



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

Date: Monday, 27 June 2022
Time: 9.15am
Location: Bourke Shire Council
29 Mitchell Street Bourke NSW

BUSINESS PAPER

Ordinary Council Meeting

27 June 2022

Mark Riley
General Manager

Time	Event	Representative	Organisation
9.00am	Community Open Forum for members of the public to address Council		
10.30am	Monthly Update	Superintendent Tim Chinn	Darling River Local Area Command
11.00am	Update on Maranguka Activities	Alistair Ferguson	Maranguka Coomunity Hub



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.

Statement of ethical obligations

In accordance with Councils adopted Code of Meeting Practice (Clause 3.23), Councillors are reminded of their Oath or Affirmation of Office made under section 233A of the Local Government Act and their obligations under the Council's Code of Conduct to disclose and appropriately manage conflicts of interest.

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7 MAYORAL MINUTE

7.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - MAYORAL ACTIVITIES

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


The Activities of the Mayor from 17 May 2022 to 27 June 2022 are as follows:

Date	Meeting	Location
23/05/2022	Bourke Shire Council Meeting	Shire Chambers
25/05/2022	Introduction of The Hon Ben Franklin, MP	Cultural Garden BOBEC
25/05/2022	Mayoral Address to Maranguka and Bourke Tribal Council Cross Sector Round Table	BOBEC
26/05/2022	NSW JO Chairs Forum	Conference Room
09/06/2022	TfNSW Stolen Generation Memorial and Plaque Unveiling	Bourke Railway Station
09/06/2022	JO Executive Officer Recruitment	Shire Chambers
14/06/2022	Councillor Induction Training	Shire Conference Room
15/06/2022	FNW JO Board Meeting	Shire Conference Room
22/06/2022	Meeting with G Seiler re: North Bourke Drainage	Shire Conference Room

Recommendation

That the information in the Mayoral Minute – Mayoral Activities as presented to Council on Monday, 27 June 2022 be noted.

7.2 * MAYORAL MINUTE - DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY: GENERAL MANAGER**

File Number: A3.8-S6.30
Author: Barry Hollman, Mayor
Authoriser: Barry Hollman, Mayor
Attachments: 1. General Manager's Delegations [↓](#) 

Background

The Local Government Act 1993 under section 377 enables Council to delegate its functions to enable the smooth operation of Council, as follows:

377 General power of the council to delegate.

(1) A council may, by resolution, delegate to the general manager or any other person or body (not including another employee of the council) any of the functions of the council under this or any other Act, other than the following—

(a) the appointment of a general manager,

(b) the making of a rate,

(c) a determination under section 549 as to the levying of a rate,

(d) the making of a charge,

(e) the fixing of a fee,

(f) the borrowing of money,

(g) the voting of money for expenditure on its works, services or operations,

(h) the compulsory acquisition, purchase, sale, exchange or surrender of any land or other property (but not including the sale of items of plant or equipment),

(i) the acceptance of tenders to provide services currently provided by members of staff of the council,

(j) the adoption of an operational plan under section 405,

(k) the adoption of a financial statement included in an annual financial report,

(l) a decision to classify or reclassify public land under Division 1 of Part 2 of Chapter 6,

(m) the fixing of an amount or rate for the carrying out by the council of work on private land,

(n) the decision to carry out work on private land for an amount that is less than the amount or rate fixed by the council for the carrying out of any such work,

(o) the review of a determination made by the council, and not by a delegate of the council, of an application for approval or an application that may be reviewed under section 82A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 ,

(p) the power of the council to authorise the use of reasonable force for the purpose of gaining entry to premises under section 194,

(q) a decision under section 356 to contribute money or otherwise grant financial assistance to persons,

(r) a decision under section 234 to grant leave of absence to the holder of a civic office,

(s) the making of an application, or the giving of a notice, to the Governor or Minister,

(t) this power of delegation,

(u) any function under this or any other Act that is expressly required to be exercised by resolution of the council.

(1A) Despite subsection (1), a council may delegate its functions relating to the granting of financial assistance if-

(a) the financial assistance is part of a specified program, and

(b) the program is included in the council's draft operational plan for the year in which the financial assistance is proposed to be given, and

(c) the program's proposed budget for that year does not exceed 5 per cent of the council's proposed income from the ordinary rates levied for that year, and

(d) the program applies uniformly to all persons within the council's area or to a significant proportion of all the persons within the council's area.

(2) A council may, by resolution, sub-delegate to the general manager or any other person or body (not including another employee of the council) any function delegated to the council by the Departmental Chief Executive except as provided by the instrument of delegation to the council.

(3) A council may delegate functions to a joint organisation only with the approval, by resolution, of the board of the joint organisation.

Current Situation

Council has previously provided the incumbent General Manager, Mark Riley, with delegations that allow for the conduct of Councils business as efficiently and expediently as possible. Having regard to Councils determination to appointment Mrs Leonie Brown to the position of the General Manager, Bourke Shire Council, effective 4 July 2022, it is proposed that the same delegations that were provided to Mr Riley be provided to Mrs Brown. A copy of the proposed delegations instrument is attached.

Financial Implications

There are no direct significant financial implications arising from this report.

Recommendation

That the Instrument of Delegation as attached to the Mayoral Minute herewith be provided to Leonie Catherine Brown effective 4 July 2022.

SECTION No. 1 Service Management
PART No. 1.5 Delegation of Authority



General Manager’s Delegation

Policy No: 1.5.3 (v10)

Date Adopted: 27 June 2022

Minute No: 2022/

Supersedes: 1.5.3 (v9) General Manager – Delegation
Adopted: 25/02/2022
Resolution No: 2022/14

Proposed Review Date: As required

Responsible Officer: Mayor

Verified by General Manager..... Verified by Mayor.....

1. Intent

The objectives of this policy are to provide clearly defined delegation of authority to the General Manager.

2. Scope

This policy applies to the General Manager.

3. Framework

In accordance with Section 335 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, as amended, the General Manager shall have the following particular functions:

- a) *To conduct the day-to-day management of the Council in accordance with the strategic plans, programs, strategies and policies of the Council,*
- b) *To implement, without undue delay, lawful decisions of the Council,*
- c) *To advise the Mayor and the governing body on the development and implementation of the strategic plans, programs, strategies and policies of the Council,*
- d) *To advise the Mayor and the governing body on the appropriate form of community consultation on the strategic plans, programs, strategies and policies of the Council and other matters related to the Council,*
- e) *To prepare, in consultation with the Mayor and Governing body, the Council's Community Strategic Plan, Community Engagement Strategy, Resourcing Strategy, Delivery Program, Operational Plan and Annual Report,*
- f) *To ensure that the Mayor and other Councillors are given timely information and advice, and the administrative and professional support necessary to effectively discharge their functions,*
- g) *To exercise any of the functions of the Council that are delegated by the Council to the General Manager,*
- h) *To appoint staff in accordance with the organisation structure determined under this Chapter and the resources approved by Council,*
- i) *To direct and dismiss staff,*
- j) *To implement the Council's Workforce Strategy,*
- k) *Any other functions that are conferred or imposed on the General Manager by or under this or any other Act.*

4. Provisions

In order to provide for the expedient exercise of its powers and duties and the efficient management of its business and responsibilities, effective 4 July 2022,

Bourke Shire Council hereby delegates, in accordance with the provisions of Section 377 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, to Leonie Catherine Brown, the employee of the Council in whom Council has vested the function of General Manager, the authority to exercise the powers, functions, duties and responsibilities arising from legislation specified in Schedule 1 below, subject to the limitations in Schedule 2 below.

Schedule 1

The powers, functions, duties and authorities of Council as specified in;

- I. The *Local Government Act 1993* and Regulations, and
- II. All other Acts and Regulations under which Council has powers, authorities, duties and functions.

Schedule 2

- I. Limitations arising from the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993* and all other legislation relevant to this Delegation of Authority.
- II. All resolutions from time to time of Council directing the General Manager from time to time in the exercise of any powers, authorities, duties and functions.

5. Linkages

5.1 Applicable Legislation

This policy is to be read in conjunction with the following:-

The Local Government Act 1993

5.2 Related Policies and Procedures

Please refer to the following policies/procedures:

- 1.5.1 (v10) Mayor’s Delegation
- 1.5.2 (v10) Deputy Maayors Delegation

6. Review

This Policy will be reviewed as required and in the event of legislative changes. Any amendment to the Policy must be by way of a Council Resolution.

6.1 Policy Amendments

Version	Date Approved	Description of Changes
9	22/11/2021	Reviewed and updated to reflect Mark Riley as GM
10	27/06/2022	Reviewed and updated to reflect Leonie Brown as GM

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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, 23 MAY 2022 AT 9.15AM**

PRESENT: Cr Barry Hollman (Mayor), Cr Victor Bartley, Cr Sarah Barton, Cr Lachlan Ford (Deputy Mayor), Cr Cec Dorrington, Cr Sam Rice, Cr Robert Stutsel

IN ATTENDANCE: Mark Riley (General Manager), Leonie Brown (Manager of Corporate Services), Melanie Milgate (Economic Development Manager), Alex Saju (Manager Roads Services), Dwayne Willoughby (Manager Environmental Services), Margo Anderson (Executive Assistant – Minutes)

1 OPENING PRAYER

The Mayor opened the meeting with a prayer

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor then provided an Acknowledgment of Country

3 REMEMBRANCE

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

Laurie Coaker	Albert Hartnett	David Hegyi
Clive Kavanagh	Cheryl Kendall	Cynthia Leonard
Elizabeth Lyons (nee Smart)	Elizabeth (Betty) Manning	Vivian Neal
Lez Sanders	Aileen Tengstorm	Rod Thompson
Graham Turner		

4 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Requests for Leave of Absence were received from Councillor Sally Davis, Councillor Grace Ridge and Councillor Nathan Ryan who were absent from the meeting for personal reasons.

Resolution 2022/102

Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel

Seconded: Cr Sam Rice

That the apologies received from Cr Davis, Cr Ridge and Cr Ryan be accepted and leave of absence granted.

Carried

5 ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

6 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Cr Sarah Barton declared a pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 of the Agenda – Mayoral Minute - General Managers Recruitment. The reason for such interest is Cr Barton’s relationship with the Manager Corporate Services who is an applicant for the position of General Manager. In making her decision Cr Barton advised that she would leave the Chamber and be out of sight during Councils consideration of the matter.

Cr Sarah Barton declared a pecuniary interest in Item 12.1 of the Agenda – Business Arising 2022/96 - North Bourke Stormwater Drainage. The reason for such interest is that Councillor Barton’s husband has a business relationship with the owner of the land detailed within the report. In making her declaration Councillor Barton advised that she would leave the Chamber and be out of sight should Council consider this particular matter in the report.

Cr Sarah Barton declared a pecuniary interest in Item 12.1 – Business Arising 2021/379 – General Manager Recruitment. The reason for such interest is Cr Barton’s relationship with the Manager Corporate Services who is an applicant for the position of General Manager. In making her declaration Cr Barton advised that she would leave the Chamber and be out of sight should Council consider this particular matter in the report.

Cr Sarah Barton declared a pecuniary interest in Item 17.1 of the Agenda - Reconnecting Regional NSW Community Events Program. The reason for such interest is that Councillor Barton is an employee of the Department of Regional NSW. In making her declaration Councillor Barton advised that she would leave the Chamber and be out of sight during Council’s consideration of the matter.

Cr Sarah Barton declared a pecuniary interest in Item 21.4 of the Agenda - General Managers Activity Report – Easter Festival (Page 176) and Aboriginal Community Funding (Page 179). The reason for such interest is that Councillor Barton is an employee of the Department of Regional NSW involved in the funding for the Aboriginal Community Funding and Secretary of the Back O Bourke Race Club. In making her declaration Councillor Barton advised that she would leave the Chamber and be out of sight should Council consider either of these particular matters in the report.

7 MAYORAL MINUTE

7.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - MAYORAL ACTIVITIES

File Number: M2.1

The Council had before it the report of the Mayor regarding the Mayoral Minute - Mayoral Activities.

Resolution 2022/103

Moved: Cr Barry Hollman

That the information in the Mayoral Minute – Mayoral Activities as presented to Council on Monday, 23 May 2022 be noted.

Carried

At this juncture, Cr Sarah Barton left the meeting, having previously declared a pecuniary interest, the time being 9:22 am.

7.2 GENERAL MANAGERS RECRUITMENT

File Number: S6.30

The Mayor tabled at the meeting a Mayoral Minute in regard to the General Managers recruitment.

Resolution 2022/104

Moved: Cr Barry Hollman

That it be noted that Councils preferred candidate for the position of General Manager, Mrs Leonie Catherine Brown, has been formally offered the role and accepted such role for an initial term of five (5) years with both parties having executed the Standard Contract of Employment for General Managers of Local Councils in NSW with Mrs Brown commencing in the role on 4 July 2022.

Carried

At this juncture, Cr Sarah Barton returned to the meeting, the time being 9.40 am.

8 STARRING OF ITEMS

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. No additional reports were identified by Council to be starred.

Resolution 2022/105

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

That the recommendations as detailed in the un-starred items as contained in the agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of Council, held on Monday, 23 May 2022 be adopted.

Carried

9 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution 2022/106

Moved: Cr Victor Bartley

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 April 2022 and the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 16 May 2022 taken as read, confirmed as correct minutes and signed by the Mayor and the General Manger.

Carried

10 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

11 RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

12 BUSINESS ARISING

12.1 *** BUSINESS ARISING

File Number: C12.1

The Council had before it the report of the General Manager regarding Business Arising.

Resolution 2022/107

Moved: Cr Robert Stutsel

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

That the information of the Business Arising Report as presented to Council on Monday, 23 May 2022 be noted.

Carried

12.2 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

File Number: C12.6

The Council had before it the report of the General Manager regarding the Calendar of Events.

Resolution 2022/108

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

That the information in the Calendar of Events Report as presented to Council on Monday, 23 May 2022 be noted.

Carried

12.3 INFORMATION TO COUNCILLORS

File Number: C12.1

The Council had before it the report of the General Manager regarding the Information to Councillors.

Resolution 2022/109

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

That the contents of the Information to Councillors Report as presented to Council on Monday, 23 May 2022 be noted.

Carried

13 ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Nil

14 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

14.1 * DA 2022/0010 3-7 CULGOA STREET NORTH BOURKE THREE LOT SUBDIVISION**

File Number: D3.1, DA 2022/0010

The Council had before it the report of the Manager Environmental Services regarding the DA 2022/0010 3-7 Culgoa Street North Bourke Three lot subdivision.

Resolution 2022/110

Moved: Cr Cec Dorrington

Seconded: Cr Sam Rice

That application DA 2022/0010 for subdivision of Lot 91 DP753570, 3-7 Culgoa Street, North Bourke NSW 2840, be granted consent subject to all conditions listed below.

Conditions

PART A - GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. APPROVED PLANS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Condition

Development must be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans and supporting documentation (stamped by Council), except where the conditions of this consent expressly require otherwise.

Plan No.	Revision No.	Plan Title	Drawn By	Dated
37041-PRO1_A	Final	Statement of Environmental Effects	Barnson	10/03/2022

In the event of any inconsistency between the approved plans and the supporting documentation, the approved plans prevail. In the event of any inconsistency between the approved plans and a condition of consent, the condition prevails.

Note: an inconsistency occurs between an approved plan and supporting documentation or between an approved plan and a condition when it is not possible to comply with both at the relevant time.

Reason

To ensure all parties are aware of the approved plans and supporting documentation that applies to the development.

2. SUBDIVISION WORKS CERTIFICATE

Condition

Prior to the commencement of any subdivision construction works, a subdivision works certificate is to be issued by Council or a registered certifier prior to any subdivision construction works being carried out on site. Nothing in this consent precludes the staging of construction via multiple construction certificates.

Reason

To ensure compliance with Part 6 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

3. SUBDIVISION CERTIFICATE

Condition

In accordance with Part 6 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* an application for a subdivision certificate along with plans suitable for lodgement with the Land and Property Information NSW and relevant other documentation, shall be made on the completion of works and the relevant application fees paid.

Reason

To ensure the development proceeds in the manner as determined by Council.

4. IMPACT ON RATES

Note: Please note that after subdivision has occurred, this land will not be rated the same as it has previously been rated. Each block created will attract its own general rate, water and sewerage rate, if appropriate, either connected or unconnected and waste management charge.

Under special circumstances, however, the Valuer General may amalgamate the newly created blocks for rating purposes but you must apply to that Department to do so. The actual rate to be charged cannot be determined until the Valuer General has separately valued each new parcel of land, but an estimate of rating may be obtained by contacting Council's Rates Department.

5. COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF ESSENTIAL ENERGY

Condition

The following Essential Energy requirements are to be addressed to the satisfaction of Essential Energy and Council:

- (a) As part of the subdivision, an easement/s are/is created for any existing electrical infrastructure. The easement/s is/are to be created using Essential Energy's standard easement terms current at the time of registration of the plan of subdivision;*
- (b) If the proposed development changes, there may be potential safety risks and it is recommended that Essential Energy is consulted for further comment;*
- (c) Any existing encumbrances in favour of Essential Energy (or its predecessors) noted on the title of the above property should be complied with; and*
- (d) Council should ensure that a Notification of Arrangement (confirming satisfactory arrangements have been made for the provision of power) is issued by Essential Energy with respect to all proposed lots which will form part of the subdivision, prior to Council releasing the Subdivision Certificate. It is the Applicant's responsibility to make the appropriate application with Essential Energy for the supply of electricity to the subdivision, which may include the payment of fees and contributions.*
- (e) In addition, Essential Energy's records indicate there is electricity infrastructure located within the property. Any activities within this location must be undertaken in accordance with the latest industry guideline currently known as ISSC 20 Guideline for the Management of Activities within Electricity Easements and Close to Infrastructure.*
- (f) Prior to carrying out any works, a "Dial Before You Dig" enquiry should be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Part 5E (Protection of Underground Electricity Power Lines) of the Electricity Supply Act 1995 (NSW).*
- (g) Given there is electricity infrastructure in the area, it is the responsibility of the person/s completing any works around powerlines to understand their safety responsibilities.*

SafeWork NSW (www.safework.nsw.gov.au) has publications that provide guidance when working close to electricity infrastructure. These include the Code of Practice – Work near Overhead Power Lines and Code of Practice – Work near Underground Assets.

Reason

To comply with the requirements of Essential Energy

6. COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENT OF TRANSPORT FOR NSW

Condition

The following Transport for NSW requirements are to be addressed to the satisfaction of Transport for NSW and Council:

- (a) The accesses for Lot 1, 2 and 3 are to be constructed in accordance with the Rural Property Access (Figure 7.2) treatment as per Austroads Guide to Road Design Part 4 and be of a sealed bitumen, match existing road levels and not interfere with existing road drainage.*
- (b) Safe Intersection Sight Distance (SISD) must be provided and maintained in accordance with Austroads Guide to Road Design at the intersection of the driveways with Culgoa Street.*
- (c) Vehicles are to enter and exit the site from/to Culgoa Street in a forward direction.*
- (d) Landscaping, signage, and fencing must not impede sight lines of traffic within or when passing, entering or departing the site.*

Reason

To comply with the requirements of Transport for NSW

PART B – BEFORE THE ISSUE OF A SUBDIVISION WORKS CERTIFICATE

1. SERVICE PLANS

Condition

Prior to the release of a subdivision works certificate:

- (a) The applicant is to submit to Bourke Shire Council detailed plans demonstrating that the proposed lots will have suitable access to potable water to Council's satisfaction;**
- (b) The applicant is to submit to Bourke Shire Council:**
 - (i) A site plan indicating a 10 x 15 metre building footprint on all proposed lots and siting and dimensions for on-site sewage infiltration area downslope of the building footprint. Both the building footprint and on-site sewage infiltration area are to be located above the 1:100 year ARI event. Their position, size and shape is to be registered as a restriction on title to Council's satisfaction.**
 - (ii) Effluent management study supporting the proposed size and locations of the infiltration area to Council's satisfaction.**
- (c) The applicant is to submit to Bourke Shire Council detailed plans demonstrating that stormwater runoff from proposed lots will drain to existing infrastructure in Culgoa Street to Council's satisfaction.**
- (d) The applicant is to submit to Bourke Shire Council detailed plans demonstrating that the proposed lots will have suitable vehicular access to Council's satisfaction;**
- (e) The applicant is to submit to Bourke Shire Council detailed plans demonstrating that proposed lots will have suitable access to telecommunications via underground connection**

to Council's satisfaction;

- (f) The applicant is to submit to Bourke Shire Council detailed stormwater and soil and erosion management plans to mitigate impacts associated with connection of the proposed lots to potable water, electricity, stormwater, public road network and telecommunications networks to Council's satisfaction; and
- (g) The applicant is to Bourke Shire Council a waste management plan to ensure demolition/construction waste is appropriately managed on site and recycled where possible in accordance with sustainability principles to Council's satisfaction.

Reason

To comply with the requirements of Bourke Shire Council

PART C – WHILE SUBDIVISION CONSTRUCTION WORK IS BEING CARRIED OUT

1. APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL CERTIFYING AUTHORITY

Condition

Any subdivision construction work in accordance with this Development Consent must not commence until:

- (a) A Subdivision Works certificate for the subdivision work has been issued by:
 - (i) the consent authority; or
 - (ii) an accredited certifier; and
- (b) the person having the benefit of the development consent has appointed a principal certifying authority for the subdivision work, and
- (b1) the principal certifying authority has, no later than 2 days before the subdivision work commences:
 - (i) notified the Council of his or her appointment, and
 - (ii) notified the person having the benefit of the development consent of any critical stage inspections and other inspections that are to be carried out in respect of the subdivision work, and
- (c) the person having the benefit of the development consent has given at least 2 days' notice to the Council of the person's intention to commence the subdivision work.

