



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

Date: Monday, 28 June 2021
Time: 9.15am
Location: Bourke Shire Council
29 Mitchell Street Bourke NSW

BUSINESS PAPER

Ordinary Council Meeting

28 June 2021

Mark Riley
General Manager

Time	Event	Representative	Organisation
9.00am	Community Open Forum for members of the public to address Council		
11.00am	Monthly Update	Superintendent Andrew Hurst	Darling River Local Area Command



DECLARATION OF INTEREST FORM COUNCIL OFFICIAL

FOR USE AT COUNCIL AND COUNCIL MEETINGS

NAME OF COUNCIL OFFICIAL DECLARING INTEREST:
ACTION PROPOSED:
<p>Tick one box only:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> In my opinion, my interest is pecuniary, and I am therefore required to take the action specified in Part 4 of Council’s Code of Conduct.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> In my opinion, my interest is non-pecuniary but significant. I am unable to remove the source of conflict. I am therefore required to treat the interest as if it were pecuniary and take the action specified in clause 5.10 of Council’s Code of Conduct.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> In my opinion, my interest is non-pecuniary and less than significant. I therefore make this declaration as I am required to do pursuant to clause 5.11 of Council’s Code of Conduct. However, I intend to continue to be involved with the matter.</p>
COUNCIL OFFICIAL
<p>I, _____ (name of COUNCIL OFFICIAL) disclose the above interest and acknowledge that I will take appropriate action as I have indicated above.</p> <p>Signed: _____ Date: _____</p>
GENERAL MANAGER – required for all declarations:
<p>I have noted the above declaration and I note your opinion and/or the action you have proposed.</p> <p>Signed: _____ Date: _____</p>
DEFINE YOUR INTEREST:
<p>Is your interest:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pecuniary (see dealing with pecuniary interests)?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Non pecuniary (see dealing with non-pecuniary interests)</p>
MATTER IN WHICH YOU HAVE AN INTEREST: (Please provide full details, including item number on Council agenda)
NAME OF THE INTEREST:
<p>Be specific and include information such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The names of any person or organisation with which you have a relationship; - The nature of your relationship with the person or organisation; - The reason(s) why you consider the situation may (or may be perceived to) give rise to a conflict between your personal interests and your public duty as a COUNCIL OFFICIAL .

<p>MANAGING LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS:</p> <p>Clause 5.11 of Council’s Code of Conduct provides that if you determine that a non-pecuniary conflict of interest is less than significant and does not require further action, you must provide an explanation of why you consider that conflict does not require further action in the circumstances.</p>
<p>IS YOUR NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT?</p> <p>If you are of the view that your non-pecuniary interest is less than significant, please provide your explanation directly below (only complete if you are claiming that your non-pecuniary interest is less than significant).</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>DEFINITIONS:</p> <p>A PECUNIARY INTEREST is an interest that a designated person has in a matter because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss to the person (see Part 4 of Council’s Code of Conduct).</p> <p>A NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST is a private or personal interest that does not amount to pecuniary interest as defined by Part 5 of Council’s Code of Conduct.</p>
<p>MANAGING PECUNIARY INTERESTS:</p> <p>Part 4.10 of Council’s Code of Conduct requires designated persons to declare in writing to the General Manager the nature of a pecuniary interest the person has in any Council matters, as soon as practicable after becoming aware of the interest.</p>
<p>MANAGING SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS:</p> <p>Clause 5.10 of Council’s Code of Conduct provides that you must manage a significant non-pecuniary interest by not participating in consideration of, or decision making in relation to, the matter in which you have the significant non-pecuniary conflict of interest and the matter being allocated to another person for consideration or determination, or if the significant non-pecuniary conflict of interest arises in relation to a matter under consideration at a council or committee meeting, by managing the conflict of interest as if you had a pecuniary interest in the matter by complying with clauses 4.28 and 4.29 of the Code.</p>
<p>MANAGING NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS:</p> <p>Clause 5.8 of Council’s Code of Conduct states that how you manage a non-pecuniary interest will depend on whether or not it is significant. Clause 5.9 of Council’s Code of Conduct states that, as a general rule, a non-pecuniary conflict of interests will be significant where a matter does not raise a pecuniary interest but involves:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) a relationship between a council official and another person who is affected by a decision or a matter under consideration that is particularly close, such as a current or former spouse or de facto partner, a relative for the purposes of clause 4.4 of the Code or another person from the council official’s extended family that the council official has a close personal relationship with, or another person living in the same household; b) other relationships with persons who are affected by a decision or a matter under consideration that are particularly close, such as friendships and business relationships. Closeness is defined by the nature of the friendship or business relationship, the frequency of contact and the duration of the friendship or relationship; c) an affiliation between the council official and an organisation (such as a sporting body, club, religious, cultural or charitable organisation, corporation or association) that is affected by a decision or a matter under consideration that is particularly strong. The strength of a council official’s affiliation with an organisation is to be determined by the extent to which they actively participate in the management, administration or other activities of the organisation; d) membership, as the council’s representative, of the board or management committee of an organisation that is affected by a decision or a matter under consideration, in circumstances where the interests of the council and the organisation are potentially in conflict in relation to the particular matter; e) a financial interest (other than an interest of a type referred to in clause 4.6 of the Code) that is not a pecuniary interest for the purposes of clause 4.1 of the Code; f) the conferral or loss of a personal benefit other than one conferred or lost as a member of the community or a broader class of people affected by a decision.

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File Number: M2.1
Author: Barry Hollman, Mayor
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

The Activities of the Mayor from 20 May to 17 June 2021 are as follows:

Date	Meeting	Location
2/06/2021	COVID Vaccination Stakeholders Meeting	Video Conference
4/06/2021	Meeting with the Hon. Mark Coulton, MP	Council Chamber
15/06/2021	Teleconference - Review of Air Pelican	Council Chamber
15/06/2021	Meeting with Executive Leadership Committee, Department of Regional NSW	Council Chamber
16/06/2021	Governor of NSW – Cruise	PV Jandra
16/06/2021	Roundtable Meeting with Governor of NSW & Councillors	Council Chamber
16/06/2021	Vice-Regal Reception, Governor of NSW	Diggers on the Darling
17/06/2021	FNWJO Board Meeting (Chair)	Council Chamber
23/06/2021	Flag Raising Ceremony Bourke Police Station	Police Station

Recommendation

That the information in the Mayoral Minute as presented to Council on Monday, 28 June 2021 be noted.

7 STARRING OF ITEMS

8 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting - 24 May 2021



Date: Monday, 24 May 2021
Time: 9.15am
Location: Bourke Shire Council
29 Mitchell Street Bourke NSW

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MINUTES OF Shire of Bourke
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
 HELD AT THE Bourke Shire Council, 29 Mitchell Street Bourke NSW
 ON Monday, 24 May 2021 AT 9.15am

PRESENT: Cr Lachlan Ford (Deputy Mayor - Chair), Cr Ian Cole, Cr Sally Davis, Cr Cec Dorrington, Cr Sam Rice, Cr Robert Stutsel, Cr John Thompson

IN ATTENDANCE: Mark Riley (General Manager), Leonie Brown (Manager of Corporate Services), Mark Gordon (Manager Road Services), Dwayne Willoughby (Manager Environmental Services), Kai Howard-Oakman (Executive Assistant)

1 OPENING PRAYER

The Deputy Mayor opened the meeting with a prayer.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Deputy Mayor then provided an Acknowledgement of Country

3 REMEMBRANCE

Council stood in silence in the memory of the following recently deceased:

Tom Adams	John David "Dutchy" Carroll	Coral Collins
Sidney Curtis	Clara Doole	Joe Graine
Loretta Knight	Lorna Riches	Frances Walsh Munro
Dwayne Wright		

4 APOLOGIES

Resolution 2021/105
Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel
Seconded: Cr Sally Davis
That the apologies received from Councillors Barry Hollman (Mayor), Victor Bartley and Sarah Barton be accepted and leave of absence granted.

Carried

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cr Sam Rice declared a pecuniary interest in Item 13.1 of the Agenda – Potential Heritage Items. The reason for such interest is that Councillor Rice is the owner of two (2) properties in Bourke that are identified in the report. In making his declaration, Councillor Rice advised that he would leave the Chamber and be out of sight during Council's consideration of the matter.

Cr Robert Stutsel declared a pecuniary interest in Item 13.1 of the Agenda – Potential Heritage Items. The reason for such interest is that Councillor Stutsel's wife is the owner of a property in Bourke that is identified in the report. In making his declaration, Councillor Stutsel advised that he would leave the Chamber and be out of sight during Council's consideration of the matter.

Cr Ian Cole declared a pecuniary interest in Item 14.1 of the Agenda – Western Herald Advertising Proposal. The reason for such interest is that Councillor Cole is a Director of WREB Co-op Ltd, the publishers of the Western Herald. In making his declaration, Councillor Cole advised that he would leave the Chamber and be out of sight during Council's consideration of the matter.

Cr Cec Dorrington declared a non – pecuniary, significant interest, in Item 14.1 of the Agenda – Western Herald Advertising Proposal. The reason for such interest is that Councillor Dorrington is an employee of WREB Co-op Ltd, the publishers of the Western Herald. In making his declaration, Councillor Dorrington advised that he would leave the Chamber and be out of sight during Council's consideration of the matter.

Cr Cec Dorrington declared a non – pecuniary, less than significant interest in Item 20.2 of the Agenda – Bourke and District Garden Club-Request For Assistance. The reason for such interest is that Councillor Dorrington is the Honorary Treasurer of the Bourke and District Garden Club. In making his declaration, Councillor Dorrington advised that he would leave the Chamber and be out of sight during Council's consideration of the matter.

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6 MAYORAL MINUTE

6.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - MAYORAL ACTIVITIES

File Number: M1.1

The Council had before it the Mayoral Activity Report of the Mayor from 23 April 2021 to 19 May 2021.

Resolution 2021/106

Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel

Seconded: Cr Sam Rice

That Council notes the information in the Mayoral Minute – Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 24 May 2021.

Carried

6.2 MAYORAL MINUTE - ORANA REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (OROC)

File Number: D4.7 - M2.1

The Council had before it the report of the Mayor regarding the Orana Regional Organisation of Councils (OROC).

Resolution 2021/107

Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel

Seconded: Cr Sally Davis

That on the basis of Council retaining its involvement in the FNWJO, Council concur to involvement in discussions with former OROC member Councils regarding the formation of a voluntary alliance of councils based on the OROC footprint, with discussions regarding such matters as funding, membership and other governance matters for a further report in due course to Council.

Carried

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7 STARRING OF ITEMS

File Number: C2.23

Council’s Code of Meeting Practice provides that Council may at any time, resolve to adopt multiple items of business on the agenda by way of a single resolution.

In this regard the Council had before it a list of reports, unstarred, with such items proposed to be adopted by Council in a single resolution.

Resolution 2021/108
Moved: Cr Sally Davis
Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington
That the recommendations as detailed in the un-starred items contained in the Agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of Council, held on Monday, 24 May 2021 be adopted save and except Item 13.4 of the Agenda – Fencing of Historic Section – Bourke Cemetery.
Carried

8 * CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

File Number: C2.23

The Council had before it the report of the General Manager attaching the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council as held on Monday, 26 April 2021.

Resolution 2021/109
Moved: Cr Sally Davis
Seconded: Cr Sam Rice
That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 April 2021 be confirmed.
Carried

9 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

10 RESCISSION MOTION

Nil

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11 BUSINESS ARISING

11.1 * BUSINESS ARISING**

File Number: C12.1

The Council had before it the report of the General Manager regarding business outstanding from previous meetings of Council.

Resolution 2021/110

Moved: Cr Ian Cole

Seconded: Cr Sally Davis

That the information in the Business Arising Report as presented to Council on Monday, 24 May 2021 be noted.

Carried

11.2 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

File Number: C12.6

The Council had before it the report of the Executive Assistant detailing dates for upcoming Council Meetings.

Resolution 2021/111

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That the information in the Calendar of Events Report as presented to Council on Monday, 24 May 2021 be noted.

Carried

11.3 INFORMATION TO COUNCILLORS

File Number: C12.1

The Council had before it the report of the Executive Assistant detailing the list of correspondence distributed to Councillors for the period 27 April to 20 May 2021.

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Resolution 2021/112

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That the contents of the Information to Councillors Report as presented to Council on Monday, 24 May 2021 be noted.

Carried

12 ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT

12.1 * REQUEST FOR TREE REMOVAL**

File Number: T6.1-T6.2

The Council had before it before it the report of the Manager Works regarding the Request for Tree Removal.

Resolution 2021/113

Moved: Cr Cec Dorrington

Seconded: Cr Sally Davis

1. That as per Council's Street Tree Policy 3.6.11(V3) in respect of Queensland Fig Trees, Council proceed to advertise for 21 days regarding its intention to undertake the removal of two (2) Queensland Fig Trees with one (1) located at 82 Hope Street and another at 9 Oxley Street, Bourke.

2. That following such advertising period of 21 days, Council proceed to remove such trees.

Carried

12.2 * TRIMMING OF TREES**

File Number: T6.1

The Council had before it before it the report of the Manager Works regarding the Trimming of Trees.

Resolution 2021/114

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Sally Davis

1. That Council concur with the removal of the three (3) unsuitable trees under the power lines at 28 Mitchell Street Bourke, and replace them with a more suitable tree as part of Council's Tree Replacement Program.

2. That Council note that Essential Energy will remove the trees at no cost to Council and further provide Council with 3 x 1.5m bottle brush trees as part of the replacement program, free of charge.

Carried

In Favour: Crs Ian Cole, Sally Davis, Cec Dorrington, Lachlan Ford, Sam Rice, Robert Stutsel and

Against: Cr John Thompson

12.3 CHARLES STREET RESERVOIR FUNDING

File Number: G4.7.79-W2.2

The Council had before it before it the report of the Manager Works regarding Charles Street Reservoir Funding.

Resolution 2021/115

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

1. That the correspondence from the Hon. Melinda Pavey, MP regarding the provision of funding for the Charles Street Water Reservoir be noted.

2. That a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Minister Pavey thanking her for the Governments funding commitment to this important water infrastructure project.

Carried

12.4 * FUNDING - FIXING LOCAL ROADS - ROUND 2****File Number: G4.1**

The Council had before it before it the report of the Manager Road Services regarding Funding - Fixing Local Roads - Round 2.

Resolution 2021/116**Moved: Cr Sally Davis****Seconded: Cr Sam Rice**

1. That the provision of \$4,900,000 to Council under Round 2 of the Fixing Local Roads program be noted.
2. That letters of appreciation be forwarded to both the Federal Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government and Member for Parkes, the Hon Mark Coulton MP and from the State Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, the Hon Paul Toole MP in respect of the receipt of such funding.
3. That Council fund \$237,000 from its Local Roads budget such that the subject works in the Program have a total budget of \$ 5,137,000.

Carried**13 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT****13.1 *** POTENTIAL HERITAGE ITEMS****File Number: H2.1**

The Council had before it the report of the Manager Environmental Services regarding Potential Heritage Items. The Council also had before it Supplementary Report of the Manager Environmental Services regarding Potential Heritage Items.

The Chairman noted that there was no longer a quorum present given the apologies of Councillors Hollman, Bartley and Barton and the Declarations of Interest made by Councillors Rice and Stutsel which saw them leave the meeting. Councillors Davis, Dorrington, Ford, Cole and Thompson were present in the meeting.

The Chair referred the matter for consideration to the next Ordinary Meeting of Council.

At 9.35am, Cr Rice and Cr Stutsel returned to the meeting.

At 9.36am, Due to a technical issue it was noted that the livestreaming of the meeting had stopped. The meeting was adjourned.

At 9.39am, the livestream was recommenced and the meeting resumed.

13.2 * RECLASSIFICATION OF LAND - 17-29 DARLING STREET BOURKE SECTION 3.36 REPORT**

File Number: T5.3.1

Council had before it the report of the Manager Environmental Services regarding Reclassification of Land – 17-29 Darling Street Bourke – Section 3.36.

Resolution 2021/117

Moved: Cr Cec Dorrington

Seconded: Cr Sam Rice

- 1. That Council notes the findings of report in relation to PP-2021-12 (being Bourke Local Environmental Plan Amendment no. 3)**
- 2. That Council makes a request to the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment for finalisation of the necessary amendments to Bourke Local Environmental Plan 2021.**

Carried

13.3 BOURKE COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGEMENT PLAN

File Number: A11.2.24

Council had before it the report of the Manager Environmental Services regarding the Bourke Community Centre Management Plan.

Resolution 2021/118

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That the Bourke Community Centre Management Plan as presented to Council by the Manager Environmental Services on Monday, 24 May 2021 be adopted.

Carried

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13.4 FENCING OF HISTORIC SECTION - BOURKE CEMETERY**File Number: C3.1**

The Council had before it the report of the Manager Environmental Services regarding the Fencing of Historic Section – Bourke Cemetery.

Resolution 2021/119**Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel****Seconded: Cr Sally Davis**

That Council note the Fencing of Historic Section – Bourke Cemetery Report of the Manager Environmental Services as presented to Council on Monday, 24 May 2021.

Carried

14 GENERAL MANAGER

14.1 * WESTERN HERALD ADVERTISING PROPOSAL**

File Number: A4.1-A4.3

Council had before it the report of the General Manager regarding the Western Herald Advertising Proposal.

The Chairman noted that there was no longer a quorum present given the apologies of Councillors Hollman, Bartley and Barton and the Declarations of Interest made by Councillors Cole and Dorrington which saw them leave the meeting. Councillors Davis, Ford, Rice, Stutsel and Thompson were present in the meeting.

The Chair referred the matter for consideration to the next Ordinary Meeting of Council.

At 9:48 am, Cr Cole and Cr Dorrington returned to the meeting.

14.2 * LOCAL ROADS AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE (LRCI) PROGRAM – PHASE 3**

File Number: G4.1

The Council had before it the report of the General Manager regarding the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program – Phase 3.

Resolution 2021/120

Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel

Seconded: Cr Sam Rice

- 1. That Council forward correspondence to both the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister Coulton to express Councils appreciation for the funding provided under Phase 3 of the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program.**
- 2. That Councils preferred projects in respect of utilising this funding, in order of priority be: Bourke Program Pool upgrade and Swimming Pool Entry and Kiosk upgrade.**
- 3. That the GM be requested to take the necessary action to scope, design, tender and be in a position for Council to determine a contractor such that physical construction works on the Program Pool and the Pool Entry and Kiosk, subject to funding, occurs during the period March 2022 to October 2022 resulting in no inconvenience for the public.**

Carried

14.3 2021 WESTERN DIVISION CONFERENCE

File Number: L8.5

The Council had before it the report of the General Manager regarding the 2021 Western Division Conference.

Resolution 2021/121

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

- 1. That the various motions adopted by delegates at the 2021 Western Division Conference be noted.**
- 2. That the nomination of Cr Sally Davis to the Western Lands Advisory Committee be noted.**

Carried

14.3 2021 WESTERN DIVISION CONFERENCE

File Number: L8.5

The Council had before it the report of the General Manager regarding the 2021 Western Division Conference.

Resolution 2021/122

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

- 1. That the various motions adopted by delegates at the 2021 Western Division Conference be noted.**
- 2. That the nomination of Cr Sally Davis to the Western Lands Advisory Committee be noted.**

Carried

15 CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

15.1 * BANK RECONCILIATION AND STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES**

File Number: F1.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager of Corporate Services regarding Councils Bank Reconciliation and Statement of Bank Balances as at 30 April 2021.

Resolution 2021/123

Moved: Cr Cec Dorrington

Seconded: Cr Ian Cole

That the Certificate of Reconciliation of the Cash Book for all funds of the Council and the Statement of Bank Balances as at 30 April 2021 be noted.

Carried

15.2 * INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2021**

File Number: F1.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager of Corporate Services regarding Council’s Investment Portfolio as at 30 April 2021.

Resolution 2021/124

Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

1. That the report regarding Council’s Investment Portfolio 30 April 2021 be received and noted.

2. That the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted and the report adopted

Carried

15.3 * REVENUE POLICY 2021/2022**

File Number: R2.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager of Corporate Services regarding the Revenue Policy 2021/2022.

Resolution 2021/125

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That Council adopt the amended 2021/2022 Revenue Policy for inclusion in the 2021/2022 Operational Plan.

Carried

15.4 * OPERATIONAL PLAN 2021/2022 AND MAKING OF RATES AND CHARGES**

File Number: P4.2.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager of Corporate Services regarding the Operational Plan 2021/2022 and Making of Rates and Charges.

Resolution 2021/126

Moved: Cr Cec Dorrington

Seconded: Cr Robert Stutsel

- 1. That Council adopt the 2021/2022 Bourke Shire Council Operational Plan as exhibited, subject to the changes of the contributions payable to the Emergency Services contributions and the reallocation of funds to the infrastructure renewal reserve of \$59,200.**
- 2. That Council adopt the Plant Replacement Schedule as presented in the 2021/2022 Operational Plan.**
- 3. That Council adopt the Loan Borrowing Schedule as presented in the 2021/2022 Operational Plan being borrowings of \$1,614,000 to implement Councils plant replacement programme.**
- 4. That in accordance with the requirements of Section 566 of the Local Government Act 1993, the interest rate to be charged on overdue rates and charges for the 2021/2022 period be at the maximum prescribed interest rate.**
- 5. That Authority be given to affix the Common Seal of Council to all relevant documents in relation to the 2021/2022 Loan Schedule.**
- 6. That a copy of Councils adopted 2021/2022 Operational Plan be uploaded to Councils website.**

Carried

Resolution 2021/127

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Sam Rice

Making of Rates and Charges for 2021/2022

(a) Ordinary Rates 2021/2022.

That WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan and Revenue Policy for the year 01/07/2021 to 30/06/2022 were prepared by Council in accordance with Local Government Act 1993, S402, S403, S404 and S405 and advertised in the Western Herald AND WHEREAS a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was placed, in which consideration has been given to any submissions received, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that in accordance with, and pursuant to, S492, S493, S494 and S529 of the Local Government Act 1993, that Council make the following Ordinary rates to be levied on all rateable land within the Shire, for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022:

Type of Rate	Cents in \$ Ad Valorem	\$ Base Amount	% Base Amount Payable
Ordinary Rates – Bourke – Residential	1.6988	\$136.00	30.39%
Ordinary Rates – North Bourke & High Street – Residential	1.3378	\$111.00	13.21%
Ordinary Rates – Village – Residential	3.2379	\$39.00	34.78%
Ordinary Rates – Business	1.6721	\$188.00	25.40%
Ordinary Rates - Farmland	.4100	\$548.00	17.41%

Carried

Resolution 2021/128

Moved: Cr Cec Dorrington

Seconded: Cr Sam Rice

(b) User Charges /Annual Charges – Water, Sewerage and Urban Drainage 2021/2022.

That WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan and Revenue Policy for the year 1/7/2021 to 30/6/2022 were prepared by Council in accordance with Local Government Act 1993, S402, S403, S404 and S405 and advertised in the Western Herald AND WHEREAS a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was placed, in which consideration has been given to any submissions received, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that in accordance with S501, S502 and S551 and 552, of the Local Government Act 1993, Council make the following User and Annual Charges for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 and levy on such land:-

- for services provided or proposed to be provided; or
- for the availability or access to services; or
- for the actual use of a service;

Water Supply Services:

Town/Village	Annual Access Charge \$	Usage Charge (c/kl) (tariff)
User Charge		
Bourke and North Bourke		\$2.26
Water Access Charges		
Filtered Water Access 20mm	\$210.00	
Filtered Water Access 25mm	\$257.00	
Filtered Water Access 32mm	\$526.00	
Filtered Water Access 40mm	\$720.00	
Filtered Water Access 50mm	\$987.00	
Filtered Water Access 100mm	\$1,977.00	
Filtered Water Access 150mm	\$3,852.00	
Raw Water Access 20mm	\$527.00	
Raw Water Access 25mm	\$542.00	
Raw Water Access 32mm	\$1,108.00	
Raw Water Access 40mm	\$1,715.00	
Raw Water Access 50mm	\$3,227.00	
Raw Water Access 100mm	\$5,375.00	
Raw Water Access 150mm	\$10,750.00	
Village – Occupied	\$781.00	
Village – Unoccupied	\$90.00	

Sewerage Services:

Sewerage Access Charges	Annual Access Charge \$
Sewerage Access Single	\$767.00
Sewerage Access Multi	\$767.00

Drainage Services:

Annual Drainage Service Charge	Annual Charge \$
Drainage Charge Levy	\$174.00

Carried

Resolution 2021/129

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Ian Cole

Annual Domestic Waste Management Service and Trade Waste (Garbage) Charges 2021/2022.

That WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan and Revenue Policy for the year 01/07/2021 to 30/06/2022 were prepared by Council in accordance with Local Government Act, 1993, S402, S403, S404 and S405 and advertised in the Western Herald AND WHEREAS a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was placed, in which consideration has been given to any submissions received, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Council make the following Domestic Waste Management Service Charge and the Trade Waste (Garbage) Charge and that in accordance with S496 and S501 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council levy such charges for the year 1/07/2021 to 30/06/2022:

Waste Management and Trade Waste (Garbage) Services:

Annual Waste / Garbage Charges	Annual Charge \$
Domestic Waste Charge	\$285.00
Trade Waste (Garbage) Charge	\$285.00
Village Tip Maintenance	\$99.00

Carried

Resolution 2021/130

Moved: Cr Cec Dorrington

Seconded: Cr Sam Rice

Fees and Charges 2021/2022.

That WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan and Revenue Policy for the year 01/07/2021 to 30/06/2022 were prepared by Council in accordance with Local Government Act 1993, S402, S403, S404 and S405 and advertised in the Western Herald AND WHEREAS a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was placed, which consideration has been given to any submissions received, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Council make the Fees and Charges as contained in Councils 2021/2022 Fees and Charges Document and in accordance with S501 of the Local Government Act 1993.

Carried

15.5 * BUDGET REVIEW TO 31 MARCH 2021**

File Number: F1.1-L11.10.4

Resolution 2021/131

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Robert Stutsel

- 1. That the “Quarterly Budget Review Statement – March 2021” be received and noted.**
- 2. That the variations of income and expenditure as identified in the “Quarterly Budget Review Statement – March 2021” be adopted.**
- 3. That the Statement of the Responsible Accounting Officer that Council is considered to be in a satisfactory financial position as at 31 March 2021, be noted**

Carried

15.6 * COUNCILLOR REMUNERATION**

File Number: C12.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager of Corporate Services regarding Councillor Remuneration.

Resolution 2021/132

Moved: Cr Cec Dorrington

Seconded: Cr Robert Stutsel

That Council pay the maximum fee prescribed for a Rural Councillor and the maximum fee applicable to the Mayor, within the Rural Group as applicable to Bourke Shire, with those fees being \$12,400 and \$27,060 respectively to the Councillors and Mayor.

Carried

15.7 * GRANT FUNDING - STANDING STORIES**

File Number: G4.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager of Corporate Services regarding Grant Funding – Standing Stories.

Resolution 2021/133

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Sally Davis

That Council endorse the change of location for the Standing Stories Project with the Sculpture Park being incorporated within the Health and Wellbeing facility at the back of the Back O' Bourke Exhibition Centre facility.

Carried

15.8 * STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES ROUND 4**

File Number: G4.86

Motion

Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel

Seconded: Cr Sally Davis

1. That Council endorse the proposal to apply for funding under Round 4 of the Stronger Country Communities Fund for the following projects:

- **Project 1 – Female Change Rooms at Davidson Oval**
- **Project 2 – Female Jockey Rooms at J.B. Renshaw Sporting Complex**

2. That Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to review and approve the final proposals and designs for the upgrades

Resolution 2021/134

Amendment

Moved: Cr Cec Dorrington

Seconded: Cr John Thompson

That Council endorse the proposal to apply for funding under Round 4 of the Stronger Country Communities Fund for the following projects:

- **Project 1 – Female Change Rooms at Davidson Oval**
- **Project 2 – Female Jockey Rooms at J.B. Renshaw Sporting Complex.**

The Amendment on being put to the meeting was carried.

Carried

The Amendment then became the motion and on being put to the meeting was carried.

Carried

15.9 GROWING BOURKE PLAN 2021 "VERSION 2"

File Number: P4.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager of Corporate Services regarding the Growing Bourke Plan 2021 "Version 2"

Resolution 2021/135

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That Council adopt the "Growing Bourke Plan 2021 version 2 as presented to Council by the Manager of Corporate Services on Monday, 24 May 2021.

Carried

16 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

Nil

17 TOURISM & EVENTS

Nil

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18 DELEGATES AND COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Nil

19 POLICIES

Nil

20 PRÉCIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

20.1 * 'A' DAY BOWLS TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE**

File Number: C12.5-D5.2

The Council had before it an application from 'A' Day Bowls Tournament Committee requesting financial assistance.

Resolution 2021/136

Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel

Seconded: Cr Sally Davis

That Council accede to the request of the 'A' Day Bowls Tournament Committee, in the amount of \$200.

Carried

20.2 * BOURKE & DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB - REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE**

File Number: C12.5-D5.2-B3.2

The Council had before it an application from the Bourke & District Garden Club for support of the Clubs competitions in 2021/2022.

At this juncture, Cr Dorrington left the Chamber and was out of sight having previously declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in respect of Item 20.2 of the Agenda, the time being 10.35am.

Resolution 2021/137

Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel

Seconded: Cr Sally Davis

That Council support the application from the Bourke and District Garden Club for assistance both in-kind and for prizes for the 2021/2022 Competitions up to an amount of \$2,000.00.

Carried

At 10:37 am, Cr Cec Dorrington returned to the meeting.

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20.3 * RONNY GIBBS 7'S - REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE**

File Number: C12.5

The Council had before it an application from the Ronny Gibbs 7's Tournament and Far West Academy of Sport for support for the 2021 Ronny Gibbs 7's Rugby League and Netball Tournament to be held on Wednesday 25 August 2021.

Resolution 2021/138**Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel****Seconded: Cr Sam Rice**

That Council accede to the request to support the 25th Ronny Gibbs 7's tournament including in-kind contributions for setting up of the ovals and waving of fees for both the Jandra and Back O' Bourke Exhibition Centre for a total cost of \$1,160.

Carried

21 ACTIVITY REPORTS

21.1 ENGINEERING SERVICES ROAD WORKS & WORKSHOP - WORKS COMPLETED

File Number: E7.1

The Council had before it the Activity Report of the Manager Roads Services regarding the Road Works section of Council.

Resolution 2021/139

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That Council note the information in the Engineering Services Department Road Works and Workshop Activity Reports as presented to Council on Monday, 24 May 2021.

Carried

21.2 PARKS & GARDENS / TOWN SERVICES / WATER & WASTEWATER ENGINEERING SERVICES ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: E7.1

The Council had before it the Activity Report of the Manager Works regarding the Parks and Gardens, Town Services and Water and Wastewater Sections of Council.

Resolution 2021/140

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That Council note the information in the Engineering Services Department Activity Reports as presented to Council on Monday, 24th May 2021.

Carried

21.3 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT - ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: D3.1-A11.1-A8.1

The Council had before it the Activity Report of the Manager Environmental Services regarding the Environmental Services Section of Council.

Resolution 2021/141

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That the information in the Environmental Services Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 24th May 2021 be received and noted.

Carried

21.4 GENERAL MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES REPORT

File Number: G2.1

The Council had before it the Activity Report of the General Manager.

Resolution 2021/142

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That the information in General Manager's Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 24 May 2021 be noted.

Carried

21.5 LIBRARY MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: L4.1

The Council had before it the Activity Report of the Library Manager.

Resolution 2021/143

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That the information in the Library Managers Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 24 May 2021 be noted.

Carried

21.6 TOURISM & EVENTS MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: T4.1

The Council had before it the Activity Report of Councils Tourism and Events Manager.

Resolution 2021/144

Moved: Cr Sally Davis

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That the information in the Tourism and Events Manager's Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 24 May 2021 be noted.

Carried

22 CLOSED SESSION

At this juncture, the Council gave consideration to moving into a Closed Session of Council.

Resolution 2021/145

Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel

Seconded: Cr Sally Davis

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

22.1 * TENDER – Bourke Water Reservoir Reconstruction**

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

Carried

Council proceeded into a closed session with the livestreaming of the meeting being paused at 10.40am.

23. RETURN TO OPEN COUNCIL**Resolution 2021/146**

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Ian Cole

That Council moves out of closed session into Open Council.

Carried

The open Council meeting and the livestreaming of the meeting recommenced at 10.43am.

RESOLUTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL

The General Manager read to the meeting the motions that were passed in Closed Council.

22.1 * TENDER – BOURKE WATER RESERVOIR RECONSTRUCTION**

File Number: G4.7.79-W2.2

Resolution 2021/147

Moved: Cr John Thompson

Seconded: Cr Robert Stutsel

- 1. That the tender submitted by Brockman Engineering P/L in the amount of \$2,312,141.00 (ex GST) be accepted for the Design and Construction of the Charles Street Reservoir Replacement Project in Bourke.**
- 2. That in awarding the tender to Brockman Engineering P/L Council does so jointly and severally between Brockman Engineering P/L and EVZ Limited.**
- 3. That the documents and considerations in respect of this matter remain confidential to Council.**

Carried

The Meeting closed at 10.45am.

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

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CHAIRPERSON

9 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

10 RESCISSION MOTION

Nil

11 BUSINESS ARISING

11.1 * BUSINESS ARISING**

File Number: C12.1
Author: Mark Riley, General Manager
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

Business outstanding from previous meetings.

Current Situation

KEY: Action Still Pending Action in Progress Action Complete

GM GENERAL MANAGER	MW MANAGER WORKS
MCS MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES	MRS MANAGER ROAD SERVICES
MES MANAGER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	

362/2018	BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION ACT 2016 - UPDATE	
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DWAYNE WILLOUGHBY - MANAGER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	
FILE NUMBER	E6.1-E6.4-L8.1	
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN	
1. That Council undertake a review of the potential impact on the sale of land held for industrial development including obtaining specialist advice as appropriate. 2. That on finalisation of that review a further report be brought back to Council	Continue to lobby Government – matter evolving	

427/2018	PROPOSED CHANGE OF MANAGEMENT OF THE PCYC	
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK RILEY - GENERAL MANAGER	
FILE NO	L1.17-Y1.7-LD-L11.14.3	
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN	
That the General Manager prepare a detailed report in relation to the matter, including the seeking of legal advice if necessary	1. In progress 2. Teleconference held 20/08/2020 3. Correspondence sent to PCYC 25/8/20 and followed up for response 20/10/20 & 16/11/2020 4. Matter further discussed with Crown Lands staff on 09/03/2021 for their contact with PCYC	

156/2019	CONFIDENTIAL – CONSTRUCTION OF SEWERAGE TREATMENT PLANT FACILITIES
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN - MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES PETER BROWN - MANAGER OF WORKS
FILE NO	S3.2.3
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
That Council continue with its representations to obtain funding for the additional costs anticipated to be incurred in the construction of the new Additional Sewage Treatment Facilities in Bourke	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ongoing 2. Water use study near completion. Will then make application for additional funding.

274/2019	DROUGHT – WATER UPDATE
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN - MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	W2.2.9 – W2.2.9.1
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
That the General Manager write to the State Government seeking their urgent consideration of the construction of a regulator or additional weir including a fish ladder upstream of Bourke at a location identified as BU8	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Letter sent & meeting held. 2. State Government commits to preparation of Western Weirs Strategy. 3. Teleconference involving staff and Councillors held with State Water on 22/9/2020 re Strategy. 4. Meeting held with DPIE representatives on 10/11/2020 & 11/11/2020. 5. Further briefings on Strategy held 10/02/2021 and 24/05/2021.

2020/111	DUAL NAMING OF THE DARLING RIVER – DARLING RIVER BAAKA
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN – MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	R6.5
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
That Council seek further clarification from the GNB on which section of the Darling River will be dual named Baaka and will the name be Darling Baaka River / Baaka Darling River or Darling River Baaka.	<p>Ongoing. Geographical Names Board GNB contacted. Investigations are continuing by GNB</p>

2020/223	BOURKE AIRPORT - LEASE OF LAND – ITEM - 23.2
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK RILEY - GENERAL MANAGER
FILE NO	A6.1-F3.1-LD
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
1. That the General Manager be authorised to take the necessary action in respect of the leasing of Lot 64 DP	1. Lease prepared and provided to Viva 26/10/2020.

1027306, Bourke Airport, to Viva Energy Australia Pty Ltd as per the terms detailed in the report of the Acting Manager of Infrastructure and Projects.	
2. That any necessary documents be executed under the Common Seal of Council.	2. Lease signed and now awaiting registration with new Title Deeds being sought.

2020/236	14.2 BOURKE AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK RILEY - GENERAL MANAGER
FILE NO	A6.1
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
1. That Council seek quotations for the preparation of a Master Plan at the Bourke Airport to determine the availability of land for the proposed development and future developments.	Brief prepared, quotations to be invited.

2020/320	14.2 LEP AMENDMENT UNDER S3.22
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DWAYNE WILLOUGHBY – MANAGER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
FILE NO	T5.3
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
Council request the NSW Minister for Planning and Public Spaces to rezone Lot 62 DP 1027306 from SP2 Infrastructure to IN1 General Industrial in accordance with the provisions of Sections 3.22 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.	Further report to be brought back to Council mid-2021.

2020/325 & 326	REVIEW OF CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM 2019/2020 AND REALLOCATION OF FUNDS – ITEM 15.5 - MOUNT OXLEY
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK RILEY – GENERAL MANAGER
FILE NO	R2.5
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council note the report on the responsibility and current condition of the access road to the summit of Mount Oxley. 2. That Council note the status of telecommunication infrastructure located atop Mount Oxley. 3. That following a Title Search discussions be held with the owners of the land and the various owners of the telecommunications infrastructure atop Mount Oxley with a view to sourcing funding for at least the \$80,000 in maintenance work and potentially a further \$110,000 for the guard rail installation, for a further report to Council including consideration to any contribution by Council. 4. That Council investigate its potential liability as a result of the public use of the access road to the top of Mount Oxley 	<p>Extensive title searches have been completed.</p> <p>Liability issues being pursued by Booth Brown Legal for further report.</p> <p>Meeting held with Mr & Mrs Stalley on 10 December 2020.</p> <p>Risk review undertaken by Councils insurers on 16/03/21. Awaiting advice to allow instructions to be issued by Booth Brown Legal to prepare licence</p>

and a report be submitted back to Council.	documentation.
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2020/374	9.1 – NOTICE OF MOTION – IMPROVED SAFETY MEASURES ON RURAL HIGHWAYS
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK GORDON – MANAGER ROAD SERVICES
FILE NO	R7.1-R7.5.1
DECISION	
Bourke Local Traffic Committee be requested to give consideration to the issue of representations being made to Transport for NSW (Roads and Maritime Services) for improved safety measures on rural highways”.	ACTION TAKEN
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Matter referred to BLTC meeting held on 18/05/2021. 2. TFNSW member advised issue was not a matter for the Traffic Committee. Matter referred to GM for attention. GM to write to TFNSW.

2019/439 & 2021/33	NORTH BOURKE BRIDGE REHABILITATION CONCEPT PLAN
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK GORDON – MANAGER ROAD SERVICES
FILE NO	B6.1
DECISION	
Council continue to apply for funding to undertake the project	ACTION TAKEN
Council commit additional funds of \$269,922 from Councils Infrastructure Reserve Fund to ensure a total co-contribution from Council of \$969,922 (25%) to the Building Better Regions Fund Round 5, for North Bourke Bridge Renewal, if a funding application is successful.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ongoing. 2. Letter received from Minister Toole 11/11/2020 advising upcoming funding opportunities for bridge. 3. Funds as resolved reserved in Councils accounts. 4. Applications under Building Better Regions Fund lodged 11/02/2021.

2021/20	14.3 *** PLANNING PANELS - COUNCIL NOMINATED MEMBERS
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK RILEY, GENERAL MANAGER
FILE NO	E6.16
DECISION	
Council proceed to nominate the following Council members to the Western Regional Planning Panel for the period ending 3 September 2021: Councillor Barry Hollman – Permanent Member Councillor Lachlan Ford – Permanent Member Councillor Robert Stutsel – Alternate Member	ACTION TAKEN
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nominations have been submitted to the Western Regional Planning Panel for the period ending 3 September 2021 2. Awaiting confirmation from Planning Secretariat.

2021/49	22.1 *** DEED OF AGREEMENT - CAPRA PTY LTD - PROPOSED SALE OF SMALL STOCK ABATTOIR - FEBRUARY 2021 UPDATE
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK RILEY, GENERAL MANAGER
FILE NO	A1.1-D2.7-D2.17
DECISION	
Council make further contact with the Commonwealth in late May 2021 in respect of the funding agreement.	ACTION TAKEN
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Contact made mid May 2021 with Marsdens Legal to progress contact with both CAPRA and then Commonwealth. Report on matter submitted June 2021 Council Meeting

2021/113	12.1 *** REQUEST FOR TREE REMOVAL
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	PETER BROWN, MANAGER WORKS
FILE NO	T6.1-T6.2
DECISION	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> That as per Council’s Street Tree Policy 3.6.11(V3) in respect of Queensland Fig Trees, Council proceed to advertise for 21 days regarding its intention to undertake the removal of two (2) Queensland Fig Trees with one (1) located at 82 Hope Street and another at 9 Oxley Street, Bourke. That following such advertising period of 21 days, Council proceed to remove such trees. 	ACTION TAKEN
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Removals advertised. Quote for removal accepted

2021/134	22.1 *** TENDER – BOURKE WATER RESERVOIR RECONSTRUCTION
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	PETER BROWN, MANAGER WORKS
FILE NO	G4.7.79-W2.2
DECISION	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> That the tender submitted by Brockman Engineering P/L in the amount of \$2,312,141.00 (ex GST) be accepted for the Design and Construction of the Charles Street Reservoir Replacement Project in Bourke. That in awarding the tender to Brockman Engineering P/L Council does so jointly and severally between Brockman Engineering P/L and EVZ Limited. That the documents and considerations in respect of this matter remain confidential to Council. 	ACTION TAKEN
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Formal letter of acceptance provided to contractor. Work to commence in August 2021.

Recommendation

That the information in the Business Arising Report as presented to Council on Monday, 28 June 2021 be noted.

11.2 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

File Number: C12.6
Author: Mark Riley, General Manager
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

Information is sent out monthly to advise when Council Meetings, meetings which Councillors are Delegates to and other meetings of which Council is a member of, or representatives of Council, are to be held.

Current Situation

Month	Date	Time	Meeting / Event	Location
2021				
June	14	Public Holiday	Queen’s Birthday	
	16	6.00-7.00pm	Vice Regal Event	Diggers on the Darling
	28	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
July	26	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
August	23	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
September	4		Council Election	
	27	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber

Recommendation

That the information in the Calendar of Events Report as presented to Council on Monday, 28 June 2021 be noted.

11.3 INFORMATION TO COUNCILLORS

File Number: C12.1
Author: Mark Riley, General Manager
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

Each month a list of correspondence is sent out in the Business Paper to Councillors to ensure that they have not missed any information since the last Business Paper was produced.

Current Situation

Date	Information Sent	Author	Email
25/05/2021	The Weekly Newsletter	LGNSW	✓
25/05/2021	Inside Local Government	Inside Local Government	✓
25/05/2021	Government News	Government News	✓
27/05/2021	Weekly Newsletter	Orana RDA	✓
27/05/2021	Council Circular 21-07 Commencement of Local Government Amendment Act 2021	OLG	✓
27/05/2021	"From the GM's Desk"	GM	✓
31/05/2021	"From the GM's Desk"	GM	✓
31/05/2021	Government News	Government News	✓
01/06/2021	e-newsletter from Roy Butler, Member for Barwon	Roy Butler, Member for Barwon	✓
02/06/2021	Inside Local Government	Inside Local Government	✓
07/06/2021	NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) Update	Health NSW	✓
07/06/2021	Inside Local Government	Inside Local Government	✓
08/06/2021	Government News	Government News	✓
09/06/2021	"From the GM's Desk"	GM	✓
09/06/2021	Newsletter	RDA Australia	✓
10/06/2021	Invitation to the 2021 BOCSAR Winter Seminar Series		✓
10/06/2021	Weekly Newsletter	Orana RDA	✓
10/06/2021	Latest from the PMC News Centre	Department of Prime Minister & Cabinet	✓
15/06/2021	OLG's fortnightly e-newsletter - 11 June 2021	OLG	✓
15/06/2021	Government News	Government News	✓

15/06/2021	Local Government Amendment	The Hon. Shelley Hancock, MP Minister for Local Government	✓
15/06/2021	Inside Local Government	Inside Local Government	✓
17/06/2021	Weekly Newsletter	RDA Orana NSW	✓
17/06/2021	Invitations for Flag Raising Ceremony	Central North Police District	✓
17/06/2021	WNSW PHN Primary Health News Update June 11 2021	WNSW Primary Health Network	✓
17/06/2021	COVID Vaccination Clinic	GM/WNSW Local Health District	✓
17/06/2021	NSW Health Media Release - Public Health Alert - COVID-19 Case - Wednesday 16 June 2021	NSW Health	✓
17/06/2021	"From the GM's Desk"	GM	✓

Recommendation



That the contents of the Information to Councillors Report as presented to Council on Monday, 28 June 2021 be noted.

12 ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Nil

13 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

13.1 *** POTENTIAL HERITAGE ITEMS

File Number: H2.1
Author: Dwayne Willoughby, Manager Environmental Services
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: 1. Heritage Consultation Results  

Background

Council, at its ordinary meeting on 28 September 2020, resolved to contact owners of potential heritage items identified in the Bourke Shire Community Based Heritage Study to advise them of the proposed listing of their item on the Bourke Local Environmental Plan 2012, and to afford each owner the opportunity to respond to the proposed listing as well as to meet with Council's Heritage Advisor to discuss the matter.

Both a report and a supplementary report were tabled at the May 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council proposing potential heritage listings, or otherwise. However, due to there not being a quorum of Councillors to consider this matter at the May Meeting, the Mayor, as Chairman, referred the matter for consideration at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council, being the June Meeting. Subsequent to such reports and the referral of the matter, additional comments have now been received from the owners of 59 Mitchell Street Bourke, Jandra Station Homestead & Outbuildings, 13 Sturt Street Bourke and 30 Mitchell Street Bourke (Port of Bourke Hotel).

Accordingly this report brings forward the recommendations as contained in the reports as submitted to the May 2021 Meeting of Council and addresses the submissions as received post the May 2021 meeting.

Current Situation

Report

The owner of each of the potential heritage items identified in the Bourke Shire Community Based Heritage Study was sent a letter advising of the potential heritage listing, a copy of the heritage inventory sheet for the item and a copy of 'Heritage Listing Explained – What it means for you' flyer produced by the NSW Heritage Council. Owners were also advised of the Heritage Advisor's visit on 2 November 2020.

