skin contact with the water.			
	• To place additional perspective around this figure, normal background radiation levels vary in differing parts of Australia with an average around 1.7 mSv per year. In central NSW, these levels are naturally elevated due to the high concentration of radioactive material in the ground.			
	• In conclusion, an estimated annual radiation level of 0.55 mSv is well below a level where there is health risk. By comparison this is			

equivalent to driving 5000 km on Australian roads or drinking imported mineral water. This was calculated assuming the bore water at this level is used for the whole year. This is not the case, with bore water typically used during summer and lake water during winter.
• However, further investigation of the ground water is required to confirm the exact radiation level. In addition, further investigation is required to attempt to identify which bore is most effected and a possible cause for these increased levels of radiation in the ground water.
• As a precautionary measure, with samples being above the screening levels, Merri Abba Bores were turned off in the afternoon of 6 June 2022 and the Lake water source is currently in use until the full investigation is completed.
 This situation does impact water users in Tullibigeal and on the Kikiora/Gibsonvale pipelines. However, the media release approved by NSW Health did not include these users, as this pipeline is a non-potable water supply,

Tottenham

Project	Progress		
RNSW 841 Tottenham Water Supply	• PWA's proposal has been received and it is currently under review by Council staff to ensure that the scope of works covers all elements of the project.		
Tottenham Reservoir Remediation	• The sealing of the reservoir started on 1 June 2022 and was completed on 15 June 2022.		
	• The reservoir will be cleaned, flushed and chlorinated before it comes back online to supply Tottenham township.		
	• It is anticipated that the reservoir will be operational by the end of June 2022.		
Tottenham WTP Upgrade	• Purchase Orders are currently being raised to demolish the existing chemical tanks and to replace the existing clear water tanks.		

Shire Wide

Project	Progress
RNSW 842 Sewage Effluent Reuse Management System (Lake Cargelligo, Condobolin & Tottenham)	 The site power investigation has been completed. The findings of the investigation outlined the existing power supply arrangements and the required upgrade at the Tottenham STP and Tottenham Racecourse. The telemetry design is currently underway for the proposed irrigation transfer pump station at Tottenham STP and proposed irrigation site at Tottenham Racecourse.

Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM) Strategy		One of the outcomes of the IWCM Strategy is the updated 30-year total asset management plan that outlines the updated 30-year renewals plan.
	•	In parallel with the review of the IWCM Issues Paper, the asset register is currently being updated to reflect the renewal and upgraded works since 2017 (asset register was last updated in 2017).

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

All projects are listed as per the Delivery and Operational Plan 2021/22.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

In the Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo, Tottenham and Albert water supply 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 DPE 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 the sewerage services is governed by DPE 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 are 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, DPE, 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 (Rocco), Lachlan Airspace Reference Panel, NSW Govt Critical Water Advisory Panel (CWAP) and Central West Joint Organisation Water Utilities Alliance (CWUA).

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

DPE, 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, operational and maintenance programs as resources permit, i.e. as funds, staff and contractors are available.
- 2. Council amend the water and sewer capital, operational and maintenance program.

CONCLUSION

This report is provided to update Council on activities in the Utilities section in May, underway for June and planned for July 2022.

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:

1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R22/162 be received and noted.

10.5 ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANS - TRANSPORT, WATER AND SEWER, BUILDINGS AND PARKS & RESERVES

TRIM Number: R22/167

Author: Director Infrastructure Services

PURPOSE

To present to Council the set of draft Asset Management Plans for consideration and recommend to release for public exhibition.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

June 2022 - Resolution 2022/157 – Adoption of Asset Management Strategy and Policy

Asset Management Plans for

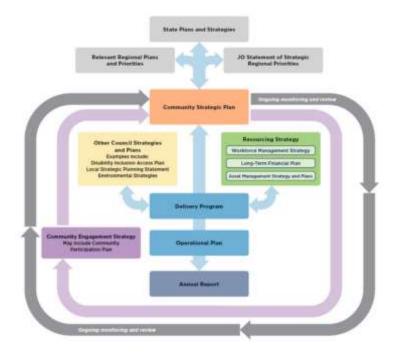
- Transport,
- Water and Sewer,
- Buildings and
- Parks & Reserves

(Separate documents to Business Paper)

BACKGROUND

Council is custodian of assets with a residual value of approximately \$540M which support the delivery of services to the community. This includes assets such as roads and bridges, water and sewer services, parks and gardens, buildings, plant and equipment, stormwater drainage and IT and office equipment. The Asset Management Strategy and Policy documents were adopted at the June 2022 Council meeting. These documents are a requirement of the NSW Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) framework and form part of the Resourcing Strategy document suite, which provide the strategic framework to ensure that Council's Assets are managed in a financially sustainable manner.

The Policy and Strategy have provided guidance for the preparation of Asset Management Plans for the transport, water and sewer services, parks and reserves and buildings asset classes. The Asset Management Plans have been prepared using Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) Asset Management templates.



ISSUES AND COMMENTS

The Asset Management Plans detail information about infrastructure assets with actions required to provide an agreed level of service in the most cost-effective manner while outlining associated risks. The plan defines the services to be provided, how the services are provided and what funds are required to provide over the 10 year planning period. Council is working towards improved maturity, integration and further implementation of Asset Management Plans, Strategic Plans to align with the Long Term Financial Plan.

The Asset Management Plans are a 'snap shot' in time and have been prepared based on the current data and available resources. These documents should be considered as "live" documents that can and should be incrementally improved as updated data and improved information comes to light.

The key issues for Council to consider in relation to each asset class (as detailed in the AMPs) are summarised below. Given the long-lived nature of much of this infrastructure, wise decisions now will have positive impacts on the community for the next generation.

<u>Transport</u>

Council's transport assets include roads (sealed and unsealed), kerb & gutter, footpaths, bridges and other road infrastructure (e.g. guardrails, roundabouts). These transport infrastructure assets have replacement value estimated at \$495M.

The forecast lifecycle costs necessary to provide the services covered by this AM Plan includes operation, maintenance, renewal, acquisition (i.e. construction of new), and disposal of assets. The AM Plan is the forecast of 10 year total outlays, which for the Transport group is estimated as \$143M or \$14.3M on average per year. The estimated available funding for the 10 year period is \$129M or \$12.9M on average per year.

The allocation in the LTFP is insufficient to continue providing existing services at current levels for the planning period (\$1.4M per year shortfall). The consequence of this funding shortfall is that existing assets are likely to slowly decline in their condition, a reduced number of new assets will be acquired (or constructed) each year and additional funds for renewals will be required in order to maintain the level of service. Additional funding sources could be external grants or special rate variations.

Managing the risks of this shortfall will require a focused budget on the most critical renewals, reduce expenditure on new assets (e.g. seal extension) and manage community expectation on levels of service and maintenance intervals.

Water and Sewer

Council's water and sewer assets include water sources (bores, weirs, and dams), water treatment plants and reservoirs, water reticulation network (pipes and pumps), sewer reticulation network and sewer treatment plants. These water and sewer infrastructure assets have replacement value estimated at \$147M.

The forecast lifecycle costs necessary to provide the services covered by this AM Plan includes operation, maintenance, renewal, acquisition (i.e. construction of new), and disposal of assets. The AM Plan is the forecast of 10 year total outlays, which for the water and sewer group is estimated as \$165M or \$16.5M on average per year. The estimated available funding for the 10 year period is \$108M or \$10.8M on average per year.

The allocation in the LTFP is insufficient to continue providing existing services at current levels for the planning period (\$57M shortfall). The primary reason for this shortfall is the planned construction of new Water and Sewer Treatment Plants for Condobolin and the secured second water supply (bore and pipeline) for Condobolin the in the next 5 years.

The consequence of this funding shortfall is that State government grants will be heavily relied upon to cover their cost (up to 75%). However, the balance (estimated \$14M) may have to be funded through commercial loans.

Managing the risks of this shortfall will require a focused budget on the most critical renewals, reduce expenditure on new assets (e.g. non-commercially viable property service connections), expected budget overspend if urgent works are required, increased breakdowns and facility unavailability are likely to occur and manage community expectation on levels of service (e.g. water carting).

This AM Plan is based on information that has an uncertain level of confidence. Asset revaluations are currently occurring with the assistance of Australias Asset Advisory Group through the Central NSW Joint Organisation. In addition, the data is heavily skewed because of the significant capital investment. This AM Plan will have an increased level of accuracy upon the next revision with the updated asset revaluations, completed Integrated Water Cycle Management Plan and increase confidence in capital construction costs of the new water and sewer treatment plants.

<u>Buildings</u>

Council's Building assets include civic buildings, public halls, medical buildings, residential buildings, RFS sheds and various other land. These building infrastructure assets have replacement value estimated at \$27.6M.

The forecast lifecycle costs necessary to provide the services covered by this AM Plan includes operation, maintenance, renewal, acquisition (i.e. construction of new), and disposal of assets. The AM Plan is the forecast of 10 year total outlays, which for the buildings group is estimated as \$12.6M or \$1.26M on average per year. The estimated available funding for the 10 year period is \$12.1M or \$1.21M on average per year.

The allocation in the LTFP is insufficient to continue providing existing services at current levels for the planning period (\$0.05M shortfall). The consequence of this funding shortfall is that Council will not be able to construct any new buildings, or undertake any unplanned major repairs without significant external funding, or sale of excess assets.

Managing the risks of this minor shortfall will require a focused budget on the most critical renewals, and not acquiring any additional assets - which will require community expectations to be managed.

This AM Plan is based on information that has an uncertain level of confidence. Completion of the new Council Works Depot in Condobolin, the new Visitor Information Centre and the current asset renewals that are underway (caravan parks, Willow Bend Sports Centre, Council Chambers) will necessitate a revision of this plan.

Parks and Reserves

Council's parks and reserves assets include all parkland, play equipment, reserves, gardens, cemeteries, sporting grounds and swimming pools. These parks and reserves infrastructure assets have replacement value estimated at \$37M.

The forecast lifecycle costs necessary to provide the services covered by this AM Plan includes operation, maintenance, renewal, acquisition (i.e. construction of new), and disposal of assets. The AM Plan is the forecast of 10 year total outlays, which for the parks and reserves group is estimated as \$31.3M or \$3.13M on average per year. The estimated available funding for the 10 year period is \$31.M or \$3.1M on average per year.

The allocation in the LTFP is considered adequate to continue providing existing services at current levels for the planning period (\$0.03M shortfall). However, this does not consider requests to construct or acquire any new assets (e.g. additional parkland, sport grounds or reserves), or undertake any unplanned major repairs (e.g. relining leaking swimming pool) without external funding, or sale/disposal of excess assets.

Managing the risks of this asset delivery will require a focused budget on the most critical renewals, not acquiring any additional assets and management of community expectations on levels of service.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The integration of Council's Asset Management Plans with Council's Long-term Financial Plan, Community Strategic Plan, 4 year Delivery Program and Operational Plan will assist Council's financial sustainability and identify areas of financial or asset risk.

Each of these AM Plans highlight different areas and quantity of funding shortfall to maintain existing asset conditions and levels of service. Each asset class has differing opportunities for additional or external funding to bridge possible funding shortfalls. If external grants are unable to be secured, the result will be a steady decline in asset condition. If this decline in asset condition, and reduction in level of service is unacceptable to the community, and the community is willing to pay, than a Special Rate Variation could be applied for or an increase in user fees (e.g. water and sewer charges). One further alternative that Council may wish to consider is the disposal or sale of assets.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 1993 S 8B; Principles of sound financial management

Local Government Act 1993 S402-406 Strategic Planning

RISK IMPLICATIONS

The AM Plans identify risks with each asset class and how Council manages these risks through prioritising asset renewal projects and maintenance intervention levels. If these assets continue to be underfunded and this results in an unacceptable risk, specific actions will be taken to reduce the risk to an acceptable level (e.g. emergency repairs) which may result in budget overspends.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Public exhibition of these AM Plans is suggested. This will afford the community an opportunity to understand the funding shortfall and asset challenges - particularly in the transport and the water and sewer areas – and consider how funding shortfalls should be managed, be it through a reduction of asset condition, external grants, external loans, sale of assets or special rate variation.

As Council's Asset Management capability matures in future revisions of these AM Plans, and as improved data is collected, it will be important for Council to continue to engage with the community on priorities between the assets. As an example is footpath funding more important than playgrounds? Is gravel resheeting more important than seal extension? Is investing in treated effluent worthwhile as a water security measure?

OPTIONS

- 1. Council endorse the draft Asset Management Plans for Transport, Water and Sewer, Buildings and Parks and Recreation for public exhibition.
- 2. Council revise the draft Asset Management Plans further prior to public exhibition.
- 3. Council defer public exhibition of the documents, and revise the documents before considering the updated documents

CONCLUSION

This report has presented Council with the set of draft Asset Management Plans for consideration and highlighted some of the key issues and challenges in each of the asset areas. It is recommended that these draft documents be released for public exhibition. Council is working towards improved maturity, integration and further implementation of Asset Management Plans and Strategic Plans to align with the Long Term Financial Plan

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP 3.1 Efficient transport networks that meet community and business needs.

