

COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL



ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, 24 AUGUST 2017

~ ORDER OF BUSINESS ~

Business for the meeting will be as follows:

1. Apologies
 2. Declaration of Interests
 3. Condolences
 4. Public Access Forum
 5. Confirmation of Minutes
 - Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 22 June 2017;
 - Extraordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 10 August 2017.
 6. Matters Arising from Minutes
 7. Mayoral Report
 8. General Manager's Report – Part A (Action)
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~ 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 Councillors, 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.

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 August 2017.

CLAUSE 2A – REVIEW OF CURRENT WATER RESTRICTIONS

FILE: W2-21

AOP REFERENCE: 5.1.3

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to consider introducing water restrictions.

Background

As Cobar and surrounding areas are now starting to enter into the warmest period of the year it would be an appropriate time for Council to give consideration to reintroduce appropriate Water Restrictions.

Council at its June Ordinary Council Meeting resolved as follows:

“That Council adopts that there are no water restrictions from 23 June 2017 to 1 September 2017”.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the following water restrictions from 1 September 2017 to 1 December 2017:

Cobar

- **Hand held hoses are permitted between 5.00pm and 9.00am daily;**
- **All fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. are permitted between 6.00pm and 8.00am daily;**
- **No car washing permitted on hard surfaces.**

Nymagee

- **Hand held hoses are permitted between 5.00pm and 9.00am daily;**
- **All fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. are not permitted;**
- **No car washing permitted on hard surfaces.**

Mount Hope

- **Hand held hoses are permitted between 5.00pm and 9.00am daily;**
- **All fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. are not permitted;**
- **No car washing permitted on hard surfaces.**

**CLAUSE 3A – PROCEDURES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY**
FILE: P5-8 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5.2 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 66-97)
AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

The purpose of this Report is for review and readoption of the Procedures for the Administration of the Cobar Shire Council Code of Conduct Policy.

Background

Following the election of a new Council in September, Council must review all of their Policies within twelve (12) months of the election of that Council.

Procedures for the Administration of the Cobar Shire Council Code of Conduct Policy which was adopted by Council on 28 February 2013.

Manex has reviewed the current Policy and made only minor/ superficial amendments and the new draft is presented (attached) for adoption.

All policies are regularly reviewed and updated and are placed on Councils Website once adopted.

Legal Situation

Under Section 252 of the Local Government Act 1993, policies must be adopted within 12 months of the commencement of the new Council term.

Local Government (General) Regulations 2005.

Policy Implications

To provide more relevant and up to date policies.

Financial Implications

Nil.

Options

- The attached policies be removed by Council;
- That the attached policies not be removed by Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the attached amended Procedures for the Administration of the Cobar Shire Council Code of Conduct Policy.

Purpose

To report on the proposed attendance of the National Local Road and Transport Congress that will be held in Albany, Western Australia from 6-8 November 2017.

Background

The National Local Road and Transport Congress is held annually at various locations. The congress has rotated from state to state. Cobar has regularly attended the conference with one councillor and one staff member attending. Last year's conference in Queensland was not attended by Cobar due to other commitments.

The Congress examines details of major national transport reforms with discussions on issues such as the importance of federal funding in overcoming road and infrastructure challenges and reinforcing the need for increased and permanent funding under the Roads to Recovery Program beyond June 2019. This year's Congress entitled 'Shaping Transport's Future' examines the challenge to extract greater value, and the partnership councils need to create.

The Congress program includes:

- National freight and supply chain strategy;
- Heavy vehicle road reform and road user charging;
- Regional airports;
- Regional productivity
- Innovative transport financing in metropolitan areas;
- National freight and supply chain strategy;
- National road safety initiatives;
- Road safety for your community;
- Key national policy updates;
- Regional road solutions.

Issues

The 2017 National Local Road and Transport Congress is a significant event for Local Government in Australia.

The Congress is important as it provides the opportunity to keep up to date with current issues affecting Council's local roads.

Financial Implications

The cost per delegate is expected to be as follows:

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- Conference registration \$890.00
 - Accommodation \$800.00
 - Travel \$1,200.00
 - Miscellaneous Costs \$310.00

Estimated total per delegate is \$3,200.00.

Sufficient funds have been provided in the 2017/2018 Budget for up to two delegates to attend this Congress.

