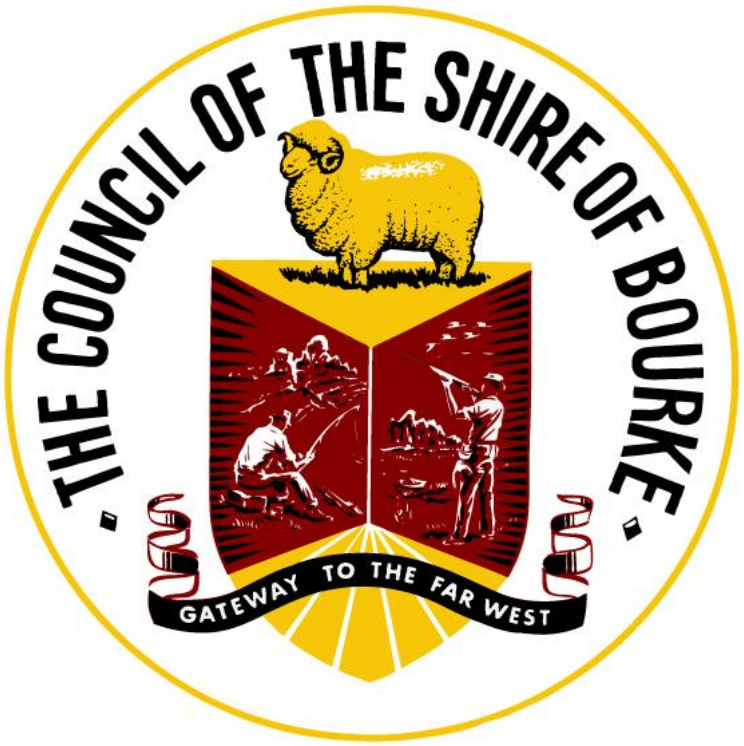

Minutes
Monday, 25th July 2016

Meeting of Council held at the Council Chambers at
Bourke Shire Council Offices
at 29 Mitchell Street, Bourke NSW 2840

General Manager: Ross Earl

PRESENT

C12.1

Councillors	18/01	12/02	22/02	21/03	29/03	18/04	23/05	27/06	25/07	22/08	26/09	24/10	28/11
Cr Andrew Lewis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Cr Barry Hollman	AP	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Cr Cec Dorrington	✓	AP	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Cr Jack Bennett	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Cr Lachlan Ford	✓	AP	AP	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Cr Robert Stutsel	✓	✓	✓	AP	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Cr Sally Davis	✓ 9.05am	✓	✓	✓ 9.05am	✓	AP	✓ 9.15am	✓	✓				
Cr Sarah Barton	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	AP	✓	✓	✓				
Cr Stuart Johnson	✓	AP	✓	✓ 9.05am	✓	✓	✓	AP	✓				
Cr Victor Bartley	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				

Staff

Ross Earl	General Manager
Brian Tickle	Acting Manager Corporate Services
Phil Johnston	Manager Tourism & Development
Mark Gordon	Manager Roads
Peter Brown	Manager Works
Kai Howard-Oakman	Executive Assistant/Minutes

OPENING PRAYER

Cr Lewis opened the meeting with a prayer.

REMEMBRANCE

Council stood in silence in memory of the following:-

Roger Nean

APOLOGIES

Nil apologies.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST (FORMS INCLUDED WITH BUSINESS PAPERS)

Declarations of interest were received at the meeting from Councillor Barton and Councillor Davis, in regards to Report 1032/2016, Confidential North Bourke Residential Blocks July 2016.

MAYORAL MINUTE

Date	Event
27/06/2016	Council Meeting
30/06/2016	Meeting with General Manager of Rural Counselling Service
01/07/2016	Dedication of Bridge "Beemery over the Bogan River" to "Wayne O'Mally Bridge"
09/07/2016	Enngonia Races
11/07/2016	Western Division Association Mid Term Meeting in Cobar
19/07/2016	Risk Management Training in Cobar
25/07/2016	Invitation to again Participate in the Cunnamulla Fella Festival, Mayors Challenge

Resolution

311/2016 That Bourke Shire Council participates in the Cunnamulla Fella Festival Mayors Challenge Bull Ride to be held on 27th August 2016.
Moved Cr Lewis Carried

Resolution

312/2016 That the information in the Mayoral Minute be received and noted.
Moved Cr Lewis Carried

STARRING OF ITEMS

A number of items had been starred for discussion. The Mayor received requests to star additional items to be discussed. The following additional items were identified for discussion.

Report No	Report Name	Responsible Officer
346/2016	Far West Initiative Update	GM
507/2016	Tourism & Development Activity Report	MT&D
1029/2016	Tender for the construction of the Splash Park	MES/GM
1033/2016	Library Lease	GM

Resolution:

313/2016 That recommendations as detailed in the un-starred items in the agenda for the ordinary meeting of council held on Monday, 25th July 2016 be adopted.
Moved Cr Stutsel Seconded Cr Hollman Carried

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Resolution

314/2016 That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of council held on Monday, 27th June 2016 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.
Moved Cr Dorrington Seconded Cr Hollman Carried

COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2016

Month/ Year	Meeting Date	Time	Event	Location
2016			Council Meetings for 2016	
July	25th	9.00am	4th Monday	Council Chambers
	25th – 29th		Local Government Rangers Conference	Sydney
August	4th		Local Government Week 2016 Awards Evening	Sydney
	22nd	*2.30pm*	*4th Monday*	*Council Chambers*
September	2nd		GMAC	TBA
	9th		OROC	TBA
	26th	9.00am	4th Monday	Council Chambers
October	24th	9.00am	4th Monday	Council Chambers
November	28th	9.00am	4th Monday	Council Chambers

BUSINESS ARISING FROM 27th JUNE 2016

KEY: ☐ Action still pending ▒ Action

GM	General Manager	MRS	Manager Road Services
MCS	Manager Corporate Services	MES	Manager Environmental Services
MTD	Manager Tourism & Development	MW	Manager Works

206/2013	Review of Organisational Structure
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	S6.41

DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
That the recommendations in relation to the realignment of any positions be considered prior to the advertising of any vacancies.	Ongoing
The positions descriptions of positions identified within the report from Local Government Management Solutions as requiring review be undertaken in consultation with both the employee and any union involved.	In progress
That the position descriptions of all employees be updated to reflect current duties performed and requirements of the organisation.	In progress

163/2014	CONFIDENTIAL- Enforcement of Fines on Local Roads
Responsible Officer	Manager Road Services
File Number	R7.6.5, R7.6.1

DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
Council to continue to investigate methods for enforcing fines on closed roads and continue to ensure that the public are aware that fines may be levied if vehicles are driven on closed roads	On Councils Road Closure Reports

306/2014	CONFIDENTIAL - Proposal to Undertake Accommodation Project
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	T4.7

File Number	
The General Manager be authorised to further investigate the proposal of development of accommodation in conjunction with Government Departments	See GM's July Report

338/2014	Tourism & Development Activity Report
Responsible Officer	Manager Tourism & Development
File Number	T4.1

DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
Council investigate the potential to be an RV friendly town	Ongoing

67/2015 & 118/2015 & 177/2015 & 203/2015	Full Birthing Unit for Bourke Hospital
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	H1.1
DECISION	**ACTION TAKEN**
That Council monitor the development of a midwifery model to support the antenatal and post-natal needs of the community	Ongoing
That Council continue to work the Western NSW Local Health District staff to re-establish full birthing services if the opportunity for securing the right mix of staff is made available.	Ongoing
That further information in regards to midwife led birthing models be obtained.	Ongoing – meeting held

386/2015	Return of Air Services to Bourke
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	A6.1
DECISION	**ACTION TAKEN**
Council provide the successful tenderer with the use of the "Booking Office" at the terminal	Fee structure being compiled
A report be brought back to Council regarding the possible introduction of a small landing fee to off- set the additional costs involved in the maintenance of the terminal building	Ongoing

41/2016	Tourism – Notice of Motion
Responsible Officer	Manager of Tourism & Development
File Number	T4.1
Decision	**Action Taken**
Report be brought back to Council, as a matter of urgency, setting out the framework for an enhanced tourism function, by involving the local tourism related industries in the planning, coordination and execution of the tourism function.	Initial information contained within MTD activity report

65/2016 & 166/2016	Cross Border Issues Impacting Barringun Village
Responsible Officer	General Manager & Manager of Corporate Services
File Number	A3.14 - V1.11
Decision	**Action Taken**
Council request the locality of Barringun be officially assigned by the Geographical Names Board	In progress

124/2016	Community Contribution – Bourke Joeys Soccer Club
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	D5.1-D5.2
Decision	**Action Taken**
Council investigate alternate options to overcome the indiscriminate disposal of syringes in the precinct	Under investigation Matter raised at LEMC Meeting held 21/06/16
	Reply received from FWHD-Circulated

210/2016	Visit by Councillor Leigh Byron – Mayor of Balranald Shire
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	C12.1
Decision	**Action Taken**
Council meet with Councillor Byron at a mutually convenient time	
That Councillors take the opportunity to raise with Councillor Byron issues that they feel should be the focus of Western Division going forward	Councillor Byron will be attending the July 2016 meeting

229/2016	2016 Local Government Aboriginal Network Conference
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	L8.2.5
Decision	**Action Taken**
Nominations be called for the interest of one (1) staff member to attend the 2016 Local Government Aboriginal Network Conference	Advertised in Newsletter from 27/06/2016

259/2016	CONFIDENTIAL - Contract information National Stronger Regions Fund -. Abattoir Development
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	A1.1-D2.17
Decision	**Action Taken**
Council endorse the structure of the Management Committee to oversee the construction of the Abattoir	Ongoing
Council prepare a report detailing pricing options for the bulk supply of both filtered and raw water to the Abattoir site	Report to Council
That Council work with the Office of Local Government to facilitate the completion of the work required under the PPP process.	Ongoing

266/2016	Davidson and Coolican Ovals Closures
Responsible Officer	Manager Works
File Number	P1.5-P1.4
Decision	**Action Taken**
Continue to top dress the ovals as per the Parks and Gardens Management Plan.	Ongoing
Install a trial pumping pit to an area identified by the Manager Works	To be actioned
Continue to monitor and close the ovals when dangerous conditions to the sporting group involved are visible or major damage will be caused as a result of wet weather	Ongoing

268/2016	Road Train Accident
Responsible Officer	Manager of Roads
File Number	P3.1-P3.4
Decision	**Action Taken**
That Council includes an additional $234,000.00 in the 2016/2017 Plant Replacement Program to replace Plant Number 48 being a Freightliner Prime Mover, Plant Number 47 a Moore Side Tipping Trailer and Plant Number 44 a Moore Dolly which were written of in an accident on the 28th April 2016.	Completed
That Council seek to borrow an additional $234,000.00 as part of the 2016/2017 Loan Borrowing Program to fund the purchase of the replacement Plant required for Councils operation.	Completed
That Tenders be called for the replacement of the Prime Mover	Adverts placed
That quotations be sought for the replacement of both the side Tipping Trailer and the Dolly	Adverts placed

269/2016	Regional Litter Implementation Plan
Responsible Officer	Manager of Environmental Services
File Number	L6.1-W1.4
Decision	**Action Taken**
That Council support the Regional Litter Plan, implements waste strategies contained in the Plan and participate in trial projects to reduce litter in the community.	Completed
That Council congratulate staff on the lodgement and success of the application for grants	Completed

270/2016	Last Meeting of Current Council - 22nd August 2016
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	C12.1
Decision	**Action Taken**
Change the time of the August Meeting to allow for an "End of Quadrennial Term Dinner" to follow immediately after the close of the meeting.	Completed
Advise the change of time for the August 2016 in accordance with section (1) of the Local Government Act 1993.	To be advertised 28/07 & 18/08/2016
Organise a photograph be taken of the Councillors of Bourke Shire Council who held office for the 2012-2016 quadrennial term.	

