



AGENDA FOR ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

20 December, 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to clause 7 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice that the Ordinary Council Meeting of Walgett Shire Council will be held in the **Walgett Shire Council Chambers** on **Tuesday 20 December 2011**, commencing at 10.00am to discuss the items listed in the Agenda.

NOTE: A Christmas Luncheon will be held at the conclusion of the Council Meeting

Don Ramsland
GENERAL MANAGER

WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL AGENDA

CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

What is a "Conflict of Interests" – A conflict of interests can be two types:

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Remoteness

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No Interest in the Matter

However, a person is not taken to have a pecuniary interest in a matter:

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- Just because the person is a member of, or is employed by, the Council
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Disclosure and participation in meetings

- A Councillor or a member of a Council Committee who has a pecuniary interest in any matter with which the Council is concerned and who is present at a meeting of the Council or Committee at which the matter is being considered must disclose the nature of the interest to the meeting as soon as practicable.
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Participation in Meetings despite Pecuniary Interest (S452 Act)

A Councillor is not prevented from taking part in the consideration or discussion of, or from voting on, any of the matters/questions detailed in Section 452 of the Local Government Act.

Non-Pecuniary Interest – Must be disclosed in meetings.

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## **AGENDA**

**1. Opening of Meeting**

**2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners**

*I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the lands within the Walgett Shire and I would also like to acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who now reside within this Shire.*

**3. Apologies**

**4. Welcome to Visitors**

**5. Public Forum Presentations**

*(Limited to five minute presentations, and must relate to items listed within the Business Paper)*

- **Council's Auditor Mr Garry Mottau will be presenting his annual report**

**6. Declaration of Pecuniary/Non Pecuniary Interests**

**7. Confirmation of Minutes/Matters Arising .....**

**8. Reserve Trust Management Committee Reports**

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**Apologies**

Nil

**Welcome to Visitors**

N/A

**Declaration of Pecuniary/Non Pecuniary Interests**

N/A

**Confirmation of Minutes/Matters Arising**



**MINUTES FOR  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**22 November, 2011**

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## WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL MINUTES

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL HELD AT BURREN JUNCTION RSL CLUB ON TUESDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2011 AT 9:59AM

PRESENT

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Clr B Murray | (Mayor) |
| Clr D Lane | (Deputy Mayor) |
| Clr R Greenaway | |
| Clr I Woodcock | |
| Clr M Martinez | |
| Don Ramsland | (General Manager) |
| Mr R Sharma | (Acting Director Engineering Services) |
| Mr Fred Coralde | (Director Urban Infrastructure Services) |
| Mr Glen Warren | (Acting Director Corporate Services) |
| Mr A Wilson | (Acting Director Planning & Regulatory Services) |
| Mrs J Campbell | (Minute Secretary) |

Welcome to Visitors

The Mayor welcomed all visitors to the meeting and acknowledged the traditional owners of the land.

Apologies

11/2011/1 Apologies – 22 November 2011

Resolution:

1. That apologies from Councillor Walford, Councillor Smith, Councillor Colless and Councillor Keir be received and leave of absence be granted.

Moved: Clr Greenaway

Seconded: Clr Woodcock

CARRIED

Public Forum Presentations

Mr Neville Stevens and Mrs Pat Regan– Burren Junction Bore Trust Committee

Mr Stevens raised the following issues with the dump point request they put in for the Burren Junction bore Baths.

- The committee are not trying to break any rules, just want to stop people dumping their waste alongside the road.
- Don't understand why a dump point cannot be put in, the committee have agreed to putting up money and will raise more money if needed.

The Acting Director Planning & Regulatory Services advised that because of the soil type and the high usage it would receive, a system needs to be designed that will accommodate the usage and still meet requirements and not raise any further health concerns for Council.

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The Director Urban Infrastructure Services advised that he has received a quote for one system to cost \$1750 with the local plumber quoting \$19000 for installation.

Mr Stevens advised Council that he has received a quote for 2 4500Litre tanks to be delivered onsite at no extra charge for \$1990 per tank. He also advised that the Caravan and Camping Association will supply the cover for the dump point and signage for no cost.

The Director Urban Infrastructure Services advised that he will investigate and will respond to the committee with the most appropriate and cost effective option.

Mayoral Minutes

Nil

Declaration of Pecuniary/Non Pecuniary Interests

Nil

Confirmation of Minutes/Matters Arising

11/2011/2 Minutes of Council meeting – 25 October 2011

Resolution:

That the minutes of the Council meeting held 25 October 2011 be confirmed.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

Clr Woodcock

Clr Woodcock asked if Council could investigate what has happened when Essential Energy replaced street lighting in Lightning Ridge. In particular near May Kennedy's house in Matrix Street, ever since the lights were replaced the light out the front of her house no longer works.

Clr Murray

What is happening with the power pole in the main street of Walgett, Essential Energy were suppose to inform Council of the program of when it was to be replaced.

Reserve Trust Management Committee Reports

Nil

Mayoral Minutes

Nil

Motions of which Notice has been given

Nil

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Presentation of Petitions

N/A

Councillors Questions From Last Meeting

Clr Lane

Question 1:

Council staff recently removed the trees from the main street in Lightning Ridge. Councillors were not informed beforehand. Trees were removed because of roots I assume. Can Council staff please prepare a detailed plan with appropriate tree selection for Morilla and Opal Streets for improvement of both these streets?

Response:

The Director Urban Infrastructure Services advised that this is in progress.

Clr Greenaway

Question 1:

In relation to the sewer dump point at Burren Junction Bore Baths, what is the cost?

The Director Urban Infrastructure Services advised that as discussed earlier the cost for installation is \$19000 which includes a holding tank. He further advised that he will need to investigate this further

Question 2:

Could the planning department explain with detail what is required to install a caravan dump point at the Burren Junction Bore Baths area? Does the health department realise that at present effluent from tourist caravans is being dumped in the cricket/tennis club septic tank or along the roadside at Burren Junction. What action is being taken in this matter?

Response:

The Director Planning & Regulatory services provided the following response:

Installation of a caravan dump point:- In summary the following process must be followed when installing a dump point:

- An Activity Application is required to “*Install, construct or alter a waste treatment device or a human waste storage facility*” (C5 activity under section 68 of the Local Government Act 1993). It is relevant to note that:
 - “*An application must be accompanied by such matters as may be prescribed by the regulations and such matters specified by the council as may be necessary to provide sufficient information to enable the council to determine the application*” (section 81 of the Act).
 - Council “*must not approve an application for an approval allowing*” “*sewerage*” “*drainage work to be carried out unless it is satisfied that the activity as proposed to be carried out will comply with any applicable standards set out or referred to in Part 2 of Schedule 1*” (Clause 13 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005). Basically this means that sewerage work must comply with the NSW Plumbing and Drainage Code of Practice and Australian Standards for on site sewage disposal.
- Planning & Regulatory Service staff are awaiting the lodgement of an Activity Application for the dump point which demonstrates the proposed facility has been designed:
 - With regard for the NSW Plumbing and Drainage Code of Practice and Australian Standards for on site sewage disposal.

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- So that it is adequate for the intended purpose. Such systems are usually designed by the manufacturer and/or suitably experienced plumber with regard for the type/s of waste, the volume of waste and the conditions on the site (available area, soil properties, etc). Discussions are continuing between Council's Urban Infrastructure staff and plumbers regarding the finalization of a design for submission in the above context.
- Once an appropriate Activity Application has been submitted and approved, then work can commence on installation of the dump point and waste treatment facility.

Dumping of sewage:- Council's Planning & Regulatory Services staff have received one allegation that sewage was being dumped on the road at Burren Junction. Investigations have been unable to substantiate the allegation at this stage. Council's Environmental Health and Building Surveyors will continue to monitor the situation and take action under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 where appropriate.

Clr Keir

Question 1:

What is the current situation with Burren Junction Preschool bus stop?

Response:

The Director Engineering services advised that he has estimated the cost is currently looking for funding to pay for it. He further advised that the RTA have advised that they will not provide funding for it.

The Acting Director Engineering services further advised that the cost is approximately \$35,000; however he needs to make some slight alterations to the plans and that works will commence as soon as the culverts are ordered

The General Manager advised that the Director Engineering Services was still investigating the guidelines and work out the cheapest option he could complete these works for.

Question 2:

Could we have timely maintenance of the Collarenebri cemetery like the Walgett cemetery?

Response:

The Director Urban Infrastructure services advised this has been arranged.

Clr Smith

Question 1:

Can something be done to the giveaway sign or the tree that is near the Collarenebri Post Office. You can not see the sign because of the tree?

Response:

The Director Rural Infrastructure Services advised that he has referred the matter to the December Meeting of the local traffic committee.

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Reports of Delegates and Representatives

11/2011/3 Western Division Mid Term Meeting Minutes – 21 October 2011

Resolution:

1. That the minutes of the Western Division Mid Term Meeting held on 21 October 2011 be received.
1. Council offer support by writing to the Premier, NSW Ombudsman, LGSA, Federal and State members serving the Western Division: Endorsing the Ombudsman's conclusion that there is a "need to do things differently" in communities with significant numbers of Aboriginal people and offering the Division's Council to work cooperatively with both the recently appointed Ministerial taskforce for Aboriginal Affairs and with Governments to address the Aboriginal issues differently.

Moved: Clr Lane

Seconded: Clr Woodcock

CARRIED

11/2011/4 Netwaste Steering Committee Report

Resolution:

1. Council note the Netwaste Steering Committee Minutes of Meeting held at the ELF, Orange, NSW on 27 October 2011.
2. Council note with interest the Purchasing Policy adopted by Netwaste from Orange City Council for possible improvement of Walgett Shire Council's own Purchasing Policy.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Martinez

CARRIED

Reservation of items for Debate

Nil

Reports of Officers

11/2011/5 Council decisions Action Report 25/10/11

Resolution:

1. That the report be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Greenaway

CARRIED

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11/2011/6 Circulars received from the NSW Local Government and Shires Association of NSW – November 2011

Resolution:

1. That the information contained in the weekly circulars from the NSW Local Government and Shires Association be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Martinez

Seconded: Clr Woodcock

CARRIED

11/2011/7 Circular received from the Division of Local Government – November 2011

Resolution:

1. That the information contained in the following Departmental circulars 11-31 to 11-36 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.
 - Circular to Councils 11/31 - Amendment of the Public Interest Disclosures Act 1994
 - Circular to Councils 11/32 - Review of the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils - Request for Submissions on Position Paper
 - Circular to Councils 11/33 - Release of Guidelines for Approval as a Greyhound Re-Training Program and Launch of Greenhounds Website
 - Circular to Councils 11/34 - 2012 Ministers' Awards for Women in Local Government - Call for Nominations
 - Circular to Councils 11/35 - Council Administered Elections 2012
 - Circular to Councils 11/36 - Review of the Model Code of Conduct - Workshop in Ballina - 29 November 2011

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

11/2011/8 Monthly Calendar – November 2011

Resolution:

1. That Council receive and note the regular monthly calendar for the period November 2011 to January 2012.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Greenaway

CARRIED

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11/2011/9 Matters Generally for Brief Mention or Information only from General Manager – November 2011

Resolution:

1. That the matters listed by the General Manager for brief mention or information be received and noted.
1. RFS Allocation advice wrong again
2. National Road Safety Strategy
3. NSW Government Serves up States Highest Food Safety Rates
4. Indigenous Economic Development Strategy Framework
5. 2010/2011 Annual Review for Scouts Australia NSW
6. NSWMC Industry Education Initiative – NSW Miners, World Class Miners
7. Australia's First National Transport Regulator
8. 'NSW 2010' - the State Government's 10 year plan to guide policy and budget decision making
9. Independent Commission Against Corruption's Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2011
10. Green Building Council of Australia
11. NSW Ombudsman 2010-2011 Annual Report
12. Notes from Meeting with Jillian Skinner in Dubbo

Moved: Clr Greenaway

Seconded: Clr Woodcock

CARRIED

11/2011/10 Regional Development Australia Funding – Round 2

Resolution:

1. That Council support the Australian Opal Centre project through accepting the leading organisation role in establishing a consortium to lodge an EOI application for funding in the RDAF – Round 2 and provide financial support for the preparation of mandatory documentation required to accompany the principle application.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Martinez

CARRIED

NOTE: Clr Greenaway requested that his name be recorded as having voted against the resolution

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11/2011/11 Quarterly Budget Review as at 30 September 2011

Resolution:

That Council note the quarterly budget review for the period to 30 September 2011 and adopt the changes as follows:

General fund Operational Budget:

Expenditure

| | |
|--|--------------------------|
| • An increase in Expenditure Insurance Premium | \$7,075 |
| • Councils contribution for Internal Auditor | \$15,000 |
| • Local Roads Operation | \$6,000 |
| • Regional Roads Maintenance – Heavy Patching & Rural Drainage | \$130,000 |
| • Roads to Recovery expenditure (Off set by Grants) | \$1,218,400 |
| | Total \$1,376,475 |

Income

| | |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| • Roads to Recovery Grant | (\$1,218,400) |
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**WATER MANAGEMENT – LIGHTING RIDGE
Expense**

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|--|-----------------------|
| • An increase in Expenditure –Mains Emergency Repairs Natural Disaster | \$11,000 |
| • A increase in expenditure – Algae Monitoring Treatment | \$4,000 |
| | Total \$15,000 |

Moved: Clr Lane

Seconded: Clr Woodcock

CARRIED

11/2011/12 Mission Australia After School Homework Program

Resolution:

1. The Council accept the report from Council's Senior Library Officer on the after School Homework Program.
2. That an income and votes expenditure be created for all income/expenses relating to the Mission Australia After School Home work Program.

Moved: Clr Lane

Seconded: Clr Woodcock

CARRIED

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11/2011/13 Library Services Quarterly Report – July to October 2011

Resolution:

1. That the Walgett Shire Libraries quarterly report July to October 2011 be accepted.

Moved: Clr Greenaway

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

11/2011/14 Cash on Hand and Investment Report as at 31 October 2011

Resolution:

- That the cash on hand and investment report as at 31 October 2011 be received.

Moved: Clr Greenaway

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

11/2011/15 2010/2011 Walgett Shire Council Financial Statements

Resolution:

That Walgett Shire Council resolve to:

- 1 That Council receive and note the update on Council's 2010/11 Financial Statements

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

11/2011/16 Pilot contaminated soil treatment trial, Walgett airport

Resolution:

That Walgett Shire Council resolve to:

- 1 Note the letter dated 4 November 2011 to the Office of Environment and Heritage regarding soil contamination at the former crop duster wash down area, Walgett airport (lot 11, DP 851116).

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

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11/2011/17 State of the Environment Report 2010-2011

Resolution:

That Walgett Shire Council resolve to:

1. Note the submission from NSW Farmers dated 10th October regarding the draft Walgett Shire State of the Environment Report 2010-2011.
2. Note and endorse the amended Walgett Shire State of the Environment Report 2010-2011.
3. Submit the Walgett Shire State of the Environment Report 2010-2011, to the Division of Local Government, Department of Premier and Cabinet, as a component of Walgett Shire Council's Annual Report.
4. Publish the Walgett Shire State of the Environment Report 2010-2011 on Council's web site.
5. Write to NSW Farmers and thank them for their interest and submission regarding the Walgett Shire State of the Environment Report 2010-2011. Noting that sections "3.1 Clearing" and "3.2 Opal Mining" within the report were revised and amended.

Moved: Clr Woodcock
Seconded: Clr Greenaway

CARRIED

11/2011/18 Development and Complying Development Certificate Applications

Resolution:

That Walgett Shire Council resolve to:

1. Note the report on Development and Complying Development Certificate applications dealt with by Council staff under delegated authority during October 2011.

Moved: Clr Woodcock
Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

11:05am adjourned the meeting for a small break
11:22am Council returned from the break, all previously present again in attendance

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11/2011/19 Matters Generally for Brief Mention or Information only from Director of Planning & Regulatory Services

Resolution:

1. That the report by the Director of Planning & Regulatory Services on matters for brief mention, or information only, be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Martinez

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

11/2011/20 Walgett Levee Rehabilitation Program

Resolution:

1. That Council note the completion of design and documentation of Walgett Levee Rehabilitation Program.
2. That Council allow funding provision in the formulation in FY2012/13 budget.
3. That Council consider developing a strategy in constructing the levee in stages over a number of years.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Martinez

CARRIED

11/2011/21 Monthly report form Director Engineering Services – November 2011

Resolution:

1. That Council receive and note the regular monthly road and bridge report

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

11/2011/22 Monthly flood works Report from Director Engineering Services – November 2011

Recommendation:

1. That Council receive and note the regular monthly December 2010 Flood Works report

Moved: Clr Greenaway

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

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11/2011/23 Block Grant Agreement 2011/2012 – November 2011

Resolution:

1. That Council note the 2011/12 Block Grant Agreement
2. That Council approve the vote of \$2,076,00.00 and the deduction of the shortfall of \$45,698 from Rural Regional Road Works.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

Reports of Committees

Nil

Questions for the next Meeting

Clr Martinez

Question 1:

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Response:

The General Manager advised that he will follow up this matter.

Question 2:

Can we use the money that is allocated to the sewerage/waste fund to move the dump point?

Response:

The General Manager advised that he will investigate whether funds from the Water and sewerage fund can be used for this purpose.

Clr Woodcock

Question 1:

There was some money for the Lightning Ridge Swimming pool funding which seems to have been removed and you were going to find some more money for them. Has this been done?

Response:

The General Manager advised that he will follow up this matter.

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Confidential Reports/Closed Council meeting

11/2011/24 Move into Closed Session at 11:46pm

Resolution:

That the public be excluded from the meeting pursuant to Sections 10A (2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 on the basis that the items deal with:

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

In relation to the Questions from last meeting, Clr Lane advised Council that he will forward the information to the General Manager prior to the December Council meeting.

The General Manager advised that he investigate and provide a response at the December Council meeting once he has the information.

11/2011/25 Sale of Land for Overdue Rates – Appointment of Agent/Auctioneer

Resolution:

That Council

1. Accept the proposal of Kelly's Property Sales dated 10 November as agent/auctioneer for Council's pending Sale of Land for Overdue Rates
2. Delegate to the General Manager the setting of reserve prices for the sale of other property to be offered by auction on the same day.
3. Clarification be sought regard the charge for any additional properties to be auctioned on the same day.
4. That Council note that the date of the Auction has been changed to Saturday 17 December 2011 commencing at 10.30am at the Council Chambers, 77 Fox Street Walgett 2832.

Moved: Clr Lane

Seconded: Clr Martinez

CARRIED

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11/2011/26 Establishment of Internal Auditing Function Progress Report

Resolution:

1. That Council formally establish an Audit and Risk Management Committee to comprise two independents, with one to act as Chair, and one Councillor.
2. That, in line with recommendations of the Management Committee (General Managers of the six councils), Council appoint Mr Andrew Fletcher as independent Chair to its Audit and Risk Management Committee and appoint The Morse Group as Internal Auditor.
3. Councillor Woodcock be appointed as Council's representative on the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

Moved: Clr Greenaway

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

11/2011/27 2012 Walgett Shire Council Elections

Resolution:

1. That Walgett Shire Council engage the services of the New South Wales Electoral Commission to undertake the September 2012 Walgett Shire Council election and request that costs be minimised by sharing a returning officer, preferably with Bourke, Brewarrina and Coonamble Shire Councils.

Moved: Clr Lane

Seconded: Clr Greenaway

CARRIED

11/2011/28 Onyx Bore pump Construction – Lightning Ridge

Resolution:

1. Council note that 'sinking' of the new bore at Onyx Street is successful.
2. Council note that the water pressure test of the new bore is not final as at this report.
3. Council note that further capital works need specialist expertise and therefore it would be preferable for this work to be completed where possible by contract.
4. Council approve an additional vote of \$256,477 from available funds within the Combined Water Fund for the capital works proposed and an appropriate adjustment be made at the December quarterly financial review.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

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Appointment of Mr Stephen Bruce Holland as Director Corporate Services and change of Organisation Structure

The General Manager, in accordance with Section of the Local Government Act consulted with Council with regards the appointment of Mr Stephen Bruce Holland as Director Corporate Services and to also allocate the community services function to the Corporate Services Division allowing tourism and economic development functions to be combined under the direct oversight of the General Manager.

11/2011/29 Appointment of Mr Stephen Bruce Holland as Director Corporate Services and change of Organisation Structure

Resolution:

That Council

1. Endorse the appointment of Mr Stephen Bruce Holland to the position of Director Corporate Services (contract position).
2. Approve of the allocation of the Community Services function in the Organisational Structure to the Corporate Services Division and refer the matter to the next Award Consultative Committee for appropriate consultation.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

11/2011/30 Return to Open Session at 12:15

Resolution:

That Council return to Open Session.

Moved: Clr Woodcock

Seconded: Clr Lane

CARRIED

11/2011/31 Adoption of Closed Session Reports

Resolution:

That Council adopt the following resolutions of the Closed Committee:

- Sale of Land for Overdue Rates – Appointment of Agent/Auctioneer
- Establishment of Internal Auditing Function Progress Report
- 2012 Walgett Shire Council Elections
- Onyx Bore pump Construction – Lightning Ridge

Moved: Clr Greenaway

Seconded: Clr Martinez

CARRIED

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Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 12:16pm

To be confirmed at the meeting of Council to be held on Tuesday 20 December 2011

Minutes of Council meeting –22 November 2011

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Council meeting held 22 November 2011 be confirmed.

Moved:

Seconded:

Reserve Trust Management Committee Reports

Nil

Mayoral Minutes

Nil

Motions of which Notice has been given

Nil

Presentation of Petitions

N/A

Councillors Questions From Last Meeting

Clr Martinez

Question 1:

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Response:

The Director urban Infrastructure Services advised that the dump point has been in place for 12 years already and is considered the ideal place to dispense the waste. This can be moved away but Council needs to find a suitable place and funding to do this. Approach to Caravan Association is in progress. The dump point is fully secured & capped and no known complaints have been received from the community.