RECOMMENDATION

That the General Manager (or nominee) and one Councillor to be determined by Council be authorised to attend the National Local Road and Transport Congress that will be held in Albany from 6 – 8 November 2017 with attendance met from within the relevant budget allocation.

**CLAUSE 5A – ROAD CAPITAL AND MAINTENANCE WORKS PROGRAM
2016/2017**

FILE: R5-15 & R5-16 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor

Purpose

To confirm the Road Capital Works Program for 2017/2018.

Background

Council as part of the 2017/2018 Annual Operation Plan approved the following funding for works on Regional and Shire Roads:

Regional Roads

Regional Roads – Maintenance	\$1,310,418
Regional Roads – Seal Extension – Repair program/Block grant	\$800,000

Shire Roads

Shire Roads - Operational-Maintenance	\$1,274,000
Shire Roads - Gravel Re-sheeting	\$200,000
Shire Roads - Reseals	\$100,000
Special Rate Variation (SRV)	\$376,000

External Funding

Roads to Recovery (R2R)	\$1,500,000
VPA funding	\$60,000

Additional External Funding

Fixing Country Roads

Advice has been received that \$1,000,000 Fixing Country Roads funding has been approved for SR 20 Grain Road seal extension. The funding agreement has not yet been received so Council's required funding contribution to this project is not yet known.

Roads to Recovery

The approved funding for 2017/2018 is \$1,523,484 and for 2018/2019 is \$923,746. The 2018/2019 year is the final year of the current five year program. Over the completed three years of the current program \$4,075,537 has been spent on 34 completed projects and 9 in progress projects. Council has as at 30 June 2017 received an additional \$545,949 in R2R payments which will be spent on the in progress carry over projects during 2017/2018.

Regional Roads

Council has not yet received advice from RMS in regards to the Regional Roads block grant or the Repair program funding, however it is assumed that the Repair program application will be successful as no funding under this program was received in 2016/2017.

Flood Damage

RMS has confirmed funding to undertake repair work on Regional and Shire Roads as a result of the 30 August 2016 flood damage event. The approved funding is:

- Regional Roads \$365,789;
- Shire Roads \$254,394.

Under the funding rules Council is required to contribute \$29,000 to the Shire Roads expenditure which will be allocated out of the Shire Roads maintenance budget.

In addition Council received \$500,000 in 2016/2017 for Emergency Response as a result of the 2016 storm events. During and after the event \$108,388 was spent on the following items:

- Euabalong flood mitigation;
- Cobar storm damage clean-up;
- Priory Tank Road immediate response road failure.

Therefore \$391,612 is available to undertake additional capital works during the 2017/2018 year.

Proposed Program

A draft road capital program was included in the Adoption of Integrated Planning and Reporting Documents Report to Council at its ordinary meeting on 22 June 2017. The details of this program are:

Reseals

MR 228 Whitbarrow Way – reseal 1.5 km of road at shire boundary. \$60,000

Reason: This area has had flood damage heavy patching repairs undertaken as approved flood damage noted above. Resealing this area will reduce the possibility of future flood damage. The project can be funded from the VPA contribution.

MR 461 Priory Tank Road – reseal 5 km \$200,000

RR 7518 Fifty Two Mile Road – reseal 3-4 km \$150,000

RR 7521 Kiacatoo Road – reseal 5 km \$200,000

Reason: Reseals were undertaken on all these roads during 2016/2017 however there are still areas of failing seal on these roads.

SR 19 Burthong Road – reseal 4 km \$150,000

Reason: Aging seal needs reseal.

Shire Roads – Gravel Re-sheeting and Causeways

SR 7 Mt Gap Road – Causeway stabilisation \$200,000

Reason: Category 3 Shire Road that is subject to significant damage in causeways during wet weather. Council has approved funding of \$48,360 for Flood Damage restoration. Additional stabilisation will help reduce future damage during wet weather.

SR 19 Burthong Road – Gravel re-sheeting \$201,000
Reason: Category 3 Shire Road that will provide higher security of access in wet weather. This road is carrying more traffic than previously due to the development of Hera mine.

SR 31 – Moolah Road – Gravel re-sheeting \$75,000
Reason: Category 3 Shire Road that will provide higher security of access in wet weather. Council allocated \$75,000 for this road in 2016-2017 which due to lack of water and Council resources being allocated elsewhere was not able to be completed. That funding will be carried over and the additional allocation will enable a more comprehensive project to be undertaken.