273/2016	Meeting of Western Division Councils – Cobar - Monday, 11th July 2016
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	L8.5
Decision	**Action Taken**
3. That Council raise the following issues at the Western Division meeting at Cobar a. The availability of 15 million dollars from the State Government to supplement the Federal Governments Mobile Phone Blackspot Programme. b. The need for the State Government to maintain a presence of relevant State Government Departments in rural areas reversing the current trend of centralisation c. The need for a review of Bail Laws. d. The establishment of a Fresh Water Research Centre in Bourke. 4. That Council seek support for the Clarence River Diversion	Completed

274/2016	Release of the Discussion Paper in relation to Joint Organisation of Councils
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	L8.33
Decision	**Action Taken**
That The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to prepare a submission on behalf of Council should it be deemed necessary	OROC have done the submission

277/2016	Future of TAFE Western Campus in Oxley Street
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	E1.3
Decision	**Action Taken**
That Council seek additional information in relation to the proposed relocation and plans to dispose of any of the buildings within the current complex. That Council ask TAFE Western to further undertake community consultation to detail their plans.	See GM's July Report

278/2016	Councils Policy in relation to the Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to Councillors
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	C11.2 – P4.1
Decision	**Action Taken**
That after the expiration of the statutory advertising period the Council consider any submission received during the period of public exhibition prior to adoption	Advertisement placed

281/2016	Rates Write-off Assessment Number 374-00000-5
Responsible Officer	Manager of Corporate Services
File Number	R2.5
Decision	**Action Taken**
write-off rates and services levied in the 2015/2016 financial year for assessment 374-0000-5 to the value of $1,892.45	Completed

282/2016	Rates Write-off Assessment Number 236-00000-6
Responsible Officer	Manager of Corporate Services
File Number	R2.5
Decision	**Action Taken**
Write-off rates, services and minimum water charges levied in the 2015/2016 financial year for assessment 236-0000-6 to the value of $2,104.15	Completed

285/2016	Review of Capital Works Program 2015/16
Responsible Officer	Manager of Corporate Services
File Number	F1.1
Decision	**Action Taken**
Council seek to borrow an additional $300,000.00 as part of the 2016/2017 Loan Borrowing Program to fund the construction or purchase of additional housing stock	Completed

290/2016	A Scheme to Divert Tributaries of the Clarence River to the Murray Darling Basin
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	R6.18-R6.9.2-R6.12
Decision	**Action Taken**
Write to Griffith City Council in support of their endeavours to have further investigative work and a feasibility study undertaken into the proposal to divert the Clarence River to the west of the state. That the issue regarding "A Scheme to Divert Tributaries of the Clarence River to the Murray Darling Basin" be raised at the Western Division Conference in Cobar on the 11th July 2016	Completed Completed

291/2016	Community Contribution – PCYC
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	D5.1-D5.2
Decision	**Action Taken**
Advise the PCYC that they are unable to accede to their request regarding the request for $5,000 towards the cost of building a specialised camper trailer	Completed

305/2016	CONFIDENTIAL - NetWaste Tender RFT F2016 NetWaste Tender RFT F2156 – NetWaste Collection & Disposal of Used Motor Oil
Responsible Officer	Manager Environmental Services
File Number	W1.4
Decision	**Action Taken**
That in accordance with the direction of NetWaste details of Councils decision not be released until the matter has been considered by all participating Councils	To be finalised

306/2016	CONFIDENTIAL – Lease over the Pre-School Premises
Responsible Officer	General Manager
File Number	A11.1.4
Decision	**Action Taken**
Bourke and District Children's Services (BDCS) will pay a lease amount of $5000.00 for the 2015/2016 period on the understanding that they have committed the installation of solar panels on the building cost in excess of $15,000.00 which effectively provides a contribution of $20,000.00	Report to June Meeting

308/2016	North Bourke Residential Development
Responsible Officer	Manager of Corporate Services
File Number	A11.1-D2.4-D2.9
Decision	**Action Taken**
1. Sell 17 Castlereagh St, North Bourke, Lot 2 section 14 DP 758781 for the amount of $46,000. 2. Sell 11 Macquarie St, North Bourke, Lot 5 section 14 DP 758781 for the amount of $46,000. 3. Sell 4 Castlereagh St, North Bourke, Lot 7 section 11 DP 758781 for the amount of $46,000. 4. Sell 13 Castlereagh St, North Bourke Lot 4 section 14 DP 758781 for the amount of $46,000. 5. That Council delegates the General Manager to negotiate contract terms for the sale of 4, 13 and 17 Castlereagh Street and 11 Macquarie Street. 6. That Council affix the Council Seal to documentation relating to the sale of 4, 13 and 17 Castlereagh Street and 11 Macquarie Street	Contract currently being prepared by Solicitors

Resolution

315/2016 That the General Manager continue to investigate options of potential Airlines who may be interested in providing an air service to the district that includes Bourke.		
Moved Cr Stutsel	Seconded Cr Hollman	Carried

Resolution

316/2016 That the information in the business arising as presented on Monday, 25th July be received and noted.		
Moved Cr Stutsel	Seconded Cr Ford	Carried

ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORT

File No:	P4.1
Report: 105/2016	GPS Tracking System for Council Fleet
Responsible Officer:	Manager of Roads Mark Gordon

Introduction:

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on Monday, 27th June 2016 Council moved the following resolution.

Resolution

287/2016

1. That Council adopts the IT Information Technology Policy labelled 2.13.1, Media Policy labelled 1.4.18, Workplace Surveillance Policy and Procedures labelled 2.12.1, Financial Assistance to Community labelled 1.8.12(v5) and Asbestos Policy labelled 1.4.13(v2)as presented to the Ordinary meeting of Bourke Shire Council on Monday, 27th June 2016.

2. That a report be brought to Council detailing the cost and capabilities of commercially available Plant Management Systems, with the view to improving Councils Work Health & Safety and Vehicle Management Systems.

Moved Cr Stutsel Seconded Cr Hollman Carried

Background:

Council received a proposal from ***sim***TRAC to fully implement the ***sim***TRAC Fleet Management System into our organisation.

Summary:

Built specifically for the service industry, ***sim***TRAC gives you more than just a "dot on a map". You can view your vehicles in real-time, replay journeys, run reports, set up alerts and geofences - all from any computer, anywhere!

Using simTRAC means your business can experience:-

-Improved staff safety
-Reduced risk and liability
-Decreased vehicle overhead costs
-Increased staff productivity
-Detailed automated reporting
-A better experience for your customer
-Reduced personal use of your vehicles
-Increased accountability

Included in this proposal is:-

-Hardware Costs (for outright purchase)
-Installation Charges (if applicable)
-Monthly Service Fee (includes data charges)
-Monthly Lease Payments (if applicable)

One of the benefits of dealing with *sim*TRAC is that they offer an open contract on the Monthly Service Fee. This gives your business the flexibility it needs to either increase or decrease active units accordingly.

Financial:

simTRAC Investment Summary

Pricing for items for this Bourke Shire Council Project Summary are as follows:-

Option 1: Outright Purchase & Monthly Service Fee

Hardware

The ST5 tracking unit is one of the most advanced tracking units ever produced and is the smallest unit on the market today. The quad band modem gives it the ability to run on the GSM or the Telstra next G network with ease. It has an inbuilt lithium backup battery to cover any tampering issues.

ITEM	Quantity	Unit Price	TOTAL
ST5 Quad band tracking unit	52.00	$795.00	$41340.00
Installation of GPS unit	52.00	$0.00	$0.00
Monthly Service Fee	52.00	$29.00	$1508.00
Hardware Total			$42848.00

Option 2: 36 Month Lease & Monthly Service Fee

Lease

The Lease Payment covers the hardware and installation component. The service fee covers the software licensing and the sim card costs. The pricing is based on a 36 month term with a 5% residual buyout at the end. (Based on the original price)

Item	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
Monthly Lease-Tracking Only	52.00	$25.00	$1300.00
Monthly Service Fee	52.00	$29.00	$1508.00
Lease Total			$2808.00

Recommendation:

For Council's consideration

Resolution

317/2016

1. That Council note the report in relation to GPS Tracking System for Council Fleet
2. That Council commence with the processes required to enable the introduction of a GPS Vehicle Monitoring System.
3. That Council approach known suppliers of the required equipment in relation to the possible trial of equipment so that the effectiveness of the system in this part of the State can be fully evaluated.

Moved Cr Hollman Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

File No:	V1.3
Report: 106/2016	Funding Safer Roads Aboriginal Engineering Safety Works 2016/17
Responsible Officer:	Manager of Roads Mark Gordon

Introduction:

The NSW Government is committed to addressing community infrastructure in NSW Aboriginal communities under the New State Plan 2009. Aboriginal Affairs NSW is the responsible agency for this outcome. As a part of the government's commitment, the Roads and Maritime Services is responsible under the New State Plan 2009 to improve road safety and to reduce fatalities.

To achieve this, the NSW Centre for Road Safety (CRS) which is a part of RMS led the road safety infrastructure assessments for identified NSW Aboriginal communities. CRS initiated and maintained effective working partnerships with Aboriginal Affairs NSW, NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC), Division of Local Government (DLG), and Local Government and Shires Associations (LGSA). Aboriginal Affairs NSW identified 66 Aboriginal communities where road safety infrastructure assessments were undertaken.

Background

Bourke Shire Council submitted a proposal in July 2015 to RMS for Consideration. As a result the following programs were successful through the NSW Government's Safer Roads Program for the 2016/17 financial year.

Program	Project Number	Project Description	2016-178 Funding Offered	Level of RMS Funding
Safer Roads Aboriginal Engineering Safety Works 2016/17 Program	S/09028	Enngonia Aboriginal Community, Clara Hart St Shoulder Widening	$39,000	100%
Safer Roads Aboriginal Engineering Safety Works 2016/17 Program	S/09034	Enngonia Aboriginal Community' Main Road Shoulder Widening. Aboriginal Community to tip	$221,000	100%
Safer Roads Aboriginal Engineering Safety Works 2016/17 Program	S/09035	Enngonia Aboriginal Community, Main Road Shoulder Widening. Aboriginal Community to the cemetery.	$55,000	100%

Resolution

318/2016 That Council note the report regarding Funding Safer Roads Aboriginal Engineering Safety Works 2016/17 as presented to Council on Monday, 25th July 2016.

Moved Cr Stutsel Seconded Cr Hollman Carried Unstarred

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

File No:	L8.33
Report: 346/2016	Far West Initiative Update
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

Background:

The Far West Initiative (FWI) has been in the process of development for the past two (2) years and much of the consultation with Councils has been done through the Far West Initiative Advisory Committee (FWIAC) which in most instances involved the Mayor of each of the eight (8) Councils plus the General Managers as observers. Other members of the FWIAC included representatives of the State and Federal Governments, The Non- Government Agencies (NGOs) and Murdi Paaki Regional Assembly.

The FWIAC was only an advisory committee and had no real decision making power and as such the resultant contents of the discussion papers released by the Government are in fact documents of the Minister, albeit with some input/ suggestions from the FWIAC.

Current Situation:

At this stage the proposal for the FWI involves the establishment of a Statutory Body to undertake some of the work of Councils, at this stage primarily identified at a strategic level and other functions which could be done at a regional level. These are still to be determined.

It has been indicated that each of the eight (8) Councils will retain their own identity and each would supply a representative to the Statutory Body. In addition to the Councils representative there would be other members being appointed by the Minister.

Councillors were provided with a copy of the Draft Consultation Paper and Consultation Strategy prior to being invited to a Webinar to further discuss both documents and the feedback of Councillors was sought into both documents. The Office of Local Government had hoped to be able to release the two (2) documents next week but they also need to incorporate any relevant feedback from Councils so the release date may be pushed back.

Once the documents are released there will be a period of consultation during which members of the public will be invited to make submissions and at that time it is proposed to convene a workshop to provide the feedback of Bourke Shire Council.

Financial Implications:

At this stage the financial implications for Council as a result of the establishment of the Far West Initiative are unknown and whilst the functions that will be undertaken are still unclear the financial requirements are equally unclear

Resolution

319/2016 That Council continue to monitor all developments in relation to the establishment of the Far West Initiative.

Moved Cr Bennett Seconded Cr Hollman Carried

File No:	L8.5
Report: 347/2016	Meeting of the Western Division Councils
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

Background:

The mid-year meeting of the Western Division Councils was held on Monday, 11th July 2016 in Cobar. Bourke Shire Council was represented by the Mayor, Councillor Andrew Lewis, Councillor Jack Bennett and the General Manager.

Current Situation:

A number of issues were discussed and as was to be expected the Far West Initiative was one of the major issues that resulted in a considerable amount of discussion, particularly regarding the Draft Consultation Paper, the Consultation Strategy and the Webinar held on the 9th July 2016

Other issues on the agenda included:-

1. The Inquiry into Zonal Taxation
2. The Health of the Darling River
3. The proposed placement of students studying in health related courses in locations throughout the Western Division as part of their training requirements which is being promoted by the Sydney University Health Unit- Broken Hill (this is subject to a separate Report)
4. The Right to Farm Policy released by the Department of Primary Industries.
5. Action on illegal Hunters in the Western Division with a presentation by Chief Inspector Brenton Lee of Darling River Local Command
6. The roll out of the video conferencing equipment to the Far West Initiative Councils
7. The outback Regional Tourism Ring Road which would involve in part linking Bourke Wanaaring and Tibooburra and then back to Broken Hill
8. The establishment of Bio-Hubs in the Orana Region
9. Motions for the 2016 LGNSW Conference
10. Support for the further evaluation of the proposal to divert water from the Clarence River System to Western New South Wales.
11. The Substantial increase in some Councils contribution to the Rural Fire Service
12. The Ban on Greyhound Racing within New South Wales
13. Kangaroo Management Practices
14. A review of the future of Western Division to be undertaken at the 2017 Conference in Wentworth

Copies of the minutes of the meeting are attached to the business paper.

Financial Implications:

There are no significant Financial Implications for Council.

Resolution

320/2016 That the report in relation to the meeting of the Western Division Councils be received and noted.			
Moved Cr Stutsel	Seconded Cr Hollman	Carried	Unstarred

File No:	V1.2 – W2.1 – W2.2.9
Report: 348/2016	Approval to Cart Water to Byrock During Times of Water Shortage
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

Background:

Council have over the past few years needed to cart water to the village of Byrock when the drought conditions have meant insufficient inflows into the groundwater tanks that service the village's non potable supply.

During the 2015/2016 financial year Council received approval to cart water immediately the need arises with the approval lasting a twelve (12) month period. With that approval due to finish on the 30th June 2016 a further approval was sought from the Minister for Lands and Water the Hon Niall Blair MLC for the 2016/2017 financial year.

Current Situation:

The Minister for Lands and Water Hon Niall Blair MLC has approved Councils request to be able to commence carting once the need arises for the twelve month period 1st July 2016 to 30th June 2017.

The current storage levels in the groundwater tanks at Byrock is quite good but the fact that approval is in place to cart water over the next twelve months is certainly appreciated by both the residents of Byrock and Council as with the hot summers and reduced rainfall the situation can change quite quickly.

Financial Implications:

Council is still required to pay for the first $1.86 per kilolitres carted with the balance then claimable from the Country Towns Water and Sewer Program. The current approval is for up to a maximum of $95,000.00 in the financial year.

Resolution

321/2016 That Council write to Minister Blair thanking him for once again providing the mechanism to provide emergency water supply to Byrock in times of water shortages.		
Moved Cr Dorrington	Seconded Cr Bartley	Carried

File No:	C12.1
Report: 349/2016	August Meeting of Council (Last of Quadrennial term)
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

Background:

At the June meeting a report was presented suggesting that the time of the Meeting in August be changed to allow a dinner to be held to mark the end of the quadrennial term. The suggestion was adopted by Council and left to the General Manager to determine the final arrangements.