- CSP 3.2 Improved Pedestrian and Cycle paths
- CSP 4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council
- CSP 4.4 Strategic management of Villages and Crown reserves
- CSP 6.2 Upgrade Community Buildings
- CSP 6.3 New and visually appealing streetscapes
- CSP 6.4 Improved Parks, Gardens and sporting ovals.
- CSP 6.5 Provision of neat, accessible and respectful cemeteries.

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

CSP 7.2 Ensure water security for all towns and villages.

CSP 7.3 Adequate town drainage

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That

- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report No. R22/167 be received and noted.
- 2. The draft asset management plans for transport, water and sewer, buildings and parks and reserves assets be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and the community be invited to make submissions on the draft documents.
- 3. Council note the summary of key issues raised in the asset management plans as identified in this report.
- 4. Following the expiry of the public exhibition period the Director of Infrastructure Services provide a report to Council on any submissions received, for consideration by Council, prior to the draft Asset Management Plans being adopted.

10.6 FY21/22 URBAN WORKS MONTHLY UPDATE FOR MAY

TRIM Number: R22/174

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 May 2022, in progress for the month of June 2022 and forecast for the month of July 2022.

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 Urban Works program, with some overlap with roads, utilities, tourism and buildings where required.

ISSUES AND COMMENTS

Project delivery in this area has focused on grant funded projects with funding deadlines and Capital works. The position of Manager Urban Works has been for filled and the recruitment of an Engineering Assistant is being finalised. The Covid-19 situation continues to impact on the daily activities of the Urban Works staff. Supply chains for materials and manufactured goods are still under pressure and procurement is unreliable, which requires the staff to liaise with stakeholders and grant bodies regarding possible impacts.

Tourism Precinct – stage 3. BBRF	Irrigation contractor has confirmed works will be commencing in June subject to any weather delays. Quotation requested for water and sewer main extensions.	
Wellington Square Irrigation	Irrigation contractor has confirmed works will commence in June.	
Footpath Tender	Contract documents provided. Construction timeframes for 7 locations to be confirmed.	
LED Streetlight replacement	Streetlight replacement program commenced 23rd May.	
Apex Park Pontoon	Fabrication of the Pontoon has been complete and delivery has been scheduled for the last week in June, subject to any weather delays.	
Lake Cargelligo Recreation Ground play equipment	Manufacture of the playground equipment has been complete. Installation was delayed until the second week in June due to wet weather.	
Condobolin Cemetery Row Markers	Installation of the cemetery row makers has been continuing.	

Works Completed in May

Works Underway in June

Tourism Precinct – stage 3. BBRF	Irrigation materials delivered and contractor to commence installation of pump shed, power supply and pipes. Landscape architect revising masterplan. Water and sewer connection confirm timing of works.
Scott Street Sub- division	Tender documents being prepared. Planned to release tender documents by the end of June.
Wellington Square Irrigation	Materials delivered. Irrigation contractor to commence installation.
Footpath Tender	Execute Contract. Commence footpath construction during school holidays around Molong, William and McDonnel streets.
LED Streetlight replacement	Streetlight replacement program continues Shire wide. Anticipated that 90% will be completed by the end of June.
Apex Park Pontoon	Delivery of the Pontoon and the contractor commencing installation in the last week of June, subject to any weather delays.
Lake Cargelligo Recreation Ground play equipment	Dismantle and removal of the existing playground Installation of play equipment commencing. Playground fencing, Timber edging and park seating all to be installed.
Disabled Parking – Canada Street	Works have been complete on the disabled parking bay at the Canada Street Doctors Surgery.
Condobolin Cemetery Row markers	Installation of the row makers are scheduled to be complete.

Works Scheduled in July

Tourism Precinct – stage 3. BBRF	Irrigation Contractor planning to complete works. Dog exercise equipment installation is planned to be completed. Water and sewer connection planning to undertake works.	
Scott Street Sub- division	Tender to close by the end of July	
Wellington Square Irrigation	Irrigation Contractor planning to have works complete and operational.	
Footpath Tender	Complete footpath construction during school holidays around Molong, William and McDonnel streets	
Apex Park Pontoon	Installation proposed to be completed Water edge and landscape improvements to be undertaken.	
Lake Cargelligo Recreation Ground play equipment	Installation to be completed and the playground be opened to the public.	

Financial and Resource Implications

Project	Budget	Funding Source	Expenditure To Date	Forecast Expenditure	Comments
Tourism Precinct Stage 3	\$600K	BBRF 4 SCCF2	\$168K	\$600K	Budget is on track
Condobolin Cemetery Row Markers	\$26K	Capital Works	\$14K	\$26K	On Budget
Wellington Square Irrigation	\$39K	Capital Works	\$39K	\$39K	Revised scope is now on budget.
Apex Park pontoon	\$200K	Boating now	\$130K	\$200K	Budget is on track
Lake Cargelligo Play equip	\$145K	Everyone can play, Capital works	\$140K	\$145K	Scope revised to deliver under budget

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RISK IMPLICATIONS

Projects are being prioritised while the position of Engineering Assistant are being recruited. Priority will be given to grant funded works.

COVID-19 is still causing concern for the staff, budgets and supply of goods and materials.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Staff are seeking to engage with specific stakeholders on each project, in accordance with Council's community consultation policy.

OPTIONS

- 1. Council continue to implement urban works capital improvements as programmed, as resources permit, i.e. as funds, staff and contractors are available.
- 2. Council amend the capital improvements program and budget.

CONCLUSION

This report updates Council on the capital improvements undertaken by the Urban Works team in May 2022, in progress for June 2022 and forecast work for July 2022.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 3.3 Upgrade Street Lighting
- 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. R22/174 be received and noted.

10.7 RURAL FIRE SERVICE SHED - LAND ACQUISITION WEJA ROAD, UNGARIE

TRIM Number: R22/180

Author: Director Infrastructure Services

PURPOSE

Update Council on the progress of the Rural Fire Service Shed at Weja.

Seek a resolution of Council for the compulsory acquisition of Lot 1 DP1284208 Parish of Bygalorie, County of Gipps from Colin Arthur Worland, for the purpose of constructing the RFS shed.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Attachment 1 - Plan of subdivision - completed by Arndell Surveying

BACKGROUND

In August 2020, the RFS confirmed they had secured funding for a single bay RFS shed, to be located on Weja Road, Ungarie.

The RFS have changed their policy for constructing rural fire sheds. The previous practise of negotiating a lease/licence/MOU with individual land owners has caused some issues in other LGA's. The policy has now changed to require the land to be in public ownership (Council) before construction is to commence. In the example of the "Weja" fire shed, this required a small parcel of land to be subdivided from Mr Colin Author Worland's property prior to the shed being constructed. Below is a map of the existing Lot 46 DP 753076, with the red star indicating the approximate location of the small parcel of land to be subdivided. The RFS has an agreement with the land owner that the land is to be donated by Mr Worland for the purposes of building an RFS shed, with all surveying and legal costs to be covered by the RFS.



ISSUES AND COMMENTS

Council has received legal advice that the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991* applies to all acquisitions of land in NSW by an authority, unless that land was available for public sale. As the land has been identified for the sole purpose of RFS shed construction, the subject land was not available for public sale. The legal advice states that the land must therefore must be purchased by Council in accordance with S30 of the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*.

In this case, the process is effectively compulsory acquisition by agreement. However, the process is important because on notification of the acquisition in the gazette, the property is automatically resumed by (transferred to) Council.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The Rural Fire Service change in shed construction procedure has introduced additional costs to the process. In FY 2017 the RFS indicated to Council that a budget of \$100,000 will be made available for this shed construction. The site was identified and confirmed in 2018. The subdivision process did not commence until August 2021.

To date the cost to survey, and lodge the subdivision is approaching \$10,000. This does not include legal fees.

The shed kit has been purchased for \$28,499.

A preferred builder for the shed installation has been selected however, confirmation from the RFS that budget overruns will be covered by the RFS is required before work commences. The cost of the shed construction is commercial in confidence at this point in time.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991

Local Government Act 1993

Infrastructure SEPP 2008

RISK IMPLICATIONS

The acquiring of further land and an RFS shed asset is in contradiction to the recommendations of the Buildings Asset Management Plan presented to Council in a separate report.

The role Council must play in the provision of Rural Fire services and equipment has a community benefit. However, Council has limited opportunity to decline to accept these assets. Council can however insist that these assets are constructed to an appropriate standard and the RFS must fund the complete budget for installation and maintenance of the assets.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

The land holder Mr Worland and the RFS have agreed on the location and size of the lot of land to be acquired for the sole purpose of constructing an RFS shed. To date, Council staff have facilitated the survey and subdivision.

Council may wish to consider raising this additional administration burden that the RFS has placed on Council to a higher forum and request the process of land acquisition and subdivision be revised.

OPTIONS

- 1. Council resolve to acquire the land described as Lot 1 DP1274208.
- 2. Council decline to acquire the land described as Lot 1 DP1274208.

CONCLUSION

Council has been updated on the progress of the Rural Fire Service shed at Weja. It is recommended that Council support the compulsory acquisition of Lot 1 DP1284208 Parish of Bygalorie, County of Gipps from Colin Arthur Worland, for the purpose of constructing the RFS shed.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

1. DP1284208 <u>J</u>

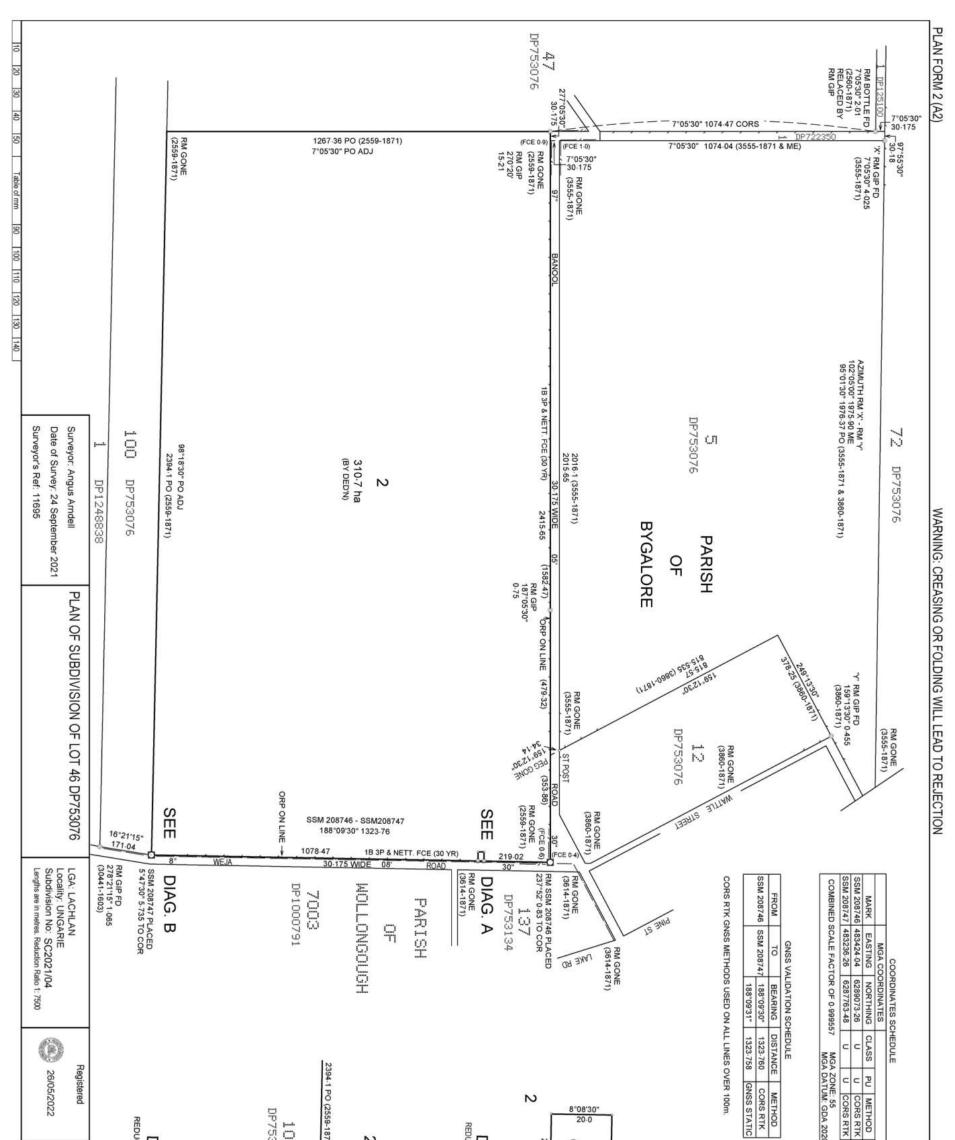
RECOMMENDATION

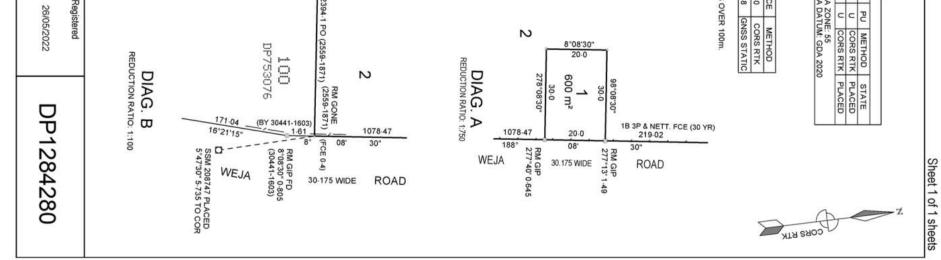
That:

- 1. The Director Infrastructure Services Report R22/180 be received and noted
- 2. Council acquire lands in accordance with section 186 of the Local Government Act 1993 for the purpose of a Rural Fire station;
- 3. Council undertake acquisition by compulsory process of the land described as Lot 1 DP1284208 Parish of Bygalorie, County of Gipps from Colin Arthur Worland;
- 4. The General Manager is authorised to instruct Council's solicitors to make the necessary application to the Minister and/or the Governor to approve the acquisition under the Just Terms Compensation Act.

Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda

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11 DEPUTATIONS

12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

13 NOTICES OF RESCISSION

Nil

14 DELEGATES REPORT

14.1 CENTRAL NSW JOINT ORGANISATION BOARD MEETING 26 MAY 2022

TRIM Number: R22/151

Author: Executive Assistant - General Management

PURPOSE

To provide Council with a report on the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board meeting held in Sydney on the 26 May attended by the Mayor.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The report from the Central NSW Joint Organisation Chair is attached.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP 4.2 Strong effective and responsive Council

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment A <u>J</u>

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. The Mayor's report No. R22/151 on the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board meeting held on 26 May 2022 be received and noted.
- 2. Council provide feedback to the Joint Organisation Board on post federal election priorities.

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Report from the Chair Central NSW Joint Organisation Board meeting 26 May 2022 in Sydney

Recommendations

That Council note the report from Mayor on the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board meeting 26 May and provide feedback to the Board regarding post federal election priorities.

Please find following advice from the Chair of the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board meeting 26 May in Sydney. The Board met in Sydney to allow members to attend to Country Mayors Association Health Forum later in the day.

Speakers to the meeting included DPE representatives Amanda Chadwick, Executive Director Performance Division -Water Group, Jim Bentley, Deputy Secretary & CEO NSW Water Sector and Shagofta Ali, Leader of the Regional Water Strategies.



The meeting considered fourteen reports where the full agenda is available on the website https://www.centraljo.nsw.gov.au/business-papers-agendas/ There was significant discussion on the opportunities from the federal election result where further advocacy will be undertaken in June alongside of the National General Assembly in June. Advice is sought from members in this regard where correspondence has been provided separately to this report to Council.

A media release was called for and subsequently issued via Mayors that recognises the role of 'local' in the future of the nation's leadership. https://www.centraljo.nsw.gov.au/media-releases/

Statement of Budget and Revenue 2022-2023

The Board approved the 2022/2023 Budget and Statement of Revenue to the Board with a 2.5% increase in fees with the exception of fees for the Central Joint Organisation Water Utilities' Alliance

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which will have no increase; and an internally restricted reserve of \$150K to enable outcomes from the Best Practice in Procurement Program. Of interest is;

- the Chair of GMAC is progressing discussion with Lithgow City Council on their interest in membership options;
- The Board is to receive a report on working more closely with Penrith City including membership options; and
- UMCC Upper Macquarie Country Council is to become an associate member.

Best Practice in Aggregated Procurement

The outgoing Board received a report in November 2021 and resolved inter alia to recommend to the incoming Board that it adopt the BPAP Stages 1-6 reports and progress a number of recommendations.

Aggregated procurement has shown over \$5m of savings to members since the JO was proclaimed in May 2018. Please find more detail on cost savings and other value of the JO later in this report.

At the February 2022 meeting, the Board requested a presentation on the BPAP findings which was provided to members via Zoom on 5 May 2022. The presentation can be provided on request. The Board adopted all the recommendations which will now be implemented through the General Managers' Advisory Committee (GMAC).

The Statement of Budget and Revenue makes provision for further investment in this program.

Electric Vehicles

Seven member Councils submitted an EOI to the NSW Government's EV fast charging application. It is understood that some Councils have been contacted by charging network operators. If Councils wish to seek further support from ChargeWorks to assist with responses from operators as a result of the EOI, the JO has agreed to provide each Council up to 2.5 hours of support, which will be funded through the OLG Capacity Building funding earmarked for energy projects.



The round focusing on destination chargers has recently been announced, opening on 23 May and closing on 23 September. The site assessment work undertaken by ChargeWorks in September 2021 identified the following destination charging sites:

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Council	Site	Recommended Equipment Size	Estimated Cost EVSE + Install	Estimated Cost Infrastructure
Bathurst	Sofala	1 x 25kW DC	\$30,000	\$0
	Hill End	1 x 22kW AC	\$9,000	\$0
	Rockley	2 x 7kW	\$12,000	\$0
Blayney	Train Station	2 x Lockable Power Point	\$5,000	\$0
	Milthorpe	1 x 22kW Dual Port	\$20,000	\$0
Cabonne	Eugowra - Grevilia Ave Park	1 x 25kW DC	\$30,000	\$0
	Canowindra - Age of Fishes - VIC	1 x 25kW DC	\$33,000	\$0
Cowra	Japanese Gardens	2 x 7kW	\$12,000	\$0
	Aquatic Centre	2 x 7kW	\$10,000	\$0
Forbes	Victoria Park	2 x dual port 22kW	\$24,000	\$0
Lachlan	Bathurst St - Condobolin	1 x dual port 22kW	\$15,000	\$0
	VIC - Lake Cargelligo	1 x dual port 22kW	\$15,000	\$0
	Tottenham Memorial Park	1 x 25kW DC	\$32,000	\$0
Oberon	Tallys Lane	1 x dual port 22kW	\$18,000	\$0
Orange	Civic Centre Carpark	6 x 7kW	\$30,000	\$10,000
	Woolworths Carpark	2 x dual port 22kW	\$26,000	\$0
Parkes	Peak Hill	1 x 25-50kW DC	\$45,000	\$5,000
Weddin	Forbes St	1x 25-50kW Dual port DC	\$45,000	\$5,000
			\$411,000.00	\$20,000.00

The grant guidelines state that DC charging is not covered, so consideration is being given to those sites in the table above flagged for 25kW DC charging and whether 22kW is a suitable alternative.

Support is being provided to members via the JO and the DPE Sustainable Councils team who have provided further funding to engage Chargeworks to assist Councils in preparing and collating the information required for the grant round.

Review of the CNSWJO Strategy

CNSWJO must review its strategy each term. Given JO Board meetings are quarterly, 6 Mayors nominated to form a subcommittee to take on the role of development of the strategy. The mandated Statement of Strategic Regional Priority is due in December 2022 and the subcommittee have been meeting regularly. Council will receive correspondence separately on the work undertaken by the subcommittee including seeking feedback on the draft priorities for the region.

The Board adopted the Central NSW Economic and Social Environmental Scan and this is available on the CNSWJO website at https://www.centraljo.nsw.gov.au/reports-policies/ This document provides advice on the opportunities identified at the State and Federal level for the Central NSW region and is a useful resource for Councils as it brings together a significant number of strategies the impact all members.

Finally, there will be a Summit in region in September where all Councillors will be invited to come together to shape the regional strategy going forward.

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Transport

Industry attending a meeting in Forbes, July 2019 identified the need for work to be done to enable Small to Medium Enterprise to access Inland Rail.

Subsequently a successful application by the CNSWJO and RDA Central West for a fully funded business case to be developed for a productivity enhancement project for Inland Rail. This project is being funded by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications.

The Board adopted the P2_022 Central West Consolidation Centre Gate 2 Pre-Feasibility Study report requires this project is at Gateway 2 -prefeasibility, we can now progress to Gateway 3.

Please request the summary advice (placemat in body of report) and see a presentation on the following link that was to be given to the Board but was cancelled with limited numbers available. https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:a4bc417f-878a-3ccb-bf23-f5186f8576e8

Water

Please request the full report that provides updates on advocacy by the region across multiple fronts in the strategic water planning and management space, including;

- information on the Options Assessment Process for the Regional Water Strategies,
- 10 yearly independent review by the Natural Resources Commission of the Water Sharing Plans for the Belubula Regulated, Macquarie Bogan Unregulated and Lachlan Unregulated River Water Sources 2012;
- on feedback to Infrastructure Australia on water infrastructure in their Regional Strengths and Infrastructure Gaps report.

With the implementation of a new Regulatory Framework for Local Water Utilities proposed to take effect from 1 July 2022, the Town Water Risk Reduction Program (TWRRP) has sought feedback on a draft Regulatory Framework for LWUs over April. While the sector has been working with the TWRRP for the past 18 months the issuing of the draft framework has drawn together the various moving parts of the program into one document that will be supported with a number of Guidance Notes currently being drafted.

At the same time the region is being asked to provide feedback to the Natural Resources Commission on whether the decade old Water Sharing Plans based on 20-year-old data should be reviewed or just extended. Town water was definitely an afterthought in these plans. It is critical that they are reviewed.

Likewise, the IA Regional Strengths and Infrastructure Gaps report does not adequately represent the region's current or future needs with respect to town water.

Where the State Government has emphasised the importance of the Regional Water Strategies in addressing water needs including for towns, progress is slow. Current advice is that they should be on exhibition in the second half of this calendar year.

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Regional Submissions

Members have forwarded requests for the JO to lodge submissions, where all advice provided is within existing policy. All are available on the CNSWJO website at https://www.centraljo.nsw.gov.au/submissions/

The Board has approved and/or endorses submissions for the

- a. Draft Central West and Orana Regional transport Plan;
- b. IPART proposed changes to the Waste Levy;
- c. DPE on the Draft Regulatory Framework for Local Water Utilities
- d. DPE on the draft Guidance Notes on Using the Integrated Planning and Reporting framework for local water utility strategic planning
- e. RACE for 2030 funding to enable an orderly transition to a renewable energy future; and
- f. Transgrid Consultation re Maintaining Reliable Supply to the Bathurst, Orange and Parkes areas.

Value to members

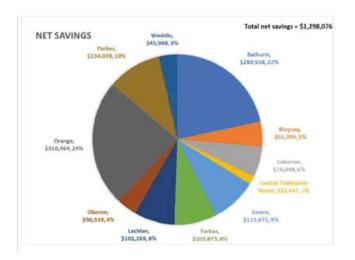
A snapshot of the value to members of the various activities undertaken by the JO for their members in the context of the CNSWJO Strategic Plan follows.

VALUE FOR MEMBERS2020/2021	FY 2019/2020	FY 2020/2021	FYTD2021/2022
SUBMISSIONS	20	23	16
PLANS, STRATEGIES ANDCOLLATERAL	26	12	2
GRANTS SEEKING	3	3	0
GRANT FUNDING RECEIVED	\$215k	\$736k	0
COMPLIANCE	13	9	10
DATA	6	3	1
MEDIA INCLUDING SOCIAL MEDIA	13	18	22
COST SAVINGS	\$1.87m	\$2.2m	\$1.3m
REPRESENTATION	147	159	206
OPPORTUNITIES COUNCILS HAVE BEEN AFFORDED	35	102	100

Savings

The following chart shows the savings achieved by member councils through aggregated procurement and programming net of JO costs. An explanation of the meaning of each column has been reported previously and is available on request. The chart reflects savings in the 21/22 financial year to date.

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Please contact Ms Jennifer Bennett, Executive Officer, 0428690935, with any queries regarding this advice.

Minutes of the CNSWJO Board Meeting 26 May 2022 held in Sydney at Club York.