Shire Roads – Seal Extension

SR 20 – Grain Road – Seal extension 8 -12 km \$1,200,000
Reason: Category 1 Shire Road. As noted above \$1,000,000 of Fixing Country Roads funding has been approved to undertake seal extension on this road. The original application was for \$2.35 million to undertake 12 km of seal extension. Council has been verbally advised that further funding for this project should be achieved by applying for Federal funding under the Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program. Since this advice has been received there has not been a funding round under this program.

Regional Roads – Reconstruction and Seal Extension

MR 68 – Curranyalpa Road – Bridge approach reformation \$250,000
Reason: The bridge approaches on three bridges on this road are in poor condition due to age and the effect of floods over several years. Reconstructing and resealing of these approaches will improve the vehicle safety on this road.

MR 407 – Mulya Road – Seal extension 5 km \$800,000
Reason; Council resolved in November 2015 to continue to apply for Repair program funding for seal extension on Mulya Road until funding is received. As noted above advice has not yet been received from RMS on Repair program funding for this project; however the project is included in the program in anticipation of funding approval.

MR 411 – Tipping Way – Bend re-alignment \$241,612
Reason: A low speed bend on this road has been subject to accidents and realignment and correction of camber on this curve will improve the safety on this road. Detailed design will determine the full scope of this project.

RR 7518 – Fifty Two Mile Road – Windara bend seal extension \$300,000
Reason: Council obtain Repair program funding in 2013-2014 to undertake seal extension on this road. The funding was not sufficient to complete the seal on this bend. This has left an approximately 1.5 km section of road with a sub-standard bend unsealed.

Construction of this bend to appropriate standards and sealing the 1.5 km of unsealed road will improve safety on this road.

RR 7518 – Fifty Two Mile Road – Sand hill stabilisation \$150,000

Reason: A section of this road within Tiltagoona Station has numerous sand hills which become very soft during dry weather. There was a road fatality in this area early this year. Stabilising these sand hills will improve road safety on this road.

Town Streets

Urban Streets – Reconstruction \$50,000

Reason: Blakey Street between Linsley Street and the pedestrian crossing has formation failures. Following investigation and soil sampling it is anticipated that the existing seal will be removed and the base course will be stabilised prior to resealing the road.

Works Summary and Funding

Project	Funding Source					
	Roads to Recovery	Special Rate Variation	Repair Program / Block grant	Fixing Country Roads	Flood Damage Grant	Council funds/ VPA
Reseals						
MR 228 Whitbarrow Way						\$60,000
MR 461 Priory Tank Rd	\$200,000					
RR 7518 Fifty Two Mile	\$200,000					
RR 7521 Kiacatoo Rd	\$200,000					
SR 19 Burthong		\$ 50,000				\$100,000
Seal extension						
MR 407 Mulya	\$200,000		\$800,000			
RR 7518 Windara Bend	\$150,000				\$150,000	
SR 20 Grain Rd	\$200,000			\$1,000,000		
Gravel re-sheeting						
SR 7 Mt Gap Rd Creek crossing		\$200,000				
SR 19 Burthong		\$ 76,000				\$125,000
SR 31 Moolah Rd						\$75,000
Reconstruction						
MR 68 Curranyalpa Rd	\$250,000					
MR 411 Tipping Way bend realign					\$241,612	
RR 7518 Sand hill stabilisation	\$150,000					

Urban Sts		\$ 50,000				
Unallocated	\$173,484					
TOTAL	\$1,523,484	\$376,000	\$800,000	\$1,000,000	\$391,612	\$360,000
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION \$4,451,096						

The allocation of the unallocated funds will be decided following confirmation of the funding requirements for SR 20 – Grain Road.

Financial Implications

The program considered in this report is within the budget allocation adopted by Council for the 2017/2018 Capital Works Program.