The possible listing of potential heritage items was discussed at the meeting of Council's Heritage Advisory Committee on the 7 September 2020. The Committee recommended that the following additional items be added to the list of potential heritage items:

- Barrington Gaol (semi-ruin), Mitchell Highway, Barrington
- Old public school hall (TAFE hall), 48 Oxley Street, Bourke

A number of potential items were also identified as part of the Bourke Main Street Study completed in 2002. These potential items are:

- Police station offices, Former Westpac/Bank of NSW, 44 Oxley Street;
- NAB building, Formerly CBC Bank, 49 Oxley Street;

- Beta shop including the Stihl shop, 33-37 Oxley Street;
 - Clothing store (Setch Clothing), 19-23 Oxley Street;
 - Diggers Function Centre (Former Bourke Memorial Hall) and restaurant, 23-25 Sturt Street; and
- Shop building, 25-27 Oxley Street.

Council has received the following advices in relation to the potential listings:

Number of Owners who responded positively	8
Number of Owners who responded negatively	8
Number of Owners who didn't respond	34
Number of owners who met with Council's Heritage Advisor to discuss the listing	4
Council/Crown Items	11

Some owners have concerns over the proposed listings affecting the sale of their properties, some items are no longer standing or are beyond repair and others the owners do not want their items listed. Such concerns relate to the following properties:

- 68 Mitchell Street, Bourke (a cottage)
- 11 Curraweena Street, Byrock (the former public school)
- 33-37 Oxley Street, Bourke
- Brindingabba Woolshed, Hungerford
- 59 Mitchell Street, Bourke
- Jandra Station Homestead & Outbuildings
- 13 Sturt Street, Bourke
- 30 Mitchell Street, Bourke (Port of Bourke Hotel)

Property	Reason
68 Mitchell Street Bourke	Offer to purchase the property rescinded due to possible listing, owner feels they would personally suffer indiscriminately, being stuck with a property that they cannot sell or restore.
11 Curraweena Street Byrock	Concerned that the heritage listing will adversely affect the sale of their property. They purchased it knowing that it wasn't heritage listed there was no memorabilia left at the school.
33-37 Oxley Street Bourke	Owners do not feel that the building is of Heritage significance by rather a destination store in the main street only. They also have contractual obligations in relation to colour schemes for the building.
Brindingabba Woolshed, Bourke	The woolshed and outbuildings are in a very poor state of repair.

59 Mitchell Street Bourke	<p>Part of the building has collapsed because of 'jerry built' addition constructed of second hand materials and not termite resistant</p> <p>The remaining portion of the building is still reasonably substantial.</p> <p>The owner is ambivalent between demolition and restoration.</p> <p>The building is uneconomic to restore, in the vicinity of \$200,000 to \$300,000 even with some owner labour.</p> <p>In the event of Bourke becoming a boom town, the economic balance may tilt towards restoration.</p>
Jandra Homestead & Outbuildings	Nil reason given.
13 Sturt Street Bourke	Due to it being extremely modified from its original look and structure through various renovations.
Mitchell Street, Bourke (Port of Bourke Hotel)	Due to it being extremely modified from its original look and structure through various renovations.

Council's Heritage Advisor, Kate Higgins, provided the following comments in relation to the correspondence from the owners of 13 Sturt St and Port of Bourke Hotel properties:

- *With regard to 13 Sturt Street, it is not really possible for me to comment without making a site visit to the house (not just looking from the street), however it would be a shame not to list the whole row of houses.*
- *With regard to the Port of Bourke Hotel - I strongly support its heritage listing. It is an important historic building in the town.*

The Heritage Advisor has suggested that the owners of these two properties be offered the opportunity to meet with her on her next visit to Bourke to discuss their concerns and a report then be brought back to Council for further consideration.

The potential heritage items, which contribute to the heritage values of Bourke Shire, have been identified after careful study. It will be recommended that the identified potential heritage items, with the exception of the six (6) properties to which the owners have objected to listing, and at this stage, the two (2) properties where the owners are to be offered a meeting with the Heritage Advisor, be the subject of an amendment to the heritage schedule of Bourke Local Environmental Plan. Such an amendment would be part of a formal planning proposal process which would include additional consultation with the owners of all the affected properties. It is anticipated that the process would be undertaken over the next 1 – 2 years.

Attached are the consultation results.

Recommendation

- **That all the properties identified as potential heritage items, with the exception of**
 - **68 Mitchell Street, Bourke,**
 - **33-37 Oxley Street, Bourke,**
 - **11 Curraweena Street, Byrock,**
 - **Brindingabba Woolshed, Hungerford,**
 - **59 Mitchell Street Bourke, and**
 - **Jandra Station Homestead & Outbuildings.****be potential heritage items for listing in the heritage schedule of Bourke Local Environmental Plan 2012.**
- **That an amendment to Bourke Local Environmental Plan 2012 be prepared to enable the heritage listing of the potential heritage items.**
- **That the owners of 68 Mitchell Street, Bourke, 33-37 Oxley Street Bourke, 11 Curraweena Street, Byrock, Brindginabba Woolshed, Hungerford, 59 Mitchell Street Bourke and Jandra Station Homestead & Outbuildings be advised that their properties are no longer considered potential heritage items for listing in Bourke Local Environmental Plan 2012.**
- **That the owners of 13 Sturt Street Bourke and 30 Mitchell Street Bourke (Port of Bourke Hotel) be offered the opportunity to meet with Council's Heritage Advisor at her next visit to Bourke to discuss their concerns for a further report to Council .**

ATTACHMENT: Consultation Results

Item	Address:		Response Received
Barringun Jail (semi ruin)	74&5/1361	Barringun	No comments received
Anglican Church	31 Mitchell Street	Bourke	No comments received
Betta Home Living Including Stihl shop	33-37 Oxley Street	Bourke	Against listing
Blacksmith Shed & House	65 Oxley Street	Bourke	No comments received
Cottage	56 Hope Street	Bourke	No comments received
Cottage	59 Mitchell Street	Bourke	Against listing
Cottage	68 Mitchell Street	Bourke	Against listing
Crossing Keepers House	2b Richard Street	Bourke	No comments received
Diggers Function Centre (Former Bourke Memorial Hall) and Restaurant	23-25 Sturt Street	Bourke	No comments received
Cottage	11 Sturt Street	Bourke	No comments received
Cottage	13 Sturt Street Bourke	Bourke	Against listing
Cottage	15 Sturt Street	Bourke	No comments received
Cottage	17 Sturt Street	Bourke	No comments received
Gumbalie Homestead	5036 Bourke- Milparinka Road	Bourke	No comments received
Hospital (original section)	26 Tarcoon Street	Bourke	No comments received
J.T. Waters House	3 Mitchell Lane	Bourke	No comments received
Jandra Homestead & Outbuildings	1402 Bourke – Wilcannia Rd	Bourke	Against Listing
NAB Building, Formerly CBC Bank	49 Oxley Street	Bourke	No comments received
Old Public School Hall (TAFE Hall)	48 Oxley Street	Bourke	No comments received
P.S. Wave remnants	Maritime Park	Bourke	Council/Crown
Police Station Offices, Former Westpac Bank	44 Oxley Street	Bourke	No comments received
Port of Bourke Hotel (old former 'Royal' Hotel)	30 Mitchell Street	Bourke	Against Listing
Rotunda: Central Park	57a Oxley Street	Bourke	Council/Crown
Setch Clothing shop	19-23 Oxley Street	Bourke	No comments received
Shop Building	25-27 Oxley Street	Bourke	No comments received
Survey Beacon	Mitchell Hwy	Bourke	No comments received

Item	Address:		Response Received
Tancred Abattoirs	Mitchell Highway	Bourke	No comments received
The Afghan Mosque	Bourke Cemetery	Bourke	Council/Crown
Two Water Holes Cricket Ground PWP 89	Kidman Way	Bourke	No comments received
Walkden's Bore PWP 237	Hungerford Rd	Bourke	Item Destroyed. No longer a potential heritage item.
War Memorial	57a Oxley Street	Bourke	Council
Western Herald Building	36 Mertin Street	Bourke	No comments received
Wool Dump	64-70 Anson Street	Bourke	Supportive of listing
Yulcarley –Give & Take Fence	4441 Wampira Rd	Fords Bridge	No comments received
Byrock Cemetery	Coronga Peak Rd	Byrock	Council/Crown
Curraweena Homestead, Garden Cistern (ruins)	Kidman Way	Bourke	Supportive of listing
Curraweena Woolshed	Kidman Way	Bourke	Supportive of listing
Kenoworth– Pise Ruins of original homestead and assoc. garden.	6856 Mitchell Hwy	Byrock	No comments received
Mullagullah Pise ruins of original homestead & assoc outbuildings.	4560 Mitchell Hwy	Byrock	No comments received
Public School Building	11 Curraweena St	Byrock	Against listing
Turntable	Railway	Byrock	Supportive of listing
Water Tower/Tank	Railway Station	Byrock	Supportive of listing
Wool Dump	Byrock	Byrock	Supportive of listing
Cemetery – Enngonia	Brewarrina Rd	Enngonia	Council/Crown
Former Post Office	McCabe Street	Enngonia	Supportive of listing
Lila Springs Homestead & Woolshed	Twin Rivers Rd	Bourke	No comments received
Racecourse	Brewarrina Rd	Enngonia	Council/Crown
Fords Bridge Racecourse	Dowling Track	Fords Bridge	Council/Crown
Kelly's Camp Bore PWP No:232	Hungerford Rd	Bourke	Council/Crown
Warrego Hotel	16 Aubrey Street	Fords Bridge	No comments received
Fort Bourke –replica stockade	Mitchell Highway	Bourke	No comments received
Cemetery	9376 Bourke- Wilcannia Rd	Louth	No comments received
Church: Presbyterian	35 Hughes St	Louth	No comments received

Item	Address:		Response Received
Dunlop Stn Homestead & Outbuildings, Stone Store Building & Shearing Complex	10045 Toorale Rd	Louth	No comments received
Former Post Office	34 Bloxham Street	Louth	No comments received
Toorale Shearing Shed & Shearers Quarters	Toorale	Bourke	No comments received
Toorale Signpost	Toorale	Bourke	Council/Crown
North Bourke Cemetery	1-9 Macquarie St	North Bourke	Council/Crown
Wanaaring Cemetery	71 Gloucester St	Wanaaring	Council/Crown
Wanaaring Public School- original building	Good Street	Wanaaring	No comments received
Brindingabba Homestead & Woolshed	Hungerford Rd	Hungerford	Supportive of listing of the homestead Against listing of the woolshed

14 GENERAL MANAGER**14.1 *** WESTERN HERALD ADVERTISING PROPOSAL**

File Number: A4.1-A4.3
Author: Mark Riley, General Manager
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

For numerous years, Council has advertised both its statutory and operational requirements locally in Bourke's Western Herald newspaper. In addition, the newspaper has run a General Manager's column which allows Council the opportunity to advise the community of matters of interest as they relate to Council.

Over the past four (4) years, Council has expended (exc. GST) the following amounts on advertising with the Herald:

2017-2018	\$32,820.16
2018-2019	\$20,516.40
2019-2020	\$37,231.00
2020-2021 (to date)	\$41,406.00

This equates to an average annual expenditure of \$32,993.00.

Current Situation

Councils Manager Corporate Services, Ms Leonie Brown, and I held discussions with the Western Herald's Sales Manager, Mr David Sharp with a view to entering into an all-encompassing flat fee advertising agreement between the Western Herald and Council.

On the basis of an annual payment by Council of \$36,000 (plus GST), payable by monthly instalments of \$3000 (plus GST), the proposal is as follows:

- *“Two (2) pages in each edition (one page for the General Managers column and any Council ads in remaining space, plus Council ads on the second page).*
- *The convenience of one (1) payment (and one (1) purchase order) for the entire fiscal year. No need to chase down or issue a PO for every ad submitted to TWH.*
- *Previously, tourism has been a separate buy but if you accept this package, however, we will include tourism ads (for example, the Easter Festival, Christmas markets, or any other activity under the direction of the Tourism Officer) as part of the package).*
- *Council already receives a discounted rate for ads placed in TWH; accepting the package locks-in your rate, even if we must raise rates over the next 12 months.*
- *Even with the current Council discount, one-quarter page ads cost \$250+GST each. Four of these ads in each edition, over 48 editions, would cost council \$48K+GST, so this package offers a significant savings and gives Council the flexibility to run larger ads if needed. (Currently, most Council ads are one-eighth page and have a discounted rate of \$150+GST*

each; if Council had 8x one-eighth page ads in each issue this would be \$1,200+GST per issue, or over \$57K for 48 issues).

- *This package gives Council the flexibility to run different size ads.*
- *If you do not have enough ads to fill a second page for any edition, we can design a page which promotes Council services.”*

In discussing the matter with Mr Sharp, the only additional costs to Council would be when Council engages the Western Herald to print and then insert a loose leaf document into the paper to allow distribution and where Council request stationary items to be printed. There may be instances where Council doesn't fill the two (2) pages but other weeks where Council may require additional space. Mr Sharp advised of a “give and take” approach by the Paper.

Both the Manager Corporate Services and I consider the proposal to be a good one for Council in terms of cost, efficiencies in ordering and in communicating with Bourke and the wider community. On the assumption that Council concurs with this proposal, Council will have two (2) dedicated pages to run not only the GM's Column, which accounts for approximately 1,400 words each week, but also its statutory advertisements and also its promotional advertisements.

Financial Implications

Funds are available in Councils Draft 2021/2022 Operational Plan for this advertising proposal.

Recommendation

That Council proceed to enter into an advertising agreement with the Western Herald effective 1 July 2021 for a 12-month flat fee of \$36,000 (plus GST) payable by monthly instalments of \$3,000 (plus GST) as per the proposal herewith.

14.2 * TEMPORARY REMOTE ATTENDANCE BY COUNCILLORS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS**

File Number: C12.1-H1.18
Author: Mark Riley, General Manager
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

In response to COVID-19, amendments were made in 2020 to the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* (the Regulation) relating to the Model Code of Meeting Practice, to permit Councillors to attend meetings of Council and Committees of Council remotely by audio-visual link.

These provisions expired on 25 March 2021, meaning that from 26 March 2021 attendance by Councillors at meetings reverted to 'in-person' only. At the same time, Council was required to revert to permitting members of the public to attend Council meetings in person, subject to the requirements of any Public Health Order in force at the time and social distancing requirements. The Office of Local Government (OLG) has now advised that the Regulation has been further amended to temporarily exempt Councils from complying with the requirement under their codes of meeting practice for Councillors to be personally present at meetings to participate in them. The exemption expires on 31 December 2021.

The Regulation amendment will operate to allow Councils to permit Councillors to attend meetings remotely by audio-visual link while the OLG considers permanent provisions in the Model Meeting Code in respect of remote attendance.

Current Situation

The amended Regulation operates until 31 December 2021 to exempt Councils from the requirement under clause 5.2 of Councils Model Code of Meeting Practice for Councillors to be personally present at a meeting in order to participate in it. In this regard Council has the option to permit Councillors to attend and participate in meetings remotely by audio-visual link should Council choose to do so.

It is fair to say that both Councillors and Staff would agree that attendance at meetings by audio-visual link is "not perfect". Conversely however with the option being made available by Government, it is considered that Council should avail itself of the offer and pursue the option, but only in exceptional circumstances. Council is not required to amend its Code of Meeting Practice to allow Councillors to attend meetings remotely by audio-visual link while the Regulation amendment is in force. However the OLG has advised that Council should adopt procedures governing attendance by Councillors at meetings by audio-visual link to supplement their codes of meeting practice.

The following procedures, as suggested by the OLG, are recommended for adoption by Council for the interim period until 31 December 2021 or the date on which the interim measures contained in the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 are revoked.

What is an “audio visual link”

- *For the purposes of these procedures, an audio-visual link is a facility that enables audio and visual communication between persons at different places.*

Approval for Councillors to attend meetings by audio visual link

- *The Council and committees of the Council comprising wholly of Councillors may, in response to a request made by a Councillor, resolve to permit the Councillor to attend one or more meetings of the Council or committee remotely by audio visual link where it is satisfied that the Councillor will be prevented from attending the meeting/s in person because of illness, disability, caring responsibilities, or such other reason that is acceptable to the Council or committee.*
- *Requests by Councillors to attend meetings remotely by audio-visual link must be made in writing to the General Manager at least 4 business days before a meeting, (with this timeframe being consistent with the timeframe for lodging notices of motion) and must provide information about the meetings the Councillor will be prevented from attending in person and the reason why the Councillor will be prevented from attending the meeting/s in person.*
- *A resolution by the Council or a committee of the Council permitting a Councillor to attend one or more meetings by audio-visual link must provide the following information:*
 - *the grounds on which the Councillor is being permitted to attend meetings remotely by audio visual link, but not where those grounds relate to illness, disability or caring responsibilities, and*
 - *details of the meetings the resolution applies to.*
- *The Council or committee of the Council may permit more than one Councillor to attend a meeting by audio-visual link but must not permit all Councillors to attend a meeting by audio-visual link.*
- *A decision to permit a Councillor to attend a meeting remotely by audio-visual link is at the Council’s or the committee’s discretion. The Council and its committees must act reasonably when considering requests by Councillors to attend meetings remotely by audio-visual link.*
- *The Council and its committees are under no obligation to permit a Councillor to attend a meeting remotely by audio-visual link where the technical capacity does not exist to allow the Councillor to attend a meeting by these means.*
- *The Council and its committees may refuse a Councillor’s request to attend a meeting remotely by audio-visual link where the Councillor has failed to appropriately declare and manage conflicts of interest, observe confidentiality or comply with the Council’s code of meeting practice on one or more previous occasions when they have attended a meeting of the Council or its committees by audio-visual link.*

Attendance by Councillors at meetings by audio visual link

- *Where a Councillor attends a meeting by audio-visual link with the approval of the Council or a committee of the Council they are to be taken as attending the meeting in person for the purposes of the Council’s code of meeting practice and will have the same voting rights as if they were attending the meeting in person.*
- *The Council’s code of meeting practice will apply to a Councillor attending a meeting remotely by audio-visual link, in the same way it would if the Councillor was attending the meeting in person.*
- *Councillors must give their full attention to the business and proceedings of the meeting when attending a meeting by audio-visual link.*
- *Councillors must be appropriately dressed when attending meetings by audio- visual link and must ensure that no items are within sight of the meeting that are inconsistent with the maintenance of order at the meeting or that are likely to bring the Council or the committee into disrepute.*

- *Where a Councillor attends a meeting of the Council or a committee of the Council by audio-visual link, the minutes of the meeting must record that they attended the meeting by audio-visual link.*

Conflicts of interest

- *Councillors attending a meeting by audio-visual link must declare and manage any conflicts of interest they may have in matters being considered at the meeting in accordance with the Council's code of conduct.*
- *Where a Councillor has declared a pecuniary or significant non-pecuniary conflict of interest in a matter being discussed at the meeting, the Councillor's audio-visual link to the meeting must be terminated and the Councillor must not be in sight or hearing of the meeting at any time during which the matter is being considered or discussed by the Council or committee, or at any time during which the Council or committee is voting on the matter.*

Confidentiality

- *Councillors attending a meeting by audio-visual link must ensure that no other person is within sight or hearing of the meeting at any time that the meeting has been closed to the public under section 10A of the Local Government Act 1993.*

Maintenance of order

- *Where a Councillor is attending a meeting by audio-visual link, the chairperson or a person authorised by the chairperson may mute the Councillor's audio link to the meeting for the purposes of enforcing compliance with the Council's code of meeting practice.*
- *If a Councillor attending a meeting by audio-visual link is expelled from a meeting for an act of disorder, the chairperson of the meeting or a person authorised by the chairperson, may terminate the Councillor's audio-visual link to the meeting.*

Compliance with the Health Privacy Principles

- *The Council must comply with the Health Privacy Principles prescribed under the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002 when collecting, holding, using and disclosing health information in connection with a request by a Councillor to attend a meeting remotely by audio-visual link.*

Financial Implications

There are no significant financial implications relating to this report.

Recommendation

- 1. That Councillors be permitted to attend meetings of Council and Committees of Council remotely by audio - visual link in exceptional circumstances.**
- 2. That the procedures for remote attendance by Councillors at Council Meetings as outlined in the report be adopted.**
- 3. That such procedures be applicable for the period ending 31 December 2021 or the date on which the interim measures contained in the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 are revoked.**

14.3 REGIONAL CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

File Number: G4.1-T2.3
Author: Mark Riley, General Manager
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

Council at its Meeting held on 24 August 2020 gave consideration to advice from the Hon. Mark Coulton, MP, Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government and Federal Member for Parkes, that the Australian Government had committed up to \$53 million to a new Regional Connectivity Program (the Program) to improve access to and participation in the digital economy in regional, rural and remote Australia.

The purpose of the Program is to provide targeted, place-based investment in telecommunications infrastructure projects which facilitate economic and social opportunities in communities that are not classified as in a Major Urban area and that are outside the existing NBN fixed-line footprint.

In respect of this matter Council resolved:

1. That Council authorise the General Manager to negotiate with a telecommunications group which has knowledge of rural and remote internet infrastructure to ascertain the areas of priority of the Bourke Shire Council region.
2. That Council agree to submit a joint application to the Regional Connectivity Program pending the requirements of the program being able to be met.

Having regard to Councils resolution, discussions ensued with a firm by the name of Field Solutions Group (FSG) with a view to the submission of an application under the Regional Connectivity Program. FSG specialises in delivering connectivity solutions to rural, regional and remote Australia and over the past four (4) years has developed and operates the largest national non-NBN fixed wireless network. Ultimately it was FSG that lodged the application with Council providing a letter of support with Council committing in-kind support by providing facilities for the erection of required infrastructure atop one of its water reservoirs.

Current Situation

On 10 June 2021 Council received advice from the Hon. Mark Coulton, MP, that Field Solutions Group (FSG) had received near \$590,000 in funding to deploy a fixed wireless network in the Bourke Shire.

FSG will use this funding to extend high-speed broadband connectivity into areas in the Bourke region with limited existing coverage, enabling the uptake of new agricultural and business technologies. This is an exciting step forward for the Shire with the delivery of the project under the Program to begin shortly and expected to be completed by June 2022.


Financial Implications

There are minimal financial implications for Council arising from the report with Council assisting the project with in-kind support.

Recommendation

That Council note the advice of the Hon. Mark Coulton, MP, of funding provided to Field Solutions Group to extend high-speed broadband connectivity into areas in the Bourke Shire area.

14.4 MARANGUKA COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

File Number: G4.71, C6.51
Author: Mark Riley, General Manager
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: 1. Maranguka Collaboration Agreement [↓](#) 

Background

The Maranguka Justice Reinvestment Project emerged following concerns about the number of Aboriginal families experiencing high levels of social disadvantage and rising crime. The Bourke community has worked for many years to develop a model for improving outcomes and creating better coordinated support for vulnerable families and children through the empowerment of the local Aboriginal community. Maranguka, meaning ‘caring for others’ in Ngemba language, is a model of Indigenous self-governance. It is aimed at empowering the community to coordinate the right mix and timing of services through an Aboriginal community owned and led, multi-disciplinary team working in partnership with relevant government and non-government agencies.