Question 2:

Can we use the money that is allocated to the sewerage/waste fund to move the dump point?

Response:

The Director Urban Infrastructure Services advised yes.

Clr Woodcock

Question 1:

There was some money for the Lightning Ridge Swimming pool funding which seems to have been removed and you were going to find some more money for them. Has this been done?

Response:

The General Manager advised that he will follow up this matter.

Clr Lane

Question 1:

Railway crossings at Burren end has deteriorated to such a point where new concrete meets bitumen that it is breaking truck springs.

Response:

The Director Engineering services advised that this matter is Scheduled for January Works Programme

Clr Smith

1. Several streets are in urgent need of ATTENTION eg potholes filled and replace bitumen where necessary.

George /Albert /Walgett / Earl /Maitland and Mission Road.

2. Drainage needs to be sorted with water from Swimming Pool.
3. Skatepark
4. Collarenebri Racecourse access for disability ramp to be completed.
5. Tree planting project Precinct Committee the holes need to be wider and deeper.
6. Concerns with the long over grown grass in many streets and Sporting and Rec areas several complaints received re mosquitoes/sand flies breeding and water smelling outside some homes.
7. WSC house behind Agency in need of URGENT repair neighbours have concerns that people are drinking down stairs and loitering around in the yard. Across the road the owner has boarded up windows because people were squatting in house.
8. Process [Coonamble Fire Captain] to have houses with overgrown yards and rubbish eg old cars etc inspected and advise owner to clean up. It is very unfair on the neighbours who have to worry about snakes and their neighbours yard looking so untidy when they take pride in their own yard and gardens.
9. Could we please have a Grader put on RR426 / RR457 / SR5? As soon as roads are open. Weather Permitting (ASAP)

General Manager's Note:

These matters were raised too late for comment to be included in the agenda and comment will be made verbally at the meeting.

Reports of Delegates and Representatives

1. ORANA REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCIL (OROC) MINUTES OF MEETING

REPORTING SECTION: General Manager
AUTHOR: Don Ramsland – General Manager
FILE NUMBER: 09/54

Summary:

To consider the Minutes of the Meeting of the Orana Regional Organisation of Councils held on 2 December 2011.

Background:

A meeting of the Orana Regional Organisation of Council's was held on 2 December 2011.

Current Position:

To receive and note the minutes of the Orana Regional Organisation of Council's meeting held 2 December 2011.

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

Minute of the Orana Regional Organisation of Council's held 2 December 2011.

Governance issues:

Nil

Environmental issues:

Nil

Stakeholders:

Member Councils

Financial Implications:

Nil

Alternative Solutions/Options:

Nil

Conclusion:

Nil

Orana Regional Organisation of Council (OROC) Minutes of meeting

Recommendation:

1. That Council receive and note the minutes of the Orana Regional Organisation of Councils held on 2 December 2011.

Moved:

Seconded:

Attachments:

Minutes of Meeting held 2 December 2011

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DRAFT Minutes of the OROC Meeting

held at
Acacia Motor Lodge
Coonabarabran
on
Friday 2nd December 2011
at 9.15am

1. Meeting Open and apologies

Mayor of Warrumbungle Shire Council, Clr Peter Shinton warmly welcomed the OROC Board to the Warrumbungle Shire.

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between OROC and Central West CMA at this meeting.

The meeting was opened at 9.15 am by OROC Chair Clr Bill McAnally.

Present: Clr Matthew Slack-Smith, Brewarrina Shire; Rod Shaw, Brewarrina Shire; Clr Bill Murray, Walgett Shire; Don Ramsland, Walgett Shire; Shire; Geoff Wise, Bourke Shire; Clr Peter Shinton, Warrumbungle Shire; Steve Loane, Warrumbungle Shire.; Clr Michael Webb, Coonamble Shire; Rick Warren, Coonamble Shire; Ashley Wielinga, Warren Shire; Clr Pauline Serdity, Warren Shire; Clr Ken Gordon, Gilgandra Shire; Clr Doug Batten, Gilgandra Shire; Paul Mann, Gilgandra Shire; Clr Mathew Dickerson, Dubbo City; Mark Riley, Dubbo City; Greg Lamont, Narromine Shire; Clr Jim Hampstead, Bogan Shire; Derek Francis, Bogan Shire; John Walkom, Chair, RDA Orana, Bill Tatnell, NSW Dept Premier and Cabinet; Tom Gavel, Chair CWCMA and Belinda Barlow, OROC Executive Officer.

A welcome was extended to Clr Michael Webb, Clr Pauline Serdity and Clr Jim Hampstead.

Apologies: Clr Ray Donald, Bogan Shire; Clr Andrew Lewis, Bourke; Clr Rex Wilson, Warren Shire; Clr Lilliane Brady, Cobar Shire; Gary Woodman, Cobar Shire

Motion: *That the apologies be accepted by the OROC Board.*

Moved: Clr Ken Gordon

Seconded: Ashley Wielinga

CARRIED

2 Member for Barwon, The Hon Kevin Humphries MP

Member for Barwon was warmly welcomed to the OROC meeting by Chair Clr Bill McAnally.

Mr Humphries discussed the following points and information with the OROC Board.

Murray Darling Basin Plan

- NSW Government has a moratorium on all water sales between NSW Government and Federal Government.
- At this point in time, the NSW Government has not offered a position on the revised Plan.

Electricity

- Mr Humphries offered an encouraging picture of planned NSW government expenditure for regional areas with the sale of the state's electricity generators, electricity development sites and

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sale or lease of Cobbora Mine site. \$1.6 billion raised by these sales is earmarked for Infrastructure NSW and mining related councils, to help meet the greater demands for new infrastructure created by mining, this funding will not be released until 2012.

Social and Regional interagency issues

- Mr Humphries expressed deep concern for the lack of co-ordination of service delivery to rural communities. Western NSW has a number of agencies and non-government service providers that deliver duplicate services in many rural communities, without any consultation with local government or lands council.
- Mr Humphries also stressed that federally funded remote services delivery model will require robust and open communication between local government and land councils in each community.
- NSW Government is committed to explore state and federal agencies dovetailing into the well developed social and community plans of local government, to redefine the roles and responsibilities of local government and government agencies.
- As this strategy is rolled out, local government will be fully engaged in the process and will assist to determine the nature and number of services that will be offered within the community. NSW Government is eager to avoid the 'Wilcannia' pattern in other communities of rural NSW.
- NSW Government is also undertaking a state wide review of police resourcing, in some cases the current model of Local Area Commands is failing and there may possibly be a shift back to local Sergeant policing.

Indigenous Communities

- Mr Humphries acknowledged that Walgett Shire Council is not included in the de facto interagency group that is led by the Community Working Party.
- Mr Humphries stressed that local government needs to be the leader in communities and should involve the aboriginal community in all mainstream discussions and decision making processes.
- NSW Ombudsman's report 'Addressing Aboriginal disadvantage: the need to do things differently' recommends some radical change. Mr Humphries encouraged OROC Board to invite the Ministerial taskforce to offer their review findings to a future OROC Board meeting.
- The Clontarf Foundation will be establishing in Western NSW schools. This foundation/academy offers and encourages behavioural change through a passion for football to Aboriginal boys, assisting students to complete an education and secure employment. The model exists in all states of Australia, excluding SA and NSW.

Barwon Council's roads – Jill Kilby

- Mr Humphries informed the OROC Board that every council will be required to prioritise roads' needs; a costing will be apportioned to each project. Following this, NSW Minister for Roads, The Hon Duncan Gay will be engaged as well as Federal and State Governments requested for funding.

Other

- The NSW Government has offered in principle support to Delta Energy as they investigate the use of invasive scrub and woody weeds in a pelletised form for use in Delta Energy's biomass fuel plants.
- Inland Rail is 15-20 years away from construction – to open Melbourne to Brisbane rail link. Moree to Toowoomba rail line if improved to a standard gauge line between the centres, can potentially open up Melbourne to Brisbane rail line before Inland Railway is constructed.
- Coal Seam Gas will progress slowly, State Government recognise the need for proper legislation to be in place and is presently developing such legislation.
- Cobar attracts up to \$15 million in royalties per annum. Cobar is the only community in NSW that has very high tax rate income, low unemployment and low crime rate. Previous NSW Government significantly contributed to upgrade of the rail line.

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3. Bill Tatnell, Assistant Western Regional Co-ordinator, NSW Dept Premier and Cabinet, Dubbo

- NSW DPC is currently undergoing a restructure – Western Region will be expanded to include Tamworth and Armidale.
- As part of DPC regional action plans, Regional Co-ordinators will be identifying the top priorities for each region and communities, using local government community strategic plans, engagement and consultation with councils and ROCs.
- Currently in this region, baseline figures indicate that there are many resources being poured into communities, which are not reflective in change, wellbeing or betterment.
- It is identified that agency service delivery and co-ordination needs to be enhanced.
- The Coonamble model of interagency engagement is working effectively, as case management information is shared across agencies.
- Presently there is a House of Representatives inquiry into the high level of involvement of Indigenous juveniles and young adults in the criminal justice system.

4. Confirmation of previous OROC Minutes - meeting held 7th October 2011

Motion: *That the Minutes of the OROC meeting held in Dubbo on Friday 7th October 2010 be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.*

Moved: Mark Riley

Seconded: Rick Warren

CARRIED

Business arising from previous Minutes – 7th October 2011

- i) A record of the meeting held with NSW Minister for Health and OROC delegation on 2nd November 2011 is noted.

Confirmation of Minutes – GMAC Meeting held 14th November 2011

Motion: *That the Minutes of the GMAC meeting on 14th November 2011 in Dubbo, be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted.*

Moved: Paul Mann

Seconded: Steve Loane

CARRIED

Business arising from GMAC Meeting – 14th November 2011

Motion: *That the 4 recommendations contained within the GMAC Minutes from 14th November be adopted.*

Recommendation 1: That GMAC accept the revised quotation \$2904.50 from Ochre Communications to facilitate the Orana Human Resources Summit.

Recommendation 2: That GMAC recognise the formal structure of the Economic Development Officers/Managers network within the Orana Region.

Recommendation 3: The Orana EDO network establishes under the sponsorship of GMAC.

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Recommendation 4: That OROC express in writing considerable concern to Minister for Regional Development, The Hon Simon Crean regarding the demanding eligibility criteria and guidelines for the Regional Development Australia Fund (RDAF) program funding (Round I and II), and in particular note the lack of funding flexibility for rural and regional communities.

Moved: Don Ramsland

Seconded: Paul Mann

CARRIED

5. OROC Correspondence

Motion: That the OROC correspondence be accepted by the OROC Board.

Moved: Mark Riley

Seconded: Greg Lamont

CARRIED

Motion: That GMAC further discuss and investigate a reference point list of recommended legal advisory services for local government.

Moved: Greg Lamont

Seconded: Steve Loane

CARRIED

Motion: That OROC offers a written submission to the IPART review on access pricing on NSW Grain Lines and forward LGSA a copy of this submission.

Moved: Greg Lamont

Seconded: Paul Mann

CARRIED

6. Financial Report

The financial report was tabled by the Executive Officer.

Motion: That the OROC financial report for the period ending 10th November 2011, be accepted by the OROC Board

Moved: Greg Lamont

Seconded: Matthew Slack-Smith

CARRIED

7. Executive Officer's Report

The Executive Officers report was tabled.

Motion: That the Executive Officer's Report is accepted by the Board.

Moved: Greg Lamont

Seconded: Paul Mann

CARRIED

8. General Business

Rural Fire Service incorrect allocations 2011/12:

The OROC Board noted that Rural Fire Service allocations to councils were incorrectly calculated for a second successive year. It is understood that LGSA has raised this issue with relevant organisations and welcomes a review of the RFS financial management practices by the Internal Audit Bureau.

Further discussion took place on the financial burden of program charges and allocations of the Rural Fire Service and other emergency management services. OROC also discussed the increasing difficult issue of

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volunteer recruitment from a very small pool of volunteer labour and in many situations volunteers are diluted across two or more emergency service organisations in sparsely populated rural communities.

Motion: *That GMAC develop a consultant's brief to fully investigate council's role and contributions towards Emergency Management Services in the OROC region.*

Moved: Ashley Wielinga

Seconded: Don Ramsland

CARRIED

Destination 2036 update

It was reported that the draft Destination 2036 Action Plan was due for imminent release.

RDA Orana Infrastructure Summit

Chair RDA Orana John Walkom informed the OROC Board that he has requested meetings with Infrastructure Australia, Infrastructure NSW and respective Ministers to present the Infrastructure priorities on behalf of the region.

John Walkom requested that a delegation comprising of OROC members attend these meetings. Cllr Matthew Slack-Smith expressed his interest to be included as part of the OROC delegation to meet relevant organisations and Ministers.

Motion: *It was agreed that RDA Orana will keep OROC well informed of any outcomes from relevant meetings with Infrastructure Australia, Infrastructure NSW and Ministers involving the Infrastructure priorities for the region.*

Subsequent to these meetings, RDA will review the infrastructure priorities and make recommendations to OROC for further consideration.

Moved: Paul Mann

Seconded: Geoff Wise

CARRIED

Contestability of road maintenance contracts

It was reported by Ashley Wielinga that the State Government is examining the potential for greater contestability in the provision of RTA road maintenance contracts.

It was decided that OROC should formally write to President of Shires' Association Cllr Ray Donald and request his advice on this matter.

Workplace Health and Safety

Greg Lamont noted that new Workplace Health and Safety laws will be effective as at 1st January 2012.

NSW Ministerial Taskforce for Aboriginal Affairs

Motion: *That OROC invite NSW Ministerial Taskforce for Aboriginal Affairs together with Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, The Hon Victor Dominello to the next OROC Board Meeting in February 2012 at Lightning Ridge to discuss Aboriginal related policy and program delivery.*

Moved: Geoff Wise

Seconded: Ashley Wielinga

CARRIED

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| 9. Close/Next Meeting |
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The next OROC meeting is set down for **Friday 17th February 2011** and to be hosted by Walgett Shire Council. Dinner and accommodation will be organised for Thursday 16th February in Lightning Ridge.

The OROC Board is to extend an invitation to Minister for Aboriginal Affairs The Hon Victor Dominello and NSW Aboriginal Taskforce to this next meeting, including Member for Barwon, The Hon Kevin Humphries and Member for Dubbo, Troy Grant.

The meeting closed at 1.00 pm.

Reservation of items for Debate

Nil

Reports of Officers

2. COUNCIL DECISIONS ACTION REPORT – 22.11.11

REPORTING SECTION: General Manager
AUTHOR: Don Ramsland – General Manager
FILE NUMBER: 10/154

Summary:

This schedule has been revised and will be provided to each Council meeting in the revised format. It summarises action taken in respect of matters considered at the previous meeting of Council and in future will include any action from previous meetings still outstanding.

Background:

Attached is the Resolution Register related to the 22 November 2011 Council Meeting. The register summarises action in respect of all Resolutions as well as any other matters raised at the Meeting which required action. The second register, in the new format, will list any matters from previous meetings (as of July 2011) that have not yet been finalised.

Current Position:

Details of Action taken/being taken are flagged for each motion.

Attached are two resolution registers, one commencing from July 2011, and includes all resolutions that are still outstanding and the other includes resolutions from the last council meeting

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

Agenda and Minutes of the 22 November 2011 Council Meeting

Governance issues:

Standard procedure dictates that Council resolutions should be implemented as soon as practicably be achieved.

Environmental issues:

Nil

Stakeholders:

Councillors and Executive Team

Financial Implications:

Nil

Alternative Solutions/Options:

Nil

Conclusion:

That the action list be received and noted. It is suggested that any queries be passed with the General Manager prior to meeting day to facilitate at the meeting.

| Council Decisions Action Report – 22.11.11 |
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| <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>1. That the action register be received and noted.</p> <p>Moved:</p> <p>Seconded:</p> |

Attachments:

Resolution Register of action taken in respect of 22 November 2011
Outstanding Resolutions since 26 July 2011

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Resolution Register of action taken in respect of 25 October 2011

| Date of Meeting | Resolution Number | Resolution | Department | Action Taken | Management Officer | Date Completed |
|------------------|-------------------|---|-------------------------------|--|--|------------------|
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/1 | 1. That apologies from Councillor Walford, Councillor Smith, Councillor Colless and Councillor Keir be received and leave of absence be granted.
Moved: Cllr Greenaway Seconded: Cllr Woodcock | Governance | No Action required | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/2 | That the minutes of the Council meeting held 25 October 2011 be confirmed.
Moved: Cllr Woodcock Seconded: Cllr Lane | Governance | No Action required | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/3 | 1. That the minutes of the Western Division Mid Term Meeting held on 21 October 2011 be received.
2. Council offer support by writing to the Premier, NSW Ombudsman, LGSA, Federal and State members serving the Western Division: Endorsing the Ombudsman's conclusion that there is a "need to do things differently" in communities with significant numbers of Aboriginal people and offering the Division's Council to work cooperatively with both the recently appointed Ministerial taskforce for Aboriginal Affairs and with Governments to address the Aboriginal issues differently.
Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Woodcock | Governance | Letter Drafted | General Manager | |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/4 | 1. Council note the Netwaste Steering Committee Minutes of Meeting held at the ELF, Orange, NSW on 27 October 2011.
2. Council note with interest the Purchasing Policy adopted by Netwaste from Orange City Council for possible improvement of Walgett Shire Council's own Purchasing Policy.
Moved: Cllr Woodcock Seconded: Cllr Martinez | Urban Infrastructure Services | | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/5 | 1. That the report be received and noted.
Moved: Cllr Woodcock Seconded: Cllr Greenaway | Governance | No Action required | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/6 | 1. That the information contained in the weekly circulars from the NSW Local Government and Shires Association be received and noted.
Moved: Cllr Martinez Seconded: Cllr Woodcock | Governance | Appropriate Follow up Action Taken as Necessary | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/7 | 1. That the information contained in the following Departmental circulars 11-31 to 11-36 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.
• Circular to Councils 11/31 - Amendment of the Public Interest Disclosures Act 1994
• Circular to Councils 11/32 - Review of the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils - Request for Submissions on Position Paper
• Circular to Councils 11/33 - Release of Guidelines for Approval as a Greyhound Re-Training Program and Launch of | Governance | 1. Draft Policy on Exhibition
2. Noted
3. Noted
4. Noted
5. Application Lodged
6. Noted | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |

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| Date of Meeting | Resolution Number | Resolution | Department | Action Taken | Management Officer | Date Completed |
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| | | <p>Greenhounds Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circular to Councils 11/34 - 2012 Ministers' Awards for Women in Local Government - Call for Nominations • Circular to Councils 11/35 - Council Administered Elections 2012 • Circular to Councils 11/36 - Review of the Model Code of Conduct - Workshop in Ballina - 29 November 2011 <p>Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Lane</p> | | | | |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/8 | <p>1. That Council receive and note the regular monthly calendar for the period November 2011 to January 2012.</p> <p>Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Greenaway</p> | Governance | No Action required | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/9 | <p>1. That the matters listed by the General Manager for brief mention or information be received and noted.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RFS Allocation advice wrong again 2. National Road Safety Strategy 3. NSW Government Serves up States Highest Food Safety Rates 4. Indigenous Economic Development Strategy Framework 5. 2010/2011 Annual Review for Scouts Australia NSW 6. NSWMC Industry Education Initiative – NSW Miners, World Class Miners 7. Australia's First National Transport Regulator 8. 'NSW 2010' - the State Government's 10 year plan to guide policy and budget decision making 9. Independent Commission Against Corruption's Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2011 10. Green Building Council of Australia 11. NSW Ombudsman 2010-2011 Annual Report 12. Notes from Meeting with Jillian Skinner in Dubbo <p>Moved: Clr Greenaway Seconded: Clr Woodcock</p> | Governance | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Noted 2. Noted 3. Noted 4. Noted 5. Noted 6. Noted 7. Noted 8. Noted 9. Noted 10. Noted 11. Noted 12. Noted | General Manager | 2 December 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/10 | <p>1. That Council support the Australian Opal Centre project through accepting the leading organisation role in establishing a consortium to lodge an EOI application for funding in the RDAF – Round 2 and provide financial support for the preparation of mandatory documentation required to accompany the principle application.</p> <p>Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Martinez</p> | Community Services | Ex pression of Interest Lodged | General Manager | 30 November 2011 |

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| Date of Meeting | Resolution Number | Resolution | Department | Action Taken | Management Officer | Date Completed |
|------------------|-------------------|---|--------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/11 | <p>That Council note the quarterly budget review for the period to 30 September 2011 and adopt the changes as follows:</p> <p>General fund Operational Budget:</p> <p>Expenditure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An increase in Expenditure Insurance Premium \$7,075 • Councils contribution for Internal Auditor \$15,000 • Local Roads Operation \$6,000 • Regional Roads Maintenance – Heavy Patching & Rural Drainage \$130,000 • Roads to Recovery expenditure (Off set by Grants) \$1,218,400 <p>Total \$1,376,475</p> <p>Income</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roads to Recovery Grant (\$1,218,400) <p>WATER MANAGEMENT – LIGHTING RIDGE</p> <p>Expense</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An increase in Expenditure –Mains Emergency Repairs Natural Disaster \$11,000 • A increase in expenditure – Algae Monitoring Treatment \$4,000 <p>Total \$15,000</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Woodcock</p> | Finance | | Director Corporate Services | |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/12 | <p>1. The Council accept the report from Council's Senior Library Officer on the after School Homework Program.</p> <p>2. That an income and votes expenditure be created for all income/expenses relating to the Mission Australia After School Home work Program.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Woodcock</p> | Community Services | Appropriate Follow up Action Taken | General Manager | 5 December 2011 |