RECOMMENDATION

That the following Capital Works Road Program be adopted for 2017/2018:

Regional Roads – Reseals

- **MR 228 – Whitbarrow Way – reseal 1.5 km** **\$60,000**
- **MR 461 – Priory Tank Road – reseal 5 km** **\$200,000**
- **MR 7518 – Fifty Two Mile Road – reseal 5 km** **\$200,000**
- **MR 7521 – Kiacatoo Road – reseal 5 km** **\$200,000**

Regional Roads – Seal Extension

- **MR 407 Mulya Road – seal extension 5 km** **\$800,000**
(subject to Repair funding approval)
- **RR7518 Fifty Two Mile Road – Windara bend** **\$300,000**

Regional Roads – Reconstruction

- **MR 68 Curranyalpa Road – bridge approaches** **\$250,000**
- **MR 411 Tipping Way – bend realignment** **\$241,612**
- **RR 7518 Fifty Two Mile Road – sand hill stabilisation** **\$150,000**

Shire Roads – Reseals

- **SR 19 – Burthong Road – reseal 4 km** **\$150,000**

Shire Roads – Seal Extension

- **SR 20 – Grain Road – widen and reseal 1 km** **\$1,200,000**

Shire Roads – Gravel re-sheeting and causeways

- **SR 7 – Mt Gap Road – Stabilise causeways** **\$200,000**
- **SR 19 – Burthong Road – Gravel re-sheeting** **\$201,000**
- **SR 31 – Moolah Road – Gravel re-sheeting** **\$75,000**

Town Streets

- **Urban Streets – Reconstruction Blakey St** **\$50,000**

CLAUSE 6A – SALE OF LAND AT DUFFY DRIVE**FILE: A10-34-42****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Director Finance and Community Services, Kym Miller*****Purpose**

To approve listing for sale two blocks of land in Duffy Drive at a discount to the current asking price.

Background

Council developed approximately 60 blocks of land in Duffy Drive twelve years ago. Four of these remained unsold for 5 years but two were sold in 2012 and 2013 for \$23k inc GST.

Two are still unsold and despite being listed with both local selling agents have not attracted any interest. Selling the blocks will create a future cash flow which provides more benefit to Council than is currently the situation.

The blocks are 15 Duffy Drive (Lot 37 DP 1115073) and 21 Duffy Drive (Lot 40 DP 1115073). The respective general rates are \$567.10 and \$519.40 for the current financial year. The valuations are \$21,400 for 15 and \$19,600 for 21.

An auction with a realistic reserve may facilitate the sale. Council officers will approach both selling agents in Cobar and determine which one will be appointed.

Issues

Council needs to act with transparency but at the same time maximise the sale value in the existing market. It is therefore appropriate to set the auction reserve in closed Council.

Financial Implications

A book loss on disposal will more than likely be realised on but a positive cash flow will be generated from future rates. If the capital cost to a home builder is attractive the sale may aid infill in Duffy Drive.

RECOMMENDATION

That the two blocks of land which are the subject of this report be auctioned with the reserve to be determined by Council at the meeting preceding the advertised auction date.

CLAUSE 7A – INCREASE IN PROVISION FOR DOUBTFUL DEBTS**FILE: M4 – 12/13****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Director Finance and Community Services, Kym Miller*****Purpose**

To advise Council of an increase required in the provision for doubtful debts as at 30 June 2017.

Background

Two mining lease rates debtors are causing concern and whilst not at the stage of 'writing off' there is sufficient concern to provide for their non-recovery. Until the debt is either collected or confirmed as unable to be collected a provision will remain as a provision against receivables in the statement of financial position. The charge will be recorded in this year's statement of income and expenditure which reduces the surplus to be recorded for the year.

Marsdens Law Group have been instructed in the matter and collection effort will continue. Unlike general rates on property it is unlikely that the lease if realised will provide any recovery to Cobar Shire Council.

Financial Implications

The full exposure will be recorded as an expense in year ended 30 June 2017 and any claw backs due to collection will be recorded as they occur.

RECOMMENDATION

That a further report on the Increase in Provision for Doubtful Debts be considered in Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reason as stated in *Section 10A (2) (c) (d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993* as the discussion of the information in Open Council would if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with who the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and the commercial information is of a confidential nature that would if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it).

CLAUSE 8A – DELEGATED AUTHORITY UNDER THE *BIOSECURITY ACT 2015*

FILE: N1-1

AOP REFERENCE: 5.2.4

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Environmental Supervisor, Melissa Gunn*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the commencement of the *Biosecurity Act 2015* (the Act) and request Council to delegate functions under the Act to the General Manager.

Background

On the 1 July 2017, the NSW State Government repealed the *Noxious Weeds Act 1993* and introduced the *Biosecurity Act 2015*.

The following extracts from the Act detail the role and functions of a local control authority in respect to weeds.