Reason

To ensure compliance with s6.13 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 as amended

2. HOURS OF WORK

Condition

The principal certifier must ensure that subdivision construction work, demolition or vegetation removal is only carried out between

7.00am and 7.00pm - Monday to Friday

7.00am and 5.00pm - Saturdays

8.00am and 5.00pm - Sundays and Public Holidays

Note: Any variation to the hours of work required Council's approval.

Reason

To protect the amenity of the surrounding area.

3. CONSTRUCTION NOISE

Condition

While subdivision construction work is being carried out and where no noise and vibration management plan is approved under this consent, the applicant is to ensure that any noise caused by demolition, vegetation removal or construction does not exceed an LAeq (15 min) of 5dB(A) above background noise, when measured at any lot boundary of the property where the construction is being carried out.

Reason

To protect the amenity of the surrounding area.

4. UNCOVERING RELICS OR ABORIGINAL OBJECTS

Condition

While subdivision construction work is being carried out, all such works must cease immediately if a relic or Aboriginal object is unexpectedly discovered. The applicant must notify the Heritage Council of NSW in respect of a relic and notify the Secretary of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment and the Heritage Council of NSW in respect of an Aboriginal object. Building work may recommence at a time confirmed by either the Heritage Council of NSW or the Secretary of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

In this condition "relic" means any deposit, artefact, object or material evidence that:

(a) Relates to the settlement of the area that comprised NSW, not being Aboriginal settlement, and

(b) Is of State or local heritage significance; and

"Aboriginal object" means any deposit, object or material evidence (not being a handicraft made for sale) relating to the Aboriginal habitation of the area that comprises NSW, being habitation before or concurrent with (or both) the occupation of that area by person of non-Aboriginal extraction and includes Aboriginal remains.

Reason

To ensure the protection of objects of potential significance during works.

5. EXCAVATIONS AND BACKFILLING

Condition

All excavations and backfilling associated with the subdivision construction works shall be executed safely and in accordance with appropriate professional standards properly guarded and protected to prevent them from being dangerous to life or property.

Reason

To ensure the safety of life and property

6. USE OF FOOTPATHS

Condition

The storage of materials or the placement of sheds is not permitted on footpaths, roadways or in reserves. Rubbish and building materials must be contained on the site.

No material, goods or machinery shall be stored, placed or otherwise permitted to stand between the building line and the street alignment.

Reason

To permit access over public places.

7. WASTE CONTAINER

Condition

All building rubbish and debris, including that which can be windblown, shall be contained on site in a suitable container for disposal at an approved Waste Landfill Depot. The container shall be erected on the site prior to subdivision construction work commencing and shall be maintained for the term of the completion of the project.

Reason

To limit waste affecting the environment during construction.

8. HOARDING

Condition

Separate approval shall be obtained from Council (under the Roads Act) if it is proposed to erect a hoarding upon Council's footpath.

Reason

To ensure compliance with the requirements of the Roads Act 1993.

9. UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE

Condition

All infrastructure installed on site is to be clear of existing below ground utility infrastructure. Any adjustments to existing utility services that are made necessary by this development proceeding are to be at the full cost of the developer.

Reason

To ensure that utility infrastructure is adequately protected.

PART D – BEFORE THE ISSUE OF A SUBDIVISION CERTIFICATE

1. PROVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES FOR SUBDIVISION

Condition

Prior to the issue of a subdivision certificate, the applicant is to submit to Bourke Shire Council a telecommunication compliance certificate confirming adequate provision of telecommunication services to all lots.

Reason

To ensure the provisions of telecommunications services to all lots.

2. PROVISION OF POWER FOR SUBDIVISION

Condition

Prior to the issue of a subdivision certificate, the applicant is to submit to Bourke Shire Council a notice of arrangement from Essential Energy confirming the provision of electrical connections.

Reason

To ensure financial equity in providing adequate power supply for newly created Lot.

3. COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

Condition

A compliance certificate is required confirming the installation of required access arrangements as outlined in Part B, Condition 1(d)

Reason

To comply with the requirements of Bourke Shire Council

4. COMPLIANCE WITH CONDITIONS OF CONSENT

Condition

All conditions of this consent are to be complied with prior to release of the subdivision certificate

Reason

To ensure the development proceeds in the manner as determined by Council.

Carried

14.2 * DA 2022/0011 5 WARRAWEENA STREET BOURKE RECONSTRUCTION OF SPAR SUPERMARKET**

File Number: D3.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager Environmental Services regarding the DA 2022/0011 5 Warraweena Street Bourke Reconstruction of SPAR Supermarket.

Resolution 2022/111

Moved: Cr Victor Bartley

Seconded: Cr Lachlan Ford

Recommendation

That application DA 2022/0011 being for the rebuilding and minor expansion of a supermarket at Lot 1 DP119757 and Lot 1 DP943667, 5 Warraweena Street, Bourke NSW 2840, be granted consent subject to the conditions listed in the report of the Manager Environmental Services, as below, except for the inclusion of the following replacement plans in Part A Section 1, being the Approved Plans and Supporting Documentation section of the listed conditions, as follows:

Plan Title: Project Site Plan. Plan No 38292-A02 Revision E .

Plan Title: Floor Plan. Plan No 38292-A03 Revision F .

Plan Title: Vehicle Movements. Plan No 38292-A06 Revision C .

PART A - GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. APPROVED PLANS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Condition

Development must be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans and supporting documentation (stamped by Council), except where the conditions of this consent expressly require otherwise.

Plan No.	Revision No.	Plan Title	Drawn By	Dated
38292-A00	C	Locality Plan	Barnson	23/03/22
38292-A02	D	Project Site Plan	Barnson	28/03/22
38292-A03	E	Floor Plan	Barnson	28/03/22
38292-A04	C	Elevations	Barnson	23/03/22
38292-A05	C	Sections & First Floor Plan	Barnson	23/03/22
38292-	B	Vehicle Movements	Barnson	23/03/22

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In the event of any inconsistency between the approved plans and the supporting documentation, the approved plans prevail. In the event of any inconsistency between the approved plans and a condition of consent, the condition prevails.

Note: an inconsistency occurs between an approved plan and supporting documentation or between an approved plan and a condition when it is not possible to comply with both at the relevant time.

Reason

To ensure all parties are aware of the approved plans and supporting documentation that applies to the development.

2. CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

Condition

A construction certificate is to be issued by Council or a registered certifier prior to any building works being carried out on site. Nothing in this consent precludes the staging of construction via multiple construction certificates.

In accordance with section 9 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment (Development Certification and Fire Safety) Regulations 2021*, any application for a construction certificate is to be accompanied by a list of proposed fire safety measures to be provided in relation to the land and buildings on the land as a consequence of the building work.

Reason

To ensure compliance with Part 6, section 6.3 (1) (a) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and section 9 of *Environmental Planning and Assessment (Development Certification and Fire Safety) Regulations 2021*.

3. PLUMBING AND DRAINAGE WORKS

Condition

All plumbing and drainage work shall be carried out by a licensed plumber and drainer to the requirements of the National Plumbing and Drainage Code AS3500.

Reason

To ensure compliance with the requirements of the relevant legislation.

4. COMPLIANCE WITH BUILDING CODE OF AUSTRALIA

Condition

That the work must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the *Building Code of Australia*, in force at the time of construction certificate issue.

Reason

The condition is prescribed under section 69 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*.

5. COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENT OF TRANSPORT FOR NSW

Condition

The following Transport for NSW requirements are to be addressed to the satisfaction of Transport for NSW and Council:

- 1. Concurrence to the proposal to erect the verandah over the footpath in the road reserve pursuant to section 138(2) of the Roads Act 1993 is subject to the following requirements of TfNSW being met:**
 - a. During placement of the posts and ongoing operation, the safe passage of pedestrians on the Warraweena Street footpath approaching and passing the subject land is to be maintained.**
 - b. The verandah, including post are not to impede sight lines of traffic at the intersection of Warraweena and Darling Streets.**
 - c. The verandah, including posts are to be set back behind the kerb line in Warraweena Street.**
 - d. The design and construction of the verandah structure is to be certified by a structural engineer including consideration to protection from light vehicle impact during parking manoeuvres.**
- 2. Concurrence to the proposal is subject to the following further requirements of TfNSW being met:**
 - a. No parking or delivery activities are to take place on or from the Mitchell Highway (HW7) road reserve other than in legally created spaces for such purposes.**
 - b. Prior to the commencement of construction work impacting traffic on the Mitchell Highway, the proponent is to contact the TfNSW Road Access Unit at road.access@transport.nsw.gov.au to determine if a road occupancy licence (ROL) is required. In the event an ROL is required provide the consent number in the road occupancy licence application. Please note that up to 10 working days is required for Road Occupancy Licence applications to be assessed and processed.
<https://roads-waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/business-industry/road-occupancy-licence/index.html>**
 - c. All signage including any proposed internally lit signs should be contained within property boundaries and designed to meet the objectives of Transport Corridor Outdoor Advertising and Signage Guidelines 2017.**
 - d. All road works should be completed prior to operation of the proposed development.**
 - e. All construction activities, including loading, unloading, storage of materials and construction activities must be undertaken wholly within the bounds of the site and not impact the safety of all road users, including pedestrians or the efficiency of the public road network.**
 - f. Landscaping, signage, and fencing must not impede sight lines of traffic within or when passing, entering, or departing the site.**

Reason

To comply with the requirements of TfNSW.

6. COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENT OF ESSENTIAL ENERGY

Condition

The following Essential Energy requirements are to be addressed to the satisfaction of Essential Energy and Council:

Essential Energy consents to the encroachment of the Easement strictly based upon the documents submitted. Clearance to the conductors must meet AS/NZS 7000 clearances - modelling supplied by ASP states closest point - LV = 2.24m, 22kV = 2.61m. Any amendments to the proposal will require Essential Energy's approval.

Prior to carrying out any works, a "Dial Before You Dig" enquiry must be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Part 5E (Protection of Underground Electricity Power Lines) of the Electricity Supply Act 1995 (NSW).

It is the responsibility of the person/s completing any works around powerlines to understand their safety responsibilities. SafeWork NSW (www.safework.nsw.gov.au) has publications that provide guidance when working close to electricity infrastructure. These include the Code of Practice – Work near Overhead Power Lines/Underground Assets.

Notwithstanding Essential Energy's approval to the encroachment any activities within the easement, or in proximity to Essential Energy's infrastructure, must be undertaken in accordance with the latest industry guideline currently known as ISSC 20 Guideline for the Management of Activities within Electricity Easements and Close to Infrastructure. A copy of this guideline can be located at:

www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/466816/ISSC-20-Electricity-Easements.pdf.

Reason

To comply with the requirements of Essential Energy.

7. ACCESS/EGRESS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Condition

Access for people with disabilities shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of the Building Code of Australia, relevant Australian Standards and with regard to the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.

Reason

To ensure safe, equitable and dignified access and egress for people with disabilities.

8. MANEUVERING AREAS/DRIVEWAYS

Condition

All driveways, wearing areas and manoeuvring spaces are to be sealed with an appropriate hard wearing treatment option in accordance with the requirements of Council's Engineering

Department and must be provided in accordance with Australian Standard AS2890.0 Parking Facilities.

Reason

To ensure that the site is controlled and dust creation minimised.

9. ROOF WATER DISPOSAL

Condition

Guttering and downpiping are to be provided and connected to approved drainage lines to convey roof water from the building to:-

- i. the street gutter
- ii. the existing roof water disposal system

Reason

To prevent damage to property and prevent unhealthy or dangerous conditions.

PART B – BEFORE THE ISSUE OF A CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

1. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Condition

The applicant is to provide the following information prior to the release of a construction certificate:

A detailed site survey which identifies the location of all essential services within the site boundaries and in the adjoining public road reserve;

A detailed service strategy demonstrating the availability and feasibility of providing water, sewer and stormwater services appropriate for the scale and nature of the development. Evidence of consultation with Bourke Shire Council is to be provided.

Detailed plans demonstrating that vehicular access is compliant with AS 2890.1 Parking Facilities;

A maintenance management plan for the proposed grease trap to the satisfaction of Bourke Shire Council; and

If lighting is proposed, provide a lighting plan which demonstrates that:

Outdoor lighting complies with AS4282 Control of Obtrusive Effects of Outdoor Lighting; and

Illuminated signage is fitted with a timer switch to dim or turn off the light by 11pm each night where there is potential for light spill from signage to adjoining properties.

Reason

To comply with the requirements of Bourke Shire Council.

2. AMENDED PLANS

Condition

The applicant is to submit to Bourke Shire Council amended plans that include:

- a. A detailed colour and materials palette that provides articulation to the Darling and Warraweena Street frontages for Council approval. The inclusion of windows in these elevations is encouraged;
- b. Give consideration to the inclusion of a pedestrian entry in the western façade similar to that proposed to Warraweena Street;
- c. Demonstrating a suitable, designated internal area to accommodate the type and number of bins needed to support the development to Bourke Shire Council's satisfaction;
- d. Demonstrating that structures are located clear of utility infrastructure and a minimum of one metre or the equivalent invert depth, whichever is greater, from the centreline of any sewer mains within the site or in the surrounding road reserve; and
- e. Demonstrating that the vehicular manoeuvring area is to be sealed to Bourke Shire Council's satisfaction.
- f. A landscape plan is to be provided to Bourke Shire Council which demonstrates that:
 - i. Edging is provided to landscaping to retain mulch and protect it from damage from vehicles; and
 - ii. Species selection comprises only low maintenance, drought and frost tolerant species.

Reason

To satisfy the requirements of Bourke Shire Council and TfNSW.

3. KERB, GUTTERING AND FOOTPATH

Condition

Prior to the issue of a construction certificate detailed engineered plans are to be provided to Council, outlining proposed kerb, guttering and footpath renewal fronting the development in Warraweena and Darling Streets. The design is to ensure that stormwater is satisfactorily disposed of in these areas.

All kerb, guttering, stormwater and footpath works are to be completed to satisfaction of Council and at full cost to the developer.

Reason

To ensure road safety is accounted for in the design and development and satisfactory disposal of stormwater.

4. EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN

Condition

Before the issue of a construction certificate or prior to the carrying out of earthworks at the site, the applicant is to ensure that an erosion and sediment control plan is prepared in accordance with the following documents before it is provided to and approved by the Principal Certifier:

- Council's development control plan,
- The guidelines set out in the NSW Department of Housing manual 'Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction Certificate (the Blue Book) and
- The 'Do it Right On-Site, Soil and Water Management for the Construction Industry (Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils and the Natural Heritage Trust).

The applicant must ensure the erosion and sediment control plan is kept on-site at all times during the site works and construction.

Reason

To ensure no substance other than rainwater enters the stormwater system and waterways.

5. FACILITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Condition

Plans and details of the disabled toilet/s shall comply with the relevant Australian Standards, the Building Code of Australia and with regard to the Disability Discrimination Act 1992. Prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate, plans are to be forwarded to Council demonstrating compliance.

Reason

To provide accessible facilities for people with disabilities

6. PARKING FACILITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Condition

Plans and details of the disabled parking shall comply with the relevant Australian Standards, the Building Code of Australia and with regard to the Disability Discrimination Act 1992. Prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate, plans are to be forwarded to Council demonstrating compliance.

Reason

To provide accessible parking facilities for People with Disabilities.

7. TRADE WASTE

Condition

Prior to the issue of a construction certificate in relation to the delicatessen/commercial kitchen element of the development, details of the proposed grease trap are to be supplied to Council for their approval.

The grease trap is to comply with the Liquid Trade Waste Management Guidelines, all applicable statutory requirements and is to be installed to Council's satisfaction.

Reason

To ensure compliance with Statutory requirements.

8. SECTION 68 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993 APPROVALS

Condition

Prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate, an application under section 68 of the *Local Government Act 1993* shall be made to, and issued by, Bourke Shire Council, for the following approvals:

- Plumbing and stormwater drainage

Reason

To ensure compliance with *Local Government Act 1993*.

9. APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL CERTIFIER

Condition

No work shall commence in connection with this Development Consent until:

a. A Construction certificate for the building work has been issued by:

- (i) the consent authority; or
- (ii) a registered certifier; and

b. the person having the benefit of the development consent has:

- (i) appointed a principal certifier for the building work, and
- (ii) notified the principal certifier that the person will carry out the building work as an owner-builder, if that is the case, and

b1. the principal certifier has, no later than 2 days before the building work commences:

- (i) notified the Council of his or her appointment, and
- (ii) notified the person having the benefit of the development consent of any critical stage inspections and other inspections that are to be carried out in respect of the building work, and

b2. the person having the benefit of the development consent, if not carrying out the work as an owner builder, has:

- (i) appointed a principal contractor for the building work who must be the holder of a contractor licence if any residential building work is involved, and
- (ii) notified the principal certifier of such appointment, and
- (iii) unless that person is the principal contractor, notified the principal contractor of any critical stage inspections and other inspections that are to be carried out in respect of

the building work, and

- c. the person having the person having the benefit of the development consent has given at least 2 days' notice to the Council of the person's intention to commence the erection of the building.

Reason

To ensure compliance with section 6.6 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* as amended.

PART C – BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT OF BUILDING WORK

1. PAYMENT OF BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LONG SERVICE LEVY

Condition

Before the commencement of building works, the applicant is to ensure that the person liable pays the long service levy to the Long Service Levy Corporation or Council under section 34 of the *Building and Construction Industry Long Service Payments Act 1986* and provides proof of this payment to the certifier.

Reason

To ensure the long service levy is paid.

2. SIGNS ON SITE

Condition

A sign must be erected in a prominent position on any site on which building work or demolition work is being carried out:

- a. Showing the name, address and telephone number of the principal certifier for the work, and
- b. Showing the name of the principal contractor (if any) for any building work and a telephone number on which that person may be contacted outside working hours, and
- c. Stating that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited.

Any such sign is to be maintained while the building work or demolition work is being carried out, but must be removed when the work has been completed.

Note: This does not apply in relation to building work or demolition work that is carried out inside an existing building that does not affect the external walls of the building.

Reason

Prescribed condition *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*, section 70.

3. NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT

Condition

No work shall commence until a notice of commencement (form will be attached with issue of a Construction Certificate) giving Council:

- a. Not less than two (2) days' notice of the date on which it is proposed to commence work associated with this Development Consent;
- b. Details of the appointment of a Principal Certifier (either Bourke Shire Council or another registered certifier)
- c. Details of the name, address and licence details of the Builder.

Reason

Statutory requirement under section 6.6 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

PART D – WHILE BUILDING WORK IS BEING CARRIED OUT

1. PUBLIC SAFETY

Condition

All construction activities, including loading, unloading, storage of materials and construction activities must be undertaken wholly within the bounds of the site and not impact the safety of all road users, including pedestrians or the efficiency of the public road network.

Reason

To ensure the safety of pedestrians and road users.

2. APPROVED PLANS

Condition

A complete set of approved plans and specifications are to be on site while building work is in progress.

Reason

To ensure works occur in accordance with the approval.

3. HOURS OF WORK

Condition

The principal certifier must ensure that building work, demolition or vegetation removal is only carried out between

7.00am and 7.00pm - Monday to Friday

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Note: Any variation to the hours of work required Council's approval.

Reason

To protect the amenity of the surrounding area.

4. CONSTRUCTION NOISE

Condition

While building work is being carried out and where no noise and vibration management plan is approved under this consent, the applicant is to ensure that any noise caused by demolition, vegetation removal or construction does not exceed an LAeq (15 min) of 5dB(A) above background noise, when measured at any lot boundary of the property where the construction is being carried out.

Reason

To protect the amenity of the surrounding area.

5. UNCOVERING RELICS OR ABORIGINAL OBJECTS

Condition

While demolition or building work is being carried out, all such works must cease immediately if a relic or Aboriginal object is unexpectedly discovered. The applicant must notify the Heritage Council of NSW in respect of a relic and notify the Secretary of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment and the Heritage Council of NSW in respect of an Aboriginal object. Building work may recommence at a time confirmed by either the Heritage Council of NSW or the Secretary of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

In this condition:

“relic” means any deposit, artefact, object or material evidence that:

- a. Relates to the settlement of the area that comprised NSW, not being Aboriginal settlement, and
- b. Is of State or local heritage significance; and

“Aboriginal object” means any deposit, object or material evidence (not being a handicraft made for sale) relating to the Aboriginal habitation of the area that comprises NSW, being habitation before or concurrent with (or both) the occupation of that area by person of non-Aboriginal extraction and includes Aboriginal remains.

Reason

To ensure the protection of objects of potential significance during works.

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Condition

All excavations and backfilling associated with the erection or demolition of a building shall be executed safely and in accordance with appropriate professional standards properly guarded and protected to prevent them from being dangerous to life or property.

Reason

To ensure the safety of life and property.

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Condition

The storage of materials or the placement of sheds is not permitted on footpaths, roadways or in reserves. Rubbish and building materials must be contained on the site.

No material, goods or machinery shall be stored, placed or otherwise permitted to stand between the building line and the street alignment.

Reason

To permit access over public places.

8. WASTE CONTAINER

Condition

All building rubbish and debris, including that which can be windblown, shall be contained on site in a suitable container for disposal at an approved Waste Landfill Depot. The container shall be erected on the building site prior to work commencing and shall be maintained for the term of the construction to the completion of the project.