In Attendance			
Cr R Taylor	Bathurst Regional Council	Cr M Kellam	Oberon Council
Cr K Beatty	Cabonne Council	Cr J Hamling	Orange City Council
Cr B West	Cowra Shire Council	Cr K Keith OAM	Parkes Shire Council
Cr P Miller OAM	Forbes Shire Council		
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Mr D Sherley	Bathurst Regional Council	Ms R Fagan	RDACW
Mr B Byrnes	Cabonne Council	Mr W Sunderland	RDACW
Mr P Devery	Cowra Shire Council	Mr B Reynolds*	UMCC
Mr S Loane OAM	Forbes Shire Council	Ms J Bennett	CNSWJO
Mr G Wallace	Oberon Council	Ms M Macpherson	CNSWJO
Mr D Waddell	Orange City Council	Ms A Thomas	CNSWJO
Mr G Rhodes	Central Tablelands Water	Ms C Griffin	CNSWJO
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*Joined via zoom

Meeting opened at 9.02 am by Chair Cr Kevin Beatty

1. Welcome from the Chair

2. Acknowledgement of Country

Speakers from the Department of Primary Industries & the Environment 3.

- Amanda Chadwick, Executive Director Performance Division -Water Group
- Jim Bentley, Deputy Secretary & CEO NSW Water Sector
- Shagofta Ali, Leader of the Regional Water Strategies •

4. Apologies applications for a leave of absence by Joint Voting representatives

Cr S Ferguson, Cr J Medcalf, Cr C Bembrick, Cr D Somerville, Mr K Boyd, Mr G Tory, Mr M Kershaw, Mr R Earl.

Resolved

That the apologies for the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board meeting 26 May 2022 listed above be accepted.

5. **Conflicts of Interest**

Resolved

A conflict of interest was declared for the Economic Environment and Social Assessment.

6. Minutes

Confirmation of the Minutes of the Central NSW Joint Organisation meeting 24 February 2022 held in Canowindra

Resolved

Cr P Miller/Cr R Taylor That the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board confirm the Minutes of the meeting 24 February 2022 held in Canowindra.

Business Arising from the Minutes – Matters in Progress 7.

Cr K Keith/Cr M Kellam Resolved That the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board note the Matters in Progress, making deletions as suggested.

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Cr P Miller/Cr J Hamling

Cr M Kellam/ Cr K Keith

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Cr B West/ Cr M Kellam

Cr M Kellam/Cr J Hamling

8. Reports on Statement of Regional Strategic Priority

Priority One: Inter-Council Co-operation

a. Financial Report

Resolved

That the Board note the Financial Report.

b. Remuneration for the Chair and or other Mayors in their capacity as Board members for the Central NSW JO

Resolved

That the Board note the report on remuneration of the Chair and defer the matter to the next meeting.

c. Statement of Budget and Revenue 2022-2023

Resolved Cr P Miller/Cr M	Kellam
That the Board note the Report on the Statement of Budget and Revenue 2022/2023 and	
1. Approve the draft 2022/2023 Budget and Statement of Revenue to the Board including	
a. A 2.5% increase in fees with the exception of fees for the Central Joint Organisation V	Nater
Utilities' Alliance which will have no increase;	
b. an internally restricted reserve of \$150K to enable outcomes from the Best Practice i	n
Procurement Program;	
c. noting that the Chair of GMAC is progressing discussion with Lithgow City Council on	their

- noting that the Chair of GMAC is progressing discussion with Lithgow City Council on their interest in membership options;
- d. receive a report on working more closely with Penrith City including membership options; and
- 2. Offer an associate membership to the Upper Macquarie Country Council for \$2000.

d. Review of the Statement of Strategic Regional Priority Subcommittee update

Resolved Cr M Kellam/Cr B West That the Board note the report on progress on developing the Statement of Strategic Regional Priority for

this term of the JO; and

Resolved

- Adopt the Terms of Reference for the Statement of Strategic Regional Priority Subcommittee;
 - b. Adopt the Environmental Scan of Social and Economic Strategies; and
 - c. Write to members updating them on the process and seeking feedback on priorities.

e. Advocacy to the State and Federal Governments

 Resolved
 Cr P Miller/Cr B West

 That the Board note the report on Advocacy to the State and Federal Governments and
 1. Seek feedback from members regarding messages

f. Best Practice in Aggregated Procurement Program

Cr K Keith/Cr M Kellam

That the Board notes the report on the Best Practice in Aggregated Procurement Program and 1. Adopt the Stages 1-6 deliverables including the recommendations and

- a. consider the extent to which Procurement Model 2 is of value to members;
- b. build on the strength of the procurement roles of the JO;
- c. adopt a management fee model for income to the JO using a shared cost savings methodology;
- d. consider using a shared cost savings methodology for the resourcing required for the JO to support an increased level of procurement as well as supporting other JO programming more broadly noting that councils are reporting they do not want to pay more in fees;

Resolved

Resolved

Resolved

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- e. consider other value-added services including training, sharing expertise, audits and health checks etc., and how these would be funded;
- f. consider each of the best practice initiatives and decide which should be pursued and in which priority order; and
- g. send the letter to the Minister for Local Government regarding changes to the Act in relation to procurement undertaken by Joint Organisations as per Stage 1b advice;
- 2. Nominate the Inter-Council Cooperation Priority Sponsoring General Managers and the Chair of GMAC to oversee the progression of the recommendations;
- 3. Internally restrict \$150k from reserves to enable the outcomes of the Best Practice in Aggregated Procurement Program; and
- 4. As part of the review of the Statement of Strategic Regional Priorities, consider the recruitment of a Project Officer to support the procurement and contract management function of the JO, as well as other regional programs as needed.

g. Regional Procurement and Contracts

Cr M Kellam/Cr B West

That the Board notes the report on the Procurement and Contract Management and

- 1. approve a 12-month extension for the following contracts:
 - a. restocking of first aid kits with St John Ambulance;
 - b. Employee Assistance Program with Converge International;
 - c. traffic control training with Dubbo Traffic Control, Admire Workplace Safety, and Australian Training and Consulting;
- 2. note a 3-month extension of the ERP contract with 100% Renewables;
- 3. approve a new procurement process for:
 - a. restocking of first aid kits, with the inclusion of a 5% contract management fee;
 - b. Employee Assistance Program, with the inclusion of a 5% contract management fee; and
 - c. asset revaluations of buildings and operational land, with the inclusion of a 5% contract management fee.

h. Energy Program

Cr M Kellam/Cr J Hamling

That the Board notes the report on the Energy Program and

- 1. notes the progress on the electricity procurement process;
- 2. notes the update on the Southern Lights project, particularly in relation to Essential Energy's decision to not proceed with smart controls at this time, and seek further information on alternate options from Councils to enable them to optimise the street lights;
- 3. endorse the Transgrid consultation submission in regard to Maintaining Reliable Supply to the Bathurst, Orange and Parkes areas; and
- 4. encourage members to participate in the recently announced grant funding round for EV destination chargers.

i. Skills Shortages Report

Cr K Keith/Cr B West

That the Board note the Skills Shortages report.

Priority Three: Transport and Infrastructure

j. Inland Rail Productivity Enhance Program – Adoption of the Ernst & Young Report P2_022 Central West Consolidation Centre Gate 2 Pre-Feasibility Study

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Resolved		Cr ł	Keith/Cr P Miller

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That the Board adopt the P2_022 Central West Consolidation Centre Gate 2 Pre-Feasibility Study report with the following feedback for inclusion in Gate 3;

- 1. value to other Councils in the region in the context of value to the producer;
- 2. more detail on the potential of fertiliser aggregation to and from the region;
- 3. more business engagement;
- 4. non-infrastructure enablers like AQUIS located in region; and
- 5. the potential for induced demand.

11.00am

Cr Kevin Beatty left the meeting to attend the NSW JO Chairs meeting with Ms Meredith Macpherson There was a short recess.

11.15am Meeting resumed with Cr Kellam as Chair

Priority Four: Regional Water Security

k. Water Update

Resolved

Cr R Taylor/Cr B West

- That the Board note the Regional Water report and
 - 1. endorse the submission made through the Executive to the DPE TWRRP on the Draft Regulatory Framework;
 - endorse the submission made through the Executive to the DPE TWRRP on the Draft Guidance Notes on Using the Integrated Planning and Reporting framework for local water utility strategic planning;
 - commend that submissions be made through the Executive to the Natural Resources Commission recommending that the Water Sharing Plans for the Macquarie-Bogan and Lachlan Unregulated River Water Sources be reviewed to recognise and better enable water for critical human needs;
 - 4. write Letter to Kevin Anderson regarding the water supply 75/25 funding framework and linkages to CSO.

I. Report to the Central NSW JO Strategic Plan and Statement of Regional Strategic Priority

Resolved Cr P Miller/Cr K Keith
That the Board note the report to the Central NSW JO Strategic Plan and Statement of Regional Strategic
Priority and
 adopt the Terms of Reference for the Central NSW Joint Organisation Audit Risk and Improvement in Councils Working Group;
2. endorse the following submissions:
a. Draft Central West and Orana Regional Transport Plan; and
 IPART proposed changes to the Waste Levy;
 endorse the \$5k for the renewal of the Regional Activators Alliance Membership for another 12 months;
 follow-up on the advice from the Auditor General about our representation on anomalies in the common Planning assumptions;
5. authorise Ms J Bennett as a member Board of Regional Arts NSW;

- 6. follow-up with the Minister for Tourism, Stuart Ayres, regarding signoff to enable the changed Destination Central Network Boundary including Forbes, Parkes and Lachlan;
- 7. advocate to ensure all members of the CNSWJO are included in the Central West Regional Leadership Executive Boundary; and
- 8. invite Mr Garry Barnes to the next meeting.

9. Confidential Reports

a. Legal Advice to inform response to the Town Water Risk Reduction Program Consultation Draft Regulatory Framework for Local Water Utilities

Cr P Miller/ Cr J Hamling

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Resolved That the Board:

- 1. Move into closed session to consider legal advice;
- 2. Pursuant to section 10A(1)-(3) of the Local Government Act 1993, the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of section 10A(2) as outlined above; and
- 3. Correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from access.

Resolved

Cr B West/ Cr R Taylor

That the Board note the confidential report on the Response to the Town Water Risk Reduction Program Consultation Draft Regulatory Framework for Local Water Utilities and under the hand of the Chair develops a submission and advocates strongly in response to the Town Water Risk Reduction Program Consultation Draft Regulatory Framework for Local Water Utilities that draws on legal advice from Crennan Legal and supports:

- 1. Funding for town water infrastructure decoupled from strategic planning by Local Water Utilities that recognises that access to quality secure water is a basic human right
- Strategic Planning for LWUs to be removed from the regulatory framework recognising strategy is also regulated in the Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) framework of the Local Government Act 1993
- 3. A Section 60 appeal process that provides for independent dispute resolution
- 4. A funding framework that incentivises JOs in a regional approach to LWU strategic planning where value to both the State Government and JO members can be leveraged
- 5. An opportunity for the CNSWJO to pilot using the IP&R framework for local water utility strategic planning through a regional lens with its member Councils
- 6. Assurance from the DPE to the provision of one-source of truth with respect to secure yield data
- Commitment to the need for inter-governmental collaboration on strategic regional water planning and management through a multi-agency committee with Local Government at the table in regional NSW, including a Governance and Implementation Plan for delivery of the longawaited place-based Regional Water Strategies.

b. Small Market Electricity Sites Contract

 Resolved
 Cr J Hamling/ Cr K Keith

 That the Board note the report on the small market electricity contract and
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 1. approve the transition to the NSW Government contract for small market electricity sites with Shell Energy and that CNSWJO does not conduct a new procurement process,
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 2. note the legal advice received in relation to the early exit of the current small market electricity contract, and
 3.

 3. members to give consideration to whether they wish to transition to the NSW Government contract when it commences on 1 July 2022 or wait until 1 January 2023.

Resolved

Cr K Keith/Cr R Taylor

That the Board resumes open session.

10. Late Reports – Nil

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11. Matters raised by Members

Parkes: Ms J Bennett to bring a report to the Board on the potential for more activity in screen in Central NSW.

12. Speakers to next meeting

- 1. Mr Matt Keane Treasurer, and Minister for Energy
- 2. Mr James Griffin Minister for Environment and Heritage
- 3. Mr Dougall Saunders Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales
- 4. Mr Sam Farraway Minister for Regional Transport and Roads
- 5. Ms Wendy Tuckerman Minister for Local Government
- 6. Mr Anthony Roberts Minister for Planning and Minister for Homes
- 7. Mr Brad Hazzard Minister for Health
- 8. Ms Bonnie Taylor Minister for Regional Health
- 9. Mr Kevin Anderson Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing
- 10. Mr Paul Toole Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police

Seek to have dinner at Parliament House and for the Deputy Premier, ask Deputy Premier Paul Toole, to host.

13. Next meeting

GMAC – 28 July 2022 Board – 25 August 2022 – State Parliament

Meeting close 11.44pm

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14.2 COUNTRY MAYORS MEETING

TRIM Number: R22/153

Author: Executive Assistant - General Management

PURPOSE

To provide Council with the minutes of the Country Mayor's Rural Health Forum held on the 26th May and the Country Mayor's General meeting held on the 27th May in Sydney.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Copies of the minutes are attached.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP 4.2 Strong effective and Responsive Council.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Attachment A <u>J</u>
- 2. Attachment B <u>J</u>

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The General Manager's Report No R22/153 be received and noted.