370 Local control authority—meaning

- (1) The council of a local government area is the local control authority for land within that local government area unless the weed control functions for that area have been conferred on a county council under any other Act. If the weed control functions for an area have been conferred on a county council, the county council is the local control authority for that area.
- (2) The Western Lands Commissioner is the local control authority for land within the Western Division that is not within a local government area.
- (3) The Lord Howe Island Board is the local control authority for land within Lord Howe Island.

371 Functions of local control authority

- (1) A local control authority has the following functions, in relation to the land for which it is the local control authority:
 - (a) the prevention, elimination, minimisation and management of the biosecurity risk posed or likely to be posed by weeds,
 - (b) to develop, implement, co-ordinate and review weed control programs,
 - (c) to inspect land in connection with its weed control functions,
 - (d) to keep records about the exercise of the local control authority's functions under this Act,
 - (e) to report to the Secretary about the exercise of the local control authority's functions under this Act.
- (2) Nothing in this section limits the functions of the Secretary under this Act in relation to the control of weeds in any area.

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- (3) A function of a local control authority under this Act is to be exercised in accordance with any requirements specified in the regulations and any directions (not inconsistent with the regulations) given by the Secretary.

372 Local authorities to appoint authorised officers to control weeds

- (1) A local control authority has the same power as the Secretary to appoint authorised officers in relation to land for which it is the local control authority.
- (2) A person appointed by a local control authority as an authorised officer may exercise the functions of an authorised officer:
- (a) in relation to weeds only, and
 - (b) subject to this Division, only in relation to land for which that local control authority is the local control authority.
- (3) Division 1 applies in relation to the appointment of an authorised officer by a local control authority in the same way as it applies in relation to the appointment of an authorised officer by the Secretary.
- (4) A local control authority has the same functions as the Secretary with respect to:
- (a) any biosecurity direction given by an authorised officer appointed by the local control authority, or
 - (b) any biosecurity undertaking executed by an authorised officer appointed by the local control authority.
- (5) A reference in this Act to an authorised officer acting on behalf of the Secretary includes a reference to an authorised officer acting on behalf of a local control authority.
- (6) The regulations may make further provision for:
- (a) the exercise by a local control authority of any functions of the Secretary under this Act, in relation to weeds, and
 - (b) the exercise by an authorised officer appointed by a local control authority of functions under this Act.
- (7) Nothing in this section limits the functions of an authorised officer appointed by the Secretary in relation to the control of weeds in any area.

373 Recovery of fees

- (1) A local control authority may exercise any function of the Secretary under this Act in relation to the recovery of fees charged, or costs or expenses incurred, in connection with the exercise of functions by an authorised officer who is appointed by the local control authority.

(2) For that purpose:

- (a) a reference in this Act to the Secretary includes a reference to a local control authority, and
- (b) a reference in this Act to any costs or expenses incurred by or on behalf of the Secretary includes a reference to costs or expenses incurred by or on behalf of the local control authority.

374 Arrangements for joint exercise of functions

- (1) A local control authority may enter into an arrangement with one or more local control authorities that authorises an authorised officer appointed by any of those local control authorities to exercise functions in relation to land for which any of those local control authorities is a local control authority.
- (2) An authorised officer appointed by a local control authority may, in accordance with any such arrangement, exercise functions under this Act in relation to land for which another local control authority is the local control authority.

375 Delegation by local control authority

- (1) A local control authority may delegate to any officer or employee of the local control authority any function conferred on the local control authority by this Act or the regulations, other than this power of delegation.
- (2) A delegate may subdelegate any function delegated to the delegate by the local control authority if authorised to do so by the local control authority by instrument in writing.
- (3) A delegate cannot subdelegate a function to a person if the local control authority does not have power to delegate that function to the person.
- (4) If a local control authority delegates functions subject to conditions or limitations, any subdelegation by the delegate is taken to be subject to the same conditions and limitations, and any further conditions or limitations imposed by the delegate.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council under Section 375 of the *Biosecurity Act 2015* (Act) delegate other than this power of delegation the functions, conferred on Cobar Shire Council as a local control authority by the Act to the General Manager.

CLAUSE 9A – PUBLIC EXHIBITION – COBAR HOSPITAL PLANNING PROPOSAL

FILE: M6-5 AOP REFERENCE: 1.5.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE)

AUTHOR: *Director of Planning and Environmental Services, Garry Ryman*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to advise Council that the subject planning proposal was placed on public exhibition in accordance with the Gateway Determination issued by the Department of Planning and Environment and further seek authority to request the Department that the draft Local Environmental Plan be prepared.

