

COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL



ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY 26 MARCH 2015

~ ORDER OF BUSINESS ~

Business for the meeting will be as follows:

1. Apologies
 2. Declaration of Interests
 3. Condolences
 4. Confirmation of Minutes
 - Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 26 February 2015
 - Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes – Thursday, 5 March 2015
 - Finance and Policy Committee Meeting – Thursday, 12 March 2015
 - Works Committee Meeting – Thursday, 12 March 2015
 5. Matters Arising from Minutes
 6. Mayoral Report
 7. General Manager's Report – Part A (Action)
 8. General Manager's Report – Part B (Information)
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 10. Matters of Urgency
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Clause 1C – Electricity Contracts for Street Lighting and Contestable (Large) Sites	(Refer to Confidential Agenda)

That the report regarding the Electricity Contracts for Street Lighting and Contestable (Large) Sites be considered in the Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reasons stated in Section 10A (2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Reference to Attachments58

~ COUNCIL'S VISION ~

Our Vision is for Cobar Shire to be an attractive, healthy and caring environment in which to live, work and play, achieved in partnership with the community through initiative, foresight and leadership.

~ COUNCIL'S MISSION ~

Our Mission is to provide sound and sensible government and ensure that works and services are delivered effectively and equitably to the community of Cobar Shire.

Council will also develop and constantly review its policy on the maintenance of its road network with current priorities to include the sealing of the following strategic roads within the Shire;

- Ivanhoe Road
 - Louth Road
 - Tilpa Road
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~ COUNCIL'S VALUES ~

Council has adopted the following Values that should be reflected in how the whole organisation operates and interacts with others:

- Continually strive for improvement in every aspect of Council's activities and recognise initiative.
- All activities are to be customer focused and provide equity for all.
- Involve the community in decision making through open government and consultative processes.
- Foster and promote sustainable ecological and economic development, rural pursuits and industries that contribute to the wealth of the region and in keeping with the environment and residents lifestyle.
- Conserve and protect the natural beauty of the area.
- Promote a spirit of regional cooperation particularly in regard to planning, infrastructure, economic development, tourism and employment.

~ COUNCIL'S CHARTER ~

A Council has the following charter (Section 8, Local Government Act 1993):

- To provide directly or on behalf of other levels of government, after due consultation, adequate, equitable and appropriate services and facilities for the community and to ensure that those services and facilities are managed efficiently and effectively.
- To exercise community leadership.
- To exercise its functions in a manner that is consistent with and actively promotes the principles of cultural diversity.
- To promote and to provide and plan for the needs of children.
- To properly manage, develop, protect, restore, enhance and conserve the environment of the area for which it is responsible, in a manner that is consistent with and promotes the principles of ecologically sustainable development.
- To have regard to the long term and cumulative effects of its decisions.
- To bear in mind that it is the custodian and trustee of public assets and to effectively account for and manage the assets for which it is responsible.
- To facilitate the involvement of Councillor's, members of the public, users of facilities and services and council staff in the development, improvement and coordination of local government.
- To raise funds for local purposes by the fair imposition of rates, charges and fees, by income earned from investments and, when appropriate, by borrowings and grants.
- To keep the local community and the State government (and through it, the wider community) informed about its activities.
- To ensure that, in the exercise of its regulatory functions, it acts consistently and without bias, particularly where an activity of the council is affected.
- To be a responsible employer.

~ COUNCIL DIARY ~

DATE	ACTIVITY	INVOLVES
Thursday 26 March 2015 (5:00pm)	Council Meeting	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community
Thursday 9 April 2015 (2:00pm)	Councillor Workshop No. 3 for Draft 2015/2016 AOP, Revenue Statement, Fees and Charges, Budget and LTFP	Councillors/Senior Staff
Thursday 9 April 2015 (5:00pm)	Committee Meetings	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community
Thursday 9 April 2015 (Following Committee Meeting Closure)	Councillor Workshop – Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service Funding Announcement and Action Plan Discussion	Councillors/Senior Staff/ DoN
Tuesday 14 April 2015 (1:00pm)	Liquor Accord Meeting	Councillors/Senior Staff/Committee Members
Thursday 23 April 2015 (5:00pm)	Council Meeting	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community
Thursday 14 May 2015 (5:00pm)	Committee Meetings	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community
Wednesday 20 May 2015 (6:30pm)	Public Meeting Presentation of Draft 2015/2016 AOP, Revenue Statement, Fees and Charges, Budget and LTFP	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community
Thursday 21 May 2015 (5:00pm)	Council Meeting	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community

CLAUSE 1A – MAYORAL REPORT

FILE: C13-1-5

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Mayor, Councillor Lilliane Brady OAM*

Report to be tabled.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accepts the information contained in the Mayoral Report for the month of March 2015.

**CLAUSE 2A – DALTON PARK HORSE COMPLEX REQUEST FOR NEW
USERS LICENCE AGREEMENTS**

FILE: P1-4-3 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4.2 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 60)

AUTHOR: *Land Management Officer, Heather Holder*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to recommend the issuing of a new Licence Agreement and to advise Councillors of the intent for asking for expressions of interest for use of Dalton Park Horse Complex.

Background

Cobar Shire Council has recently received three new requests from people wishing to utilise Dalton Park Horse Complex, these being:

- Wayne Allan Prisk (WAP);
- Christie, Kevin and Maree Wheeler and Geoff Turton;
- Jillian Prince.

On the 25 February 2015, the Land Management Officer sent a letter to all current licenced users of Dalton Park Horse Complex requesting any feedback or concerns about the three requests for new licences.

Since this letter was sent out, there has been other people who have expressed an interest in using Dalton Park Horse Complex. Council as Trustees for the facility should have a process that is open and transparent so it is intended to seek expressions of interest from the community to see what, if any other interest there is in using the facilities at Dalton Park Horse Complex.

Issues

The following three requests have been made to utilise Dalton Park Horse Complex:

Jillian Prince

Mrs Prince has requested to utilise the rodeo arena to undertake safety training with horse riders. Mrs Prince has requested use of the rodeo arena for half a day one day per month. This is an existing facility, which is already a shared area and a request to utilise this area can be made by anyone at any time.

The issuing of a licence to Mrs Prince is about ensuring that she is appropriately licenced to utilise the facilities at Dalton Park Horse Complex.

There were no concerns raised by any of the current users at Dalton Park Horse Complex.

Wayne Allan Prisk (WAP) and Christie, Kevin and Maree Wheeler and Geoff Turton

Cobar Shire Council as Trustee for the Dalton Park Racecourse Reserve Trust (R630019) should have an open and transparent mechanism for determining applications for use of Dalton Park Horse Complex. The Cobar Miners Race Club have advised that they no longer wish to have a stable area (indicated on the attached map) as part of their licence. This area now technically reverts back to Council's control.

A Reserve Trust is responsible for the care of public land in the interests of the community. Everything the Reserve Trust does should therefore take place and be recorded in an open and accountable manner. To ensure this process is open and transparent, and given that there appears to be additional interest beyond the individuals who have already expressed an interest, it is recommended that the Council seek expressions of interest for the use of facilities at Dalton Park Horse Complex.

Financial Implementation

An annual licence fee as per Councils current Fees and Charges for 2014/2015 is \$505.00 including GST. As the licence for Mrs Prince is for a period of 3 months being for 1 April 2015 to 30 June 2015 it is recommended that Council accept a pro rata licence fee for one quarter of the annual fee being \$126.25 including GST.

Mrs Prince has asked that Councillors consider a fee reduction for her 3 month licence as she will only be utilising the facility for half a day, one day per month. Mrs Prince is offering training for riders at no charge to participants.

In the past Councillors have been requested to consider setting the fees at half price for the Cobar Miner Race Club, Cobar Rodeo Committee and Cobar Pony Club given that they are not for profit organisations. This has not been approved in the past.

Options

Option 1

That Councillors set the fees for Mrs Prince's licence for 1 April 2015 to 30 June 2015 at half price due to her undertaking the training at no cost to participants. Please note that this request will also be made for subsequent licence applications.