Current Situation:

It has been decided to hold the meeting commencing at 2.30. It is anticipated that the meeting will finish at around 6.00pm with the dinner to commence at 6.30 for 7.00pm at Diggers on the Darling.

It is also intended to have a photograph taken of the Councillors who served during the 2012-2016 quadrennial term so it can be a permanent record of that period and displayed along with other photographs of previous Councils.

Financial Implications:
There will be no significant financial implications on Council with the cost of the dinner to be met from existing allocations for meetings.

Copies of the photograph will be made available electronically to Councillors whilst a framed copy will be commissioned for the Council Chambers as record of those Councillors who served during the quadrennial term.

Resolution

322/2016
1. That Council note the amended starting time of the Meeting to be held on Monday 22nd August to 2.30 pm
2. That the amended time be advertised and also placed on Council's website.

Moved Cr Stutsel | Seconded Cr Hollman | Carried | Unstarred

File No:	C8.7
Report: 350/2016	Construction of Accommodation in Bourke by Family and Community Services
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

Background:
I have previously prepared a report detailing the lack of accommodation to suit staff of various agencies visiting Bourke on short to medium term appointments and suggested options to address the issue.

Discussions were held with some Departmental Officers regarding the options and to ascertain an appetite to undertake the construction of additional accommodation either on an individual basis or via a joint project.

Jo Lawrence the District Director of Family and Community Services (FACS)saw a great deal of merit in the proposal and indicated her intention to seek funding for the construction of accommodation for FACS staff with the ability to be able to make it available to other agencies when not required by FACS.

Current Situation:
I have been advised by Family and Community Services out of Dubbo that they were successful in their bid to obtain funding to build accommodation in Bourke to cater for their staff and other agencies on an as needed basis.

At this stage the proposal is still in the planning stages, however, it is hoped that a suitable site can be secured and construction commenced late in 2016.

Financial Implications:
There are no significant financial implications for Bourke Shire Council

Resolution

323/2016 That Council note the report detailing the intent of Department of Family and Community Services to build accommodation in Bourke to suit the needs of their staff visiting Bourke on short to medium term assignments.
Moved Cr Dorrington Seconded Cr Bartley Carried

File No:	F2.6-F2.2.3
Report: 351/2016	Rural Fire Service Contributions
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

Background:

Council has received advice that there has been a change in the methodology utilised in the calculation of the annual contributions to the Rural Fire Service (RFS) by Councils and the idea of the new methodology was to level out the variations in contributions which have traditionally varied in line with projects undertaken.

The new methodology has resulted in a factor being developed for each Council based on their average spend from the total RFS budget over the past twenty years and the change was not meant to have a significant impact on any Council, with the 20 years period adopted meant to smooth out any major variations. Manager of Corporate Services, Leonie Brown and I have calculated the increase for Bourke Shire Council and Brewarrina Shires as both Councils have a shared service agreement as part of the Barwon Darling Zone of the NSW Rural Fire Service. Bourke Shire Council undertakes the administrative function on behalf of the two (2) Councils.

The proposed increase for each Council is a staggering 27.46% well above the 1.8% rate increase allowable under the rate pegging legislation. It amounts to an increase of around $23,500 for each Council and some would say that this is not a huge amount in a $25 million dollar budget but it represents over 80% of the $28,000.00 additional revenue able to be raised via the 1.8% increase for Bourke Shire and over 140% of the revenue from an increase in revenue as a result of the 1.8% rate increase for Brewarrina Shire. Both Councils will be seeking to have the figure reviewed. Increases of contributions of that level cannot be sustained by Councils.

Representatives from the Rural Fire Services were at the meeting of the General Managers Advisory Committee (GMAC) of OROC last week in Dubbo and the indications were that increases would not be as dramatic.

Bourke Shire has sought the support of the member Councils of OROC and the Western Division Councils in its presentations to have the calculation reviewed; however, preliminary indications are that the new methodology will be introduced regardless of any representations. The issue is compounded by the fact that this methodology will be also used in future years and it will be an additional ongoing cost.

Current Situation:

The issued was raised at both the meetings of OROC and Western Division over the past week and not all Councils sustained an increase at the same level as Bourke and Brewarrina as part of the Barwon Darling Zone. However, it would appear that there are Councils who have incurred significantly higher increases.

Western Division resolved to seek a meeting with the Member for Barwon Kevin Humphries MP and the Minister for Emergency Services, the Hon. David Elliot, MP to discuss the issue.

The matter has also been relayed to Ruth Fagan who as well as holding the position of Executive Officer for the Western Division Councils is also on the Executive of LGNSW and she has sought a comment from them given that they formed part of the consultative process in the development of the new methodology

Financial Implications:
The financial implication for Council based on the new formula being applied to the 2015/2016 contributions and the allocation to the Rural Fire Service by Treasury would be $23,556.50 however, if treasury allocation were to increase by the average it has over the past few years of 3.72% that figure will rise to $27,623.78 or around 32%. This amount will mean that effectively the entire general fund rate increase will be required to meet this single item increase.

Recommendation:
1. That Council raise the substantial increase of the Rural Fire Services Contribution of Bourke Shire as part of the Barwon Darling Zone with both the Minister for Emergency Services and the Member for Barwon Kevin Humphries
2. That Council note the coordination by Bourke Shire Council of a submission on behalf of the Councils in the Western Division who have been notified of similar increases.

Resolution

324/2016
1. That Council write to the Rural Fire Service objecting to the substantial increase of the Rural Fire Services Contribution of Bourke Shire as part of the Barwon Darling Zone
2. That Council indicate to the Rural Fire Service that Council is only prepared to meet an increase of 1.8% over the 2015/2016 contribution.
3. That the Rural Fire Service be advised that Brewarrina Shire has resolved to also only pay the 1.8% increase on the 2015/2016 contribution.
4. That Council write to the Minister for Emergency Services, the Hon. David Elliott, MP and the Member for Barwon Kevin Humphries advising them of Council's decision.
5. That Council note the coordination by Bourke Shire Council of a submission on behalf of the Councils in the Western Division who have been notified of similar increases.
6. That a copy of the letter to Rural Fire Service be sent to Local Government New South Wales.

Moved Cr Ford Seconded Cr Hollman Carried

File No:	L8.3
Report: 352/2016	Innovation Fund – Projects to be Funded
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

Background:
Under the New South Wales Governments Local Government Reform process- "Fit for the Future" Funding of 4 million dollars was made available to eligible Councils to assist small Councils in regional NSW overcome some of the challenges they face in sustaining their communities and maintaining local services. It is intended the funding be utilised to help those Councils develop new ways of working and improve their performance to benefit their communities

Funding was only made available to those Councils who have a population of less than 10,000 and had completed a Fit for the Future Proposal. Councils in the Far West Initiative were also eligible to apply.

The funding has been split into two (2) rounds with $2 million for each round. Grants were for up to $150,000 for individual Councils or up to $400,000 for groups of Councils

Current Situation:
Bourke Shire Council lodged two (2) applications the first involving the integration of its software throughout the organisation and the second in conjunction with Brewarrina and Walgett Shires to establish an Aboriginal Community based Environmental and Waste Management Systems.

The successful applications are summarised as follows:-

Council	Project Name	Grant Amount	Short Description
Bourke Shire Council	Integration of Software	$75,000	The project involves the implementation of new software package to allow a greater integration of systems across Council operations
Bourke Shire Council (in partnership with Brewarrina Shire Council and Walgett Shire Council)	Aboriginal based Environmental and Waste Management	$380,000	The project involves the establishment of a waste aid model across five (5) Aboriginal communities in Western NSW. The model consists of two (2) parts: (i) Aboriginal community clean up and waste management infrastructure supply; and (ii) Establishing an Aboriginal Community based Environmental Management (ACBEM) program

Financial Implications:
There are no significant funding implications for Council with the funding for the Waste Management Strategy being supported by the Councils on an "in kind" basis with assistance also being provided by Waste Aid.

The receipt of the funding for the integration of software and will allow Council to more fully integrate its current and planned software purchases and will be matched by funding from existing allocations

Recommendation:
1. That Council note the success of the applications lodged under round one of the Innovation Fund
2. That Council identify opportunities for funding under round two (2) of the innovation funding

Resolution

325/2016
1. That Council note the success of the applications lodged under round one of the Innovation Fund
2. That Council identify opportunities for funding under round two (2) of the innovation funding

Moved Cr Stutsel Seconded Cr Hollman Carried Unstarred

File No:	E1.3
Report: 353/2016	TAFE Buildings in Bourke
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

Background:

Council has previously been concerned with the proposal of TAFE Western to transfer much of it operations from the current site to part of the premises occupied by the Outback Division of General Practice.

Council has resolved as follows:-
Resolution

277/2016

1. *That Council note the report in relation to the proposed relocation of the TAFE Campus in Bourke in Oxley Street adjacent to Central Park to the new location within the building owned by the Outback Division of General Practice in the Central Business District.*
2. *That Council seek additional information in relation to the proposed relocation and plans to dispose of any of the buildings within the current complex.*
3. *That Council ask TAFE Western to further undertake community consultation to detail their plans.*

Moved Cr Hollman *Seconded Cr Dorrington* *Carried*

I have had a number of discussions with Paula Walker Manager Infrastructure Planning, Procurement & Maintenance of TAFE Western and following an invitation from her inspected the Facilities at TAFE Western in Dubbo following a meeting of GMAC.

Current Situation:

The Minister for Regional Development, Skills and Small Business last week unveiled a plan to revamp TAFE across New South Wales and a series of information sheets in relation to the announcements has been sent under separate cover.

It would appear that the proposal for Bourke is consistent with the plan for the State generally with TAFE looking at divesting itself of what they see as underutilised assets.

During my discussions with Paula Walker I issued her an invitation to visit Bourke and provide any additional information to Council and at the same time undertake the community consultation requested by Council.

She is trying to arrange her schedule to have her visit coincide with the Council meeting, however, if that is not possible she will endeavour to be in Bourke shortly thereafter.

I have also raised the issue with the member for Barwon Kevin Humphries MP.

It would appear that TAFE will be relocating, some of the building will be demolished, some of the buildings at the current site will be utilised to assist in the provision of mobile services, the existing tenants in part of the complex will remain, once the relocation takes place the section currently being used for administration may be available for lease and consideration will be given to the disposal of some section following community consultation. There has been some interest

expressed in the use of the TAFE hall as an "Arts Precinct" but this is an issue for TAFE western and potential users.

Financial Implications:
There are no significant implications for Council identified at this stage.

Resolution

326/2016

1. That Council note the report on the future of the TAFE buildings in Bourke.
2. That Council meet with Paula Walker Manager Infrastructure Planning, Procurement & Maintenance of TAFE Western to hear the plans for the current TAFE site in Bourke
3. That if required Council assist in the coordination of any Community consultation forum.

Moved Cr Hollman Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT

File No:	F1.1
Report: 440/2016	Bank Reconciliation & Statement of Bank Balances
Responsible Officer:	Leonie Brown, Manager Corporate Services

Bank Reconciliation for the period ending 30th June 2016

Balances as per Bank Statement	$232,053.90
Plus: Deposit not shown	$30.07
Less: Unpresented Cheques	$836,365.04
Less: Unpresented Auto Pays	$54,461.28
Balance as per Cash Book	-$658,742.35

Reconciled Ledger Accounts as at 30th June 2016

Fund or Account	Current Balance	Overdraft Statutory Limit
General	$8,183,868.55	$200,000.00
Water	$3,061,174.43	
Sewer	$1,086,542.98	
Trust	$127,263.45	
Total Funds	$12,458,849.41	

Investments as at 30th June 2016

National Australia Bank	$1,530,246.58	3.05 %	184 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$1,264,803.44	2.95 %	182 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$1,081,595.38	2.95 %	182 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$720,489.77	2.95 %	184 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$608,586.42	3.00 %	184 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$2,069,009.07	3.05 %	275 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$1,072,671.64	3.05 %	275 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$1,038,254.57	3.00 %	90 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$408,512.27	3.00 %	184 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$634,078.56	2.95 %	184 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$1,015,291.79	2.95 %	184Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$373,325.70	2.90 %	90Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$1,300,726.57	Flex		
Total Investments	$13,117,591.76			

In accordance with Clause 212 of the Local Government Act (General) Regulation 2005 is certified that the above investments have been made under Sec 625 of the Local Government Act and Council's Investment Policy.

Reconciliation at 30th June 2016

Balance as per cash book	-$658,742.35
Investments	$13,117,591.76
Total, equalling Reconciled Ledger	$12,458,849.41

Statement of Bank Balances as at 30th June 2016

	Balance	Transaction	Balance
	31st May 2016		30th June 2016
General Fund	$8,784,648.78	-$600,780.23	$8,183,868.55
Water Fund	$3,207,177.15	-$146,002.72	$3,061,174.43
Sewer Fund	$994,351.12	$92,191.86	$1,086,542.98
Trust Fund	$182,417.28	-$55,153.83	$127,263.45
Investments	-$11,798,877.44	-$1,318,714.32	-$13,117,591.76
Totals	$1,369,716.89	-$2,028,459.24	-$658,742.35

Balance of all Funds as at 31st May 2016	$1,369,716.89
Add Receipts for	
(a) Rates	$198,261.23
(b) Other Cash	$1,917,139.65
Deduct payments for	
(a) Paid since last meeting	$2,825,145.80
(b) New Investment	$1,318,714.32
Balance as 30th June 2016	-$658,742.35

Resolution

327/2016 That the Certificate of Reconciliation of the Cash Book for all funds of the Council and the Statement of Bank Balances as at 30th June 2016 be noted.
Moved Cr Dorrington Seconded Cr Stusel Carried

Leonie Brown
MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

File No:	F1.1
Report: 441/2016	Investment Report as at 30th June 2016
Responsible Officer:	Leonie Brown, Manager Corporate Services

Introduction

Under the Local Government Act 1993 and Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, the Responsible Accounting Officer is required to report on Council's Investment portfolio on a monthly basis.