Background

Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday, 22 June 2017 it was resolved:

- 1. “That Council authorises the Director of Planning and Environmental Services on behalf of the Council to request a gateway determination from the NSW Department of Planning and Environment in respect of the Gateway Planning Proposal Report prepared Anthony Williams, Senior Town Planner, APP Corporation Pty Ltd and dated 6 June 2017.*
- 2. That voting on this matter be recorded on the basis of an automatic division as required by legislation”.*

A Gateway Determination was issued 11 July 2017. A copy of the determination together with the covering letter received from NSW Planning and Environment are provided in the Attachment.

In accordance with the determinations the Planning Proposed was placed on public exhibition. A Public Notice was posted on the Council’s website and the Cobar Weekly on 26 July 2017 and 2 August 2017.

The exhibition period closed on 10 August 2017 and no submissions have been received.

The planning proposal seeks to amend the Cobar Local Environmental Plan 2012 and affects all land in R2 Zone with NSW Health being specifically interested in Lot 102 in DP615721, 2 Nullamutt St, Cobar to make the proposed Multi-Purpose Health Service a permissible use on the site.

The proposed amendment is to include “health service facilities” as a permissible with consent land use in the R2 Low Density Residential Zone of the Cobar LEP 2012.

A copy of the planning proposal was provided as a separate attachment with the Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda for 22 June 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council authorises the Director of Planning and Environmental Services on behalf of the Council to request the NSW Department of Planning and Environment that a draft Local Environmental Plan be prepared to amend the Cobar Local Environmental Plan 2012 in accordance with the Gateway Planning Proposal Report prepared by Anthony Williams, Senior Planner, APP Corporation Pty Ltd, dated 6 June 2017.**
- 2. That voting on this matter be recorded on the basis of an automatic division as requested by legislation.**

CLAUSE 1B – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 20 JULY 2017 – 15 AUGUST 2017

FILE: T5-1

AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director of Planning & Environmental Services, Garry Ryman*

Complying Development Approvals

There were no Complying Development Applications approved under delegated authority for the period 20 July 2017 – 15 August 2017.

The value of Complying Development approvals for 2017/2018 to date is Nil.

The value of Complying Development approvals for the similar period in 2016/2017 was Nil.

Local Development Approvals

The following Local Development Applications have been approved under delegated authority for the period 20 July 2017 – 15 August 2017.

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)
2017/LD-00029	Gowrie Station, Cobar	Hay and Machinery Sheds	\$75,030
2017/LD-00030	14 Wood St, Cobar	Shed & Enclosed Awning	\$65,000
2017/LD-00031	3 Monaghan St, Cobar	Shed	\$12,000
2017/LD-00016	40 Lewis St, Cobar	Additions & Alterations to Copper City Motel/Restaurant	\$990,225

The value of Local Development approvals for 2017/2018 to date is \$1,142,255.00.

The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2016/2017 was \$323,000.00.

Construction Certificates

There were the following Construction Certificates approved under delegated authority for the period 20 July 2017 – 15 August 2017.

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION
2017/CB-00027	14 Wood St, Cobar	Shed and Enclosed Awning
2017/CB-00028	3 Monaghan St, Cobar	Shed
2017/CB-00026	Gowrie Station, Cobar	Hay Shed & Machinery Shed

RECOMMENDATION

That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 20 July 2017 – 15 August 2017 be received and noted.

CLAUSE 2B – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

FILE: C13-10

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 MARCH 2012					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
162	Council – Clause 16A - Liquid Trade Waste Policy – Costs and Implementation Method	14.3.2012	DES/SM/DPES	Adopts option one (1) for the upgrading of the existing trade waste 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.	Lack of staff resources has prevented implementation of resolution. Discussions were being undertaken with Dubbo City Council through the LMWUA for Dubbo Trade Waste Officer to implement a Trade Waste Program for several Councils within the LMWUA. Change in Local Government structure likely to affect progress of this proposal. Matter to be reviewed given resources are available. Dubbo Regional Council are currently advertising for a Trade Waste Officer to enable Dubbo to provide trade waste services for all LMWUA Councils.
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	DCED	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.	Council is currently preparing a four plan for the Great Cobar Heritage Centre, tourism and events. Expect draft plan to Council in September.