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

MINUTES

RURAL HEALTH FORUM

FRIDAY, 26 MAY 2022 AUDITORIUM, CLUB YORK, SYDNEY

The meeting opened at 1.06 p.m.

1. ATTENDANCE:

Armidale Regional Council, Mayor, Cr Sam Coupland, Mayor Armidale Regional Council, Mr James Roncon, General Manager Bathurst Regional Council, Cr Robert Taylor, Mayor Bathurst Regional Council, Mr David Sherley, General Manager Bega Valley Shire Council, Cr Russell Fitzpatrick, Mayor Bega Valley Shire Council, Mr Anthony McMahon, Acting CEO Berrigan Shire Council, Cr Matthew Hannan, Mayor Bland Shire Council, Mr Ray Smith, General Manager Cabonne Shire Council, Cr Kevin Beatty, Mayor Cabonne Shire Council, Mr Brad Burns, General Manager Coolamon Shire Council, Cr David McCann, Mayor Coolamon Shire Council, Mr Tony Donoghue, General Manager Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, Cr Charlie Sheahan, Mayor Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, Mr Glen McAtear, Acting Deputy General Manager Cowra Shire Council, Cr Bill West, Mayor Cowra Shire Council, Cr Ruth Fagan Cowra Shire Council, Mr Paul Devery, General Manager Edward River Council, Cr Peta Betts, Mayor Edward River Council, Mr Phil Stone, General Manager Federation Council, Cr Patrick Bourke, Mayor Forbes Shire Council, Cr Phyllis Miller, Mayor Forbes Shire Council, Mr Steve Loane, General Manager Goulburn Mulwaree Council, Cr Bob Peter Walker, Mayor Goulburn Mulwaree Council, Mr Matt O'Rourke, Acting General Manager Griffith City Council, Cr John Doug Curran, Mayor Gunnedah Shire Council, Cr Jamie Chaffey, Mayor Gunnedah Shire Council, Mr Eric Growth, General Manager Gwydir Shire Council, Cr John Coulton, Mayor Gwydir Shire Council, Mr Max Eastcott, General Manager

Gwydir Shire Council, Cr Catherine Egan, Deputy Mayor Gwydir Shire Council, Cr Tiffany Galvin Gwydir Shire Council, Mrs Leeah Daley Gwydir Shire Council, Mrs Carmen Southwell Hay Shire Council, Cr Carol Oataway, Mayor Hay Shire Council, Mr David Webb, General Manager Inverell Shire Council, Cr Paul Harmon, Mayor Kempsey Shire Council, Cr Leo Hauville, Mayor Kempsey Shire Council, Mr Craig Milburn, General Manager Kiama Municipal Council, Cr Neil Reilly, Mayor Leeton Shire Council, Cr Tony Reneker, Mayor Leeton Shire Council, Ms Jackie Kruger, General Manager Liverpool Plains Shire Council, Cr Doug Hawkins, Mayor Liverpool Plains Shire Council, Ms Joanna Sangster, General Manager Mid Western/Mudgee Regional Council, Mr Brad Cam, General Manager Moree Plains Shire Council, Mr Nick Tobin, Acting General Manager Narrandera Shire Council, Cr Neville Kschenka, Mayor Narrandera Shire Council, Mr George Cowan, General Manager Oberon Council, Cr Mark Kellam, Mayor Oberon Council, Mr Gary Wallace, General Manager Orange City Council, Cr Jason Hamling, Mayor Orange City Council, Mr Dave Wadell, General Manager Parkes Shire Council, Cr Ken Keith, Mayor Tamworth Regional Council, Cr Judy Coates Temora Shire Council, Mr Gary Lavelle, General Manager Tenterfield Shire Council, Cr Bronwyn Petrie, Mayor Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Cr Pam Kensit, Mayor Uralla Shire Council, Cr Bob Crouch, Deputy Mayor Uralla Shire Council, Ms Kate Jessop, General Manager Warren Shire Council, Mr Gary Woodman, General Manager Warrumbungle Shire Council, Cr Ambrose Doolan, Mayor LGNSW, Mr Scott Phillips, CEO ALGA, Cr Linda Scott, President

APOLOGIES:

As submitted

To consider the recommendations of the Legislative Council report into "Health outcomes and access to health and hospital services in rural, regional and remote New South Wales"

Welcome and Introduction of Proceedings, Cr Ken Keith OAM, Chairman, Country Mayors Association of NSW

The Chairman welcomed members of CMA which advocates, for health services in rural NSW. It was Country Mayors that lobbied the State Government to establish a Ministry of Regional Health. The purpose of the forum is to guide a discussion and solutions for rural health in NSW. We need to get both Commonwealth and State Governments to pursue a new policy direction.

Cr Jamie Chaffey, Deputy Chairman, Country Mayors Association of NSW, Rural Health a Local Government Perspective

The Country Mayors Association is demanding change and acknowledges the Inquiry and all those that participated in it. Politics has to be removed from the equation. There should be no divide between metropolitan and rural NSW. The Ministry of Regional Health has been established because of Country Mayors. The Inquiry is the first to identify the shortcomings of rural health in NSW. There is an election due in NSW in the next 10 months and swift action is required. There were 720 submissions to the Inquiry which identified poorer health outcomes in rural NSW compared to metropolitan areas. There are significant poorer outcomes and poorer substandard and levels of care. It is complicated issue but action will save lives. Country Mayors calls on the implementation of all recommendations. Cr Chaffey outlined the issues affecting the Gunnedah community.

The Hon Bronnie Taylor MLC, Minister for women, Minister for Regional Health, Minister for Mental Health

The Minister is a registered nurse who practiced in rural NSW. The Minister thanked those that had the courage to come forward. 95% of patients admitted to rural hospitals had a good experience. That is not to say there aren't problems. We need to concentrate on those concerns. The best outcomes for mental health is to keep the patients in their communities. We Have't included Local Government in our conversations. Aged care support is a commitment of the new Federal Government. Driving hundreds of kilometers to see their loved ones is unacceptable. The State Government has established a Division of Regional Health and a Coordinator. There will be designated staff to consider problems as they arise. In respect of Telehealth and visual care the Minister does not believe virtual care should replace face to face consultation. There are benefits of Telehealth such as of lesser driving to appointments. The Government will not impose models of care that the communities do not want. Different levels of salaries to staff doing the same job causes discontent. 5,000 nurses per year are coming through the system. The doctors issue is a big issue. We are loosing a lot of doctors as they are not supported as much as they should.. A new medical school has been established at CSU. The Government has to address the recommendations of the Inquiry and the Government will respond before the six months timeline. We face enormous challenges and we will not walk away from them

Mr Ryan Park MP, Shadow Minister for Health and Mental Health

The Shadow Minister plans to approach the new National Cabinet with the outcomes of the Inquiry. He became Shadow minister for Health 3 years ago and after meeting practitioners from Far Western NSW he has tried to initiate change. The Inquiry had 720 submissions had 22 findings and 44 recommendations. There are a lot of good things that have happened but the Government needs to acknowledge a lot more needs to be done. The recommendations have not missed the mark and having a Minister for Regional Health is a good thina. There has not been a focus in the past at a bureaucratic level. We have agreed to implement the recommendations and there needs to be a report to each session of parliament on the implementation of the recommendations. Some people who made submissions took a risk to come forward. There needs to be more State responsibility for rural health and there needs to be regular input from the National Council. NSW needs to get better as there is a bureaucratic culture of secretecy. Boards are distant from their communities. There needs to be an opportunity for health workers to come forward with their concerns.

Mr Richard Colbran, Chief Executive Officer, Rural Doctors Network NSW

The Network was established in 1988 and accesses communities, workforce organisations and the sector Focuses and challenges are access service models, chronic disease

prevention, available hospitals preservations, workforce retention, recruitment, future workforce pathways and immersion, regions of choice campaigns, practice and NGO viability, remuneration advocacy, education, and engagement in workforce planning. What's working is well planned and tracked long term localized health models, workforce acknowledgement, rural health advocacy, practice and service system standards, future workforce programs, coordination of natural disaster responses and multi agency recruitment. What we can do together is joint rural health advocacy, LGA or town based health system and workforce plans, rural workforce campaigns, immersion programs and recruitment

Adjunct Professor, Ruth Stewart, National Rural Health Commissioner for Australia

Ruth Stewart has spent 30 years as a rural GP. At the time of the Medicare freeze GP's were the predominant provider for primary health care but now it is specialist providers. Rural communities need rural generalists. There are far fewer doctors per head of population in remote and rural communities. GP's in these communities are not doing General Practice work. Patient experience is that there are improved numbers in specialists but declining numbers in GP's. The economic drivers of medical care are financial incentives, Medicare indexation freeze, and ineffective retention grants. To rural proof the workforce metropolitan students with metropolitan internship only 12% become rural doctors. Non metro students with non metropolitan internship significant numbers stay in a non metropolitan practice.

Where to from here for Regional and Rural Health – Suggestions for positive change Issues that need to be considered by Country Mayors are

- (1) Local Health Districts need to introduce measures to hold on to internees
- (2) Develop a system to get overseas doctors into are communities (Leeton)
- (3) Support UNE, CSU, and SCU to establish new medical schools (Uralla)
- (4) Investigate administration and boundaries of Health Districts (Tenterfield)
- (5) Have Primary Care nurses connected to hospitals (Tamworth)
- (6) Indigenous Training of indigenous people for their communities (Parkes)
- (7) Advocacy approach and strategy to be developed by Country Mayors (Richard Colbran)
- (8) Ensure the State Government reports on the progress of the Inquiry (Richard Colbran)
- (9) The Commonwealth Government to explain what they are doing in respect of the Inquiry (Richard Colbran)
- (10)Thank those that have worked hard under a difficult situation (Richard Colbran)
- (11) Councils build health plans (Richard Colbran)
- (12) The issue is workforce. Where is the workforce and where do you get it (Richard Colbran)
- (13) Travel allowances to be simplified (Richard Colbran)
- (14) Need bipartisan support of the 44 recommendations and continuation of Minister for Regional Health
- (15) Reestablish Hospital Boards (Hay)

There being no further business the Forum closed at 5.17pm.

Cr Ken Keith OAM Chairman Country Mayor's Association of NSW



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MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING

FRIDAY, 27 MAY 2022 AUDITORIUM, CLUB YORK, SYDNEY

The meeting opened at 8.35 a.m.

1. ATTENDANCE:

Armidale Regional Council, Mayor, Cr Sam Coupland, Mayor Armidale Regional Council, Mr James Roncon, General Manager Ballina Shire Council, Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Mayor Bathurst Regional Council, Cr Robert Taylor, Mayor Bathurst Regional Council, Mr David Sherley, General Manager Bega Valley Shire Council, Cr Russell Fitzpatrick, Mayor Bega Valley Shire Council, Mr Anthony McMahon, CEO Berrigan Shire Council, Cr Matthew Hannan, Mayor Berrigan Shire Council, Mr Matt Hansen, Deputy CEO Bland Shire Council, Mr Ray Smith, General Manager Cabonne Shire Council, Cr Kevin Beatty, Mayor Cabonne Shire Council, Mr Brad Burns, General Manager Coolamon Shire Council, Cr David McCann, Mayor Coolamon Shire Council, Mr Tony Donoghue, General Manager Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, Cr Charlie Sheahan, Mayor Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, Mr Glen Atear, Acting Deputy General Manager Cowra Shire Council, Cr Bill West, Mayor Cowra Shire Council, Mr Paul Devery, General Manager Dubbo Regional Council, Cr Mathew Dickerson, Mayor Dubbo Regional Council, Mr Murray Wood, General Manager Edward River Council, Cr Peta Betts, Mayor Edward River Council, Mr Phil Stone, General Manager Federation Council, Cr Patrick Bourke, Mayor Forbes Shire Council, Cr Phyllis Miller, Mayor Forbes Shire Council, Mr Steve Loane, General Manager Glen Innes Shire Council, Cr Rod Banham, Mayor Glen Innes Shire Council, Mr Craig Bennett, General Manager Goulburn Mulwaree Council, Cr Bob Peter Walker, Mayor

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APOLOGIES:

As submitted

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Cr Linda Scott, President, ALGA The Hon Wendy Tuckerman MP, Minister for Local Government The Hon Paul Toole MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Police The Hon Kevin Anderson MP, Minister for Lands and Water, Minister for Hospitality and Racing Mr Scott Phillips, CEO, LGNSW Ms Anna Bowen, Head of Social Impact, Royal Far West

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED that the minutes of the General Meeting held on 11 March 2022 be accepted as a true and accurate record (Inverell Shire Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council).