Background

The report is submitted monthly to Council.

Issues

- Investments are in accordance with Division of Local Government Guidelines and Council's Investment Policy
- Statutory obligations are being met

- Councillors roles as resource allocators and policy directors are satisfied

Assessment

1. Legal Implications Including Directives and Guidelines
   Local Government Act 1993
   Local Government (General) Regulation 2005

   The management of Council's investments is delegated by the General Manager to the Manager Corporate Services.

2. Financial Implications/Consideration
   The 2015/16 Budget estimates the total investment revenue as $295,000 which represents an estimated return of 2.95%. This revenue is split proportionally across General, Water and Sewer Funds and changes on a monthly basis in accordance with cash flow requirements.

   The market value of Council's investments held as at 30th June 2016 is $13,117,591.76.

   Investment income earned as at 30th June 2016 - $330,347.20

3. Policy Provisions – Council Policy and Procedure
   Policy 1.8.10 – Investment Policy adopted 28th May 2012.
   Ministerial Investment Order – 12th January 2011

4. Strategic Implications – Implications For Long Term Plans/Targets
   Funds are invested in accordance with identified cash flow requirements

Investment Portfolio

Council's current Investment Portfolio is as follows:-

Investments as at 30th June 2016

National Australia Bank	$1,530,246.58	3.05 %	184 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	$1,264,803.44	2.95 %	182 Days	A1+
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National Australia Bank	$1,300,726.57	Cash on call account	Various	A1+
Total Investments	$13,117,591.76			

Percentage of Total Portfolio 100 %
Average Investment Yield 2.983%

Discussions/Comments

Council's Investment portfolio increased by $1,318,714.32 during the period.

The investment portfolio is invested in term deposits with the National Australia Bank. The investment portfolio is regularly reviewed in order to maximise investment performance and minimise risk.

The Government Guarantee on Investments up to $1 million dollars has now expired and the new cap of $250,000 has replaced the scheme.

Certification – Responsible Accounting Officer

I hereby certify that the investments listed in the attached report have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and Council's Investment Policy.

Resolution

328/2016

1. That the report regarding Council's Investment Portfolio as at 30th June 2016 be received and noted.
2. That the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted and the report adopted.

Moved Cr Dorrington Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

File No:	F1.1
Report: 442/2016	Revote Operational Expenditure 2015/2016
Responsible Officer:	Leonie Brown, Manager Corporate Services

Introduction

A review of the 2015/16 Operational Plan has been undertaken by the Management team. Detailed below are recommendations of expenditure to be revoted in accordance with the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 (clause 211) to the Delivery Programme 2013/2017 and Operational Plan for 2016/2017.

Assessment

a) Legal Implications Including Directives and Guidelines
   Council needs to resolve to cancel and/or postpone the projects.
b) Financial Implications/Considerations
   The funds from the postponed and cancelled projects will be returned to existing reserves
c) Policy Provisions - Council Policy and Practice
   There are no policy implications.

Items to be revoted:

Project	Amount	Proposed Action
Future Development	$39,000	Potential Development opportunity costs

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in August 2015 Council resolved to allocate $51,046 to potential development opportunities within the shire from the additional Financial Assistance

funding received. A reconciliation of the money spent in this allocation to the 30th June 2016 is $12,019 leaving a balance of $39,027.

The opportunity of potential development within the shire is progressing and to continue this work the revote of $39,000 will assist with costs.

Recommendation:
That Council adopts the recommendation to operational expenditure for potential developments planned for 2015/16 as detailed in the report and revote the expenditure to the Delivery Programme 2013/2017 and Operational Plan for 2016/2017.

Resolution

329/2016

1. That Council adopts the recommendation to postpone operational expenditure for potential developments planned for 2015/16 as detailed in the report and revote the expenditure to the Delivery Programme 2013/2017 and Operational Plan for 2016/2017.
2. That the unspent vote for potential development cost in 2015/2016 be transferred to reserve and revoted for expenditure in 2016/2017

Moved Cr Stutsel | Seconded Cr Hollman | Carried

PRÉCIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

File No:	C8.9.10
Report: 932/2016	Representations Regarding the Bail Act
Author:	The Hon. David Clarke MLC, Parliamentary Secretary for Justice

Following the re-issue of a further invitation from Council, he again confirms that the Attorney General, the Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, is unable to travel to Bourke due to her ministerial and parliamentary commitments.

Also providing the advice that the NSW Government will be investing $8.1 billion in 2016/17 to ensure community safety and to implement key reforms to help reduce reoffending in New South Wales.

Resolution

330/2016 That Council refer the response to the Member for Barwon, Kevin Humphries MP and to the Hon. Brad Hazzard MP, Minister for Family and Community Services who has been appointed "Parliamentary Champion" for Bourke by the Premier, the Hon. Mike Baird, MP expressing disappointment at the Ministers ongoing unavailability.
Moved Cr Dorrington Seconded Cr Davis Carried

File No:	T7.1
Report: 933/2016	Telstra - Payphone Removal Proposal
Author:	Mark Austen, Telstra

Providing advice that Telstra is proposing to remove one (1) payphone from 47 Oxley Street, in front of the Bourke Post Office and asking if Council would like to make a submission on the proposed removal of this payphone.

This will leave only the one (1) card/coin payphone at this site.

Recommendation:
That Council offer no objection to the removal of one (1) of the phones conditional upon the remaining phone being able to be utilised by using both coins and cards.

Resolution

331/2016 That Council advise Telstra that Council would like to see the two (2) pay phones remain.
Moved Cr Bartley Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

Note by General Manager:
There is a significantly reduced benefit if a phone can only be used via a card and as cards are not always readily available for purchase when the phone needs to be utilised. The dual operation phone would be a much better option.

File No:	A3.14
Report: 934/2016	Plebiscite on Marriage Equality
Author:	Richard Pearson, Administrator – Inner West Council

Mr Pearson is seeking Council's interest in actively supporting a "Yes" campaign for marriage equality should a plebiscite on marriage equality proceed

Recommendation:
For Council's consideration.

Resolution

332/2016 That Council write to Inner West Council advising that it is considered that the issue is not a matter on which Council needs to have a position.		
Moved Cr Stutsel	Seconded Cr Bennett	Carried

Resolution at 10.02am

333/2016 That Council suspend standing orders to conduct Open Forum.		
Moved Cr Hollman	Seconded Cr Stutsel	Carried

PUBLIC FORUM

Patricia Canty – Update on Far West District Health Service.
Pat gave an outline in relation to the provision of Health Services in Bourke and in particular the difficulties being encountered in being able to recruit to some nursing roles.

Resolution at 10.20am

334/2016 That Council resume Standing Orders		
Moved Cr Bartley	Seconded Cr Stutsel	Carried

File No:	H1.1
Report: 935/2016	High Cost of Re-Training for Registered Nurses with Lapsed Registration
Author:	Scott McLachlan, Chief Executive – Western NSW Local Health District

In response to representation made by Council, Mr McLachlan advises that the Western NSW Local Health District supports the re-entry of nurses and midwives wishing to return to the profession. He also provides advice that the Western NSW Local Health District provides scholarship for re-entry courses.

The $10,000 scholarships are administered via the Ministry of Health and require recipients to remain employed in the district for a period of two (2) years.

Recommendation:
That Council notes the response in relation to its concerns regarding the high costs involved for nurses who have let their registration lapse and require to undertake training in an effort to return to the workforce.

Resolution

335/2016

1. That Council notes the response in relation to its concerns regarding the high costs involved for nurses who have let their registration lapse and require to undertake training in an effort to return to the workforce.
2. That the General Manager clarifies the number of scholarships that are available and how the information regarding the availability of the scholarships is disseminated throughout the community.

Moved Cr Ford | Seconded Cr Davis | Carried

10.26am Council broke for Morning tea

Resolution at 10.47am

336/2016
That Council suspend Standing Orders for an update from Superintendent Greg Moore and Inspector Mick Lauricella from the Darling River Local Area Command.

Moved Cr Bartley | Seconded Cr Stutsel | Carried

Cr Johnson and Cr Davis left the meeting at 11.14am

Resolution at 11.14am

337/2016 That Council resume Standing Orders.

Moved Cr Dorrington | Seconded Cr Bartley | Carried

Mayor, Cr Leigh Byron, President – Western Division Councils of NSW

Councillor Byron outlined the role of the Western Division and his vision for Western Division to once become a powerful and effective lobby group.

Cr Johnson returned at 11.16am

Cr Davis returned to the meeting at11.19am

Resolution at 11.30am

338/2016 That Council Suspend Standing Orders for a presentation from Emma Bradbury, Chief Executive Officer, Murray Darling Association Inc.

Moved Cr Stutsel | Seconded Cr Dorrington | Carried

Emma provided an overview of the role of the Murray Darling Association focusing on its role as an advocacy group on behalf of Local Government.

Emma also indicated that the Association was generally supportive of Councils quest to have a Fresh Water Research Station situated in Bourke.

Resolution at 12.02pm

339/2016 That Council resume Standing Orders

Moved Cr Stutsel | Seconded Cr Dorrington | Carried

File No:	D5.1-D5.2-P1.8
Report: 936/2016	Community Contribution - Hiring of the Renshaw Complex
Author:	Pastor Julie Knight

Requesting that the hire cost of the J B Renshaw of $320.00 per day for four (4) days/nights totalling $1,280.00 be waived to assist them in holding a Christian Gospel Function which will engage community members in a positive music festival.

Recommendation:
For Council's consideration.

Resolution

340/2016

1. That Council accede to the request for the donation of $1,280.00 for the hiring of the J B Renshaw Complex for four (4) days/nights.
2. That the electricity consumed for this event be paid by the hirer.
3. That the required security deposits still be lodged and refunding in accordance with Council's normal procedures.

Moved Cr Bartley Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

Office of the Hon Gabrielle Upton MP
Attorney General

NSW GOVERNMENT

E-MAILED 6/7/16

Mr Ross Earl
General Manager
The Council of the Shire of Bourke
PO Box 21
BOURKE NSW 2840

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Dear Mr Earl

Thank you for your letter to the Attorney General, the Hon Gabrielle Upton MP, received 7 June 2016 about your further concerns regarding the operation of bail laws and recidivism. The Attorney General has asked me to respond on her behalf.

I note that you have again invited the Attorney General to Bourke to discuss this matter. However, the Attorney General is unable to travel to Bourke due to ministerial and parliamentary commitments.

I appreciate that the Bourke community is frustrated by reoffending and are concerned that bail laws do not provide a sufficient deterrent. As you are aware, the grant of bail and the determination of bail conditions are matters for bail authorities. The Attorney General is unable to overturn decisions made by bail authorities.

As previously stated, a number of recent improvements have been made to the *Bail Act 2013* to strengthen bail laws and ensure the safety of the community and victims continues to be a major consideration in all decisions made on bail.

You may be interested to know that the NSW Government will be investing $8.1 billion in 2016-17 to ensure community safety and to implement key reforms to help reduce reoffending in New South Wales.

$570 million will be provided over four years to support comprehensive reform of the justice system. This includes strengthening offender management and community programs to improve community safety and confidence in the justice system and support the State Priority to reduce adult reoffending rates in NSW by 5 per cent by 2019.

The NSW Government is committed to addressing the issues which lead to reoffending. The Department of Justice currently operates a number of initiatives which aim to address the underlying factors behind offending. The Juvenile Justice Division of the Department delivers services and programs to reduce reoffending in juveniles, increase young offenders' capacity to reintegrate back into their community and provides early intervention to prevent young people becoming entrenched in the justice system. In particular, the Youth on Track early intervention scheme works with youth and their families to address the underlying factors of the young person's offending behaviour.

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Phone: (61 2) 8574 6107 Fax: (61 2) 8574 6101 Email: www.nsw.gov.au/ministercontactform/attorney-general

There are also a number of programs run by the Department that work with the Aboriginal community, such as the Safe Aboriginal Youth (SAY) program. This program involves an outreach youth patrol and a structured youth activity program aimed at reducing the risk of young Aboriginal people experiencing crime, either as a victim or offender. The patrols seek to reduce anti-social behaviour in Aboriginal youth by addressing the underlying issues that lead to the presence of young people on the streets late at night.

Thank you for taking the time to write to the Attorney General about this issue.

Yours sincerely

The Hon David Clarke MLC
Parliamentary Secretary for Justice

cc: the Hon Kevin Humphries MP, Member for Barwon
barwon@parliament.nsw.gov.au

IT'S HOW WE CONNECT

4th July 2016

Bourke Shire Council
Po Box 21
Bourke NSW 2840
bourkeshire@bourke.nsw.gov.au

Reference: 25853 / 02687221X7

Dear CEO,

Telstra Payphone Removal Proposal

We are proposing to remove a Telstra payphone (Cabinet Id: 02687221X7) from 47 Oxley St Bourke (Near the Post Office) NSW 2840.

Once this payphone is removed 1 card-coin payphone will remain at the site.

If you would like to make a submission on the proposed removal of this payphone, you should send it in writing to:

Telstra Payphone Siting Manager
Locked Bag 4850
Melbourne VIC 3001

You can also send your submission by email to payphone.solutions@team.telstra.com

A public notification document on the proposed removal can also be found at www.telstra.com.au/payphoneservices/index.htm.

We intend to make a final decision on the proposal by **27th August 2016**. Any submissions need to be received before this date.