Current Situation

A Collaboration Agreement between the various organisations party to the Justice Reinvestment Project has been developed. The Agreement is similar to a Heads of Agreement document and is not a legally binding document. As General Manager of Bourke Shire Council I have had input to the document and have been requested to execute the document on behalf of Council. In addition to the fact that the Agreement provides in part that “All parties will ensure their respective governance bodies are aware of the obligations under this Agreement” it is considered important that Council is both aware and comfortable with the terms of the Agreement.

Specifically the agreement provides as follows for Bourke Shire Council:

- *Consider any Council related processes that present a barrier to the Growing our Kids Up: Safe, Smart and Strong strategy.*
- *The provision of relevant local data held by, or accessible by, Bourke Shire Council, where possible.*
- *A commitment to listen, understand and where possible, support the priorities of the local community.*
- *The provision of In-kind support, where possible, to facilitate alignment, with the Growing our Kids Up: Safe, Smart and Strong strategy.*

A copy of the Agreement is attached, as already executed by various parties. It will be recommended that Council endorse the execution of the Agreement by the General Manager

Financial Implications

There is no direct annual financial contribution to the Maranguka Program identified in the Agreement in respect of Council. There may be in-kind support requested of Council as the Program progresses. Any such requests will be considered at the time.

Recommendation

That the General Manager be authorised to execute the Maranguka Collaboration Agreement on behalf of Council.



Maranguka Collaboration Agreement

In support of community-led systems change in Bourke, including the partnerships as part of the *Stronger Places, Stronger People initiative*.

Period of Agreement: 17 June 2021 – 30 June 2024



Acknowledgement of Country

Signatories to this Agreement acknowledge the Traditional Owners of countries throughout Australia, and their continued connection to land, sea and community. We particularly pay our respects to the Traditional Owners of the lands on which this Agreement was signed and pay respect to their beliefs, cultural heritage and continuing connection with the land. They are vessels for memories, traditions, culture and hopes of local Aboriginal people and are role models for the next generation. We acknowledge the Ngemba people and respect the guidance and wisdom of the Bourke Tribal Council and cultural leaders in Bourke, as we pursue our shared ambition to *Growing Our Kids Up Safe, Smart and Strong*.

Maranguka

Maranguka, meaning 'caring for others' in Ngemba language, is a model of Indigenous self-governance which empowers community to coordinate the right mix and timing of services through an Aboriginal community owned and led, multi-disciplinary team working in partnership with relevant government and non-government agencies.

The Maranguka Justice Reinvestment project was created in Bourke as the community was concerned about the number of Aboriginal families experiencing high levels of social disadvantage and rising crime. The Maranguka team has worked for many years to develop and implement a strategy to improve outcomes and create better-coordinated support for vulnerable families and children through the true empowerment of the local Aboriginal community.

Collective impact

. The objective of *Stronger Places, Stronger People* is to demonstrate that a place-based collective impact approach can create better outcomes for children and their families and can disrupt disadvantage in participating communities over time.

Purpose of this Collaboration Agreement

This Collaboration Agreement outlines the intentions and commitments of collaborators to join their resources and efforts in support of Maranguka through the *Stronger Places, Stronger People* initiative. This Agreement is intended to complement other existing collaboration and partnership agreements that already relate to the work of Maranguka Justice Reinvestment project.

The Collaboration Agreement confirms the contributions of all partners, consistent with the partnership approach underpinning *Stronger Places, Stronger People*. This includes the agreed approach to how the partners will work together in support of a shared local agenda, strategy and plan of action, and funding support.

To the extent permitted by law, no binding contract or other understanding will exist between the signatories. While this Collaboration Agreement is not legally binding, this does not lessen the commitment to the agreement.

How the Collaboration Agreement will be managed

The Collaboration Agreement will be monitored, assessed for performance and impact, and adjusted to reflect learnings between now and 30 June 2024. The *Stronger Places, Stronger*



People annual Learning Circle process will provide the formal point of collaborative review, reflection and recommendations for adjustment to the Collaboration Agreement each year. Signatories will review and re-sign the updated Collaboration Agreement, post the annual Learning Circle process, if they agree to the recommended changes.

The Collaboration Agreement can be changed at the request of a partner with the written agreement of all partners.

New partners may emerge over time and can be added to the Collaboration Agreement by Maranguka. Maranguka will develop a clear and consistent process for adding new partners.

This is not a confidential document.

All documents generated as part of the collaboration are open source, unless agreed by two or more partners to be subject to specific privacy parameters.

This Agreement will commence as soon as the Agreement is signed by the parties and expire 30 June 2024, unless the parties agree to an early termination or an extension to the Agreement.

Partnership Principles (our ways of working)

Signatories to this Collaboration Agreement endorse and agree to the following partnership principles:

- Collective impact is the way we work in Maranguka. Cross-sector, whole of community and working towards whole of government.
- Relationships are key to everything we do.
- We assume positive intent from each other.
- We are all accountable for delivering on responsibilities and commitments in agreed timeframes – while creating opportunities to learn and adapt.
- We acknowledge our interdependencies.
- We respect the diversity and complexity of each other (i.e. each organisation has their own values, responsibilities and accountabilities) but we come together as one.
- We are values led. This partnership exists to support Maranguka's collective impact practice. Collective impact principles are accepted by all partners as the foundation of this agreement.
- We strive for equity (not equality) – "some people need more of the cake".
- We want everyone to fulfil their potential.
- No one person or organisation has the solution. We have an openness to innovation in strategic interventions, including at the systems and funding reform level.
- We strive for strategic alignment – alignment must be either deep (shared with all partners) or broad (number of shared objectives with at least two or more partners).
- We take a pragmatic approach – we acknowledge that substantial change will take time and significant effort.
- We are outcome focussed and committed to measurement, evaluation and learning

In addition, all partners agree to adhere to Maranguka's guiding principles whereby all programs, projects and services:

- Work in ways that are culturally competent, ensure cultural safety and recognise the cultural, spiritual, economic and physical connections that exist in the Bourke Aboriginal community.
- Fully support, work collaboratively towards, and report against the outcomes and indicators in the *Growing our Kids Up Safe, Smart and Strong* strategy.
- Recognise and support the role of Maranguka and the leadership of the Bourke Tribal Council by embedding these Principles into our way of working and, where possible, into service delivery contracts.



- Build the capacity of local Bourke Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to support self-determination.
- Engage Maranguka and the Bourke Tribal Council in decision-making around employment and procurement and support the development and implementation of an Aboriginal employment and procurement strategy for Bourke.
- Work in ways to ensure responsibility, accountability and transparency in decision making including access to data.
- Provide leadership, authority and facilitation to drive change and better outcomes for the community of Bourke.
- Are clear on roles, responsibilities and accountability to community.
- Focus efforts on the identification of mutually agreed and defined problems and the co-design of local solutions.
- Work to create an environment of trust between partners that supports a systems change approach, reform, risk taking and innovative responses to issues.
- In recognition of the need for long-term commitment and sustainability, will retain and seek to secure appropriate resources to support collaborative effort, meet community needs and to reduce gaps and/or duplication in service delivery.
- Be open, fair and transparent in engaging with other Aboriginal stakeholders and organisations, build capacity and where possible avoid competing with the Aboriginal community-controlled sector.

Roles of partners

All partners

- Support and contribute to the implementation of the Growing our Kids Up Safe, Smart and Strong strategy (the community strategy), in line with the Action Plan and Support Plan developed annually at the Learning Circle that is part of the Stronger Places, Stronger People initiative.
- Participate in the annual Learning Circle, progress mapping, and development and implementation of the annual Action Plan and Support Plan, as well as the Understanding, Measurement, Evaluation and Learning (U-MEL) Plan.
- Commit to map services and investments, coordinate services, not duplicate services and align investments to the *Growing our Kids Up Safe, Smart and Strong* strategy.
- Have an exit plan when services come to an end.



- All parties will ensure their respective governance bodies are aware of the obligations under this Agreement and, where appropriate, request them to:
 - play an active role in the partnership, including attending meetings as may be required from time-to-time; and
 - use their skills and networks to support Maranguka and other partners to implement the *Growing our Kids Up Safe, Smart and Strong* strategy and achieve the Partnership objectives.

Maranguka

- Implement the *Growing our Kids Up Safe, Smart and Strong* strategy and Action Plan.
- Actively seek and bring in the diversity of community voices.
- Ongoing measurement and evaluation of collective impact practice, and the community's strategy and action plan, through community engagement and communication activities, learning, data monitoring, tracking change, evaluation activities and reporting.
- Refresh and support the local leadership group and governance arrangements, convening working groups that involve local residents, organisations and other partners, and which identify local solutions to local problems.
- Build capacity and capability within the backbone team and local leadership group.
- Add new partners to the Collaboration Agreement following a check-in with existing partners about potential conflict of interest or any other issues.

Bourke Tribal Council (Local Leadership Group)

- Continue to lead and govern.
- Actively seek and bring in the diversity of community voices.
- Monthly meetings, given the increase in workload and activity involved in transition to new arrangements.

Just Reinvest NSW (JRNSW) and the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Limited (ALS)

- Provide auspicing for Maranguka until such time that Maranguka transitions to an independent incorporated entity and no longer requires an auspice, as agreed by the ALS.
- Support Maranguka and the local governance structures to implement the *Growing our Kids Up Safe, Smart and Strong* strategy and the Action Plan (JRNSW).
- Work with other funders and partners to maximise support for Maranguka in accordance with the Maranguka-Just Reinvest NSW Collaboration Agreement and Relationship plan (JRNSW).
- Work with governments to develop a fiscal framework to ensure the long-term fiscal sustainability of the community-led collaboration and to build a pathway towards self-determination (JRNSW).

Department of Social Services (DSS - Australian Government)

- Provision of funding for backbone functions.
- Support Maranguka and the local governance structures to implement the Action Plan.
- Provision of relevant local data held by, or accessible by, DSS.
- Connections and influence with other Australian Government agencies (where possible, depending on specific need).
- Be 'more than a funding partner', drawing on DSS resources and influence to be an 'active partner' of Maranguka.
- Commitment to listen, understand and where possible support the priorities of the local community.



Department of Regional NSW (on behalf of NSW Government)

- Provision of funding for backbone functions.
- In-kind support to facilitate and conduct strategic alignment mapping.
- Consider any NSW Government funding, procurement or similar processes that present a barrier to collaboration.
- Provision of relevant local data held by, or accessible by, Department of Regional NSW, where possible.
- Leverage connections and influence with a range of relevant NSW Government and other stakeholders (where possible, depending on specific need) – including to empower their local service providers to fully participate.
- Commitment to listen, understand and where possible support the priorities of the local community.
- Resource and implement cross agency activity under the Maranguka Cross-Sector Leadership Executive Group.

National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA - Australian Government)

- Provision of relevant local data held by, or accessible by, NIAA.
- Connections and influence with other Australian Government agencies (where possible, depending on specific need).
- Draw on NIAA resources and influence to be an 'active partner' of Maranguka.
- Commitment to listen, understand and where possible support the priorities of the local community.

Dusseldorp Forum

- Support Maranguka and the local governance structures to implement the Maranguka Action Plan.
- Support Maranguka to identify how best other funders can strengthen the work in Bourke.
- Identify other expertise internally in Dusseldorp Forum to support the work in Bourke.
- Attend key meetings to advocate and share the learnings/outcomes of the work in Bourke.
- Liaise with other funders about the work of Maranguka in Bourke.
- Showcase the work and achievements of Maranguka in Bourke.

Bourke Shire Council

- Consider any Council related processes that present a barrier to the *Growing our Kids Up Safe, Smart and Strong* strategy.
- The provision of relevant local data held by, or accessible by, Bourke Shire Council, where possible.
- A commitment to listen, understand and where possible, support the priorities of the local community.
- The provision of in-kind support to facilitate alignment with the *Growing our Kids Up Safe, Smart and Strong* strategy.

Lendlease

- Support Maranguka and the local governance structures to implement the Maranguka Action Plan.
- Provide mentoring and personal development opportunities and support for the Operations Director Maranguka.
- Provide access to the suite of Lendlease learning and development opportunities and business capacity-building tools to the Maranguka team.
- Identify other expertise internally in Lendlease to support the work in Bourke.
- Leverage connections and influence with other corporations, clients, partners, industry stakeholders and the Reconciliation Action Plan community to support the work in Bourke (where possible, depending on specific need).



- Attend key meetings and generally advocate and share the learnings/outcomes of the work in Bourke.

Department of Education, Skills and Employment (Australian Government)

- Ensuring alignment between the Connected Beginnings Program in Bourke and the broader work of Maranguka in implementing the *Growing our Kids Up Safe, Smart, Strong* strategy.
- Commitment to listen, understand and where possible support the priorities of the local community.

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- Provide legal support to Maranguka.
- Attend other key meetings outside of Maranguka working group meetings, as required.
- Work with other funders and partners to maximise support for Maranguka.

Governance structures

The operation and alignment of the various governance groups, which support the work of Maranguka in Bourke, is also key to this partnership. All partners with a role in the governance structures should ensure each group aligns their work with each annual Maranguka Action Plan, to ultimately advance implementation and evaluation of the *Growing our Kids Up Safe, Smart, Strong* strategy. This should include efforts to complement each other's work to avoid gaps and duplication of effort, with ongoing consideration given to the utility of the governance structures and the ways the groups work together. Current governance structures include:

- **The Bourke Tribal Council** – The local leadership group in overseeing the work of Maranguka, comprised of representatives from the 25 different tribal groups in the community.
- **Maranguka Cross-Sector Leadership Executive Group** – This group is a governance structure that advances Government agencies' work to support Maranguka. It comprises representatives from Maranguka, Just Reinvest NSW, NSW and Australian Government departments, Bourke Shire Council, and Dusseldorp Forum.

Implementing Collective Impact Practice

The *Stronger Places, Stronger People* initiative is guided by the following conditions of collective impact:

- 1. Shared aspiration and strategy**
 - a. Readiness to lead social change.
 - b. Alignment between cultural and other community leaders around opportunities to be strengthened and problems to be solved.
 - c. Governments, other funders and local leaders build a formal partnership and commit to a joined up approach.
 - d. Planning and decision making is evidence and data-informed. Local data, research evidence and community voice galvanise the community and its partners around a shared vision and plan of action.
 - e. Roles and responsibilities for action are agreed, resourced and achieved.
- 2. Inclusive community engagement**
 - a. Community leadership is valued and influential.



- b. Community members are actively engaged in defining local opportunities and problems, designing solutions, and helping to produce and deliver local actions.
- c. Communication with the community is continuous and tailored to the why, how, what and when of the community plan.

3. High leverage activities

- a. Investment in social, cultural, environmental and economic prosperity building initiatives.
- b. Funders and investors see value in strengthening the local community, and there is a pipeline of transformational projects.
- c. Financial governance generates confidence in investment planning.
- d. Alignment of activities, and collaboration at strategic and operational levels.

4. Backbone and local leadership and governance

- a. A well-resourced and capable local backbone team drives local strategies and projects.
- b. Local leaders are supported and developed.
- c. Local organisations have the capacity and capability to deliver programs and services that support the community plan.
- d. Partnering for collaborative action. Formal partnerships continually develop and evolve. Cross-sector governance is authorised and supported.

5. Systems approach

All partners, including community, service providers, and governments, work together to:

- a. ensure that systems, policies, funding and programs are better coordinated, minimise duplication and are aligned with the community's strategy and action plan.
- b. adjust and change systems, policies and funding and work better within and across organisations and departments, to benefit the community and deliver local outcomes
- c. enable funding and systems reform, including by better coordinating and targeting investments, local decision making and commissioning to directly support the community's strategy and priorities.

6. Strategic learning, data and evidence

- a. Monitoring, evaluation and learning is continuous. Communities and their partners are committed to learning and adapting.
- b. Local governance groups and backbone teams adopt a continuous learning approach, sharing learnings openly with their community and with other communities in the initiative.
- c. Backbone teams actively contribute to the *Stronger Places, Stronger People* monitoring, evaluation and learning program to drive process and outcome improvements.



Annual contribution (cash and/or in-kind) from each partner

The table below describes each partner's investment to the Maranguka Backbone Team.

Funder	Backbone Team Funding allocation per year (GST Exclusive)				
	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Australian Government Department of Social Services	\$300,000 (Backbone) + \$120,000 (Capacity Building) = \$420,000	\$300,000 (Backbone) + \$60,000 (Capacity Building) = \$360,000	\$300,000 (Backbone) + 60,000 (Capacity Building) = \$360,000	\$300,000 (Backbone) + \$60,000 (Capacity Building) = \$360,000	\$300,000 (Backbone) + 60,000 (Capacity Building) = \$360,000
NSW Government	\$300,000 + in-kind support	\$320,000 + in-kind support	\$320,000 + in-kind support	\$320,000 + in-kind support	\$320,000 + in-kind support
Aboriginal Legal Service NSW/ACT	In-kind support - Managing Solicitor Justice Projects	In-kind support - Managing Solicitor Justice Projects	In-kind support - Managing Solicitor Justice Projects	In-kind support - Managing Solicitor Justice Projects	In-kind support - Managing Solicitor Justice Projects
Dusseldorp Forum	Funding + in-kind support	Funding + in-kind support	Funding + in-kind support	Funding + in-kind support	Funding + in-kind support
Lendlease	In-kind support	In-kind support	In-kind support	In-kind support	In-kind support
Total funding per year	\$720,000 + in-kind support	\$680,000 + in-kind support	\$680,000 + in-kind support	\$680,000 + in-kind support	\$680,000 + in-kind support



Signatories

The signatures below acknowledge an endorsement of the Maranguka Collaboration Agreement by all partners to the Agreement including philanthropic and other non-government partners.


Name Sarah Hopkins
Title Chair,
 Just Reinvest NSW and Managing Solicitor,
 Justice Projects ALS NSW/ACT

Signature _____
 On / / 2021

Name Tara Day-Williams
Title Director, Stronger Places, Stronger
 People,
 Department of Social Services

Signature 
 On 17/6/2021

Name Gerry Collins
Title A/g Executive Director, Regional
 Housing Supply,
 Department of Regional NSW

Signature 
 On 17/6/2021

Name Mark Riley
Title General Manager,
 Bourke Shire Council

Signature _____
 On / / 2021

Name Teya Dusseldorp
Title Executive Director,
 Dusseldorp Forum

Signature _____
 On / / 2021

Name Max Saxby
Title Regional Manager Western NSW,
 National Indigenous Australians Agency

Signature _____
 On / / 2021


Name Mike Jackson
Title Director, Connected Beginnings,
 Department of Education, Skills and
 Employment

Signature _____
 On / / 2021

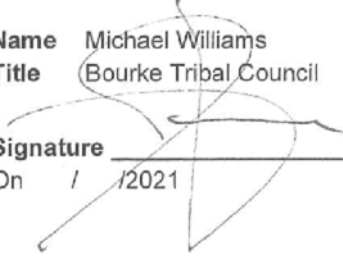
Name Cath Brokenborough
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 On / / 2021

Name Alistair Ferguson
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 On / / 2021

Name Michael Williams
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Signature 
 On / / 2021



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On / /2021

Name Andrew Hurst
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Commander
Central North Police District
NSW Police

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On 22 10 2021

14.5 WHARF UPGRADE PROJECT

File Number: B3.4
Author: Mark Riley, General Manager
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

“Bourke to the Core” is stage two of the Bourke District Regeneration Project. Council was successful in receiving \$1.8 million in funding from the State Government when the NSW Cabinet visited Bourke in November 2019 to complete the second stage of the Central Business District upgrade.

Stage 2 of the project includes upgrades including beautification works at the Council Chamber entrance, Cenotaph, Rotunda, Poets Corner and Men’s Shed, installation of a wharf pontoon and upgrades including garden beds and paving at the Wharf Precinct, additional CCTV and lighting and installation of Mitchell St pedestrian refuges.

Current Situation

Work commenced on the upgrade to the Wharf Precinct in February this year. The project is broken down into a number of stages and in early June, Stage 4 of the project was developed.

Stage 4 works comprises the area in front of Coee for Coffee and the other shop fronts, known herewith as the Complex, with such property being owned by Mr Philip Johnston. Mr Johnston is a former employee of Council and continues to assist Council on a contractual basis. He declared an interest in this component of the project and removed himself from discussions in respect of Stage 4 that ultimately led to the determination of the design for the area and the works to be undertaken.

The original scope of works for Stage 4 did not include the laying of pavers outside of the road reserve fronting the Complex. However, following a review of the design as work progressed, it was determined that the area in front of the Complex, on the eastern side of the complex’s perimeter fence, would look rather unfinished if the concrete was cut and pavers were in fact only laid in the road reserve and not extended to include paving on the adjacent private land, i.e. at the Sturt Street frontage of the complex.

To address the concerns regarding the “unfinished look”, the onsite Construction Team considered alternatives to the laying of pavers in front of the Complex with such alternatives including large blocks to highlight trip hazards. It was noted that on balance there would be a cost to laying blocks as there would be a cost to laying pavers (approximately 50m²) on the private land. The best result was considered achieved by the laying of pavers at an estimated cost of \$7,500 which would eliminate trip hazards and provide a better finished outcome to the area.

The intention was to bring the proposed paving work on Mr Johnston’s land to Councils attention prior to work commencing. Unfortunately, the Construction Team progressed with the Stage 4 works, including those works on Mr Johnston’s land, prior to such information being provided to Council.

It is further advised that it was also necessary to undertake works within the fenced perimeter of the Complex. The level of the concrete would have caused pooling due to a height difference. The need for this work was discussed with Mr Johnston and will be charged back to him.

Accordingly the works are brought to the attention of Council, albeit retrospectively, for information.

Financial Implications

The estimate total cost for works under taken on private land is \$7,500. The project is grant funded and has the available funds to cover the works.

Recommendation

That the report in relation to works undertaken on private land as part of Stage 4 of the “Bourke to the Core Project” be noted.

15 CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

15.1 * BANK RECONCILIATION & STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES**

File Number: F1.1
Author: Leonie Brown, Manager of Corporate Services
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

Bank Reconciliation for the period ending 31 May 2021

Balances as per Bank Statement	\$1,909,439.79
Plus: Deposit not shown	\$30,221.85
Less: Unpresented Cheques	\$1,445,568.00
Balance as per Cash Book	\$494,093.64

Reconciled Ledger Accounts as at 31 May 2021

Fund or Account	Current Balance	Overdraft Statutory Limit
General	\$16,614,892.40	\$200,000.00
Water	\$2,894,836.24	
Sewer	\$2,603,829.56	
Trust	\$118,170.15	
Total Funds	\$22,231,728.35	

Investments as at 31 May 2021

National Australia Bank	\$1,076,401.54	0.75%	365 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$453,028.80	0.73%	300 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$3,005,255.02	0.75%	330 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$1,097,705.04	0.53%	330 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$802,888.67	0.50%	300 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$2,000,000.00	0.50%	367 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$2,000,000.00	0.50%	300 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$1,153,578.45	0.44%	330 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$674,847.12	0.40%	180 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$3,100,208.73	0.32%	240 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$3,056,586.36	0.34%	305 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$703,653.66	0.30%	182 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$1,725,827.62	0.32%	300 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$887,653.70	Flex		
Total Investments	\$21,737,634.71			

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

Reconciliation at 31 May 2021

Balance as per cash book	\$494,093.64
Investments	\$21,737,634.71
Total, equalling Reconciled Ledger	\$22,231,728.35

Statement of Bank Balances as at 31 May 2021

	Balance	Transaction	Balance
	30 April 2021		31 May 2021
General Fund	\$20,065,745.99	-\$3,450,853.59	\$16,614,892.20
Water Fund	\$1,425,484.12	\$1,469,352.12	\$2,894,836.24
Sewer Fund	\$2,603,395.05	\$434.51	\$2,603,829.56
Trust Fund	\$95,292.15	\$22,878.00	\$118,170.15
Investments	-\$23,522,326.25	\$1,784,691.54	-\$21,737,634.71
Totals	\$667,591.06	-\$173,497.42	\$494,093.64

Balance of all Funds as at 31 May 2021

Balance as at 30 April 2021	\$667,591.06
Add Receipts for	
(a) Rates	\$408,707.65
(b) Other Cash	\$3,221,230.56
Deduct payments for	
(a) Payments	\$5,588,127.17
(b) New Investment	-\$1,784,691.54
Balance as at 31 May 2021	\$494,093.64

Recommendation

That the Certificate of Reconciliation of the Cash Book for all funds of the Council and the Statement of Bank Balances as at 31 May, 2021 be noted.

