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DAT	E: 28 February 2022		EMBARGO: NIL		

Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Funding Allocated

Walgett Shire Council has received advice from the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Communication regarding a grant of \$2,471,230 under the LRCI program. The program aims to assist local economies recover from the Covid-19 pandemic by supporting local business and employment.

Council's General Manager Mike Urquhart said the scope of projects is wide ranging, including construction of roads, reconstruction, rehabilitation re-sheeting, resealing, bridgeworks, drainage, traffic improvement, CCTV, cycleway footpaths, street lighting, painting of community facilities, landscaping, carparks and playgrounds.

The General Manager tabled a report to the February 22 Council meeting outlining the priority projects developed by Council's Management Executive over the past few months and these include:

- Rowena Hall Refurbishment \$60,000
- Collarenebri Hall Refurbishment \$250,000
- Opal Street Footpath/Cycle way Lightning Ridge \$210,000
- Carinda Sportsground Fencing \$40,000
- Walgett Splash park \$1,000,000
- Sealing 700metres Miners Road Grawin \$180,000
- Gravel Re-sheeting unsealed roads -\$731,230

Council were unanimous in approving the funding for the recommended projects.

The General Manager advised the project managers would commence preparing a detailed scope of works for each project with construction to be completed by 30th June 2023.