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| Date of Meeting | Resolution Number | Resolution | Department | Action Taken | Management Officer | Date Completed |
|------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---|------------------|
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/13 | 1. That the Walgett Shire Libraries quarterly report July to October 2011 be accepted.
Moved: Cllr Greenaway Seconded: Cllr Lane | Community Services | No further action required | General Manager | 5 December 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/14 | 1. That the cash on hand and investment report as at 31 October 2011 be received.
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1 Note the letter dated 4 November 2011 to the Office of Environment and Heritage regarding soil contamination at the former crop duster wash down area, Walgett airport (lot 11, DP 851116).
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| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/18 | <p>That Walgett Shire Council resolve to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the report on Development and Complying Development Certificate applications dealt with by Council staff under delegated authority during October 2011. <p>Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Lane</p> | Planning & Regulatory Services | Noted | Director Planning & Regulatory Services | 13 December 2011 |

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| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/19 | 1. That the report by the Director of Planning & Regulatory Services on matters for brief mention, or information only, be received and noted.
Moved: Clr Martinez Seconded: Clr Lane | Planning & Regulatory Services | Noted | Director Planning & Regulatory Services | 13 December 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/20 | 1. That Council note the completion of design and documentation of Walgett Levee Rehabilitation Program.
2. That Council allow funding provision in the formulation in FY2012/13 budget.
3. That Council consider developing a strategy in constructing the levee in stages over a number of years.
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Martinez | Urban Infrastructure Services | No Action required | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/21 | 1. That Council receive and note the regular monthly road and bridge report
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Lane | Engineering Services | Noted | Director Engineering Services | 13 December 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/22 | 1. That Council receive and note the regular monthly December 2010 Flood Works report
Moved: Clr Greenaway Seconded: Clr Lane | Engineering Services | Noted | Director Engineering Services | 13 December 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/23 | 1. That Council note the 2011/12 Block Grant Agreement
2. That Council approve the vote of \$2,076,00.00 and the deduction of the shortfall of \$45,698 from Rural Regional Road Works.
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Lane | Engineering Services | Block Grant Agreement Signed | Director Engineering Services | 3 November 2011 |

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| 22 November 2011 | Questions for the next Meeting | It was noted in the July meeting that staff were going to investigate the dump point in front of the vic centre in Lightning Ridge. At the moment nothing has been done. As the dump point is only about 10 feet away from the front door of the vic centre it causing problems. Can this dump point be moved away? In the July minutes it was noted that we were going to look at the Caravan association for funding?
Clr Martinez | Urban Infrastructure Services | The dump point has been in place for 12 years already and is considered the ideal place to dispense the waste. This can be moved away but Council needs to find a suitable place and funding to do this. Approach to Caravan Association in progress. The dump point is fully secured & capped and no known complaints were recieved from the community. | Director Urban Infrastructure Servcies | |
| 22 November 2011 | Questions for the next Meeting | Can we use the money that is allocated to the sewerage/waste fund to move the dump point?
Clr Martinez | Urban Infrastructure Services | Yes | Director Urban Infrastructure Servcies | |
| 22 November 2011 | Questions for the next Meeting | There was some money for the Lightning Ridge Swimming pool funding which seems to have been removed and you were going to find some more money for them. Has this been done?
Clr Woodcock | Governance | Gm to answer | General Manager | |
| 22 November 2011 | Questions for the next Meeting | Railway crossings at Burren end has deteriorated to such a point where new concrete meets bitumen that it is breaking truck springs.
Clr Lane | Engineering Services | Scheduled for Jan Works Programme | Director Engineering Services | |
| 22 November 2011 | Questions for the next Meeting | 1. Several streets are in urgent need of ATTENTION eg potholes filled and replace bitumen where necessary. George /Albert /Walgett / Earl /Maitland and Mission Road .
2. Drainage needs to be sorted with water from Swimming Pool.
3. Skatepark
4. Collarenebri Racecourse access for disability ramp to be completed.
5. Tree Planting project Precinct Committee the holes need to be wider and deeper.
6. Concerns with the long over grown grass in many streets and Sporting and Rec areas several complaints received re mosquitos/sand flies breeding and water smelling outside some homes.
7. WSC house behind Agency in need of URGENT repair | Urban Infrastructure Services & Engineering Services | Draft in process | Director Urban Infrastructure Services & Director Engineering Services | |

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| | | neighbours have concerns that people are drinking down stairs and loitering around in the yard . Across the road the owner has boarded up windows because people were squatting in house.
8. Process [Coonamble Fire Captain] to have houses with overgrown yards and rubbish eg old cars etc inspected and advise owner to clean up. It is very unfair on the neighbours who have to worry about snakes and their neighbours yard looking so untidy when they take pride in their own yard and gardens.
Clr Smith | | | | |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/24 | That the public be excluded from the meeting pursuant to Sections 10A (2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 on the basis that the items deal with:
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Lane | Governance | No Action required | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/25 | That Council
1. Accept the proposal of Kelly's Property Sales dated 10 November as agent/auctioneer for Council's pending Sale of Land for Overdue Rates
2. Delegate to the General Manager the setting of reserve prices for the sale of other property to be offered by auction on the same day.
3. Clarification be sought regard the charge for any additional properties to be auctioned on the same day.
4. That Council note that the date of the Auction has been changed to Saturday 17 December 2011 commencing at 10.30am at the Council Chambers, 77 Fox Street Walgett 2832.
Moved: Clr Lane Seconded: Clr Martinez | Finance | 1. Letters Drafted
2. To be set on date of Sale - Ongoing
3.Only sale of overdue Rates Properties to be offered
4. Information only sale arranged | General Manager | 23.01.11
On Going
29.11.11

22.11.11 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/26 | 1. That Council formally establish an Audit and Risk Management Committee to comprise two independents, with one to act as Chair, and one Councillor.
2. That, in line with recommendations of the Management Committee (General Managers of the six councils), Council appoint Mr Andrew Fletcher as independent Chair to its Audit and Risk Management Committee and appoint The Morse Group as Internal Auditor.
3. Councillor Woodcock be appointed as Council's representative on the Audit and Risk Management Committee.
Moved: Clr Greenaway Seconded: Clr Lane | Governance | Ongoing | General Manager | |

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| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/27 | That Walgett Shire Council engage the services of the New South Wales Electoral Commission to undertake the September 2012 Walgett Shire Council election and request that costs be minimised by sharing a returning officer, preferably wit Bourke, Brewarrina and Coonamble Shire Councils.
Moved: Clr Lane Seconded: Clr Greenaway | Governance | Application Lodged | General Manager | 30 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/28 | 1. Council note that 'sinking' of the new bore at Onyx Street is successful.
2. Council note that the water pressure test of the new bore is not final as at this report.
3. Council note that further capital works need specialist expertise and therefore it would be preferably for this work to be completed where possible by contract.
4. Council approve an additional vote of \$256,477 from available funds within the Combined Water Fund for the capital works proposed and an appropriate adjustment be made at the December quarterly financial review.
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Lane | Urban Infrastructure Services | Tender documents required | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |

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| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/29 | <p>That Council</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Endorse the appointment of Mr Stephen Bruce Holland to the position of Director Corporate Services (contract position). 2. Approve of the allocation of the Community Services function to the Corporate Services division. <p>Moved: Cllr Woodcock Seconded: Cllr Lane</p> | Governance | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Appointment finalised 2. Referred to AWC | General Manager | 23 November 2011 |

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| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/30 | That Council return to Open Session.
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Lane | Governance | No Action required | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/31 | That Council adopt the following resolutions of the Closed Committee:
• Sale of Land for Overdue Rates – Appointment of Agent/Auctioneer
• Establishment of Internal Auditing Function Progress Report
• 2012 Walgett Shire Council Elections
• Onyx Bore pump Construction – Lightning Ridge
Moved: Clr Greenaway Seconded: Clr Martinez | Governance | Action taken as appropriate | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/1 | 1. That apologies from Councillor Walford, Councillor Smith, Councillor Colless and Councillor Keir be received and leave of absence be granted.
Moved: Clr Greenaway Seconded: Clr Woodcock | Governance | No Action required | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/2 | That the minutes of the Council meeting held 25 October 2011 be confirmed.
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Lane | Governance | No Action required | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/3 | 1. That the minutes of the Western Division Mid Term Meeting held on 21 October 2011 be received.
2. Council offer support by writing to the Premier, NSW Ombudsman, LGSA, Federal and State members serving the Western Division: Endorsing the Ombudsman's conclusion that there is a "need to do things differently" in communities with significant numbers of Aboriginal people and offering the Division's Council to work cooperatively with both the recently appointed Ministerial taskforce for Aboriginal Affairs and with Governments to address the Aboriginal issues differently.
Moved: Clr Lane Seconded: Clr Woodcock | Governance | Letter Drafted | General Manager | |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/4 | 1. Council note the Netwaste Steering Committee Minutes of Meeting held at the ELF, Orange, NSW on 27 October 2011.
2. Council note with interest the Purchasing Policy adopted by Netwaste from Orange City Council for possible improvement | Urban Infrastructure Services | | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |

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| | | of Walgett Shire Council's own Purchasing Policy.
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Martinez | | | | |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/5 | 1. That the report be received and noted.
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Greenaway | Governance | No Action required | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/6 | 1. That the information contained in the weekly circulars from the NSW Local Government and Shires Association be received and noted.
Moved: Clr Martinez Seconded: Clr Woodcock | Governance | Appropriate Follow up Action Taken as Necessary | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/7 | 1. That the information contained in the following Departmental circulars 11-31 to 11-36 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.
• Circular to Councils 11/31 - Amendment of the Public Interest Disclosures Act 1994
• Circular to Councils 11/32 - Review of the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils - Request for Submissions on Position Paper
• Circular to Councils 11/33 - Release of Guidelines for Approval as a Greyhound Re-Training Program and Launch of Greenhounds Website
• Circular to Councils 11/34 - 2012 Ministers' Awards for Women in Local Government - Call for Nominations
• Circular to Councils 11/35 - Council Administered Elections 2012
• Circular to Councils 11/36 - Review of the Model Code of Conduct - Workshop in Ballina - 29 November 2011
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Lane | Governance | 1. Draft Policy on Exhibition
2. Noted
3. Noted
4. Noted
5. Application Lodged
6. Noted | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/8 | 1. That Council receive and note the regular monthly calendar for the period November 2011 to January 2012.
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Greenaway | Governance | No Action required | General Manager | 22 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/9 | 1. That the matters listed by the General Manager for brief mention or information be received and noted.

1. RFS Allocation advice wrong again
2. National Road Safety Strategy
3. NSW Government Serves up States Highest Food Safety Rates | Governance | 1. Noted
2. Noted
3. Noted
4. Noted
5. Noted
6. Noted
7. Noted | General Manager | 2 December 2011 |

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| | | 4. Indigenous Economic Development Strategy Framework
5. 2010/2011 Annual Review for Scouts Australia NSW
6. NSWMC Industry Education Initiative – NSW Miners, World Class Miners
7. Australia's First National Transport Regulator
8. 'NSW 2010' - the State Government's 10 year plan to guide policy and budget decision making
9. Independent Commission Against Corruption's Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2011
10. Green Building Council of Australia
11. NSW Ombudsman 2010-2011 Annual Report
12. Notes from Meeting with Jillian Skinner in Dubbo
Moved: Clr Greenaway Seconded: Clr Woodcock | | 8. Noted
9. Noted
10. Noted
11. Noted
12. Noted | | |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/10 | 1. That Council support the Australian Opal Centre project through accepting the leading organisation role in establishing a consortium to lodge an EOI application for funding in the RDAF – Round 2 and provide financial support for the preparation of mandatory documentation required to accompany the principle application.
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Martinez | Community Services | Ex pression of Interest Lodged | General Manager | 30 November 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/11 | That Council note the quarterly budget review for the period to 30 September 2011 and adopt the changes as follows:

General fund Operational Budget:
Expenditure
• An increase in Expenditure Insurance Premium \$7,075
• Councils contribution for Internal Auditor \$15,000
• Local Roads Operation \$6,000
• Regional Roads Maintenance – Heavy Patching & Rural Drainage \$130,000
• Roads to Recovery expenditure (Off set by Grants) \$1,218,400
Total \$1,376,475
Income
• Roads to Recovery Grant (\$1,218,400)
WATER MANAGEMENT – LIGHTING RIDGE
Expense
• An increase in Expenditure –Mains Emergency Repairs Natural Disaster \$11,000
• A increase in expenditure – Algae Monitoring Treatment \$4,000
Total \$15,000
Moved: Clr Lane Seconded: Clr Woodcock | Finance | | Director Corporate Services | |

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| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/12 | <p>1. The Council accept the report from Council's Senior Library Officer on the after School Homework Program.</p> <p>2. That an income and votes expenditure be created for all income/expenses relating to the Mission Australia After School Home work Program.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Woodcock</p> | Community Services | Appropriate Follow up Action Taken | General Manager | 5 December 2011 |
| 22 November 2011 | 11/2011/13 | <p>1. That the Walgett Shire Libraries quarterly report July to October 2011 be accepted.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Greenaway Seconded: Cllr Lane</p> | Community Services | No further action required | General Manager | 5 December 2011 |

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4. Publish the Walgett Shire State of the Environment Report 2010-2011 on Council's web site.
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3. That Council consider developing a strategy in constructing the levee in stages over a number of years.
Moved: Clr Woodcock Seconded: Clr Martinez | Urban Infrastructure Services | No Action required | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | 22 November 2011 |

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Outstanding Resolutions since 26 July 2011

| Date of Meeting | Resolution Number | Resolution | Department | Action Taken | Management Officer | Date Completed |
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| 26 July 2011 | Matters Arising | <p>Clr Murray asked what was happening in relation to items that were asked at the last Council meeting which came out of the Burren Junction Budget meeting, it still says that the Director Engineering Services is currently investigating.</p> <p>The General Manager advised that he and the Director Engineering Services will be visiting Burren Junction either later this week or early next week and will speak with residents there. He also advised that some of these roads have been graded as part of flood damage repairs and/or routine maintenance.</p> | Engineering Services | <p>North side of the Namoi River Bridge to Pilliga and Nunkeri causeway will be programmed on 20.12.13</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. At the turn near the silo from Burren Junction to Pilliga - 30.9.11 2. Burren Junction Road all muddy (Aerodrome Road) - 31.8.11 3. Bugilbone crossroad - 30.9.11 4. Tareela Lane causeway - 31.8.11 5. Tareela Lane - 2 dangerous corners on road - 29.9.11 6. Goangra Road (SR 116) - 30.9.11 | Director Engineering Services | |
| 26 July 2011 | Matters Arising | <p>Clr Colless asked if Council was going to go back to using local auctioneers for the sale of land for overdue rates sale.</p> <p>The General Manager advised that he will be calling for Expression of Interests for conducting this auction and may also include some of Council's properties that we have been unable to sell previously.</p> <p>Clr Colless also asked if we could check whoever the Auctioneer will be that if they have any staff interested in the sale to avoid any conflicts of interest.</p> | Finance | Expressions of interest placed in local paper-awaiting response. | Director Corporate Services | |
| 26 July 2011 | 7/2011/4 | <p>1. That Walgett Shire Council impose a moratorium for an indefinite period on any future seismic surveys, drilling or exploration for Coal Seam Gas on property under the ownership or care, control and management of the Walgett Shire Council.</p> <p>2. The Walgett Shire Council requests that the relevant State Government Agency fund and undertake a full assessment of the impact of Coal Seam Gas Extraction on the sustainability of agricultural production and damage to underground aquifers within the shire area during this period.</p> <p>Moved: Clr Greenaway Seconded: Clr Keir</p> | Planning & Regulatory Services | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report prepared for 22-9-2011 Council meeting 2. Letter to be forwarded to NSW State Agencies 11.11.11 State Gov reviewing approach | General Manager | |

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| 26 July 2011 | 7/2011/14 | <p>1. Endorse the proposal to locate the new water filtration plant for Walgett on the old caravan park site on Reserve 81681 on the Brewarrina Road.</p> <p>2. Commence investigations into the possibility of raising the height of the weir on the Barwon River at Walgett to ensure that the town has a secure water supply into the future by convening a meeting between relevant Government Agencies and Council.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Murray Seconded: Cllr Keir</p> | Urban Infrastructure Services | <p>1. Survey in progress</p> <p>2. In progress</p> | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |
| 26 July 2011 | 7/2011/15 | <p>1. That following consideration of the power point presentation, Council make a further disability submission to the NSW Grants Commission based on information provided during the Commission's recent visit to Walgett.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Colless Seconded: Cllr Keir</p> | Governance | Follow up Submission to be made | General Manager | |
| 26 July 2011 | 7/2011/28 | <p>Note the final report of Walgett Shire LGA Aboriginal Heritage Study, dated May 2011 as prepared by Australian Museum Business Services.</p> <p>2. Endorse the land use planning related recommendations made by Australian Museum Business Services in sections 6.1.1, 6.1.2, 6.1.3, 6.1.4 and 6.1.5 of the Walgett Shire LGA Aboriginal Heritage Study, dated May 2011.</p> <p>3. Request the General Manager to provide recommendations for Council's consideration regarding the requests made by the aboriginal community within section 6.2 of the Walgett Shire LGA Aboriginal Heritage Study, dated May 2011.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Walford Seconded: Cllr Martinez</p> | Planning & Regulatory Services | <p>1. No Action Required</p> <p>2. No Action Required</p> <p>3. General Manager to provide report on non-land use planning requests by the Aboriginal Community arising from heritage Study.</p> | General Manager | |

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| 26 July 2011 | Questions for the next Meeting | In relation to Council's Grid Policy, there are approximately 30 grids within the Shire that are not being used, can these be removed?
Clr Greenaway | Engineering Services | The Director Engineering Services advised that an email was sent to Clr Greenaway requesting detailed information such as locations etc. Once the information is received, a site meeting with property owner will be conducted for further activities.
Cost is estimated at \$60,000 for removal of 30 grids. Will be tabled for 2012/2013 Budget discussions | Director Engineering Services | |
| 26 July 2011 | Questions for the next Meeting | In relation the Lions Park in Lightning Ridge, it was agreed to move the play equipment from Lions Park to Len Cram Park, the equipment has been removed from Lions Park but has not made its way to Len Cram Park as yet.
Clr Martinez | Urban Infrastructure Services | The Director Urban Infrastructure Services advised that he discussed this issue with the Lightning Ridge Rotary Club to undertake this community project. Council staff to assist in providing some base material. The play equipment is still at the Lions Park. Project to start by early September. Rotary Club advised that is is not feasible to move this being an old structure. OH&S also advsied that there are some safety issues that need to be addressed. It is therefore advisable to leave it in its present location and improve it to meet OH&S standards. | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |

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| 26 July 2011 | Questions for the next Meeting | Council was going to have a look at the Dump point at the entrance of the Lightning Ridge Visitor Information Centre.
Clr Martinez | Urban Infrastructure Services | The General Manager advised that we can approach the Caravan Park and Camping Association to see if they have access to any grants that Council can apply for to upgrade the facilities or create more dump points.
No further action as yet | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |
| 23 August 2011 | Matters Arising | Clr Greenaway asked in relation to the Council's Grid Policy, do we know what our present Grid policy is? Is it to get rid of all single grid by 2013? | Engineering Services | Policy will be presented on March 2012 at Council Meeting | Director Engineering Services | |
| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/2 | 1. Council note the Netwaste Steering Committee Minutes of the Meeting held at Dubbo City Council on 25 July 2011.
2. Council approve to develop its Community Sharps Disposal Plan using Netwaste template.
3. Council note the next Netwaste Steering Committee Meeting is to be held at Gilgandra on 09 September 2011.
Moved: Clr Smith Seconded: Clr Keir | Urban Infrastructure Services | Development of the Community Sharps Disposal Plan not yet started | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |

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| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/7 | <p>That Council</p> <p>1. Recommend the appointment of the following candidates to the position of Emergency Unit Controller for a period of two years, effective 1 August 2011.</p> <p>Mr David Lane - Reappointment - Unit Controller Lightning Ridge State Emergency Service</p> <p>Mr Dominic Warnock – Reappointment – Unit Controller Carinda State Emergency Service</p> <p>Alice Thorn – Reappointment – Unit Controller Collarenebri State Emergency Service</p> <p>Neil Adum – Reappointment – Unit Controller Glengarry State Emergency Service</p> <p>Mrs Julie Marshall – Reappointment – Unit Controller Walgett State Emergency Service</p> <p>2. Formally thanks the five unit controllers for their continued service.</p> <p>3. Investigate holding an annual function for the members of all five local SES units in conjunction with the annual volunteers day to express the communities appreciation for the ongoing voluntary efforts.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Greenaway Seconded: Cllr Walford</p> | Governance | <p>1. Letter to Reginal SES office Drafted</p> <p>2. Letters to local controllers drafted</p> <p>3. Arrangements to be made</p> <p>4. Press release prepared</p> | General Manager | |
| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/9 | <p>1. That the General Manager's Report be received and noted and Council consider whether or not it should be initiating discussions with senior representatives from neighbouring councils and, if so, which councils and on what basis.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Keir Seconded: Cllr Murray</p> | Governance | <p>Discussions with Council's and Brewarrina Shires being arranged</p> | General Manager | |
| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/10 | <p>1. That the General Manager to approach all precinct committees and offer a higher level of administrative support and to also initiate action to re-establish a precinct committee in Walgett</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Smith Seconded: Cllr Keir</p> | Governance | <p>1. Discussions with Precinct Committees being held progressively</p> <p>2. Press Release prepared</p> | General Manager | |

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| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/11 | That Council
1. Not proceed with any proposal that impacts adversely on traffic flows or involves the establishment of a pedestrian plaza in Wee Waa Street

2. Hold further public consultations to determine the nature and extent of the Walgett Main Street Beautification Project with a view to undertaking agreed works at the earliest possible opportunity.
Moved: Cllr Colless Seconded: Cllr Murray | Governance | 1. Press release prepared
2. Letters being drafted
3. Public consultation session to be arranged | General Manager | |
| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/14 | 1. That the General Manager's Report be received and noted.