Reason

To limit waste affecting the environment during construction.

9. ON SITE FACILITIES

Condition

A suitable on-site toilet is to be provided on site and must remain throughout the project or until an alternative facility meeting Council's requirements is available on-site. This may be via a temporary toilet facility or through available access to existing facilities.

Reason

To adequately provide for construction workers.

10. HOARDING

Condition

Separate approval shall be obtained from Council (under the Roads Act) if it is proposed to erect a hoarding upon Council's footpath.

Reason

To ensure compliance with the requirements of the Roads Act 1993.

11. UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE

Condition

All infrastructure installed on site is to be clear of existing below ground utility infrastructure. Any adjustments to existing utility services that are made necessary by this development proceeding are to be at the full cost of the developer.

Reason

To ensure that utility infrastructure is adequately protected.

12. WALL/ROOF CLADDING

Condition

Non-reflective finish materials to be used on the wall/roof cladding for the building.

Reason

To reduce the visual reflective impact on adjoining properties.

PART E – BEFORE THE ISSUE OF AN OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

1. PUBLIC SAFETY

Condition

The applicant is to ensure the following is undertaken and evidence provided to Council, where required:

Structures or things that could destroy, damage or interfere with electricity works, or could make those works become a potential cause of bush fire or a risk to public safety, to be modified or removed in accordance with Section 49 of the Electricity Supply Act 1995 (NSW);

Reason

To ensure public safety and to satisfy the requirements of Essential Energy and TfNSW.

2. CONSOLIDATION OF LOTS

Condition

Prior to the issue of an occupation certificate the applicant is to provide Council with evidence that allotment consolidation has been undertaken.

Reason

To ensure allotments are consolidated prior to occupation.

3. REPAIR OF INFRASTRUCTURE

Condition

Before the issue of an occupation certificate, the applicant must ensure any public infrastructure damaged as a result of the carrying out of building works (including damage caused by, but not limited to, delivery vehicles) is fully repaired to the satisfaction of Council and at no cost to Council.

Note: If the Council is not satisfied, the whole or part of any bond submitted will be used to cover the rectification work.

Reason

To ensure any damage to public infrastructure is rectified.

4. REMOVAL OF WASTE UPON COMPLETION

Condition

Before the issue of an occupation certificate, the principal certifier must ensure all refuse, spoil and materials unsuitable for use on-site is removed from the site and disposed of in accordance with the approved waste management plan (if applicable).

Before issue of a partial occupation certificate, the applicant must ensure the temporary storage of any waste is carried out in accordance with the approved waste management plan to the principal certifier's satisfaction.

Reason

To ensure waste material is appropriately disposed or satisfactory stored.

5. FIRE SAFETY CERTIFICATE

Condition

A final Fire Safety Certificate shall be obtained in accordance with Part 5, Division 2 section 41 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment (Development Certification & Fire Safety) Regulation 2021*, prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate for the building.

A copy of the Fire Safety Certificate and Fire Safety Schedule shall be:

- Forwarded to Bourke Shire Council;
- Forwarded to the Commissioner of the New South Wales Fire Brigade; and
- Prominently displayed in the building.

Reason

To ensure the safety of the building

6. OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

Condition

In accordance with section 6.9 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, an application for an Occupation Certificate, shall be made on completion of the works. All works specified in the development consent and approved Construction Certificate plans shall be completed and all development consent conditions complied with prior to the issue of the Occupation Certificate.

The Principal Certifier is required to be satisfied, amongst other things, that:

- All required inspections (including each applicable mandatory critical stage inspection) have been carried out; and
- Any preconditions to the issue of the certificate required by a development consent have been met.

Note: A person must not commence occupation or use (or change of use where an existing building) of the whole or any part of a new building (within the meaning of section 6.10 of the Act) unless an Occupation Certificate has been issued in relation to the building or part.

Reason

To comply with the provisions of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

7. COMPLIANCE WITH CONDITIONS OF CONSENT

Condition

All conditions of this consent are to be complied with to the standards specified prior to any occupation.

Reason

To ensure the development proceeds in the manner as determined by Council.

PART F – OCCUPATION AND ONGOING USE

1. LOADING AND UNLOADING

Condition

Loading and unloading of heavy vehicles is not to occur between the hours of 8.00am and 8.00pm Monday to Sunday; and

No parking or delivery activities are to take place on or from the Mitchell Highway (HW7) road reserve other than in legally created spaces for such purposes.

Reason

To satisfy the requirement of Bourke Shire Council and TfNSW.

2. USE NOT TO COMMENCE

Condition

The approved use shall not commence until the proposed development has been completed in accordance with this consent and issue of any other Council approvals which may be required

Reason

To ensure that the use of the site is lawful

3. HOURS OF OPERATION

Condition

The approved hours of operation are:

<i>Day</i>	<i>Hours</i>
<i>Monday to Sunday</i>	<i>8.00am-8.00pm</i>
<i>Public Holidays</i>	<i>9.00am to 6.00pm</i>
<i>Good Friday & Christmas Day</i>	<i>Closed</i>
<i>ANZAC Day</i>	<i>As per State Government regulations</i>

Note: Any variation to these hours will require Council consent via the lodgement of an application under Section 4.55 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Reason

To ensure that the amenity of the surrounding area is not compromised as a result of the operation of the development.

4. ANNUAL FIRE SAFETY STATEMENT

Condition

Each year, the owner of a building to which an essential fire safety measure is applicable shall cause the Council to be given an annual fire safety statement for the building. Such a fire safety statement:

- a. shall deal with each essential fire safety measure in the building premises; and
- b. shall be given within twelve months after the last such statement was given, or if no such statement was given, within twelve months after a final fire safety certificate was first issued for the building.

As soon as practicable after a final fire safety certificate is issued, the owner of the building to which it relates:-

- a. shall cause a copy of the certificate (together with a copy of the current fire safety schedule) to be given to the Commissioner of New South Wales Fire Brigades; and
- b. shall cause a further copy of the certificate (together with a copy of the current fire safety schedule) to be permanently displayed in the building.

During occupation and ongoing use of the building, the applicant must provide an annual fire safety statement to Council and the Commissioner of Fire and Rescue NSW in accordance with section 89 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment (Development Certification and Fire Safety) Regulations 2021*

Reason

To ensure annual checks on fire safety measures and compliance with fire safety requirements Under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment (Development Certification & Fire Safety) Regulation 2021*.

Carried

15 GENERAL MANAGER

15.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW (LGNSW) ANNUAL CONFERENCE 23 TO 25 OCTOBER 2022

File Number: L8.3-G2.2-M2.2

The Council had before it the report of the General Manager regarding the Local Government NSW (LGNSW) Annual Conference 23 to 25 October 2022.

Resolution 2022/112

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

- 1. That the Mayor and General Manager attend the LGNSW Annual Conference to be held 23 to 25 October 2022.**
- 2. That Councillors who wish to attend the LGNSW Annual Conference to be held 23 to 25 October 2022 nominate prior to August 2022.**

Carried

16 CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

16.1 *BANK RECONCILIATION & STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES**

File Number: F1.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager of Corporate Services regarding the Bank Reconciliation & Statement of Bank Balances.

Resolution 2022/113

Moved: Cr Victor Bartley

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

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 2022 be noted.

Carried

16.2 * INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2022**

File Number: F1.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager of Corporate Services regarding the Investment Report as at 30 April 2022.

Resolution 2022/114

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Cec Dorrington

- 1. That the report regarding Council's Investment Portfolio 30 April 2022 be received and noted.**
- 2. That the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted, and the report adopted.**

Carried

16.3 * RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL AUDIT FRAMEWORK FOR COUNCILS**

File Number: R5.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager of Corporate Services regarding the Risk Management and Internal Audit Framework for councils.

Resolution 2022/115

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

- 1. That Council join with the Far North West Joint Organisation and its member Councils in establishing a Shared Audit Risk and Improvement Committee in accordance with section 428B of the Local Government Act 1993.**
- 2. That Council delegate authority to the Far North West Joint Organisation to appoint the chair and two (2) independent members to form the shared Audit Risk And Improvement Committee to serve the Far North West Joint Organisation and all three member Councils.**
- 3. That Council appoint a Councillor to serve as the non-voting board member on the ARIC for this Council only.**
- 4. That Council adopt the Draft Terms of Reference developed for the operation of the Audit Risk and Improvement noting the initial revised term to cater for the shorter period to be served by the current Council and the fact that there is no current need for the Chair to be pre-qualified at this stage.**
- 5. That Council note the Expression of Interest document developed by the Far North West Joint Organisation for distribution to potential applicants for persons to serve as the Chair or one of the two (2) independent Committee Members including the fees payable to the Chair and Committee members.**
- 6. That applications as detailed in the Expression of Interest document be called for by the placement of advertisements in the local papers circulating in each of the towns within the FNWJO area together with the websites of each of the member Councils to provide local residents the opportunity to apply to become a member of the Shared Committee if they are suitably qualified and wish to apply.**

Carried

At this juncture, Cr Sarah Barton left the room, having previously declared a pecuniary interest, the time being 9.50 am.

17 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

17.1 * RECONNECTING REGIONAL NSW - COMMUNITY EVENTS PROGRAM**

File Number: G4.1

The Council had before it the report of the Economic Development Manager regarding the Reconnecting Regional NSW - Community Events Program.

Resolution 2022/116

Moved: Cr Lachlan Ford

Seconded: Cr Sam Rice

- 1. That application be made to the Community Events Program for \$150,854 for events to be held in Bourke, Byrock, Enngonia, Fords Bridge, Louth and Wanaaring.**
- 2. That the Mayor, and General Manager be authorised to finalise the list of events for submission of the application of \$150,854 for the Community Events Program.**

Carried

At this juncture, Cr Sarah Barton rejoined the meeting, the time being 9.56 am.

18 DELEGATES AND COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Nil

19 POLICIES

Nil

20 PRÉCIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

21 ACTIVITY REPORTS

21.1 ENGINEERING SERVICES ROAD WORKS & WORKSHOP - WORKS COMPLETED

File Number: E7.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager Roads regarding the Engineering Services Road Works & Workshop - Works Completed.

Resolution 2022/117

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

That Council note the information in the Engineering Services Department Road Works and Workshop Activity Reports as presented to Council on Monday, 23 May 2022.

Carried

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

File Number: E7.1

The Council had before it the report of the Manager Works regarding the Parks & Gardens / Town Services / Water & Wastewater Engineering Services Activity Report.

Resolution 2022/118

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

That Council note that information in the Parks and Gardens, Town Services and Water and Waste Water Engineering Services Department Activity Reports as presented to Council on Monday, 23 May 2022.

Carried

21.3 ACTIVITY REPORT - PLANNING, REGULATORY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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

The Council had before it the report of the Manager Environmental Services regarding the Activity Report - Planning, Regulatory and Environmental Services Department.

Resolution 2022/119

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

That the information in the Environmental Services Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 23rd May 2022 be received and noted.

Carried

21.4 GENERAL MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: G2.1

The Council had before it the report of the General Manager regarding the General Manager's Activity Report.

Resolution 2022/120

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

That the information in the General Manager's Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 23 May 2022 be noted.

Carried

21.5 LIBRARY MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT FOR APRIL 2022

File Number: L4.1

The Council had before it the report of the Library Manager regarding the Library Manager's Activity Report for April 2022.

Resolution 2022/121

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

That the information in the Library Manager's Report for April 2022 as presented to Council on Monday, 23 May 2022 be noted.

Carried

21.6 TOURISM & EVENTS MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: T4.3

The Council had before it the report of the Manager Tourism & Events regarding the Tourism & Events Manager's Activity Report.

Resolution 2022/122

Moved: Cr Sam Rice

Seconded: Cr Victor Bartley

That the information in the Tourism and Events Manager's Activity Report for April 2022 as presented to Council on Monday, 23 May 2022 be noted.

Carried

22 CLOSED SESSION

Nil

The Meeting closed at 9.57am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 June 2022.

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CHAIRPERSON

10 NOTICES OF MOTION

10.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - NO CAMPING AND NO CARAVANS SIGNS BE REMOVED

File Number: T4.1, P1.10, R7.5.5

Attachments: 1. Notice of Motion [↓](#) 

We, Councillors Robert Stutsel and Victor Bartley, give notice that at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 27 June 2022, we intend to move the motion below.

Background

- Tourism is a vital part of the Bourke Shire economy and the additional commercial benefits pass to the whole community in businesses remaining viable and competitive.
- Caravaners etc. using the site for “free camping” appear to the local residents to leave the area in a neat and tidy condition.
- Caravaners etc. have not caused any problems with any of the residents in the immediate area by way of refuse, noise, traffic movements etc.
- Many caravans are now set up for independent “free camping” and the owners budget on “free camping”. To restrict the practice in Bourke will drive tourists and custom elsewhere.
- It is common for tourists to budget on “free camping” so that they can afford to shop etc. in Bourke.
- Present fuel prices and inflation are deterring caravanning.
- If tourists are forced from this area, any problems of littering will be eventually spread over a wider area and more remote, so that any costs to Council will be resultantly higher.
- “Free camping” does not appear to have affected patronage at the two Bourke Caravan Parks and you cannot force people to use them.
- The fact that people can camp in such a level, reasonably quiet, in relative safety in numbers, bog free, flood free area encourages tourism.
- Bourke has considered, from time to time, being an RV Friendly town but the signs are definitely telling the World that Bourke is an RV Unfriendly town.

Motion

That the No Camping and No Caravans signs be removed from the area between the Mitchell Highway and the Bourke Boat Ramp and that if considered necessary a report be tabled at the next meeting of Council.

MOTION ON NOTICE

Moved "that the NO CAMPING and NO CARAVANS signs be removed immediately from the area between the Mitchell Highway and the Bourke Boat Ramp and that if considered necessary a report be tabled at the next meeting of Council"

Robert Stutsel

Moved: Cr Robert STUTSEL

Seconded: Cr Victor BARTLEY

Victor Bartley

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MCS	RATES	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Supporting information:

- Tourism is a vital part of the Bourke Shire economy and the additional commercial benefits pass to the whole community in businesses remaining viable and competitive,
- Caravaners etc. using the site for "free camping" appear to the local residents to leave the area in a neat and tidy condition,
- Caravaners etc. have not caused any problems with any of the residents in the immediate area by way of refuse, noise, traffic movements etc.
- Many caravans are now set up for independent "free camping" and the owners' budget on "free camping". To restrict the practice in Bourke will drive tourists and custom elsewhere,
- It is common for tourists to budget on "free camping" so that they can afford to shop etc. in Bourke,
- Present fuel prices and inflation are deterring caravanning,
- If tourists are forced from this area, any problems of littering will be eventually spread over a wider area and more remote, so that any costs to Council will be resultantly higher,
- "Free camping" does not appear to have affected patronage at the two Bourke Caravan Parks and you cannot force people to use them,
- The fact that people can camp in such a level, reasonably quiet, in relative safety in numbers, bog free, flood free area encourages tourism,
- Bourke has considered, from time to time, being an RV Friendly town but the signs are definitely telling the World that Bourke is an RV Un-friendly town.

11 RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

12 BUSINESS ARISING

12.1 * 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	EDM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

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. 5. Further discussions held in July 2021 with Crown Lands in regard to their

	<p>contact with PCYC with correspondence sent to PCYC as a follow up to discussions.</p> <p>6. PCYC have advised that as a result of internal management changes they wish to defer discussions on land management till mid-2022.</p>
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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"> Ongoing. 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"> Letter sent & meeting held. State Government commits to preparation of Western Weirs Strategy. Teleconference involving staff and Councillors held with State Water on 22/9/2020 re Strategy. Meeting held with DPIE representatives on 10/11/2020 & 11/11/2020. Further briefings on Strategy held 10/02/2021 and 24/05/2021. Discussions held by GM with Jim Betts in July 2021 Secretary, DPIE, in regard to the Weir Strategy Project and its prolonged timeframes. NSW Govt. in Oct 2021 announced the Better Baaka Program which includes Weir renewals on the Darling and specifically upgrading of the Bourke Weir. Meeting with DPIE to be held in Bourke on 23 November 2021. Meeting held DPIE 23/11/2021 with Jim Bently and his team via Video conference regarding Better Baaka Better Bidgee project. Meeting held in December 2021 with

	<p>Andrew Lavelle regarding the Weir upgrade at Bourke and connectivity strategy.</p> <p>10. Contact made with Minister Pavey’s Office re concerns regarding potential removal of downstream weirs.</p> <p>11. GM and MCS met with DPIE officers undertaking Western Regional Water Strategy consultation in Bourke on 8 March 2022 raising concern at the potential loss of downstream weirs.</p> <p>12. Contact made in March 2022 with Andrew Lavelle of DPIE re weir progress. Advised that Western Weirs project is progressing following completion of Strategic Business Case. Advised that he will be seeking to have further conversations re weirs downstream.</p> <p>13. Meeting held with Graham Attenborough and Jason Gordon of DPIE on 15 March 2022 re all things water including weir.</p>
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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
<p>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>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ongoing. Geographical Names Board GNB contacted. 2. Investigations are continuing by GNB. 3. GNB advised in July 2021 that it would be undertaking consultation in August 2021 in regard to dual name proposal. 4. GNB subsequently advised in August that due to COVID the consultations will now be undertaken in 2022. 5. Meeting was to be held with GNB on 22 June 2022 however was postponed by GNB till “next month” with a date yet to be suggested.

2020/236	14.2 BOURKE AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK RILEY - GENERAL MANAGER
FILE NO	A6.1
DECISION	
That Council seeks 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.	
ACTION TAKEN	
Brief prepared, quotations to be invited.	

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	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council notes the report on the responsibility and current condition of the access road to the summit of Mount Oxley. 2. That Council notes the status of telecommunication infrastructure located atop Mount Oxley. 3. That following a Title Search discussion 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 investigates its potential liability as a result of the public use of the access road to the top of Mount Oxley and a report be submitted back to Council. 	
ACTION TAKEN	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Extensive title searches have been completed. 2. Liability issues being pursued by Booth Brown Legal for further report. 3. Meeting held with Mr & Mrs Stalley on 10 December 2020. 4. Risk review undertaken by Council’s insurers on 16/03/21. Awaiting advice to allow instructions to be issued by Booth Brown Legal to prepare licence documentation. 5. Discussions held with NSW Telco Authority re potential for funding to assist with road upgrade. Costs advised. No funding available. 	

2019/439 & 2021/33	NORTH BOURKE BRIDGE REHABILITATION CONCEPT PLAN
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK GORDON – MANAGER ROAD SERVICES
FILE NO	B6.1
DECISION	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Council continues to apply for funding to undertake the project 2. Council commits 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. 	
ACTION TAKEN	
<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. Application under Building Better Regions Fund lodged 11/02/2021. Application unsuccessful. 5. Strategy prepared for investigation, assessment and restoration of bridge for input into Tourism Grant Application. 	

	<p>6. Application lodged in August 2021. No response to date.</p> <p>7. Representations made to Member for Barwon, Roy Butler MP regarding funding for Bridge.</p> <p>8. Further application under Building Better Regions Fund lodged February 2022.</p> <p>9. Council resolved 25 February 2022 to allocate funding of \$200,000 to engage a structural engineer to prepare documentation to allow Council to invite tenders for restoration of the bridge.</p> <p>10. Draft brief prepared and with Public Works Advisory for review.</p>
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2021/302	WESTERN GOLF CHALLENGE
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MEL MILGATE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER
FILE NO	D5.1, S4.1 and S5.1
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
That Council accede to the request from Gary Begg – Regional Manager Golf NSW requesting financial support in the amount of \$2,000 to assist with the grant application for the proposed Western Golf Challenge 2022.	<p>1. EDM spoken with Gary Begg to confirm support.</p> <p>2. Western Golf Challenge Grant Application to be completed start of 2022.</p> <p>3. Letter of support from Bourke Shire Council drafted and pending advice from Mr Begg of other towns support as to the challenge proceeding before sending.</p>

2021/355	ROAD CLASSIFICATION REVIEW
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	ALEX SAJU, MANAGER ROADS
FILE NO	R7.1, R7.4.3
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
<p>1. That Council provide a submission to the Independent Panel on Road Classification Review and Regional Road Transfer proposing that ownership of the Bourke – Milparinka Rd (Wanaaring Rd) be transferred to the NSW Government, as a minimum.</p> <p>2. That the transfer of any Regional Roads to Government in the Bourke Shire being on the basis of Council entering into a contract with Government which would see Council continuing to undertake both improvement</p>	Submission to Review Panel prepared and submitted.

<p>works, and the necessary programmed and emergency maintenance works on the transferred roadway(s).</p> <p>3. That Council also provides a submission to the Independent Panel on Road Classification Review and Regional Road Transfer proposing the reclassification from local road to regional road status of the following roads:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RLR 5 – Caronga Peak to Wilga Downs (23km / no bridge); • RLR50 - Moleyarra Road – Wanaaring to Hungerford (86.82km / no bridge); • RLR44 – Janina Road – Louth to Wanaaring (85.7km / no bridge); • RLR49 – West Culgoa Road – Bourke to Weilmoringle (82.82km / single lane bridge). 	
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2021/368	INTEGRATED WATER CYCLE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	PETER BROWN, MANAGER WORKS
FILE NO	W2.3

DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council accept funding in the amount of \$357,857 (Ex GST) under the Local Water Utility Infrastructure Programs Funding Scheme for town and village water supplies. 2. That Council accept the offer from Public Works Advisory for the preparation of a new Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy for the Bourke township and Villages at a cost of \$477,143 (Ex GST). 3. That funding of \$119,286 (Ex GST) be sourced from Councils Water Fund Restricted Asset as Councils 25% contribution to the project. 4. That any necessary documents be executed under the Common Seal of Council. 5. That the documents and considerations remain confidential to the Council. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Funding Deed executed by Council. 2. Work progressing.