Option 2

That Councillors do not change the fees for Mrs Prince's licence for 1 April 2015 to 30 June 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to issue a 3 month temporary licence agreements for the following individual to cover the period 1 April 2015 to 30 June 2015:**
 - Jillian Prince.**

- 2. That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to affix the Trusts seal to the 3 month temporary licence agreements for the following individual to cover the period 1 April 2015 to 30 June 2015:**
 - Jillian Prince.**

- 3. That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to accept the fee for these licences at a pro rata amount of one quarter of the annual licence fees as set for 2014/2015 for the following individual:**
 - Jillian Prince.**

- 4. That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, note that expressions of interest will be sought from the community for the stable area now vacated by the Cobar Miners Race Club and seek expressions of interest from any other person who may wish to undertake development or use of Dalton Park Horse Complex.**

**CLAUSE 3A– LEASE AGREEMENT WITH DR INDRA KARALASINGHAM
FOR 53 LINSLEY STREET, COBAR**

FILE: L6-7

AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Land Management Officer, Heather Holder*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to sign and affix the Council seal to the lease agreement between Council and Dr Indra Karalasingham for 53 Linsley Street, Cobar.

Background

In previous Council resolutions, no authorisation was made by Council for the signing and affixing of the common seal to the lease document.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to affix Council's seal on the Lease Agreement with Dr Indra Karalashingham for 53 Linsley Street, Cobar.

CLAUSE 4A – 2015 NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT – AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

FILE: L5-6

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1, 3.1.5

ATTACHMENT: YES

(PAGE 61-90)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

Purpose

To determine whether Cobar Shire Council should attend the 2015 National General Assembly of Local Government and to arrange appropriate motions of national significance.

Background

The 2015 National General Assembly (NGA) of Local Government (Australian Local Government Association (ALGA)) is going to be held from the 14 to 17 June 2015 at the National Convention Centre, Canberra.

Normally the NGA is attended by the Mayor and General Manager.

The theme of the 2015 Assembly is 'Closest to the Community: Local Government in the Federation'. A copy of the relevant Discussion Paper is contained within the attachments to this agenda to help develop motions for the 2015 Assembly. Council will need to consider motions that are linked to the Assembly theme with say a deadline of 1 April 2015 for Council to enable submittal to the ALGA by the motion deadline of 17 April 2015.

Financial Implications

Apart from normal travelling costs it would be expected that it will cost \$2,000 for registration, accommodation, meals etc for each person attending. These costs are contained within normal Council budgets for delegate's expenses and conferences.

Options

Council does not need to attend the ALGA NGA however it is considered appropriate that the Council consider allowing the Mayor and General Manager to attend to network with other Local Government Councillors and Officers, Commonwealth Ministers and Senators, Special Interest Groups and to ensure that the voice of Cobar Shire Council is heard in Canberra.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council not attend 2015 National General Assembly of Local Government – Australian Local Government Association 14-17 June 2015 at the National Convention Centre, Canberra.**

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- 2. That Councillors consider motions in the form required to be forwarded to the National General Assembly with information to be provided to the General Manager by 1 April 2015 to allow submittal to the Australian Local Government Association by the deadline of 17 April 2015.**

CLAUSE 5A – FIT FOR THE FUTURE AND JOINT ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS CONSIDERATION

FILE: L5-24 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 91-98)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

Purpose

For Council to consider whether to be involved in the transition towards a Joint Organisation and if so which Joint Organisation, the Orana Regional Organisation of Councils or the proposed Western Joint Organisation (Western Division Councils of NSW).

Background

Council at its Meeting on 11 December 2014 considered a Report concerning the Fit for the Future Program and subsequently resolved as follows:

- 1. That Cobar Shire Council continue to be involved in the discussions and processes in the development of the Far West Initiative to ensure that a model is found that benefits Cobar Shire with improved government and non-government services and to increase the sustainability of Cobar Shire Council.*
- 2. That Cobar Shire Council submit a Fit for the Future Council Improvement Proposal Submission that shows Council working towards being sustainable and Fit for the Future that sees Cobar Shire Council continuing to be an independent local government Council.*
- 3. That Council allocate \$40,000 in 2014/2015 budget year from unallocated working funds determined in the Q2 – December 2014 Quarterly Review to be used if required for expert professional help with Councils Fit for the Future Council Improvement Proposal Submission.*
- 4. That the NSW State Government be asked to bring forward the timetable of targeting financial assistance grants (FAGS) in NSW to communities with the greatest needs.*

In July 2014 Council also considered the NSW Governments Draft Regions for Growth Planning and following those considerations and discussions a submission was provided to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (Attached). The submission highlighted that the community of Cobar Shire did not fit within the proposed Far West Region and that the community of interest was the Orana Region.

At the Western Division Councils of NSW Conference 22-24 February 2015 the Conference resolved as follows in relation to a proposed Western Joint Organisation:

Motion 20/15 WESTERN DIVISION AND WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT MODEL(S).

MOTION: That this Western Division Group of Councils form a General Managers' Advisory Committee (GMAC) comprising the General Managers of all member Councils to devise a model(s) of Local Government based around the existing Integrated Planning and Reporting Legislation, and in particular the Community

Strategic Planning concept, with a view to identifying and establishing place based solutions supporting the ongoing sustainability of Western Division Communities linked to specific State and Federal Agency programmes.

**Motion 21/15 WESTERN DIVISION AND WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL
FORMATION OF A FAR WESTERN JOINT ORGANISATION OF
COUNCILS**

Motion: That this Western Division Group of Councils investigate the formation of a Western Joint Organisation of Councils and that the current group executive, with power to co-opt, be authorised to develop a draft proposal for distribution to member Councils for further input, comment and consideration, with a view to adopting an agreed model at the Mid-Term meeting of the group to be held on

Motion 22/15 Fit for the Future Assessment Panel Walgett

Motion: That Western Division write to the Minister for Local Government requesting that:

- 1. That the Fit For the Future assessment panel be comprised of a majority of people with extensive experience as elected members and senior local Government Management Level.*
- 2. That the Minister release criteria for panel members immediately and seek expressions of interest from the Local Government industry.*
- 3. That the Panel meet with each council prior to making a determination as to whether a Council is Fit for the Future.*

23/15 FUNDING

Motion: That Western Division make an application for funding to the FFF Innovation fund when the guidelines are available.

Attached are the complete details including background information provided by Walgett Shire Council on the day and the subsequent Media Release on the issue.

At the OROC Board Meeting held on 20 February 2015 attended by Deputy Mayor Tracey Kings OROC Members agreed to support the following motion:

- i.** That on the basis of all member councils resolving same, the 12 existing members of OROC consider as to how the region moved forward to transit to a Joint Organisation.
- ii.** That all OROC members be requested to respond in writing, in respect of their position regarding inclusion in and Orana Joint Organisation (OROC) by 17th March 2015.

Attached is a copy of the full request letter from the Chair of the Orana Regional Organisation of Councils, Councillor Bill McAnally.

Issues

There has been a vast amount of information provided to the Councillors directly by email, hard copy and at Workshops. All of this information will be available to Councillors at the Council Meeting.

Legal Situation

At present a 'Joint Organisation' does not exist in NSW Local Government Legislation however the NSW Government has shown a determination to move forward with what has been included in the Fit for the Future Program. It is further complicated by what is envisaged, for Cobar Shire Council and its involvement in the 'Far West Initiative'.

Policy Implications

Council's current Policy is that of the resolution of 11 December 2014.

Financial Implications

Not known.

Risk Implication

A number of comments have been made that the creation of a Western Joint Organisation that takes into account the footprint or more of the 'Far West Initiative' will just lead to what is proposed, perhaps a Far West Authority with Councils in the area reporting to the Far West Authority.

Options

Joint Organisation or not and if so which one.

RECOMMENDATION

For consideration of Council.

CLAUSE 6A – QUOTATION FOR THE SUPPLY OF TRADES AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES 2012/2015 UPDATE

FILE: T3-12-5 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4.1 ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Errol George*

Background

Throughout the year Council uses various contractors for the supply of Trade and Miscellaneous Services for many of Council's activities.

These Contractors are usually engaged on a daily basis for small projects or by quotations for larger projects.

The administration of this approach can be haphazard as the appropriate paperwork to cover the individual business Work Health and Safety (WH&S) Compliance and or insurances has not necessarily been provided prior to works commencing.

To ensure that Council complies with all regulatory requirements of WH&S, Workcover, Local Government Act 1993, etc, Council needs to adopt a formal approach to regulatory requirements through the quotation process.

Issues

The Company listed below has provided sufficient documentation to be included on Council's regulatory approved Contractors.

Company	Service Provided
Samuel Baker Electrical Solutions Pty Ltd	Electrical Services

This does not mean other Contractors cannot be engaged, once all regulatory requirements are received from the Contractors yet to submit then they will also be added to the current register.