If you have any questions or need more information on the proposal, please contact me on 0266439075.

Yours sincerely,

Mark Austen

Mark.Austen@team.telstra.com

Information about Telstra's payphone service can be found at www.telstra.com.au/payphoneservices/index.htm

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Clr Andrew Lewis
PO Box 21
BOURKE NSW 2840

Council Ref: C187/16

Dear Clr Lewis,

I write to you on behalf of the recently formed Inner West Council, to gauge your interest in actively supporting a Yes campaign for marriage equality - should a plebiscite on marriage equality proceed.

The former Leichhardt, Ashfield and Marrickville Councils all resolved to support marriage equality.

In the near future there may be a plebiscite to guide the Federal Government on the views of the Australian public about marriage equality. Local governments can choose to actively support a Yes campaign for marriage equality, and/or to actively support the LGBTQI community to reduce harm experienced during this time.

I would like to share your response to the question of active support for a Yes campaign for marriage equality, with peak LGBTQI advocacy organisations, including Australians for Marriage Equality and the Gay and Lesbian Rights Lobby. If your Council actively supports a Yes campaign for marriage equality, it would be appreciated if you could advise Council who is the contact person for further communication.

If you have any questions, please contact Tara Day-Williams on 02 9367 9184 or at tarad@lmc.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Pearson
Administrator

Customer Service Centres
Petersham | P (02) 9335 2222 | E council@marrickville.nsw.gov.au | 2-14 Fisher Street, Petersham NSW 2049
Leichhardt | P (02) 9367 9222 | E leichhardt@lmc.nsw.gov.au | 7-15 Wetherill Street Leichhardt NSW 2040
Ashfield | P (02) 9716 1800 | E info@ashfield.nsw.gov.au | 260 Liverpool Road Ashfield NSW 2131

Our ref: D16/3410

Health
Western NSW
Local Health District

Mr R Earl
General Manager
Bourke Shire Council
PO Box 21
BOURKE NSW 2840

bourkeshire@bourke.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Earl

Re High Cost of Re-Training for Registered Nurses with Lapsed Registration

Thank you for your correspondence dated 30 March 2016 regarding re-entry to nursing programs. Western NSW Local Health District (LHD) is keen to support and welcome nurses and midwives wishing to return to the profession. We are particularly keen to support these nurses and midwives in our smaller communities.

We are pleased to advise Western NSW Local Health District provides scholarships for Re-entry courses, via the Ministry of Health. These $10,000 scholarships are administered via the Ministry of Health and require recipients to remain employed in our District for two years on a full-time or part-time basis. There are currently twelve approved re-entry to nursing courses in Australia, including two in Sydney. These courses are delivered via various modes including some via distance education. Some of the approved Re-entry to Nursing/Midwifery courses have both theoretical and clinical placement requirements. Western NSW LHD provides such clinical placements in local facilities to assist and support local nurses and midwives.

The Nurses and Midwives Board of Australia (NMBA) has discretion to determine the pathway applicants must undertake for re-registration. The NMBA have more recently introduced a second pathway for nurses and midwives wishing to return to the profession after five years. This pathway ('Pathway 2') requires applicants to undertake three months supervised clinical practice. We are happy to advise the District offers such supervised practice in our facilities and provides requisite reporting to the NMBA to allow applicants to be re-registered. The links to Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia outline the pathway requirements.

Re-entry to Practice Fact Sheet and Policy for re-entry to practice for nurses

Re-entry to Nursing/Midwifery programs are formal 'non qualification awards' and thus must be delivered by Registered Training Organisations (RTOs). Further, these courses must be approved by the NMBA. The requirements and approval processes for such courses are understandably rigorous to ensure courses meet requisite standards and patient safety is maintained. Western NSW LHD is not an RTO and would not be approved to deliver Re-entry to Nursing/Midwifery courses. The LHD can however offer the practical component of the re-entry course in their local hospitals.

Western NSW Local Health District
ABN 50 629 556 494
Chief Executive Unit
PO Box 4061 23 Hawthorn Street
Dubbo NSW 2830
Tel (02) 6841 2217 Fax (02) 6841 2236
Website www.wnswlhd.health.nsw.gov.au

Local Nurses/Midwives wishing to return to the profession should register with NSW Health in the first instance, by phoning 1800 330 933. Should they require additional information or assistance, they are invited to contact Jacqui Blackshaw, Manager Nursing & Midwifery Transition and Education. Jacqui may be contacted via email jacqui.blackshaw@health.nsw.gov.au or phone 02 6330 5825.

Yours sincerely

Scott McLachlan
Chief Executive

7 April 2016

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (DONATIONS, SPONSORSHIP, "IN KIND" SUPPORT) 2011/12

Name of applicant organisation:	WINDS OF CHANGE -
Postal Address:	5 DENMAN ST, BOURKE
Contact person:	JULIE KNIGHT .
Position:	PASTOR.
Phone number:	0475438514 .
Mobile number:	0484019703 .
Fax number:	
Email address:	j.knights21@hotmail.com

Enquiries are to be made to Council's Manager Corporate Services on 0268308000.

Completed applications are to be returned to Council no later than 4pm Friday,

(Date(s) to be specified each year)

An electronic version of the form can be made available upon request, or applications can be posted or hand delivered to:-

Bourke Shire Council
Financial Assistance Program
P O Box 21 / 29 Mitchell Street
BOURKE NSW 2840
Phone: 02 68308000 Fax: 02 68723030
Email: bourkeshire@bourke.nsw.gov.au

INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Please provide a brief overview of your group /organisation:-

RELIGIOUS OUTREACH

Is the Group/organisation based in Bourke Shire?:- (Yes)/No

If no, where is it located?

What is the number of current members of your group/organisation? 100 ·

Purpose for which the donation will be used:-

TO ASSIST TO PAY FEES FOR HIRING SHOWGROUND AND BBQ/COOL ROOM FREEZER.

TO PROVIDE A VENUE FOR TENT CHRISTIAN CONVENTION

If not stated above, briefly describe the way in which this donation will benefit Bourke Shire:-

TEACHING YOUNG PEOPLE SUCCESSFUL LIFE STYLES ·

MARRIAGE-(HEALTHY)

YOUTH – SONGS – SINGING - POSITIVE MESSAGE. FOR COMMUNITY

Has your group/organisation received financial or in kind support from Bourke Shire in the last 12 months? (Yes) No
If yes, please provide amount and details of purpose: HIRING FEE FOR SAME EVENT 2015 - LAST YEAR.
Has your group/organisation received any grants from the State or Federal Government in relation to the project for which this donation is sought? Yes (No)
If yes, briefly list details and amount of grant
Rates Donations – if you are only applying for a donation of rates (general or water) please provide the following details:-
Property for which rates donation is sought:
Council's Rates Assessment Number:
Owner of land on which property is located:
Purpose for which the property is used:
Approximate number of days per year that the property is used for these purposes:

APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

What is the total amount of your request (exclusive of GST)?	$1200 wavering of Showground Hiring Fee	
Is your group / organisation registered for GST	Yes	No
Does your group / organisation have an ABN (Australian Business Number)?	Yes	No
Is your group / organisation incorporated?	Yes	No
If yes, please quote your ABN If yes, please quote your Incorporation No		
Does your group / organisation have Public Liability Insurance?	Yes	No
If yes, please attach a Certificate of Currency		

To be completed for "in kind" support:-
(Please arrange appointment with appropriate Council staff to obtain a quote where necessary)

ITEM	Applicant's Contribution	Support sought from Council
A. Monetary	3,000	$1200
Total (A)		
B. Equipment costs	$2,000	
Total (B)		
C. Labour costs	2,000	
Total ©	7,000	
D. Other project costs FOOD	2,000	
		10,200
Total (D)	2,000	
TOTAL COSTS (A+B+C+D)	9,000	$1200.

BOURKE SHIRE COUNCIL

ACTIVITY REPORTS

Monday, 25th July 2016

ENGINEERING SERVICES ACTIVITY REPORT

File No:	E7.1
Report: 110/2015	Works Completed
Responsible Officer:	Scott Parnaby/ Roads Supervisor

The following information outlines works completed from the 3rd June 2016 to the 15th July 2016:-

1. NORTH SECTOR – Dennis Tiffen, Team Leader

Location	Work Carried Out
Hwy 7n Bourke-Barringun	Shoulder widening in progress
MR 405 Bourke - Wanaaring	Formation grade completed
RLR 1 Dunsandle	Top Grade in progress
RLR 31 Wiree	Formation grade completed

2. SOUTHWEST SECTOR – John Reed, Team Leader

Location	Work Carried Out
MR 405 Bourke - Wanaaring	Formation grade completed
RLR 27 Burrawantie	Top Grade completed
RLR 38 Turra	Top Grade completed

3. TRANSPORT SECTOR – Jack Wielinga, Team Leader

Location	Work Carried Out
MR 405 Bourke - Wanaaring	Formation grade completed
RLR 27 Burrawantie	Top Grade completed
RLR 1 Dunsandle	Top Grade in progress
RLR 31 Wiree	Formation grade completed
Town Services	Crusher dust carted
Hwy 29 Bourke – Brewarrina Boundary	Reseals- Aggregate carted
Hwy 7N Bourke-Barringun	Shoulders - Aggregate carted

4. BITUMEN MAINTENANCE SECTOR – John Bartley, Team Leader

Location	Work Carried Out
Bourke Township	Patching undertaken
All State Highways	Patching undertaken
All State Highways	Edge Patching Undertaken
MR 405 Bourke - Wanaaring	Patching undertaken

5. PARKS & GARDENS – Terry Rankmore, Team Leader	
Location	Work Carried Out
General	All parks and gardens, regular mowing and maintenance carried out Sporting grounds mown Sporting grounds facilities cleaned and maintained Public toilets cleaned and maintained General graffiti removal carried out on Council facilities
Small Plant	Maintenance and service carried out on all ground plant
Works Requests	Actioned and ongoing
1 Tudor St	General maintenance carried out
Wharf	General maintenance carried out
Renshaw Complex	Grounds and facilities cleaned and maintained
Coolican Oval	Mow and maintain oval Prepare ground for BAHS Bourke Fit exercise program Prepare grounds for Junior Soccer
Davidson Oval	Mow and maintain oval Prepare grounds for Outback Challenge Prepare ground for Bourke Rams training sessions Prepare ground for BWRLFC training sessions
Central Park	Skate Park- regular mowing and maintenance carried out General graffiti removal
Villages	Mow grounds and facilities cleaned and maintained
Airport	Mowed airstrip
Training	Nil

6. TOWN SERVICES – Troy Hayman, Team Leader	
Location	Work Carried Out
Work Requests	Daily
Cemetery	Graves prepared 6/5/2016 & 1/6/2016
Rest Areas	Weekly cleaning, rubbish removal and cleaning road side
Staff Training	Nil
General	Sand footpaths ongoing Town mowing ongoing Tree pruning around town Gutter cleaning Graffiti removal Back lane cleaning Ongoing weekly requests
Sundry Debtors	N/A

8. Water and Wastewater – Shane Hopley, Team Leader

Water Supply Planned Maintenance			
Activity	Required Interval	Date Carried Out / Or Programmed For	
River mains flushing	12 months or as required		Ongoing
Potable mains flushing	12 months or as required		Ongoing
Hydrant painting and cleaning	12 months		As required
Bourke river pumps annual maintenance	12 months		Ongoing
Alignment of stop valve covers checked	12 months		Ongoing
Instrumentation test and calibration (flow meters)	12 months	Next Service July 2017	
Reservoir cleaning	5 years	2020	Ongoing
Reservoir inspection	24 months	2017	Completed

Water & Sewerage System Planned Maintenance		
Activity	Required Interval	Date Carried Out / Or Programmed For
Bourke WTP daily maintenance	Daily	Ongoing
Bourke WTP tests	Daily	Ongoing
Bourke STP and WTP weed spraying / slashing	As required	Ongoing
Bourke STP bank grading (to fill scours & cracks)	Annually	As Required
Bourke WTP chemical pump calibrations	Daily	Ongoing
Sewerage pump monitoring	Daily	Ongoing
Sewer manholes & risers inspection	Annually	Ongoing
Preventative maintenance sewer pump inspection	Annually	Ongoing
Instrumentation test and calibration (flow meters)	Annually	July 2016
Main cleaning & pump station desilting	As required	March 2017
Bore Inspection	5 Years	NSW Office of Water

Water Supply & Sewerage System Unplanned Maintenance – 2016			
Main breaks repaired for June	23	Sewer chokes for June	17
Annual Main Breaks	111	Annual Sewer Chokes	73
Raw:	17	Boundaries replaced	0
Potable:	6		
Faulty Meters replaced	0		
New Connections	0		
Training	Nil		

Bourke Sewerage Treatment Plant EPA Licence Compliance

Record of Effluent Analysis

	Unit Of Measure	Licence 100 Percentile Concentration Limit	Jan 2016 Test	Feb 2016 Test	Mar 2016 Test	Apr 2016 Test	May 2016 Test	JUNE 2016 Test
Oil & Grease	*mg/L*	10	3	n/a	<2	4	<2	<2
pH		*6.5-8.5*	8.5	n/a	9.3	9.5	9.1	9.0
Nitrogen (total)	*mg/L*	*15*	15.5	n/a	12.6	7.2	n/a	n/a
Phosphorus (total)	*mg/L*	*10*	1.3	n/a	1.2	1.3	n/a	1.3
Total suspended solids	*mg/L*	*20*	101	n/a	136	122	78	83
Biochemical oxygen demand	*mg/L*	*15*	28	n/a	13	20	n/a	15

Record of Water Usage

For the period, 01/01/16 to 31/12/2016 Council's meters indicated the following water usage:

Water usage for January through to December 2016: **Yearly totals for 2016**

Water Scheme	Annual Allocation (Ml)	Total Usage For The Period (Ml) June	Usage Year To Date (Ml)	Daily Average For The Period (Ml)	Daily Average Year To Date (Ml)
Bourke Potable		35	252	1.1	1.5
Bourke River	3500	68	686	2.4	4.5
North Bourke Village Raw	750	7	79	0.2	.5

- Rainfall in Bourke for June 2016 so far is 80.2mm
- Hottest day for June was 23.9 degrees

Resolution

341/2016 That the information in the Engineering Services Department Activity Reports as presented to Council on Monday, 25th July 2016 be noted.