2022/6	NOTICE OF MOTION - VILLAGE TOURS
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK RILEY, GENERAL MANAGER
FILE NO	C8.1, C11.1, P4.1
DECISION	
ACTION TAKEN	
All councillors be invited to attend any future Council Village Tours and community meetings.	Noted.

2022/11	EMPLOYMENT ZONE REFORM
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DWAYNE WILLOUGHBY, MANAGER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
FILE NO	T5.1
DECISION	
ACTION TAKEN	
That the proposal to permit business premises, with consent, in the R1 General Residential Zone of the Bourke Local Environmental Plan be endorsed for the purposes of preparing a Planning Proposal for further consideration by Council in due course.	Matter proceeding.

2022/48	REMOVAL OF TREES FROM MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DWAYNE WILLOUGHBY, MANAGER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
FILE NO	S10.2
DECISION	
ACTION TAKEN	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> That Council proceed to remove the two (2) Gum trees from within the Bourke Memorial Swimming Pool Complex, to allow for development and upgrade works of the learn to swim pool, noting that such trees are outside the definition of a street tree as per Council’s Street Tree policy. That Council staff replace the (2) Gum trees with suitable trees at other strategic locations within the pool complex. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Gum trees removed. Replacement trees to be planted in autumn.

2022/53	NSW OLG - COUNCILLOR SUPERANNUATION PAPER
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN, MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	C11.2
DECISION	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> That effective 1 July 2022, Council proceed to make superannuation contribution payments for Councillors. That Councils 2022/2023 Operational Plan be prepared on the basis of superannuation contribution payments being made to Councillors. 	ACTION TAKEN
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Matter proceeding. Budget prepared accordingly.

2022/54	DRAFT COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN, MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	P4.1
DECISION	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> That the draft Community Strategic Plan as attached herewith be placed on public exhibition for a period of twenty-eight (28) days inviting the public to make submissions. That a further report be presented to Council following the submission period. 	ACTION TAKEN
	Advertised.

2022/63	CONTRACT MANAGEMENT OF THE BOURKE WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DWAYNE WILLOUGHBY, MANAGER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
FILE NO	S10.1
DECISION	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> That as per the existing Management Contract between Council and Mr Mark Hollman in respect of the Management of the Bourke War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool Complex (BWMOSP), Council and Mr Hollman proceed to exercise the available 12-month option period ending 30 June 2023 at the agreed contract fee for the season as detailed in the report herewith. That it be noted that as per the existing contract in respect of the management of the BWMOSP, it will be necessary for Council to invite tenders for the management Contract post the period ending 30 June 2023. 	ACTION TAKEN
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Contractor formally advised of Council's decision. Contract Management Tenders to be invited in due course. Entry fees included in 2022/23 draft Operational Plan.

<p>3. That entry fees at the Bourke War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool Complex for the 2022/2023 period be included and exhibited as part of Councils 2022/2023 draft Operational Plan</p>	
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2022/82	REVENUE POLICY
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN, MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	P4.2

DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
1. That Council note the amended Draft Revenue Policy for 2022/2023.	1. Completed.
2. That Council adopts a filtered water price of \$2.31/KL for the 2022/2023 rating period while maintaining the set increase of 2.1% in all water access charges.	2. Advertised.
3. That Council adopts an increase of 2.1% in Sewerage Rates & Charges for the 2022/2023 rating period.	3. Advertised.
4. That Council adopt the maximum interest rate as provided by the Office of Local Government under section 566 (3) of the Local Government Act, being 6%.	4. Advertised.
5. That Council adopts the Domestic Waste Management Charges as detailed and include in the Draft Operational Plan 2022/2023.	5. Advertised.
6. That Council adopt the Schedule of Rates and Charges for inclusion in the Draft Operational Plan 2021/2022.	6. Advertised.

2022/83	FEES AND CHARGES
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN, MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	F1.2, P4.2

DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
That Council adopt the Fees and Charges, as presented, for inclusion in the Draft Operational Plan 2022/2023.	Advertised.

2022/84	DRAFT OPERATIONAL PLAN
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN, MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	P4.2
DECISION	
ACTION TAKEN	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council approve the Draft Operational Plan for 2022/2023 for the purposes of being advertised and calling for submissions in accordance with Section 405 (3) of the Local Government Act. 2. That Council again review the Draft Operational Plan for 2022/2023 and any submissions received at the Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled for Monday, 27 June 2022. 	Advertised.

2022/85	DRAFT DELIVERY PROGRAM 2023-2027
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN, MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	P4.1
DECISION	
ACTION TAKEN	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council note the draft Delivery Program 2. That the draft Delivery Program be placed on public exhibition for comment for a period of 28 days. 	Advertised.

2022/86	2022-2026 DRAFT DELIVERY PROGRAM AND 2022/2023 OPERATIONAL PLAN PREPARATION TIMETABLE
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN, MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	A4.3, P4.2
DECISION	
ACTION TAKEN	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council confirm the proposed timetable for finalisation of the Delivery Program 2022-2026 and Operation Plan 2022/2023 as follows: 2. Tuesday, 26 April 2022 Consideration and Determination of Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan and approval to put on public exhibition including the calling for submissions. 3. Monday, 9 May 2022 Disseminate required public notice calling for submissions on Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan. 4. Monday, 6 June 2022 Closing date for receipt of submissions at 4.30pm. 5. Monday, 27 June 2022 Adoption of Delivery Program 2022-2026 and Operational Plan 2022/2023, after due consideration of any submissions received. 	Advertised.

2022/87	LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN, MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	P4.2
DECISION	
ACTION TAKEN	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That following the preparation of the draft Long Term Financial Plan for 2022/2032, the draft Plan be advertised in accordance with Section 405 (3) of the Local Government Act. 2. That Council review the Draft Long Term Financial Plan for 2022/2032 and any submissions received at the Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled for Monday, 27 June 2022. 	LTFP to be presented to the June Ordinary meeting of Council.

2022/ 95	BOURKE MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX LEARN TO SWIM POOL AND FILTRATION PLANT
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DWAYNE WILLOUGHBY, MANAGER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
FILE NO	S10.1
DECISION	
ACTION TAKEN	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council notes the Facilities Design Group assessment of tenders received for Phase one (1) of the Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool upgrade being the Learn to Swim Pool and Filtration Plant components. 2. That as per the tender assessment, Council award the tender for phase one (1) of the Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool upgrade, being the Learn to Swim Pool and Filtration Plant components, to Hydrocare Pools at a price of \$1,667,383 (ex GST). 3. That any necessary documents be executed under the Common Seal of Council. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Successful and unsuccessful tenderers notified. 2. Contract signed.

2022/ 96	NORTH BOURKE STORMWATER DRAINAGE
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK RILEY, GENERAL MANAGER
FILE NO	D6.1, D6.2, V 1.6
DECISION	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the information in the report of the General Manager from March 2022 be noted. 2. That the Mayor and General Manager be requested to take the necessary action in pursuit of potentially acquiring land in respect of this drainage matter, for a further report to Council. 3. That the Mayor and General Manager be requested to brief Mr G Seiler on the progress of this matter. 4. That the documents and considerations in respect of this matter remain confidential to Council. 	ACTION TAKEN
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Investigations into land proceeding. 2. Mayor and GM have briefed Mr Seiler.

2022/ 113	LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW (LGNSW) ANNUAL CONFERENCE 23 TO 25 OCTOBER 2022
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	MARK RILEY, GENERAL MANAGER
FILE NO	L8.3, G2.3, M2.2
DECISION	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Mayor and General Manager attend the LGNSW Annual Conference to be held 23 to 25 October 2022. 2. That Councillors who wish to attend the LGNSW Annual Conference to be held 23 to 25 October 2022 nominate prior to August 2022. 	ACTION TAKEN
	Executive Assistant take the necessary action to implement Councils resolution noting that Cr Victor Bartley expressed an interest in attending.

2022/ 115	RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL AUDIT FRAMEWORK FOR COUNCILS
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN, MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	R5.1
DECISION	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council join with the Far North West Joint Organisation and its member Councils in establishing a Shared Audit Risk and Improvement Committee in accordance with section 428B of the Local Government Act 1993. 2. That Council delegate authority to the Far North West Joint Organisation to appoint the chair and two (2) independent members to form the shared Audit Risk And Improvement Committee to serve the Far North West Joint Organisation and 	ACTION TAKEN
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General Manager advised FNWJO of Council's resolution. 2. Manager Corporate Services take the necessary action to implement Council's resolution.

<p>all three member Councils.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. That Council appoint a Councillor to serve as the non-voting board member on the ARIC for this Council only. 4. That Council adopt the Draft Terms of Reference developed for the operation of the Audit Risk and Improvement noting the initial revised term to cater for the shorter period to be served by the current Council and the fact that there is no current need for the Chair to be pre-qualified at this stage. 5. That Council note the Expression of Interest document developed by the Far North West Joint Organisation for distribution to potential applicants for persons to serve as the Chair or one of the two (2) independent Committee Members including the fees payable to the Chair and Committee members. 6. That applications as detailed in the Expression of Interest document be called for by the placement of advertisements in the local papers circulating in each of the towns within the FNWJO area together with the websites of each of the member Councils to provide local residents the opportunity to apply to become a member of the Shared Committee if they are suitably qualified and wish to apply. 	
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2022/ 116	RECONNECTING REGIONAL NSW - COMMUNITY EVENTS PROGRAM
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	LEONIE BROWN, MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
FILE NO	G4.1
DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That application be made to the Community Events Program for \$150,854 for events to be held in Bourke, Byrock, Enngonia, Fords Bridge, Louth and Wanaaring. 2. That the Mayor, and General Manager be authorised to finalise the list of events for submission of the application of \$150,854 for the Community Events Program. 	<p>Manager Economic Develop take the necessary action to implement Council’s resolution.</p>

<p>Recommendation That the information in the Business Arising Report as presented to Council on Monday, 27 June 2022 be noted.</p>
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12.2 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
2022				
June	27	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
July	25	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
August	22	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
September	26	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
October	24	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
November	28	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
December	19	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
2023				
February	27	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
March	27	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
April	24	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
May	22	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
June	26	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
July	24	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
August	28	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber
September	25	9.15am	Council Meeting	Council Chamber

Recommendation

That the information in the Calendar of Events Report as presented to Council on Monday, 27 June 2022 be noted.

12.3 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
20/05/2022	Business Papers for the Ordinary Meeting of Council Monday, 23 May 2022	Margo Anderson	✓
23/05/2022	ALGA congratulates PM Albanese, \$7m for rural council tech upgrades, Moreton Bay hears roar of women's football with new \$22m center and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
23/05/2022	Council Circular 22-14 2022/23 Determination of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal	Office of Local Government	✓
23/05/2022	Council Circular 22-15 Guidance for councils on the publication of disclosure of interest returns	Office of Local Government	✓
24/05/2022	ALGA welcomes new PM and Labor Government Construction begins on \$22M QLD sports precinct Councils seeks community input on third Melbourne airport runway	Council Magazine	✓
24/05/2022	LGAQ stands ready to work with new Labor Government, Latrobe looks to firm up \$10m Labor pre-election pledge for Gippsland, Kiama council backflips on aged care sale and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
24/05/2022	Councils welcome change of govt; Digital birth certificates set for testing	Government News	✓
25/05/2022	GMs Column	Mark Riley	✓
25/05/2022	Farmers recommend flood response changes	NSW Farmers Association	✓
25/05/2022	Tasmanian Govt moves to make LG election voting compulsory, LGANT calls for action on crime, Brisbane council backs community recovery and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
26/05/2022	"Silly" suggestion by Greens Councillor	Inside Local Government	✓

	prompts Brisbane council stoush, Moreton Bay call for 'city' status echoed by local business, Lithgow council hits reset after power station conversion ruled out and Much More...		
26/05/2022	Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting 23/05/2022	Margo Anderson	✓
30/05/2022	OLG's fortnightly e-newsletter - 26 May 2022	Office of Local Government	✓
30/05/2022	Covid contact tracing 'snooping' risk; Climate under Labor	Government News	✓
30/05/2022	Re-election + more - May 2022	Mark Coulton	✓
31/05/2022	Review brings record keeping into digital age; Gaetjens out at PM&C	Government News	✓
01/06/2022	Free flu vaccinations for all NSW residents from 1 June to 30 June 2022	NSW Government	✓
01/06/2022	\$18 million to supercharge great outdoors projects, Mackay council CEO resigns to face cancer battle, Ballarat backs environmentally sustainable design and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
01/06/2022	GMs Column	Mark Riley	✓
01/06/2022	The Weekly Newsletter, 1 June 2022	Local Government NSW	✓
01/06/2022	Power outage	Mark Riley	✓
01/06/2022	Moyne Shire seeks wind farm feedback, Georges River Council collects Asset and Infrastructure award, LGASA calls for PS award nominations and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
02/06/2022	Rockhampton Council slams local MPs in boundary battle – 'should hang their heads in shame', Tweed Mayor calls for expansion of housing schemes in wake of flood, Toowoomba tries on Indigenous corporate uniform for size and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
03/06/2022	Premier ignores advice on light rail; Sector welcomes new local government ministers	Government News	✓
03/06/2022	SA budget 'a mixed bag' for councils, Queanbeyan-Palerang addresses community angst over DA delays, Voting now compulsory for Tasmanian LG elections and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
07/06/2022	\$50 million in infrastructure funding for VIC councils QLD council wins National Parks and Leisure Award Council awards \$4.4 million tender to upgrade waste facility	Council Magazine	✓

07/06/2022	Councils vent frustration with state planning portal, Liverpool goes for green and gold, Greater Shepparton Mayor resigns and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
07/06/2022	Public sector pay rise 'not enough'; Data breach at iCare	Government News	✓
07/06/2022	The Weekly Newsletter, 7 June 2022	Local Government NSW	✓
08/06/2022	GMs Column	Mark Riley	✓
09/06/2022	Greater Geelong Mayor resigns, Council not sold on land sale ad, Rockhampton calls on Livingstone council to reveal campaign costs and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
14/06/2022	Mayor steps down, new election called The councils cancelling child health services due to staff shortages New ministers welcomed by LGNSW	Council Magazine	✓
14/06/2022	News from the Barwon Electorate	Roy Butler	✓
14/06/2022	Eurobodalla Mayor shoulders homelessness crisis, New CEO to lead Maroochydore CBD project, Toowoomba backs \$519m budget and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
14/06/2022	Public health officials top Queens Honours; Border officials rorted \$140k	Government News	✓
15/06/2022	Melbourne beds down lease agreement for homeless housing, Sydney to host global thinkers for entrepreneur program, Toowoomba backs housing release measures and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
15/06/2022	GM's Column	Mark Riley	✓
16/06/2022	Minimum wage increase, Big Tech Field Day, Rebates and more!	RDA Orana Weekly Newsletter	✓
16/06/2022	Budget wheels turn for Brisbane Olympics cycle track, Sunshine Coast wins global environment designation, Moreton Bay mission to grow region's agribusiness industry and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
20/06/2022	Reminder for Council Meeting 27/06/2022	Margo Anderson	✓
20/06/2022	Qld procures 23k unused devices; Easier financial reporting for councils	Government News	✓
20/06/2022	Mayor calls on retailers to end use of facial recognition technology, Perth to hand city keys to Kerr, Bathurst council in airline talks and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓

20/06/2022	LG descends on Canberra for National General Assembly, Greater Bendigo Mayor to chair Regional Cities, Murrumbidgee new Greater Geelong Mayor and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
21/06/2022	NSW council plants 10,000 trees for urban cooling Interactive portals connect locals with council initiatives Construction set to begin on flood-free land swap	Council Magazine	✓
21/06/2022	Nationals leader says excluding councils from Cabinet was a mistake, Ukraine Ambassador to address NGA of Local Government, Queensland partnership to deliver 1,200 new homes and Much More...	Inside Local Government	✓
21/06/2022	ALGA wants bigger role on National Cabinet; ATO leads fraud raids	Government News	✓

Recommendation

That the contents of the Information to Councillors Report as presented to Council on Monday, 27 June 2022 be noted.

13 ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT**13.1 *** BOURKE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES****File Number:** C6.6**Author:** Alex Saju, Manager Roads**Authoriser:** Mark Riley, General Manager**Attachments:** 1. Bourke Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes 20220517  **Background**

The Local Traffic Committee (LTC) is primarily a technical review committee, which is required to advise Council on matters referred to it by Council. These matters must be related to prescribed traffic control devices and traffic control facilities for which Council has delegated authority by the RMS.

The Bourke Local Traffic Committee generally meets four (4) times per year.

Current Situation

The Local Traffic Committee held its recent meeting on Tuesday, 17 May 2022 for which the Minutes are attached for Council's consideration. Next meeting to be advised.

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Bourke Shire Council Traffic Committee held on Tuesday, 17 May 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes

Report and Recommendations of the Meeting of the Bourke Traffic Committee held on Tuesday 17th May 2022, commence at 2pm

ATTENDANCE- Representatives	
Manager of Roads -Alex Saju	General Manager -Mark Riley
Manager of Corporate Services -Leonie Brown	Engineering Technical Officer - Chris Morrall
Transport for NSW -David Vant	Transport for NSW - Lisa Kennedy
WHS Officer - Leticicia Tiffen	

APOLOGIES- Representatives	

Secretary /Minutes Lynette Gooch, Engineering Support Officer Bourke Shire Council

TC 2021/2: Adoption of Minutes.
Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Bourke Shire Council Traffic Committee held on February 15th 2022, be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Carried

TC 2021/3: Matters Arising from Previous Meetings

File No:	C6.6	
Report:	Matters Arising from Previous Meetings-Status Report	
Responsible Officer:	Alex Saju-Manager of Roads	
Item	Status	Responsible Officer
Bus Stop being moved from Anson St to Oxley St	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Works to commence in a couple of weeks, Structure completed, bus trial, paving to commence 	Transport for NSW
Signage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foundations are completed Delayed by rain 	Transport for NSW Manager of Tourism
Radar speed signs for Enngonia and Fords Bridge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spots have been marked out, waiting on funding to become available 	Engineering Technical Officer and Transport for NSW
40 Zone in CBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public consultation, speed zone request from transport, high volume of pedestrian traffic Check previous records from previous minutes 	Manager of Corporate Services ESSO
Establish a designated bus stop at the entrance to Bowden Drive, North Bourke	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leonie Brown-Manager of Corporate Services declared an interest Onsite inspection by David and Lisa Signage to be erected 	Transport for NSW

School Zone's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrading to be done • Bourke not in stage 1 looking at Stage 2/3 	Transport for NSW
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Recommendation

That the status of actions in respect of matters arising from previous meetings be noted.	Carried
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Agenda

File No:	C6.6	
Report:	Agenda	
Responsible Officer:	Alex Saju-Manager of Roads	
Item	Status	Responsible Officer
Emergency Parking, Mitchell Street-NSW Fire Rescue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter Tabled from NSW Fire Rescue • NSW Fire Rescue worried about response time • Discussion held between committee regarding best options • Onsite inspection after meeting • Review again in 3 months at new meeting 	Transport for NSW Council

General Business

File No:	C6.6	
Report:	General Business	
Responsible Officer:	Alex Saju-Manager of Roads	
Item	Status	Responsible Officer
Bus Shelter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roof to be erected next week • Finished product send photos through to Lisa and Belinda 	Manager of Corporate Services
Road Safety Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport for NSW are handing out stickers to promote road safety week 	Transport for NSW
Blisters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Damaged blisters at Landmark corner, damage caused by triples driving over them • Discussion held in regards to a total redesign or just replace 	Transport for NSW Council

Recommendation

Carried

The next Traffic Committee meeting is to be advised, 2:00pm Bourke Shire Council, Council Chambers Room.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2.46 pm.

14 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Nil

15 GENERAL MANAGER

Nil

16 CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT**16.1 *** BANK RECONCILIATION & STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES**

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

Bank Reconciliation for the period ending 31 May 2022

Balances as per Bank Statement	\$3,959,323.06
Plus: Deposit not shown	\$11,272.94
Less: Unpresented Cheques	\$7,822.32
Balance as per Cash Book	\$3,962,773.68

Reconciled Ledger Accounts as at 31 May 2022

Fund or Account	Current Balance	Overdraft Statutory Limit
General	\$27,645,180.85	\$200,000.00
Water	\$2,209,156.28	
Sewer	\$2,724,174.58	
Trust	\$113,618.11	
	\$32,692,129.82	

Investments as at 31 May 2022

National Australia Bank	\$1,084,474.56	0.35%	367 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$456,379.79	0.07%	360 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$3,025,633.12	0.35%	365 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$1,102,965.00	0.35%	365 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$2,010,054.80	0.46%	182 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$2,008,219.18	0.36%	365 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$1,158,167.48	0.55%	365 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$678,210.58	0.33%	330 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$3,106,731.89	0.04%	365 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$3,065,270.42	0.07%	360 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$704,706.26	0.04%	360 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$1,730,366.78	0.32%	300 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$1,502,071.24	1.07%	272 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$7,099,902.87	Flex		
Total Investments	\$28,733,153.97			

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 2022

Balance as per cash book	\$3,962,773.68
Investments	\$28,733,153.97
Total, equalling Reconciled Ledger	\$32,695,927.65

Statement of Bank Balances as at 31 May 2022

	Balance	Transaction	Balance
	30 April, 2022		31 May, 2022
General Fund	\$22,006,104.54	\$5,642,874.15	\$27,648,978.69
Water Fund	\$2,390,318.39	-\$181,162.11	\$2,209,156.28
Sewer Fund	\$2,746,173.90	-\$21,999.32	\$2,724,174.58
Trust Fund	\$125,760.66	-\$12,142.55	\$113,618.11
Investments	-\$26,229,352.73	-\$2,503,801.25	-\$28,733,153.98
Totals	\$1,039,004.76	\$2,923,768.92	\$3,962,773.68

Balance of all Funds as at 31 May 2022

Balance as at 30th April, 2022	\$1,039,004.76
Add Receipts for	
(a) Rates	\$520,944.52
(b) Other Cash	\$7,829,219.01
Deduct payments for	
(a) Payments	\$2,911,086.15
(b) New Investment	-\$2,515,308.46
Balance as at 31 May, 2022	\$3,962,773.68

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 2022 be noted.