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Nil

4. Cr Linda Scott, President, ALGA

Cr Scott thanked councils for campaigning Local Government issues in the recent Federal election. The change in government is working to ensure commitments are met and that Labor Party policy is implemented. ALGA has secured commitments for fair funding of Federal Assistance Grants, the Commonwealth Government will match the \$500 million coalition extension to the \$2.5billion Local Roads and Community Infrastructure program and invest a further \$250million, it will provide \$200million for disaster mitigation funding which will be based on application, will provide \$400million for mobile phone coverage in rural and regional areas and to return Local Government to the National Cabinet. ALGA's advocacy priorities are a climate change partnership, affordable housing partnership and circular economy waste innovation and reduction.

5. Health Forum

RESOLVED

1. That following the Country Mayors Health Forum, Country Mayors write to the Premier and Opposition leader thanking them for their representation at the forum through the Minister for Regional Health the Hon Bronnie Taylor MLC and the Shadow Minister for Health Ryan Park and recognise their bipartisan commitment to agreeing to address the rural and regional health issue across regional NSW

2. That Country Mayors seek commitment from the Premier and the leader of the Opposition to implement the recommendations of the Legislative Council Inquiry into the Health Outcomes and Access to Health and Hospital Services in Rural, Regional and Remote New South Wales

3. That the Country Mayors Executive Committee develop a further set of targeted health related priorities to advocate to both State and Federal Governments to address (Bega Valley Shire Council / Gunnedah Shire Council)

6. The Hon Wendy Tuckerman MP, Minister for Local Government

The Minister is pleased to have been appointed and wants to be a strong advocate for Local Government. She has discussed the 2022/23 rate variation with IPART and was able to get the variation resolved. There are challenges with the Environmental Services Levy but additional resources have been provided and additional funding has been pushed through for increased costs incurred by councils. The government has supported flood affected communities in northern NSW and has introduced a support program for skills for councils most in need. The OLG priorities are Sustainability and an IPART review. Some councils are not sustainable and there is a need to get those councils to be able to provide services to their communities. The Minister does not want the Office of Local Government reduced down to small numbers. A conduct review is to take place as there are a number of issues around the State. Joint Organisations are calling for more resourcing and a consultation process is to commence shortly.

7. The Hon Paul Toole MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Police

If regional NSW is going well then NSW is going well. The Minister wants to knock on the doors of the new Commonwealth Ministers to make sure regional and rural NSW is not forgotten. He will stand up for rural NSW. The Minister wants communities first and wants a government that responds to emergencies. Regional NSW has become a great place to live and government investment has transformed communities. Lots of projects are being undertaken not only large but also small such as overtaking lanes and the replacement of timber bridges. Regional Growth is funding 2700 projects across the State. Improved facilities support other services such as tourism and recreation opportunities. The Regional Job Creation Fund is creating 7,000 jobs in regional NSW, and Resources for Regions is supporting communities affected by mining, while connectivity for phone coverage although not a State responsibility is being supported by the government. Policing was a role he took on because additional police are required in rural NSW and he wants to ensure that it gets its fair share of police resources. The State government wants to work with Local Government and wants to do projects in partnership with Local Government

8. The Hon Kevin Anderson MP, Minister for Lands and Water, Minister for Hospitality and Racing

The Minister can understand the frustration with dealing with government departments and invites us to contact his office if there is frustration in cutting through the red tape. There are 233 Safe and Secure water projects that are being undertaken. The State has gone from running out of water to a plentiful supply causing different challenging issues. The Water Efficiency Program fixes leaks. The Crown Reserve Improvement Fund has an additional \$7million. There is \$29million available for improvements to racetracks and \$72million for showground maintenance upgrades. Crown land needs to be unlocked far social and affordable housing. The Department can work with land claims at a local level and it is open to working with them.

9. Mr Scott Phillips, CEO, LGNSW

Mr Phillips provided a report on the work of LGNSW since the last meeting on advocacy priorities and updates including Domestic Waste Management Charges Review, Emergency Services Levy and Rural fire Service Assets, ePlanning and NSW Planning Survey, and Housing and outlined advocacy wins such as the 2022-2023 rate peg determination, extra finance to cover the ESL increase for 2022-23, the new report on rural, regional and remote health crisis, the parliamentary inquiry into the conduct of elections held under COVID-19 conditions, flood relief for councils and funding for modular housing package for flood affected communities

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Outward

- (a) The Hon Sam Farraway MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads thanking him for his presentation to the 11 March 2022 meeting
- (b) Mr Simon Hunter, Executive Director Strategy and innovation, NSW Department of Planning and Environment, thanking him for his presentation to the 11 March meeting 2022
- (c) The Hon Dominic Perrottet MP, Premier, inviting him to present at the 27 May 2022 meeting
- (d) The Hon Wendy Tuckerman MP, Minister for Local Government, regarding the inclusion of RFS Assets in a council balance sheet
- (e) The Hon Kevin Anderson MP, Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing inviting him to present at the 27 May 2022 meeting
- (f) The Hon Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning and Minister for Homes, following up the Associations letter to Minister Stokes regarding employment zones
- (g) The Hon Paul Toole MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW and Minister for Police, inviting him to present at the 27 May 2022 meeting
- (h) The Hon James Griffin MP, Minister for Environment and Heritage regarding impacts on rural NSW by the Bio Diversity Offset Scheme
- (i) The Hon Bronnie Taylor MLC, Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health and Minister for Mental Health, regarding the holding of a Rural Health Forum

Inward

- (a) Ms Ally Dench, Executive Director, Local Government, Office of Local Government NSW, regarding Joint Organisations and the Rural Council Model
- (b) Cr Rick Firman OAM, Chairman, Riverina JO, regarding the IPART Peg Methodology
- (c) El Smith, Director of Administration and Finance, Temora Shire Council, regarding the IPART Peg Methodology

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11. FINANCIAL REPORT

RESOLVED That the financial reports for the last quarter were tabled and accepted (Gunnedah Shire Council / Leeton Shire Council)

12. Ms Anna Bowen, Head of Social Impact, Royal Far West

Royal Far West has a long history with rural NSW and although based in Sydney many staff are from country areas. Rural communities are doing it tough and rural children are worse off developmentally than their city counterparts due to environmental and social reasons. Royal Far West provides 750 children with pediatric services, it has a bushfire program and a flood intervention program. They are getting smarter and more effective in recognizing what works. The royal far west is affected by the workforce shortage so are backing that up with telehealth.

13 Environmental Planning and Assessment (Development Certification and Fire Safety) Regulation 2021

RESOLVED that Country Mayors seek to meet with the NSW Minister for Local Government and the Minister for Planning to seek an urgent amendment to the Environmental Planning and Assess (Development Certification and Fire Safety) Regulation 2021 (Murray River Council / Tenterfield Shire Council)

14. New Commonwealth Government Programs

RESOLVED That Country Mayors requests that the new Commonwealth Government commit to or enhance the Local Governments programs of the previous government (Armidale Regional Council /Bega Valley Shire Council)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.05pm.

Cr Ken Keith OAM Chairman Country Mayor's Association of NSW

15 CORRESPONDENCE

15.1 CORRESPONDENCE - JUNE

TRIM Number: R22/152

Author: Executive Assistant - General Management

PURPOSE

To provide Council with correspondence received for the month of June.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Correspondence from a visitor to Lake Cargelligo.

Country Women's Association of NSW Oxley Group Public Speaking - letter of thanks

Central NSW Joint Organisation – Member's priorities.

Murray Darling Association, Information, MDA Progress and Achievements.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

CSP 4.8 Strong effective and responsive Council.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Attachment A 👃
- 2. Attachment B <u>J</u>
- 3. Attachment C 👢
- 4. Attachment D <u>J</u>
- 5. Attachement E <u>J</u>

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Correspondence Report No R22/152 be received and noted.

Hi Lachlan Council staff.

I visited Lake Cargelligo on the weekend with my parents (both in thier 80s) and we had a great time there.

I would like to congratulate the local council workers and Lachlan Shire Council on the following points:

The visitors information centre staff were very friendly and my mum enjoyed talking to them. She received useful advice re interesting places to visit and places to avoid due to wet road conditions.
 The roads were very well maintained and tidy.

3) The parks fronting the lake were also very well maintained and tidy, with grass mowed and no rubbish.

4) The new cycle path to Dead Mans Point is fantastic. I rode my bike there and back a couple of times. It is a fun ride and a great asset for the residents and visitors to enjoy.

It was a pleasure to visit and I look forward to returning.

Thanks

Andrew.

Andrew Keith Asset Management Coordinator p 02 6969 4836 | m 0423 745 618

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Griffith City Council acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians and ancestors of the land and waters where we work.



30 th May 2022
The General Manager
Lachlan Shire Council
P O Box 216
Condobolin. NSW. 2877

LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL RECEIVED
- 2 JUN 2022
FILE No.
REFERRED TO K. Degler

Dear Sir / Madam

Re: Oxley Group CWA 2022 Junior Public Speaking Competition.

Please convey to all Council members our thanks for your most generous donation to the continuance of our public speaking contest. We can continue to offer the experience of the competition when we have support from the community.

We had 84 students registered over 4 sections which was a wonderful response. The judges were presented with a difficult task in choosing the most outstanding students. These student have now been invited and given the information to participate in The Inter Group Contest which will be held in Cowra on Monday 20th June 2022

I have enclosed a summary of the competition and the results of the competition. The Group Publicity Officer will send a report to all papers which we hope will be printed in the next few weeks.

Yours sincerely

Ros Edwards

Mrs Ros Edwards Convenor and Oxley Group Treasurer. P O Box 10 Bogan Gate. NSW 2876 Phone: (02) 6864 – 1023 Email: <u>steve.edwards2876@gmail.com</u>

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Oxley Group Public Speaking Results. 24th May 2022

Years 3 & 4		
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н/с	Samara Wood – Parkes East Public School	What my pet is thinking
н/с	Belle Bardawil – St Francis Xavier, Lake Cargelligo.	Funny things adults say
н /с	Chelsea Ray – Parkes Christian School	What my pet is thinking
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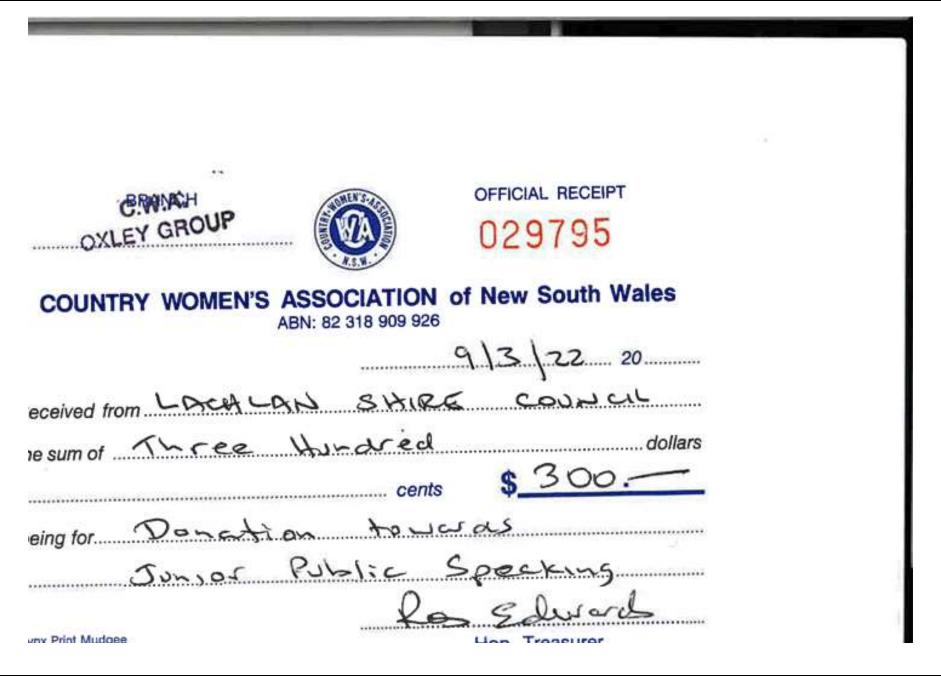
Winner:	Layla Kupkee – Holy Family, Parkes	Topic - Rain
H/C	Rhys Hutchins – Parkes Public School	Rain
H/C	Grace Mayo – Parkes Christian School	The best gift ever
H/C	Saxon Guess – Parkes Public School	The best gift ever
Reserves: C	Catalina Elias - St Joseph's, Condobolin	The best gift ever
1	Heidi Barker – Parkes Christian School	Rain

Years 7 & 8

Winner:	Lexi Herden – Parkes Christian School	Topic – Something I'm proud of
H/C	Hannah McIntyre – Parkes Christian School	A very weird animal
н/с	Eva Smith – Red Bend Catholic College, Forbe	s. A very weird animal
н/с	Llewellyn Pepper – Parkes Christian School	A very weird animal
Reserves:	Zoe Fraser – Forbes High School	Teaching my grandparents to use a smart phone
	Logan Davies – Forbes High School	A very weird animal

Years 9 & 10

Winner:	Annaliese Green – Forbes High School	Topic - Horizons
н/с	Lara Smith – Red Bend Catholic College, Forbes	Horizons
н /с	Marcus Moss – Parkes Christian School	Respect is a two way street
н/с	Isla Kennedy – Red Bend Catholic College	Respect is a two way street
Reserve: Z	ac Nash – Parkes Christian School	Horizons





Chair Cr Kevin Beatty, Mayor, Cabonne Council

8 June 2022

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Cr John Medcalf, OAM Mayor Lachlan Shire Council PO Box 216 Condobolin NSW 2877

cc Mr Greg Tory, General Manager Lachlan Shire Council

Dear John,

re: Seeking feedback from Council on the priorities for the Central NSW JO for this term of Council

Firstly, thank you for Council's support as the region commences its second term as a Joint Organisation (JO). Under the Local Government Act, JOs are required to develop a Statement of Strategic Regional Priorities (SSRP) which sets out a vision for the region and provides an overview of the actions required to deliver the vision. Please find attached the current Statement of Strategic Regional Priorities (SSRP) where the review is due in December 2022. This forms the basis for the CNSWJO Strategic Plan and Risk Management Plan. These can be found on the Central NSW JO website at <u>FINAL-Centroc-JO-Strategic-Plan-edited-3-March-2020.pdf (nsw.gov.au)</u>

The SSRP must draw from the Community Strategic Plans (CSPs) of Member Councils, regional-level plans and other state strategic documents to clearly identify the highest regional priorities. Feedback should be sought from Member Councils on the region's priorities.