Therefore the financial information needs to remain completely Confidential. The quotation received will be available for perusal at the Council Committee Meeting.

Financial Implications

There are no additional financial implications for Council as acceptance of the quotation does not commit Council to engage the Contractor, rather it provides a pool of registered Contractors.

RECOMMENDATION

That Samuel Baker Electrical Solutions Pty Ltd be included in Council's Register of Approved Contractors for the Supply of Trades and Miscellaneous Services 2012/2015.

CLAUSE 7A – QUOTATION FOR THE SUPPLY OF TRADES AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES 2012/2015 UPDATE

FILE: T3-12-5 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4.1 ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Errol George*

Background

Throughout the year Council uses various contractors for the supply of Trade and Miscellaneous Services for many of Council's activities.

These Contractors are usually engaged on a daily basis for small projects or by quotations for larger projects.

The administration of this approach can be haphazard as the appropriate paperwork to cover the individual business Work Health and Safety (WH&S) Compliance and or insurances has not necessarily been provided prior to works commencing.

To ensure that Council complies with all regulatory requirements of WH&S, Workcover, Local Government Act 1993, etc, Council needs to adopt a formal approach to regulatory requirements through the quotation process.

Issues

The Company listed below has provided sufficient documentation to be included on Council's regulatory approved Contractors.

Company	Service Provided
Worktech	Telecommunications & Data Networking

This does not mean other Contractors cannot be engaged, once all regulatory requirements are received from the Contractors yet to submit then they will also be added to the current register.

Therefore the financial information needs to remain completely Confidential. The quotation received will be available for perusal at the Council Committee Meeting.

Financial Implications

There are no additional financial implications for Council as acceptance of the quotation does not commit Council to engage the Contractor, rather it provides a pool of registered Contractors.

RECOMMENDATION

That Worktech be included in Council's Register of Approved Contractors for the Supply of Trades and Miscellaneous Services 2012/2015.

CLAUSE 8A – REVIEW OF CURRENT WATER RESTRICTIONS

FILE: W2-11

AOP REFERENCE: 5.1.3

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Services Manager, Wayne D. Mills*

Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to demonstrate the need for the current Water Restrictions to be reviewed and altered.

Background

As Cobar and surrounding areas are now starting to enter into the cooler period of the year and daylight savings is coming to an end it would be an appropriate time for Council to give consideration to adjusting the current level of Water Restrictions.

The reduction in temperatures during the cooler period of the year will result in a decrease in water consumption of between 2ML and 3ML; requiring the Filtration Plant working less hours per day.

The water restrictions that are currently in effect are as follows:

Cobar, Euabalong and Euabalong West:

- Hand held hoses are permitted between 5pm and 9am daily;
- Fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. are permitted between 6pm and 8am daily;
- No car washing be permitted on hard surfaces.

Nymagee Mount Hope:

- Hand held hoses be permitted between 5pm and 9am daily;
- Fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. are banned;
- No car washing be permitted on hard surfaces.

It is suggested that the time period be adjusted to:

Cobar, Euabalong and Euabalong West:

- Hand held hoses, fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. be permitted between 4pm and 10am;
- No car washing be permitted on hard surfaces.

Nymagee Mount Hope:

- Hand held hoses be permitted between 5pm and 9am;
- Fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. are banned;
- No car washing be permitted on hard surfaces.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council amends the current Water Restrictions to as follows commencing on 7 April 2015:

Cobar, Euabalong and Euabalong West:

- **Hand held hoses, fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. be permitted between 4pm and 10am;**
- **No car washing be permitted on hard surfaces.**

Nymagee Mount Hope:

- **Hand held hoses be permitted between 5pm and 9am;**
- **All fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. are banned;**
- **No car washing permitted on hard surfaces.**

CLAUSE 9A – USE OF EFFLUENT BY COBAR BOWLING AND GOLF CLUB

FILE: S3-5

AOP REFERENCE: 4.4.4

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Services Manager, Wayne D. Mills and Director Engineering Services, Errol George*

Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to provide Council with an update on the status of the ongoing use of Council's effluent by the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club, at an annual fee and a review of proposed charges for the 2015/2016 Financial Year.

Background

For some time the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club (the Club) has purchased effluent from Council for irrigation of the Cobar Golf Course. An annual charge is made by Council for the supply of the effluent.

A meeting was held on 11 March 2015 with Mr. Jim Goonrey, President of the Club and Ms. Demi Smith, Secretary/ Manager of the Club to discuss the setting of charges for the 2015/2016 Financial Year.

Mr. Goonrey advised that the Club has limited financial resources and requested Council's consideration in the setting of charges for the 2015/2016 Financial Year.

Issues

Cobar Shire Council Director of Engineering Services, Errol George confirmed at the meeting that all details would be set out in this report and a decision would be made by Council resolution.

It was also discussed that chlorine dosing infrastructure will be installed at the Cobar Sewerage Treatment Plant to meet future environmental requirements for effluent re-use, and following such installation cost of supply may have to be increased once actual operational costs are available for the chlorination process.

It was agreed that risks with effluent reuse on a golf course are far lower than those if effluent were used for irrigation on a field being used for a contact sport; but as above Council will ultimately be required to ensure all effluent is suitably treated and monitored by regular sample testing before any form of reuse can be employed.

At Council's Meeting of 28 October 2010 it was identified that actual costs to supply effluent for the time period 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010 would be in the order of \$28,000.00 based upon a supply cost of \$0.35 per kilo-litre. However, on the basis that the effluent would be wasted if not utilised by the Club, and additionally the Club provides the only golf course in Cobar; it was resolved to set a charge of \$15,000.00. The annual charge was increased to \$15,500.00 for the 2011/2012 Financial Year, and this charge has remained static since then.

Financial Implications

The estimated cost of providing the effluent for the 2015/2016 Financial Year is in the order of \$29,500 based upon past rises in electricity costs, with a projected decrease in electricity costs factored in. Costs are also incurred through maintenance of the pump and rising main.

At this time it is not possible to estimate the cost of the chlorination process; which will be introduced in the 2015/2016 Financial Year. This can be determined once it is installed, commissioned and operational; for consideration for charges in the 2016/2017 Financial Year.

As noted in the report to Council for its Meeting of 28 October 2010, the Club has been gaining a benefit by virtue of a reduced payment per annum in lieu of the actual cost of the effluent; but it is also important to note that if the Club did not accept the effluent Council would be required to negotiate with other parties for its disposal.

As above, discharge on a field used for contact sport requires further treatment due to higher risks; and discharge to unused land represents an unacceptable alternative in Cobar, where all water is a valuable resource.

It is recommended that provision of effluent to the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club continues and that consideration be given to increasing the existing annual charge of \$15,500.00 to \$15,800.00 which accounts for a Consumer Price Index increase of approximately 2.5%.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council consider increasing the existing annual charge for supply of effluent to the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club to an annual amount of \$15,800.00 for the 2015/2016 Financial Year; and**
- 2. That negotiations be held with the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club prior to setting Fees and Charges for the 2016/2017 Financial Year. Negotiations will include consideration of costs identified for the operation of the chlorination of the effluent supplied by Council.**

CLAUSE 10A – RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR TRACEY KINGS AS DEPUTY MAYOR

FILE: C12-1

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

Purpose

To inform Council of the vacancy of the position of Deputy Mayor.

Background

It is with great regret that I advise that on 15 March 2015 Councillor Tracey Kings tendered her resignation as Deputy Mayor due to work and business commitments.

Councillor Kings has also resigned from the following Council Advisory Committees/ Delegates Positions:

- Chairperson/ Council Representative, Local Traffic Committee;
- Cobar Youth Council;
- Airport Advisory Committee.

Councillor Kings wishes to continue as a Councillor, Board Member of the Cobar Water Board and a member/ delegate of other Council Advisory Committees.

The Deputy Mayor's position is automatically a member of the General Manager's Review Committee.

Arrangements are now in train for nominations for the vacant position of Deputy Mayor with the election being held at this Council Meeting.

It is also hoped that the filling of the other vacant Council Advisory Committee/ Delegate positions will also be possible.

RECOMMENDATION

That Councillor Tracey Kings resignation as Deputy Mayor be accepted with regret.

CLAUSE 11A – ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

FILE: C12-1

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

Purpose

To finalise arrangements for the election of Deputy Mayor following the resignation of Councillor Tracey Kings from that position.

Background

Section 231 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) provides that Council may elect a Deputy Mayor.