16.2 * INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MAY 2022**

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 2021/22 Budget estimated the total investment revenue as \$290,000 which represents an estimated return of .25%. During the budget review process at the end of March 2022, this estimate was reducing to \$235,000 for the year. This revenue was 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 2022 is \$28,733,153.97

Investment income earned as at 31 May 2022 is \$100,999.63

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.

Investment Portfolio

Investments as at 31 May 2022

National Australia Bank	\$1,084,474.56	0.35%	367 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$456,379.79	0.07%	360 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$3,025,633.12	0.35%	365 Days	A1+
National Australia Bank	\$1,102,965.00	0.35%	365 Days	A1+
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Term Deposits

Discussions/Comments

The Investment portfolio increased by \$2,503,804.25 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.

Recommendation

1. That the report regarding Council's Investment Portfolio 31 May 2022 be received and noted.
2. That the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted, and the report adopted.

16.3 ANNUAL RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND INSURANCE MATTERS FOR 2022/2023

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 2022/2023 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 2022/2023 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.

Council premiums for all above classes of insurance excluding Public Liability, Property and Workers Compensation for 2022/2023 is \$235,192.60. This is 13% more than the premium paid in 2021/2022 of \$206,836.

Public Liability

In regard 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 Underwriter. Council’s contribution for 2022/2023 is \$135,219.40 (2021/2022 - \$120,195.03) and increase of 12%, 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 2022/2023 is \$263,707. This is 18% more than the premium paid in 2021/2022 of \$210,058.05 plus an adjustment of \$13,391.50, totalling \$223,449.55.

This increase is a result of an increase in declared insurable values of \$7,653,050 by Council. In addition, the past twelve months has seen the global insurance market continue to harden, impacted by catastrophic losses, which in 2020 saw unprecedented fires, and then in 2021 and 2022 communities severely impacted by flooding and storms.

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 2021/2022 (the estimate is \$154,509), and for the 2022/2023 estimate (Council has budgeted \$220,400). 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 2022/2023 amount to \$634,119 in respect of the various classes of insurances held excluding Workers Compensation. This compares to \$550,480.58 in 2021/2022. 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 2021/2022 estimated to be \$154,509, and is yet to provide an estimation for 2022/2023, which is budgeted at \$220,400. Estimates have been provided within Council's 2022/2023 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 2022/2023.

16.4 * COUNCILLOR REMUNERATION**

File Number: 12.1
Author: Leonie Brown, Manager Corporate Services
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Introduction

The Local Government Remuneration Tribunal has handed down its determination for 2022/2023 and has determined that a 2 % increase in the minimum and maximum fees for Councillors and Mayors for the 12 month period effective 1st July 2022.

Background

Council has previously adopted a policy of paying the maximum fees for Councillors and the Mayor. This recognises the heavy workload placed on the Mayor and Councillors of the Bourke Shire in undertaking their duties.

The *Local Government Act 1993* states that:-

248 Fixing and payment of annual fees for Councillors

- (1) A Council must pay each Councillor an annual fee.
- (2) A Council may fix the annual fee and, if it does so, it must fix the annual fee in accordance with the appropriate determination of the Remuneration Tribunal.
- (3) The annual fee so fixed must be the same for each Councillor.
- (4) A Council that does not fix the annual fee must pay the appropriate minimum fee determined by the Remuneration Tribunal.

248A Annual fees or other remuneration not to be paid during period of suspension

A Council must not at any time pay any fee or other remuneration, or any expenses, to which a Councillor would otherwise be entitled as the holder of a civic office, in respect of any period during which—

- (a) the Councillor is suspended from civic office under this Act, or
- (b) the Councillor's right to be paid any such fee or other remuneration, or expense, is suspended under this Act, unless another provision of this Act specifically authorises payment to be made, or specifically permits a person to authorise payment to be made, when the suspension is terminated.

249 Fixing and payment of annual fees for the Mayor

- (1) A Council must pay the Mayor an annual fee.
- (2) The annual fee must be paid in addition to the fee paid to the Mayor as a Councillor.
- (3) A Council may fix the annual fee and, if it does so, it must fix the annual fee in accordance with the appropriate determination of the Remuneration Tribunal.
- (4) A Council that does not fix the annual fee must pay the appropriate minimum fee determined by the Remuneration Tribunal.

(5) A Council may pay the deputy Mayor (if there is one) a fee determined by the Council for such time as the deputy Mayor acts in the office of the Mayor. The amount of the fee so paid must be deducted from the Mayor’s annual fee.

Current Situation

Pursuant to s.241 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the annual fees to be paid in each of the categories to Councillors, Mayors, Members and Chairpersons of County Councils effective on and from 1 July 2022 are determined as follow by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal.

Table 4: Fees for General Purpose and County Councils

Category		Councillor/Member Annual Fee		Mayor/Chairperson Additional Fee*	
		Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
General Purpose Councils - Metropolitan	Principal CBD	28,750	42,170	175,930	231,500
	Major CBD	19,180	35,520	40,740	114,770
	Metropolitan Large	19,180	31,640	40,740	92,180
	Metropolitan Medium	14,380	26,840	30,550	71,300
	Metropolitan Small	9,560	21,100	20,370	46,010
General Purpose Councils - Non-metropolitan	Major Regional City	19,180	33,330	40,740	103,840
	Major Strategic Area	19,180	33,330	40,740	103,840
	Regional Strategic Area	19,180	31,640	40,740	92,180
	Regional Centre	14,380	25,310	29,920	62,510
	Regional Rural	9,560	21,100	20,370	46,040
	Rural	9,560	12,650	10,180	27,600
County Councils	Water	1,900	10,550	4,080	17,330
	Other	1,900	6,300	4,080	11,510

**This fee must be paid in addition to the fee paid to the Mayor/Chairperson as a Councillor/Member (s.249(2)).*

Bourke Shire Council is categorised as a Rural Council.

Financial Implications

At the March Ordinary Meeting of Council, Council resolved that in the compilation of the 2022/2023 Operational Plan that the fee paid to Councillor be the maximum amount. The maximum fee for both the Mayor and Councillors is included in the draft Operational Plan.

Recommendation

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 \$12,650 and \$27,600 respectively to the Councillors and Mayor.

16.5 * GENERAL MANAGER - PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT**

File Number: S6.41
Author: Leonie Brown, Manager of Corporate Services
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

Sect 353 of the Local Government Act 1993 under the heading "Other work" provides in part that; *"(1) The general manager must not engage, for remuneration, in private employment or contract work outside the service of the council without the approval of the council. "*

Having regard to this legislative requirement, I bring to the attention of Council the operation by my family of the business known as Browns Apartments, located in Darling St Bourke. The business comprises four (4) self-contained apartments and a house that is also self-contained. The Brown family has operated this business since 1999.

In being part of the operation of the business over many years, I have done so separate to my employment at Council and annually disclosed the ownership of the business in my Pecuniary Interest returns, as required.

Current Situation

Due to my new role as General Manager, Bourke Shire Council, commencing 4 July 2022, as per Section 353 of the Local Government Act, I now seek the approval of Council for this private employment to continue having regard to my new role.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications to Council.

Recommendation

That as per Section 353 of the Local Government Act, Council approve the request of its incoming General Manager, Mrs Leonie Brown, to undertake private employment in respect of the operation of Browns Apartments, Darling St, Bourke.

16.6 * 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 and have been forwarded to Councillors email addresses. 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, 27 June 2022.

16.7 * 2022/2023 INTERGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- File Number:** A10.1, P4.2.1
- Author:** Leonie Brown, Manager of Corporate Services
- Authoriser:** Mark Riley, General Manager
- Attachments:**
1. **Appendix A - 2022-2032 Community Strategic Plan (under separate cover)** 
 2. **Appendix B - 2022-2026 Delivery Program (under separate cover)** 
 3. **Appendix C - 2022/2023 Operational Plan (under separate cover)** 
 4. **Appendix D - 2022/2023 Fees and Charges (under separate cover)** 
 5. **Appendix E - 2022-2032 Long Term Financial Plan (under separate cover)** 
 6. **Appendix F - Workforce Management Plan (under separate cover)** 
 7. **Appendix G - Asset Management Strategy (under separate cover)** 
 8. **Appendix H - Asset Management Plans (under separate cover)** 
 9. **Appendix I - Asset Management Policy (under separate cover)** 
 10. **Appendix J - EEO Management Plan (under separate cover)** 

Background

Council in recent months has considered various reports relating to its Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) Framework, as per the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993. Such components and the dates that they were considered by Council follow:

Council Meeting Date	IP&R Component
28 March 2022	Draft Community Strategic Plan 2022-2032
26 April 2022	Draft Delivery Program 2022-2026
26 April 2022	Draft Operational Plan 2022/2023 inc Annual Budget/ Statement of Revenue Policy and 2022/2023 Fees and Charges.

Details in respect of the public exhibition of each of these documents is provided below in the Current Situation section of this report.

The other component document of the IP& R Framework that has been completed, though not requiring Public Exhibition, is Councils Resourcing Strategy which includes three (3) inter-related elements, being the Long-Term Financial Plan, Workforce Management Plan and Asset Management Plan. Such document is attached herewith.

Current Situation

- a) 2022-2032 Draft Community Strategic Plan.

Councils draft Community Strategic Plan 2022-2032 identifies the main priorities and aspirations of the community across the Bourke LGA and provides various objectives and strategies to progress Councils vision that the *“Bourke Shire will continue to grow as an iconic, outback, regional community and destination, which is united and productive, thriving on practical access to all modern services.”* The draft Community Strategic Plan is Council’s highest order strategy that

guides and influences the actions and initiatives of Council, the community, all tiers of government and community stakeholders over the 10-year period of the Plan through to 2032.

A copy of the 2022-2032 draft Community Strategic Plan is provided herewith at **Appendix A**.

Council's draft 2022-2023 Community Strategic Plan was considered by Council at its meeting held on 28 March 2022 wherein it was resolved that the Plan be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. Accordingly, the document was exhibited from Friday, 1 April 2022 until Thursday, 5 May 2022 with the exhibition advertised in the Western Herald, on Councils Facebook site and on Councils website. As a result of such exhibition, it is advised that no submissions were received. Accordingly, it will be recommended that Councils 2022-2032 draft Community Strategic Plan be adopted.

b) 2022-2026 Draft Delivery Program.

Councils 2022-2023 draft Community Strategic Plan is supported by the 2022-2026 draft Delivery Program. This document includes various strategies and key performance objectives that Council will undertake during four (4) year period commencing 1 July 2022 through to 30 June 2026.

A copy of the 2022-2026 draft Delivery Program is provided herewith at **Appendix B**.

Council's draft Delivery Plan for the 4-year period, 2022-2026 was considered by Council at its meeting held on 26 April 2022 wherein it was resolved that the Program be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. Accordingly, the document was exhibited from Monday, 9 May 2022 until Monday, 6 June 2022 with the exhibition advertised in the Western Herald and on Councils website. In addition, I spoke of the availability of the documents for review and comment on Radio 2WEB during the exhibition period. As a result of such exhibition, it is advised that no submissions were received. Accordingly, it will be recommended that Councils 2022-2026 draft Delivery Plan be adopted.

c) Draft Operational Plan 2022/2023 (Annual Budget, Statement of Revenue Policy and Fees and Charges)

Council's draft Operational Plan for 2022/2023, which includes Councils Annual Budget, Statement of Revenue Policy (**Appendix C**) and 2022/2023 Fees and Charges (**Appendix D**) is included herewith. The 2022/2023 Plan and the Fees and Charges were considered by Council at its meeting held on 26 April 2022 wherein it was resolved that the Plan be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. Accordingly, the draft Plan and the Fees were exhibited from Monday, 9 May 2022 until Monday, 6 June 2022 with the exhibition advertised in the Western Herald and on Councils website. In addition, I spoke of the availability of the documents for review and comment on Radio 2WEB during the exhibition period. As a result of such exhibition, it is advised that no submissions were received. Accordingly, it will be recommended that Councils 2022/2023 draft Operational Plan, (inclusive of the Annual Budget, Statement of Revenue Policy) and the Fees and Charges, be adopted.

Also included in the draft Operational Plan is Council's Plant Replacement Schedule, its Sale of Plant Schedule, Councils Loan Borrowing Schedule to borrow up to \$1.240m in 2022/2023. A recommendation to specifically adopt these schedules is also provided below.

A separate report is provided to Council as part of its June 2022 Ordinary Meeting Agenda in respect of the formal making of Councils Rates and Charges as required by section 534 of the *Local Government Act, 1993* which provides that each rate or charge is to be made for a specific year, being the year in which the rate or charge is made or the next year and Section 535 provides that a rate or charge is made by resolution of Council.

(d) Resourcing Strategy

Councils Community Strategic Plan is also supported by a Resourcing Strategy which is provided here at **Appendix E-J**. The Resourcing Strategy consists of a number of separate components as provided below:

- Long Term Financial Plan (**Appendix E**);
- Workforce Management Plan (**Appendix F**);
- Asset Management Strategy (**Appendix G**);
- Asset Management Plans (**Appendix H**);
- Asset Management Policy (**Appendix I**);
- Equal Employment Opportunity Management Plan (**Appendix J**)

Following the adoption of the various Plans and Documents by Council, any necessary changes as resolved by Council will be made to the documents, the word “draft” will be removed and all documents will be dated 27 June 2022, being the date of the Council meeting. A copy of the documents will also be provided on Councils website.

Financial Implications

Financial implications arising from preparation of the new Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework have been considered by Council in the preparation of the 2022/2023 budget and the forward year’s budget summaries.

Recommendation

1. That Councils 2022-2032 Community Strategic Plan (Appendix A) be adopted by Council for implementation commencing 1 July 2022.
2. That Councils 2022-2026 Delivery Program (Appendix B) be adopted by Council for implementation commencing 1 July 2022.
3. That Councils 2022/2023 Operational Plan, inclusive of Councils 2022/2023 Budget and 2022/2023 Statement of Revenue Policy, (Appendix C) be adopted by Council for implementation commencing 1 July 2022.
4. That Council’s 2022/2023 Fees and Charges (Appendix D) be adopted by Council for implementation commencing 1 July 2022.
5. That Council’s 2022/2023 Plant Replacement Schedule, 2022/2023 Sale of Plant Schedule and Councils 2022/2023 Loan Borrowing Schedule to borrow up to \$1.240m, all as included in Councils 2022/2023 Operational Plan, also be adopted.
6. That the Resourcing Strategy comprising the Long-Term Financial Plan (Appendix E), Workforce Management Plan (Appendix F), Asset Management Strategy (Appendix G), Asset Management Plans (Appendix H), Asset Management Policy (Appendix I) and Equal Employment Opportunity Management Plan (Appendix J) be adopted by Council.
7. That Authority be given to affix the Common Seal of Council to all relevant documents in relation to the 2022/2023 Loan Schedule.

16.8 * DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN (DIAP)****File Number:** P4.2.1**Author:** Leonie Brown, Manager of Corporate Services**Authoriser:** Mark Riley, General Manager**Attachments:** 1. Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2022 (under separate cover) **Background**

This report provides Council with a revised Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) for consideration and endorsement.

Current Situation

The *Disability Inclusion Act 2014* requires Council to develop a plan to help remove barriers and enable people with disability to participate equally and fully in their communities. In reviewing Council's DIAP, Council must consult with people with disability and have regard to any guidelines issued under Section 9 of the *Disability Inclusion Act 2014*.

Council's DIAP has subsequently been revised to set out the strategies and actions Council will deliver in the next four years to enable people with a disability to have greater access to Council information, services and facilities.

A copy of the revised DIAP is provided herewith as an attachment.

Financial Implications

Provision for implementation of the DIAP is included in Council's Operational Plan.

Recommendation

That the revised Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2022-2026 be adopted.

16.9 * THE MAKING OF RATES AND CHARGES**

File Number: F1.2-P4.2
Author: Leonie Brown, Manager of Corporate Services
Authoriser: Mark Riley, General Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

In accordance with the requirements of Section 405 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council's 2022/2023 draft Operational Plan was placed on public exhibition from Monday, 9 May 2022 until Monday, 6 June 2022 with the public invited to make submissions thereon. The draft 2022/2023 Operational Plan and Budget included statements with respect to Council's revenue policy for the next year and in particular:

- *a statement with respect to each ordinary rate proposed to be levied*
- *a statement with respect to each charge proposed to be levied*

The above processes have enabled Council to comply with the provisions of Section 532 of the Local Government Act 1993 which provides that a Council must not make a rate or charge until it has given public notice of its draft Operational Plan for the year for which the rate or charge is to be made and has considered any matters concerning the draft Operational Plan (in accordance with Section 405).

Current Situation

Section 534 of the Local Government Act 1993 provides that each rate or charge is to be made for a specific year, being the year in which the rate or charge is made or the next year and Section 535 provides that a rate or charge is made by resolution of Council.

Given that it is necessary for Council to specifically resolve to make a rate and charge, this report provides the necessary draft resolutions to be adopted in order to comply with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1993*. In this regard the recommended resolutions follow:

Recommendation

The making of Rates and Charges must be made by resolution of Council, pursuant to Sections 533, 534, 535, 537 and 543 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

(a) Ordinary Rates 2022/2023

That WHEREAS Councils draft Operational Plan and Revenue Policy for the year 01/07/2022 to 30/06/2023 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 2022 to 30

June 2023:

Type of Rate	Cents in \$ Ad Valorem	\$ Base Amount	% Base Amt Payable – 2022/2023
Ordinary Rates – Bourke – Residential	1.7346	\$139.00	30.37%
Ordinary Rates – North Bourke & High Street – Residential	1.366	\$113.00	13.18%
Ordinary Rates – Village – Residential	3.3062	\$40.00	34.79%
Ordinary Rates – Business	1.7074	\$192.00	25.34%
Ordinary Rates -Farmland	0.4187	\$560.00	17.41%
Ordinary Rates – Mining	1.7058	\$557.00	

(b) User Charges /Annual Charges – Water, Sewerage and Urban Drainage 2022/2023

That WHEREAS Councils draft Operational Plan and Revenue Policy for the year 1/7/2022 to 30/6/2023 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 S552, of the Local Government Act 1993, Council make the following User and Annual Charges for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 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.

i) Water Supply Services:

Town/Village	Annual Access Charge \$	Usage Charge (c/kl) (tariff)
User Charge		
Bourke and North Bourke		\$2.31
Water Access Charges		
Filtered Water Access 20mm	\$214.00	
Filtered Water Access 25mm	\$262.00	
Filtered Water Access 32mm	\$537.00	
Filtered Water Access 40mm	\$735.00	
Filtered Water Access 50mm	\$1,008.00	
Filtered Water Access 100mm	\$2,019.00	
Filtered Water Access 150mm	\$3,933.00	
Raw Water Access 20mm	\$538.00	
Raw Water Access 25mm	\$553.00	
Raw Water Access 32mm	\$1,131.00	
Raw Water Access 40mm	\$1,751.00	

Raw Water Access 50mm	\$3,295.00	
Raw Water Access 100mm	\$5,488.00	
Raw Water Access 150mm	\$10,976.00	
Village – Occupied	\$797.00	
Village - Unoccupied	\$92.00	

ii) Sewerage Services:

Sewerage Access Charges	Annual Access Charge \$
Sewerage Access - Single	\$783.00
Sewerage Access - Multi	\$783.00

iii) Drainage Services:

Annual Drainage Service Charge	Annual Charge \$
Drainage Charge Levy	\$178.00

(c) Domestic Waste Management Service and Trade Waste (Garbage) Charges 2022/2023

That WHEREAS Councils draft Operational Plan and Revenue Policy for the year 01/07/2022 to 30/06/2023 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 1/07/2023 to 30/06/2023:

Waste Management and Trade Waste (Garbage) Services:

Annual Waste / Garbage Charges	Annual Charge \$
Domestic Waste Charge	\$288.00
Trade Waste (Garbage) Charge	\$288.00
Village Tip Maintenance	\$99.00

(d) Fees and Charges 2022/2023

That WHEREAS Councils draft Operational Plan and Revenue Policy for the year 01/07/2022 to 30/06/2023 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 2022/2023 Fees and Charges Document and in accordance with S501 of the Local Government Act 1993.

17 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Nil

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**Author:** Mark Riley, General Manager**Authoriser:** Mark Riley, General Manager**Attachments:** 1. Application for Financial Assistance - 'A' Day Bowls Tournament [↓](#) **Background**

Council annually supports the 'A' Day Bowls Tournament Committee.

Current Situation

Council has received an application from Victor Bartley, Secretary of the 'A' Day Bowls Tournament Committee requesting financial support to supply prizes and catering on the day that the Tournament will be held, being Saturday, 16 July 2022.