As resolved at the February CNSWJO Board meeting, delegation was given to a subcommittee of Mayors to progress the SSRP (the Subcommittee):

- Cr K Beatty, Mayor of Cabonne Council and Chair of the JO;
- Cr M Kellam, Mayor of Oberon Shire Council and Deputy Chair of the JO;
- Cr J Medcalf OAM, Mayor of Lachlan Shire and immediate past Chair of the JO;
- Cr S Ferguson, Mayor of Blayney Shire Council;
- Cr B West, Mayor Cowra Shire Council; and
- Cr P Miller OAM, Mayor Forbes Shire Council.

The Subcommittee has met frequently and progress has been made on the approach, forward program, vision and priorities. The Board received advice in this regard at its May meeting and resolved to write to members seeking feedback on the following priorities:

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Priority One: Inter-council cooperation

- 1.1 Deliver operational support programming to members that deliver cost savings and other value to member councils including:
 - a. aggregated procurement
 - b. training
 - c. energy related projects
 - d. HR
 - e. risk management
 - f. emergent opportunities
- 1.2 Co-operation between JO and stakeholders that adds value for members

Priority Two: Regional prosperity through better infrastructure and services

- 2.1 Initiatives to grow the visitor economy in the context of locational preference factors this will depend on the new destination network
- 2.2 Regional industry and population growth planning
- 2.3 Advocacy and initiatives on skills and housing shortages
- 2.4 Leveraging the region's endowments including emerging opportunities including:
 - a. Critical minerals and mining
 - b. Circular economy
 - c. Activation precincts including Parkes SAP
 - d. Inland Rail
 - e. Pattern of settlement; proximity to capital cities and ports

Priority Three: Advocate for better health and aging services and infrastructure Priority Four: Telecommunications

Priority Five: Regional Transport and Infrastructure

- 5.1 Transport connectivity planning
- 5.2 Infrastructure prioritisation

Priority Six: Regional Water Security

- 6.1 Regional Water network planning and leading practice skills development
- 6.2 Productive Water

There will be a Summit later in the year for Councillors to network and provide further direction for the Joint Organisation. More advice will be provided in due course.

Various inputs are being developed to inform the SSRP and these will be made available as they are adopted by the Board. Councillors may be interested in the Environmental Scan of Social and Economic Strategies adopted at the May Board meeting can be viewed on the website at https://www.centraljo.nsw.gov.au/reports-policies/

Please contact Executive Officer Jenny Bennett on 0428 690 935 if you would like to discuss any of the above further

Yours sincerely

Cr Kevin Beatty

Chair Central NSW Joint Organisation enc - Current Statement of Strategic Regional Priorities

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Regional Priorities

Priority	Key strategic areas	
Priority One: Inter-council co-	 Deliver cost savings and other value to member councils through aggregated procurement 	
operation	1.2 Governance arrangements enable inter-council co-operation	
	1.3 Members are provided with value for money from collaboration on energy related projects	
	1.4 Co-operation between JO and stakeholders that adds value for members	
	 Deliver cost savings and other value to member councils through coordinated training 	
Priority Two:	2.1 Initiatives to grow population and increase the visitor economy	
Regional prosperity	2.2 Regional industry and population sustainability and growth planning across the Region	
	2.3 Heritage, cultural advantages and land use planning processes	
Priority Three: Regional Transport and Infrastructure	3.1 Transport connectivity planning	
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Priority Four: Regional Water Security	4.1 Regional Water network planning and best practice skills development	

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Priorities align with the following:

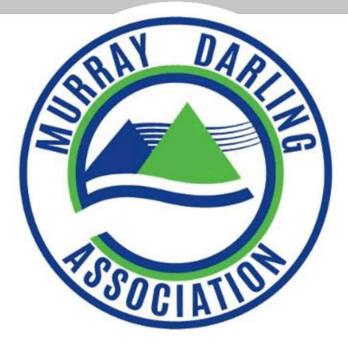
- Community Strategic Plans of member councils
- NSW Government 20 Year Regional Economic Vision
- NSW Government Regional Economic Development Strategies
- Regional Plan: NSW Government Central West and Orana Regional Plan
- State Infrastructure Plan: Building Momentum 2018-28
- Central NSW JO Strategic Plan

Support Plans to be delivered:

- Communications Plan
- Advocacy Plan

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MDA Membership

Representing communities across the Murray-Darling Basin

Murray Darling Association Inc. Contact: Mark Lamb Chief Executive Officer



The benefits of being a MDA member

Becoming a MDA member can take your voice, your representation within the Murray-Darling Basin to the next level.

The benefits of Membership are flowing freely to all our regions!

The Murray Darling Association (MDA) is your peak body for local government in the management of Basin water resources, working together to inform and influence both State, and Federal Government.

The MDA strives to provide effective representation of Local Government and communities at State, and Federal, level in the development of policy and the management of Murray-Darling Basin resources.



With ongoing projects, influence, representation, and partnerships with the Australian Institute of Company Directors, the MDBA, the National Carp Control Plan, University of Southern Queensland, the One Basin CRC, and Australia's national science agency, the CSIRO, the MDA has much to offer to its members!





Engage with Councils across the Basin!

The MDA has strong partnerships with peak bodies and agencies across the Murray-Darling Basin, ensuring continued engagement with, and on behalf of councils and communities through ongoing projects, programs, and committees.

Involvement in the <u>Sustainable Recreation Steering</u> <u>Committee</u>, and the <u>Murraylands Riverland LGA Water</u> <u>Position Paper</u>, submissions of numerous reports ranging from the <u>Productivity Commission to the NSW Select</u> <u>Committee on Floodplain Harvesting</u>, as well as partnerships with Australia's national science agency, the <u>CSIRO</u> have sought to address ongoing concerns and interests of its members, ensuring continued representation on a national stage.

Programs and Projects

The MDA continues to develop its partnerships with peak bodies and agencies across the Basin.

Find out more about what the MDA is doing to support Basin communities.

Programs such as the <u>Save the Murray initiative</u>, <u>Waterwise</u>, and the recently concluded <u>Basin</u> <u>Communities Leadership Program</u> have brought water leaders across the Murray-Darling Basin together, to discuss and influence water, and Basin resource policy across SA, VIC, NSW, the ACT, and QLD.

Following the successful conclusion of the Basin Communities Leadership Program, the MDA will continue to develop industry leaders across the Basin through tailored programs and events.



Events and Conferences

The MDA holds numerous events, meetings and conferences across each year.

Find out more about what you can do with your MDA membership.

The MDA is your opportunity to be a part of the solution, to inform future policy!

The MDA hosts numerous events each year, such as the MDA Region 6 <u>Annual Stakeholder Symposium</u>, the Interregional Meeting, and culminating in the MDA's <u>annual</u> <u>National Conference</u>.

Membership, and involvement with the MDA is your opportunity to be part of the solution – to join the conversation, to inform future policy, and to engage with the innovators, scientists, educators, and leaders of our time!



Our Purpose: Providing effective representation of Local Government and communities.

The Murray Darling Association is a membership-based peak representative organisation representing local government and the communities we serve across the Murray-Darling Basin since 1944.

As the third level of government in Australia, and the one most directly connected to community, local government has a valuable contribution to make in the processes, community consultation, and the formulation of decisions made and taken in the continuing implementation of the Basin Plan. This is enhanced beyond measure when local government is working together Basin wide.



With the MDA's upcoming 78^{th} National Conference in Albury, 19-21 September 2022, there is no better time to ensure your community's needs are heard, addressed, and represented at a national scale.

Themed "Economics, Dams, and Infrastructure," the National Conference will address numerous topics such as water use and water security, water quality, tourism, and the ever-present impacts of climate change on Basin communities and businesses.



MDA Membership

Organised into 12 Local Government areas, MDA members represent communities across NSW, VIC, QLD, and SA!

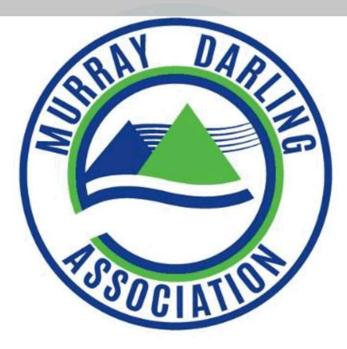
Find out more about MDA membership!

Built on a strong foundation of good governance, we work with and for member councils, in collaboration with state based local government associations (LGASA, MAV, LGNSW and LGAQ), Regional Organisations of Councils, Joint Organisations and other local government affiliations.

The MDA provides its members with the means and opportunity to actively participate in informing water policy, and provides state and Federal governments, the MDBA, CSIRO, and other agencies with an opportunity to access community consultation and perspectives via a comprehensive community network coverage.



Contact the Murray Darling Association For more information, or to find out what membership can do for you! 03 5480 3805 mda.asn.au



MDA Progress and Achievements

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working towards VISION 2025

Vision 2025 is the Murray Darling Association's five-year Strategic Plan. It sets out the association's goals anf describes the strategies we will implement to achieve them.

The MDA's Strategic Plan exists to drive the delivery of services to our MDA members, and sits within a broader planning context:

- At a local level, our member councils (through sttrategic community and land-use planning) champion the priorities and programs that resonate with those communities.
- Regionally, Joint Organisations and other regional local government organisations have identified their key environmental, economic and social focus through statements of strategic regional priorities.
- In the state and nation context, there is a series of key plans and initiatives that align strategically with MDA's purpose:
 - National Energy Plan (incl. Snowy 2.0)
 - National Climate Resilience and Adaptation Strategy
 - Murray-Darling Basin Plan
 - National Water Infrastructure Development Fund
 - 2030 Agriculture Plan



Vision 2025 is built upon the foundations established by the 2016-19 Strategic Plan, and confirms our place as the Basin's primary driver in local leadership and policy development.

With four main pillars channelling the Association's performance, the Strategic Plan sets the organisation's direction for the next five years, and provides guidance to our members and stakeholders about our priorities and what we intend to deliver during this time.

Pillar 1: Member Services Pillar 2: Science and Education Pillar 3: Leadership and Engagement Pillar 4: Corporate Development



To view the current Strategic Plan, visit the MDA website, or contact the office on (03) 5480 3805



MDA-CSIRO Partnership

Progressing: Science and Education, Informing better Government policy



Following a continued effort to develop relationships with peak science an education bodies, the MDA has strengthened its partnership with Australia's national science agency, the <u>CSIRO</u>.

Working in partnership with the CSIRO, the Murray Darling Association has recently met with <u>Narromine</u> <u>Shire Council</u>, <u>AlburyCity Council</u>, the <u>MAV</u>, <u>RAMJO</u>, <u>ALGA</u>, <u>Mildura Rural City Council</u>, and <u>LGASA</u> to discuss the <u>Circular Economy</u> and its ability to transform regional economies through turning trash into treasure.

Exciting circular times ahead, with ongoing meetings planned throughout the month, concluding 30th June, and big things happening in and for the regions of New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, Australian Capital Territory, and South Australia!