Moved Cr Stutsel Seconded Cr Hollman Carried Unstarred

ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

File No:	D3.2		
Report: 207/2016	Developments Approved Report		
Author:	Carolyn Crain, Development Assessment Officer		
Responsible Officer:	Dwayne Willoughby, Manager Environmental Services		
Delegated Authority or Council	Consent Type & Consent No.	Subject Land	Nature of Development
Delegated	DA 2016/0024	Lot 1, DP 315454 58 Hope Street, Bourke	Construction of Residential Garage
Total value of Approved works for June 2016			=$13,000
No. of Development Application Approvals for June 2016			= 1
No. of Complying Development Application Approvals for June 2016			= 0

File No:	A11.1.1
Report: 207/2016	Building Services Report
Author:	Paul Faulkner, Environmental Co-ordinator
Responsible Officer:	Dwayne Willoughby, Manager Environmental Services
Location	Work Carried Out
Work Requests	Actioned and ongoing
Risk Assessments	Completed with every job
Training	Drug and Alcohol First Aid
Office	Monthly check and test Emergency Generator, Paint and patch rear entry hallway
Cemetery	General maintenance – Watering ,Mowing and fill in holes, Replacement of crosses and labels
Village Amenities	Install double steel doors – Enngonia Hall Install windows and wall – Wanaaring Hall
Jandra	Replace switches and lights
Dental clinic	Repair lights and switches
PCYC	Repair and replace exit lights
WTP	Remove asbestos sheeting from filtration building, Remove section of filtration building, Relocate power for the section of the building removed
Houses	Install new lock to S/S door – Railway Flat Install new gutter and repair down pipes – 1/3 Short St, Replace section of fascia board – 1/3 Short St
Grandstand	Exterior paint Canteen, Grandstand and Toilets
Medical Centre	Fit door in office hallway, Install Lino in Eastern wing of building
Signs	Install rubbish signs at Enngonia Bridge and Alice Edwards Village Install new tip signs at Enngonia and Byrock
Railway Building	Clean and check carpark flood lights

File No:	A8.1	
Report: 207/2016	Animal Control/Environmental Issues Report	
Responsible Officer:	Dwayne Willoughby, Manager Environmental Services	
Bourke Shire Council Holding Facility	**Dogs**	**Cats**
Animals in Pound beginning of Month	0	1
Seized	5	1
Surrendered	1	0
Dumped	0	0
Total	**6**	**2**
Euthanased	6	2
Returned to Owner	0	0
Released from Pound	0	0
Re-housed	0	0
Died in Pound	0	0
Escaped from Pound	0	0
Animals Remaining at End of Month	0	0
Total	**6**	**2**
Micro-chip Implantations	0	0
Infringement Notices	0	0
Wandering Stock	0	
Stock Rested in Stock Yards	0	
Shopping Trolley Impounded	0	

- Attended complaints in regards to dogs causing trouble to the general public
- Ongoing patrols of the township enforcing the Companion Animal Act
- Water sampling for the township, villages and Darling river
- Patrols of Councils Reserve's

Resolution

342/2016 That the information in the Environmental Services Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 25th July 2016 be received and noted.

Moved Cr Stutsel Seconded Cr Hollman Carried Unstarred

GENERAL MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT

File No:	G2.1
Report: 307/2016	"From the GM's Desk"
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

30th June 2016

The filtered water to Bourke will be turned off between 10.00am and 1.00pm this Sunday, 3rd July 2016 to allow permanent repairs to take place to the large main which burst a few weeks ago causing an extensive supply interruption.

Council apologises for the anticipated supply interruption which has been scheduled to minimise impact on residents and the business community and at the same time ensuring the safety and health and well-being of staff.

The official naming of the Bridge over the Bogan River at Beemery as the Wayne O'Mally Bridge will take place tomorrow (1st July 2016). The official naming ceremony will be undertaken by the Hon. Duncan Gay, MLC Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight and will also be attended by the Member for Barwon Kevin Humphries. The opening is planned for around 1.00pm. Members of the public who would like to attend are quite welcome.

In welcome news, Council has received advice that it will receive funding under Round 2 of the Safer Streets Programme.

The program implements the current Government's $50 million commitment to deliver effective solutions to areas experiencing problems with criminal or anti-social behaviour.

Council will receive funding of $146,000 which will be supplemented with $45,000 of its own funds for a total of $191,000 which will be utilised to replace seven (7) of the existing CCTV cameras and install an additional six (6) new cameras both of which will utilise state of the art technology.

CCTV acts both as a deterrent for crime and also provides valuable assistance in catching offenders. The vast improvement in technology will be welcomed by the police who regard the CCTV as a great resource.

Funding under the Local Government Innovation Fund was announced last week with Bourke Shire being successful in having two (2) projects funded. The first was as the lead Council in a joint proposal with both Brewarrina and Walgett Shires looking at Aboriginal Community based Environment and Waste Management for which total funding of $380,000.00 with the program to be rolled out across the three (3) Councils.

The second was a programme to commence the implementation of the integration of all the software utilised by Council across its operation and funding for this project totalled $75,000.00.

The Seminar on Drug and Alcohol Awareness conducted by the Lyndon Community in Association with Council held last week was attended by seven (7) people from the community and each indicated that they had receive a greater awareness of the issues which was the aim of the seminar. Council appreciates the opportunity to work with organisations such as Lyndon to facilitate seminars such as this, which are beneficial to the community and importantly negates the need for travel.

Council also held a seminar on Drug and Alcohol First Aid for staff on Friday morning, this seminar was well attended and positive comments were received from those who participated.

The New South Wales Electoral Commission has asked Council to assist in raising the awareness of potential candidates for the upcoming Local Government Elections in September 2016.

They are keen to ensure that any individuals or groups who are considering nominating as a candidate/group of candidates know their funding, disclosure and compliance obligations. The relevant information for candidates and groups can be found on their event website (www.votensw.info) or can be discussed via their call centre on 1300 135 736
The NSWEC have started preparations for the elections which are only ten (10) weeks away.

The sale of the blocks at North Bourke is progressing well with eleven (11) of the sixteen (16) blocks initially available for sale now having been sold or in the process of sale. The remaining five (5) blocks are still available for sale at $46,000 which represents extremely good value for anyone looking for a block to build and given they are each around 2000 square metres, this allows a little additional space, than a traditional size block which is around 1000 square metres. A number of the blocks will have houses built on them shortly.

Council still has a number of blocks available in its Industrial Subdivision in Peter Bryant Way at North Bourke.

A mid-year meeting of Western Division Councils will be held in Cobar on the 11th July 2016 and Bourke Shire Council will be following up on a number of issues including the proposal for a Fresh Water Research Station at Bourke, the need for the retention of State Government Departments in rural areas the problems caused by persons who repeatedly breach bail conditions. Council also indicated its support for the proposal being promoted by Griffith City Council to look at ways of making more water available to farmers and communities along the Murray Darling Basin including the possibility of diverting water from the Clarence River region to the west of the divide. Council considered the proposal submitted from Griffith Shire Council and agreed that it was worthy of the further feasibility study proposed.

Mayor Andrew Lewis and I will be travelling to Gilgandra next Friday to attend the quarterly meeting of the Orana Regional Organisation of Council's (OROC). It is likely that OROC will become a Joint Organisation of Councils if the current direction of the State Government is followed

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The "Discussion Paper" In relation to the Far West Initiative (FWI) is due to be released early in July and prior to its release the eight (8) Councils involved in the FWI will have the opportunity to participate in a webinar during which the consultation strategy in relation to the "Discussion Paper" will be outlined.

The Webinar will be held prior to the Western Division Meeting in Cobar on the 11th July 2016

There were around 380 persons who signed the Petition in relation to the need for improved mobile telephone services that is to be presented to Parliament after the July 2 elections. It has been a good response from the Bourke Shire Community and I would like to thank all those who assisted in the collection of the signatures.

Bourke Shire Council will continue with its ongoing efforts to secure markedly improved mobile service for the residents of the Shire with large areas without any service at all.

Whilst in Dubbo for the Meeting of the General Managers Advisory Committee (GMAC) of OROC I took the opportunity to accept an invitation from TAFE western to visit the Dubbo Campus of TAFE to be given a tour of the facility and to try and get a feel for what TAFE plan for Bourke.

I suggested that now that TAFE are firming up plans that they should take the opportunity to again visit Bourke and fully detail their plans for the new facility to the broader community. It is hoped that representatives from TAFE will be able to visit sometime during July.

The rain has had an impact on the ability for Council crews to undertake work on much of the roads network in the short term. However, the rain is extremely beneficial and will generally do the roads more good than harm, with the amount of moisture now present; grading will give a very good result. The Wanaaring Road has recently had some major grading work undertaken between Pine View and Gumbalie, and travellers utilising the road should notice a significant improvement

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At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Monday, 27th June 2016 Councillors considered a report prepared by Peter Brown, Manager of Works whose area of responsibility includes parks and gardens, which detailed in part the reasons behind the decision to close Councils ovals during wet weather. Generally a decision to close the grounds will only be undertaken in consultation with the affected sporting body having regard to the safety of the participants and potential damage to the ground surface. At times whilst the grounds may be available for competition they can be closed for training and this is largely to protect the surface. Council is conscious of the fact that closures can impact on the scheduling of and disruption to competition matches and quite often people are travelling long distances.

Council resolved to look at strategies to try and improve the condition of the grounds and in particular to ensure that the drainage is more effective.

Quote of the week!

"Procrastination; is the art of keeping up with yesterday".

Don Marquis

7th July 2016

The official naming of the Bridge over the Bogan River at Beemery as the "Wayne O'Mally Bridge" took take place last Friday and was undertaken by the Hon. Duncan Gay MLC Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight together with the Member for Barwon Kevin Humphries. Speakers referred in glowing terms of Wayne's contribution to Bourke and District. Wayne's wife Patty and children Stephen, Natalie, Karen and Trevor and the thirteen grandchildren and his sister Nea were all in attendance along with other members of the family and numerous family friends together with other representatives of the Bourke community, and neighbouring Councils and many others who had travelled to be there for the day. The plaque was unveiled by Wayne and Patty's grandchildren, in a spontaneous gesture, suggested by Minister Gay and provided a very nice touch to the ceremony and obviously a proud moment for all of the grandchildren. In addition to unveiling a plaque the actual bridge sign denoting the "Wayne O'Mally Bridge" adjacent to the highway was also unveiled by Patty O'Mally assisted by Minister Duncan Gay and the Member for Barwon Kevin Humphries.

The Bourke community was very well served by Wayne O'Mally via a number of roles over a long period of time and the naming of the bridge in his memory will ensure that his contribution will be etched in people's minds for many years to come.

Council has received advice that there has been a changed in the methodology utilised in the calculation of the annual contributions to the Rural Fire Service (RFS) by Councils and the idea of the new methodology was to level out the variations in contributions which have traditionally varied in line with projects undertaken.

The new methodology has resulted in a factor being developed for each Council based on their average spend from the total RFS budget over the past twenty years and the change was not meant to have a significant impact on any Council, with the 20 years period adopted meant to smooth out any major variations. Manager of Corporate Services Leonie Brown and I have calculated the increase for Bourke Shire Council and Brewarrina Shires as both Councils have a shared service agreement as part of the Barwon Darling Zone of the NSW Rural Fire Service. Bourke Shire Council undertakes the administrative function on behalf of the two Councils.

The proposed increase for each Council is a staggering 27.46% well above the 1.8% rate increase allowable under the rate pegging legislation. It amounts to an increase of around $23,500 for each Council and some would say that this is not a huge amount in a $25 million dollar budget but it represents over 80% of the $28,000.00 additional revenue able to be raised via the 1.8% increase for Bourke Shire and over 140% of the revenue from an increase in revenue as a result of the 1.8% rate increase for Brewarrina Shire. Both Councils will be seeking to have the figure reviewed. Increases of contributions of that level cannot be sustained by Councils.

Representatives from the Rural Fire Services were at the meeting of the General Managers Advisory Committee (GMAC) of Orana Regional Organisation of Council's (OROC) last week in Dubbo and the indications were that increases would not be as dramatic.

Bourke Shire will be seeking the support of the member Councils of OROC in its presentations to have the calculation reviewed; however, preliminary indications are that the new methodology will be introduced regardless of any representations. The issue is compounded by the fact that this methodology will be also used in future years and it will be an additional ongoing cost.

Council has also been advised that it has been successful in its application for funding under the 2016/2017 Safer Roads Aboriginal Safety Works 2016/2017 Programme obtaining a grant of $315,000.00 to undertake works at Enngonia. The work to be undertaken under the programme includes the shoulder widening in Clara Hart Street, the Shoulder widening from Clara Hart Village to the Waste Management Facility and the Shoulder widening from Clara Hart Village to the cemetery. The works will also entail the sealing of approximately one kilometre of the roadway leading to the village.

Council Engineering staff will undertake the work in conjunction with other works planned in the area in accordance with its established works schedule.

The success in obtaining this grant builds upon the grants already received recently and will go a long way towards enhancing the amenity and facilities within the towns and villages in the Shire and improve the efficient and effectiveness of the operation of Council generally.