The period of appointment of the Deputy Mayor is consistent with the period of appointment of Mayor or shorter term. Currently the term of Office for the Mayor is for a period of one (1) year that commenced in September 2014 and ends September 2015.

The procedure for the election of Deputy Mayor is contained in the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 (Clause 394 and Schedule 7). The General Manager or nominee act as Returning Officer for the election.

The Deputy Mayor may exercise any functions of the Mayor, at the request of the Mayor, or, if the Mayor is prevented by illness, absence or otherwise from exercising the function, or, if there is a casual vacancy in the Office of the Mayor.

Nomination forms for the position of Deputy Mayor were provided to all Councillors electronically on Wednesday, 18 March 2015 and a hard copy with Councillor's mail on Thursday, 19 March 2015. Nominations for the position will close at 4:00pm Tuesday, 24 March 2015.

If more than one (1) Councillor is nominated for the position, Council must resolve whether the election is to proceed by preferential ballot, by ordinary ballot or by open voting. Council's normal practice has been to proceed by ordinary ballot.

It is also appropriate that any ballot papers used in the election of the Deputy Mayor be destroyed after the election.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council note that the General Manager or his nominee is the Returning Officer for the purpose of electing the Deputy Mayor.**
- 2. That the period of appointment of the Deputy Mayor be consistent with the period of the appointment of Mayor, being currently one (1) year, that commenced in September 2014 and ends September 2015.**

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3. **In the event of more than one (1) nomination that Council conduct the election of the Deputy Mayor by ordinary ballot and in accordance with the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005.**
 4. **That following the election the ballot papers used in the election of the Deputy Mayor be destroyed.**

**CLAUSE 12A – VACANT COUNCIL ADVISORY COMMITTEES/
DELEGATE POSITIONS**

FILE: C6-15

AOP REFERENCE: 3.2.2.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

Purpose

To finalise arrangements for the appointment/ election of Council Committees/ Delegate Positions recently vacated by Councillor Tracey Kings.

Background

Councillor Tracey Kings due to work and business commitments has as of 15 March 2015 resigned from the following Council Advisory Committees/ Delegate Positions:

- Chairperson/ Council Representative, Local Traffic Committee;
- Cobar Youth Council;
- Airport Advisory Committee.

The position of Deputy Mayor which Councillor Kings has also vacated is automatically on the General Manager's Review Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council note that the new Deputy Mayor is automatically a member of the General Manager's Review Committee.**
- 2. That Council determine its delegates/ membership for the vacant position on each of the following Council Advisory Committees/ Delegates Positions and where an election is required it be by open voting by show of hands:**
 - **Chairperson/ Council Representative, Local Traffic Committee;**
 - **Cobar Youth Council;**
 - **Airport Advisory Committee.**

CLAUSE 13A – ROLLING 15 YEAR PLANT REPLACEMENT PROGRAM
FILE: P3-7 AOP REFERENCE 3.3.2.6 ATTACHMENT: YES
(UNDER SEPARATE COVER)

AUTHOR: *Director Engineering Services, Errol George*

Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to review the makeup of the Plant, Equipment and Fleet to ensure operational requirements are being met in a cost effective manner and to review the 15 Year Rolling Plant Replacement Program.

Background

This report is submitted for Council to consider the proposed Plant Replacement Program over a 15 year period (please refer to attached spreadsheet).

This program has been developed based upon projected Council budgets and plant usage of each item; and an attempt made to predict the most economical time to dispose/replace equipment operated by Council. Some allowance has been made for inflation, based on information available at this time.

The management of Plant, Heavy Vehicles and Light Fleet; and the changeover/replacement is critical to ensure operational requirements are met; and best value is provided for the Council and Cobar community.

The decision regarding when to change over Plant, Heavy Vehicles and Light Fleet should be based on optimal replacement timing. The optimal replacement point in the life of the vehicle is when the decreasing line of depreciation intersects with the increasing cost of repairs and maintenance. Optimal replacement timing for a vehicle or an item of plant is calculated either in kilometres or engine hours, and time to achieve the lowest average annual costs during the life of the vehicle/machine.

Council has a Motor Vehicle Policy which covers the provision of light vehicle usage benefits to certain officers and outlines the program of vehicle replacement frequency and responsible management of vehicles.

The policy outlines that vehicles should be replaced between 15,000 and 40,000 km to ensure optimal trade-in values. In reality Council is often replacing vehicles well over the 40,000 km mileage, which can result in lower trade values together with higher changeover costs.

Plant and Heavy Vehicle utilisation is reviewed at least bi-annually to ensure machinery is meeting budget utilisation forecasts.

Council's changeover timing for Plant and Heavy Vehicles should be in line with the Optimal Replacement Benchmarks recommended in the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) Plant & Vehicle Management Manual (refer table).

Optimal Replacement Timing Table:

Group/Type		Optimum Replacement Timing
	Years	KM/Hrs
Backhoe Loader	7	5,000
Grader	10	8,000
Forklift	10	5,000
Heavy Duty Truck (HR & HC)	8	500,000
Medium Duty Truck (MR)	8	200,000
Light Duty Truck (LR)	6	150,000
Loader	8	8,000
Roller Large	10	8,000
Skid Steer Loader	5	5,000
Tractor Medium	8	5,000
Sweeper	8	8,000

The task of monitoring and reviewing the usage patterns of the entire Plant Fleet ensures that the plant is appropriate to meet the ongoing operational requirements and projected road construction and maintenance demands.

This monitoring and reviewing process closely follows usage and trends, which become apparent, in the demands for heavy plant and vehicles.

Issues

It would be ideal for Council to pursue a reasonable light vehicle changeover timeframe, that is, maximum 80,000 km but ideally 40,000 to 60,000km. This will help to keep the maintenance budget to a minimum and improve trade in prices.

All the trucks and most of the heavier plant items are deemed to be costed for 1,600 hours per year and the internal rate charged to projects is calculated on this basis. In general terms, Council's internal rates are lower than, or at least equal to, rates that can be sourced externally from the private sector. In most cases, the quality of Council's own fleet is equal to that hired externally.

As can be seen within the program some years attract a higher level of funding seen as optimum to Councils requirements. Expenditure on plant replacement can be reduced by Council formulating a policy on structured rebuilding or refurbishment of major items of plant such as motor graders and side tippers. With regard to heavy plant it is proposed that graders will have a mid-life refurbishment at around 10,000 hours which extends their life and puts off replacing them with new ones.

When plant and vehicles are sent away for servicing some of the costs involved in this service and maintenance work revolves around the time and costs for the transport to and from the dealer's depot. The supervision of work standards, notification/rectification of faults/defects and the costs of lost time/hire due to non-performance of the servicing dealer can't be recovered.

Council's Operating Budget has a direct bearing on the replacement of Councils fixed and mobile Plant.

Council has an option to engage with a Contractor for future solid waste collections in Cobar Township. If that were to occur, vehicles P1131 and P1140 would not require replacement in the 2015/2016 Financial Year. On that basis the projected total change over value for the 2015/2016 Financial Year would drop from \$1,480,640 to \$1,101,640.

Further to that, replacement of grader P3101 has been included within the 2016/2017 Financial Year in order to defer major replacement costs as long as possible; taking into account the above considerations on risks. (This unit had originally been identified for replacement within the 2015/2016 Financial Year due to a higher level of risk due to its age and number of hours worked). Minor ongoing repairs and maintenance will be carried out to the grader as required, to maintain its full operational standard; but should the grader suffer major component failure a decision will be required whether it is replaced as soon as possible.

Legal Situation

Council is required under the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework to develop and report the results of the Plant Replacement Program and this is to be taken into consideration when developing the Annual Operational Plan.

Policy Implications

The adoption of this report will result in variations to the plant that is listed in Council's adopted 15 Year Plant Replacement Program.

Proposed replacement periods are in accordance with Council's policy for changeover periods.

Council can delay expenditure on some items such as graders, trucks and side tippers by adopting a policy of rebuilding and refurbishment which will effectively extend the life of the machine.

Financial Implications

Plant and vehicles should be selected based on original purchase price vs trade in price and ongoing maintenance/running cost and not just the cheapest purchase price. Resale value is a very important criteria and wherever possible Council should select plant and vehicles with the highest resale value possible.

Significant maintenance cost overruns are expected if we continue to delay the replacement of plant and vehicles.

Risk Implication

The risk is that operations will be impacted due to breakdowns. The main risk is cost overruns particularly in maintenance and a significant cost penalty due to poor change over prices.