2. That Council agree "in principle" to participate in the joint arrangement with Coonamble, Narromine, Warren, Gilgandra and Warrumbungle Shire Councils to establish an internal audit function to serve the six councils.

3. That Council provide for an additional vote of \$30,000 in the 2011/12 budget.

4. That the General Manager and, where appropriate, the Mayor, be authorised to continue negotiations with neighbouring Councils committing to 'in principle' support for the project.

5. That progress reports be presented to future meetings.
Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Smith | Governance | 1. No Action Required
2. Arrangements made and expression of interest being called
3. Provision to be made in September Quarterly review
4. Negotiations continuing
5. Reports to be prepared
18/10/2011 - Reported to October Meeting
11.11.11 Interviews held for Internal Auditor | General Manager | |
| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/16 | 1. Council begin considering and formulating a plan for the training of plant operators and maintenance of current plant operators tickets prior to the implementation of the new laws that come into effect 1 September 2011.
Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Colless | Engineering Services | Log book system to apply | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |
| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/18 | 1. That the action being taken to review Council's Tourism Plan 2009-2011 and Branding/Marketing Strategy be endorsed.
Moved: Cllr Martinez Seconded: Cllr Lane | Tourism | Planning for review commenced | General Manager | |

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| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/19 | <p>1. That Council receive and noted the General Manager's Report and endorse the action being taken to develop a combined Walgett Visitor Information and Aboriginal Cultural Centre concept.</p> <p>2. That Council be kept advised of progress being made.
 Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Walford</p> | Tourism | Letters forwarded to Walgett LALC and CWP 20/10/11 - Follow up letters drafted | General Manager | |
| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/20 | <p>1. That the General Manager's Report be received and noted and the action being taken to develop an Expression of Interest for a PCYC facility in Walgett in conjunction with other agencies and stakeholders be endorsed.
 Moved: Cllr Walford Seconded: Cllr Lane</p> | Community Services | Community Input being sought
2nd & 3rd Steering Committee Meeting
Sept/October
31.10.11 Submission Lodged | General Manager | |
| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/24 | <p>That Walgett Shire Council resolve to:</p> <p>1. Note and endorse the letter dated 21 July 2011 from the General Manager of Walgett Shire Council to the Regional Director of the Department of Planning which:</p> <p>(a) Submitted the draft Walgett Local Environmental Plan 2011 (LEP),
 (b) Requested a certificate under section 65 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to permit the public exhibition of the LEP.
 (c) Identified issues that needed to be resolved within the LEP.
 Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Murray</p> | Planning & Regulatory Services | Waiting for Response from Department of Planning | Director Planning & Regulatory Services | |

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| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/28 | <p>1. That the matters listed by the Director Urban Infrastructure Services for brief mention or information only be received and noted.
 Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Martinez
 1. Construction of Dementia Day Care Centre
 2. Construction of Cumborah Office
 3. Construction of Fox-Warrena St Stormwater Drainage
 4. Walgett Bore bath Lights
 5. Round 2 Regional Infrastructure Projects.
 6. Round 3 Regional Infrastructure Projects
 7. Burren Junction 2nd Evaporation Pond
 8. Burren Junction 1st Evaporation Pond
 9. Lightning Ridge Hot Artesian Spa
 10. Walgett Levee Design
 11. Water Meter Readings.
 12. Bore Licence Application (Lighting Ridge)
 13. Aboriginal Communities Water and Sewerage Program</p> | Urban Infrastructure Services | <p>1. In Progress - Completed
 2. Not commenced
 3. Not commenced
 4. Not commenced
 5. In Progress - completed
 6. In Progress
 7. In Progress - Completed
 8. In Progress - no further action required
 9. In Progress - no further action required
 10. Funds yet to be sourced
 11. In Progress
 12. In Progress - completed
 13. Arrangements outstanding - completed</p> | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |
| 23 August 2011 | Questions for the Next Meeting | <p>Would like to find out what vacant blocks so the Shire own in Colly plus what are their DP numbers
 Cllr Smith</p> | Corporate Services | List will be circulated at November 2011 Council meeting | Director Corporate Services | |
| 23 August 2011 | Questions for the Next Meeting | <p>Collarenebri needs a bus stop sign on the corner Wilson and Herbert Streets not an angle parking sign. Colly to Walgett Bus run
 Cllr Smith</p> | Engineering Services | Item will need to be forwarded to the March Local Traffic Committee Meeting | Director Engineering Services | |
| 23 August 2011 | Questions for the Next Meeting | <p>At the last few Council Meetings, things have been taken on notice but we never seem to have a response/ For example we asked about the maintenance of Skateparks and this still does not seem to happen even though we have been told it does. The local police man would like to have a skate on it but can't because of the cracks in the cement.
 Cllr Smith</p> | Governance | <p>1. Generally issues will be reported back to Council. This new process will ensure matters are not overlooked
 2. Skatepark issues being further investigated</p> | General Manager | |
| 23 August 2011 | Questions for the next Meeting | <p>Mission road no sign post – could a street sign be erected?
 Cllr Smith</p> | Urban Infrastructure Services | <p>investigating type and location for signage request
 - sign has been ordered, but when arrived they had sent the wrong sign. New sign should be here and installed by end of October 2011.</p> | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |

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| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/33 | <p>1. Council note that No. 2 requirement of Resolution 223/6: Selection of Preferred Option for Waste Disposal for the town of Lightning Ridge has been achieved in this report.</p> <p>2. Council approve, in principle, to construct a new landfill along the Castlereagh Highway and half-way between Walgett and Lightning Ridge.</p> <p>3. Council authorize the General Manager to investigate possible site locations along the Castlereagh Highway half-way between Walgett and Lightning Ridge.</p> <p>4. That a further report be provided at the October Council meeting outlining the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * the impact of recycling on future operations * setting up a transfer station at Lightning Ridge in the shorter term * continue using the Walgett landfill for all waste once the Lightning Ridge landfill closes * look at locating a centrally located non flood prone site, one-third of the way between Walgett and Lightning Ridge, and able to service Collarenebri as well to be developed within five years. * plan to establish transfer stations at Collarenebri, Burren Junction, Carinda as well as Lightning Ridge and Walgett * identify green waste sites * identify emergency (flood) tip sites <p>Moved: Clr Walford Seconded: Clr Greenaway</p> | Urban Infrastructure Services | In progress
Report submitted
November 2011 Meeting | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |

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| 23 August 2011 | 8/2011/34 | <p>1. That Council accept the amended tender of Prominent Fluid Controls Pty, Ltd. in the amount of \$77,860.00 excluding GST for the installation and construction of one fluoride dosing system in Collarenebri only.</p> <p>2. That Council advise the Office of Water and Centre of Oral Health that the amended Tender of Prominent Fluid Controls Pty, Ltd. in the amount of \$77,860.00 excluding GST for the installation and construction of one fluoride dosing system in Collarenebri only has been accepted.</p> <p>3. That Council notes that installation and construction of Walgett's fluoride dosing system shall be put on hold pending completion of the new water treatment plant due to start in 2012 and the office of Water and centre of Oral Health be advised accordingly.</p> <p>4. That Council commence training of Collarenebri urban water staff in fluoridation monitoring and management.</p> <p>5. That Council advise the general public of the installation of the fluoride dosing system, its associated health benefits for the future of the children of Walgett and Collarenebri townships.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Keir Seconded: Cllr Lane</p> | Urban Infrastructure Services | In progress
To commence in March 2012
Contract signed | Director Urban Infrastructure Services | |

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| 22 September 2011 | 9/2011/13 | <p>1. Council operations close for the three days 28th to 30th December 2011 and the General Manager make satisfactory arrangements for the maintenance of essential services and provision of emergency call out services.</p> <p>2. The closedown be effectively notified to residents along with details of essential service and emergency call out arrangements
 Moved: Cllr Woodcock Seconded: Cllr Keir</p> | Governance | Arrangments to be made
Notification in December 2011 | General Manager | |
| 22 September 2011 | 9/2011/14 | <p>1. That the schedule of Ordinary Council Meetings for 2012 be outlined as follows:</p> <p>14th February – Walgett
 27th March – Lightning Ridge
 24th April – Collarenebri
 22nd May – Walgett
 26th June – Walgett
 24th July – Rowena
 28th August – Walgett
 25th September – Carinda
 23rd October – Walgett
 27th November – Burren Junction
 18th December - Walgett
 and that the meetings commence at 10.00am
 Moved: Cllr Greenaway Seconded: Cllr Lane</p> | Governance | Appropriate action taken
- calendar being placed on website | General Manager | |

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| Date of Meeting | Resolution Number | Resolution | Department | Action Taken | Management Officer | Date Completed |
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| 22 September 2011 | 9/2011/15 | 1. That members, representatives and delegates be as outlined in the attached schedule with the following amendments:
Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Smith | Governance | Letters drafted for each organisation | General Manager | |
| 22 September 2011 | 9/2011/17 | 1. Council acquire by compulsory acquisition the land described as Lots 1004, 1005, 1006 & 1007 in Deposited Plan 1117849 under section 178 of the Roads Act 1993 for Road Construction and Dedication.

2. Council apply to the Minister and/or Governor for approval to acquire the subject land by compulsorily process under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms) Compensation Act 1991.

3. That all minerals are to be excluded from the compulsory acquisition of the subject land.

4. That upon acquisition, the subject land be classified operational land.

5. That any necessary documentation be executed under the common seal of Council.
Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Smith | Governance | In progress | General Manager | |

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| 22 September 2011 | 9/2011/18 | <p>1. That the matters listed by the General Manager for brief mention or information be received and noted.</p> <p>2. That Council accepts the subsidy of \$16,186.00 from Special Broadcasting Service for the purpose of providing SBS for Walgett, and Council authorise the General Manager to execute the documentation required.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Colless</p> | Governance | In progress | General Manager | |
| 22 September 2011 | 9/2011/21 | <p>That the matter be deferred for further investigations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ascertain the history of the connection and if there is an agreement • Ascertain what the town supply capacity is • Have a discussion with the new operator of the commercial premises and see what level of water supply is required • Send a letter to Richard Cochrane outlining what action Council is taking. <p>Moved: Cllr Lane Seconded: Cllr Greenaway</p> | Planning & Regulatory Services | In Progress
Letter sent 29.9.2011 | Director Planning & Regulatory Services | |
| 22 September 2011 | 9/2011/22 | <p>Adopt the draft policy titled "P&R – Geological Resource Exploration on Council Land" and place the policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days for public comment as required under the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>Moved: Cllr Greenaway Seconded: Cllr Keir</p> | Planning & Regulatory Services | Public exhibition occurring during Nov 2011 | Director Planning & Regulatory Services | |

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| 22 September 2011 | Questions for the next Meeting | Can we grade the bitumen road from the Gingie Mission to Conrad Bolton irrigation channel as it is dangerous in parts?
Clr Murray | Engineering Services | Need more discussion on this item | Director Engineering Services | |
| 22 September 2011 | 9/2011/34 | 1. That the matter be referred to Council's solicitors for an opinion.
Moved: Clr Colless Seconded: Clr Woodcock | Governance | In progress | General Manager | |
| 22 September 2011 | 9/2011/35 | That the process with regards the General Manager's performance review be as follows:

a. Council conduct the formal performance review meeting with the General Manager at the end of the October Council Meeting to be held in Walgett on Tuesday 25 October 2011.
b. Any questions of the General Manager to be forwarded in writing by the Mayor prior to the close of business on Friday 7 October 2011.
c. The General Manager respond to questions and address other relevant matters in a Confidential Report to the October Council Meeting.
d. A "written statement" prepared pursuant to Section 7.10 of the General Manager's contract be provided to the General Manager prior to the November 2011 Council Meeting.
e. The key priorities for the General Manager in 2010/11 be as outlined in the above report.
Moved: Clr Keir Seconded: Clr Smith | Governance | In progress
25.10.11 review conducted | General Manager | |
| 25 October 2011 | 10/2011/4 | That Council ceases to be represented at the various Community Working Parties as little benefit seems to be gained by Council for the broader community.
Moved: Clr Keir Seconded: Clr Colless | Governance | In Progress | General Manager | |
| 25 October 2011 | 10/2011/5 | That Council write to the local member Kevin Humphries asking him to make representations to Department of Premier and Cabinet to re-institute the Interagency meetings chaired and administered by Premiers and Cabinet Department on a quarterly basis.
Moved: Clr Lane Seconded: Clr Greenaway | Governance | In Progress | General Manager | |

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| 25 October 2011 | 10/2011/8 | That Council advise local organisations of pending changes in legislation and request that they give Council advance notice whenever working bees are to be conducted on Council owned assets where volunteers will be in attendance.
<i>Moved Cllr Colless Seconded: Cllr Keir</i> | Urban Infrastructure Services | In Progress | General Manager | |

3. CIRCULARS RECEIVED FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT OF PREMIER AND CABINET – DECEMBER 2011

REPORTING SECTION: General Manager
AUTHOR: Don Ramsland – General Manager
FILE NUMBER: 10/616

Summary:

Copies of circulars received 11-37 to 11-42 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet are attached for Councillors information.

Background:

The General Manager has flagged the following circular as requiring the particular attention of councillors:

- Circular to Councils 11/37 - Council Procurement and Contract Management Practices - Contracts for Consultancy and Professional Services
- Circular to Councils 11/38 - Dual Roles: Councilors as Members of Parliament in NSW- request for Submissions Discussion Paper
- Circular to Councils 11/39 - NSW 2021- A plan to make NSW number one
- Circular to Councils 11/40 - Release of The Draft Destination 2036 Action Plan
- Circular to Councils 11/41 – Updated Guideline on the exercise of functions under the Companion Animals Act 1998
- Circular to Councils 11/42 – Developing a Council Community Events Policy – A Toolkit for NSW Councils

All circulars have been emailed to Councillors prior to Council meeting.

Current Position

- Circular 11/38 – Should any Councillors wish to voice an opinion they are requested to contact the General Manager to allow a submission to be prepared and lodged.
- Circular 11/40 – Subject to Separate Report

Relevant Reference Documents:

Nil

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Governance Issues:

All circulars have Governance implications. Where necessary the subject of particular circulars will be raised in following reports.

Copies of the briefing papers/discussion papers have been forwarded to all Councillors under separate cover. Councillors need to consider what the long term impacts may be on Local Government generally and Walgett Shire in particular.

Environmental issues:

Nil

Stakeholders:

Councillors
Walgett Shire Council staff

Financial Implications:

Obviously some circulars will have a financial impact and where this is the case, Councillors particular attention will be drawn to them.

Alternative Solutions/Options:

Nil

Conclusion:

Council will need to comply with the various requirements set out in the circulars.

Circular received from the Division of Local Government – December 2011

Recommendation:

1. That the information contained in the following Departmental circulars 11-37 to 11-42 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.
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Moved:

Seconded:

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Attachments:

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Circular No. 11-37
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COUNCIL PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACT MANAGEMENT PRACTICES - CONTRACTS FOR CONSULTANCY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Purpose

The purpose of this circular is to inform the sector of issues the Division of Local Government has identified as a result of a recently completed investigation of a council's procurement and contract management practices in relation to consultancy and professional services.

Issues identified by the investigation

In September 2011, the Division of Local Government reported on an investigation of a council under section 430 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act).

The investigation arose from concerns about the council's practices in relation to the engagement of contractors to provide professional and consultancy services.

The investigation identified three particular concerns about the council's practices that have a broader relevance to the sector, as follows:

- Treatment of the status of temporary contract personnel.
- Variation of contracts.
- Appointment of temporary contract personnel to identified positions within the council's organisational structure.

Treatment of the status of temporary contract personnel

The justification used by the investigated council for its failure to comply with its statutory obligations and the requirements of its own procurement policy and associated procedures with respect to the contracts was that they were employment contracts and thereby exempt from these requirements.

The weight of evidence examined by the investigation tended to support the view that the contracts in question were contracts for services and not employment contracts. They were therefore subject to the statutory tendering

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requirements and the requirements of the council's procurement policy and associated procedures.

The question of whether a contract is an employment contract or a contract for services is often a difficult one to determine. The Courts have held that there are a number of indicia of an employment relationship. These relate to such things as, but are not limited to:

- the level of control and authority exercised,
- whether the services are provided exclusively,
- whether the principal/employer dictates the place and hours of work,
- whether the worker is in business on their own account,
- whether workers compensation payments are made,
- whether income tax is withheld.

Councils should have in place appropriate systems for determining the nature of the relationship they have with the person or entity they have entered into the contract with, and for ensuring that the council complies with its statutory and other obligations arising from that relationship. It should be noted that this may be a different person or entity to the one performing the services for the council under the contract. This will normally be the case where the contract in question is a "labour hire" contract.

It should be remembered that where the contract in question is an employment one, and thereby exempt from the obligation to tender under section 55, where the person has been appointed to a position within the council's organisation structure for a period of 12 months or more, the council will still be obliged to appoint that person using a competitive merit selection process pursuant to sections 348 and 349 of the Act. This requirement is discussed further below.

Even in circumstances where sections 55 or 348 and 349 do not apply, councils should, as a matter of appropriate practice, put in place procedural requirements to ensure that engagements are made on merit, pursuant to an open, transparent and competitive process, and that the council achieves the best value for money outcome.

Variation of contracts

The investigated council's failure to comply with its statutory tendering obligations could also be attributed to its practice of entering into contracts with an approved value that fell below the \$150K tendering threshold and allowing expenditure under the contracts to escalate above the threshold.

The investigation found that the propensity to vary contracts could be attributed to poor or non-existent planning or scoping of engagements, open-ended arrangements with undefined or poorly defined deliverables, poor cost controls and the ready availability of the option to extend or vary engagements.

Councils should review their processes to ensure that they require the adequate initial scoping of engagements, ongoing monitoring and management of the

services provided and appropriate controls over the extension or variation of engagements.

Councils should also ensure that staff delegations to approve the extension or variation of contracts are defined by reference to the total value of expenditure under a contract (inclusive of all variations) and not just the value of the variation being approved.

Appointment of temporary contract personnel to identified positions within a council's organisational structure

The investigation also found that in two cases, temporary contract personnel were appointed to positions in the council's organisational structure and held those positions for a period exceeding 12 months without a competitive recruitment process, in breach of council's obligations under sections 348 and 349 of the Act.

Councils should be mindful that where they appoint a contractor to an identified position in their organisation structure for a period exceeding 12 months, notwithstanding the status of the contractor, councils will still be obliged to comply with the requirements of sections 348 and 349 with respect to that appointment.

Division's monitoring of councils' practices

In light of the issues identified in the investigation, it is intended that future Promoting Better Practice reviews will monitor the following practices:

- the treatment of the status of temporary contract personnel;
- the variation of contracts;
- the appointment of temporary contract personnel to identified positions within a council's organisational structure.

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**DUAL ROLES: COUNCILLORS AS MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT IN NSW –
REQUEST FOR SUBMISSIONS ON DISCUSSION PAPER**

This circular invites councils, councillors and members of the public to make submissions on the *Dual Roles: Councillors as Members of Parliament in NSW* discussion paper.

Across NSW, there are a number of local government councillors who are concurrently serving as Members of Parliament. Concerns have been expressed by various groups in the community about this 'dual role'.

The Division has prepared a discussion paper for the purposes of seeking the views of stakeholders and other interested persons to inform advice to Government. The discussion paper can be found on the 'Publications' page of the Division's website at www.dlg.nsw.gov.au.

The closing date for submissions is 31 January 2012. Details about how to lodge submissions are included in the discussion paper. Once submissions have been analysed the findings will be provided to the Government for consideration.

The Division requests that General Managers bring the discussion paper to the attention of their councillors and staff. Councils may also wish to notify their communities of the discussion paper on their websites or by other means.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Ross Woodward'.

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NSW 2021 – A plan to make NSW number one

The State Government would like to work in partnership with local government to localise NSW 2021.

NSW 2021 is the Government's 10-year strategic business plan to rebuild the economy, return quality services, renovate infrastructure, strengthen our local environment and communities, and restore accountability to government. A copy of NSW 2021 can be accessed at www.2021.nsw.gov.au

Localising NSW 2021

As each local community in NSW has its own set of priorities, the Government will work over the next year to localise NSW 2021.

Across the State, Regional Ministers and Members of Parliament will consult with local government and communities to develop regional action plans aligned to NSW 2021. These plans will focus on the most important action the NSW Government can take to improve outcomes in each region and locality.

An action plan will be developed for each of the 17 regions illustrated below:



The local government areas in each region are attached to this Circular.

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Each plan will include:

- The vision for the future of the region
- Issues and ideas raised by the community
- Regional Priorities – around 10 actionable initiatives for the NSW Government to improve outcomes in the region
- Links with existing regional government strategies and initiatives
- Delivery mechanisms including regional delivery partnerships.

The action plans will be informed by:

- Local Government Community Strategic Plans or other community plans
- Regional Development Australia Plans
- An online community forum currently running at:
www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/nsw2021
- Community and stakeholder consultation on the draft plans which will occur in the first half of 2012.