There has been a good level of inquiry to date in relation to documentation regarding the tenders being called for the construction of the Splash Park at the Bourke Swimming Pool Complex and it is hoped that we will get a good response when tenders close. Following the opening of the tenders received and the subsequent assessment by staff and our consultant architect a report will be prepared that will be referred to the July meeting for a decision on the successful tenderer so that work can commence as quickly as possible.

A mid-year meeting of Western Division Councils will be held in Cobar on the 11th July 2016 and Bourke Shire Council will be represented by Mayor, Councillor Andrew Lewis, Councillors Jack Bennett and Cec Dorrington and myself. One of the items on the agenda is the proposal for a Fresh Water Research Station in Bourke which is a project being championed by Councillor Bennett. Also on the agenda will a concept involving the diversion of water from the Clarence River on the NSW north coast to the west of the state which is a project that has been around for some time. The project has again been put up for consideration by Griffith City Council given the ongoing issues in relation to the flows in our river system, the cutbacks in allocation and the social and economic impact caused to many towns as a result. Bourke Shire Council has resolved to support the undertaking of a feasibility study into the project.

Mayor, Councillor Andrew Lewis and I will be travelling to Gilgandra tomorrow (Friday) to attend the quarterly meeting of the Orana Regional Organisation of Council's (OROC). It is likely that OROC will become a Joint Organisation of Councils if the current direction of the State Government is

followed. Bourke Shire Council will seek to retain its affiliation with OROC despite being identified as a member of the Far West initiative.

The "Discussion Paper" in relation to the Far West Initiative (FWI) is due to be released this week to members of the Far West Initiative Advisory Committee and then to the public next week. As with all these things the release date is a projected date only, however, it would appear that the release is imminent.

Congratulations to Mark Coulton on his re-election as member for Parkes following the Federal Election held on the weekend. Council has enjoyed an excellent relationship with Mark and we look forwarded to continuing this relationship over his next term of office.

The Enngonia Races are on this Saturday and it is generally a great day out with a very relaxed and friendly atmosphere. It is a credit to the small community of Enngonia that they are able to stage such an event. No doubt the committee will be looking at the weather forecast over the next couple of days with a number of meetings being cancelled due to rain over the past few years. If you enjoy a good day of racing or simply a good day out, get up to Enngonia for the races this weekend.

Quote of the week!

"There is no such thing as public opinion. There is only published opinion

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14th July 2016

The results of the elections for the Board of Local Government and Shires New South Wales (now known as LG NSW) have been announced and those elected will serve on the board until October 2017, providing that they are successful in being re-elected to their respective Councils at the September elections. The results show an increased representation of women on the Board with women now comprising 50% of the board despite only representing 27% of all elected members.

Council received notification of its success in obtaining a grant to review all components of its Work Health and Safety system. The Grant is for $6,300.00 and comes from StateCover our Workers Compensation insurers as part of their ongoing initiative to improve workplace safety within the work environments of the member Councils.

A mid-year meeting of Western Division Councils was held on Monday with a range of issues discussed including the increase in the Rural Fire Service contributions for a number of Councils including Bourke and Brewarrina to levels far in excess of the 1.8% increase allowed for General Rates and the 2.5% increase in wages allowed for in the public service.

Bourke Shire Mayor Andrew Lewis indicated that Bourke Shire Council was happy to try and coordinate a meeting with the Minister for Emergency Services and Member for Barwon Kevin Humphries to discuss the situation and to also undertake the preparation of a submission to the Minister. Bourke Shire Council will be seeking information from all impacted Councils to include in this submission.

The Councils in the Western Division as a collective have also indicated their support for the calls by Griffith City Council to again have the concept of the diversion of water from the Clarence River to the west of the state considered and to this end support Griffith City Council in trying to secure funding for a feasibility study.

A number of the longer serving members on Western Division indicated that this concept has previously been one on the major projects supported by the Western Division over a number of years. Whilst it had previously struggled to gain the support on a state wide basis the current state of health of the river systems along with the need for water in the inland means that this proposal deserves to be looked at again.

I travelled to Gilgandra last Friday to attend the quarterly meeting of the Orana Regional Organisation of Council's (OROC). The meeting was the last for the quadrennial term of the current Councils and was followed by a farewell function for Paul Mann who retired on the same day as General Manager of Gilgandra Shire after 29 years of service in that role.
Paul's function was attended by a large number of the community members, local government colleagues and the Federal Member for Parkes Mark Coulton MP and State Member for Barwon Kevin Humphries MP. A number of speakers spoke in glowing terms of Paul's achievements during his local government career.

Prior to the meeting of OROC Mayor of Gilgandra organised a tour of some of the aged care accommodation that has been constructed in Gilgandra and I must say that all delegates were extremely impressed.

A DRAFT "Consultation Paper" In relation to the Far West Initiative (FWI) was released last week to members of Council who now have the opportunity to make comments on the paper prior to its release to the public. The Office of Local Government and Department of Premier and Cabinet joined forces to host a Webinar last Friday so Councillors could hear a little more about the contents of the paper and ask any questions to get a better understanding prior to the general release. The Office of Local Government has also developed a consultation strategy which details the way it will engage the community in relation to the "Consultation Paper". A draft schedule has been developed and will be released over the next couple of weeks.

The results of the Federal Election held the weekend before last are still being finalised and with a number of seats being extremely close it won't be a surprise if recounts are needed. While it would appear that the coalition has a majority in the lower house the situation is not as clear in the senate and it may take close to the end of the month to finalise the count and appoint the senators.

The Enngonia Races were held last weekend and were fortunate to have good weather and a great days' racing was enjoyed by the large crowd. The committee did an exceptional job with the presentation of the track and facilities and all who had the opportunity to attend should have enjoyed the day.

As a member of Rotary I was involved in the catering and club members were kept busy from mid-morning until about 7.00pm providing a range of food to meet the needs of hungry racegoers but still found time to have a punt on the races and soak up the atmosphere. All funds raised by Rotary are channelled back into the community.

There was a good representation from the Mudgee/Gulgong District most of who camped at Andrew and Lorraine Lewis's property.

Tenders for the New Splash Park to be built at the Bourke Swimming Pool Complex closed yesterday and staff will undertake an evaluation of the tenders received and put a report to the July meeting.

The Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on Monday, 25th July 2016 and will commence at 9.00am in the Council Chambers. All meetings of Council and Committees of Council where members of that Committee are Councillors are open to the Public.

A Public Forum is scheduled at each Council Meeting at 10.00 am. It would be appreciated if you wish to attend the Public Forum if you would please contact Kai Howard-Oakman on 68308000 or by email at khoward@bourke.nsw.gov.au so that your item can be placed on the agenda and if necessary any background information can be obtained.

It is pleasing to see the increased number of visitors in town at the moment and the extra traffic on the road was noticeable as I was driving out to Enngonia on the Weekend. Some of the attractions in Bourke are in the middle of one of their busiest seasons ever with the feedback from these visitors excellent. Last month just over 5,000 visitors were recorded calling into the information centre.

The New South Wales Electoral Commission (SEO) has asked Council to assist in raising the awareness of potential candidates for the upcoming Local government Elections in September 2016.

The SEO are keen to ensure that any individuals or groups who are considering nominating as a candidate/group of candidates know their funding, disclosure and compliance obligations. The relevant information for candidates and groups can be found on their event website (www.votensw.info) or can be discussed via their call centre on 1300 135 736.

The Darling River at Bourke continues to have good flows and it is anticipated that the flow should last for a few weeks and with the possibility of more rain in the catchment there will hopefully be plenty of water as we move into the spring.

Quote of the week!

"An eye for an eye only ends up making the whole world blind". Mahatma Gandhi

Ross Earl
General Manager

Resolution

343/2016 That the information in the General Manager's Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 25th July 2016 be received and noted.			
Moved Cr Stutsel	Seconded Cr Hollman	Carried	Unstarred

CORPORATE SERVICES ACTIVITY REPORT

File No:	L4.1
Report: 407/2016	Library Report
Author:	Jodi Hatch, Library Manager
Responsible Officer:	Leonie Brown, Manager of Corporate Services

The following items for the 2015/2016 period are presented for your information.

Item	June 2015	Item	June 2016
Audio Visual	302	Audio Visual	376
Adult Fiction	269	Adult Fiction	233
Non-Fiction	107	Non-Fiction	97
Junior Fiction	294	Junior Fiction	190
Magazines	87	Magazines	92
Interlibrary Loans		Interlibrary Loans	4
Total	1059	Total	992

Other statistical information

	June 2015		June 2016
New Members	6	New Members	6
Internet/Word Processing	146	Internet/Word Processing	130
Wireless Tickets	14	Wireless Tickets	14
Number of Visitors	1198	Number of Visitors	2748
Scans	12	Scans	20
Information Requests	75	Information Requests	69
Technical Assistance	12	Technical Assistance	8
Faxes/Laminating	17	Faxes	26

- Craft & Storytime this month has 23 children attending. The theme this month was the Queen's Birthday. The children made crowns, corgis and castles.
- We had two (2) classes visits from Bourke Public School this month, with 16 children and two (2) staff attending the first session and 20 children and two (2) staff the second session.
- Seven (7) Books for Babies kits were given out this month.

If there are any questions about these items, or any library issues, please do not hesitate to contact the library.

Jodi Hatch
Library Manager

Resolution

344/2016 That Council note the information in the Corporate Services Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 25th July 2016.

Moved Cr Stutsel | Seconded Cr Hollman | Carried | Unstarred

TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT

File No:	T4.3
Report:	BOBEC and VIC June 2016 Activity update
Responsible Officer:	Phil Johnston, Manager Tourism and Development

June has been a busy month for the visitors centre and the Back O' Bourke attractions. After a slower start to the season the June visitor numbers are almost to the same level as 2015. Pleasingly the numbers to the Exhibition Centre and Jandra have grown from the same time last year. Staff are also pleased with the take up of Sunday cruising on the Jandra with more than 220 passengers enjoying the two (2) hour cruise.

Graph above showing the number of visitors per month to the Tourist Centre

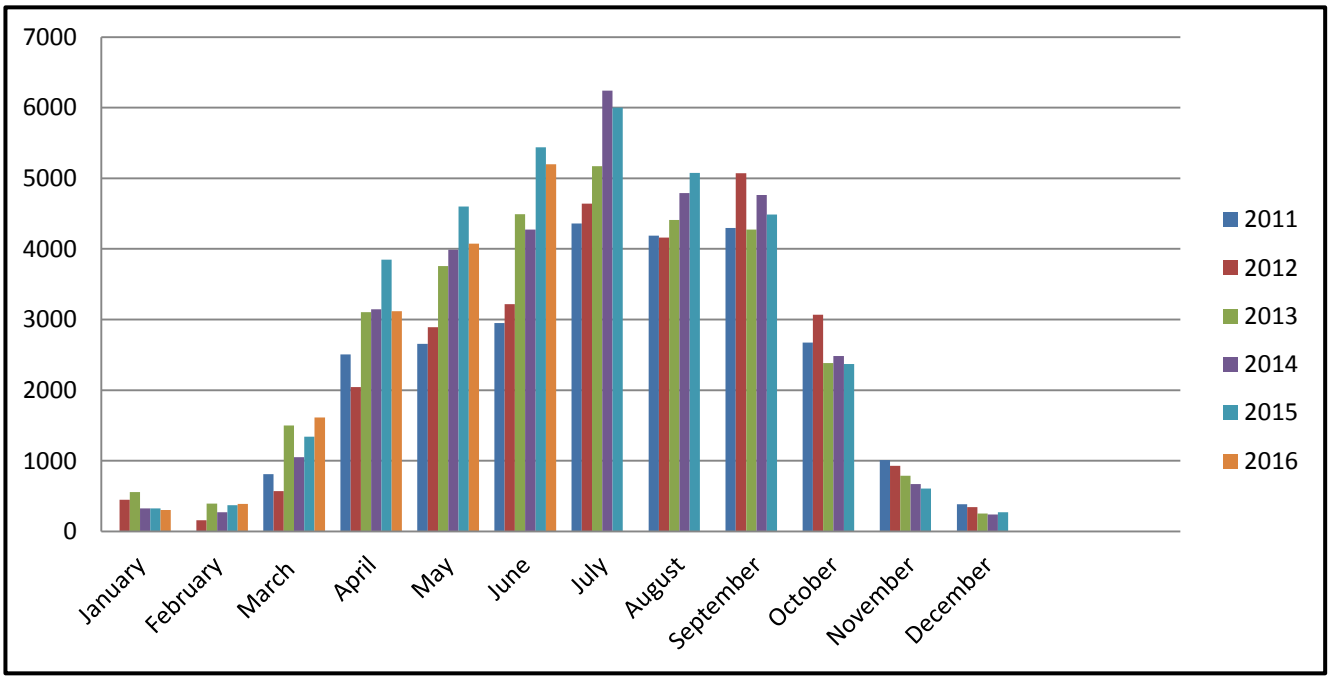

Table showing number of visitors to the Tourist Centre by month

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
January		448	560	325	326	302
February		157	397	271	373	391
March	810	570	1500	1051	1342	1612
April	2507	2044	3103	3146	3849	3118
May	2656	2891	3758	3988	4602	4073
June	2952	3216	4492	4275	5437	5199
July	4362	4643	5173	6241	6002	
August	4187	4162	4410	4793	5078	
September	4295	5074	4275	4764	4489	
October	2674	3067	2383	2486	2370	
November	1012	930	789	671	610	
December	386	347	254	242	272	