Generally Council should purchase outright all equipment that is involved in our key operational services that would be utilised more than 800 costed hours per year and recover replacement costs over the life of the item.

Alternatively, equipment that will be utilised less than 800 costed hours per year, for example, steel drum rollers need to be analysed on a case by case basis and should be hired taking in to account whether the plant is readily available from contractors or hirers.

The remoteness of Cobar should be taken into consideration with plant that is hard to get at short notice and whether the plant is part of an emergency response. Therefore, this equipment would need to be available on a “just in case” basis regardless of the economics.

Where there is a lack of funding for capital replacement, consideration be given to leasing major plant items in preference to delaying plant replacement.

Council has previously opted to acquire equipment by lease and this always remains an option which normally is an accounting decision.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council receives and adopts the Rolling 15 Year Plant Replacement Program 2015/2016 - 2029/2030, and the information contained therein be noted.**
- 2. That Council takes no immediate action to replace units P1131 and P1140 pending a later decision on the collection of solid waste within Cobar Township**

CLAUSE 14A – ELECTRICITY CONTRACTS FOR STREET LIGHTING AND CONTESTABLE (LARGE) SITES

FILE: E3-5, S7-5 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4.1 ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to assess and review Council's current electricity contracts for street lighting and contestable (large) sites.

Background

Council's current contracts in regard to both the supply of electricity for street lighting and contestable (large) sites are due to expire on 30 June 2015. Council, as part of a consortium consisting of the Orana Regional Organisation of Councils (OROC) has received advice from Energy and Management Services, consultants specialising in the energy market, that recent pricing arrangements for the supply of electricity currently offer one of the best buying opportunities since 2006. Energy and Management Services are recommending re-negotiation of contracts sooner rather than later (but after a settling of seasonal impacts) which will avoid the potential rebound in the price of electricity associated with a change in generation mix and any other structural change which may occur.

As a result, it is not considered that the generally required tendering process would be suitable when entering into contract negotiations for the supply of electricity due to the inherent time required to complete the tender process, often an eight (8) to twelve (12) week period. The report recommends that the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to enter into a contract for the supply of electricity for Council's street lighting and contestable (large) sites for a period of up to five (5) years commencing 1 July, 2015 to ensure Council receives best value pricing. This course of action has historically been the adopted method for the handling of electricity tenders at Council.

It is considered that due to the current state of the electricity market, specifically in relation to short term pricing offers with such price fluctuations resulting in tenderers not being able to be relied on to provide tenders which are fixed for a sufficient period of time to enable the normal tendering process to be completed by Council and the requirement to move quickly should a short term opportunity arise to lock in attractive rates, that extenuating circumstances exist in regard to the provision of an electricity supply tender.

RECOMMENDATION

That a report regarding the Electricity Contracts for Street Lighting and Contestable (Large) Sites be considered in the Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reasons stated in Section 10A (2) (d) (i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as the discussion of the information in Open Council would prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

CLAUSE 1B – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS FROM 16 FEBRUARY 2015 – 17 MARCH 2015

FILE: T5-1

AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Acting Director of Planning & Environmental Services, Stephen Poulter*

Complying Development Approvals

There were no Complying Development Applications approved under delegated authority for the period 16 February 2015 - 17 March 2015.

The value of Complying Development approvals for 2014/2015 to date is Nil.

There were no Complying Development Applications approved under delegated authority for the similar period in 2013/2014.

Local Development Approvals

The following Local Development Applications have been approved under delegated authority for the period 16 February 2015 - 17 March 2015.

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)
2015/LD-00009	10 Railway Prde, Cobar	RFS Cobar – Brigade Depot	300,000
2015/LD-00010	2 Annies Lne, Cobar	Residence/Shed	120,000
2015/LD-00004	“Tambua” & “Mt Gap” Stations	4WD Event (Cliffhanger)	N/A
2012/LD-00034 REV01	Mt Boppy, Canbelego	Mine Camp Modification	N/A
2015/LD-00008	Various Rural Properties within Cobar Shire	Enduro Motor Event	N/A
2015/LD-00011	68 Old Bourke Rd, Cobar	Lean To Off Existing Shed	22,000
2015/LD-00014	34 Becker St, Cobar	Shed	4,850
2015/LD-00013	48 Bathurst St, Cobar	Shed	17,000
2015/LD-00016	37 Murray St, Cobar	Solar PV Installation	110,745
2015/LD-00015	31 Nullamutt St, Cobar	Shed	18,500

The value of Local Development approvals for 2014/2015 to date is \$4,858,441.00.

The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2013/2014 was \$3,351,818.00.

Construction Certificates

The following Construction Certificates have been approved under delegated authority for the period 16 February 2015 - 17 March 2015.

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION
2015/CB-00007	10 Railway Prde South, Cobar	RFS Cobar - Brigade Depot
2015/CB-00008	2 Annies Lne, Cobar	Residence/Shed
2015/CB-00011	Mt Boppy, Canbelego	Structures for Additional Camp Accommodation
2015/CB-00009	68 Old Bourke Rd, Cobar	Lean To Off Existing Shed
2015/CB-00014	34 Becker St, Cobar	Shed
2015/CB-00012	48 Bathurst St, Cobar	Shed
2015/CB-00015	31 Nullamutt St, Cobar	Shed

RECOMMENDATION

That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 16 February 2015 - 17 March 2015 be received and noted.

CLAUSE 2B – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

FILE: C13-10

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 SEPTEMBER 2009					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1	Council – Clause 2B – The Wool Track Project	153.9.2009	GM/SPO/DES/ESM	Council be kept informed of progress.	Letter and copy of report sent to K Humphries, J Cobb, S Ley, J Williams, M Coulton and F Nash. Letters sent to trucking companies seeking support for sealing. Information provided to all OROC councils. Initial contact undertaken with Central Darling Shire Council and Balranald Shire Council in regard to arrangements for a delegation to the Minister for Regional Services. Wool Track is the only priority for the 2015/2016 Repair Program in accordance with Councils Resolution. Wool Track Development Advisory Committee to meet again to formulate an Action Plan for 2015/2016.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 APRIL 2011					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
14	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Cobar Caravan Park Business Development Strategy	81.4.2011	GM/LMO	Arrange acquisition of Lot 317 DP 755649 from the Crown subject to the availability of funds from the 2011/2012 budget.	Acquisition arrangements commenced with Land and Property Management Authority. Application provided to the Division of Local Government in regard to acquisition. Funds now provided for in 2014/2015 Budget.

				Following successful acquisition of the above land, classify this land as Operational under the Local Government Act 1993.	Will be undertaken at time of acquisition.
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 JUNE 2011

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
28	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 3C – Plant and Equipment Utilisation Improvement Report	122.6.2011	GM/DES	Undertake actions in accordance with the relevant recommendations of the report.	Appropriate communication strategy and action plan instigated. Many matters contained within Staff Attitude Survey Results Action Plan.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 OCTOBER 2011

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
87	Council – Clause 4A – Land Acquisition – Cobar Caravan Park Lot 317 in DP755649	193.10.2011	DPES/LMO	Undertake all processes required for the acquisition of the Cobar Caravan Park Lot 317 in DP755649.	Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 MARCH 2012

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
162	Council – Clause 16A - Liquid Trade Waste	14.3.2012	DES/SM	Adopts option one (1) for the upgrading of the existing trade waste	Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution.