15.2 * INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MAY 2021**

File Number: F1.1
Author: Leonie Brown, Manager of Corporate Services
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

The investment 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**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.

Financial Implications/Consideration

The 2020/21 Budget estimates the total investment revenue as \$295,000 which represents an estimated return of 1.475%. 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 31 May 2021 is \$21,737,634.71
Investment income earned as at 31 May 2021 is \$146,504.48.

Policy Provisions – Council Policy and Procedure

Policy 1.8.10(v5) – Investment Policy adopted 23 July 2020.

Ministerial Investment Order – 12 January 2011

Strategic Implications – Implications for Long Term Plans/Targets

Funds are invested in accordance with identified cash flow requirements.

Investments as at 31 May 2021

National Australia Bank	\$1,076,401.54	0.75%	365 Days	A1+
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Term Deposits

Discussions/Comments

The Investment portfolio decreased by \$1,784,691.54 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.

<p>Recommendation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the report regarding Council’s Investment Portfolio 31 May, 2021 be received and noted. 2. That the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted and the report adopted

15.3 * PECUNIARY INTEREST RETURNS**

File Number: S6.29-LD-S3.8.31
Author: Leonie Brown, Manager Corporate Services
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

The purpose of this report is to remind Councillors and designated persons of the necessity to lodge Pecuniary Interest Returns.

A Councillor or designated person holding that position on 30 June in any year must complete and lodge a Pecuniary Interest Return by 30 September in that year.

The returns can be inspected by members of the public and assist in ensuring transparency and accountability in Local Government decision-making. The obligation upon Councillors and others to lodge returns is as much a protection for them as it is to the community.

Current Situation

Information and blank returns are included with your business paper. The returns are to be completed and returned to Council at your earliest convenience.

Financial Implications

There is no additional financial consideration required for this work.

Recommendation

That Council notes the information received in relation to Pecuniary Interest Returns as presented to Council on Monday, 28 June 2021.

15.4 * REVIEW OF CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM 2020/2021 AND REALLOCATION OF FUNDS**

File Number: R2.5
Author: Leonie Brown, Manager Corporate Services
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

The purpose of this report is to seek Councils approval to carry over to 2021/2022 various projects originally intended to be undertaken in 2020/2021.

A review of the 2020/2021 Capital Works Program and Operational Funds has been undertaken by the Management Team. Detailed below are recommendations of projects and operating funds to be revoted in accordance with the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 (clause 211) to the Operational Plan for 2021/2022.

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 will be returned to existing reserves
- c) Policy Provisions - Council Policy and Practice**
There are no policy implications.

Current Situation

Each year Council has projects that have not commenced before the end of the financial year due to competing priorities. In these circumstances funds are required to be carried forward to complete the projects and expend the funding.

The following line items are recommended to be revoted for expenditure in 2021/2022:-

Project	Comment	Estimated value
Bourke Depot – electronic gates	2020/2021 Budget	\$50,000 (Infrastructure renewal reserve \$22,000 and \$28,000 General revenue)
Kerb and Gutter upgrade	2020/2021 Budget	\$40,000 (General Revenue)
Footpath upgrade	2020/2021 Budget	\$35,000 (General Revenue)
Town and Village Street	2020/2021 Budget	\$50,000 (General Revenue)
Document Management System	2020/2021 Budget	\$70,000 (General Revenue)
Information Display	2020/2021 Budget	\$5,000 (General Revenue)
Website Upgrade	2020/2021 Budget	\$30,000 (General Revenue)
Furniture Janda and BOB	2020/2021 Budget	\$8,000 (General Revenue)

Financial Implications

There will be no additional financial burden on Councils estimates as the expenditure is transferring unspent funds from the 2020/2021 budget to 2021/2022 budget.

Recommendation

That the capital works projects previously planned for 2020/2021 as detailed herewith be revoted for expenditure as part of the Operational Plan for 2021/2022.

15.5 ANNUAL RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND INSURANCE MATTERS

File Number: I2.1
Author: Leonie Brown, Manager of Corporate Services
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

This report informs Council regarding the review of Council's Annual Risk Management Program for the 2021/2022 financial year. Insurances acquired will provide a comprehensive level of cover in relation to Council's various activities. In this regard the annual review of Council's Risk Management Program in terms of identifying exposure to risk and the extent to which risks can be insured has been undertaken. All responsible officers have undertaken a review of their area's exposure to insurable risk, and the extent to which this risk is covered, or unable to be covered by insurance.

Current Situation

In relation to risks covered by insurance, the Insurance Renewal schedule for 2021/2022 includes details regarding the following classes of insurances:

- Property;
- Motor Vehicle;
- Crime;
- Casual Hirers Liability;
- Personal Accident;
- Public Liability and Professional Indemnity;
- Councillors and Officers Liability;
- Workers Compensation;
- Workers' Compensation Top Up;
- Marine Hull Liability;
- Marine Hull Commercial;
- Carriers Liability;
- Public and Product Liability; and
- Equipment and Machinery Insurance.

Previous insurance history and experience indicates that the above classes of insurance and the extent of cover acquired are considered appropriate and provide an extremely wide and effective level of cover.

Public Liability In regards to Public Liability insurance, Council is a member of the Statewide Liability Mutual Scheme. Statewide Liability Mutual is an organisation set up to provide public liability insurance cover to Local Government through a "pooling" arrangement. Statewide is able to negotiate renewal terms for the "pool" through various London Underwriters. Premium increases have been kept below rate pegging wherever possible. Council's contribution for 2021/2022 is \$120,195.03 which is considered to be reasonable given the extent of cover (\$600 million) and the deductible excess remaining at \$20,000.00 per claim.

Property Council is a member of the Statewide Property Mutual Scheme. This scheme provides Council with industrial special risk type cover for all of its property. The majority of councils in NSW are members of the scheme and the scheme self-insures the first \$9,500,000.00 of all losses. Whilst the scheme is insulated from the market to a degree, by virtue of the fact that it self-insures the first \$9,500,000.00 of losses, the purchase of insurance protection for losses above this self-insured value will be subject to some variation depending upon general market conditions. Council's property premium for 2021/2022 (\$210,058.05) is 16% more than the premium paid in 2020/2021 (\$181,832.08). This increase is a result of an increase in declared values of \$1,727,791 by Council, also the past twelve months has seen the global insurance market continue to harden, impacted by catastrophic losses, and following 2020 that saw unprecedented fires and the impact of COVID. 2021 has seen communities severely impacted by the worst floods and storms in nearly 50 years.

Furthermore, it should be noted that Council receives rebates from the Statewide Property Mutual Scheme through its profit sharing arrangements that rewards councils based on claims experience.

Workers Compensation Workers Compensation insurance has been placed with StateCover Mutual Limited since 2003. This scheme has been developed through an initiative of Local Government New South Wales and is a specialised Workers Compensation insurer for Local Government only. It is anticipated that through membership of the scheme, councils who participate in continuous improvement programs will receive reduced premiums. Further reductions will flow from injury prevention strategies and effective management of injuries that do occur. Workers Compensation premiums will be dependent upon a combination of Council's previous claims history and actual claims submitted during each financial year. Council is awaiting advice from Council's Workers' Compensation insurer, StateCover Mutual, as to the final Workers Compensation premium for 2020/2021 (the estimate is \$445,900), and for the 2021/2022 estimate (Council has budgeted \$313,100). This estimate is subject to change based on future wage variations, claims and amendments to relevant legislation.

Risk Management The annual review of the Risk Management Program has been undertaken. The Risk Management Program is currently in place and the renewals of the various classes of insurance, as identified, are considered to adequately address the identified risks.

Financial Implications

The estimated cost of premiums associated with the insurance renewals for 2021/2022 amount to \$528,312.07 in respect of the various classes of insurances held excluding Workers Compensation. This compares to \$480,226.43, in 2020/2021. Workers Compensation premiums are dependent upon a combination of Council's previous claims history and actual claims submitted during each financial year. Council's Workers' Compensation insurer StateCover Mutual is yet to finalise the final Workers Compensation premium for 2020/2021 estimated to be \$445,900, and is yet to provide an estimation for 2021/2022, which is budgeted at \$313,100. Estimates have been provided within Council's 2021/2022 Operational Plan to meet these costs. All costs included within this report are exclusive of GST.

Recommendation

That Council notes the Risk Management Program review and the classes of insurance acquired for 2021/2022.

15.6 RATES WRITE-OFF ASSESSMENT 01610-11000000-000

File Number: R2.5
Author: Meredith Thompson, Revenue Officer
Authoriser: Leonie Brown, Manager of Corporate Services
Attachments: Nil

Background

Assessment Number 01610-11000000-000 is for a Mineral Lease No. 6343 (Act 1906), the lease was in the name of Far Western Stone Quarries Pty Ltd. The lease commenced 14th September 1972 with Trade & Investment NSW – an area of 28.73ha.

Current Situation

In November last year, Bourke Shire Council was assisted by Recoupa as Debt Collectors. Following a letter from Recoupa, Mr Martin contacted Bourke Shire Council's Revenue Officer, Meredith Thompson, to explain that he was no longer the holder of the lease and therefore had not paid the rates.

Bourke Shire Council's Revenue Officer has then contacted a contact at Property NSW/Valuer General's Department for confirmation of expiration of the lease. A response from this Department has confirmed that ML 6343 actually expired 14th September 2012.

Council is now required to write off the outstanding rates for this assessment.

Financial Implications

Outstanding Rates as of 23rd June 2021 are \$1 374.28 to be written off.

Recommendation

That Council write off Ordinary General Rates and Interest for Assessment No. 01610-11000000-000 for the period of 30th November 2019 to 30th June 2021 in the amount of \$1,374.28.

15.7 * RATES WRITE-OFF ASSESSMENT 01610-1200000-000**

File Number: R2.5
Author: Meredith Thompson, Revenue Officer
Authoriser: Leonie Brown, Manager of Corporate Services
Attachments: Nil

Background

Assessment Number 01610-12000000-000 is for:

1. Mineral Lease No. 56 (Act 1973)... – The lease commenced 20th August 1975 an area of 26.95ha.
2. Mineral Lease No. 57 (Act 1973)...This lease commenced 20th August 1975 – an area of 26.95ha.
3. Mineral Lease No. 620 (Act 1973)...This lease commence 28th June 1978 an area of 13.47ha

These leases were in the name of Far Western Stone Quarries Pty Ltd. The mineral leases were with Trade & Investment NSW.

Current Situation

In November last year, Bourke Shire Council was assisted by Recoupa as Debt Collectors. Following a letter from Recoupa, the previous leasee contacted Bourke Shire Council's Revenue Officer, Meredith Thompson, to explain that he was no longer the holder of the lease and therefore had not paid the rates.

Bourke Shire Council's Revenue Officer has then contacted Property NSW/Valuer General's Department for confirmation of expiration of the lease. A response from this Department has confirmed that all leases have been cancelled.

Council is now required to write-off the outstanding rates for this assessment.

Financial Implications

Outstanding Rates as of 23rd June 2021 are \$2,305.10 to be written off.

Recommendation

That Council write-off Ordinary General Rates and Interest for Assessment No. 01610-12000000-000 for the period of 30th November 2019 to 30th June 2021 in the amount of \$2,305.10

16 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

Nil

17 TOURISM & EVENTS

Nil

18 DELEGATES AND COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Nil

19 POLICIES

Nil

20 PRÉCIS OF CORRESPONDENCE**20.1 *** BOURKE WARRIORS ARLC - REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE****File Number:** D5.2**Author:** Mark Riley, General Manager**Authoriser:** Mark Riley, General Manager**Attachments:** 1. Financial Assistance Application - Bourke Warriors ARLC  **Background**

Bourke Aboriginal Rugby League Club (ARLC) provides a platform for young men and women to play at the NSW Aboriginal knockout. The games are to be played in Walgett and Dubbo with the grand final being held this year at Bomaderry on the October long weekend.

This is the 50th year the knockout has been running.

Current Situation

An application for financial assistance has been received from the Bourke Warriors ARLC for Council to fund the football uniforms. Their uniforms include training and playing garments and a backpack for 25 player.

Financial Implications

The total amount requested for the funding of football uniforms is \$7,174.00.

Council has not included the financial support in the 2021/2021 Operational Plan for Community Contributions.

Recommendation

That Council not accede to the request of the Bourke Warriors ARLC to fund uniforms valued at \$7,174.00.



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

File No:	
Doc No:	
ACK	RESP OFF
TASK	REF
27 JUN 2021	
AYOR	COUNCIL
M	LIBRARY
CS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RATES
MT&D	BORED
MEV	HR
MFS	IT
MMV	DEPOT
OTHER	P 2021

Name of applicant organisation:	BOURKE WARRIORS ARLC
Postal Address:	P.O Box 598 BOURKE 2840
Contact person:	ROBERT KNIGHT
Position:	MANAGER
Phone number:	0458 456 384.
Mobile number:	0458 456 384.
Fax number:	
Email address:	

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

VERIFIED BY:

VERIFIED BY:

INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Please provide a brief overview of your group /organisation:-
 BOURKE ABORIGINAL RUGBY LEAGUE PROVIDES A PLATFORM FOR YOUNG FIT MEN AND WOMEN AT THE NSW ABORIGINAL KNOCKOUTS HELD IN WALGETT, DUBBO AND THEN THE BIG KNOCKOUT WHICH IS HELD IN BOMADERRY NEAR NOWRA IN THE LONG WEEKEND IN OCTOBER.

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? 50 ACTIVE MEMBE

Purpose for which the donation will be used:-
 TO PURCHASE FOOTBALL GEAR FOR THE BOURKE WARRIORS RUGBY LEAGUE TEAM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE KOORI ANNUAL RUGBY LEAGUE KNOCKOUT IN 2021.
 THIS YEAR IS 50 YEARS THAT THE KNOCKOUT HAS BEEN GOING.

If not stated above, briefly describe the way in which this donation will benefit Bourke Shire:-
 BOURKE WILL BE TELEVISED ON NITV AND WILL NAME THE COMMUNITIES WITH A SHORT PROFILE. IT IS THE BIGGEST KNOCKOUT IN THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE. EACH WINNING TEAM CAN HOST THE KNOCKOUT THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

Has your group/organisation received financial or in kind support from Bourke Shire in the last 12 months? Yes No

APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

What is the total amount of your request (exclusive of GST)?	\$ 7174	
Is your group / organisation registered for GST	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Does your group / organisation have an ABN (Australian Business Number)?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Is your group / organisation incorporated?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
If yes, please quote your ABN	29942 461320	
If yes, please quote your Incorporation No		
Does your group / organisation have Public Liability Insurance?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 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	\$16000 -	\$ 7174
	for ACCOMMODATION	GEAR.
	3 MEALS -	
Total (A)		
B. Equipment costs		
Total (B)		
C. Labour costs		
Total ©		
D. Other project costs		
Total (D)		
TOTAL COSTS (A+B+C+D)		\$ 7174.

ORGANISATION'S BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

Name of bank:	Commonwealth Bank
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<p>If yes, please provide amount and details of purpose:</p>
<p>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</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</p>
<p>If yes, briefly list details and amount of grant</p>
<p>Rates Donations – if you are only applying for a donation of rates (general or water) please provide the following details:-</p>
<p>Property for which rates donation is sought:</p>
<p>Council's Rates Assessment Number:</p>
<p>Owner of land on which property is located:</p>
<p>Purpose for which the property is used:</p>
<p>Approximate number of days per year that the property is used for these purposes:</p>

Name of bank account:	Bourke Warriors ARLC
Bank BSB Number:	062510
Bank Account Number:	1011 0795

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- For first time applicants, a copy of your group/organisation’s constitution and if that constitution changes, then an updated copy is to be forwarded with any subsequent application
- A copy of the most recent annual report (including financial statements of income and expenditure) – preferably audited
- Copy of notification of ABN Number and GST Registration (if applicable) from the Australian Taxation Officer
- Evidence of Incorporation
- A copy of the applicant’s current public liability insurance policy (i.e. Certificate of Currency)
- Where the applicant is a registered public charity, a copy of the registration certificate is required

CERTIFICATION

I certify that all the details supplied in this application form and in any attached documents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that the application has been submitted with the full knowledge and agreement of the applicant group / organisation.

I have read the Financial Assistance Policy provided with this application form.

Signed: RK

Name: Robert Knight

Position: Manager / President

Date: 16, 06, 21



ISC Teamwear Pty Ltd
 PO BOX 811
 Rosebery NSW 1445
 Australia

A.C.N 608 430 860
 A.B.N 90 608 430 860
 Bank BSB: 062239 - ACC No: 1027 8018
 Phone (02) 8324 4900
 Fax (02) 8324 4998

Invoice No : 31864
 Invoice Type : PRO FORMA INVOICE

INVOICE TO : Contact : Bourke Warriors ATT : Mark Knight NSW Australia	DELIVER TO : Contact : Bourke Warriors ATT : Mark Knight TBA Bourke 2000 NSW Australia	Pro Forma Date : 18-Jun-2021 Payment Method : Delivery Method : Direct to Customer. Internal Order No : 31864 Customer Order No : Currency : \$ - Australia
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Line	Garment	Description	Sizes										Unit Price	Qty	Total Value (Excl. GST/VAT)		
			XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL	7XL	8XL			
1	MHDP_179000_C	Mens Sub Hoodie with Kangaroo Pocket - Cus Design	0	2	9	7	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	60.00	25	1,500.00
4	MILS_000C	Mens Sub League Shorts - Cus Design	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL	7XL	8XL	17.00	25	425.00
6	METS_179000_C	Mens Sub Elite Training Shorts - Cus Design	0	5	8	7	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	36.50	25	912.50
2	MSP_000C	Mens Sub Polo with Raglan Sleeves - Cus Design	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL	7XL	8XL	32.50	25	812.50
5	MLT_000C	Mens Sub Long Sleeve Training Tee - Cus Design	0	2	9	7	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	35.00	25	875.00
3	MAY_000C	Mens Sub Jersey - Cus Design	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL	7XL	8XL	35.00	25	875.00

5 TO 8 9 TO 2 2 TO 7 8 TO 11 12 TO 14 14+

Line	Garment	Description	Sizes					Unit Price	Qty	Total Value (Excl. GST/VAT)	
7	SOCK_CUS	Sock - Cus Design	0	0	1	15	9	0	10.00	25	250.00
			EA								
8	BP_001_NVY	Backpack - Navy							48.00	25	1,150.00
Total Units: 200											

Discount Applied: (-487.50)
 Total Line Value: 6,900.00
 Shipping Costs: 50.00
 GST: 885.00
 Total Value: 7,535.00

Pro Forma Amount : \$ 3,767.50

(Pro Forma Percentage : 50.00 %)

TERMS:

Payment Terms Net30 days from Invoice Date for account customers. Payments outside the terms of this invoice will attract admin fee 35% per month.
 Bank account details: SC TEAMWEAR PTY LTD, Commonwealth Bank BSB: 062239 - ACC No: 1027 8018
 Any credit claims must be lodged with SC TEAMWEAR PTY LTD within 14 days from receipt of goods or services.
 Faulty or damaged goods can be returned up to 14 days following delivery.
 Property and title in all goods supplied by SC to you shall remain with SC until such time as full payment is made for all amounts owing by you to SC on any account. If you fail to pay all or any part of your debts to SC you grant an irrevocable licence to SC and its representatives to enter any premises where any goods are kept and to repossess the goods if payment in full has been received by SC. You shall store the goods in a way that clearly manifests SC's title. If you hold the goods as bailee and as a fiduciary for SC, you must not allow any person to acquire any interest in the goods in the event of sale of the goods. You shall account fully to SC for the entire proceeds of the sale of those goods and separately hold such proceeds on trust for SC for the account proceeds from sale are payable immediately without demand to SC. SC may trace the proceeds of any such sales in accordance with equitable principles. Upon introduction of the Personal Property Securities Act 2009, you agree that SC has created and can register a Personal Monies Security Interest in

Surcharge Applies for Credit Card Payments
 Visa & MasterCard - 1.25%

20.2 * BOURKE ROTARY CLUB - REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE****File Number:** C12.5**Author:** Mark Riley, General Manager**Authoriser:** Mark Riley, General Manager**Attachments:** 1. Financial Assistance Application - Bourke Rotary Club [↓](#) **Background**

Council has received a request from the Bourke Rotary Club for in-kind support to hold a Christmas in July luncheon at the Back O Bourke Exhibition Centre on Sunday, 25 July 2021. Bourke Rotary has supported senior's functions for many years. Due to COVID and the reluctance for elderly residence to participate in activities for most of 2020, they have decided it is time to start to thank our seniors for their contribution to the community.

Current Situation

The request includes in-kind assistance for waiving of fees for the Back O Bourke Exhibition Function Centre (\$350) for the luncheon on 25 July 2021.

Financial Implications

The in-kind contribution for the waiver of \$350.00 of fees can be accommodated within the Operational Plan.

Recommendation

That Council accede to the request to support the Bourke Rotary Club in holding a Christmas in July luncheon for the Bourke seniors and the wavier of fees for the hire of the Back O Bourke Conference Centre totally \$350.00 on 25 July 2021.

To be eligible, organisations must:-

- submit an application on the prescribed form
- meet the criteria and the guidelines set out in this policy, and
- explain why their request was not submitted through the annual process



**APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
(DONATIONS, SPONSORSHIP, "IN KIND" SUPPORT)**

Name of applicant organisation:	Bourke Rotary Club.
Postal Address:	PO Box 411. Bourke.
Contact person:	Pat Canty.
Position:	President.
Phone number:	
Mobile number:	
Fax number:	
Email address:	Patricia.Canty@health.nsw.gov.au.

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:-
 Bourke Rotary is an organisation of business and professional persons united to provide services to our community.

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?

Purpose for which the donation will be used:-

The Bourke Rotary Club propose to hold a Christmas in July function for Senior Citizens within our community. Since COVID the Bourke Seniors have not had a function such as seniors week or Christmas party to thank them for the service to community.
 The Rotary Club would like to request the Waiver of fees to the BOB Conference online on Sunday 25/7/2021

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

as above a function for Bourke LGA Seniors

Has your group/organisation received financial or in kind support from Bourke Shire in the last 12 months?	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
If yes, please provide amount and details of purpose: <i>in kind support of Conference facility at the BOS</i>		
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	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 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)?	\$ <i>in kind</i>	
Is your group / organisation registered for GST	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Does your group / organisation have an ABN (Australian Business Number)?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Is your group / organisation incorporated?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
If yes, please quote your ABN		
If yes, please quote your Incorporation No		
Does your group / organisation have Public Liability Insurance?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> 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		
Total (A)		
B. Equipment costs		
<i>Condenser capacity</i>		<i>\$350.00</i>
Total (B)		
C. Labour costs		
Total ©		
D. Other project costs		
Total (D)		
TOTAL COSTS (A+B+C+D)		

ORGANISATION'S BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

Name of bank:	
Name of bank account:	
Bank BSB Number:	
Bank Account Number:	

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- For first time applicants, a copy of your group/organisation's constitution and if that constitution changes, then an updated copy is to be forwarded with any subsequent application
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CERTIFICATION

I certify that all the details supplied in this application form and in any attached documents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that the application has been submitted with the full knowledge and agreement of the applicant group / organisation.