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Basin Communities Leadership Program

Progressing: Science and Education, Informing better Government policy

The Murray Darling Association concluded its multi-year rollout of the Basin Communities Leadership Program in March, fulfilling the Association's commitment to the Basin communities and the Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment with Face-to-Face Workshops in a COVID-19-safe environment.

Across numerous sites in the northern and southern parts of the Murray-Darling Basin the MDA engaged with participants through face-to-face workshops and engaging online training sessions that addressed leadership theory, water literacy, and communication.



The MDA worked in partnership with LGA's to support the community, boost the local economy and encourage trade in small businesses. Whilst we have completed the proposed workshops as planned, there is potential to conduct further workshops with targeted community groups.

The conclusion of the Murray Darling Association's Basin Communities Leadership Program signals the Association's continued goal of improving water, and leadership literacy across the Murray-Darling Basin.



MRLGA Water Position Paper

Progressing: Local Leadership / Leadership and Engagement

The MDA's Region 5 and Region 6 have been working closely with the <u>MRLGA</u> through numerous workshops to develop the Murraylands and Riverlands LGA Water Position Paper to establish an informal and unified position on water in the Murraylands and Riverland region, and to support outcomes for the economy, society, and environment. The development of the Water Position Paper is integral to the <u>MRLGA 2020-25 Strategic Plan</u> and will provide a platform for strategic advocacy for the region's water stakeholders.



MDA 2022 Strategic Planning Workshop

Progressing: Exchange information & facilitate informed debate

The Murray Darling Association convened for its annual Strategic Planning Workshop in Canberra in February 2022, establishing a plan of approach for the year ahead and reviewing the ongoing progress of the Association's <u>Strategic Plan</u>.

Hosted at the <u>Murray-Darling Basin Authority's</u> (MDBA) head office, the workshop offered the unique opportunity to engage with the heads of the MDBA, as well as further cement the relationship between Association and Authority, and facilitated further networking between the MDA and the CSIRO.



MDA Region 6 Stakeholder Symposium Progressing: Exchange information & facilitate informed

debate, Local Leadership / Leadership and Engagement

Murray Darling Association's Region 6 convened for its Annual Stakeholder Symposium. The event, sponsored by and in partnership with, <u>Landscape South Australia</u> <u>Murraylands and Riverland</u>, <u>The Rural City of Murray</u> <u>Bridge, Coorong District Council</u>, <u>Alexandrina Council</u>, and the <u>MRLGA</u> featured numerous guest speakers and session chairs and facilitated discussion across four panel sessions focussing on *environment*, *delivery partners*, *agriculture*, and *local government*, the symposium engaged with attendees through Q&A, The Stakeholder Symposium also engaged with participants via a study tour which circumnavigated the Lower Lakes and across the Barrages, visiting Langhorn Creek, Goolwa, the Murray Mouth, Hindmarsh and Mundoo island, and the Coorong.





MDA Motions

Progressing: Member Services, Leadership and Engagement, Science and Education, Corporate Development

Arising from the MDA's 77th National Conference and AGM in Wentworth 2021 were several Motions and actions, enabling continued engagement with, and on behalf of, the Murray-Darling Basin Communities.

The following list explores the MDA's progress, actions, and engagement stemming from these motions.

Recreational Water (Motion 5.1 – Federation Council, Region 2)

This motion sought to support the diversification of river operation to provide balance for communities and economies relying on the river for non-irrigation uses.

The MDA has written to, and engaged with, the <u>CEWO</u>, <u>MDBA</u>, <u>Destination NSW</u>, <u>Tourism Australia</u>, <u>Adelaide</u> <u>South Australia</u>, and <u>Tourism Queensland</u> to advocate for the diversification of river operation, and is continuing to explore opportunities to provide balance for communities and economies reliant on the river's water.

Lake Mejum / Lake Coolah Feasibility (Motion 5.2 – Leeton Shire Council, Region 9)

This motion sought to commend the Lake Mejum/Lake Coolah project to the One Basin CRC, and to call on the National Water Infrastructure Grid Taskforce and NSW State Government to inquire into the merits, and feasibility of the project.

Progressing this motion, the MDA has engaged with the MDBA, and as part of an invitation from the NWGA to present at their Strategic Advisory Committee, discussed the project and its feasibility, and has raised additional awareness through ABC Radio. Going forth, the MDA is exploring further options to progress a feasibility study of the project and ascertain further steps available to the Association.

Carp Mitigation (*Motion* 5.3 – *Coorong District Council, Region* 6)

This motion's objective was to explore bulk harvest and marketing opportunities to exploit the Carp as a resource to benefit Basin communities and enable several novel and circular economies.

Progressing the motion's objective, the MDA has written to, and engaged with Federal and State Government members and representatives in support of alternate Carp mitigation measures to the proposed Cyprinid Herpesvirus 3. The Association is exploring additional opportunities to further progress this motion.



Floodplain Harvesting (Motion 5.4 – Mildura Rural City Council. Region 4)

With an objective to protect the integrity of end-ofsystem flows for all rivers of the Basin, this motion sought for the MDA to advocate for increased governance measures to mitigate unregulated take of overland flows.

Progressing this motion, the MDA has testified at the <u>Select Inquiry into Floodplain Harvesting</u> and is exploring further opportunities to promote the protection of endof-system flows for all rivers in the Murray-Darling Basin.

Floodplain Harvesting (Motion 5.4 – Mildura Rural City Council. Region 4)

End of System Flows (Motion 5.5 – Mildura Rural City Council. Region 4)

With an objective to protect the integrity of end-ofsystem flows for all rivers of the Basin, as well as protect and preserve the ephemeral rivers of the Murray-Darling Basin for the benefit of community, flora and fauna, and economically sustainable horticulture and agriculture, these two motions commended that the Murray Darling Association consider, and support, scientifically agreed end-of-system flows.

Progressing these motions, the MDA has testified at the <u>Select Inquiry into Floodplain Harvesting</u> and is exploring further opportunities to promote the protection of end-of-system flows for all rivers in the Murray-Darling Basin.

End of System Flows (Motion 5.5 – Mildura Rural City Council. Region 4)

Seeking to protect and preserve the ephemeral rivers of the Murray-Darling Basin for the benefit of community, flora and fauna, and economically sustainable horticulture and agriculture, these two motions commended that the Murray Darling Association consider, and support, scientifically agreed end-of-system flows.

Progressing these motions, the MDA has testified at the <u>Select Inquiry into Floodplain Harvesting</u> and is exploring further opportunities to promote the protection of endof-system flows for all rivers in the Murray-Darling Basin. **Recognition of Menindee Lakes** (Motion 5.6 – Central Darling Shire Council, Region 4)

With an objective to list the Menindee Lakes as a RAMSAR site, to give priority to fresh water throughout the Darling River system, from the Queensland border to Wentworth, as well as mitigate the adverse loss of water in the Menindee Lakes (and consequent devastating impact to the community socially, economically, and environmentally), this motion commends that the MDA encourage the Basin Governments to support the work required to determine the Lakes' RAMSAR eligibility, and that the NSW Government designate the Menindee Lakes system as a RAMSAR site.

To progress this the MDA has begun discussions during a trip to Canberra in 2021, as well as facilitated ongoing debate during its annual Region 6 Stakeholder Symposium. The MDA is exploring further avenues to promote the recognition of the Menindee Lakes system as a RAMSAR site.

Restoring Connectivity (*Motion 5.7 – Central Darling Shire Council, Region 4*)

This motion seeks for the MDA to call on Basin Governments to ensure that the environmental needs of native fish, town water supply along the length of the river are provided for as a priority during extended dry periods.

Progressing this goal, the MDA has begun discussions during a trip to Canberra in 2021 and is exploring further opportunities to engage with Basin Governments to ensure that Minimum flow levels and storage levels are included in NSW Water Sharing Plans and Resource Management Plans for the Barwon-Darling, Murray-Lower Darling, and Northern Basin Rivers, as well as the exclusion of so called 'dead water' in the Lakes in the calculation of trigger points, and the assurance that 480GL is and remains 100% accessible to the Lower Darling.

Sustainable Diversion Limits (Motion 5.8 – Murray Darling Association, Region 6)

Seeking to facilitate an evidence-based approach to reviewing current Sustainable Diversion Limits (SDLs), and future scenarios in response to climate change trends and projections, as well as ensuring adequate flows for environmental rehabilitation and community sustainability across the Murray-Darling Basin, this motion commends that the MDA work with the CSIRO and other agencies to achieve its outlined goals.

Progressing this motion, the MDA has begun discussions during a trip to Canberra in 2021 and is exploring further opportunities to engage with the CSIRO and other agencies and bodies regarding SDLs.

Measurement of Flows and Extractions (*Motion 5.9 – Murray Darling Association*)

Seeking to build confidence, ensure connected accountable and consistent river management rules for all valleys and water users that will support more achievable end-of-system flows for all rivers in the Basin, Motion 5.9 encourages the MDA to call on Basin Governments to collaborate with industry to adopt consistent systems for monitoring, metering, and telemetry of overland and floodplain flows and unregulated take.

Progressing these motions, the MDA has testified at the <u>Select Inquiry into Floodplain Harvesting</u> and is exploring further opportunities to promote the protection of endof-system flows for all rivers in the Murray-Darling Basin.

First Nations Representation in Local Government

(Motion 5.10 – Greater Shepparton City Council, Region 2)

With a goal to support improved social, economic, environmental, and cultural outcomes in the Murray-Darling Basin by supporting First Nations people to have a greater role in the decision-making process, and to ensure that local knowledge informs national priorities, this motion outlines the MDA's goal to support a process to promote a greater representation of First Nations people in local government and in water policy.

Progressing these goals, the MDA has resolved during its Board meeting 409 to establish a First Nations Advisory Committee, as well as engaging in ongoing discussions with Ngarrindjeri Chair Grant Rigney at MLDRIN. The MDA has also corresponded with Yorta Yorta Nations and is exploring ongoing avenues for further progress.

Carbon Neutral by 2050 (Motion 5.12 – Murray Darling Association, Region 6)

Seeking to maximise Australia's contribution to mitigate climate change and to contribute toward minimising the severity of current negative projections for the Murray-Darling Basin, as well as ensuring agriculture across the Basin is supported in contributing to Australia's policy for carbon neutrality by 2050, Motion 5.12 commends that the MDA call on Federal Government to develop and implement a policy for Australia to become carbon neutral by 2050.

Progressing these goals, the MDA has commenced initial discussions during an earlier visit to Canberra in 2021, and has seen the 2021 <u>Federal Government outline its plan</u> to reach <u>net zero by 2050</u>.

Myths and Messaging (Motion 5.13 – Rural City of Murray Bridge, Region 6)

With an objective to support constructive discussion and debate by extending science-based reports to Basin communities and the general public, and to continue working together to actively correct myths and misinformation that exists across the Basin through clear and straightforward facts, this motion commends the MDA to acknowledge the challenges inherit in providing adequate information, to encourage Basin Governments to continue collaboration to minimise myths and misinformation across the Basin, and to call on government to support and resource appropriate community-led education/training programs.

To progress this the MDA has begun discussions during a trip to Canberra in 2021 and is exploring further avenues to provide accurate information to inform Basin communities and debunk Basin myths.

Science of Connectivity (Motion 5.14 – Central Darling Shire Council, Region 4)

This motion seeks to support NSW and other Basin Governments and the community to work together to progress the reconfiguration of the Menindee Lakes; and to establish agreed, reliable, and sustainable management provisions to balance the regulation of take with the health of the end-of-system.

Progressing this goal, the MDA has begun discussions during a trip to Canberra in 2021 and is exploring further opportunities to engage with NSW and Basin Governments to ensure that end-of-system, and valley specific, flow targets are established, as well as opportunities to collaborate to design and develop an agreed option and business case for the Menindee Lakes Project, while also aiming to commission an independent analysis based on the best available science to determine provisions and circumstances under which end-ofsystem/valley specific flow targets can align with the Menindee Lakes Project. **Royal Commission** (Motion 5.16 – Mildura Rural City Council, Region 4)

With a goal to advocate for Basin communities, this motion commends the MDA to call on a Federal Royal Commission into the management and sustainability of water in the Murray-Darling Basin.

Progressing this the MDA has begun discussions during a trip to Canberra in 2021 and is exploring further avenues to advocate for Basin communities for responsible management, and sustainability of water, in the Murray-Darling Basin.

Contact the Murray Darling Association For more information, or to find out what membership can do for you!

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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 Rates, charges & Water consumption concession - Condobolin Local Aboriginal Land Council

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.

18.2 Tender Assessment - Condobolin Bore Pipeline - Transfer Pump station

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.

18.3 Netwaste Regional Recycling Supply Agreement.

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 Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee minutes from 9 February 2022 meeting

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.

18.5 Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) Framework comprising ERM Policy, ERM Plan and Risk Appetite Statements

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.

18.6 Lease of former Abattoir site

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.