	Policy – Costs and Implementation Method			outlets and purchase the required pre-treatment units and complete the installation works on all trade waste premises with all costs to be funded out of the Sewer Fund Reserves with a no-interest three (3) year loan to local proprietors of businesses, and further that repayment will be a condition of approval on their Liquid Trade Waste licence agreement as per the NSW Office of Water regulations.	
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 APRIL ADJOURNED TO 3 MAY 2012

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
194	Committee of the Whole Closed Council - Clause 4C – Sale of Land	94.4.2012	GM/LMO	<p>That Council provides authority for the General Manager to negotiate the sale of land at either 100 or 105 Marshall Street, Cobar for at least the minimum amount per square metre detailed in the report.</p> <p>That Council provides authority for the General Manager to undertake investigations into any party in regards to the standard financial and company checks, the company’s previous experience with similar projects and their previous experience in completing projects with timeframes.</p> <p>The Council may in its absolute discretion elect to terminate negotiations with any party prior to exchange of a contract for the sale of land.</p>	<p>Further Councillor workshop strategies planning for land in concern held on 9 August, 2012.</p> <p>Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution.</p> <p>Currently no interested party.</p>

			<p>That Council approve the sale of land conditional on:- Surveying undertaken and new plans submitted and approved; Subdivision plans submitted and approved; Rezoning of the land to allow for motel accommodation; All legal cost for both parties paid; Submission of a detailed development application that includes but is not limited to: Detailed architectural and design plans including elevations, footpaths, ramps, disabled access etc; Detailed site plan; Detailed car parking and access plans, including disabled parking; A detailed risk assessment for Council water and sewerage systems; Detailed landscaping plan including footpaths;</p> <p>That Council authorise the Mayor and the General Manager to sign all relevant documentation under the Common Seal of Council.</p> <p>That investigations and reporting be undertaken for appropriate master planning of Council land at 100 and 105 Marshall Street, Cobar;</p>	<p>Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolutions.</p>
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				That any sale of the land be subject to the negotiated development proceeding within a reasonable time;	
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 JULY 2012					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
219	Council – Clause 8A – Road Closure – Corner of Murray and Blakey Street, Cobar	168.7.2012	DPES/LMO	<p>That Council resolves to close part of the road reserve on the corner of Murray and Blakey Street, Cobar identified as being Lot 2 in Deposited Plan 46869.</p> <p>That Council provides authority for the General Manager to make application to the Department of Primary Industries, Crown Land Division to close the road.</p> <p>That Council authorise the Mayor and the General Manager to sign all relevant documentation under the Common Seal of Council.</p> <p>That the land be acquired as operational land pursuant to the provisions of Section 31 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i>.</p>	<p>Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.</p> <p>Advertising of proposed road closure undertaken by Crown Land Division of Department of Primary Industries. Submissions being managed in conjunction with DPI.</p> <p>Follow up has been occurring with providers of submissions and now waiting on response from Crown Lands with a huge backlog of road closing matters delaying the progress.</p> <p>Classification to be arranged at acquisition.</p>
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 AUGUST 2012					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME

234	Council – Clause 7A – Festival of the Miners Ghost	197.8.2012	DCCS/MTPR	Seek grant funding for the event to assist it to grow into an event with broader appeal beyond residents of Cobar.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution, watching for suitable grants.
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 13 DECEMBER 2012

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
307	Council – Clause 12A – Plant Replacement Program, Proposed Purchase of 34,000 Litre Water Tank Trailer in lieu of Side Tipper Trailer	320.12.2012	GM/ESM	<p>That the Plant Replacement Program be altered to provide for the purchase of one only 34,000 litre trailer road tanker in lieu of the side tipper trailer.</p> <p>That quotations be called for the supply and purchase of one only 34,000 litre trailer water tanker suitable for use as the lead trailer in a road train configuration at an estimated cost of \$100,000.</p>	<p>Rescission Motion reported again to the April 2013 Ordinary Council Meeting which was lost. Action plan instigated and implemented of original resolutions.</p> <p>Watching for suitable second hand lead water trailers for purchase and set up.</p>

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 FEBRUARY 2013

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
343	Council – Clause 22A – Proposed Hangar Construction and Lease of Plant of Land at Cobar Regional Airport by Sullivan’s Mining and Hardware	28.2.2013	DES/ESM	<p>That Council approve the construction of a hangar (subject to the building regulations) to be known as Hanger No. 2, on the current site of the “Aero Club”.</p> <p>That the applicant, Sullivan’s Mining and Hardware be responsible for the cost of relocation of the Aero Club to a site determined by the Engineering Support Manager.</p>	<p>Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution.</p> <p>Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution.</p>

				<p>That Council enter into a lease with the applicant for a 5 x 5 x 5 year lease with the annual fees being in line with the Fees and Charges as determined by Council.</p> <p>That Council investigate the possibility of arranging a lease for the management and maintenance to the appropriate standard of the Cobar Aerodrome, including the house and all amenities.</p>	<p>Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution.</p> <p>Expressions of interest advertising will be delayed until final result of Resources for Regions Project is known.</p>
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 MARCH 2013

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
350	Finance and Policy Committee – Notice of Motion – Management of the Youth and Community centre	41.3.2013	DCCS/MYFC	That expressions of interest be called for seeking an independent operation of the Youth and Community Centre.	Expressions of interest advertising will be delayed until final result of future Resources for Regions EOI's known.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 APRIL 2013

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
380	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Notice of Rescission Motion – Consideration of Tourism Cost Centre	95.4.2013	DCCS/MTPR	That in the year 2013/2014 that Council develops a tourism management plan that details appropriate commitments and plans that aid the tourist industry in Cobar.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution. Interim Report provided to March 2014 Ordinary Council Meeting. Expect Plan to be developed in 2014/2015.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 AUGUST 2013

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
435	Council – Clause 9A – Determination of Status of Mt Gap Road	187.8.2013	ESM	That Mt. Gap Road within Mt. Gap Station shall be dedicated a public road and remain on the Roads Register as a Shire Road.	Waiting on gazettal by Western Lands.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 12 DECEMBER 2013					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
506	Council – Clause 12A – Division of Local Government Promoting Better Practice Review of Cobar Shire Council	294.12.2013	GM	That Staff continue to work towards the completion of any work required by the recommendations contained within in the Report and detailed within the Action Plan.	Renewed Action Plan for implementation of resolution.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 20 JANUARY 2014					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
510	Extraordinary Meeting of Council – Clause 3A – Increased Water Restrictions to Nymagee	05.1.2014	DES/SM	That Council apply for urgent financial assistance from the NSW Government for Drought Proofing of Nymagee with appropriate advice also through the Local Member.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution, hoping to be able to use future Water Security for Regions Programs.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 FEBRUARY 2014					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
530	Council – Clause 17A – Cobar Truck Wash Options	28.2.2014	ESM	That approval be given for the signing under seal if required of any documents for the lease or purchase of the land required for the truck wash facility and if required the land be classified as operational.	Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution, however if Council is successful with Grant Funds for a new Truck Wash the land to be used for the new

					Water Treatment Plant will be used for a new Truck Wash Facility instead of the current Peak Gold Mine Truck Wash Location.
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 MARCH 2014

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
537	Council – 3A Cobar Rural Fire Service Brigade Building Proposal	45.3.2014	DES	That Council approves the provision of a parcel of land to the Rural Fire Service for the location of the Cobar Rural Fire Service Brigade building either directly or via a long term lease. That Council approval be given for the signing under seal of any document for the lease of the land for the construction of Cobar Rural Fire Service Brigade Building.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolutions.
542	Clause 10A – Cobar Truck Wash	53.3.2014	DES/ESM	That Council continues to seek external funding from Western Local Land Service and/or other Government Departments and/or others.	Grant completed and submitted to Commonwealth Government late 2014 calendar year and awaiting the outcome.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 APRIL 2014

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
551	Council - Clause 8A – Grading of Shire Road 20 (Grain Road) by Local Contractors	75.4.2014	DES/RM	That Council trial the Grain Road contractor in the 2014/2015 financial year and allocate \$46,000 for the section of road from Tallebung Road to the bitumen section at the southern end (approx.40 km long), and compare it	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolutions. Initial grade has been completed on Shire Road 20.

				<p>with Council's standard. All work to be approved by the Roads Manager prior to commencement on each occasion.</p> <p>That Council to investigate a long term strategy of using contractors and Council graders to accomplish its maintenance grading routine.</p> <p>That Council lobby State and Federal Governments for increases in funding to maintain Council's Regional and Shire Roads at a better level.</p>	<p>Mayor and GM have met with the Minister for Roads and Freight and his Deputy Chief of Staff on 7 August 2014 to further detail Council's case in relation to a low level of Regional Road funding in comparison with neighbouring Councils, level of funds required to improve Kidman Way South and funding of Wool Track improvements. \$4.25 Million of funding announced for improvements on the Kidman Way.</p>
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 MAY 2014					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
560	Council – Clause 4A – Cobar Shire Council Policy Direction Concerning Coal Seam Gas Exploration and Production	92.5.2014	GM/SPO	That Cobar Shire Council supports in principle the Association of Mining Related Council's Draft Policy on Coal Seam Gas including the relevant Position Statement and additional information and that Council's	Finalised Policy Document being formulated.