I have read the Financial Assistance Policy provided with this application form.

Signed: Leonie Bronn

Name: LEONIE BRONN

Position: Secretary

Date: 22 / 06 / 2022

21 ACTIVITY REPORTS

21.1 ENGINEERING SERVICES ROAD WORKS & WORKSHOP - WORKS COMPLETED

File Number: E7.1
Author: Mark Gordon, Manager Roads
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

The following information outlines works completed from the 14 May 2021 to 15th June 2021 inclusive.

Road Works - Chris Morrall – Engineering Technical Officer	
1. NORTH SECTOR – Denis Tiffen, Team Leader	
Location	Work Carried Out
MR 405 Wanaaring Road	Bitumen Construction Romani to Wangamana Commenced
MR 404 Hungerford Road	Yantabulla Bitumen Construction Completed
RLR 49 West Culgoa Road	Grading Completed
2. SOUTH SECTOR - John Reed, Team Leader	
Location	Work Carried Out
MR 405 Wanaaring Road	Bitumen Construction Romani to Wangamana Commenced
MR 68 South	Top Grade Commenced
HW 7 South	Shoulder Widening Commenced
3. TRANSPORT SECTOR - Simon Wielinga, Team Leader	
MR 405 Wanaaring Road	Bitumen Construction Romani to Wangamana Commenced
HW 7 South	Shoulder Widening Commenced
4 BITUMEN SECTOR - John Bartley, Team Leader	
Bourke Township	Patching undertaken
Regional roads	Patching undertaken
State Highways	Patching undertaken
State Highways	Slashing Commenced

WORKSHOP – Colin Kiley, Team Leader, Tradesman Plant Mechanic			
Plant no	Rego	Description	Work Carried Out
40	CP40FZ	Isuzu NHNQR	Service carried out
50	CL16AC	Kenworth	Service carried out, remove and replace bearing, seals, and brake on 3 rd axle, clean parts, adjust brakes and replace hydraulic couplers
51	YII29U	Mazda BT 50 4x2	Service carried out, replace Anderson plug, replace front tyres
52	K46881	1997 Traffic Signal Equipment	Replace and calibrate lights
57	CC20UJ	Street Sweeper	Service carried out, repair air leaks and back controller, repair and replace hydraulic hoses
76	P95814	2004 Moore Road Train Tipper	Repair wiring and replace lights and reflector, replace brake shoes on LH hub axle, adjust bearing and brake
88	CV36LT	2012 Colorado	Service carried out, repair tail lights
97	YUB437	2003 Isuzu 900 F3 FTR	Engine light on dash, diagnose fault and repair, repair 2 way wiring
102	CV32LT	2019 Ford Ranger	Service carried out
134	94196-D	2019 John Deere	Service carried out
139	BR53WH	Caterpillar 950h	Service carried out
141	XN84BW	John Deere	Service carried out
148	TC60FS	Dolly	Replace tail light, repair wiring, remove and replace ring feeder bush, replace all suspension bushes and rewire and replace all lights
150	BV55RE	2013 Caterpillar	Service carried out
155	XN95ZI	2021 Isuzu	Fit out new truck, fuel pump, toolboxes, compressor, airlines, water tank
174		2020 Mazda BT 50	Service carried out
178	CO73PY	Isuzu NPS	Repair wiring for 12 V outlet
180	TD35QS	Car Trailer	Repair wiring and replace tyres
191	ELJ42B	2020 Toyota Prado	Service carried out, drain and clean fuel tank and replace filters
196	P-87976	Box Trailer	Removed damaged wiring, replace wiring and fit new lights and plug
218	BR67WH	2012 Hino	Repair wiring and replace lights
226	YN17BI	2020 Boggie Water Cart	Remove and replace hydraulic motor and coupling, replace mud flaps and signs
227	YN18BI	2020 Boggie Water Cart	Remove and replace hydraulic motor and coupling, replace mud flaps and signs
231	X22672	2011 Kohler	Diagnose, found faulty engine
260	CT96NB	Mazda BT 50	Service carried out
404	XN30QQ	2010 Isuzu 500 Short FRR	Service carried out, replace engine belts and seat belts
406	TF03PJ	GENSET	Engine running hot, flush radiator and check thermostat, found faulty temp switch
505	XN17EH	Kenworth Prime mover	Service carried out, repair wiring in tail light

506	XN65HG	Kenworth Prime mover	Service carried out, found faulty wiring repair wiring on engine fan
510	73228-D	Smooth Drum Roller	Diagnose problem with wiring and repair, repair hydraulic leak, turbo and intercooler faulty, remove and replace turbo and cooler
511	73229-D	Smooth Drum Roller	Service carried out
512	73235-D	Multi Tyre Roller	Service carried out
		Crossley Engine	Repair fuel injector lines
Staff Training		Nil	

Recommendation

That Council note the information in the Engineering Services Department Road Works and Workshop Activity Reports as presented to Council on Monday, 28th June 2021.

**21.2 PARKS & GARDENS / TOWN SERVICES / WATER & WASTEWATER
ENGINEERING SERVICES ACTIVITY REPORT**

File Number: E7.1
Author: Peter Brown, Manager Works
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

The following information outlines works completed for the period 14th May 2021 to 10th June 2021 inclusive.

Current Situation

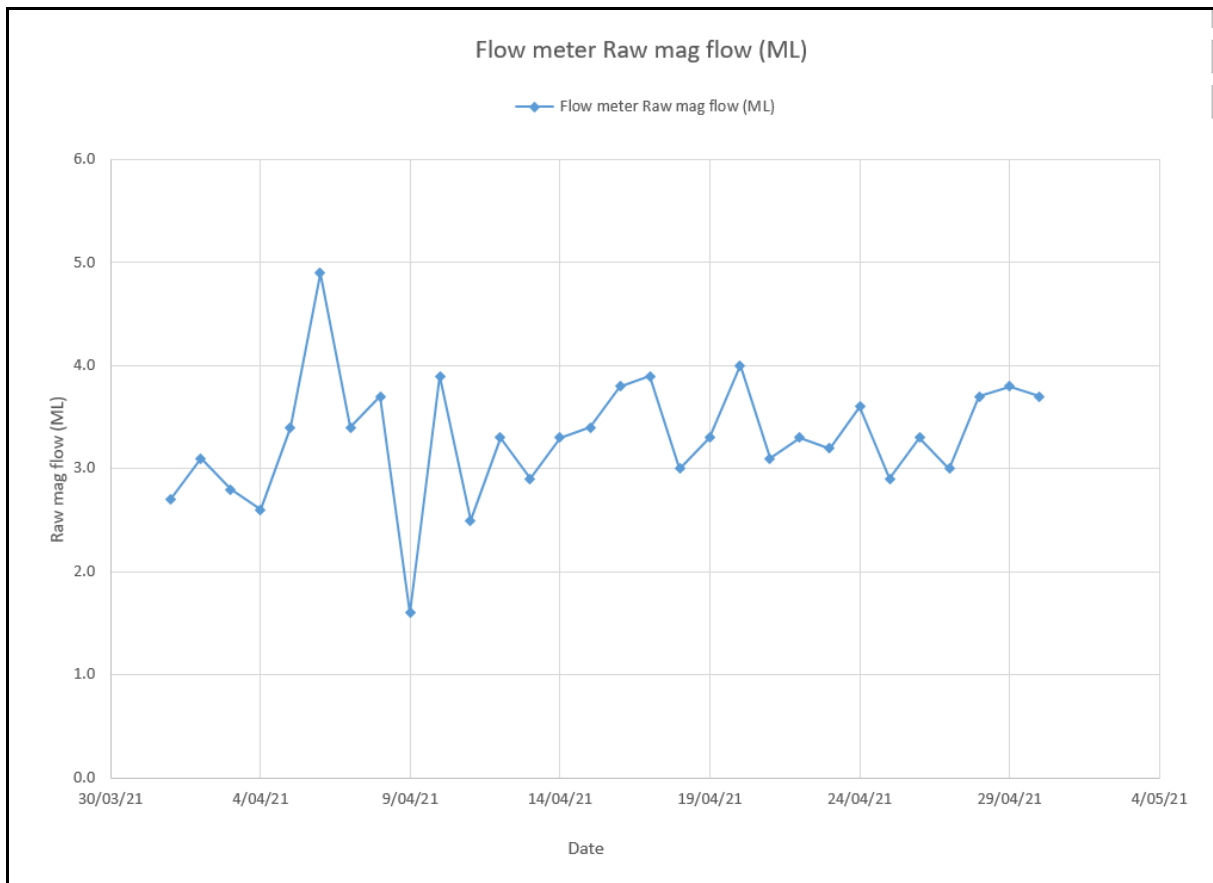
PARKS & GARDENS – Terry Rankmore, Team Leader	
Location	Work Carried Out
General	All parks & sporting grounds gardens, regular mowing & maintenance carried out. Sporting grounds facilities cleaned & maintained. Public toilets cleaned & maintained. Clean facilities. General graffiti removal carried out on Council facilities.
Small Plant	Maintenance & service carried out on all ground plant.
Works Requests	Actioned & ongoing.
1 Tudor St	General maintenance carried out.
Wharf	General maintenance carried out.
Council Office	General maintenance carried out.
Renshaw Complex	Grounds, facilities cleaned & maintained. Prepare grounds for gun club.
Coolican Oval	General maintenance carried out. Prepare grounds for Junior Rugby Union Training. Prepare grounds for Ladies Rugby Union Training. Prepare grounds for Bourke Soccer Club.
Davidson Oval	General maintenance carried out. Prepare grounds for Junior and Senior Rugby Union. Prepare grounds for St Ignatius School athletics carnival. Prepare grounds for Rugby League match.
Central Park	Skate Park - regular mowing & maintenance carried out, graffiti removal.
Villages	Mow grounds, facilities cleaned & maintained.
Airport	Mowed airstrip.
Darling Park	Prepare grounds for Smoking Ceremony.
Staff Training	Nil

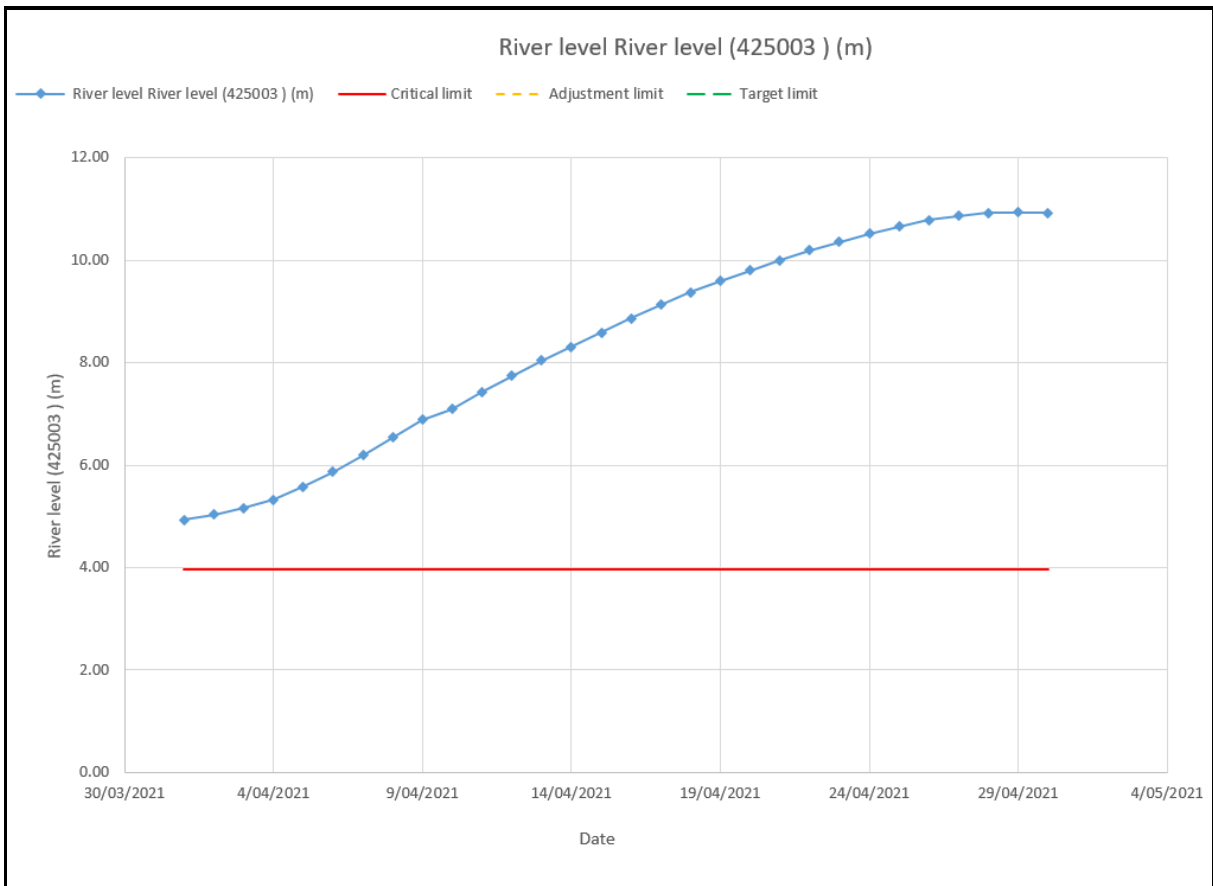
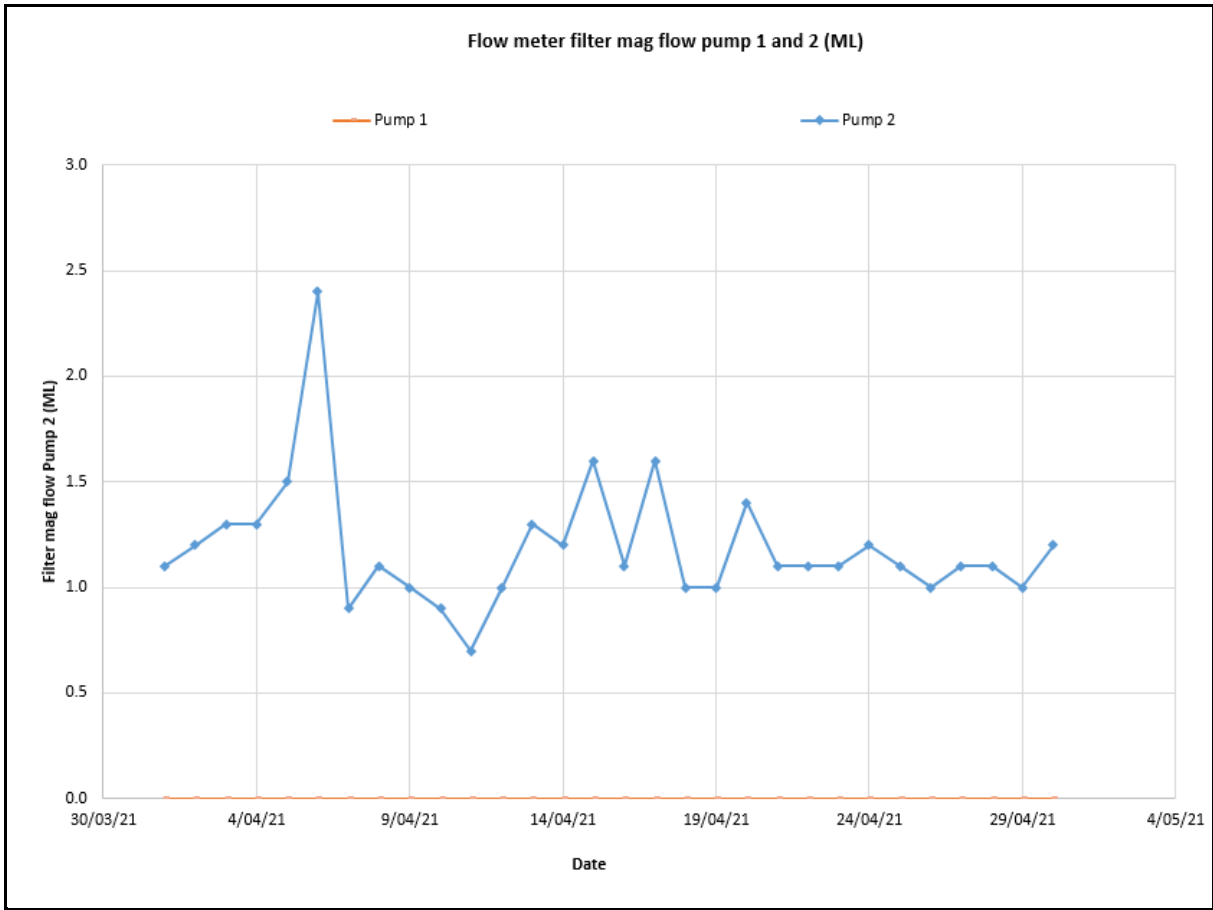
TOWN SERVICES – Troy Hayman, Team Leader	
Location	Work Carried Out
Work Requests	Actioned & ongoing
	Weekly sand footpaths
	Weekly Town mowing
	Relieving Staff in garbage truck
	Daily-Main Street Program
	Daily airport Inspections
	Monthly airport inspections Louth & Wanaaring
Cemetery	Prepared graves:- 6/5/2021, 14/5/2021
Rest Areas	Weekly rubbish removal & cleaning along road side, removed burnt out car
	Mow & poison Sydney Road rest areas
Staff Training	Nil
	Prune trees
	Replace stolen tree guards
	Remove dead animals
	Gravel holes at pound
	Deliver crusher dust to wharf
	Load and crane blocks to wharf
	Mow Tancred Drive
	Whipper snip IGA and Police Laneways
	Crane water works
	Start slashing levee
	Remove trees from Back O Bourke Exhibition Centre
	Tidy up blisters in Oxley Street
	Aerial men shed (pull apart)
	Crane Wanaaring Road-Bore
	Jandra Tables
	Prune and cut laneway trees
	Slab Renshaw Complex
	Remove tree from North Bourke Boat Ramp
	Commenced work at tennis courts
	Crane-Waterworks
Gravel holes in Tarcoon Street	
Trees in Mitchell Street	
Replace bollards back in footpath after trailer knocking them out	

Water & Wastewater – Shane Hopley, Team Leader	
Water Supply Planned Maintenance for	
11 Hope Street	Sewer Choke
10 Culgoa Street	Sewer Choke
40 Hope Street	Sewer Choke
6 Glen Street	Sewer Choke
150 Meadows Road	Sewer Choke
Wharf Toilets	Sewer Choke
70 Mertin Street	Sewer Choke- Replaced Sewer
58 Oxley Street	Repair 25mm raw water service
5 Charles Street	Repair 25mm raw water service
26 Tudor Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repair 25mm service
20 Tudor Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repair 25mm service
44 Wortumertie Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
21 Wortumertie Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
Renshaw Complex	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
35 Anson Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
81 Tudor Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
44 Wortumertie Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
Wharf Upgrades	New 25mm filtered service Install new 100mm raw water service
9 Denman Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
47 Mertin Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
Parkdale Road	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
84 Tudor Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
23 Anson Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
Tarcoon Street	Dug 150 filtered water main and repaired main
Outback Fuel	Dug 150 filtered water main and repaired main
North Bourke	Repair leaking tap in toilet
Louth	Repair leaking tap in toilet
5 Denman Street	Check filtered service
Central Park	Replaced vandalised broken toilet
Jones Park	Connect water for sprinkler system
Enngonia Park	Replace kitchen plumbing
Louth	Clean tanks River pump inspected by NSW Water
Davidson Oval	Install single station solenoid on hill
Wanaaring	Flush Hydrants
Ongoing	COVID-19 sewer samples
	Monthly sewer samples
	Water trees
	SPS inspection and M&R
	Water meter replacements
	Paint / Flush raw water hydrant
	Connect new WTP too filtered water system

	Move pump from Gumbalie to new bore Dargle
Alice Edwards Village	Install / Flush point in filtered main
Alice Edwards Village	Routine maintenance & monitoring as per ACP Management Plan
Clara Hart Village	Routine maintenance & monitoring as per ACP Management Plan
Training	Nil