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	AM	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 25 SEPTEMBER 2014

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
627	Council – Clause 10A – Adoption of Management Plan for Lot 18 DP213415	188.9.2014	DPES	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 licence under the Common Seal of Council.	Matter to be finalised by December 2017. Agreement to be prepared for negotiations commencing July 2017.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 APRIL 2015

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
702	Council – Clause 8A – Maintenance of Stock Control Structures	60.04.2015	DES	That Council recompile a comprehensive Grid Register which is expected to take approximately 6 to 12 months to complete depending on resources available and location of grids with the Register including GPS coordinates, photos of the grid, an assessment on the condition of the grid and its associated infrastructure.	Staff being appointed to undertake project. Identification has commenced and register started. Anticipated work to be completed by December 2017.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 SEPTEMBER 2015

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
793	Council – Clause 9A – O’Neill Road Water Supply	197.09.2015	SM/ DES	That Council undertakes flow and pressure testing on the existing main on Lerida Road during the summer peak demand to determine the availability of water. That a full report be provided to Council when available.	NSW Public Works have been engaged to undertake a network analysis of the Cobar water supply reticulation to determine the pressure and availability of water in the entire network.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 OCTOBER 2015

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
799	Finance and Policy Committee – Notice of Motion – Services to O’Neill Road and Sutherland Drive	210.10.2015	DES/SM	That an investigation be undertaken into a water subsidy for the residents of O’Neill Road for the summer months similar to what we do for the Villages.	No action to date. Matter to be included in Network Analysis.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 NOVEMBER 2015

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
809	Works Committee – Notice of Motion – Report 2A - RMS Repair Program for 2016/2017	226.11.2015	DES	That if funding is not obtained that Council continues to nominate MR407 Mulya Road in subsequent years until funding is obtained.	Funding was not received for the 2016/2017 financial year. A new application will be submitted for the 2017/2018 program.
817	Council – Clause 7A – Cobar Sewerage Treatment Land Being Lot 24 in DP837494, Application for Licence to Occupy Crown Land and Approval for Land Acquisition	236.11.2015	DES	That Council apply for a 12 month short term licence over crown land parcel Lot 24 in DP837494. That the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute the licence documents under the Common Seal of Council. That the costs associated with the licence be paid from operating expenses for the Cobar Sewerage Treatment Works. That Council acquire by	Matter being reviewed given no action to date.

			<p>compulsory acquisition the whole of the land contained in Lot 24 DP837494 Sewerage Works Road, Cobar (hereafter called the acquisition land).</p> <p>That the acquisition of land be acquired pursuant to Section 187 of the Local Government Act 1993 and the Land Acquisition (Just Compensation) Act 1991 for commercial purposes for the continued operation and management of the Cobar Sewerage Treatment Works.</p> <p>That the acquisition land value be paid upon completion of the acquisition of the acquisition land, to the Department of Primary Industries on behalf of the Crown in full and final payment of all those interests including the rights of the Crown pursuant to Section 104 of the <i>Native Title (NSW) Act 1994</i> and Section 54(2) of the <i>Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991</i>.</p> <p>That the survey plans and other acquisition documents for the acquisition of the acquisition land</p>	
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				<p>be signed under the Common Seal of Council.</p> <p>That the Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to sign all acquisition documents.</p> <p>That the acquisition land be acquired as operational land pursuant to the provisions of Section 31 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i>.</p> <p>That pursuant to the provisions of Section 190 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> all minerals are excluded from the acquisition.</p> <p>That Council makes the necessary application to the Minister or Governor so that the acquisition can be completed.</p> <p>That the costs associated with compulsory acquiring the land be paid from the Sewer Reserve Fund.</p>	
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 10 DECEMBER 2015

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
821	Council – Notice of	251.12.2015	GM	That Council investigates the	No action to date.