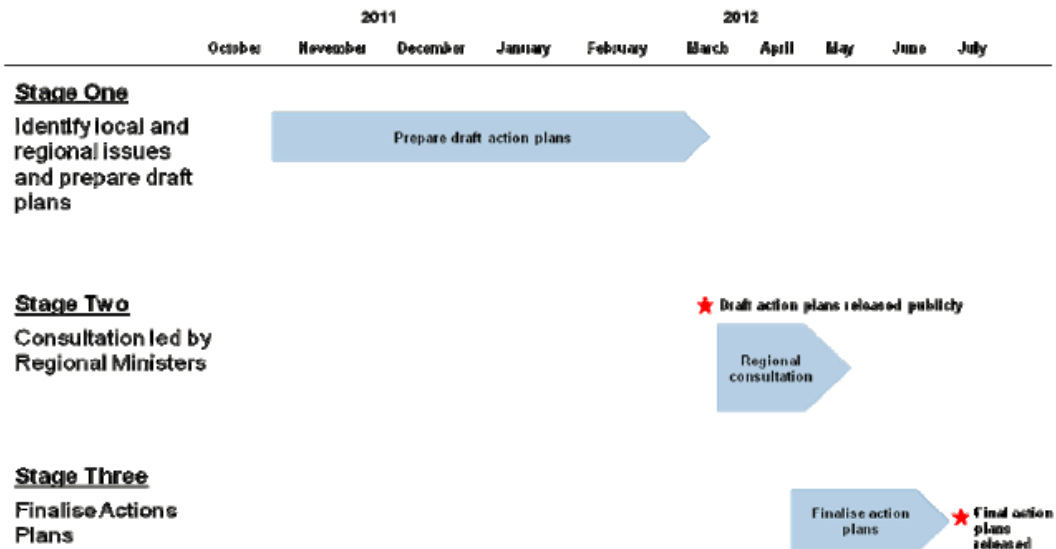
The diagram below shows how the regional plans will be developed.



Timeframe for development of the plans

The timeframes for developing the regional action plans are set out below.

Timeframes for developing regional action plans



Stage 1

As part of Stage 1, the DPC Regional Coordinators will identify the top priorities for their community. The priorities will be informed by existing work including Local Government Community Strategic Plans, Regional Development Australia, other relevant regional plans and discussions with stakeholders including Regional Organisations of Councils.

If you would like any further information about the development of the draft action plans, please contact your DPC Regional Coordinator (see list attached).

Stage 2

Regional Ministers will lead a series of community forums across NSW in the first half of 2012. Councils are invited to play a key role in the community consultations on the draft action plans.

Community Strategic Plans

Many councils have already prepared their Community Strategic Plans. This process is an opportunity to identify the actions the NSW Government can prioritise to support the delivery of the Plans.

As per the Local Government Act, councils that are yet to prepare their Community Strategic Plans are asked to consider the goals and targets in NSW 2021.

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Localising NSW 2021 – Boundaries and Contact List

| Regional Action Plan | Local Government Areas | Regional organisations of councils | DPC Regional Contact |
|---------------------------|---|--|--|
| Northern Sydney | Hornsby, Hunters Hill, Ku-ring-gai, Lane Cove, Manly, Mosman, North Sydney, Pittwater, Ryde, Warringah, Willoughby | Northern Sydney ROC, Shore ROC, Sydney Coastal Councils Group | Tim Farland
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| Eastern Sydney/Inner West | Ashfield, Botany Bay, Burwood, Canada Bay, Canterbury, City of Sydney, Leichhardt, Marrickville, Randwick, Strathfield, Waverley, Woollahra | South Sydney ROC & Sydney Coastal Councils Group | |
| Southern Sydney | Hurstville, Kogarah, Rockdale, Sutherland | South Sydney ROC, Sydney Coastal Councils Group | |
| Western Sydney | Auburn, Blacktown, Blue Mountains, Hawkesbury, Holroyd, Parramatta, Penrith, The Hills | Western Sydney ROC | Rob Lennon
Phone: 9685 2400
Email: rob.lennon@dpc.nsw.gov.au |
| South West Sydney | Bankstown, Camden, Campbelltown, Fairfield, Liverpool, Wollondilly | Western Sydney ROC & Macarthur ROC | |
| South East NSW | Bega Valley, Bombala, Boorowa, Cooma-Monaro, Eurobodalla, Goulburn Mulwaree, Harden, Palerang, Queanbeyan, Snowy River, Upper Lachlan, Yass Valley, Young | Southern Councils Group, Central NSW Councils & South East ROC | Roslyn Chivers
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| Central Coast | Gosford, Wyong | Central Coast ROC | Leoni Baldwin
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| Illawarra | Kiama, Shellharbour, Shoalhaven, Wingecarribee, Wollongong | Southern Councils Group | Mark Roberts
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| Hunter | Cessnock, Dungog, Gloucester, Great Lakes, Lake Macquarie, Maitland, Muswellbrook, Newcastle, Port Stephens, Singleton, Upper Hunter | Hunter Councils Incorporated | Jennifer Collison
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| Regional Action Plan | Local Government Areas | Regional organisations of councils | DPC Regional Contact |
|------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|
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| Northern Rivers | Ballina, Byron, Clarence Valley, Kyogle, Lismore, Richmond Valley, Tweed | Northern Rivers ROC | |
| New England/North West | Armidale Dumaresq*, Glen Innes, Gunnedah, Guyra*, Gwydir, Inverell, Liverpool Plains, Moree Plains, Narrabri, Tamworth Regional, Tenterfield, Uralla*, Walcha | Namoi ROC | Maureen Chapman
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| Orana | Bogan, Bourke, Brewarrina, Cobar, Coonamble, Dubbo, Gilgandra, Narromine, Walgett, Warren, Warrumbungle, Wellington | Orana ROC & Central NSW Councils | Ross O'Shea
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| Central West | Bathurst, Blayney, Cabonne, Cowra, Forbes, Lachlan, Lithgow, Mid-Western Regional, Oberon, Orange, Parkes, Weddin | Central West NSW Councils | |
| Far West | Broken Hill*, Central Darling*, Unincorporated Far West* | | |
| Murray | Albury, Balranald, Berrigan, Carrathool, Conargo, Corowa, Deniliquin, Greater Hume, Griffith, Hay, Jerilderie, Leeton, Murray, Murrumbidgee, Narrandera, Urana, Wakool, Wentworth | Riverina and Murray ROC | |
| Riverina | Bland, Coolamon, Cootamundra, Gundagai, Junee, Lockhart, Temora, Tumbarumba, Tumut, Wagga Wagga | Riverina Eastern ROC | |

* Council is not a member of a Regional Organisation of Councils



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RELEASE OF THE DRAFT *DESTINATION 2036 ACTION PLAN*

I am pleased to advise that the draft *Destination 2036 Action Plan* has been released by the Implementation Steering Committee (ISC) for stakeholder consultation.

A copy of the draft action plan is attached to this circular. In addition, it can be downloaded from the [Destination 2036 webpage](#).

It would be appreciated if general managers can arrange for a printed copy of the draft *Destination 2036 Action Plan* to be provided to all councillors and be made widely available to all council staff. I encourage all councillors and council staff to review and consider this important draft plan. The ISC will be writing directly to all councillors and all council staff in this regard.

I would also appreciate it if councils could widely promote the draft action plan within their community.

The draft action plan will be open for consultation until **Wednesday, 15 February 2012**, although councils and other stakeholders are encouraged to provide their comments sooner, if possible. If, as a result of this consultation process, the ISC proposes to make substantial changes to the plan, details of those proposed changes will be made available for further stakeholder consultation for a period of two weeks. The final Action Plan will then be presented to the Minister for Local Government. Subject to the Minister's consideration, work on the action plan will commence in earnest.

There are a number of mechanisms by which councils, council staff and other stakeholders can provide feedback and these are set out in Section 5 of the draft plan.

While comments can be made on any matters relating to the draft plan, the ISC is particularly interested in receiving feedback on the following:

1. What do you like about the draft Action Plan?
2. In what ways could the Action Plan be improved?

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3. Are there other key activities you believe should be included under any of the initiatives?
4. Do you have any suggestions regarding the proposed process for advancing the Action Plan?
5. Are you aware of any activities (eg, research) currently underway that could directly contribute to the achievement of any of the initiatives or key activities?

It is important to appreciate that in the most part, the draft plan does not seek to answer or implement the actions that were suggested at Dubbo. Rather, it provides a pathway and a process for their more detailed consideration. It represents the opening dialogue in a conversation that the sector, its stakeholders and our communities will be having throughout 2012 and beyond.

Many of the suggested actions will require research and consultation before a preferred position can be determined and implemented. They may also require the engagement of independent experts. For some, their implementation would require legislative change, which in itself would necessitate further consultation and consideration.

The next steps in the *Destination 2036* process will be exciting. There is a lot of work to be done and we will need to work constructively and in partnership to achieve a stronger and more robust local government sector.

In preparing the draft *Destination 2036 Action Plan* the ISC sought to capture and build upon the energy, vision and goodwill that was displayed at Dubbo. On behalf of the ISC, we now look forward to receiving your comments on the draft plan.



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UPDATED GUIDELINE ON THE EXERCISE OF FUNCTIONS UNDER THE COMPANION ANIMALS ACT 1998

The *Guideline on the Exercise of Functions under the Companion Animals Act 1998* (the Guideline) has been updated and is now available for download from the Division of Local Government's website at www.dlg.nsw.gov.au.

The Guideline is issued in accordance with clause 13(3) of the Companion Animals Regulation 2008 (the Regulation) and sets out the procedures which must be followed by council officers and registration agents when exercising their functions under the *Companion Animals Act 1998* and the Regulation.

All council staff, including supervising staff, and registration agents handling companion animal matters are required to familiarise themselves with the Guideline and use it when dealing with operational issues.

The Guideline was comprehensively updated in March 2010 ([Circular to Councils 10-05](#), refers). However, further updates have been required to incorporate changes arising from a number of recent legislative amendments and the release of the Division's *Guidelines for Approval as a Recognised Breeder Body under Clause 3(1) of the Companion Animals Regulation 2008*.

The key changes to the Guideline relate to:

- Information about a new level of access to the Companion Animals Register for Greyhound Racing NSW staff acting as registration agents (section 2.1.8 and Tables 1 and 2);
- Updated information about the processing of "zero dollar" registrations for Police dogs, Corrective Services dogs and dogs used by Commonwealth officers on official duty (section 5.2.4);
- Updated information about the processing of lifetime registrations for recognised breeders (section 5.5);
- Additional information as to when hunting dogs may be declared as dangerous dogs (section 9.3);
- Clarification of procedures relating to recording Breed and Temperament Assessments on the Register (section 10.6);
- Clarification of procedures relating to requests to change the breed of a restricted dog on the Register (section 10.8);

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- New information relating to:
 - greyhound microchipping requirements (section 14.1),
 - greyhound muzzling exemptions and the “Greenhounds” program (section 14.2),
 - the status of dingoes under the Act (section 14.3), and
 - dogs in outdoor dining areas (section 14.4);
- Updated information about the submission of council pound data using the new Register-based reporting tool (section 17).

Enquiries to the Division’s Companion Animals Team

I reiterate the advice provided in [Circular to Councils 10-05](#) regarding routine enquiries from council staff to the Division’s Companion Animals Team relating to operational matters. To enable the Companion Animals Team to focus on high priority enquiries, it is important that council staff refer to the updated Guideline and seek advice from their supervisor or senior staff where necessary before directing any enquiries to the Team.



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DEVELOPING A COUNCIL COMMUNITY EVENTS POLICY - A TOOLKIT FOR NSW COUNCILS

The purpose of this Circular is to advise that *Developing a Council Community Events Policy - A Toolkit for NSW Councils* is now available on the Division's website at www.dlg.nsw.gov.au (see 'Publications' and 'Directory of Policy Advice for Councils' under 'Events Management and Filming').

Well-managed events are an important part of vibrant sustainable local communities, contributing to the community social fabric and the local economy. The Toolkit aims to provide a framework and tools to assist NSW councils develop an events management policy that is responsive to the character and needs of their local community. The Toolkit includes:

- ⇒ Events Management Policy Checklist;
- ⇒ Risk management framework, including model risk and emergency management plans;
- ⇒ Model Events Management Timeline.

The Toolkit has been designed to complement events management publications produced by the Community Engagement and Events Division, Department of Premier and Cabinet, including the *Event Starter Guide*. This is available at www.events.nsw.gov.au.

Councils are encouraged to develop an events management policy that articulates the support they have committed to local events and the requirements they expect event organisers to meet when seeking council approval.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Ross Woodward'.

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4. CIRCULARS RECEIVED FROM THE NSW LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SHIRES ASSOCIATION OF NSW – DECEMBER 2011

REPORTING SECTION: General Manager
AUTHOR: Don Ramsland – General Manager
FILE NUMBER: 10/615

Summary:

Copies of weekly circulars received from the Local Government and Shires Association since 22 November 2011 Council meeting have been distributed to Councillors.

Background:

The following items in each circular have been flagged by the General Manager as requiring particular attention of councillors:

Issue 45

- ITEM 10** – Healthy Ageing Grants
- ITEM 19** – Review of the Model Code of Conduct

Issue 46

- ITEM 8** – Review of Native Vegetation regulation 2005
- ITEM 9** – Grant Funding Available for Roadside Vegetation Projects

Issue 47

- ITEM 7** – ATO Advice on Changes to GST Regime
- ITEM 13** – Standard Instrument LEP Survey
- ITEM 16** – ALGA Roads & Transport Congress Communiqué
- ITEM 17** – Audit of Speed Zones – Top 100 Roads for Review
- ITEM 18** – Murray-Darling Basin Plan – Draft Plan Released

Issue 48

- ITEM 8** – IPART Rate Pegging Limit Determination for 2012/13
- ITEM 9** – Free StateCover Seminar – Workers Compensation and Work Health and Safety
- ITEM 12** – Issues Paper on the NSW Planning System Released for Comment

Current Position:

Councillors need to peruse these circulars and raise any matters of interest with the General Manager prior to the Meeting.

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

Nil

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Governance issues:

Councillors are requested to review weekly Circulars and read abreast of Local Government issues occurring at Industry level.

Environmental issues:

Nil

Stakeholders:

Councillors
Walgett Shire Council staff

Financial Implications:

Nil

Alternative Solutions/Options:

Not Applicable

Conclusion:

Councillors need to consider the contents of the various circulars and determine what action, if any, needs to be taken.

| Circulars received from the NSW Local Government and Shires Association of NSW – December 2011 |
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| <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>That:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The information contained in the weekly circulars from the NSW Local Government and Shires Association be received and noted. <p>Moved:
Seconded:</p> |

Attachments:

Nil

5. MONTHLY CALENDAR – DECEMBER 2011

REPORTING SECTION: General Manager
AUTHOR: Don Ramsland – General Manager
FILE NUMBER: 10/22

Summary:

Monthly calendar of Council activities

Discussion (including issues and background):

It was resolved at the 28 September 2010 Ordinary meeting of Council to produce a monthly in-house calendar as a central focus point to allow Councillors and senior management staff to plan their activities and spread their work load having regard to upcoming commitments.

It also avoids situations where some Councillors missed meetings or are not aware of when they have been scheduled. In addition, outside organisations have been requested to send meeting notice and minutes direct to Council's various representatives. Where notification is received meeting dates will be listed on the strategic tasks, events and meetings calendar and the representative(s) names flagged.

Current Position:

The calendar for the months of December 2011 to February 2012 is attached. Councillors are requested to raise any queries prior to the meeting.

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

Nil

Governance issues:

Good governance centres in part on good communication and forward planning. Councillors are requested to advise the General Manager's Executive Assistant of any coming community or councillor function so as to avoid any clashes of commitments.

Environmental issues:

Not applicable

Stakeholders:

Councillors
Walgett Shire Council staff

Financial Implications:

Nil

Alternative Solutions/Options:

Not applicable

Conclusion:

Provided there are no changes it is appropriate to receive and note the information.

| Monthly Calendar – December 2011 |
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| <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>1. That Council receive and note the regular monthly calendar for the period December 2011 to February 2012.</p> <p>Moved:</p> <p>Seconded:</p> |

Attachments:

Calendar for December 2011 to February 2012.

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STRATEGIC TASKS, EVENTS AND MEETINGS CALENDAR

December 2011

| Date of Meeting | Time | What | Who |
|-----------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| Thu, 1 Dec | | | |
| Fri, 2 Dec | • All day | OROC Meeting - Coonabarabran | • GM, Mayor and Deputy Mayor |
| Sat, 3 Dec | | | |
| Sun, 4 Dec | | | |
| Mon, 5 Dec | | | |
| Tue, 6 Dec | | | |
| Wed, 7 Dec | | | |
| Thu, 8 Dec | • 10.30am
• 3.30pm | • Opening of Arthur Hall, VC Way – Coolibah
• HACC Meeting – Walgett Hospital | • Mayor and GM
• Cllr Keir & GM |
| Fri, 9 Dec | | | |
| Sat, 10 Dec | | | |
| Sun, 11 Dec | | | |
| Mon, 12 Dec | | | |
| Tue, 13 Dec | | | |
| Wed, 14 Dec | | | |
| Thu, 15 Dec | • 9.30am | • Local Traffic Committee | • Cllr Colless, Cllr Martinez, DES & GM |
| Fri, 16 Dec | | | |
| Sat, 17 Dec | | | |
| Sun, 18 Dec | | | |
| Mon, 19 Dec | | | |
| Tue, 20 Dec | • 10.00am | • Council Meeting - Walgett | • All Councillors and Exec Staff |
| Wed, 21 Dec | • 10.30am
• 5.30pm | • Collarenebri Community Working Party
• L/Ridge Community Working Party | • Cllr Smith, GM, MCS
• Mayor, Cllr Walford, MCS & GM |
| Thu, 22 Dec | | | |
| Fri, 23 Dec | | | |
| Sat, 24 Dec | | AUSTRALIA DAY NOMINATIONS EXTENDED TO 24.12.2011 | |
| Sun, 25 Dec | | CHRISTMAS DAY | |
| Mon, 26 Dec | | Christmas Day Public Holiday | |
| Tue, 27 Dec | | Boxing Day Public Holiday | |
| Wed, 28 Dec | | Council Administration Closed | |
| Thu, 29 Dec | | Council Administration Closed | |
| Fri, 30 Dec | | Council Administration Closed | |
| Sat, 31 Dec | | | |



STRATEGIC TASKS, EVENTS AND MEETINGS CALENDAR

January 2012

| Date of Meeting | Time | What | Who |
|--------------------|-----------------|---|--|
| Sun, 1 Jan | | | |
| Mon, 2 Jan | | | |
| Tue, 3 Jan | | | |
| Wed, 4 Jan | | | |
| Thu, 5 Jan | 10.00am | Australia Day Committee Meets to judge Awards | Clr Keir, Clr Murray, Clr Walford & GM |
| Fri, 6 Jan | | | |
| Sat, 7 Jan | | | |
| Sun, 8 Jan | | | |
| Mon, 9 Jan | | | |
| Tue, 10 Jan | | | |
| Wed, 11 Jan | | | |
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| Sun, 22 Jan | | | |
| Mon, 23 Jan | | | |
| Tue, 24 Jan | | | |
| Wed, 25 Jan | | | |
| Thu, 26 Jan | • 8.30am | PUBLIC HOLIDAY
• Australia Day Awards Ceremony – Walgett | • All Councillors and Exec Team |
| Fri, 27 Jan | | | |
| Sat, 28 Jan | | | |
| Sun, 29 Jan | | | |
| Mon, 30 Jan | | | |
| Tue, 31 Jan | | | |

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STRATEGIC TASKS, EVENTS AND MEETINGS CALENDAR

December 2011

| Date of Meeting | Time | What | Who |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Wed, 1 Feb | | | |
| Thu, 2 Feb | | | |
| Fri, 3 Feb | | | |
| Sat, 4 Feb | | | |
| Sun, 5 Feb | | | |
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| Sun, 12 Feb | | | |
| Mon, 13 Feb | | | |
| Tue, 14 Feb | • 10.00am | • Council Meeting - Walgett | • All Councillors and Exec Staff |
| Wed, 15 Feb | | | |
| Thu, 16 Feb | | | |
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| Sun, 19 Feb | | | |
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| Mon, 27 Feb | | | |
| Tue, 28 Feb | | | |

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6. DESTINATION 2036 – DRAFT ACTION PLAN

REPORTING SECTION: Governance
AUTHOR: Don Ramsland – General Manager
FILE NUMBER: 11/374

Summary:

To consider the draft Destination 2036 Action Plan

Background:

The Division of Local Government released the draft Destination 2036 Action Plan on 3 December, 2011.

The plan is open for consultation until Wednesday 15 February 2012 and Councils and other stakeholders are being encouraged to provide comments and/or feedback by that time or sooner if possible.

If any substantial changes are proposed, then a further consultation period of two weeks will be made available.

Current Position:

The Implementation Steering Committee (ISC) is seeking feedback with regards the following:

1. *What do you like about the draft Action Plan?*
2. *In what ways could the Action plan be improved?*
3. *Are there other key activities you believe should be included under any of the initiatives?*
4. *Do you have any suggestions regarding the proposed process for advancing the Action Plan?*
5. *Are you aware of any activities (or research) currently underway that could directly contribute to the achievement of any of the initiatives or key activities?*

In view of the importance of Councillors having the opportunity to have input into the Destination 2036 process, it is proposed to organise an afternoon workshop late in January, 2012 so that the draft action plan can be reviewed in detail. Further details will be made available once arrangements have been finalised.

A copy of the draft plan has been circulated under separate cover.

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

Draft Destination 2036 Action Plan

Governance issues:

The review process needs to be open and transparent.

Environmental issues:

Nil

Stakeholders:

Council
Residents and ratepayers
Council staff

Financial Implications:

Nil

Alternative Solutions/Options:

Nil

Conclusion:

The proposal to conduct an afternoon workshop during January 2012 will allow Councillors to have appropriate input into consideration of the draft plan.

| Destination 2036 Response |
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| <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>1. That Council endorse the proposal to conduct a workshop during January, 2012 to review the draft Destination 2036 Action Plan.</p> <p>Moved:
Seconded:</p> |

Attachments:

The Draft Destination 2036 Action Plan has been circulated under separate cover.

7. ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE REVIEW

REPORTING SECTION: Governance
AUTHOR: Don Ramsland – General Manager
FILE NUMBER: 09/1787

Summary:

To notify Council of a proposal to undertake a review of Council's Organisational Structure early in 2012.

Background:

Since my commencement in August 2010 I have recommended a number minor changes to Council's organisational structure. In the main, these incremental variations have been working quite successfully. I have avoided making changes simply for change sake.

However various recent events including the ICAC inquiry into procurement, extensive flooding implementation of the integrated planning and reporting legislation and new staff appointments have resulted in it becoming necessary to undertake a more extensive review.

Current Position:

Accordingly it is proposed to use the relatively quiet period in January 2012 to undertake the proposed review and consult with the various stakeholders involved with a view to presenting a detailed report to Council's February, 2012 meeting.

One of the issues to be examined will be the effectiveness of Council's existing divisional structure and whether any change to the four divisional structure could eliminate duplication and increase workplace efficiency and effectiveness.

Councillor input in the process would be more than welcomed and anyone wishing to have input is encouraged to contact me direct once we return from the Christmas/New Year break.

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

Council's Organisational Structure

Governance issues:

Appropriate process need to be followed in undertaking such a review.

Environmental issues:

Nil

Stakeholders:

Council
Council staff

Financial Implications:

Nothing has been identified at this stage.

Alternative Solutions/Options:

Nil

Conclusion:

The purpose of this report is to give key stakeholder the opportunity to have an opportunity to be involved in the review process.

| Organisational Restructure Input |
|---|
| <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>1. For Council's information.</p> <p>Moved:</p> <p>Seconded:</p> |

Attachments:

Nil

8. APPLICATION FOR RATE INCREASE 2012/2013

REPORTING SECTION: Governance
AUTHOR: Don Ramsland – General Manager
FILE NUMBER: 11/375

Summary:

To endorse action taken to give notice of a special rate variation or increase in minimum rates in 2012/2013.

Background:

New guidelines for the preparation of a special rate variation application and/or the preparation of an application to exceed the minimum rate statutory limit for 2012/2013 were introduced in September, 2011.

IPART now sets the maximum allowable increase in rates under the rate pegging legislation – in 2012/2013 this has been set at 3.6%

Current Position:

Where a council envisages that there may be a need to exceed this limit in 2012/2013 it must notify its intention to do so by 16 December, 2011. Formal applications must then be lodged in February/March 2012 to allow a determination to be made by IPART by 6 June 2012.

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

Circular 11/29 - Guidelines for the preparation of a special rate variation application and/or the preparation of an application to exceed the minimum rate statutory limit for 2012/2013 were introduced in September, 2011.

Governance issues:

This is a new procedure councils must follow in the lead up to the preparation of the new 10 year community strategic plan.

Environmental issues:

Nil

Stakeholders:

Council
Residents and ratepayers

Financial Implications:

If Council finds it needs to increase rates beyond the rate pegging limit in 2012/2013 it will be unable to do so unless it has followed the appropriate procedure.

Alternative Solutions/Options:

Nil

Conclusion:

The notification has been made as a precautionary measure and it is now appropriate for Council to endorse the action taken in this regard.

| Application for Rate Increase 2012/2013 |
|---|
| <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>1. That Council endorse the action taken by the General Manager in notifying of a possible application for a special rate variation/increase under Sections 508 (2) or 508A for 2012/2013.</p> <p>Moved:
Seconded:</p> |

Attachments:

Nil

9. MATTERS GENERALLY FOR BRIEF MENTION OR INFORMATION ONLY FROM GENERAL MANAGER – DECEMBER 2011

REPORTING SECTION: General Manager
AUTHOR: Don Ramsland – General Manager
FILE NUMBER: 09/1455

1. RAAP-Application form -Round One - 2011-12

Council has made an application for the Matching grant funding of \$500,000 under the Regional Aviation Access Program.

2. Polly Haley

Every year the Minister for Youth selects a group of 12 young people from across NSW to deal with the NSW Youth Week program. This year following a successful application with support from Council, Walgett Shire council youth vice chairperson, Polly Haley of Walgett was awarded with selection. This is the first time that a young indigenous person has achieved this outstanding honour to represent our Local Government Area.

Polly's first engagement in Sydney was recently completed and we have received outstanding feedback from Youth Week committee organisers.

3. Regional Development Australia Fund – Round Two - Expression of Interest

Council has also made a submission of Expression of Interest on behalf of the Australian Opal Centre in round 2 of the Regional Development Australia Fund.

4. Review of the Role of the public number database

The Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy (DBCDE) has released a discussion paper which seeks community views on the future role and functions of the Integrated Public Number Database (IPND).

The IPND was established to assist organisations including emergency services to locate callers. However changes and technological advancements in telecommunications have increased the complexity of this role.

The DBCDE is particularly interested in feedback from people located in remote and regional areas of Australia, given the increased delay they may face in emergency situations.

To find out more and to obtain a copy of the paper, visit the [DBCDE website](#). Submissions close on Friday 16 December and can be emailed to IPND.Review@dbcde.gov.au.

5. Correspondence Received - Statement by the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities, the Hon Tony Burke, MP - Murray Darling Basin reform

Council has received correspondence from Regional Development Australia. Please see Attachment – Statement by the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities, the Hon Tony Burke MP.

- 6. Correspondence – From Hon. George Souris MP – Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, Minister for the Arts**
Council received notification of the approval of \$107,040 under the 2012 Arts Funding Program towards the capital development of the Australian Opal Centre (Stage 2). See Attached
- 7. 2010/2011 Annual Report – Energy and Water Ombudsman**
Council has received a copy of the 2010/2011 Annual Report – Energy and Water Ombudsman. For any councillors that may be interested, a copy can be provided for upon your request.
- 8. Expression of Interest - ALGWA**
Walgett Shire Council has been offered an opportunity to submit an application to host the 2014 ALGWA State Conference. Closing date for Expression of Interests is Monday 23rd January 2011.
- 9. Operation hours of Commonwealth Bank**
Council received notification from Commonwealth Bank regarding the reduction of the opening hours. See attached
- 10. One Association Concept**
As detailed in recent LGSA circulars, further positive progress has been made in the development of the “One Association” concept with appropriate comment now been received back from Fair Work Australia.
- 11. Community Plan Think Tank**
This approach to gaining further input as part of Council’s integrated planning and report legislation response was discussed at an earlier meeting. As the harvest season is drawing to a close, now would be the appropriate time to gather those wishing to be involved together. It would be appropriate for Council to consider what the format should be?
- 12. Walgett PCYC Proposal**
A meeting was held on Tuesday 29 November 2011 with senior representatives of NSW PCYC to further discuss Council’s expression of interest for the establishment of a local PCYC. The discussions were extremely positive and follow up action is now being taken.
- 13. Health Issues**
A meeting has been arranged for Thursday 15 December 2011 with regional health representatives to discuss concerns Council raised recently in the provision of local services and facilities. It is proposed to update Council with the outcomes of those discussions at the meeting.
- 14. New Depot Proposal**
Meetings are currently being held with various stakeholder including SES and RFS with a view to ascertaining whether or not those organisation are interested in developing a new shared facility.

Responses so far have been very positive.
- 15. Community Welcome Functions**
Sometime ago community functions were held to welcome new residents to our community and make them aware of the various facilities and organisations available within our area. It is proposed to re-introduce these types of function commencing in February 2012. Any Councillors wishing to be involved are requested to contact me direct.

16. Australia Day Nominations

At the time of preparing this agenda, response to Australia Day Nominations has been lower than expected.

As a result, the closing date for lodging nominations has been extended to Friday 24 December 2011 at 12 noon.

A meeting of the Australia Day Judging committee has now been rescheduled to 10.00am Thursday 5 January 2012.

Matters Generally for Brief Mention or Information only from General Manager – November 2011

Recommendation:

1. That the matters listed by the General Manager for brief mention or information be received and noted.
 1. RAAP-Application form -Round One - 2011-12
 2. Polly Haley
 3. Regional Development Australia Fund – Round Two - Expression of Interest
 4. Review of the Role of the public number database
 5. Correspondence Received - Statement by the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities, the Hon Tony Burke, MP - Murray Darling Basin reform
 6. Correspondence – From Hon. George Souris MP – Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, Minister for the Arts
 7. 2010/2011 Annual Report – Energy and Water Ombudsman
 8. Expression of Interest - ALGWA
 9. Operation hours of Commonwealth Bank
 10. One Association Concept
 11. Community Plan Think Tank
 12. Walgett PCYC Proposal
 13. Health Issues
 14. New Depot Proposal
 15. Community Welcome Functions
 16. Australia Day Nominations

Moved:

Seconded:

Attachments:

1. Statement by the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities, the Hon Tony Burke, MP
2. Correspondence – From Hon. George Souris MP – Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, Minister for the Arts
3. ALGWA Letter
4. Memo to Councillors

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Statement by the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities, the Hon Tony Burke, MP

Murray Darling Basin reform

Thursday 24 November, 2011

I rise to confirm to the House that the Murray Darling Basin Authority will release a Draft Plan for the Murray Darling Basin on Monday 28th November.

In developing this plan, the Authority, led by chair Craig Knowles has worked closely with irrigator groups, environment groups, scientists, local and state community leaders and state and territory governments of New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia and the ACT.

The Draft Plan is required to be built on the foundations of the best available science and to optimise the environmental, social and economic outcomes.

Across Australia, everyone understands the challenges we face in the driest inhabited continent. In most of the country we have an ongoing cycle described as droughts and flooding rains. This cycle won't change.

It is a cycle which presents challenges for our food and fibre producers.

It is a cycle felt acutely in the Murray Darling Basin.

Of the water which makes its way into basin rivers and creeks, more than 40 per cent on average is diverted for human use. We run our river system hard.

Inevitably in this debate, arguments will occur about whether a particular policy position is good for irrigators or good for environmentalists; good for South Australia or good for Victoria and New South Wales, for the ACT or Queensland.

The Guide to the Draft Plan proposed a recovery range of between 3,000 gigalitres and 4,000 gigalitres long-term average.

So inevitably, some irrigators will compare the Draft Plan to the 3,000 gigalitre scenario and some environmentalists will compare it to the 4,000 scenario.

A debate about numbers doesn't answer the question about what we are trying to achieve. What we want to achieve is a healthy, working Murray Darling Basin.

There has been a tendency to look at the extreme scenarios in considering Murray Darling Basin reform – the years of deepest drought or the years of the highest flood.

During times of drought, people have argued the case for reform as if we could prevent a future drought. And in the wet years, I hear it argued that there is plenty of water around and nature has fixed the problem so we don't need water reform anymore.

Murray Darling Basin reform is about the in-between years. It's about the in-between years because you need to keep the system healthy enough so it can approach the drought years with a level of resilience.

An example of building resilience is the iconic River Red Gums.

We nearly lost vast tracts of Red Gums during the last drought. Not simply because of the drought itself, but because the Red Gums had been living for years as though there was only ever drought.

They had been dry for so long that they did not have a sufficient level of resilience when the drought actually hit.

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For the health of the system and to flush salt out of the Murray — which is both an environmental requirement and a requirement to ensure water is suitable for productive use — we need to ensure regular and strong flows of water out of the river's mouth.

That's why I've set the benchmark that the Murray Mouth should be open nine years out of 10. This benchmark preserves the basic environmental standards that we need for a healthy working river system.

Considering total volumes without talking about the objectives risks delivering on the total volumes without delivering on the reform.

It is essential to get the arguments back to the fundamentals of what we are trying to achieve in the Murray Darling Basin.

We want to restore the system to health.

Murray Darling Basin reform has been put in the too hard basket for too long.

This Government is committed to reform for the Murray Darling Basin that will restore our rivers to health, support strong regional communities and sustainable food production.

That's why we are making record investments in infrastructure projects to improve irrigation efficiency and get more water back to the environment.

And Commonwealth environmental water is being used to help achieve a healthy, working Murray Darling Basin.

When the Murray Darling Basin Authority presents its Draft Plan for the Basin, it will inevitably generate significant debate. But we should not expect a consensus position.

In different parts of the Murray Darling Basin, different communities have different things at stake.

That's why when the Murray Darling Basin Authority presents its Draft Plan, understandably there will be protests from environmentalists saying that the numbers are too low and protests from the same people that were burning books a year ago saying that the numbers are too high.

The consultation conducted by the Authority over the last 12 months has been significant, and I have also been working with representative groups and organisations as well as state governments across the Murray Darling Basin.

It's important to dispel a few myths that were put forward a year ago and will be put forward again soon.

The first is the myth that we are forcibly taking water from irrigators. This is wrong.

If irrigators do not choose to sell their water or participate in our programs, the Government has no interest in compelling them to do so. The only water the Government has ever bought is water from someone who has an entitlement and decides to put all or part of their water on the market for sale at a price they choose themselves.

If people don't sell water to the Government, there are still other water traders on the market. The Government has only bought a portion of what is put to it each time a tender is run. And if a person who sold the Government water wants to re-enter the market to buy either temporary or permanent water, they can.

Secondly, there is a water market, whether the Government is buying or not.

The concept of the swiss-cheese effect within irrigation districts can occur at any time either through irrigators selling their entire entitlement to the Government or to other irrigators.

What we will have in the Murray Darling Basin Plan is a sustainable diversion limit that must be reached by 2019.

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The best thing for communities is to steadily stage water recovery for the environment over time between now and 2019. There is no better time to pursue that transition than now, when allocations against entitlements are at or close to 100 per cent and people have more water because of the breaking of the drought.

The Murray Darling Basin Authority has advised that 1068 gigalitres has already been recovered which will count toward achieving the new sustainable diversion limits.

Recently I signed an agreement with the Victorian Water Minister for the second stage of the Northern Victorian Irrigation Renewal Project.

This project will provide a further 214 gigalitres of water for the environment. This projects takes us to 1282 gigalitres.

Based on remaining investment from the *Sustainable Rural Water Use and Infrastructure Program*, we are projecting an additional 400 gigalitres of water which will be recovered through on and off-farm infrastructure and environmental works and measures.

This would take us to 1682 gigalitres of water recovered for the environment with the remaining water needed, to be recovered over the next eight years.

The myth that there is rush for communities to achieve the transition is wrong. The transition will be gradual.

The next drought will come and we must not stand still waiting for it.

Over the next four years, there will be a prioritisation of funding for infrastructure projects compared to water purchases. These projects make more water available for the environment and deliver an extraordinary benefit in upgrading infrastructure for producers.

Water recovery must continue at a steady pace. If we don't do that, we will let communities down horribly and they will feel the pain of required adjustment later.

Out of all this reform in the Murray Darling Basin, at first glance, in the flood years it won't look that different.

But we will have a situation in the in-between years where levels of resilience for the ecology of the rivers doesn't decline the way it used to.

And when drought hits, allocations will go down for environmental water holdings just like they go down for irrigation water holdings, but the system will approach the drought in a standard of health that it has not experienced for generations.

We have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to get the reform right.

When the starter's gun fires and the Draft Plan for the Murray Darling Basin is released, there will be people who will see a huge political interest to engage in misinformation, to claim water's being ripped from communities, to claim a whole lot of things.

But let's not miss this opportunity.

The right reform is better for irrigation, better for communities, better for people who drink from the Murray, and better for their water supply.

It is better for the one river system that stretches across our continent. We can say we're not going to wreck it; we're going to restore it to health.

Mr Speaker, the Government is committed to tabling a final Murray Darling Basin plan in the Parliament in 2012 that restores our rivers to health, supports strong regional communities and sustainable food production for the future.

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Hon. George Souris MP
Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing
Minister for the Arts

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25 NOV 2011

Mr Donald Ramsland
General Manager
Walgett Shire Council
PO Box 31
WALGETT NSW 2832

Dear Mr Ramsland *Don*

I am pleased to inform you that I have approved \$107,040 under the 2012 Arts Funding Program towards the capital development of the Australian Opal Centre (stage 2).

I trust this funding will continue to build strong infrastructure across the State and support the opportunities people have to enjoy the arts.

Details of your organisation's funding and method of payment will be sent to you by Arts NSW. If you have any enquiries please contact Ms Alexandra Bowen, A/Director, Arts Funding, Arts NSW (Ph: 02 9228 3849, Email: alex.bowen@arts.nsw.gov.au).

In the meantime, please accept my best wishes for a successful year.

Yours sincerely


George Souris MP

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General Manager

Expressions of Interest ALGWA (NSW) 2014 Conference

On behalf of the Australian Local Government Women's Association (NSW Branch) I would like to extend an invitation to your Council to submit an application to host the 2014 ALGWA State Conference.

The Conference is held throughout different areas within New South Wales and the Association has a preference for Conferences to be held alternatively in regional and city areas. The 2012 Conference will be held in Dubbo, and Gosford will host the 2013 Conference, Councils in Regional areas are invited to submit bids for our 2014 Conference. The Conference venue should adequately provide facilities for 150 - 180 delegates as well as break-out areas for workshops.

Voting for the 2014 Conference will take place at the next ALGWA State Conference to be held in Dubbo from 22nd - 24th March 2011. There will be an opportunity for the bidding Councils to have a display at the Dubbo Conference and to do a presentation in order to attract votes.

The closing date for Expressions of Interest is Monday 23rd January 2012. Please contact the ALGWA President, Julie Griffiths by email to Julie.griffiths@blacktown.nsw.gov.au to obtain more information. Please visit our web site at about hosting the State Conference <http://www.algwa.org.au> together with a copy of the guidelines.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

Julie Griffiths
President ALGWA (NSW Branch)

PRESIDENT: Julie Griffiths
PO BOX 63
BLACKTOWN NSW 2148



MEMORANDUM

To: Councillors

Cc: General Manager – Don Ramsland

From: Acting Director Corporate Services – Glen Warren

Date: 23 November 2011

Subject: Cut Back In Trading Hours – Walgett Commonwealth Bank

Dear Councillors

Please find attached a letter by Council on 16th November 2011 from the Commonwealth Bank advising a cut back in the trading hours of the Walgett branch to commence on 30th January 2012.

As stated in the letter the reason given was ultimately a decline in transaction volumes (ie. customers) and as a result the branch staffing level required is less than two staff members to meet existing customer demand.

I will have this matter included in the December 2011 Council business paper for further discuss and action.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Glen Warren'.

Glen Warren

ACTING DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

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Commonwealth Bank of Australia
ABN 48 123 123 124

Retail Banking Services
Central & Western NSW Area Office
Level 1,
171 Howick St
Bathurst NSW 2795

Paul Bindig
Area Manager
Telephone 0410 553 265

Mayor Gustavus (Bill) Murray
Walgett Council
PO Box 31
Walgett NSW 2832

14 November 2011

Dear Mr Murray,

I am writing to inform you that on 30th January 2012, the Commonwealth Bank will be changing its trading hours at Walgett branch.

This branch currently trades 9.30am - 4.00pm Monday - Thursday and 9.30am - 5.00pm on Fridays.

We recently reviewed our trading hours and staffing at this branch prompted by a decline in transaction volumes. The review has indicated that this branch has a need for less than 2 staff members to meet existing customer demand.

We have considered a number of options in order to have the least impact on our customers. We have decided to implement a change in operating hours to 10.30am - 2.30pm Monday to Friday. By changing our trading hours, we will be able to offer continued service to our customers during the period of greatest demand which is typically over the lunchtime period.

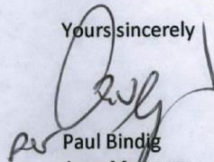
Notwithstanding this, to ensure that we continue to meet our security obligations, we will ensure that we always have two staff in attendance during opening hours. Our primary objective is to ensure that we maintain safe banking facilities for our customers at this location, whilst maximising employment opportunities for staff.

To supplement our branch operation, personal banking such as withdrawals, deposits and bill payments can be made at the nearby Post Office from 9.00am until 5.00pm Monday to Friday.

We will continue to work closely with our staff to ensure that we continue to provide excellent customer service and maintain our close relationship with this community.

If you have any questions about the changes or should you become aware of any concerns among your constituents regarding the alternative banking arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0410 553 265.

Yours sincerely


Paul Bindig
Area Manager
Retail Banking Services

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10. 2010-2011 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDIT REPORT

REPORTING SECTION: Corporate Services
AUTHOR: Glen Warren – Acting Director Corporate Services
FILE NUMBER: 10/178

Summary:

That Council formally receives the Audited Financial Reports together with the Auditor's Reports for the period 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011.

Background:

Council's Audit to 30 June 2011 has been completed, and in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, Section 418 (1) (b) public notice was given of the date so fixed for the presentation of the audited financial reports, together with the auditor's report and that under Section 420 of the Local Government Act 1993. Any person may make written submissions to Council with respect to these reports.

Current Position:

Council's Auditor Mr Garry Mottau will be attending the meeting.

Copies of Council's Audited Financial Reports and Auditor's Report are provided under separate cover.