Financial Implications

Council's financial support in the amount of \$400.

Recommendation

That Council accede to the request of the 'A' Day Bowls Tournament Committee, in the amount of \$400.



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

Doc No: _____

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CREDITORS	<input type="checkbox"/>
OTHER	<input type="checkbox"/>

Name of applicant organisation:	'A' Day Bowls Tournament Committee
Postal Address:	PO Box 700 Bourke NSW 2840
Contact person:	Victor Bartley
Position:	Secretary
Phone number:	02-68721022
Mobile number:	0429306633
Fax number:	
Email address:	Victorrrar7@bigpond.com

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

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

(Date(s) to be specified each year)

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

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

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INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

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

The 'A' Day Bowls Committee consists of Indigenous and non-Indigenous members. It is a not for profit organisation that helps raise funds for local charities. Since its inception our Committee has been able to raise and donate thousands of dollars to local charities such as the "Blue Robinson" Foundation and the "Sisters of Mercy".

Is the Group/organisation based in Bourke Shire?:- Yes

If no, where is it located?

What is the number of current members of your group/organisation? 5

Purpose for which the donation will be used:-

To pay for catering purposes and prizes. The amount of \$400.00 that is requested is because two (2) of our major sponsors are no longer able to do so.

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

Since 2003 our annual 'A' Day Bowls tournament has brought players from near and far to play in a friendly atmosphere and help raise funds for worthy causes. Also it brings Aboriginal and non- Aboriginal people together which can and does help reconciliation within our community. It is now more than ever that we must continue to do so.

Has your group/organisation received financial or in kind support from Bourke Shire in the last 12 months? Yes
If yes, please provide amount and details of purpose: \$200.00 for 'A' Day Bowls 2021
Has your group/organisation received any grants from the State or Federal Government in relation to the project for which this donation is sought? 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)?	\$400.00	
Is your group / organisation registered for GST		No
Does your group / organisation have an ABN (Australian Business Number)?		No
Is your group / organisation incorporated?		No
If yes, please quote your ABN		
If yes, please quote your Incorporation No		
Does your group / organisation have Public Liability Insurance?	Yes	
If yes, please attach a Certificate of Currency (Covered by BBC Ltd)		

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		
Total (B)		
C. Labour costs		
Total (C)		
D. Other project costs		
Total (D)		
TOTAL COSTS (A+B+C+D)		

ORGANISATION'S BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

Name of bank:	Commonwealth
Name of bank account:	Bourke Bowling Club
Bank BSB Number:	062510
Bank Account Number:	10114139

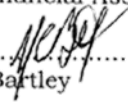
APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- 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: 

Victor E Bartley

Name:

Secretary

Position:

Date: ...01.../...06...../2022

21 ACTIVITY REPORTS

21.1 ACTIVITY REPORT - ENGINEERING SERVICES ROAD WORKS & WORKSHOP - WORKS COMPLETED

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

Background

The following information outlines works completed from 16 May 2022 to 15 June 2022 inclusive.

Road Works - Michael Willoughby – Roads Supervisor	
1. NORTH SECTOR – Denis Tiffen, Team Leader	
Location	Work Carried Out
MR 68 South	Knocking down gravel
MR 404 Hungerford Road	Maintenance grading commenced
SH 7 North Widening Gravel	Shoulder widening completed
2. SOUTH SECTOR - John Reed, Team Leader	
Location	Work Carried Out
SH 29	Shoulder widening completed
SH 7 North Widening	Shoulder widening completed
MR 405 Maintenance Grading	Maintenance Grading completed
MR 404 Maintenance Grading	Maintenance Grading commenced
MR 68 South Grading	Maintenance Grading commenced
3. TRANSPORT SECTOR - Simon Wielinga, Team Leader	
Location	Work Carried Out
SH 7 North Widening	Shoulder widening completed
MR 68 South	Carting gravel
4. BITUMEN SECTOR – Phillip Harvey, Team Leader	
Bourke Township	Patching undertaken
Regional Roads	Patching undertaken
State Highways	Patching undertaken
State Highways 7 North	Slashing commenced

WORKSHOP – Colin Kiley, Team Leader, Tradesman Plant Mechanic			
Plant no	Rego	Description	Work Carried Out
12	BM99KO	2011 Toyota	Repair wiring on lights
59	Z37484	Transtech Quad-axle	Remove and replace hydraulic motor and pump
62		2010 Delta	Disassemble slasher and start to rebuild completely
68	X50802	2011 Moore	Check wheel bearings and brakes, adjust as needed, check over trailer found cracks in springs hangers, cut hangers off and weld new one on, repair tarp and replace wire cable
69	X50803	2011 Moore	Remove and replace wheel bearing and brakes and adjust
76	P95814	2004 Moore Roadtrain Tipper	Repair and replace lights and reflectors
92	NX29QQ	2014 Western Star	Service carried out, repair air leaks and replace valve, exhaust pipe, torque rod bushes and check over
108	63723D	Toro	Replace blades and belt
109	07615C	2011 Toro	Service carried out, replaced blades
123	DB78LA	2021 Mitsubishi Pajero	Service carried out
132	CP22CH	John Deere	Service carried out
139	BR53WH	Caterpillar 950h	Service carried out, diagnose and repair oil leak, remove weld up cracks and refit muffler box
145	DD36KX	Ford Ranger	Service carried out, fit and calibrate distance counter
149	TC61FS	Moore Triaxle	Repair tarp arms
172	CL38AZ	Isuzu 1500FX	Repair air leaks
174	YKY51P	2020 Mazda BT 50	Replace and rewire taillights
180	TD35QS	Car Trailer	Remove battery charge and test found faulty battery, fit new one
196	P87976	Box Trailer	Set up wire for ad-blue tank
218	XO46AE	2012 Hino	Remove and replace faulty hydraulic hose and repair leaks, adjust brakes, repair wiring and replace lights
236		Pump	Service carried out
243	64068D	2020 Case Loader	Remove and replace hydraulic hose
244	19334E	Toro	Check over and tighten loose bolts
257	XO89ED	2021 Hino	Diagnose and repair transmission oil cooler fan
261	DC66LK	Ford Ranger	Service carried out
294	09363C	2013 Mahindra Tractor	Check over and ordered parts for service
300	CR59EV	Mitsubishi Triton	Repair lights

505	XN17EH	Kenworth Primemover	Service carried out, repair wiring for lights and repair hydraulic leaks
510	73228D	Smooth Drum Roller	Service carried out
520	YN03BI	Moore's trailers	Repair mud guard and replace flaps, repair wiring on ABS
521	YN04BI	Moore's Trailers	Repair ABS wiring and tarp
		Crossley Engine	Check over and run
		Small Plant	Service, replace blades and sharpen
		Yard Work	Clean out parts rooms and remove old stock for auction and rearrange rooms, clean out old tyres, remove gates and concrete footings, level pad, put down crusher dust and roll
		Miscellaneous and hire	Repair over heating problem, remove and replace glass and door, hook up and adjust, calibrate two new hire tippers
		Welding	Repair gates and make shelves
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, 27 June 2022.

21.2 ACTIVITY REPORT - 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 of 17 April 2022 to 16 May 2022 inclusive.

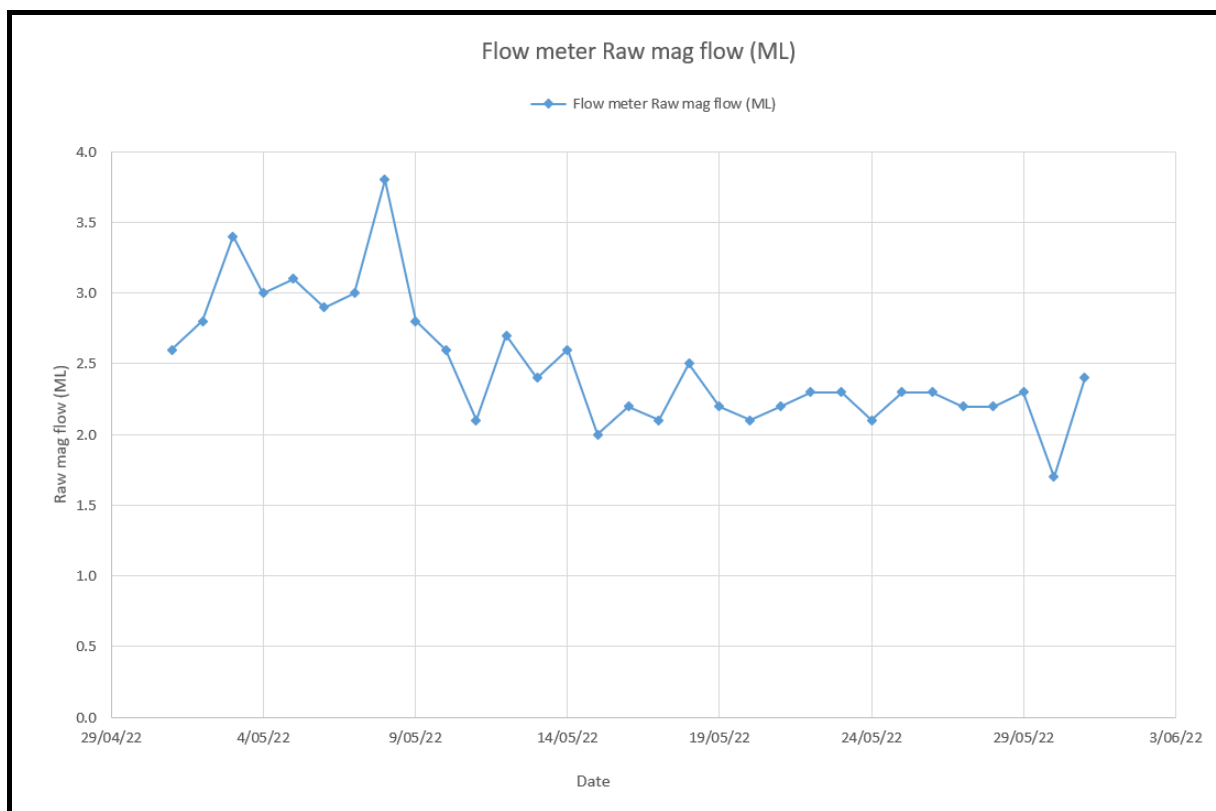
Current Situation

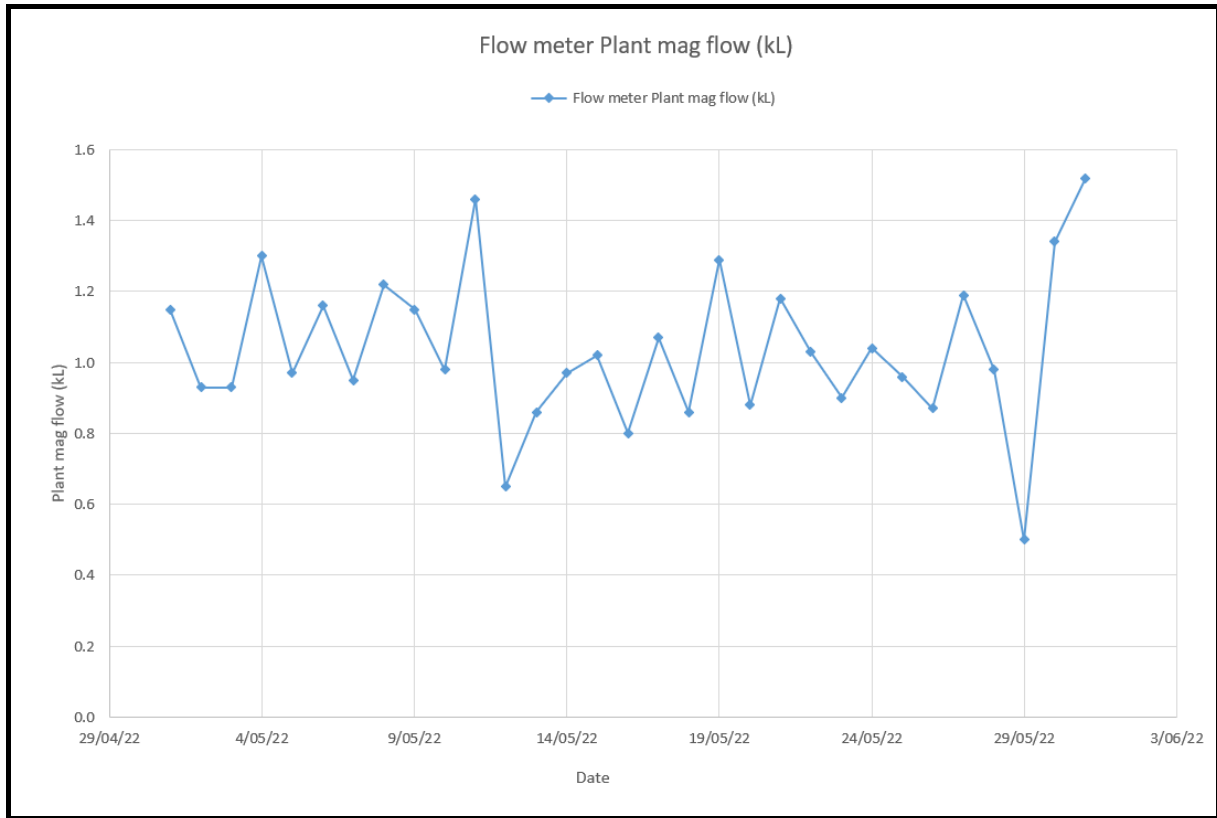
PARKS & GARDENS – Frank Hollman, Acting Team Leader	
Location	Work Carried Out
General	All parks & sporting grounds gardens, regular mowing & maintenance carried out. Sporting grounds facilities cleaned & maintained. Public toilets cleaned & maintained. Clean facilities. General graffiti removal carried 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.
Coolican Oval	General maintenance carried out. Prepare grounds for Soccer.
Davidson Oval	General maintenance carried out. Prepare grounds for Ladies Tag, Junior and Senior League.
Central Park	Skate Park - regular mowing & maintenance carried out, graffiti removal.
Villages	Mow grounds, facilities cleaned & maintained.
Airport	Mowed airstrip.
Darling Park	General maintenance carried out.
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
	Airport Slashing
	Town Slashing and laneways
	Town Poisoning
	Monthly airport inspections Louth & Wanaaring
Cemetery	Prepared graves:- 26/05/2022, 02/062022
Rest Areas	Weekly rubbish removal & cleaning along roadside and pressure clean 65km Mow Cobar rest area
	Monthly service and roadside rubbish removal
	Mow rest areas
Staff Training	Airport refresher training 18/05/2022
Works Request	Filled in potholes at Public School
	Prune tree at entrance to hospital
	Gravel pothole in Depot
	Erect Jandra flags in Main Street
	Deliver crane to plumbers at sewer wells
	Clean out drains from rain
	Crane block to Percy Hobson Park
	Pull trucks out of bog at Renshaw
	Crane levee bank flood gate to put new shaft in
	Remove burnt out vehicles
	Aggregate Mitchell Street work
	Pulled out school bus bogged
	Relieving at tip
	Close off levee bank flood gates due to flooding
	Town mowing
	Patch laneway in Denman and Wilson Street's
	Brewarrina Sweeper
	Plant trees in Richard Street
	Crane Anson Street sewer well
	Gravel laneway behind River Gum Lodge and Davis Place for garbage truck
	Move tables at Renshaw building for concert
	Coldmix hole at library
	Erect signage NO Camping at entrance to boat ramp
	Roller to smooth out grass at Coolican Oval
	Town drainage
	Cut trees on vacant block in Oxley Street
	Repairs to footpath in Mertin Street
Start cutting trees from footpaths	

Water & Wastewater – Shane Hopley, Team Leader	
Water Supply Planned Maintenance	
54 Mertin Street	Repair leaking 25mm raw water service
4 Glen Street	Repair leaking 25mm raw water service
13 Sturt Street	Repair leaking 25mm raw water service
101 Darling Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
150 Anson Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
2 Hume Place	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
76 Oxley Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
5 A Short Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
20 Hope Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
10 Glen Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
59 Hope Street	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
Railway Station	Repair leaking 20mm filtered water service
Preschool	Repair leaking 50mm filtered water service
54 Mertin Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
67 Mertin Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
67 Tudor Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
6 Meek Street	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
North Bourke	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
Renshaw Complex	Dug 100mm raw water main and repaired main
66 Darling Street	Dug 100mm raw water main 25mm service
Wortumertie Street	Dug 225mm raw water main and repaired main
1 Oxley Street	Sewer Choke
Central Park	Sewer Choke
56 Tudor Street	Sewer Choke
3 Deman Street	Sewer Choke
150 Anson Street	Sewer Choke
8 Wilson Street	Sewer Choke
38 Wilson Street	Sewer Choke
2 Mitchell Street	Sewer Choke
100 Hope Street	Sewer Choke
14 Tudor Street	Sewer Choke
47 Tudor Street	Sewer Choke
14 Tudor Street (Internal)	Sewer Choke
Depot	Sewer Choke
Tudor Street	Sewer Choke
100 Tudor Street	Dug sewer boundary, cleared choke
123 Anson Street	Dug sewer boundary, cleared choke
56 Mertin Street	Locate water and sewer services
58 Oxley Street	Pool/Pump/filter
Back O Bourke Exhibition Centre	Replace electrical pit lid
Golf Club	Storm Water
Central Park	Install new filter
Rotary Park	Repair leak
Skate Park	Clear storm water drains
Main Street	Install storm water pit

North Bourke	Power fault, raw water pump station, installed new filtered and raw water service
50 Mertin Street	Clean up jobs
Depot	Replace manhole lid
Location Telstra	New service
	Install repeaters, DWMP meeting, retic water sample
Warraweena Street SPS	Install new pump
Mertin Street SPS	Pull out pumps, clear choke
Anson Street SPS	Pull out pumps, clear choke
Becker Street SPS	Install new pump
Enngonia Compound	Spray weeds, Set up bush camp
Wanaaring	Low pressure (internal)
Louth	Repair leaks, bore water line
Alice Edwards Village	DPIE Inspection Routine maintenance & monitoring as per ACP Management Plan
Clara Hart Village	DPIE Inspection Routine maintenance & monitoring as per ACP Management Plan
Training	Nil





Month	Raw water ML	Filter magflow pump 2 ML	Raw Water North Bourke KL	Filter Water North Bourke KL
January 2021	134	43	31,255	2,013
February 2021	94	39	30,110	2,145
March 2021	96	38	29,332	2,130
April 2021	99	36	11,607	1,717
May 2021	102	38	12,676	1,808
June 2021	74	34	8,484	1,735
July 2021	75	33	9,856	1,788
August 2021	98	27	16,310	1,542
September 2021	107	29	19,235	1,325
October 2021	122	30	20,314	1,255
November 2021	81	31	16,326	1,356
December 2021	108	36	20,589	1,234
January 2022	113	34	25,364	1,463
February 2022	129	31	29,523	1,958
March 2022	140	37	28,561	1,621
April 2022	104	33	10,985	1,563
May 2022	77	29	9,456	1,963

Process	Parameter	Minimum	Average	Maximum	Lower critical lim	Upper critical lim	No. of samples
River level	River level (425003)	7.72	8.40	9.43	3.9		31
Raw Water	pH	7.65	8.13	8.61			31
Raw Water	turbidity	148.00	229.52	405.00			31
Filtered water	pH	7.00	7.39	7.55	6.5	8.7	31
Clarifier	Turbidity	0.52	0.69	1.05	0.0	4.0	31
Tower	Free Cl2	1.16	2.70	5.00	0.2	5.0	31
	Turbidity	0.14	0.23	0.34	0.0	1.2	31
Bourke High School	Free chlorine	2.10	2.45	2.80	0.2	4.0	2
Bourke High School	pH	7.39	7.40	7.40	6.5	8.5	2
Bourke High School	Turbidity	0.24	0.25	0.26	0.0	0.5	2
WTP	Free chlorine	1.80	1.80	1.80	0.2	4.0	1
WTP	pH	7.30	7.30	7.30	6.5	8.5	1
WTP	Turbidity	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.0	0.5	1
Bourke Primary Sch	Free chlorine	1.80	1.80	1.80	0.2	4.0	1
Bourke Primary Sch	pH	7.34	7.34	7.34	6.5	8.5	1
Bourke Primary Sch	Turbidity	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.0	0.5	1
Meadows Rd	Free chlorine	2.30	2.30	2.30	0.2	4.0	1
Meadows Rd	pH	7.60	7.60	7.60	6.5	8.5	1
Meadows Rd	Turbidity	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.0	0.5	1
Mitchell St	Free chlorine	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.2	4.0	1
Mitchell St	pH	7.46	7.46	7.46	6.5	8.5	1
Mitchell St	Turbidity	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.0	0.5	1
Alice Edwards Villa	Free chlorine	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.2	4.0	1
Alice Edwards Villa	pH	7.30	7.30	7.30	6.5	8.5	1
Alice Edwards Villa	Turbidity	0.27	0.27	0.27	0.0	0.5	1
Kidman Camp	Free chlorine	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.2	4.0	1
Kidman Camp	pH	7.30	7.30	7.30	6.5	8.5	1
Kidman Camp	Turbidity	0.24	0.24	0.24	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 or >1.0 mg/L	<0.9 mg/L for > 72 hours Or >1.5 mg/L
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 2022 Test	Feb 2022 TEST	Mar 2022 TEST	Apr 2022 TEST	May 2022 TEST
Oil & Grease	mg/L	10	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
pH		6.5-8.5	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nitrogen (total)	mg/L	15	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Phosphorus (total)	mg/L	10	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total suspended solids	mg/L	20	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Biochemical oxygen demand	mg/L	15	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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 2022 was 63.6mm
- Hottest day for May 2022 was 21.2 degrees
- Coldest day for May 2022 was 10.6 degrees

Recommendation

That Council note the information in the Parks & Gardens, Town Services and Water and Waste Water Engineering Services Department Activity Reports as presented to Council on Monday, 27 June 2022.