				<p>direction is as follows in relation to Coal Seam Gas Exploration and Production:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ That impacts on Local Government Council Infrastructure are adequately compensated for in the immediate and future life of those assets; ▪ In regard to the communities environmental assets, that the appropriate oversight body, whether government or private, is engaging effectively and is communicating with Council and the processes are put in place to independently obtain baseline data on air and water quality; ▪ Council’s position as far as practicable is a “nil” effect position in regard to the quality of surface water, domestic, stock and irrigation aquifers used by our community and a “nil” net effect on above ground environmental assets in relation to coal seam gas activities; ▪ That health and environmental impact assessments are conducted for all significant mining and extractive industries during the approval process; ▪ That individual property rights in regard to unwelcome drilling, 	
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				<p>exploration and/or extraction activities are supported;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ That the ten (10) International Council of Mining and Metals (ICMM) principles are supported by Council; ▪ That Cobar Shire Council recommends to the State Government that the pre-gateway determination process be modified to enable a refusal where appropriate, and; ▪ That Council promotes the dissemination of information to landholders that is independent and informs them of their rights and obligations prior to entering into any agreements relating to coal seam gas exploration or production. 	
563	Council – Clause 7A – Comparison of Water Restrictions between 2013 and 2014	95.5.2014	SM	That Council collect additional data to allow further analysis to be carried out on the effected changes in water restrictions are having on consumption within the towns and within the whole of the Shire.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 JUNE 2014					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
578	Council – Clause 15A – 2014/2015 Annual Operational Plan and Budget Including	120.6.2014	DCCS/SPO	Council approves in principal to the raising of an asset purchase loan of up to \$265,000, with a detailed report being provided prior to the transaction	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.

	Revenue Policy and Fees and Charges			being finalised.	
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 JULY 2014					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
583	Works Committee Meeting – Report 3A – Road Capital Works Program 2014/2015	128.7.2014	ESM	That Council trials the use of chemical and cementitious stabilisation of the unsealed road network in conjunction with gravelling.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 AUGUST 2014					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
599	Council - Clause 4A – To Approve the Tenure of Occupancy for the Cobar Mobile Children’s Services Inc	155.8.2014	DCCS	<p>a) That Cobar Mobile Children’s Services Inc. is offered tenure by way of Memorandum of Understanding for a period of one (1) year with a mutually agreeable option of a further year, commencing on 1 July 2014 and subject to Council’s Grant Applications and continuing to operate the building with its current use.</p> <p>b) That the annual payment be \$2,600 indexed at CPI.</p> <p>That other occupants of Council premises that have no occupancy agreement be recognised and an appropriate agreement entered into.</p>	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolutions.
605	Council – Clause 11A – Unregulated Free Camping in the Cobar Shire	162.8.2014	GM/ ADPES	That Council Officers work with the Cobar Caravan Park Operators to help ascertain alternative measures to the regulation of free camping in Cobar Shire that will increase	Initial meeting undertaken on 29 September 2014.

				the financial standing of the caravan park.	
606	Council – Clause 12A – New Cobar Water Treatment Plant – Selection of Site and Financial Aspect	163.8.2014	PM	<p>The new Cobar Water Treatment Plant be constructed at the site of Location 4B; currently located on land under the ownership of Peak Gold Mines Pty Ltd.</p> <p>That the subject land be acquired as operational land pursuant to the provisions of Section 31 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>That Council authorise the Mayor and the General Manager to sign all relevant land purchase documentation under the Common Seal of Council; including a Memorandum of Understanding between Peak Gold Mines Pty Ltd and Council for future interest by Peak Gold Mines Pty Ltd in regard to the Cobar Wrightville Common.</p> <p>That all financial information on any proposed land purchase and negotiation remain in Committee of Whole Closed Council until the land acquisition has been finalised.</p> <p>That Council note that final costs may be higher for the new Cobar Water Treatment Plant than initially estimated; but all final cost projections will be reported to Council as the project is delivered.</p>	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolutions.
608	Council – Clause 4B – Meeting Minutes	169.8.2014	DES/RM	That in regard to the Motion that was passed by the Rural Roads Advisory Committee: “Copies of Grid Policies of other Councils	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.

				in the area, including CDSC, Lachlan, Bourke Shires requested for discussion at the next meeting. Consideration is to be given to incorporate aspects into CSC's Policy on Grids" that a report be brought to the Works Committee Meeting on the matter.	
609	Council - Clause 5B – Cobar Truck Wash Independent Review	170.8.2014	ESM/SM	That Council be provided a further report if required once the Commonwealth Grant Application outcome is known.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 25 SEPTEMBER 2014

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
623	Council – Clause 6A – SR23 Booberoi Road Euabalong Traffic Options	184.9.2014	ESM	That Cobar Shire Council erect large advisory route signs, one on Lachlan Street on the intersection with Robison Street and the Booberoi Road indicating the bitumen road alternative.	Action plan instigated for resolution.
625	Council – Clause 8A – Analysis of Affects of the New Gym Report	186.9.2014	DCCS	That further consideration of the viability of the gym is made at each quarterly budget review in 2014/2015. That a major consideration of the viability of the gym be made as part of the 2015/2016 Budget deliberations.	Action plan instigated for resolutions.
627	Council – Clause 10A – Adoption of Management Plan for Lot 18 DP213415	188.9.2014	LMO	That Council authorise the General Manager to negotiate a lease or licence for an appropriate term and conditions with the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club Ltd. That Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to sign any lease or	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolutions.

licence under the Common Seal of Council.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 OCTOBER 2014

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
633	Council - Clause 5A – Dalton Park Horse Complex Licence Agreements	203.10.2014	LMO	That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to affix the Trusts seal to the 12 month temporary licence agreements for the following organisations and individuals to cover the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015: 5. Mr S Griffiths & Mrs C Griffiths; 6. Ms Sharon Whitehurst; 7. Cobar Pony Club; 8. Cobar Miners Race Club; 9. Cobar Rodeo Committee.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
634	Council – Clause 6A – Bathurst Street Reserve Licence Agreement	204.10.2014	LMO	That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Bathurst Street (R64199) Reserve Trust, resolve to affix the Trusts seal to a 12 month temporary licence agreement for the Cobar Tennis Club to cover the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
640	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 2C – Tender for the Supply of Road Patching Machine	28COW.10.2014	ESM	That Council purchase the Paveline Autopatch Isuzu FXY1500 Auto Tar Patching Machine for \$358,260 including GST; That the existing Paveline truck and machine be disposed of at the best commercial option to Council.	Purchase arranged, waiting on delivery. Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 NOVEMBER 2014

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
641	Finance and Policy Committee Meeting – Confirmation of the Minutes	220.11.2014	SPO	That the minutes, and the following recommendations contained therein, of the Finance and Policy Committee Meeting held on Thursday 11 November 2014 be adopted together with the following recommendation: that Council investigate any opportunities into funding to bring a gas pipeline to Cobar.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
651	Council – Clause 4A – Environmental Education Signage at the Newey Reservoir	225.11.2014	ADPES	That Council install appropriate environmental educational signage at the vehicular entrance to the Newey Reservoir prohibiting the lighting of fires and discharging of waste liquids from vehicles, including caravan's/RV's.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 NOVEMBER 2014

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
657	Council – Clause 4A – NSW Government Fit for the Future Program for Local Government and Office of Local Government (OLG) Far West Initiative Forum	242.11.2014	GM	<p>That Cobar Shire Council continue to be involved in the discussions and processes in the development of the Far West Initiative to ensure that a model is found that benefits Cobar Shire with improved government and non-government services and to increase the sustainability of Cobar Shire Council.</p> <p>That Cobar Shire Council submit a Fit for the Future Council Improvement Proposal Submission that shows Council working</p>	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolutions.