April Flow 2021



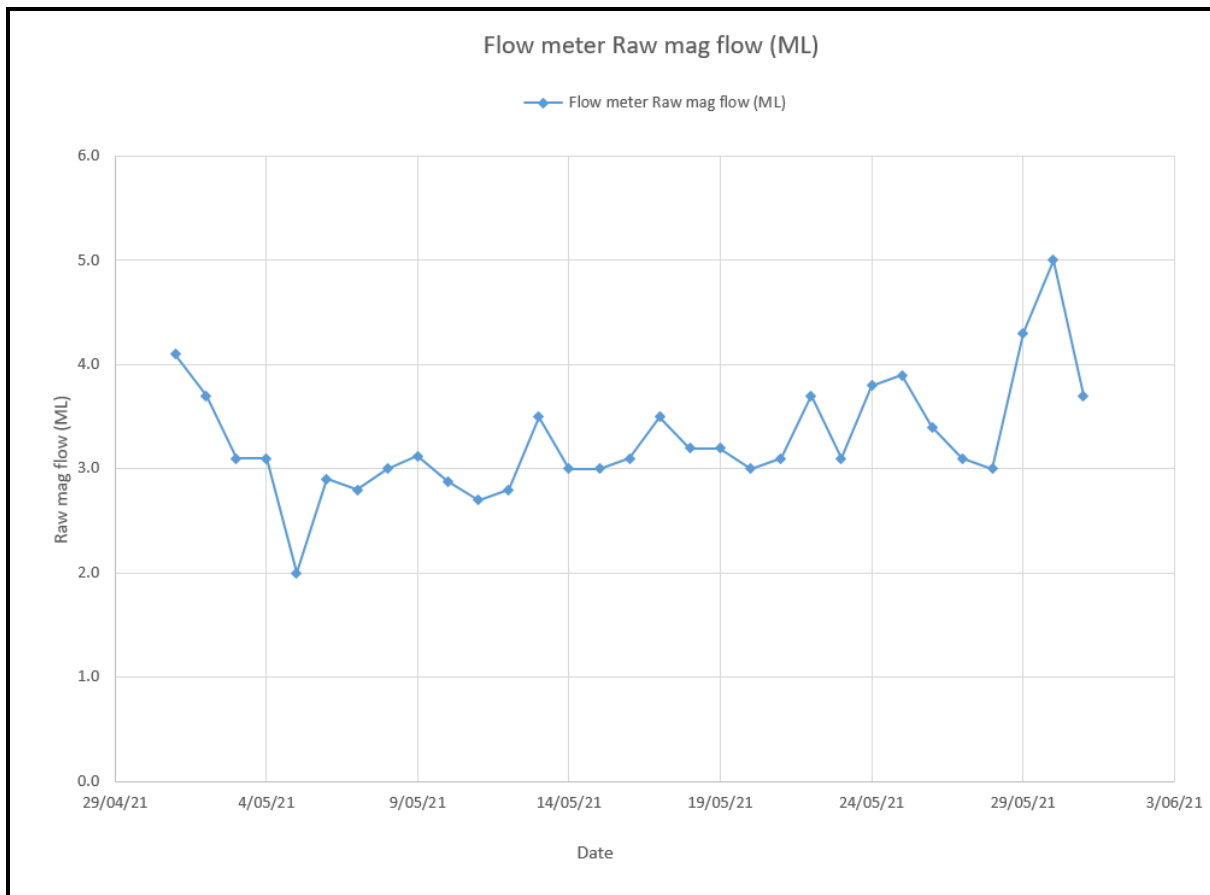


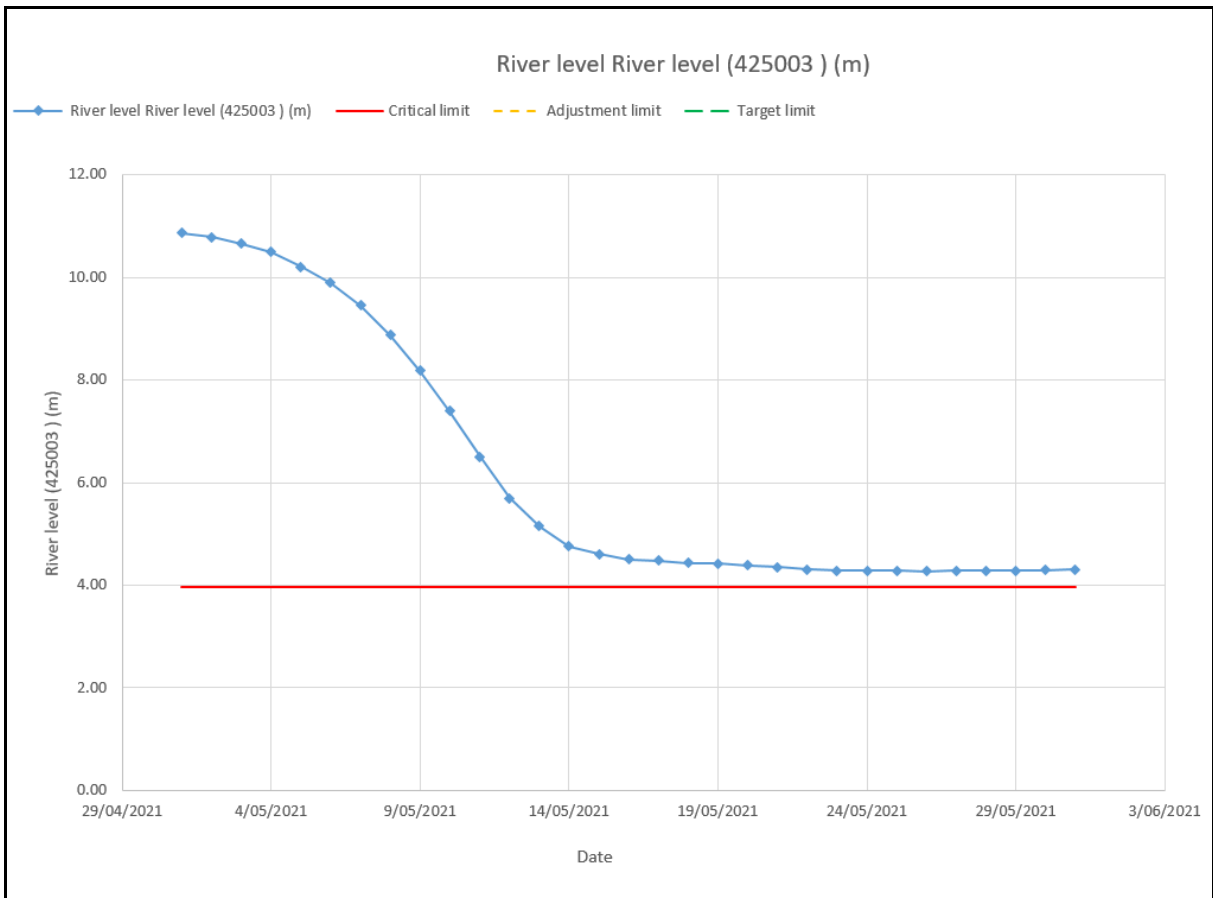
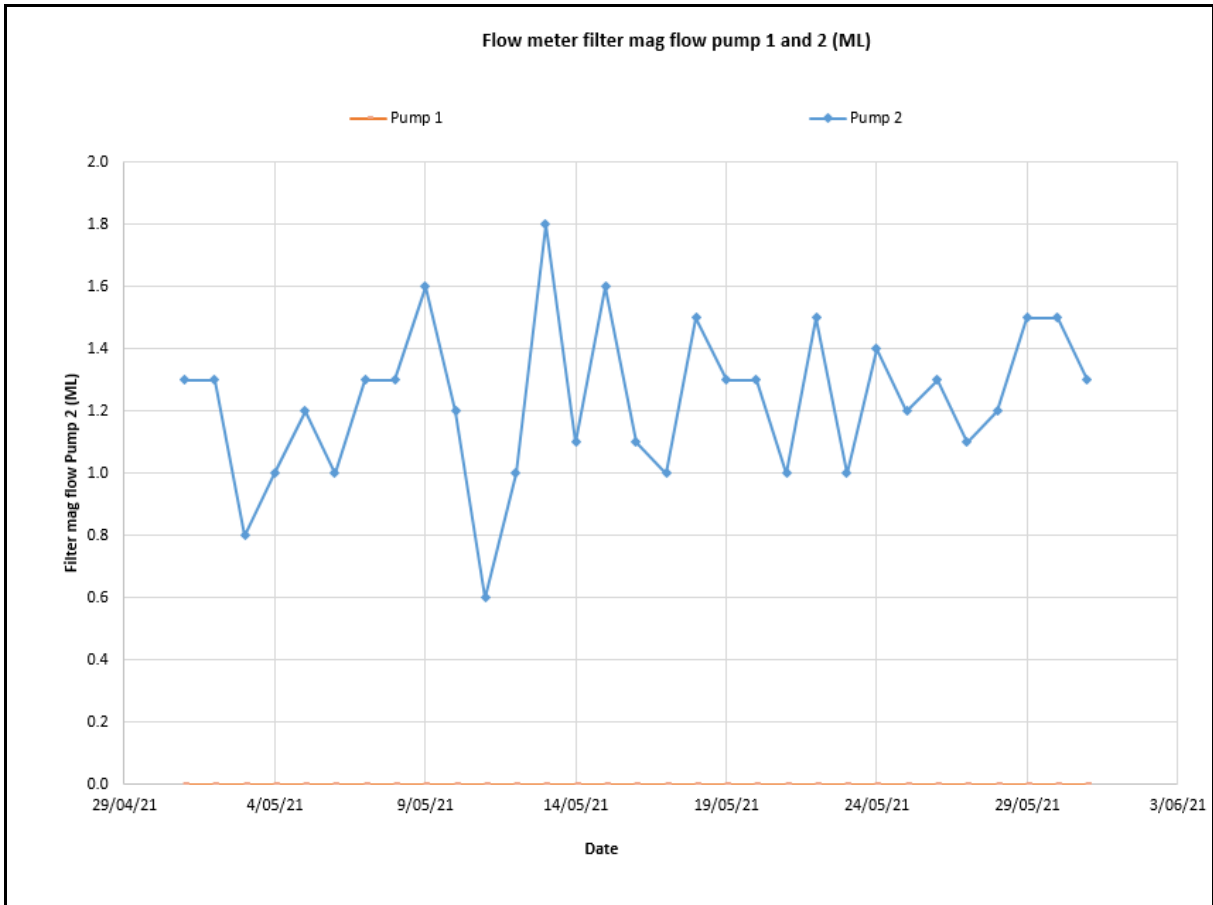
Month	Raw water ML	Filter magflow pump 1 ML	Filter magflow pump 2 ML	Plant magflow kL	Raw Water North Bourke KL	Filter Water North Bourke KL	Raw-filtered ML	Filtered-Plant ML
January 2021	134	-	43	46,142	31,255	2,013	91	4
February 2021	94	-	39	35,843	30,110	2,145	56	-
March 2021	96	-	38	42,136	29,332	2,130	58	-
April 2021	99	-	36	38,561	11,607	1,717	64	-

Process	Parameter	Minimum	Average	Maximum	Lower critical lim	Upper critical lim	No. of samples
Rainfall	Rainfall	-	-	-			30
River level	River level (425003)	4.93	8.39	10.94	3.9		30
Raw Water	pH	7.10	7.48	7.80			30
Raw Water	turbidity	325.00	969.80	2,008.00			30
Raw Water	Conductivity	130.00	206.30	287.00			30
Filtered water	pH	7.10	7.41	7.90	6.5	8.7	30
Filtered water	Conductivity	128.00	212.70	275.00			30
Clarifier	Turbidity	0.40	0.64	0.90	0.0	4.0	30
Tower	Free Cl2	2.10	2.69	3.40	0.2	5.0	30
Clarifier	Free Cl2	2.30	3.26	3.90	0.2	5.0	30
Filtered water	Free Cl2	2.50	3.36	4.00	1.0	5.0	30
Filtered water	Turbidity	0.20	0.26	0.40	0.0	1.2	30
Bourke High School	Free chlorine	1.00	1.40	2.10	0.2	4.0	3
Bourke High School	pH	7.10	7.20	7.30	6.5	8.5	3
Bourke High School	Turbidity	0.15	0.18	0.20	0.0	0.5	3
WTP	Free chlorine	2.30	2.30	2.30	0.2	4.0	1
WTP	pH	7.30	7.30	7.30	6.5	8.5	1
WTP	Turbidity	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.0	0.5	1
Bourke Primary Sch	Free chlorine	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.2	4.0	1
Bourke Primary Sch	pH	7.40	7.40	7.40	6.5	8.5	1
Bourke Primary Sch	Turbidity	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.0	0.5	1
Meadows Rd	Free chlorine	1.30	1.30	1.30	0.2	4.0	1
Meadows Rd	pH	7.30	7.30	7.30	6.5	8.5	1
Meadows Rd	Turbidity	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.0	0.5	1
Mitchell St	Free chlorine	1.20	1.20	1.20	0.2	4.0	1
Mitchell St	pH	8.50	8.50	8.50	6.5	8.5	1
Mitchell St	Turbidity	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.0	0.5	1
Alice Edwards Villa	Free chlorine	1.90	1.90	1.90	0.2	4.0	1
Alice Edwards Villa	pH	7.30	7.30	7.30	6.5	8.5	1
Alice Edwards Villa	Turbidity	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.0	0.5	1
Kidman Camp	Free chlorine	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.2	4.0	1
Kidman Camp	pH	7.40	7.40	7.40	6.5	8.5	1
Kidman Camp	Turbidity	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.0	0.5	1

No	CCP	Monitoring Parameter	Location	Frequency	Target	Adjustment Level	Critical limit
CCP 1	Clarification	Turbidity	After clarifier	Daily grab sample	<1 NTU	4 NTU	>4 NTU
CCP 2 *	Filtration	Turbidity	After Filters	Daily grab sample	0.4 NTU	1 NTU	>1.2 NTU
CCP 3	Disinfection	Chlorine residual	Filtered Water	Daily grab sample	1.5-2 mg/L	<1.5 mg/L for more than 3 days	<0.5 mg/L or > 5 mg/L
CCP 4	Fluoridation	Fluoride concentration	After filters	Daily grab sample	1.0 mg/L	<0.95 mg/L	<0.9 mg/L for > 72 hours
						or	Or
						>1.0 mg/L	>1.5 mg/L
CCP 5	Reservoirs	Reservoir Integrity	Reservoirs	Weekly	Integrity maintained	Signs of integrity breach	Unable to rectify breaches

May Flow 2021





Month	Raw water ML	Filter magflow pump 1 ML	Filter magflow pump 2 ML	Plant magflow kL	Raw Water North Bourke KL	Filter Water North Bourke KL	Raw-filtered ML	Filtered-Plant ML
January 2021	134	-	43	46,142	31,255	2,013	91	4
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April 2021	99	-	36	38,561	11,607	1,717	64	-
May 2021	102	-	38	35,621	12,676	1,808	63	-

Process	Parameter	Minimum	Average	Maximum	Lower critical lim	Upper critical lim	No. of samples
Rainfall	Rainfall	-	0.16	5.00			31
River level	River level (425003)	4.27	6.23	10.87	3.9		31
Raw Water	pH	7.10	7.37	7.80			31
Raw Water	turbidity	295.00	472.16	632.00			31
Raw Water	Conductivity	221.00	256.74	322.00			31
Filtered water	pH	7.10	7.43	7.80	6.5	8.7	31
Filtered water	Conductivity	230.00	267.61	355.00			31
Clarifier	Turbidity	0.40	1.24	2.90	0.0	4.0	31
Tower	Free Cl2	1.80	3.22	4.10	0.2	5.0	31
Clarifier	Free Cl2	1.00	3.25	3.90	0.2	5.0	31
Filtered water	Free Cl2	2.40	3.36	4.10	1.0	5.0	31
Filtered water	Turbidity	0.20	0.27	0.80	0.0	1.2	31
Bourke High School	Free chlorine	1.00	1.40	2.10	0.2	4.0	3
Bourke High School	pH	7.10	7.20	7.30	6.5	8.5	3
Bourke High School	Turbidity	0.15	0.18	0.20	0.0	0.5	3
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Meadows Rd	pH	7.30	7.30	7.30	6.5	8.5	1
Meadows Rd	Turbidity	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.0	0.5	1
Mitchell St	Free chlorine	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.2	4.0	1
Mitchell St	pH	8.10	8.10	8.10	6.5	8.5	1
Mitchell St	Turbidity	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.0	0.5	1
Alice Edwards Villa	Free chlorine	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.2	4.0	1
Alice Edwards Villa	pH	7.30	7.30	7.30	6.5	8.5	1
Alice Edwards Villa	Turbidity	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.0	0.5	1
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CCP 5	Reservoirs	Reservoir Integrity	Reservoirs	Weekly	Integrity maintained	Signs of integrity breach	Unable to rectify breaches

Treatment Plant EPA Licence Compliance

Record of Effluent Analysis

Pollutant	Unit Of Measure	Licence 100 Percentile Concentration Limit	Jan 2021 TEST	Feb 2021 TEST	Mar 2021 TEST	Apr 2021 TEST	May 2021 TEST
Oil & Grease	mg/L	10	4		<2		3
pH		6.5-8.5	9.38		10.1		9.56
Nitrogen (total)	mg/L	15	10.3		11.7		9.6
Phosphorus (total)	mg/L	10	1.30		1.10		2.01
Total suspended solids	mg/L	20	36		102		106
Biochemical oxygen demand	mg/L	15	12		18		23

Council notes the provisions of clause L2.5 (a) and (b) of its licence conditions of a chlorophyll exemption due algal growth, which also exempts the above exceedances.

- Rainfall in Bourke for May 2021 was 7.2 mm
- Hottest day for May 2021 was 28.6 degrees
- Coldest day for May 2021 was 0.5 degrees

Recommendation

That Council note the information in the Engineering Services Department Activity Reports as presented to Council on Monday, 28th June 2021.

21.3 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT - ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: D3.1-A11.1-A8.1
Author: Dwayne Willoughby, Manager Environmental Services
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Current Situation

Development Approvals			
Delegated Authority or Council	Consent Type & Consent No	Subject Land	Nature of Development
Delegated	DA 2021/0015	Lot 1 DP 355705 67-69 Mitchell Street Bourke	Construction of attached covered deck
Delegated	DA 2021/0010	Lot 12, DP 757374 9605 Bourke-Wilcannia Rd Louth	Replacement of Existing Secretaries Office
Delegated	DA 2021/0014	Lot 3, Section 15, DP 758144 38 Mertin Street Bourke	Change of Use to Community Facility
Delegated	DA 2021/0016	Lot 7, Section 89, DP 758144 1 Bloxham Street Bourke	Construction of Residential Shed
Total value of Approved works for May 2021			= \$188,000
No. of Development Application Approvals for May 2021			= 4
No. of Complying Development Application Approvals for May 2021			= 0

Building Services Report	
Location	Work Carried Out
Work Requests	Actioned and ongoing
Risk Assessments	Completed with every job
Training	Health & Wellbeing Day
Contractors	Maintenance works completed as required Upgrade works completed as per Operational Plan
Buildings	Maintenance works completed as required
Airport	Maintenance works completed as required

Animal Control		
Bourke Shire Council Holding Facility	Dogs	Cats
Animals in Pound beginning of Month	5	0
Seized	5	5
Surrendered	1	0
Handed in by members of the public	1	0
Total	12	5
Euthanased	1	5
Returned to Owner	0	0
Released from Pound	0	0
Re-housed	5	0
Died in Pound	0	0
Escaped from Pound	0	0
Animals Remaining at End of Month	6	0
Total	12	5
Stock Rested in Stock Yards	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 Reserves

Recommendation

That the information in the Environmental Services Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 28 June 2021 be received and noted.

21.4 GENERAL MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: G2.1
Author: Mark Riley, General Manager
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

Activities carried out by the General Manager since the last Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Monday, 24 May 2021.

Current Situation

27 May 2021

Budget Adopted

Council met for its May Ordinary Meeting last Monday with a rather full agenda presented for discussion and determination. Council efficiently dealt with the numerous matters listed and in doing so, importantly, adopted its Operational Plan, being the Budget, for 2021/2022.

The preparation of a Councils Annual Budget is always an interesting task and I thank the various staff who were involved in its development, for their work.

Charles Street Water Reservoir

Back in 2018 the water reservoir in Charles Street, Bourke was found to be leaking. Whilst repairs were undertaken at the time, a condition report was completed by NSW Public Works Advisory (PWA) that identified that the water tower needed to be replaced. I am happy to advise that Council at its meeting this week resolved to adopt a \$2.5m tender for such replacement by engaging a firm by the name of Brockman Engineering P/L to undertake this important project.

The project, however, would simply not be proceeding without the considerable assistance of Water Minister, the Hon. Melinda Pavey, MP and the NSW Government.

Following the closing of tenders, Council was left with a \$520,000 variance between the cost estimates as prepared by its consultants and the tender price. Following recent representations to the Minister, Council was advised last week of a further contribution of \$520,000 to this project, with such funds being in addition to the \$1.35m already contributed by Government. It should also be acknowledged that \$250,000 is being contributed to the project by the Aboriginal Communities Program and \$606,000 by Council.

In acknowledging the additional funding, Council recognised the commitment of the Minister and the Government to the "drought proofing of Bourke" and was unanimous in resolving that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Minister Pavey thanking her for the Governments funding commitment to this important water infrastructure project.

Grants, Grants and Grants

Back in August last year, Council was advised by the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales, the Hon. Adam Marshall, MP, that the State Government would be funding some five (5) rounds of the Fixing Local Roads Program. Council had recently received \$5m under Round

1 of the Program. With the Ministers advice in mind, Council at its August 2020 meeting proceeded to adopt its road construction and resealing priorities for submission to Government over the expected five (5) year period.

Council was advised this week that its Round 2 application for funding under the Fixing Local Roads Program had been successful in the amount of \$4.9m. The roads identified for reconstruction and sealing as part of the grant are the Coronga Peak Rd, Tooralé Rd, Weelong Rd, Weir Rd, River Rd and Parkdale Rd, with these roads being as per Councils adopted priority list. This is a most pleasing outcome for the community.

In addition, on Federal Budget night, Mayor Barry Hollman received advice from the office of Member for Parkes, the Hon. Mark Coultou, MP that Council had received a funding allocation of \$2.4m under the Federal Governments Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program.

Following formal advice, I also reported this funding to Council this week with Council resolving to utilise the funds to redevelop the Program Pool at the Bourke War Memorial Swimming Pool and upgrade the Pool Entry and Kiosk.

The result for the community in undertaking these works will be a first class swimming pool amenity which will serve Bourke for many years into the future.

Council acknowledges the inconvenience that the closure of the pool over the summer of 2020/2021 caused to the Bourke Community. With this in mind Council also resolved to scope, design, tender and be in a position for Council to determine a contractor such that physical construction works on the Program Pool and the Pool Entry and Kiosk occurs during the period March 2022 to October 2022 resulting in no inconvenience for the public.

But there's more! Round 4 of the NSW Governments \$100 million Stronger Country Communities Fund was announced on 3 May 2021 with the allocation for Bourke being near \$770,000. This round of funding has a regional sports focus, with funding made available for the delivery and enhancement of women's sporting facilities, including change rooms.

With this focus in mind Council has resolved to apply for funding under Round 4 of the program to construct female Change Rooms at Davidson Oval and also Female Jockey Rooms at J.B. Renshaw Sporting Complex.

Coupled with the funding for the reservoir, what a fantastic month for grants in Bourke.

Booking Council facilities

Should you wish to book a Council oval or park for a function, sporting event or other like activity, it is requested that a booking is made through Councils Engineering Department with at least one (1) weeks' notice. Such timing is to allow Council to take the necessary action to prepare the facilities.

Preferably please email bourkeshire@bourke.nsw.gov.au marked for the attention of Lynette Gooch. Lynette will then be in contact with you to discuss the booking and answer any questions you may have.

Illegal Dumping

Council officers will be targeting illegal dumping in and around Bourke. Officers will be conducting regular blitzes of known hot spots and issuing on the spot fines. A number of measures will be introduced by Council including the use of drones, surveillance cameras and increased patrolling of the known areas to combat illegal dumpers.

Residents dumping household waste are warned “fines” await them if they opt to ditch their trash on vacant land, rather than the Bourke Waste Management Facility. Illegal dumping cause’s significant environmental damage to the land and residents are encouraged to make use of the waste services and facilities that Council provides rather than resort to dumping illegally. Council provides many opportunities for the responsible disposal of waste including free green waste and e-waste (includes old TV’s) disposal at the Bourke Waste Management Facility.

Kids Development

I was interested to read that the Royal Far West is bringing the Healthy Kids Bus Stop back to Bourke Pre School from Tuesday, 22 June to Thursday, 24 June 2021. The Bus Stop is a free, developmental health screening program for 3-5-year olds.

At this stage there will be screening stations for speech pathology, oral health and occupational therapy. The program is open to all 3-5yr olds and provides a great opportunity for children to undergo a comprehensive assessment prior to starting school, or in their first year of school, to identify any potential issues with school readiness.

If you have young children in this 3-5-year-old age bracket do them a favour and consider registering them. You can register by either phoning 0408 555 249 or 8966 8557 or by accessing the following site: <https://www.royalfarwest.org.au/programs/healthy-kids-bus-stop/>

Wild Dog Trapping Techniques

The Western Local Land Services is offering an opportunity for Bourke Shire Landholders to practice wild dog trapping techniques and learn all about wild dogs and wild dog control as part of a three-day event being facilitated by the Service. The activities are suitable for landholders who are familiar with wild dogs and wild dog control and are looking to get the latest education and information. Stuart Boyd-Law from Pest Animal Control and Training is the presenter for both events.

It’s not too late to make contact with the LLS and book for the three (3) day event to be held at Janina Station, Wanaaring starting tomorrow, Friday, 28 May and running through to Sunday, 30 May 2020. The cost is \$200 and this includes a wild dog trap kit to take home that retails for over \$350. Sounds like a good deal.

If you’re interested in attending, contact LLS Biosecurity Officer, Brooke Anderson on mobile, 0436 475 814 or by email brooke.anderson@lls.nsw.gov.au

Race to Light

Deputy Mayor Lachlan Ford hosted discussions this week with long distance runner Pat Farmer to discuss a run that he plans to do from Broken Hill to Byron Bay, via Bourke, during mid-August.

Pat Farmer once ran from the North Pole to the South Pole, a distance of 21,000 km, which took him nearly a year to complete, averaging 85 km each and every day.