21.3 ACTIVITY REPORT - PLANNING, REGULATORY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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

Development Approvals			
Delegated Authority or Council	Consent Type & Consent No.	Subject Land	Nature of Development
Council	DA 2022/0010	Lot 91, DP 753570 3-7 Culgoa Street, North Bourke	Three lot subdivision
Council	DA 2022/0011	Lot 1, DP 943667 & Lot 1, DP 119757 5 Warraweena Street, Bourke	Reconstruction and minor expansion of SPAR Supermarket
Delegated	DA 2022/0012	Lot 4, DP 829041 96-104 Anson Street, Bourke	Alternation and Additions to a service station, consisting of construction of canopy over refueling area
Delegated	DA 2022/0013	Lot 20, DP 831497 15 Darling Street, North Bourke	Construction of residential shed

Total value of Approved works for May 2022	= \$2,093,000
No. of Development Application Approvals for May 2022	= 4
No. of Complying Development Application Approvals for May 2022	= 0

Building Services Report	
Location	Work Carried Out
Work Requests	Actioned and ongoing
Risk Assessments	Completed with every job
Training	Nil
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	2	0
Seized	6	3
Surrendered	7	0
Handed in by members of the public	1	0
Seized by Police	0	0
Total	16	3
Euthanised	0	0
Released to Owner	4	0
Adopted	0	0
Re-housed	7	1
Died in Pound	0	0
Escaped from Pound	0	0
Animals Remaining at End of Month	5	2
Total	16	3
Stock Rested in Stock Yards	9	

- Attended complaints regarding 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, 27th June 2022 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

26 May 2022

New General Manager

Following a comprehensive recruitment process that involved two (2) rounds of advertising in various newspapers, industry publications and on recruitment websites, formal applications that required applicants to address 16 selection criteria, first round interviews with a panel of four and then a final interview with eight(8) of the ten (10) Councillors, Police checks and finally referee checks, Mayor Barry announced at this week's Council meeting that Council's long serving Manager of Corporate Services, Mrs Leonie Brown had been appointed to the position of Council's General Manager effective 4 July 2022. The current Council is to be congratulated on appointing the first female General Manager for Bourke Shire and further continue to progress a culture that results in the growth and development of the organisation's staff such that they can "climb the ladder" to achieve what they desire. In Leonie's case, she has "climbed the ladder" over some 20 years at Bourke Shire having held various positions in her formative years of local government before commencing in the role of Manager of Corporate Services some 16 years ago. When Mayor Barry invited me to lead the organisation commencing February 2021 for a 12-16 month period, before responding I spoke with Leonie to make certain that she wasn't going anywhere. Her knowledge and passion for Bourke coupled with her work ethic and drive were all very evident to me early on and her continuity in the organisation was essential for me to ensure a smooth transition following Ross Earl's retirement. Well done Leonie.

Bourke Show

What was shaping up to be an undoubtedly fantastic 2022 Bourke Show came to nothing when the Show Committee was left with little choice but to cancel the Show on the Thursday prior to the planned event due to the high level of rain that Bourke had received during Show Week. It would certainly not have been an easy decision for the Committee given all the hard work that had gone into this year's Show, but certainly a decision I support. The amount of water laying on and around the Renshaw certainly would have made conditions very dangerous for all participants, both human and animal.

Blue Mountains Tunnel

The NSW Government has confirmed in recent weeks that an 11-kilometre toll-free tunnel under the Blue Mountains east of Lithgow, from Blackheath to Little Hartley, is the preferred option following an in-depth feasibility analysis and extensive investigation process. Announcing the tunnel, Deputy Premier and Minister for Regional NSW, the Hon Paul Toole said the proposed tunnel would be Australia's longest road tunnel with the project on target for construction works on the east and west stages of the upgrade to commence early next year. The design of the tunnel

features dual carriageways for both eastbound and westbound motorists in separate twin tunnels and a gentler gradient to cut travel times and improve freight efficiencies.

Essentially the tunnel will allow traffic to bypass the steep climbs and descent of Mt Victoria and River Lett Hill and further avoids the ever-congested village of Blackheath. Whilst there will undoubtedly be economic development, productivity and safety benefits that stem from the tunnels, it is the improved accessibility that will assist in unlocking the potential of western NSW for the benefit of all residents and visitors to our part of the state. Whilst it seems a long way from the Blue Mountains, the improvements proposed by the tunnel will significantly assist our part of the state by allowing tourists to traverse the mountains and then hopefully, in the not too distant future, drive all the way to Bourke, Wanaaring and then Tibooburra on sealed and well maintained roads.

Roads

In terms of the roads in the Bourke Shire, the recent rains resulted in Council having to close its unsealed road network for an extended period. Whilst such closures are acknowledged as being inconvenient, all travellers are requested to respect "Road Closed" signs when such signage is in place. Driving on wet unsealed roads is not only dangerous but invariably results in significantly damaged and rutted roads that Council simply doesn't have the resources to repair.

In respect of Councils road works program, crews are currently undertaking widening works on the Mitchell Highway, at locations both north and south of Bourke. In total this work will result in a further 12.86km of this Highway widened. Out on the Kamilaroi Highway, east of Bourke, Council is undertaking 4.1km of widening. These road widening works are being undertaken by Council on State Highways on behalf of Transport for NSW. Road projects take a significant amount of pre-planning and it is certainly not a case of turning up on the day and starting work. Having regard to this planning, in coming weeks/months various projects will commence. This week, subject to favourable weather conditions work on the widening and sealing of an 8 km section of the currently unsealed Bourke to Louth road (MR68) will commence. A further 4km of this road is planned for sealing early next year. In early July widening and sealing of a 2.36 km section of Weelong Road will be undertaken. Toorale Lane will see widening and sealing works on 5 km of the road starting in late July 2022 and then from August 2022, further work on Toorale Lane, down to Trilby Station, will see this road widened and sealed for a further length of 12 km.

In addition to Councils Road Construction projects, Council also undertakes road maintenance works. In this regard, Council has received flood recovery funding to repair roads that were damaged in the November flood event. Approximately one quarter of the defected roads has been repaired, with the remaining work able to be programmed such that council can fix these the defects over a 2-year period. One road that Council is keen to see repaired is the River Road causeway that incurred significant damage during the high water earlier this year. Council is awaiting permits from NSW Fisheries before commencing the necessary repairs.

PV Jandra

The Paddle Vessel (PV) Jandra was forced to cease its operation on the Darling River on 21 April 2022 due to the high-water level and the strength of flows in the Darling River. After a very busy Easter Weekend, which saw excellent patronage, staff were disappointed to have to make the required decision to cease operation for the foreseeable future. It doesn't seem all that long ago

from when the PV Jandra was, unfortunately, the regular photographic shot to reflect the drought with pictures of the vessel sitting on the floor of an empty Darling River. Approaching three (3) years later and the operation of the Jandra is again impacted, only this time due to too much water.

As I write this Column, the Darling River at Bourke is at a height of 8.72 m and is currently dropping 6 cm a day. With no further flows, some 20 days would be required for the river to get under 7m, the level required for the Jandra to operate. The issue of course are the expected inflows into the Darling River in coming weeks following the substantial rains across large parts of Queensland early May. Already the River is rising at Walgett, Mungindi and Boggabilla and the Culgoa River is rising at Brenda. All in all, it is expected that it will be some time before the PV Jandra once again takes tourists for a cruise along the River.

Ministerial Visitation

Back in November 2019, at the height of the drought, the then Premier of NSW, the Hon Gladys Berejiklian, led her Government Ministers to Bourke for a Community Cabinet meeting. Some two and a half years later, with much improved climatic conditions, yesterday saw Deputy Premier, the Hon Paul Toole leading various Government Ministers to Bourke. Accompanying the Deputy Premier were the Hon. Ben Franklin, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts and Minister for Regional Youth; the Hon. Brad Hazzard, NSW Minister for Health and the “Champion of Bourke”; the Hon. Sarah Mitchell, Minister for Education & Early Learning and the Hon. Bronnie Taylor, Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health and Minister for Mental Health. It was former Premier Mike Baird, who appointed Minister Hazzard as the “Champion of Bourke”, and it is pleasing to see that he still holds this mantle as he continues to seek a coordinated approach to service delivery for Bourke. It was great to see so many Ministers in town and Mayor Barry certainly warmly welcomed all Ministers to Bourke.

Quote: “I feel the need.....the need for speed!” An iconic line from the initial Top Gun Movie with the sequel, Top Gun: Maverick, premiering today, after a 36 year gap.

2 June 2022

Federal Election

The 2022 Federal Election has been run and won. Whilst the nation has a new Prime Minister leading a new Government, closer to home, the seat of Parkes has been retained by the incumbent member, Mark Coulton. The Australian Electoral Commission has noted that Mark received 49.94% of first preference votes out of the 80,757 votes counted at the time of writing. Interestingly, 7.81% or 6,845 votes were informal. There were 9 candidates in the election for the seat of Parkes. Apart from candidates Mark Coulton and Jack Ayoub, who received 40,330 and 16,503 votes respectively, the third highest number of votes recorded went to the informal pile. An informal vote is one that does not follow instructions and is not counted. Whilst those informal votes won't impact the results in the Parkes Electorate, at the previous Federal Election, there were apparently six (6) seats across the nation that were won with margins smaller than the number of informal votes.

Spar Supermarket

Council met for its May monthly meeting recently and one of the major items on the agenda was the Development Application for the rebuilding, and minor expansion, of the Spar Supermarket in Warraweena Street, Bourke. Destroyed by fire on 27 December 2021, Council was unanimous in its support to approve the application. The proposed works include a rectangular main retail building in the south-western corner of the Warraweena/Darling St site with an attached storage and loading building to its south-west. The main retail building has a 39.48-metre-long frontage to Warraweena Street including the primary pedestrian entrance and 15.88-metre-long frontage to Darling Street. A vehicular manoeuvring area including a loading zone and parking for seven light vehicles is located west of the main retail building and north of the storage building, accessible via an existing driveway from Darling Street. A 5,000L grease trap is located in the south-eastern corner of the vehicular manoeuvring area. 15 angled on-street parking spaces are proposed beside the site including four along Darling Street and 11 along Warraweena Street. The proposed development includes an awning over the adjoining pedestrian footpath to Warraweena Street.

The Development Application was lodged with Council on 1 April 2022. Having regard to the requirements of the NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, Council was required to give written notice of the application to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) and Essential Energy within seven days of the application being made and take into consideration any submission that RMS and Essential Energy provided within 21 days after the notice was given. Timely responses by these Organisations allowed Council to determine the matter in some seven weeks. I acknowledge such timely responses and further thank Councils Manager Environmental Services, Dwayne Willoughby, and Councils Development and Regulatory Coordinator, Carolyn Crain, for their good work in getting this DA assessed and before Council in a most timely manner. As Mayor Barry said at the meeting, "whilst all DA's are important to our community, this one is particularly so" as the Bourke Community needs two (2) supermarkets to meet the needs of the community.

Budget on Exhibition

Don't forget that Councils 2023-2027 draft Delivery Program, 2022/2023 draft Operational Plan (the budget) and 2022/2023 draft Fees and Charges documents are all on public exhibition for the purposes of seeking community comment. Copies of the documentation are available on Councils website: www.bourke.nsw.gov.au Alternatively, a hard copy of such documents is available from the Council offices or from the Bourke Library, both located in Mitchell St Bourke. Time to lodge a submission in respect of any of the documents is running out as they close next Monday, 6 June 2022 at 4.30pm. The Local Government Act requires that Council must consider submissions received in respect of the documentation before adopting any of the suite of documents, so I encourage the community to review the documents and have a say in respect of the direction of Council.

Losing the plot

I read during the week that the National Rugby League had increased security at its matches, after a man was charged by police with making a credible death threat towards a referee. Whilst it can be frustrating when a refereeing or bunker call is wrong, at the end of the day, it is a game of rugby league, please. One has to wonder what drives a person to get to the point of threatening another person's life over sport. I can only imagine that the financial stakes are such that a bad call can be

the difference between a big gambling collect or not. The adage that says “money is the root of all evil” certainly springs to mind.

Rising River

The State Emergency Services (SES) last week issued a Flood Bulletin advising that floodwaters from the Culgoa River combined with floodwaters from the Barwon River have the potential to cause minor flooding along the Darling River at Bourke from early this week. Minor flooding is also possible along the Darling River at Louth and Tilpa. The SES advised that the river at Bourke was likely to reach the minor flood level (9.50 m) on Monday this week with further rises to 10.00 metres being possible in the next few days. In respect of the Darling River at Louth, it may reach the minor flood level (8.60 m) this week, whilst at Tilpa, the river may also reach a minor flood level (9.00 metres) in the second week of June. Further rises are possible. As always it will be interesting to see what river heights are ultimately achieved.

On the topic of the river, I read that service delivery to the state’s largest water users has been simplified with responsibility for the management and approval of water licences having been moved from the Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPIE). DPIE will also now manage all integrated development referrals for works on waterfront land, and applications for controlled activity approvals.

My understanding is that the transfer will align licensing approvals more closely with the technical, scientific and water planning expertise that resides within DPIE’s Water group. The administrative change will affect state significant developments, mining operations, irrigation corporations, government entities and all applicants undertaking works on waterfront land.

WaterNSW will continue managing water licences and approvals for all other water users in NSW, including private entities such as rural landholders, rural industries and developments. These make up approximately 96 per cent of the state’s water access licences. All water users can use the NSW Water Assist tool to find more information about how to apply for a water approval or licence by accessing <https://water.dpie.nsw.gov.au/licensing-and-trade>

Cyber Attacks

Over the past month, two (2) friends of mine have witnessed chaos as the companies that they work for fell victim to computer system cyber-attacks. Coincidentally, GovTech Review has this week reported that cyber-attacks continue to increase in both frequency and impact, as attackers use more sophisticated and dangerous methods. One of the most common types of attack uses what’s called ransomware, with the Australian Cyber Security Centre recording a 15 per cent increase in ransomware cybercrime reports in the 2020–21 financial year. Ransomware is a type of malicious software (malware). When it gets into your device, it makes your computer or its files unusable. Cybercriminals use ransomware to deny access to files or devices. The criminals then demand you pay them to get back your access. However, it’s getting worse as more sophisticated and savvy cyber attackers are now moving to a new weapon called disruptionware. Disruptionware aims to sabotage critical networks and operations. Unlike ransomware, disruptionware targets its victims’ information and operational technology networks. This means it attacks the integrity of data, systems, and networks along with the physical infrastructure that allows a network to operate. It cannot be reversed like ransomware because the goal is not to receive a ransom but to destroy and disrupt. It can completely cripple networks. From what my mate told me, his organisation

experienced a disruptionware attack which brought the international company to a standstill for essentially a week and led to widespread bedlam in the organisation and significant disruption even when they got back up and running as they had apparently lost a lot of data.

Local businesses can take steps to prevent these types of attacks or, at least limit their impact. I would encourage businesses to work with their IT providers to take action to position your operations against such a situation.

Quote: “Victory is also humbling and always should be” Outgoing Prime Minister, Scott Morrison as part of his concession speech on election night.

9 June 2022

Flu and COVID Vaccinations

A number of people that I know have come down with the flu in recent weeks. When I say come down, I mean they have come down heavily with this year's strain knocking them around significantly and resulting in them taking considerable time off work to recover and just feeling miserable in themselves. Given the sharp increase in flu cases, the NSW Government has announced that it is funding free flu vaccinations for all NSW residents to strengthen immunity against severe illness. During the month of June 2022, free flu shots will be available from your General Practitioner (GP) for everyone aged 6 months and above and also at some Pharmacies for everyone aged 5 year's and above. Advice from the NSW Government is that the flu and COVID-19 vaccines can be given together, at the same time. Many people who are eligible for a free flu vaccine will also be eligible for a winter COVID-19 Booster. Ask your GP whether you need additional protection against COVID-19. I haven't written about COVID for some time, as we learn to live with the virus, but it is still certainly out there. There are still a significant number of daily cases across the west, and across the State and Nation for that matter. A friend of mine recently contracted the virus and he thought he was well and truly over it, after a couple of weeks of coughing, until he had to walk up some stairs. By the time he got to the top stair, he was absolutely breathless, and it took him a significant period of time to catch his breath and recover.

Draft Western Regional Water Strategy

I was pleased to receive advice recently that the NSW Government's draft Western Regional Water Strategy had been released for public exhibition on 1 June 2022. This long-awaited strategy has been prepared with input from Councils, Local Water Utilities and Aboriginal communities in the region. Online access to the strategy is available at: <https://water.dpie.nsw.gov.au/plans-and-programs/water-management-in-far-west-nsw>

The strategy will be on public exhibition for six weeks until 13 July 2022.

The NSW Government is holding a series of Public Information Sessions across the region to discuss the strategy and to facilitate community discussion on the key challenges and the options long list. Such a session will be held in Bourke on Thursday 30 June 2022 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Bourke Bowling Club. No registration is required, just turn up on the day. A discussion about the Barwon-Darling Water Sharing Plan and Floodplain Harvesting licencing will be held in the afternoon at the Bowling Club.

The Bald Archy

The official opening of the Bald Archy Art Exhibition was recently held at the Back O' Bourke Function Centre. The opening night to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the exhibition didn't disappoint with over 70 people attending the event to get together and take in the amazing artworks that showcased the winners of the past.

Founded by Peter Batey in 1994, the Bald Archy Prize quickly attracted attention for its irreverent and comic portraits which take humorous aim at the events of the past year. Living in Coolac, NSW, Peter first came up with the idea of a satirical art prize as a colourful addition to the town's Festival of Fun. It became the Bald Archy, whose winner was judged by a sulphur-crested cockatoo named Maude! According to Peter, Maude would flap her wings in front of the painting she liked best, and the decision was made. Peter went on to become a prominent playwright and founding member of the Melbourne Theatre Company, directing and producing theatre productions, operas, musicals, revue and puppetry. Australian comedian Barry Humphries credited Peter Batey with contributing to the creation of one of his most famous characters, Dame Edna Everage.

If you haven't seen these incredibly talented and amusing artworks, I would encourage you to call into the Back O' Bourke Exhibition Centre and purchase your ticket now. The Bald Archy Portraits will be on display in Bourke until 26th June 2022.

Louth Races

I was talking last week with the President of the Louth Turf Club, Mr Jim Strachan, about preparations by the Club for the upcoming 2022 Louth Races. With the 2022 event expected to surpass all previous meetings, given the cancellation of the races in 2020 and 2021 due to COVID, Jim advised that he and his Committee, especially Club Secretary Tegan Barton, are most busy at the moment responding to phone calls and email enquiries from race goers. Jim was telling me that racing at Louth dates back to 1880 when the Louth Christmas Races were held on 27 December. Featuring a two-race program, it comprised a Two-mile Open Handicap with prize money of 60 sovereigns and a Maiden Plate over 1¼ miles with prize money of 15 sovereigns. The next documented races were held in 1889 over two days. Day one consisted of 5 races and a 2-mile hurdle event, followed by an 8-race program on the second day. The most successful starter was a horse named "Winnie" who was placed first in three races, carrying a weight of ten stone(63.5kg). Her win was more memorable as her opponents were only carrying around eight stone(50kg). Some say that these early race meetings may have provided inspiration for Henry Lawson's prose "Louth on the Darling", in which he described Louth as a place that loved a drink, a punt and a party! The history of Louth is rather amazing. Back in the early days, Louth was a flourishing river port from where local wool was collected and taken by boat upstream to the railhead here at Bourke. Consignments of copper ingots were also brought from nearby Cobar by bullock teams, to be transported downriver by steamer and barge to Morgan in South Australia. Besides a substantial brick post office and residence, which had been erected during the 1880s, Louth had a school, police station and the Dan O'Connell Hotel, which had been built by Thomas Mathews, the founder of the town. A large ferry operated across the river for the crossing of sheep, Cobb & Co. coaches and the travelling public. Electric telegraph services had already been extended, via Louth, along the entire Darling River.

Some 140 years later, the Louth Turf Club will again stage its annual event on Saturday 6 August 2022, being the Saturday after the August Bank Holiday. Featuring a 7-race program with prize money, plus trophies and sashes, Sky Channel will be in operation for off-course and interstate punters. There will be "Fashions on the Field" prizes for a variety of classes including Best Dressed Lady and Best Dressed Gentleman. Live bands will entertain the crowds at Shindy's Inn on Friday night and again following the races on Saturday at the track with plenty of camping spots available. To Jim and his hardworking Committee, I wish them all a very successful race event and thank them for their considerable efforts.

State of Origin

I generally write my Column almost a week in advance of its publication. At the time of writing, the two (2) teams to play this year's State of Origin Series have been announced and are in camp. NSW Blues Coach, Brad Fittler, has had to explain his selection choices and justify why he left certain players out. Nothing like a bit of drama and theatre in the lead up to the various Origin games. Both teams, on paper, look very strong and like every year, both teams go into the Series with much anticipation. In terms of some Origin Trivia, since Origin moved to a three-game series in 1982 there have been just seven series clean sweeps. The Blues have enjoyed three sweeps - in 1986 under Wayne Pearce's captaincy and twice under Brad Fittler, in 1996 and 2000. The Maroons have achieved the feat four times - in 1988 and '89 under 'The King' Wally Lewis, 1995 with Trevor Gillmeister at the helm and 2010 with Darren Lockyer leading the way.