				<p>towards being sustainable and Fit for the Future that sees Cobar Shire Council continuing to be an independent local government Council.</p> <p>That Council allocate \$40,000 in 2014/2015 budget year from unallocated working funds determined in the Q2 – December 2014 Quarterly Review to be used if required for expert professional help with Councils Fit for the Future Council Improvement Proposal Submission.</p>	
660	Council – Clause 7A – Office of Local Government Promoting Better Practice Review of Cobar Shire Council – Report Action plan Status	245.11.2014	GM	That Staff continue to work towards the completion of any work required by the recommendations contained within the Promoting Better Practice Review of Cobar Shire Council Report and detailed within the reviewed Action Plan.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 FEBRUARY 2015

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
665	Finance and Policy Committee Meeting – Notice of Motion – Economic Development Matters	3.02.2015	SPO	That Council support the Cobar Shire Economic Taskforce in the investigation of any possible opportunities for development of any new viable industries in Cobar Shire that can help alleviate the downturn of the mining industry and where possible strengthen the economy of Cobar Shire.	Support provided on an ongoing basis.
			SPO/ DCCS	That appropriate funding as recommended	A budget has been developed

			DCCS	by the Cobar Economic Taskforce be considered for inclusion in the 2015/2016 Budget to help bring to fruition any attraction of alternative industries to Cobar Shire.	within the 2015/2016 Budget for the Cobar Economic Taskforce – No further action required.
			Councillors	That the Cobar Shire Economic Taskforce investigate the possibility and practicality of developing independent living aged accommodation in Cobar.	Investigations currently being undertaken.
			Councillors	That Councillors provide advice on any other ideas to improve the economy of Cobar Shire and the diversification of its industries through the Economic Taskforce.	Councillors to provide advice on an ongoing basis.
666	Finance and Policy Committee Meeting – Notice of Motion – Merging of the Community Centre and Cobar Memorial Pool	3.02.2015	DCCS	That a “Think Tank” meeting be held by Council on the merging of the Community Centre (Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre) and the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolutions.
			DCCS	That Council Officers prepare a high level feasibility statement on the possibility of relocating the Youth Centre to the Swimming Pool so as to create a single entity.	
667	Finance and Policy Committee Meeting – Matter of Urgency	3.2.2015	Mayor	That Council hold a Public Meeting, on Wednesday 4 March 2015 on the unacceptable Health Services and Condition of the Dubbo Base Hospital.	A Public Meeting has been called. The Media and Public have been advised – No further action required.
				That Council allocate in the Draft 2015/2016 Budget that Council put an appropriate amount for Video Conference Equipment.	An allocation has been provided within the Draft 2015/2016 Budget for the purchase of Video

					Conferencing Equipment – No further action required.
668	Works Committee Meeting – Report 1A – Quotation for the Supply of Plant and Equipment Hire Rates 2012/2015 Update	4.02.2015	DES	That Deppeler Earthmoving be included in Council’s Register of Approved Contractors for the Supply of Plant and Equipment Hire Rates 2012/2015.	Contractor added to Register – No further action required.
669	Council – Clause 1A – Mayoral Report	5.02.2015	Mayor	That the Mayoral Chest be allocated \$5,000 in the Draft 2015/2016 Budget.	An allocation has been provided within the Draft 2015/2016 Budget for the Mayoral Chest – No further action required.
670	Council – Clause 5A – Quotation for the Supply of Plant and Equipment Hire Rates 2012/2015 Update	9.02.2015	DES	R W and K J Thorpe be placed on Council’s Contractor Register on the understanding that they must obtain all necessary insurances before any activities for Council commence.	Register adjusted – No further action required.
671	Council – Clause 6A – Sunday Opening for the Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre “Youthie”	10.02.2015	DCCS	That Council (re) open the Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre on Sundays from 11.00am until 4.00pm with the impact being reviewed by Council Officers at the expiration of six months.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution. A further Report will be presented to September Ordinary Council Meeting.
672	Council – Clause 7A – Section 356 Donations 2015/2016	11.02.2015	DCCS	<p>Council consider the applications for donations on a merit basis and award donations to the value of approximately \$35,000 for the budget year ending 30 June 2016 as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Autoclub of Cobar Inc \$1,000 cash donation to assist with raw water used at meets; ▪ Cobar Market Association \$1,000 cash donation to assist with 	Noted - Appropriate advice provided and donations contained in the Draft Budget – No further action required.

				<p>insurance associated with running the markets;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cobar Preschool Centre (approx) \$1,000 by way of general rate relief; ▪ The Cobar Girl Guides \$750 by way of general rate relief; ▪ Cobar Rugby League Football Club \$26,000 by way of quarterly cash donation provided that it is used in the first instance to pay Cobar Shire Council's Water Usage Account; ▪ Cobar Arts Council (approx.) \$1,000 for general rates relief; ▪ Kubby House Child Care Centre (approx) \$1,000 for general rates relief; ▪ Cobar Mobile Children's Service by way of 50% rental subsidy \$2,600. <p>Council contributes \$100.00 of Quids to Cobar High School, Cobar Public School and St Johns Primary School for their end of year awards ceremony and \$100.00 cash to Euabalong West Primary School for its end of year awards ceremony.</p>	<p>Noted - Appropriate advice provided and donations contained in the Draft Budget – No further action required.</p>
673	Council – Clause 8A – Quarter 2 2014/2015 Budget Review	12.02.2015	DCCS	<p>That the estimates contained in the attachment to the Quarter 2 2014/2015 Budget Review Report be adopted as the revised forecast for 2014/2015 financial year.</p> <p>That a Letter of Congratulations be written to the Director of Corporate and Community Services and his Staff in relation to a job</p>	<p>Adopted Quarter 2 2014/2015 Budget Review distributed and on web – No further action required.</p> <p>Letter written and sent - No further action required.</p>

				well done.	
674	Council – Clause 6B – Second Quarterly Review of the Annual Operational Plan 2014/2015	18.02.2015	SPO	That Council receives and endorses the second quarterly review of the 2014/2015 Annual Operational Plan, covering the period October to December 2014.	Adopted second quarterly review of the 2014/2015 Annual Operational Plan distributed and on web – No further action required.
675	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 2C – Tender for Extension of Lilliane Brady Village	4COW.02.2015	DES	That the tender submitted by Dubbo Terrazzo and Concrete Industries for the extension of the Lilliane Brady Village in the amount of \$328,584.00 (ex GST) be accepted.	Successful Tenderer engaged - No further action required.
676	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 3C – Contract 14/15-1 Provision of IT Support Services	5COW.02.2015	DCCS	That the Contract 14/15-01 for IT Support Services be awarded to LRMD Holdings Pty Ltd t/a Leading Edge Futureshop commencing on 1 April 2015 for a period of three years with a maximum extension period of two years.	Successful Tenderer engaged - No further action required.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted.

CLAUSE 3B – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2015**FILE: B2-7****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Manager Finance & Administration, Neil Mitchell*****Purpose**

Regulation 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 requires that a written report of investments be tabled at the monthly meeting. The table below shows the balances of Council's Investments as at the report date. Funds available throughout the month for short-term investment were transferred to a NAB Sweep Account because the interest rate remains competitive. The term deposits have differing terms in order to spread the maturity dates throughout the year. Included in the table below is the accrued interest attributable to 28 February 2015. The amount restricted in the Financial Accounts as at 30 June 2014 for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$313,647.

Date	Opening Balance	Transfers to Investments	Transfers from Investment	Interest Earned	Closing Balance
	01.01.2015				28.02.2015
NAB Sweep Acct	\$676,040	\$2,737,504	\$1,020,000	\$2,095	\$2,395,639
NAB Term Deposits					
(1) 3.20% (6 Aug)	\$1,502,969		\$3,683	\$3,607	\$1,502,893
(2) 3.60% (16 Dec)	\$2,046,135			\$5,650	\$2,051,785
(3) 3.15% (2 Sep)	\$2,029,183			\$5,448	\$2,034,631
(4) 3.41% (1 Apr)	\$2,025,129			\$7,547	\$2,032,676
Totals	\$8,279,456	\$2,737,504	\$1,023,683	\$24,347	\$10,017,624

Average return on Investment: 3.19%

I hereby certify that the above investments have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, and Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the Council's investment policy.



Manager Finance & Administration

RECOMMENDATION**That Council receive and note the Investment Report as at 28 February 2015.**

CLAUSE 4B – MEETING MINUTES

FILE: L5-4-3, L5-4-4, C6-31, WB1-22, D2-17

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1

ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 99-142)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Gary Woodman*

Background

Councillors and Council staff are required to represent Council at a variety of meetings.

Included in the attachments to this agenda are copies of the minutes of those meetings which have been held recently for the information of Councillors. They include:

- OROC Board Meeting – Friday, 20 February 2015;
- Western Division Councils of NSW – 23-24 February 2015;
- Airport Advisory Committee – Thursday, 5 March 2015;
- Cobar Water Board Meeting – Thursday, 12 March 2015;
- Cobar Shire Council Economic Taskforce Meeting – Friday, 13 March 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the meetings of OROC, Western Division Councils of NSW, Airport Advisory, Cobar Water Board and Cobar Shire Council Economic Taskforce Committees be received and noted.

ATTACHMENTS



ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY 26 MARCH 2015

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