The “Race to Light” run will be 1600km in total distance and there will be two (2) teams of four (4) runners with one team representing Australia and one representing America with each team running 160km/day. Each team will consist of two (2) male and two (2) female runners, one (1) American and one (1) Australian racing down the road at a time before handing over to another team mate every 5km.

In addition to the eight (8) runners, there will be a team of approximately 20 people assisting the run as they pass through the various towns over the 10 days that it will take to complete this journey.

The Australian army will be the support crew for the event, and they will use it as an information campaign to demonstrate to communities, like Bourke, the versatility of their work. Further information will be provided as the event draws closer.

Quote of the Week:

“I just felt like running. After that I just couldn’t stop”.

– Forrest Gump

3 June 2021

Looking for a Job?

Council is currently advertising various employment opportunities within the Organisation. From manager positions, plant mechanics, customer service staff, roads staff through to casual staff, there are a variety of jobs currently available. If your personal values align with a fair day’s work for a fair days pay, showing respect to your fellow workers, taking pride in your work and you have a positive outlook to life, I encourage you to consider submitting an application for your preferred role with Bourke Shire.

Check out Councils website link at <https://bourke.nsw.gov.au/council/positions-vacant/>

Council Elections

As previously advised, elections for Councillors will be held across the state on Saturday 4 September 2021, Bourke included.

The NSW Office of Local Government has recently released an information booklet titled “Stand for Your Community – All You Need to Know about Becoming a Councillor in NSW”. If you are thinking of putting your hand up as a candidate for the first time, this booklet is a good place to start.

To access the information, go to <https://www.olg.nsw.gov.au/public/about-councils/become-a-councillor/information-for-candidates/> alternatively search, OLG Council elections.

Councils Manager Corporate Services, Leonie Brown, and I recently held discussions with the NSW Electoral Commission regarding polling booths for this year’s elections. As per previous years, Pre-Poll Voting will be available at the Council Offices in Mitchell Street for two (2) weeks prior to actual Election Day. A poll will be available for voters on Election Day at Enngonia, however there

will be no poll at Louth or Wanaaring due to low voter numbers at previous elections. Alternative arrangements will be announced in due course to facilitate voting by residents in these parts of the Shire.

Wild Dog Fence

It is reported that wild dogs cost farmers in the western parts of NSW more than \$25 million a year in lost stock. With a view to addressing such issue, the NSW Government has committed funding of \$37.5 million to extend the NSW Border Wild Dog Fence by 742km. With the existing fence being 583km in length, the funding will see the fence extended by 420km from Hungerford to Mungindi along the NSW/Qld border and by 322km from Broughams Gate to Murray River along the NSW/SA border.

With the planning and approval process working towards the next phase of construction commencing in the second half of this year, the NSW Government invited separate tenders for the project in respect of the manufacture and supply of fencing materials and to undertake the construction of the 742km fence extension.

The Western Local Land Services (WLLS) have now advised that suppliers have been shortlisted for the manufacture and supply of fence materials and that a number of businesses, including several based in regional NSW, have been selected to a pre-approved construction panel who will be asked to quote on individual stages of the 742km extension build.

The stages of construction will be 25km to 95km in length, with the WLLS noting that there will be opportunities for smaller, local suppliers from Western NSW and regional NSW to be involved, while the pre-approved panel will be regularly reviewed and potentially more businesses added.

If you would like to speak to a member of the project team, or would like to arrange for an update to be given to your group or organisation either in person or virtually, please contact Charlie Whitley at Western Local Land Services in Dubbo by email charlie.whiteley@lls.nsw.gov.au or by phone on 0428 679 974.

Water Strategies

Representatives of Council last week met with officers from the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) to discuss progress with respect to two (2) most important water projects for the Bourke Region.

These projects are the development of a Western Regional Water Strategy and the Western Weirs Strategy.

One of the objectives of the Regional Water Strategy is to recognise and protect Aboriginal water rights, interests and access to water, including Aboriginal heritage assets. In this regard DPIE advised that they are keen to garner local community knowledge and input to ensure the water projects strengthen outcomes for Aboriginal communities.

To progress consultation with Aboriginal members of the community, an information session for Aboriginal People will be held in Bourke at Diggers on the Darling on Thursday, 10 June 2021, from 10.00am to 1.00pm. Further information on the session, or registration assistance, is available by calling 1300 081 047.

Council has a particularly strong desire on behalf of the community to see an outcome in respect of the Western Weirs Program. In this regard, a Strategic Business Case for the management and operation of the weirs along the Barwon Darling and Lower Darling River systems is being developed. As a community, Bourke currently has a limited capacity weir pool that, when there are no additional inflows, provides some six (6) months of water to the community. Now that the river has dropped, it won't be long before Bourke is back on water restrictions even though during past weeks' water equivalent to some 18,000 Olympic sized swimming pools flowed past Bourke each day.

Sporting Youth

Bourke Shire Council previously secured grant funding under the NSW Governments Stronger Country Communities program. This was a two-part grant, with the majority of funding having been directed to improving security for youth, the public and volunteers involved in sport in Bourke. These funds saw the construction of the new fencing around Coolican and Davidson ovals.

The second component of the grant involves the co-ordination of a six (6) month program comprising sessions and activities to encourage and support sporting youth in Bourke. The program seeks to expand the knowledge and skills of Bourke's sporting youth with a view to furthering their likely involvement in the different aspects of their respective sporting club. This is regardless of their preferred sport. These sessions will include such matters as club governance, how to attract volunteers, event planning and management, as well as sports health and coaching, to name but a few. Most of the training will be carried out by NSW Sport with the Bourke PCYC kindly contributing their bus for transport.

The "Outback Archies"

The "Outback Archies" are now on display at the Bourke Men's Shed until 8 June 2021. Modelled on the acclaimed annual Archibald Portrait Prize, the display will be open from 10.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday and I would encourage the community to get along and see the art that is on display.

The "Outback Archies on Tour" Exhibition is a selection of specially curated artworks drawn from Outback Arts' 10th Annual Art Prize held in 2020.

The "Archies" showcase the talented creatives within regional NSW and brings them together to inspire one another as well as providing emerging artists with a platform to boost their profile.

As a regional arts development organisation, Outback Arts strives to support artists by providing opportunities to exhibit and showcase their work locally as well as in metropolitan galleries by securing exhibition opportunities.

The Exhibition contains many of the major prize winners and judges' favourites. A total of 20 artists are showcased, including our first-ever Young Archies. These artists have come together from the far-flung corners of regional NSW, stretching from Bourke and as far as Broken Hill.

I am advised that local Bourke artist, Merren Turnbull, is part of the exhibition.

Whilst talking about Art, don't forget to pop in and see the Artists at the Bourke Aboriginal Art Gallery in the main street between the Chemist and the CBA Bank. Comprising local Bourke

Aboriginal Artists, you can watch the Artists paint and carve using traditional and modern techniques.

The Gallery is open Monday – Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm and all are welcome to drop in and browse, buy or just have a yarn!

Roadworks

I mentioned last week that Council had received further funding under Round 2 of the NSW Governments Fixing Local Roads Program. Under Round 1 of the Program, as announced last year, Council received \$5m to reconstruct and seal some 20km of the Coronga Peak Rd at Byrock. Work on this important road will commence shortly. This project will result in additional traffic on the Mitchell Highway between Bourke and Byrock as a result of Council contractors carting water from Bourke for the project.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK!

“Water is the driving force of all nature.”

Leonardo da Vinci

10 June 2021

General Managers Forum

I attended a Forum of Orana region Council General Managers in Gilgandra last Friday. We heard from the Department of Regional NSW in regard to the Government’s work in response to the high level of unmet housing demand across the regions. This high level of demand is not just limited to a lack of rental properties or greenfield sites to allow the construction of new houses, even if you can find a builder, in the larger regional localities such as Wagga, Dubbo or Tamworth. Rather, it is also an issue in Bourke with both new to town government and private sector employees finding it very difficult to secure accommodation.

We also heard from RDA Orana on the housing issue and from the Local Land Service (LLS) on the impact of the mice plague across regional NSW. Also presenting was Alister Lunn who is the Western Area Director for Transport NSW. Alister heads the Department that is responsible for the provision of safe, integrated and efficient transport systems for the people of Western NSW. His region comprises essentially 60% of NSW from basically Penrith at the base of the Blue Mountains and all points west to Broken Hill and north west to the Qld Border. I took the opportunity to talk with him, without notice, on a couple of road matters relating to Bourke. With Alister’s transport responsibilities exceeding an area in excess of 400,000 square kilometres, to his considerable credit, he was right across the matters raised.

The Hon Mark Coulton.

Mayor Barry Hollman and Councils Manager Corporate Services, Leonie Brown; Manager Environmental Services, Dwayne Willoughby and Manager Roads, Mark Gordon, met with the Federal Member for Parkes, the Hon Mark Coulton, MP, last Friday. Mark is also the Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government so it was great for Councils representatives to able to meet with him in Bourke and discuss matters relating to the Shire. The opportunity was also taken to show Mr Coulton some of the projects undertaken by Council as a result of the receipt of funding under the Federal Governments Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program. From all reports Mark was impressed with the vibrancy of Bourke and the positive impact of projects either completed or underway such as the main street project, the

wharf project, the walkway to North Bourke and the new toilet facilities at Rotary Park, to name but a few.

Medical Students

Friday was a busy day for the Mayor and Leonie, because on Friday night they “backed up” and welcomed to Bourke 20 medical students from Sydney University who were undertaking a tour of western NSW to gain a better understanding of rural health and hopefully inspire them to consider a career in a regional/remote community. Each of the students was provided with a small memento of their visit to Bourke whilst Barry spoke passionately to the group about Bourke and further, encouraged them to experience rural health.

Possum Swinton, Project Officer for the Broken Hill University Department of Rural Health, the University of Sydney and North West Academic Centre does a tremendous job in bringing student to the area. Possum didn't let this opportunity slip by and arranged a very informative evening for the students. The group were welcomed with a smoking ceremony performed by Jamie Moore and Jamie also provided an opportunity to visit the Aboriginal Art Gallery to the visitors.

On Saturday morning, all the students participated in the Bourke Racecourse Parkrun where Leonie had an opportunity to catch up again with the group. From all accounts, the students learnt a lot about the community in the short time they were here, and found out there are opportunities in the bush.

Council Elections

Don't forget the upcoming Council elections on 4 September 2021. Voting is compulsory for people over 18 years of age for these elections. If you wish to make sure that you are on the roll, go to <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/check-electoral-enrolment> At 6.00pm on Monday 26 July 2021, the roll will be closed off for the purposes of being a candidate, or a nominator. That same day, candidate nominations open.

As advised last week, the NSW Office of Local Government has released an information booklet titled “Stand for Your Community – All You Need to Know about Becoming a Councillor in NSW”. If you are thinking of putting your hand up as a candidate for the first time, this booklet is a good place to start.

To access the information, go to <https://www.olg.nsw.gov.au/public/about-councils/become-a-councillor/information-for-candidates/> alternatively search, OLG Council elections.

Visitors to Bourke

I am not sure if it is the current COVID situation in Victoria or whether it's the standard transition of caravanners heading north, but whatever it is, there are certainly a lot of tourists passing through and staying at Bourke. The PV Jandra, which is now back in action after the high river, is experiencing very solid passenger numbers on its twice daily cruises. Likewise, the Back O' Bourke Visitor Information Centre is assisting significant numbers of visitors and I certainly thank the Council staff on the boat and at the Centre for their considerable efforts at this busy time. As a further example of the number of people in town, on the weekend Council opened the J B Renshaw Sporting Complex for caravanners due to the Caravan Parks being fully booked. It's a good problem!

Closed Roads

As I write this Column, there are still various dirt roads around the Shire that are closed to traffic. With more rain expected this week, I would remind people who are not familiar with our area that all unsealed roads are closed when wet.

Apart from the safety factor, unfortunately Council wastes valuable resources repairing damage done by vehicles using closed or wet roads. Often because of a lack of finances to repair the damaged road, the road may have to stay like that for some time before Council is not able to fund the repairs. This means that those people who live along the respective road are disadvantaged because of someone else's actions.

Council has the right to prosecute offenders and they may be held responsible to pay for any damage caused. This can be substantial.

Tennis/Netball Courts

Now that former Bourke resident, Jeff Costello, has completed the installation of two (2) synthetic tennis courts at Louth, which look fantastic, he has turned his attention to the repair of the accidently damaged tennis and netball courts located in Central Park, Bourke.

Site set up and the commencement of the removal of the damaged synthetic grass took place last week with the project now heading into the preparation of the subbase in readiness for the laying of the replacement synthetic grass. Thereafter, sanding of the playing surface will take place before a final inspection by Council staff and handover of the project. Assuming the project doesn't run into further inclement weather, the courts should be playable by Monday 5 July. The damage to the courts was unfortunate and Council thanks the Bourke Tennis and Netball Clubs for their patience and understanding as Council looked to undertake repairs over a period of time.

It's a Small World

I spoke in a previous Column about catching up with former Bourke schoolteacher, Ray Collins, when he was in Bourke a couple of weeks ago. At that time, I hadn't seen Ray for many a year. On Saturday in Dubbo, I attended a memorial game day to honour the passing of three (3) club stalwarts from the Dubbo Kangaroos Rugby Club.

Interestingly, the near first person I ran into upon arrival at the ground was Ray Collins! Ray was there with his brother Gerry, who once taught at Byrock and Dubbo before joining ABC radio. During his radio career, Gerry Collins broadcast 23 Australian Olympic Gold medal wins, rugby world cup wins and many other sporting moments. The men honoured were Charlie Holland, who once operated the Carriers Arms Hotel in Bourke back in the 60's and 70's before moving to Dubbo and running the Dubbo Hotel; Ollie Hall who, after growing up and playing rugby in Dubbo, ultimately played for the Wallabies before turning his hand to acting and Mick Frew who was a tenacious player for the Roo's during the 70's and who married my first cousin. I caught up with Mick's brother, Peter Frew, with Peter also having been a solid footballer in his day having been plucked out of school at Dubbo High back in 1974 to play in the Amco Cup winning Western Division Team. A good day with some connections to Bourke.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK!

"But how the world turns. One day, cock of the walk. Next, a feather duster."

Tina Turner to Mel Gibson in the presence of Ollie Hall in Mad Max - Beyond Thunderdome

17 June 2021**COVID Alert**

The news that two (2) errant Victorians, one who tested positive to the COVID virus had travelled along the Newell Highway, stopping at a variety of towns including Dubbo, certainly raised the alarm stakes when their travels were revealed in the media last week. They have essentially put inland NSW at risk. Not good.

Pictures of car after car lined up at the Dubbo Showground as people attended a COVID testing clinic clearly reflected the community's concerns. Councils in general spend a significant amount of resources promoting their respective localities and whilst the old saying is "any publicity is good publicity" in this case, I can't agree. With the matter hitting all avenues of mass media leading into a long weekend, I suspect that many in Dubbo, and for that matter most of regional NSW, had a significantly quieter long weekend in terms of trade than what they had anticipated as people stayed away from a potential problem.

But lost trade is only part of it. The potential for the loss of life is obviously the bigger issue. Remember to use the QR Readers and check in to venues that you visit, socially distance and maintain your hand hygiene.

Governor

Louth and Bourke were honoured this week to host The Governor of New South Wales, Her Excellency, Margaret Beazley AC QC, and her husband Mr Dennis Wilson.

Her Excellency was sworn in as Governor of New South Wales in May 2019. Prior to her appointment, she enjoyed a long and distinguished career in law, spanning 43 years. Her Excellency was the first woman to sit exclusively as a judge in the Federal Court of Australia and then become the first woman appointed to the NSW Court of Appeal.

The visit to Louth saw Her Excellency visit the recently completed Royal Flying Doctor Service facility in the Village. After that it was back onto the road for the journey to Bourke where Mayor Barry hosted both her and Mr Wilson on a trip along the Darling River on the PV Jandra in the company of numerous visitors to Bourke at the time, who were also experiencing the delights of a relaxed river cruise.

It was then onto the Council Chambers in Mitchell Street, where the Governor met with Bourke Shire Councillors for a "roundtable" discussion and then later in the day the Governor wrapped up her visit with a Vice-Regal Reception. The Governor and Mr Wilson certainly maintained a cracking pace whilst in Bourke and the ability for Council and the community to bring to her attention the history and current activities and issues in Bourke was very much appreciated.

Wanaaring

Back in February this year at Councils round of Community Village Meetings, residents of Wanaaring in attendance were in favour of the removal of the levee from Vicary Street, Wanaaring, sooner rather than later. They advised that the current route through the village was difficult for road train traffic, the existing route pushed heavy traffic past the school and further it meant that tourist traffic was not easily able to access the hotel, when and if it reopens. Following investigations, it was determined that the most efficient option, given the high costs associated with any installation of a flood barrier system, was to retain the earthen levee as constructed last year except for the removal of that section of the levee essentially, where it crosses Vicary Street,

near Hebden Street and that in the event of future flooding concerns, Council subsequently reinstate the previously removed section of the levee. The removal of the section of the levee at Vicary Street near Hebden Street has now been completed and I look forward to the re-opening of the Wanaaring Hotel to service both the community and the increased levels of tourists currently being experienced in the Far West of NSW.

Digital Connectivity

Council in August 2020 gave consideration to advice from the Hon. Mark Coulton MP, Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government and Federal Member for Parkes that the Australian Government had committed up to \$53 million to a new Regional Connectivity Program to improve access to and participation in the digital economy in regional, rural and remote Australia.

The purpose of the Program is to provide targeted, place-based investment in telecommunications infrastructure projects which facilitate economic and social opportunities in communities that are not classified as in a Major Urban area and that are outside the existing NBN fixed-line footprint.

Discussions ensued with a firm by the name of Field Solutions Group (FSG) with a view to the submission of an application under the Program. FSG specialises in delivering connectivity solutions to rural, regional and remote Australia and over the past four years has developed and operates the largest national non-NBN fixed wireless network.

Ultimately FSG lodged the application with Government with Council providing a letter of support committing in-kind support by providing facilities for the erection of required infrastructure atop one of its water reservoirs.

It was pleasing to receive advice from Mark Coulton last week that the application of FSG was successful such that Field Solutions Group are to receive near \$590,000 in funding to deploy a fixed wireless network in the Bourke shire. They will use this funding to extend high-speed broadband connectivity into areas in the Bourke region with limited existing coverage, enabling the uptake of new agricultural and business technologies. This is an exciting step forward for the Shire with the delivery of the project under the Program to begin shortly and expected to be completed by June 2022.

RANGELAND REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

I received advice this week from Western Local Land Services that it is offering landholders, groups and organisations a funding opportunity to help to improve agricultural productivity and ecological sustainability.

The rangeland rehabilitation program has a priority area within the Western region which is the Coolibah-Black Box Woodlands (CBB Woodland) endangered ecological community. Successful applicants in this program will carry out soil erosion works that will improve the condition of vegetation in the CBB Woodland. A map of the Woodland (the priority area) is included in the guidelines on the Local Land Services website – www.lls.nsw.gov.au.

In respect of the other program, Ecosystem Management Understanding (EMU) participants will be shown how to understand landscape processes, conditions and trends with on-ground projects developed that address ecological sustainability and agricultural productivity. The EMU program does not have a priority area however all applicants must be based within the Western Local Land Services region (see website).

Applications for both programs are now open with the guidelines and application forms being found at www.ils.nsw.gov.au. Applications for both programs close Monday 12 July 2021.

Further information about the programs is available by contacting Rangeland Rehabilitation Officer, Paul Theakston on 0428 259 231 or paul.theakston@ils.nsw.gov.au.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK!

“All this grief caused by two selfish individuals.....I cannot believe what they have done”.
Moree Mayor, Katrina Humphries, talking on Sydney radio I response to the COVID infected travellers from Victoria.

Recommendation

That the information in the General Manager’s Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 28 June 2021 be noted.

21.5 LIBRARY MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: L4.1
Author: Jodi Hatch, Library Manager
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

The following items for the 2020/21 period are presented for your information:

Current Situation

1	Item	2	May 2020	3	May 2021
4	Loans	5	249	6	658
7	New Members	8	7	9	33

Other statistical information:

10	11	May 2020	12	13	May 2021		
14	Internet/Word Processing	15	7	16	Internet/Word Processing	17	56
18	Wireless Tickets	19		20	Wireless Tickets	21	14
22	Number of Visitors	23		24	Number of Visitors	25	756
26	Scans	27		28	Scans	29	23
30	Information Requests	31		32	Information Requests	33	64
34	Technical Assistance	35	19	36	Technical Assistance/Printing	37	64
38	Faxes	39	8	40	Faxes/Laminating	41	2

In May we celebrated Library and Information Week.

The theme was Adventures in Space and Time and to celebrate we decorated the Library and had take-home space themed craft packs and had an online reading of the National Simultaneous Story time book 'Give me Some Space', which was read by an astronaut from the International Space Station.



Recommendation
That the information in the Library Manager’s Report as presented to Council on Monday, 28 June 2021 be noted.

21.6 TOURISM & EVENTS MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: T4.1
Author: Fran Carter, Manager Tourism & Events
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

The Bourke Shire Councils Tourism and Events Manager's Activity Report provides Council with an updated status report for May, relating to its tourism teams activities through visual data including graphs and statistics to allow for the measurement of the teams progress and performance.

Current Situation**HIGHLIGHTS FOR MAY****Back O' Bourke Information and Exhibition Centre**

- Turnover at the centre for May 2021 was up 30% compared to the previous month (April).
- Visitor number for May were up 8% on April.
- Email enquiries for May were up 62% on April.
- Incoming calls for May were up 62% on April.
- Exhibition Centre tickets sold in May were up 71% on April
- Mt Oxley tickets sold were for May were slightly down (2%) on April
- Two (2) Function Centre bookings
- General maintenance around gardens is ongoing.
- Irrigation system is nearing completion.
- Flood water has resided and visitors are starting to pick up.

PV Jandra

PV Jandra ticket sales are up this month by 112% on April.

The boat commenced operating again on the 14th May after a month of floodwaters.

To date (excluding the month of April) there has been 2600 passengers from 24/03 until date.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Jan		448	560	325	326	302	348	386	782	1109	816
Feb		157	397	271	373	391	220	282	1043	386	648
Mar	810	570	1500	1051	1342	1612	1245	1274	1021	412	1210
April	2507	2144	3103	3146	3849	3118	3114	4024	3166	0	2387
May	2656	2891	3758	3988	4602	4073	3983	4770	3693	0	2564
June	2952	3216	4492	4275	5437	5199	4754	5634	4490	993	
July	4362	4643	5173	6241	6002	5941	5982	7614	6834	2570	
Aug	4187	4162	4410	4793	5078	4951	5051	5548	4052	1898	
Sept	4295	5074	4275	4764	4489	4532	4246	4676	3601	3325	
Oct	2674	3067	2383	2486	2370	2475	2463	3574	2222	5246	
Nov	1012	930	789	671	610	1031	876	1014	1220	1989	
Dec	386	347	207	242	272	281	255	630	860	1194	
Total	25841	27649	31047	32253	34750	33906	32537	39426	32984	19122	

Recommendation

That the information in the Tourism and Events Manager's Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 28 June 2021 be noted.

22 CLOSED SESSION**Recommendation**

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

22.1 * Sale of Land - North Bourke**

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

22.2 * Deed of Agreement - CAPRA PTY LTD - Proposed Sale of Small Stock Abattoir – June 2021 Update**

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

22.3 * Sundry Debtors - Write-Off**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (a) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

22.4 * Recruitment of General Manager**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (a) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).