Going into the first game, to be played in Sydney, I would expect that the Queensland side would be favourites, based on the composition of their side. Come the publication of this Column, the first game will have been played and won. Go The Blues.

Quote: "This is far more representative than any government party room has ever been in our history. We are making progress." Prime Minister, Anthony Albanese announcing that there will be 10 women in his 23-member cabinet.

16 June 2022

Stolen Generation Memorial Plaque

I was privileged last Thursday to attend the unveiling of a memorial plaque at the Bourke Railway Station which acknowledges the role that the state's rail network played in the removal of Aboriginal children of the Stolen Generations from their families and country. Local and visiting survivors of the Stolen Generations and their families joined with members of the Bourke community to take part in the ceremony. The memorial plaques were among a number of recommendations included in the *Reparations for the Stolen Generations in NSW – Unfinished Business* report tabled in NSW Parliament back in 2016, seeking to make reparations to survivors of the Stolen Generations. Plaques have previously been unveiled at a number of other railway stations identified by the Stolen Generation Organisations as significant to the Stolen Generations and their descendants. These stations have included Central (Sydney), Berry, Bomaderry, Cootamundra, Grafton, Kempsey, Wagga Wagga and now Bourke. In attending the ceremony, I was delighted to hear recognition paid to Councils Manager Environmental Services, Mr Dwayne Willoughby for his high level of assistance in bringing the plaque in Bourke to fruition. Well done Dwayne and also to all involved. I encourage residents to attend the Station and view the plaque and in doing so, give thought to the actions of the past relating to the removal of the children.

Rising Costs

With the cost of living in Australia spiralling upwards at a most rapid rate, last week was a tough week for many families when firstly, the Reserve Bank increased interest rates by 0.5% and secondly, as a result of an announcement by the Australian Energy Regulator, residential customers in NSW will face electricity price increases of between 8.5%-18.3%. Coupled with the rising cost of food and fuel being generally over \$2 per litre, we certainly live in interesting times. In terms of attempting to minimise your electricity account, there are many easy and effective actions that you can pursue to save energy and reduce your account. The most obvious action is to turn off lights and electrical appliances when you aren't using them. I am writing this column from the family room in my residence and as I look around there are lights on in the kitchen, the hallway, the bedroom and the dining area. I am the only person currently in the house, so I can safely turn off some half dozen lights, which I have done! Every light costs. Turn off your heater, cooling units and appliances when you go to bed or leave the house. Turning appliances off at the power point can save even more power than when left on standby when using the switch or remote control. Switch off your computer along with equipment such as printers or Wi-Fi routers overnight, or while you're away from your house. Most computers have energy saving settings which can be activated to turn the computer and screen off after a period of inactivity. Shut doors to areas you're not using, and only cool or heat the rooms where you spend the most time. With the current cooler temperatures, make sure your curtains or blinds seal your windows properly. Talking of the cold weather, every degree that you set your thermostat above 20 degrees can add 10% to your heating bill. In winter, heating can account for over 30% of your bill. There are numerous websites providing advice as to how to minimise your bills. Undertake a web search and read as to how best to minimise your electricity expenses and other cost of living expenses.

Platinum Jubilee

I enjoyed watching the recent celebrations honouring the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. The Queen is the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee after amassing 70 years of service to the Commonwealth. For most of us, The Queen has been the only British Monarch we have ever known. To celebrate and acknowledge her reign, there is an opportunity for all of us to congratulate the Queen on her milestone. All Australians are invited to send a personal message of congratulations and thanks to The Queen at www.platinumjubilee.gov.au/message-to-the-queen Messages will be accepted online until midnight tonight, 16 June 2022, and then collated and sent to Buckingham Palace and archived by the Commonwealth of Australia.

COVID and the Flu

I have previously written regarding the intensity of this year's flu strain. We all need to be doing our bit to protect family, friends, relatives, work colleagues and fellow community members from the spread of flu, COVID and other respiratory illnesses. During winter, the risk of catching viral illnesses is higher given that when it's cooler outside we spend more time indoors where it may be difficult to maintain a physical distance from others. There are however some simple practices that each of us can implement to help protect ourselves and others as we interact:

- Stay up to date with vaccinations for both the flu and COVID-19. Most people can get both vaccinations together and free flu vaccines will be available at GPs for everyone aged 6 months and over and at some pharmacies for everyone aged 5 and over.

- Wearing a mask is recommended in crowded places and are a must on public transport, in airports and in health and residential care settings. Many people in our community are at higher risk of severe illness from flu and COVID-19, so it's a simple way we can look out for those who need it most.
- Where possible, meet others outdoors or in well ventilated areas. Keep doors and windows open to get better natural airflow.
- If you feel unwell, staying at home will reduce the risk of spreading illness to others. Test straight away if you have any COVID-19 symptoms. If you test positive, self-isolate for 7 days and follow the NSW Health advice. If you test positive with a rapid antigen test, register your result through Service NSW to get the right health advice for you. If you are at higher risk, get a PCR (nose and throat) swab test instead of a rapid antigen test. They are more accurate and earlier detection can help you access treatment earlier. This may include access to antiviral treatments which can only be prescribed in the early stages of disease. It is a good idea to speak to your doctor now about antiviral medication or other early treatment so you can ask questions and understand your options in advance. More details on what type of test you should take and what to do once you receive results is available at nsw.gov.au

With high rates of flu and COVID-19 continuing in the community, it's important that emergency departments are kept for emergencies. If you're unwell and not sure what to do, visit Healthdirect.gov.au or call Healthdirect for free on 1800 022 222 for fast, expert advice on what to do next. If you are seeking non-urgent health advice you can, speak to your doctor or pharmacist or contact free services such as the NSW Health Flu and COVID-19 Care at Home Support Line on 1800 960 933. If you are seriously injured, unwell or have a life-threatening medical emergency, you should always call Triple Zero (000) or attend the Bourke Multipurpose Service (hospital) emergency department without delay. To learn more, visit www.nsw.gov.au

Cold Weather

I know its winter and I am getting older, but along with many others, I have certainly felt the cold weather of last couple of weeks, with reports that the first two (2) weeks of June this year having been the coldest start to winter in some 32 years. Whilst the temperature last Thursday around noon was some 10 degrees, I was advised that with the wind chill factor, the temperature felt like circa 5 degrees. Every speaker at the Stolen Generation plaque unveiling made comment to the effect that they were, understandably, freezing. There was a gent in front of me at the ceremony who took a video with his phone of a segment of the ceremony. Unfortunately, he couldn't keep his hand still due to his hand shaking from the cold.

Quote: "It's a reality check that I need to get better, but win or lose I will keep trying to get better and it is no different this time." NSW State of Origin halfback, Nathan Cleary, reflecting on his performance following the blue's loss to Queensland in Origin, Game 1.

23 June 2022

Australian Police Medal

On the Monday of the recent Long Weekend, the Governor General of the Commonwealth of Australia, His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), announced the 992 recipients of awards for meritorious, distinguished and conspicuous service as part of the 2022

Queen's Birthday Honours list. One category of the awards is the Australian Police Medal which was instituted in 1986 to recognise those who have rendered distinguished service as a member of an Australian police force.

As part of the Governor General's announcement, former Bourke Police Inspector and now commander of the Western Region, Assistant Commissioner Brett Greentree, was awarded an Australian Police Medal. On behalf of Council, I congratulate Brett warmly on this achievement. Brett joined the NSW Police Force in 1995, with his first posting being at Manly Police Station and later, at the City of Sydney Patrol. In 1997, he transferred to Moree, where he built an outstanding reputation in rural and regional community policing and criminal investigation. Designated as a detective in October 2002, he performed criminal investigation and child protection duties at Moree and Inverell, before his promotion to the rank of sergeant and transfer to Tingha Police Station in 2003, then Tweed Heads in 2004.

It was in 2007 that Brett was promoted to the rank of inspector and leading the Bourke Police Station. During his time at Bourke, he worked with the Bourke community to introduce alcohol restrictions which led to significant decreases in assaults and improved health outcomes in the community. In 2010 he received a commendation for his dedication and commitment to Aboriginal issues. More recently Brett led a project to raise the Aboriginal flag at regional police stations as evidenced at the Bourke Police Station. Upon leaving Bourke in 2012, Brett was promoted to the rank of Superintendent and undertook the role of Staff Officer to the Deputy Commissioner, Specialist Operations before being appointed as the Commander at Lake Macquarie, Newcastle City and Brisbane Water Police Districts. During the period 2013-17, Brett was the NSW Police Corporate Sponsor for Customer Service. As the Corporate Sponsor, he made substantial changes across the organisation including the introduction of the Community Awareness of Policing Program and implementing victim follow-up recording mechanisms.

I first met Assistant Commissioner Greentree when he gave me a call as General Manager to say hello when he was appointed to the role of Western Region Commander. We had a good discussion on all things Bourke. When Covid operations were in full swing in August-September onwards last year, I met him again, this time via an audio-visual link as Brett chaired the very regular meetings of the Western Region Emergency Management Committee. Comprising Members of Parliament, at their discretion, representatives from Police, Health, Government Agencies and representatives from Police and Councils comprising the 21 Local Emergency Management Committees across the region, Brett's calm and confident manner ensured the meetings weren't simply talk fests but rather outcomes driven discussions. I have subsequently been fortunate to meet Brett in person both in Bourke and Dubbo. The community of Bourke is lucky to have a Western Region Police Commander who has a thorough understanding of its community.

Single Use Plastics Ban

On 16 November 2021, the NSW Government passed the *Plastic Reduction and Circular Economy Act 2021* which results in certain problematic plastics being banned. Under the Act, effective 1 June 2022, the supply of lightweight plastic bags has been banned. A lightweight plastic bag is one with handles that is 35 microns or less in thickness at any part of the bag. Thicker plastic bags like those from major supermarkets and boutique stores are not impacted. Lightweight bags made from biodegradable, compostable, or bio-plastics have also been banned, including those made from Australian certified compostable plastic. The ban **does not** apply to barrier bags such as bin

liners, human or animal waste bags, produce bags, deli bags and bags used to contain medical items (excluding bags provided by a retailer to a consumer used to transport medical items from the retailer).

There will be further restrictions imposed from 1 November 2022 when single-use plastic straws, stirrers and cutlery will be banned. This ban applies to single-use plastic straws (exemptions will apply in certain settings for people with a disability or medical need so they can continue using straws), stirrers and swizzle sticks, and cutlery, including forks, spoons, knives, sporks, splayds, chopsticks, and food picks. The ban **does not** apply to serving utensils such as salad servers or tongs or items that are an integrated part of the packaging used to seal or contain food or beverages, or are included within or attached to that packaging, through an automated process (such as a straw attached to a juice box). **Single-use plastic bowls and plates and expanded polystyrene (EPS) food service items** such as clamshells, cups, plates and bowls will also be banned come November. Think polystyrene take away fish and chips containers. It is noted that the EPS ban **does not** apply to meat or produce trays, packaging, including consumer and business-to-business packaging and transport containers.

In accordance with the legislation, a person must not supply a prohibited plastics item in NSW while carrying on a business. This includes supplying an item while carrying on an activity for commercial purposes such as retail businesses like a restaurant, cafe, bar, takeaway food shop, discount store, supermarket, market stall, online store and packaging suppliers and distributors, and any other retailers that provides these items to consumers. The ban also applies to a manufacturer, supplier, distributor or wholesaler of a prohibited item. In addition to the ban applying to retail businesses it is also applicable to charitable, sporting, education or community purposes. For example, a community group, not-for-profit organisation or charity, including those that use a banned item as part of a service, for daily activities or during fundraising events. Hefty fines apply for breaches of the legislation with fines up to \$11,000 being applicable for a sole trader who breaks the rules, or a maximum of \$275,000 for a corporation failing to comply with a stop notice. From an environmental perspective, these single use plastics are a disaster. Plastic packaging and single use plastic items make up 60% of all litter in NSW. The bans are estimated to prevent 2.7 billion plastic items from entering the NSW environment over the next 20 years.

NSW Energy Rebates

I wrote last week about the increased cost of living and focused on electricity costs and ways to potentially reduce your electricity bills. I was reminded during the week that the NSW Government assists eligible NSW customers pay their electricity and gas bills with a range of rebates and concessions available. There are various types of rebates available including the NSW Family Energy Rebate, Low Income Household Rebate and Energy Accounts Payment Assistance (EAPA) Vouchers. Full information as to available rebates and eligibility criteria is available at www.service.nsw.gov.au

You will need to hurry though as the 2021/2022 rebates and concessions expire at 11pm on 30 June 2022.

Animal Burp Tax

The New Zealand Government is considering a proposal to charge farmers for methane emissions emanating from their livestock in an attempt to address methane emissions linked to global

warming. When it comes to cows and sheep, they are prolific methane emitters. I won't go into the detail of how their stomachs work, but needless to say they release carbon dioxide and methane into the atmosphere every time one of the animal's burps. It is reported that world-wide, bovine burps are responsible for roughly 10% of greenhouse gas emissions generated by human activity. Every one of the world's 1.4 billion cows burps up to 500 litres of methane a day. In Australia, farm animals are responsible for up to half of the country's methane emissions.

The New Zealand proposal, if adopted, would see livestock belches taxed from 2025 while also providing incentives to reduce emissions by feeding farm animals a special diet and planting trees to offset their pollution. The tax revenue it raises would be distributed back into research and farm support services. No, this is not an April Fools Day joke and naturally Australian agricultural authorities are not overly fussed by the proposal stating that any tax on livestock methane in Australia would ultimately be passed on to consumers through higher food prices.

Quote: "I am not going to take credit for this. The boys ran out 120 minutes. It's a team game." Socceroo Goalkeeper Andrew Redmayne after saving a vital penalty shootout goal attempt from Peru for Australia to progress to its fifth successive World Cup Final Series.

Recommendation

That the information in the General Manager's Activity Report as presented to Council on Monday, 27 June 2022 be noted.

21.5 LIBRARY MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT FOR MAY 2022

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Attachments: Nil

Current Situation

The following items for the May 2021 - May 2022 period are presented for your information:

Item	May 2021	May 2022
Loans	658	625
New Members	33	3

Other statistical information:

	May 2021		May 2022
Internet/Word Processing	56	Internet/Word Processing	35
Wireless Tickets	14	Wireless Tickets	5
Number of Visitors	756	Number of Visitors	742
Scans	23	Scans	27
Information Requests	64	Information Requests	63
Technical Assistance	64	Technical Assistance/Printing	44
Faxes	2	Faxes/Laminating	0

- This month the library held 2 Dungeons & Dragons sessions, 2 Be Connected sessions and 1 kids craft session.
- We have also started our new LEGO Club for kids. We are looking to hold this on a monthly basis, with kids given a challenge from our Brickman Family Challenge book.



Recommendation

That the information in the Library Manager's Report for May 2022 as presented to Council on Monday, 27 June 2022 be noted.

21.6 TOURISM & EVENTS MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT

File Number: T4.3
Author: Fran Carter, Manager Tourism & Events
Authoriser: Melanie Milgate, Economic Development Manager
Attachments: Nil

Background

The Bourke Shire Councils Tourism and Events Manager's activity report provides Council with an updated status report for May 2022, relating to its tourism team's activities through visual data including graphs and statistics to allow for the measurement of the team's progress and performance.

Current Situation**Highlights**

- The Bald Archy Art Exhibition held its opening night on the 27 May at the Function Centre and will be on display to the public until the 20 June 2022.
- Presentation of the Tourism Marketing Strategy for endorsement by the Far North West Joint Organisation.
- Artist Chris Pritchard performed at Back O' Bourke Exhibition and Information Centre on 29 May 2022.
- New signage across the shire has begun to rollout, with entrance signage expected to be completed by 30 June 2022.

Product Development

The first rollout of **signage** for the Bourke Shire is underway with contemporary signs popping up around the villages of Enngonia, Barrington and Byrock with further instal planned (pending weather conditions) for Louth, Fords Bridge, Yantabulla & Wanaaring. The new entrance signs are also scheduled to be completed before end of June pending wet weather conditions.



The **Bourke Visitor Guide** has been completed and sent to be proofread before it goes to print in June. The Bourke Visitor Guide is over 120 pages of information that will see it as one of the biggest visitor guides in Western NSW. The team at the Back O' Bourke centre have worked tirelessly on this guide amongst COVID illness and isolation lockdowns. Staff have written copy, sorted through thousands of images and selected and sourced photography and photographers, coordinated sections and layouts, advertisers, editing and budgeting.

Local Government Collaboration

The **Far North West Joint Organisation** was presented with the proposal - Far North West Tourism Marketing Strategy that will aim to drive destination awareness and tourism-related visitation and yield opportunities for our regions.

Kidman Way Promotional Committee

- Social media contract commenced 1 April 2022.
- The Kidman Way Promotional Committee was unable to attend the 2022 Caravan and Camping Super show in Melbourne due to staff shortages.
- Caravan Camping Holiday Super show (Sydney) 18-23 April 2023.
- Melbourne Super show 2023 dates to be confirmed.
- Griffith Lifestyle & Leisure Show Update
 - Smaller than expected due to COVID cancellations of exhibitors
 - Those who attended had a genuine interest
 - Many have travelled the Kidman Way but were unaware it was called Kidman Way
 - 2023 event schedule for 1st weekend in August 2023
 - Number of attendees were day trippers from around the region.
- Kidman Way Story Proposal- Manager Tourism & Events from Bourke to contact contractor regarding writing the Kidman Way story for the committee. Contractor to be invited to attend the next meeting to present. Once the story is complete it can be used in marketing and promotional material.

Darling River Run

- Signage discussion and follow up was moved to the next meeting.
- DRR Website.
- Media Report - A summary of the numbers for digital marketing was provided.
- 25/8/2022 - Annual Meeting – to be discussed next meeting
- 26/8/2022 - Wentworth Region Family – to be discussed next meeting
- 27&28/8/2022 - Wentworth Show Stall – to be discussed next meeting
- Merchandise - DRR
- DRR Stickers and Magnets with new logo are being designed
- Caps, Stubby Holders and Travel Cups - same design, no change
- All merchandise has been ordered.

Back O Bourke Information & Exhibition Centre, Ben Nott –Team Leader Tourism Operations**May 2022**

- The centre continued to be opened 7 days a week in May in both Café and Exhibition centre.
- Turnover in May was down approx. 21% on April given that the Easter Festival was held in April. Turnover was on par for the same month as last year.
- Visitor numbers for May were 2016 compared to 2323 in April.
- Email enquiries for May were again similar to last month.
- Incoming calls for May were down approx. 22 % on April.
- PV Jandra stopped due to a rising river on 21/4/2022 and it has not run since as the river is still rising.
- Exhibition Centre tickets sold in May were up approx. 26 % on April
- Mt Oxley tickets sold were down 50 % due mainly to road closures through the month.
- Café turnover in May was down 15 % on April.
- The centre and around the district received a lot of rain in May.

The PV Jandra has not run this month. While the high river and water coming into the system has been great for the environment, we have had more than normal interest in the river cruise this month. Hopefully, we can be back up and operating the Jandra in time for the next school holidays.

The Crossley has had some maintenance completed and staff have also undertaken training during May. The 30th May saw the engine start-up for the first time this year and will continue to run Monday to Friday through the season.

The Back O' Bourke Information Centre gardens have had another big month, with the centre looking great. Due to the amount of rain the lawns have been hard to mow. We have been spraying and pruning while waiting to get the mowers on the lawns.

The Café and Information Centre had another great month. Lots of visitors travelling through and lots of locals using the café on weekends. The café this month has catered for a 90th birthday, lunch for a tour group of 30 and 3 lunches for a flight group.

The Bald Archy exhibition kicked off with an opening night on the 27 May 2022 which was well attended with close to 50 people attending. This will run until late June and is open daily from 10 am to 4 pm admission is \$10 per person.

The centre hosted a ministerial visit on-site on 25 May 2022 in the gardens surrounding the centre and the Function Centre. The centre was looking great, and we received good feedback. The staff at the centre went over above their everyday duties while still running the centre was a credit to them and the team.

We had three function centre bookings for May, totalling six days of hire. Staff also set up the Bald Archy Art exhibition.

We had 8 tour groups during the month.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Jan		448	560	325	326	302	348	386	782	1109	816	603
Feb		157	397	271	373	391	220	282	1043	386	630	725
Mar	810	570	1500	1051	1342	1612	1245	1274	1021	412	1389	1100
April	2507	2144	3103	3146	3849	3118	3114	4024	3166	0	2387	2323
May	2656	2891	3758	3988	4602	4073	3983	4770	3693	0	2564	
June	2952	3216	4492	4275	5437	5199	4754	5634	4490	993	2366	
July	4362	4643	5173	6241	6002	5941	5982	7614	6834	2570	1068	
Aug	4187	4162	4410	4793	5078	4951	5051	5548	4052	1898	255	
Sept	4295	5074	4275	4764	4489	4532	4246	4676	3601	3325	0	
Oct	2674	3067	2383	2486	2370	2475	2463	3574	2222	5246	409	
Nov	1012	930	789	671	610	1031	876	1014	1220	1989	866	
Dec	386	347	207	242	272	281	255	630	860	1194	897	
Total	25841	27649	31044	32253	34750	33906	32537	39454	32984	19122	13647	

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications.

Recommendation

That the information in the Tourism and Events Manager’s Activity Report for May 2022 as presented to Council on Monday, 27 June 2022 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 * Plant Hire Tender 2022/2023**

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