Visitation to Back O' Bourke Exhibition Centre

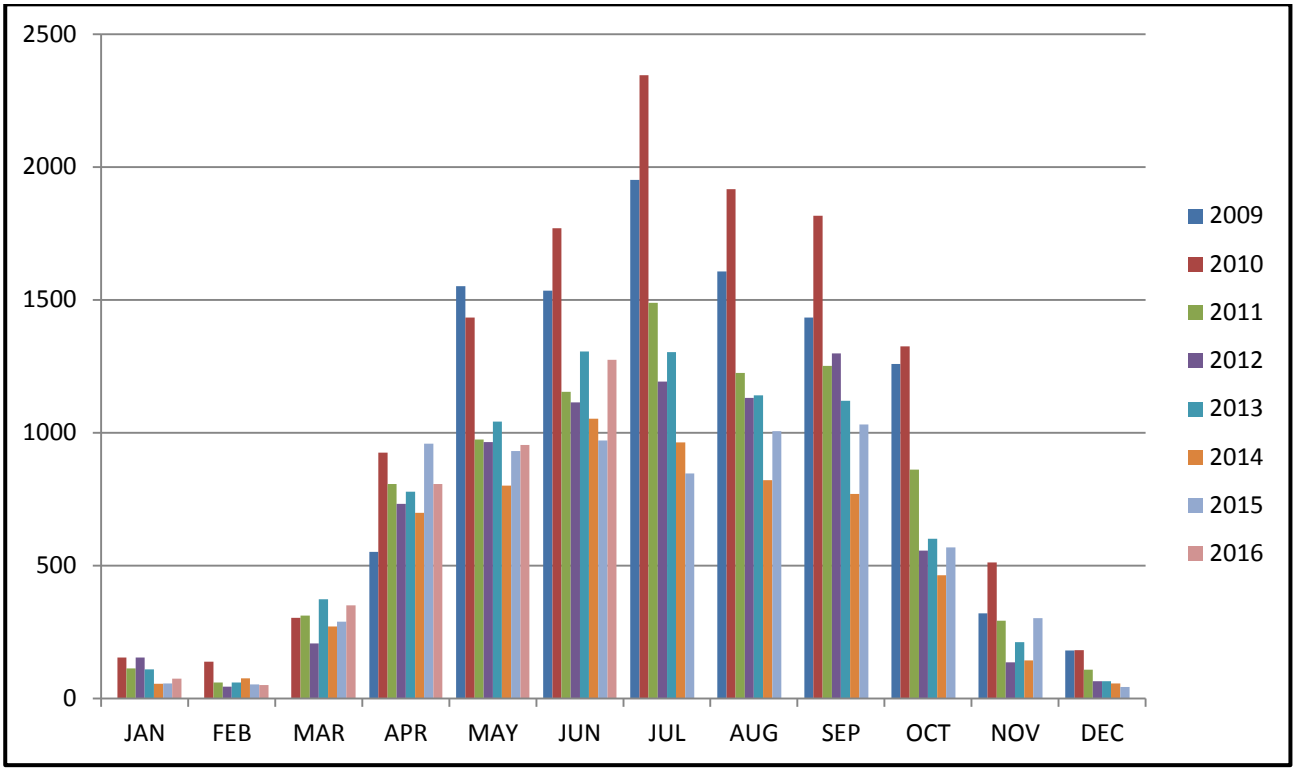

Table showing visitation to Back O' Bourke Exhibition Centre

Month	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
January		154	113	154	110	55	56	74
February		139	60	44	60	76	53	50
March		304	312	207	373	271	289	350
April	551	925	807	732	778	699	959	807
May	1551	1433	974	965	1042	801	931	954
June	1535	1769	1154	1114	1306	1053	971	1274
July	1951	2345	1489	1193	1303	964	847	
August	1607	1916	1225	1131	1141	822	1006	
September	1433	1816	1251	1299	1120	770	1031	
October	1259	1325	861	556	601	464	569	
November	320	512	292	136	212	143	302	
December	180	182	108	65	65	57	43	

Table showing visitation on board the PV Jandra

Month	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
January	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	Not Cruising
February	25	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	Not Cruising
March	213	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	64	290	513
April	Not Cruising	1008	519	442	980	1035	888
May	1325	932	1035	894	1123	917	1036
June	1459	1241	1003	984	890	240	1075
July	1578	1386	1238	1300	1059	1197	
August	1165	1186	640	1194	1041	1212	
September	1429	1411	1459	1215	900	1099	
October	188	1085	760	830	631	To be updated	
November	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	423	403	Not Cruising		
December	Not Cruising	Not Cruising	180	20	Not Cruising		
Total	7382	8249	7257	7282	6688		

Notice of Motion

Some months ago a notice of motion was also received in regards to enhancing the tourism function of Council by involving the local industry in the planning, execution and coordination of the tourism function. (Resolution 41/2016).

I am proposing that this report be developed in two parts so that we can use this discussion to undertake a simple gap analysis of the products and experiences on offer versus market expectations as well as asking industry stakeholders about future planning and how the industry may be involved with further coordination and execution of the tourism function.

I have asked Bronwyn White and Carolyn Childs at My Travel Research to undertake the analysis. Carolyn and Bronwyn have been responsible for much of the research undertaken for the Outback region over the past 10 years including the conduct of focus group discussions with potential travellers about what motivates them to visit the Outback, their perceptions of Outback travel and expectations when they get here.

Importantly we will also review works previously discussed as being important future infrastructure such as the improvement to cultural displays at the Exhibition Centre and the main street improvements and see if these works match future expectations.

I expect that this analysis will include stakeholder interviews and an online survey component and will be undertaken reasonably quickly.

Inland Tourism Organisation

The voluntary administration of the Inland Tourism Organisation has now ended with the organisation being handed back to Directors following negotiations with creditors. On the 18th of July members of the company resolved to wind up the Company with any surplus funds being returned to the Inland Destination Hubs to be used in future marketing. Bourke Shire Council has agreed to assist in the wind up over the coming month with the payment of final accounts, completion of end of year financials and the holding of funds in trust for distribution.

Cr Johnson left the meeting at 12.06pm

Cr Davis left the meeting at 12.08pm

Cr Johnson returned to the meeting at 12.09pm

Cr Davis returned to the meeting at 12.09pm

Cr Lewis left the meeting at 12.09pm – Deputy Mayor, Cr Hollman took the chair

Cr Bartley left the meeting at 12.10pm

Cr Lewis returned to the chair at 12.12pm

Cr Bartley returned to the meeting at 12.12pm

Resolution

345/2016 That Council note the information in the Tourism and Development Manager's Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday the 25th July 2016.		
Moved Cr Stusel	Seconded Cr Hollman	Carried

Phil Johnston
Manager of Tourism & Development

CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL - CONFIDENTIAL

ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORTS

File No:	A11.1-D2.4-D2.9
Report: 1028/2015	CONFIDENTIAL- Tender 02/17 Supply Of Road Maintenance Unit
Responsible Officer:	Mark Gordon- Manager Roads

The subject report is proposed to be held in Closed Session under Section 10A (2) (d) (i) of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Resolution

346/2016 The subject report is proposed to be held in Closed Session under Section 10A (2) (d) (i) of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
Moved Cr Barton Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

File No:	W1.4
Report: 1029/2016	CONFIDENTIAL - Tender 03/17 Bourke Memorial Swimming Pool Splash Pad Addition and Associated Works
Responsible Officer:	Dwayne Willoughby, Manager Environmental Services

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 2005, in the opinion of the General Manager, the following business is of a kind as referred to in Section 10(A) (2)(d)(i) – commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it:

Resolution

347/2016 That the report be considered in Closed Council under Section 10A (2) (d) (i) of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
Moved Cr Barton Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT- CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

File No:	A11.1.4
Report: 1030/2016	CONFIDENTIAL – Write-Off of Lease Amounts for Old Golf Club Pre-School Premises
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

The subject report is proposed to be held in Closed Council under Section 10A (2) (d) (i) of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Resolution

348/2016 That the report be considered in Closed Council under Section 10A (2) (d) (i) of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
Moved Cr Barton Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

File No:	A11.1-D2.4-D2.9
Report: 1031/2015	CONFIDENTIAL - OROC - Small Sites Electricity Contract
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

The subject report is proposed to be held in Closed Session under Section 10A (2) (d) (i)of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Resolution

349/2016 The subject report is proposed to be held in Closed Session under Section 10A (2) (d) (i)of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
Moved Cr Barton Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

File No:	A11.1-D2.4-D2.9
Report: 1032/2015	CONFIDENTIAL – Renewal of Lease with Essential Energy for Premises used by the Library
Responsible Officer:	Ross Earl, General Manager

The subject report is proposed to be held in Closed Session under Section 10A (2) (d) (i)of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Resolution

350/2016 The subject report is proposed to be held in Closed Session under Section 10A (2) (d) (i)of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
Moved Cr Barton Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

File No:	A11.1-D2.4-D2.9
Report: 1033/2015	CONFIDENTIAL - North Bourke Residential Development
Responsible Officer:	Phil Johnston, Manager Tourism and Development

The subject report is proposed to be held in Closed Session under Section 10A (2) (c) of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

Resolution

351/2016 The subject report is proposed to be held in Closed Session under Section 10A (2) (c) of the Local Government Act, 1993 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

Moved Cr Barton Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL

Pursuant to section 10A (2) (d) (i), section 10A (2) (a), the public were invited to make representations to the Council Meeting before the meeting was closed, as to whether the meeting should be closed to consider the identified report, being the following:-

Report No	Report
1028/2016	CONFIDENTIAL- Tender 02/07 Replacement of Road Maintenance Unit
1029/2016	CONFIDENTIAL - Tender 03/17 Bourke Memorial Swimming Pool Splash Pad Addition and Associated Works
1030/2016	CONFIDENTIAL - Write- Off Rental For Bourke and District Children's Services
1031/2016	CONFIDENTIAL - Small Sites Electricity Contract for Three (3) years from 1st January 2017
1032/2016	Renewal of Lease with Essential Energy for Premises used by the Library
1033/2016	North Bourke Residential Blocks July 2016

No members of the public made representation.

Resolution at 12.15pm

352/2016

1. That Council move into Closed Council to consider business identified, together with any late reports tabled at the meeting.
2. That pursuant to section 10A (1)-(3) of the Local Government Act 1993, the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of section 10A(2) as outlined above
3. That the correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act 1993.

Moved Cr Barton Seconded Cr Stutsel Carried

Resolution at 1.06pm

353/2016 That Council resume Standing Orders		
Moved Cr Dorrington	Seconded Cr Davis	Carried

RESOLUTION FROM THE CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor reported that the following resolutions have been passed in closed Council.

Report No:	1028/2016
Report:	CONFIDENTIAL- Tender 02/07 Replacement of Road Maintenance Unit

Resolution

354/2016 That Council accept tender number six (6) 6M3 Paveline Auto Patch unit with Isuzu FXY 1500 Long Auto from Tracserv PTY LTD of Dubbo and retain Council's Plant no 171 with the intention of converting it to a small water tanker for Council's Road Crews if Council's budget for plant replacement at end of financial year 2016/2017 has identified cost savings whilst retaining the option to sell by private sale or at auction.

Report No:	1029/2016
Report:	CONFIDENTIAL - Tender 03/17 Bourke Memorial Swimming Pool Splash Pad Addition and Associated Works

Resolution

355/2016 That Hydro Care Pools be awarded the contract for Tender 03/17 Bourke Memorial Swimming Pool Splash Pad Addition and Associated Works.

Report No:	1030/2016
Report:	CONFIDENTIAL - Write- Off Rental for Bourke and District Children's Services

Resolution

356/2016 That Council approve that the rental previously raised and not charged in respect of the Bourke and District Children's Services be written -off.

Report No:	1031/2016
Report:	Small Sites Electricity Contract for Three (3) Years from 1st January 2017

Resolution

357/2016

1. That Council note the procurement process for the supply of electricity undertaken by OROC on behalf of member Councils
2. That Council note the appointment of Origin Energy as the supplier of electricity to small sites for the ensuing three (3) year period commencing 1st January 2017

Report No:	1032/2016
Report:	Renewal of Lease with Essential Energy for Premises used by the Library

Resolution

358/2016

1. That Council notify Essential Energy of its acceptance of a lease over the premises currently utilised to house the Bourke Public Library for a period of two (2) years with an option of a further two (2) years with the terms and conditions consistent with the provisions of the current lease which provided for an annual increase in the lease amount of 3%.
2. That Council approve the fixing of the seal of Council to the lease document in relation to the lease between Council and Essential Energy for the lease of the premises used for the Bourke Public Library.

Report No:	1033/2016
Report:	Confidential North Bourke Residential Blocks July 2016

Resolution

359/2016 That Council

1. Sell 10 Namoi Street, North Bourke, Lot 8 section 14 DP 758781 for the amount of $46,000.
2. Sell 12 Macquarie Street, North Bourke, Lot 6 section 6 DP 758781 for the amount of $46,000.
3. Sell 14 Macquarie Street, North Bourke, Lot 7 section 6 DP 758781 for the amount of $46,000.
4. That Council delegates the General Manager to negotiate contract terms for the sale of 10 Namoi Street and 12 Macquarie Street and 14 Macquarie Street.
5. That Council affix the Council Seal to documentation relating to the sale of 10 Namoi Street and 12 Macquarie Street and 14 Macquarie Street.

Resolution

360/2016 That Bourke Shire Council retain 8 Castlereagh Street for its future development of staff housing and this block not be offered for sale at this time.

Resolution

361/2016 That the General Manager write to Scott McLachlan, Chief Executive Officer of Western NSW Local Health District regarding the provision of permanent Doctors in Bourke.

The General Manager noted the following:-

1. That he had been appointed to the StateCover Advisory Committee with the first meeting to be held on the week beginning 12th August 2016
2. That he has been asked to speak at the LGNSW Finance Summit to be held on the 17th - 18th August 2016
3. That Council would not be holding an information session for candidates with prospective candidates being able to access the websites of both the State Electoral Commission and the Office of Local Government.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 1.10pm