A summary of the Financial Reports is provided below:

| | 2011 | 2010 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| Income Statement | | |
| Total Income from Continuing Operations | 26,186 | 24,458 |
| Total Expenses from Continuing Operations | (26,234) | (21,256) |
| Operating Result from Continuing Operations | (48) | 3,202 |
| Net Operating Result for the year | (48) | 3,202 |
| Net Operating Result before Grants and Contributions provided for Capital Purposes | (3,824) | 905 |
| Balance Sheet | | |
| Total Current Assets | 11,784 | 12,805 |
| Total Current Liabilities | (3,701) | (4,338) |
| Total Non Current Assets | 312,552 | 307,183 |
| Total Non Current Liabilities | (2,612) | (236) |
| Total Equity | 318,023 | 315,414 |
| Other Financial Information | | |
| Current Ratio | 3.18:1 | 2.95:1 |
| Unrestricted Ratio | 2.13:1 | 1.31:1 |
| Debt Service Ratio (%) | 0.7% | 0.2% |

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|--|-------|-------|
| Rates Coverage Ratio (%) | 26.5% | 26.9% |
| Rates and Annual Charges Outstanding Ratio (%) | 12.5% | 7.9% |

For ease of understanding the following definitions apply:

Current ratio - Used to assess the ability of council to meet its short term obligations. A measurement of greater than 1 is good;

Unrestricted ratio- Used to assess the adequacy of working capital after excluding all restricted assets and liabilities. A measurement greater than 2 is desirable;

Debt Service - Used to assess the degree to which revenues are committed to the repayment of debt. A measurement of less than 10% is viewed as good, greater than 15% is of concern;

Rates Coverage ratio - Used to assess the degree of dependence on revenues from rates and annual charges and an indicator of the level of dependence on grants;

Rates and Annual Charges Outstanding ratio - Used to assess the impact of uncollected rates and annual charges on liquidity and adequacy of recovery efforts. A measurement of less than 10% for rural councils is considered good.

Council will recall that a report was tabled at the November 2011 Council meeting informing Council that the 2011 Annual Financial Statements would not be completed until after the statutory deadline of 30 October 2011 and subsequent forwarding to the Department of Local Government by 7th November 2011.

It was also inferred in the report that this may impact on Council by having the Statements "qualified" by Council's auditors. Included in the attached final independent auditor's report the following was stated:

"without qualification to the opinion expressed above, we draw attention to the mandatory requirement for Councils to prepare financial reports and have them audited within four (4) months of the end of the financial year. The audit of the financial report was completed on 7th December 2011".

Council is therefore advised that staff have met the statutory requirements of the preparation of the annual financial statements for 2010/11 under the Local Government Act 1993 and the Accounting Standards will the only exception of being outside the audit timeframe.

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

Local Government Act (1993)
Financial Reports and Auditors Report to 30 June 2011

Governance issues:

N/A

Environmental issues:

N/A

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Stakeholders:

Department of Local Government
Hill Rogers Spencer Steer, Chartered Accountants
Walgett Shire Council

Financial Implications:

N/A

Alternative Solutions/Options:

N/A

2010-2011 Audited financial statements and audit report

Recommendation:

1. That Council receive the Audited Financial Reports together with the Auditor's Reports for the period 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011.

Moved:

Seconded:

Attachments:

Audited Financial Statements for year ended 30 June 2011 (incorporated with Annual Report attachment)

11. LIGHTNING RIDGE DIVING POOL SPONSORSHIP

SECTION: Corporate Services
AUTHOR: Glen Warren – Acting Director Corporate Services
FILE NUMBER: 09/1115

Summary:

That the Lightning Ridge Diving Club request a sponsorship of \$1,500 for the 2012 New South Wales Diving Country Championships on 21st & 22nd January 2012.

Background:

Nil

Current Position:

Council received a request from the Lightning Ridge Diving Club seeking \$1,500 for support for the upcoming diving championships on January 21st & 22nd 2012. A transcript of the letter is reproduced below:

“Dear Don & Councillors

The Lightning Ridge Diving Club will be hosting the 2012 New South Wales Diving Country Championships on January 21st & 22nd

We are very excited about hosting this event and we look forward to showcasing our town & community to the large number of visitors who will merge on our town in the lead up and over the weekend.

We are seeking your support in the way of major sponsorship of \$1,500 for the carnival. The money will be used in the general running of the championships.

We would like to display the Walgett Shire Council banner at the indoor aquatic centre and we will promote the Walgett Shire Council as much as possible to show our appreciation & gratitude.

We look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Kind regards,

*Zuzana Sisa
Coaching Director
Lightning Ridge Diving”*

Relevant Reference Documents:

Nil

Governance Issues:

Nil

Environmental Issues:

Nil

Stakeholders:

Councillors
Staff
Community

Financial Implications:

The financial implications for Council would result in an amount up to \$1,500 should Council resolve to approve their request.

Legal Issues:

Nil

Alternative Solutions/Options:

Nil

Conclusion:

To resolve to contribute \$500 towards the New South Wales Diving Country Championships on 21st & 22nd January 2012 at Lightning Ridge.

| Lightning Ridge Diving Pool Sponsorship |
|---|
| <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>1. That Walgett Shire Council contribute \$500 towards the New South Wales Diving Country Championships on 21st & 22nd January 2012 at Lightning Ridge.</p> <p>Moved:</p> <p>Seconded:</p> |

Attachments:

Nil

12. CASH ON HAND & INVESTMENT REPORT

REPORTING SECTION: Corporate Services
AUTHOR: Shane Roberts – Senior Finance Officer
FILE NUMBER: 09/1460

Summary:

This report summarises the cash on hand and investments held by Walgett Shire Council as at 30 November 2011.

Background:

Walgett Shire Council operates one primary transaction account with the Commonwealth Bank and invests surplus funds to its operational requirements. The level of funds held in the account at any time reflects the outlook in terms of payments to be made in the short term.

Current Position:

As at 30 November 2011 the operational bank account's balance was \$924,707.63. The reconciliation of this balance is:

**Operational Account Bank Reconciliation
As at 30 November 2011**

| | |
|---|-----------------------|
| | \$ |
| Opening Ledger Account Balance as at 1 November 2011 | 1,513,989.81 |
| Add: Receipts | 2,244,891.95 |
| Add: Recalled Investments | |
| Less: New Investments | |
| Less: Payments | (2,834,174.13) |
| Closing Ledger Balance as at 30 November 2011 | 924,707.63 |
|
Balance as per Bank Statement as at 30 November 2011 |
876,886.15 |
| Add: Receipts not banked | 54,473.73 |
| Less: Payments not presented | (6,652.25) |
| Closing Balance of Bank Account | 924,707.63 |

No Term Deposits were recalled in November 2011.

No New Term Deposits were made in November 2011.

A new 24 Hour Online Saver Account was created to earn interest on the money required for normal operations on a short term basis.

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As at 30 November 2011 Walgett Shire Council's investment register's balance was \$8,024,493.99. The balance as per the attached investment report comprised:

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Term Deposits | \$8,000,000.00 |
| Floating Rate Collateralized Debt Obligation (CDO) | \$ 24,493.99 |

The market values disclosed for the Floating Rate Collateralized Debt Obligation (CDO) are market values as at 30 October 2010 and were supplied by the ANZ Group.

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| 24 Hour Online Account Balance | \$1,000,000.00 |
|--------------------------------|----------------|

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

| | |
|----------------|--|
| 09/1772/0014 | November 2011 bank reconciliation ledger 11.5010 |
| 09/1460-02/008 | Investments Report To Council 2011-2012 |

Governance issues:

Environmental issues:

Nil

Stakeholders:

Walgett Shire Council
Residents of Walgett Shire Council

Financial Implications:

As per report

Alternative Solutions/Options:

NIL

Conclusion:

As at 30 November 2011 Walgett Shire Council's total available cash and invested funds were \$10,538,483.80 represented by:

| | |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| Working Account Balance | \$1,513,989.81 |
| Investments | \$8,024,493.99 |
| 24 Hour Online Saver Account | \$1,000,000.00 |

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Cash on Hand and Investment Report as at 30 November 2011

Recommendation:

- That the cash on hand and investment report as at 30 November 2011 be received.

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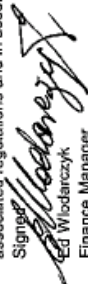
Seconded:

Attachments:

| Investment Institution | Type of Investment | Term (days) | Rate % | Ref | Reset Date | Maturity Date | |
|---|--------------------|-------------|--------|--------|------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Term Deposits | | | | | | | |
| National Australia Bank | Term Deposit | 182 | 6.29 | 699/11 | | 14-Dec-11 | \$250,000.00 |
| Bankwest | Term Deposit | 152 | 5.85 | 716/12 | | 01-Feb-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| Bank of Queensland | Term Deposit | 180 | 5.85 | 717/12 | | 29-Feb-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| IMB | Term Deposit | 110 | 5.77 | 720/12 | | 21-Dec-11 | \$500,000.00 |
| Credit Union Australia | Term Deposit | 91 | 5.75 | 723/12 | | 07-Dec-11 | \$250,000.00 |
| Suncorp | Term Deposit | 91 | 5.67 | 724/12 | | 07-Dec-11 | \$250,000.00 |
| Suncorp | Term Deposit | 91 | 5.67 | 725/12 | | 14-Dec-11 | \$250,000.00 |
| National Australia Bank | Term Deposit | 91 | 5.98 | 728/12 | | 21-Dec-11 | \$250,000.00 |
| Credit Union Australia | Term Deposit | 105 | 5.75 | 727/12 | | 11-Jan-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| National Australia Bank | Term Deposit | 112 | 5.88 | 728/12 | | 18-Jan-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| Bank of Queensland | Term Deposit | 98 | 6.00 | 731/12 | | 11-Jan-12 | \$500,000.00 |
| Bankwest | Term Deposit | 91 | 5.75 | 732/12 | | 11-Jan-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| Newcastle Permanent Building Society | Term Deposit | 91 | 5.73 | 733/12 | | 18-Jan-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| Newcastle Permanent Building Society | Term Deposit | 112 | 5.72 | 734/12 | | 15-Feb-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| National Australia Bank | Term Deposit | 189 | 5.85 | 735/12 | | 02-May-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| Bankwest | Term Deposit | 147 | 5.70 | 736/12 | | 23-Mar-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| Credit Union Australia | Term Deposit | 91 | 5.74 | 737/12 | | 22-Feb-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| Newcastle Permanent Building Society | Term Deposit | 96 | 5.72 | 738/12 | | 08-Feb-12 | \$500,000.00 |
| Suncorp | Term Deposit | 98 | 5.90 | 739/12 | | 15-Feb-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| CBA | Term Deposit | 35 | 5.20 | 740/12 | | 14-Dec-11 | \$500,000.00 |
| Bankwest | Term Deposit | 112 | 5.60 | 741/12 | | 07-Mar-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| CBA | Term Deposit | 35 | 5.14 | 742/12 | | 21-Dec-11 | \$500,000.00 |
| IMB | Term Deposit | 82 | 5.65 | 743/12 | | 14-Mar-12 | \$500,000.00 |
| Bank of Queensland | Term Deposit | 182 | 5.80 | 745/12 | | 30-May-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| Credit Union Australia | Term Deposit | 91 | 5.70 | 714/12 | | 29-Feb-12 | \$250,000.00 |
| Suncorp | Term Deposit | 91 | 5.82 | 715/11 | | 02-Dec-11 | \$250,000.00 |
| | | | | | | | \$8,000,000.00 |
| Floating Rates Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDO) | | | | | | | |
| Zirco Finance Ltd | Floating Rate CDO | | 0.00 | | | 20-Sep-14 | \$0.00 |
| Morgan Stanley Aces SP | Floating Rate CDO | 91 | 6.950 | | 20-Sep-11 | 20-Jun-15 | \$3,032.81 |
| Helium Capital Ltd | Floating Rate CDO | 92 | 6.7417 | | 23-Sep-11 | 23-Jun-14 | \$21,461.18 |
| | | | | | | | \$24,493.99 |
| | | | | | | | \$8,024,493.99 |

Investment Report as at 30 November 2011

I hereby certify that the investments shown herein have been invested in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, associated regulations and in accordance with Council's Policies and Procedures.

Signed 
Ed Włodarczyk
Finance Manager

Prepared and Reconciled by Julie McKeown
Finance Officer

J. McKeown 2/12/11

13. NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE PROPOSED TRANSFER OF LOT 1 DP 13603, COME BY CHANCE TO WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL

REPORTING SECTION: Urban Infrastructure Services
AUTHOR: Danielle Osborne – Assets Officer
FILE NUMBER: 09/1238

Summary:

This report recommends that Council acquire Lot 1 DP 13603 Come By Chance from NSW Rural Fire Service which is the site of the RFS Brigade shed.

Background:

Bill Britt, the Zone Manager for North West Zone – NSW Rural Fire Service has formally requested that the necessary process to transfer title for the land, (Lot1//DP13603 Assessment No 11916) from NSW Rural Fire Service to Walgett Shire Council, be undertaken.

Current Position:

NSW RFS wishes to transfer the subject land to Council in accordance with the provisions of section 119 of the Rural Fires Act 1997 There is a Service Level Agreement in place which is signed by each Council and the Manager of the Zone regarding how the service and the funding of the RFS occurs including the vesting of resources. Council must have ownership vested in them for the purposes of providing fire fighting services in the Walgett Local Government Area.

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

Contract of Sale

Governance issues:

Section 119 Rural Fires Act 1997

Environmental issues:

N/A

Stakeholders:

Walgett Shire Council
NSW Rural Fire Services

Financial Implications:

Council will require a formal contract for the conveyancing and transfer of the Certificate of Title. Legal fees and registration will be approximately \$1100.00.

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As an exempt authority there are no stamp duty implications for Council. A \$1.00 is the only required for the acquisition of the land.

Alternative Solutions/Options

Nil as Council is bound by Section 119 Rural Fires Act 1997

Conclusion:

Council approve transfer.

| Proposed Transfer of Lot 1 DP 13603, Come By Chance |
|---|
| <p>Recommendation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That, Council approve the Transfer of Lot 1 DP 13603 to Walgett Shire Council.2. Council execute the Contract of Sale and Transfer documents in anticipation of exchange, settlement and registration by our solicitor, Mr. Nick Wilson of Booth, Brown, Samuels & Olney. <p>Moved:
Seconded:</p> |

Attachments:

Nil

14. RTA REGIONAL ROADS REPAIR PROGRAM – APPLICATIONS FOR 2012/2013

REPORTING SECTION: Engineering Services
AUTHOR: Raju Ranjit – Director Engineering Services
FILE NUMBER: 09/86

Summary:

NSW Roads and Traffic Authority invited applications for funding projects in the 2011/2012 Regional Roads REPAIR Program. This report is for Council to note that applications have been submitted for the reconstruction and sealing of sections of MR457 Gundabloui Road, MR426 Ridge Road and MR7716 Come By Chance

Background:

NSW Roads and Traffic Authority invited applications for funding projects in the 2011/2012 Regional Roads REPAIR Program. The applications were requested by 30th of November 2011.

Council was successful in receiving funding under this program in 2011/2012 for the MR7716 to reconstruct and sealing from 21 km to 26 km.

The applications are scored on a prescriptive basis and the highest scoring projects that can be constructed within the RTA Western Region REPAIR Program budget will be offered funding.

The preliminary scores as assessed by us for the submitted projects are as follows:

MR457 Gundabloui Road =21
MR426 Ridge Road =24
MR7716 Come By Chance= 25

The cut off score in 2010/2011 was 23 points and Council was successful in receiving funding under this program for MR7716 for 2011/2012.

A maximum of \$ 400,000 is available to Council under this program on a 1:1 funding basis.

It is anticipated that a draft roads strategic plan will have been considered by Council prior to the 2012/2013 funding application being submitted and that this will provide direction as to Council's preferred priorities with respect to regional road construction and rehabilitation.

Current Position:

Letters of support from Collarenebri Central School and Lighting Ridge Visitor Information Centre have been received for the MR 457 and MR 426 Road projects that have increased a scoring points for the funding.

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

Request for proposals, Regional Roads REPAIR Program 2012/2013

Governance issues:

Nil

Environmental issues:

Road safety

Stakeholders:

Council and road users specially users of MR 426, MR457 and MR7716

Financial Implications:

None of the projects are proposed to be undertaken in 2012/2013 however, if successful it would be anticipated that approximately \$ 100,000 would require reallocation from Regional Road maintenance to permit the work to proceed any one project.

Alternative Solutions/Options:

Do nothing

Conclusion:

Council should now note the outcomes of Council's 2011/2012 REPAIR Programme submissions

| RTA Regional Roads Repair Program Applications for 2012/2013 |
|--|
| <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>1. That Council note the applications for funding of the re construction and sealing of one kilometre of each of MR 457 Gundabloui Road and MR 426 Ridge Road and 5km of MR 7716 Come By Chance Road under the RTA Regional roads REPAIR Program.</p> <p>Moved:
Seconded:</p> |

Attachments:

Nil

15. MONTHLY FLOOD WORKS REPORT FROM DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES – DECEMBER 2011

REPORTING SECTION: Engineering Services

AUTHOR: Raju Ranjit – Director Engineering Services

FILE NUMBER: 11/211

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of progress relating to the December 2010 flood works in the period since the report was prepared in late November 2011.

Background:

RTA – Flood work programs

Shire Roads

| Item No | Description of Works | Amount to be contributed by RTA | Amount to be contributed by Council | Total to date 04-11-2011 | % Budget used | Completed Y/N |
|---------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| SR5 | Croyon Rd | \$40,956 | | \$52,881.57 | 129.12 | Y |
| SR7 | Pampas Rd | \$21,696 | | \$4918.97 | 22.67 | Y |
| SR17 | Tareela Lane | \$27,050 | | \$17,954.97 | 66.38 | Y |
| SR19 | Springs Rd | \$6,149 | | \$159.39 | 2.59 | Y |
| SR21 | Meadow Plains Rd | \$69,216 | | \$36,588.87 | 52.86 | Y |
| SR24 | Marlbone Rd | \$23,134 | | \$15,235.37 | 65.86 | Y |
| SR25 | Wombo Lane | \$23,462 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | N |
| SR26 | Hardies Lease Rd | \$7,313 | | \$1,796.15 | 24.56 | N |
| SR27 | Colrose Road | \$17,217 | | \$957.47 | 5.56 | N |
| SR28 | Wingadee Rd | \$3,850 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | N |
| SR30 | Nilma Rd | \$3,041 | | \$2,064.55 | 67.89 | Y |
| SR31 | Gungalman Rd | \$48,888 | | \$60,020.33 | 122.77 | Y |
| SR38 | Wanourie Ck Rd | \$3,663 | | \$291.98 | 7.97 | Y |
| SR40 | Ginghet Rd | \$57,936 | | \$48,605.48 | 83.90 | Y |
| SR43 | Bushs Rd | \$25,434 | | \$124.17 | 0.49 | Y |
| SR45 | Borehead Rd | \$4,620 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | N |
| SR46 | Bonanza Rd | \$14,971 | | \$9,590.39 | 64.06 | Y |
| SR48 | Boorooma Rd | \$18,787 | | \$423.17 | 2.25 | N |
| SR51 | Millencowbah Rd | \$17,110 | | \$15,785.05 | 92.26 | Y |
| SR53 | Koomalah Rd | \$38,175 | | \$35,494.54 | 92.98 | Y |
| SR55 | Burranbaa Rd | \$8,236 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | Y |
| SR57 | Epping Rd | \$12,900 | | \$6,414.33.00 | 49.72 | N |
| SR58 | Regans Rd | \$7,222 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | Y |
| SR60 | Marra Ck Road | \$12,404 | | \$11,919.84 | 96.10 | Y |
| SR64 | Wimbledon Rd | \$2,139 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | Y |

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| Item No | Description of Works | Amount to be contributed by RTA | Amount to be contributed by Council | Total to date 04-11-2011 | % Budget used | Completed Y/N |
|----------------|---------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| SR66 | Perrottets Lane | \$27,821 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | N |
| SR70 | Lone Pine Rd | \$27,214 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | Y |
| SR71 | Rossmore Lane | \$7,509 | | \$8,031.80 | 106.96 | Y |
| SR72 | Middle Route Rd | \$2,633 | | \$2,589.32 | 1104.3 | Y |
| SR73 | Miralwyn Rd | \$28,616 | | \$18,814.75 | 65.75 | Y |
| SR75 | Gidginbilla Rd | \$31,804 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | |
| SR76 | Maroubra Rd | \$30,982 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | Y |
| SR77 | Nedgera Rd | \$34,522 | | \$22,028.80 | 63.81 | Y |
| SR81 | Mac Masman Rd | \$23,818 | | \$21,625.16 | 90.79 | Y |
| SR82 | Prctors Rd | \$9,768 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | |
| SR83 | Drilool Rd | \$15,986 | | \$4,327.27 | 27.07 | Y |
| SR88 | Fabians Rd | \$7,913 | | \$5,818.18 | 73.53 | Y |
| SR95 | Banarway Crossing Rd | \$14,497 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | N |
| SR98 | Lorne Rd | \$25,772 | | \$13,632.75 | 52.90 | Y |
| SR101 | Wilby Wilby Rd - To Be Assessed | | | \$2,192.22 | NA | N |
| SR102 | Angledool Rd | \$35,467 | | \$13,140.91 | 37.05 | Y |
| SR103 | Bugilbone Rd | \$59,547 | | \$27,280.50 | 45.81 | N |
| SR112 | Brewon Rd | \$19,317 | | \$13,056.31 | 67.59 | Y |
| SR113 | Binghi Road | \$12,296 | | \$6,163.78 | 50.13 | Y |
| SR114 | Bogewong Rd | \$31,086 | | \$30,394.55 | 97.78 | Y |
| SR115 | Aberfoyle Rd | \$34,542 | | \$19,056.67 | 55.17 | Y |
| SR116 | Goangra Rd | \$65,198 | | \$77,908.69 | 119.50 | N |
| SR117 | Beanbri Rd | \$224,562 | | \$8,281.91 | 3.69 | N |
| SR118 | Yarraldool Rd | \$16,007 | | \$431.65 | 2.70 | Y |
| SR119 | Hollywood Lane | \$5,454 | | \$0.00 | 0.00 | N |
| SR121 | Pian Ck Road | \$92,689 | | \$68,168.88 | 73.55 | Y |
| SR122 | Old Burren Rd | \$11,549 | | \$10,750.07 | 93.08 | Y |
| SR124 | Dundee Rd | \$16,146 | | \$477.71 | 2.96 | Y |
| SR125 | Glen Eden Rd | \$24,651 | | \$12,459.37 | 50.54 | Y |
| SR126 | Purtles Rd | \$34,344 | | \$4,581.81 | 13.34 | N |
| SR128 | Camerons Lane | \$21,301 | | \$11,577.91 | 54.35 | Y |
| SR131 | O'neils Rd | \$24,515 | | \$15,405.60 | 62.84 | N |
| | Emergency Works | \$276,717 | - | \$304670.87 | 110.10 | Y |
| | Council's Contribution | -\$29,000 | \$29,000 | \$0.00 | NA | |
| | TOTALS | \$1,780,812 | \$29,000 | \$1,044,412.21 | | |

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Regional Roads

| Item No | Description of Works | Amount to be contributed by RTA | Total to date 04-11-2011 | % Budget used | Completed Y/N |
|---------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| MR329 | Burren - Collarenebri | \$75,254 | \$190,364.25 | 252.96 | Y |
| MR333 | Walgett - Carinda Road | \$138,154 | \$201,910.22 | 146.15 | Y |
| MR383 | Pilliga - Coonamble Road | \$153,139 | \$3,509.63 | 2.29 | N |
| MR402 | Walgett- Cumborah-Lightning Rd | \$33,938 | \$0.00 | 0.00 | N |
| MR426 | Collarenebri To Lightning Road | \$62,023 | \$39,522.46 | 63.72 | N |
| MR457 | Collarenebri To Mungindi Road | \$191,180 | \$165,425.29 | 86.53 | N |
| MR7716 | Walgett - Pilliga Road | \$317,780 | \$70,934.32 | 22.32 | N |
| | Emergency Works | \$82,947 | \$84,201.56 | 101.51 | N |
| | | | | | |
| | TOTALS | \$1,054,415 | \$755,867.73 | | |

Current Position:

SR 45 and SR 101 are still under water. Most of the unsealed roads are closed due to recent heavy rain and floods.

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

n/a

Governance issues:

n/a

Environmental issues:

Flood water

Stakeholders:

Council and Users

Financial Implications:

WSC Management plan 2011/2012

Alternative Solutions/Options:

n/a

Conclusion:

The program is required to be finalised by the end of May 2012.

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Recommendation:

1. That Council receive and note the regular Monthly December 2010 flood works

Moved:

Seconded:

Attachments:

Nil

15A. MONTHLY REPORT FROM DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES – DECEMBER - 2011

REPORTING SECTION: Engineering Services
AUTHOR: Raju Ranjit – Director Engineering Services
FILE NUMBER: 11/211

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of progress and issues relating to Roads and Bridges in the period since the report was prepared in late November 2011.

Background:

RTA – Road Maintenance Council Contract

| Road No. | Road Name | Activities | Comments |
|-----------------|---|--|-----------------|
| SH12 | Gwydir (Walgett - Collarenebri-Moree) | Shoulder Grading, Routine patching works, routine inspections, signs, guideposts, litters & debris | On going |
| SH18 | Castlereagh (Coonamble-Walgett Lightning Ridge) | Shoulder Grading, Routine patching works, routine inspections, signs, guideposts, litters & debris | On going |
| SH29 | Kamilaroi (Narrabri-Walgett-Brewarrina) | Shoulder Grading, Routine patching works, routine inspections, signs, guideposts, litters & debris | On going |

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Regional Roads

| Road No. | Road Name | Activities | Comments |
|----------|--|--|---|
| RR202 | Merri Merri (Carinda - Quambone) | Maintenance grading
Routine inspections done | Completed on 10/08/2011 |
| RR329 | Merrywinebone (Collarenebri-Burren Junction) | Heavy patching work
Routine patching works
Routine inspections,
Signs
Guideposts maintenance. | New Signs installed |
| RR333 | Carinda (Carinda-Warren) | Flood damage heavy patching work
Routine patching works
Routine inspections
Signs
Guideposts maintenance | completed

New Signs installed |
| RR333 | Cumberdoon Way (Walgett-Carinda) | Flood damage heavy patching work
Routine patching works
Routine inspections
Signs
Guideposts maintenance | completed |
| RR383 | Pilliga (Pilliga-Coonamble) | Flood damage heavy patching work
Routine patching works
Routine inspections
Signs
Guideposts maintenance | Programmed from 15/11/2011 (postponed due to current rain) |
| RR402 | Gingie (Walgett-Cumborah) | Routine patching works
routine inspections
signs
guideposts maintenance | Done |
| RR402 | Llanillo (Cumborah-Lightning Ridge) | Routine patching works
routine inspections
signs
guideposts maintenance | Done |
| RR426 | Bill O'Brien Way | Routine inspections
sign maintenance | Done |
| RR426 | Ridge Road | Maintenance Grading,
Routine inspections,
signs
guideposts maintenance | Commencing on 16/12/2011 |
| RR426 | Shermans Way | Routine inspections
Flood damage works | Done |
| RR437 | Bangate (Lightning Ridge-Goodooga) | Routine Inspection | Inspection done |
| RR457 | Gundabloui (Collarenebri - Mungindi) | Flood damage heavy
Patching work
Routine inspections
Signs
Guideposts maintenance. | Completed on 20/10/2011
Programmed for re inspection after it gets dry
New Signs installed. |

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| Road No. | Road Name | Activities | Comments |
|----------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| RR7516 | Billybingbone
(Carinda-Warren) | Maintenance grading
Routine inspections
Signs
Guideposts maintenance | Completed
22/07/2011 |
| RR7716 | Come By Chance | Reformation
Maintenance grading
Routine inspections
Signs
Guideposts maintenance | Completed
3/08/2011
New sealing is
on progress (Roads To
Recovery and
RTA funding) |

Shire Roads

| Road No. | Road Name | Activities | Comments |
|----------|--------------------|--|---|
| SR1 | Franxton Road | Maintenance grading work | Completed on
19/08/2011 |
| SR2 | Bellara Lane | Maintenance grading work | Completed on
7/09/2011 |
| SR3 | Clarkes Lane | Routine inspections
Maintenance grading | Completed on
20/09/2011 |
| SR5 | Cryon Road | Flood works
Two other cause ways | Completed
Programmed on
14/11/2011 |
| SR7 | Pampas Road | Maintenance Grading
Routine inspections
sign maintenance | Completed on
3/08/2011
Done |
| SR12 | Millie Road | Pothole repair
Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Completed on
22/10/2011 |
| SR13 | Woodvale Road | Routine Inspection
Sign maintenance | Completed on
24/10/2011 |
| SR14 | Baroona Road | Routine Inspection | Done |
| SR15 | Pokataroo Road | Routine Inspection | Done |
| SR16 | Mercadool Road | Routine Inspection
Sign maintenance | Work in progress |
| SR17 | Tareela Lane | Routine Inspection
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR19 | Springs Road | Routine Inspection
Sign maintenance | Completed on
18/10/2011 |
| SR21 | Meadow Plains Road | Maintenance Grading,
Routine inspections
Sign maintenance. | Grading
Completed 28 th
July
December 2010
flood event work
completed |
| SR24 | Marlbone Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Completed on
18/10/2011 |
| SR25 | Wombo Lane | Routine inspections | Done |

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| Road No. | Road Name | Activities | Comments |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|--|
| SR26 | Hardies Lease Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR27 | Colrose Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR28 | Wingadee Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Work in progress |
| SR30 | Nilma Road | Reformation Work | Done |
| SR31 | Gungalman Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Floodwork reformation going on |
| SR32 | Gilwarny Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR33 | Teranyan Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR34 | Bowra Lane | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR38 | Wanourie Creek Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR40 | Ginghet Road | Flood Works,
Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Completed |
| SR41 | Green and Branders Road | Grading | Done |
| SR43 | Bushs Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR45 | Bore Head Road | Flood Works, | Water over the road. |
| SR46 | Bonanza Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR47 | Schmalkuche road | Routine inspections
Grading | Completed on 24/10/2011 |
| SR48 | Boorooma Creek Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR51 | Millencowbah Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR52 | Willis Road | Grading | Done |
| SR53 | Koomalah Road | Flood Works
(re-sheeting work) | Done |
| SR55 | Burrnbaa Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR57 | Epping Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR58 | Regans Road | Grading | Completed on 2/08/2011 |
| SR59 | Moomin Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR60 | Marra CreekRoad | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR61 | Cambo Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR64 | Mission Road (Wimbledon Rd) | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | New signs are installed
Grading is in |

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| Road No. | Road Name | Activities | Comments |
|-----------------|------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| | | | progress |
| SR66 | Perrottets Lane | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR67 | Collarenebri
Mission Raod | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | New signs are
ordered |
| SR68 | Haines Hut
Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR69 | Woolaroo Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR70 | Lone Pine
Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR71 | Rossmore
Lane | Grading | Completed 23 rd
July |
| SR72 | Middle Route
road | Routine inspections
Grading | Completed on
12/10/2011 |
| SR73 | Miralwyn Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR74 | Lochlomond
Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR75 | Gidginbilla
Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR76 | Maroubra Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR77 | Nedgara Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR79 | Pagen Creek
Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR81 | Mac Masman
Road | Floodworks | Done |
| SR82 | Proctors Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR83 | Drilldool Road | Grading | Completed on
19/10/2011 |
| SR84 | Fred Reece
Way | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR85 | Tungra Road | Routine inspections | Completed on
28/10/2011 |
| SR86 | Kia-Ora Raod | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR87 | Burren Bore
Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR88 | Fabians Road | Floodworks
(re-sheeting work) | Done |
| SR89 | Belaba Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR90 | Fairview Road | Flood damage works
Grading | Completed on
21/07/2011 |
| SR91 | Three Mile
Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR92 | Strathmore
Road | Routine inspections | Done |

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| Road No. | Road Name | Activities | Comments |
|-----------------|------------------------|---|---|
| SR94 | Ivanhoe Crossing | It is not a shire road anymore | Done |
| SR95 | Banarway Crossing Road | Grading | Done |
| SR96 | Saleyards Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR98 | Lorne Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR101 | Wilby Wilby Road | Routine patching works
Routine inspections
Signs
Guideposts maintenance | Road Closed at Lake Rotten Plain (tipped gravel to stop traffic) |
| SR102 | Angledool Road | Flood damage works
(re-sheeting) | Completed on 20/10/2011 |
| SR103 | Bugilbone Road | Grading | Completed 27 th August
Regrading commencing on 16/12/2011 |
| SR110 | Kurrajong Road | Grading | Completed on 7/10/2011 |
| SR111 | Narran Lake Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Done |
| SR112 | Brewon Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR113 | Binghi Road | Floodworks
(resheeting and reformation work) | Done |
| SR114 | Bogewong road | Floodworks
(resheeting and reformation work) | Done |
| SR115 | Aberfoyle Road | Floodworks
(resheeting and reformation work) | Done |
| SR116 | Goangra Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR117 | Beanbri Road | Routine inspections | Done and jet patching work done to reopen the road |
| SR118 | Yarraldool Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR119 | Hollywood lane | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance done. | Done |
| SR121 | Pian Creek Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR122 | Old Burren Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR123 | Rowena Road | Routine patching works
Routine inspections
Signs
Guideposts maintenance. | Done |
| SR124 | Dundee Road | Routine inspections
Sign maintenance | Completed on 20/10/2011 |
| SR125 | Glen Eden Road | Grading
Routine inspections | Completed on 22/09/2011 |

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| Road No. | Road Name | Activities | Comments |
|----------|------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| | | Sign maintenance | |
| SR126 | Purtles Road | Routine inspections | Flood Works in progress |
| SR127 | Boora Road | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR128 | Camerons Lane | Floodworks Grading | Completed on 19/07/2011 |
| SR129 | George Sands Way | Routine inspections | Done |
| SR131 | Oneils Road way | Routine inspections | Done |

Unused Grids

| Road No. | Road Name | Activities | Comments |
|----------|--------------------|-------------------------|---|
| SR30 | Nilma Road | Two grids to be removed | Site meeting has been conducted with the property owner
Verbally Agreed to remove as per Council Policy.
Council is preparing estimates and schedules for the work. |
| RR7716 | Come By Chance | One grid to be removed | Site meeting has been conducted with the property owner
Verbally agreed to remove as per Council Policy.
But this needs to be relocated at approximately 23 km chainage(measured from the intersection of Fox Street and Come Eureka street)
Council is preparing estimates and schedules for the work. |
| SR21 | Meadow Plains Road | Two grids to be removed | Site meeting has been conducted with the property owner
Verbally agreed to remove as per Council Policy for one grid and has not given a decision for another one. |
| SR5 | Cryon Rd | Two grids | Investigation in progress |
| SR59 | Woodvale Road | One grid | Investigation in progress |
| SR16 | Mercadool Road | Three grids | Site meeting has been conducted with the property owner
Needs to stay.

Two ramps owned by National parks (representative Gerard O'connor 0427711361) and is under Investigation progress |
| SR52 | Willis Road | Three grids to removed | Site meeting has been conducted with the property owner
Verbally agreed but raised about |

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| Road No. | Road Name | Activities | Comments |
|----------|--------------|------------------------|--|
| | | | fencing to install and some fence done previously but payment not done by council yet.
Council is preparing estimates and schedules for the work. |
| SR126 | Purtles Road | One grid to be removed | Site meeting has been conducted with the property owner
Verbally agreed.
Some issue was raised about fencing which were done previously but never been paid.
Council is preparing estimates and schedules for the work. |

Current Position:

SR 45 and SR 101 are still under water. Most of the roads have been graded and programmed for another inspection. Estimations for SR101 and Grawin Bridge have been submitted to RTA for approval. All unused grids will be proposed to remove in 2012/2013 management plan. The contribution issue regarding the fences in the grid area still under investigation.

Most of the roads have been affected by the recent flood and will be investigated once the roads are trafficable.

An estimate of repair costs arising from the current flooding has been submitted for a Natural Disaster Declaration

Relevant Reference Documents/Policies:

n/a

Governance issues:

n/a

Environmental issues:

Flood water

Stakeholders:

Council and Users

Financial Implications:

WSC Management plan 2011/2012

Alternative Solutions/Options:

n/a

Conclusion:

2011/2012 Maintenance programme has been placed and works are on progress accordingly.

| Monthly Report from Director Engineering Services – December 2011 |
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| <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>1. That Council receive and note the regular Monthly Road & Bridge Report</p> <p>Moved:</p> <p>Seconded:</p> |

Attachments:

Nil

15B. MATTERS GENERALLY FOR BRIEF MENTION OR INFORMATION ONLY FROM DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES – DECEMBER 2011

REPORTING SECTION: Engineering Section
AUTHOR: Raju Ranjit – Director of Engineering Services
FILE NUMBER: 11/378

1. Barwon Councils Strategic Roads Committee

L Kilby Pty has completed assessment of submitted roads projects and will be reviewed by a technical team. The assessments are based on following criteria.

- Productivity
- Connectivity
- Maintenance
- Efficiency
- Safety

| Matters Generally for Brief Mention or Information only from Director Engineering Services – November 2011 |
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| <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>1. That the matters listed by the Director of Engineering Services for brief mention or information be received and noted.</p> <p>1. Barwon Councils Strategic Roads Committee- Walgett Shire Road projects</p> <p>Moved:
Seconded:</p> |

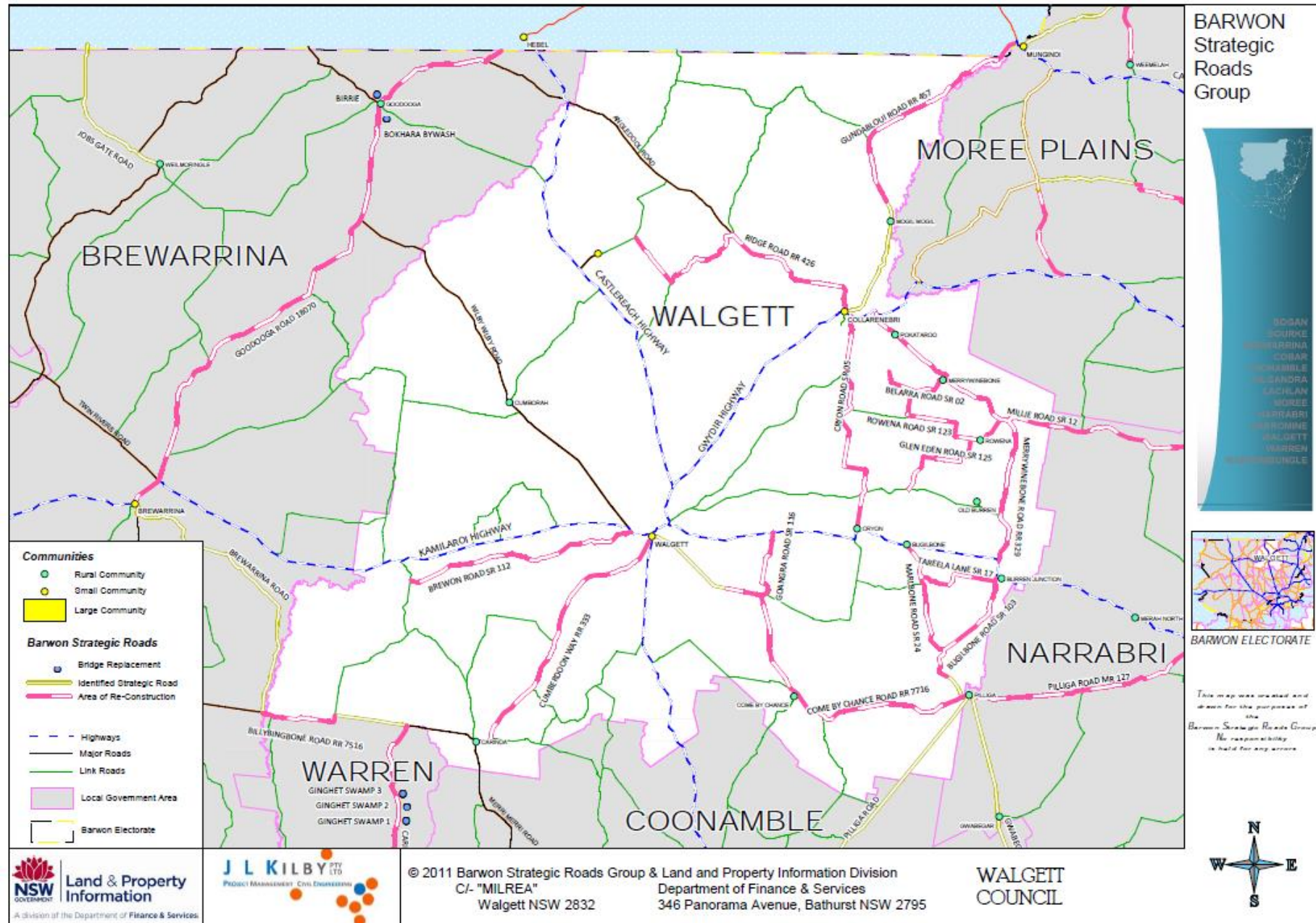
Attachments:

Assessments
Proposed Road maps

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| Council | Road No | Road Name | Category | Priority | Productivity
Score | Connectivity
Score | Maintenance
Score | Efficiency
Score | Safety
Score | Total | Total | Total
Score | Road dependencies |
|-----------------------|---------|----------------------|----------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|----------------|---|
| Walgett Shire Council | SR 103 | Bugilbone Road | 1 | 1 | 67% | 67% | 100% | 100% | 71% | 38 | 29 | 76% | Part of a greater submission for Mungindi, but stands independently |
| Walgett Shire Council | RR 457 | Gundabloui Road | 1 | 1 | 67% | 50% | 100% | 100% | 71% | 38 | 28 | 74% | |
| Walgett Shire Council | RR 329 | Merrywinebone Road | 1 | 1 | 73% | 50% | 100% | 60% | 14% | 38 | 23 | 61% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | RR 7716 | Pilliga Walgett Road | 2 | 1 | 53% | 83% | 100% | 0% | 71% | 38 | 23 | 61% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | RR 426 | Ridge Road | 2 | 1 | 60% | 50% | 100% | 60% | 71% | 38 | 25 | 66% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | SR2 | Belarra Lane | 2 | 2 | 27% | 33% | 100% | 40% | 71% | 38 | 18 | 47% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | SR112 | Brewon Road | 2 | 2 | 20% | 0% | 100% | 40% | 79% | 38 | 15.5 | 41% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | SR3 | Clarks Lane | 2 | 2 | 20% | 50% | 100% | 40% | 71% | 38 | 18 | 47% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | SR12 | Cryon Road | 2 | 2 | 47% | 50% | 100% | 60% | 71% | 38 | 23 | 61% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | SR5 | Cryon Road | 2 | 2 | 33% | 50% | 100% | 60% | 71% | 38 | 22 | 58% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | SR 125 | Glen Eden Road | 2 | 2 | 20% | 33% | 100% | 60% | 71% | 38 | 18 | 47% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | SR 116 | Goangra Road Road | 2 | 2 | 20% | 0% | 100% | 60% | 71% | 38 | 17 | 45% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | SR 24 | Marlbone Road | 2 | 2 | 20% | 50% | 100% | 40% | 71% | 38 | 18 | 47% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | SR 123 | Rowena Road Road | 2 | 2 | 20% | 50% | 100% | 60% | 71% | 38 | 19 | 50% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | SR 17 | Tareela Lane | 2 | 2 | 33% | 0% | 100% | 40% | 71% | 38 | 17 | 45% | 0 |
| Walgett Shire Council | RR333 | Carinda | 3 | 2 | 40% | 100% | 40% | 0% | 14% | 38 | 15 | 39% | 0 |

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Reports of Committees

Nil

Questions for the next Meeting

Confidential Reports/Closed Council meeting

Nil

Close of Meeting