	Motion – Establishment of a Cobar Community Trust			establishment of a Cobar Community Trust with the aim of sourcing grants for the improvement of facilities, infrastructure or anything of benefit to the Cobar Community and Shire.	Deputy Mayor to provide additional information to assist the progression of the matter.
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 25 FEBRUARY 2016

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
844	Works Committee – Report 3A – 2WEB Transmitter Investigation Report	14.2.2016	DFCS	<p>That Council approve the installation of the 2WEB FM re-broadcast transmitter at the existing Fort Bourke Water Treatment Plant.</p> <p>That the installation cost and application to the Australian Communication and Media Authority for the required apparatus licence be charged against Cobar - television budget.</p> <p>That Council applies for a five year licence.</p> <p>That this is a once off payment contribution and no additional or ongoing costs will be covered by Cobar Shire Council.</p>	<p>Contact has been instigated with 2WEB and actions commenced.</p> <p>Expected that the application process will take up to 8 months.</p> <p>May - Phone call made to find out the status of the application, they have confirmed that the application has been received and is being progressed.</p> <p>June - Letter sent to find out the progression of the application – no response has been received yet.</p> <p>July – Email correspondence has been sent to the Department.</p> <p>2WEB have been advised of application progress – No progress to</p>

					date.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 APRIL 2016					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
865	Confirmation of the Minutes – Traffic Committee Meeting	53.4.2016	DES	That the works required on the Booroomugga Road and Barrier Highway intersection at Canbelego be prioritized as high and if funding is required that funding be sought.	RMS have advised they will undertake a full REF before any work is undertaken. Works are proposed to be funded by RMS in 2017/2018. A design for the removal of material required to improve visibility has been provided to RMS. RMS have included the work in the draft program for 2017/2018.
870	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Report 1C – Analysis of Plant and Equipment Hire and Trades and Miscellaneous Services Register	58.4.2016	GM	That any future projects within Cobar Shire that we look at supporting the local businesses (where applicable) to ensure their viability and have a review of the Policy.	Policy to be reviewed and all purchases to have quotes provided and encourage the use of locals.
879	Council – Clause 6A – Raw Water Supply to Dalton Park Horse Complex	68.4.2016	DFCS	That the Raw Water Supply to Dalton Park Horse Complex be listed on Councils 10 Year Long Term Financial Plan and that Council seek any available grant funding in the interim.	In draft budget. Business Case to be considered.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 MAY 2016

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
880	Finance & Policy Committee – Report 4B – Grant Funding	81.5.2016	DFCS	That Staff investigate and report back to Council the possibility of utilising the existing facilities at the Cobar Regional Airport for flight training.	Matter to be addressed by Taskforce.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 JUNE 2016

905	Council – Clause 3A – Occupancy at the Community Centre for the Cobar Mobile Children’s Services Inc	113.6.2016	DPES	That Council commence planning for a permanent toilet so that consideration of a toilet can be undertaken by Council if grant applications fail.	Planning has started for a permanent toilet. Once grant funding has been identified an application will be made.
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 SEPTEMBER 2016

951	Council – Clause 10A – Dalton Park Horse Complex – Proposed Advisory Sign	180.9.2016	DPES	That Council approve the Director of Planning and Environmental Services to install an advisory sign at the Dalton Park Horse Complex confirming that use of the complex is available for use by licence holders only.	The need for this sign is being reviewed at the User Group Meeting.
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 NOVEMBER 2016

971	Council – Clause 4A – Internal Audit	228.11.2016	DFCS	That Council receive a further Report on the (re) formation of the Internal	Further Report to be provided to the September Ordinary Council
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	Committee			Audit Committee by 31 March 2017.	Meeting. This is due to the unavailability of Paul Manns. Initial Meeting to be held in June 2017. Paul Manns and Michael Zannes have accepted positions on the Internal Audit Committee.
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 8 DECEMBER 2016

980	Council – Clause 3A – Cobar Sound Chapel	255.12.2016	DPES	That Council authorises the transfer of Lot 287 DP914515 to Cobar Shire Council for nominal consideration. That the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute the transfer documents under the Common Seal of Council.	Letter sent to NSW Public Works to activate transfer. Transfer documents being prepared by NSW Finance. Receipt of documents for execution by Council is imminent.
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 FEBRUARY 2017

983	Council – Notice of Motion – Augmentation of Water Supply Euabalong/ Euabalong West	05.2.2017	DES	That Council seek funding for the establishment of a bore and associated works in the Lachlan River aquifer adjacent to Euabalong for the purpose of augmenting the raw water supply for the two villages.	Grant funds being investigated.
996	Council – Clause 12A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce February Meeting and Terms of Reference	20.2.2017	DCED	That Council increase lobbying efforts seeking government investment in promotion of outback NSW in a similar manner to that undertaken in Queensland.	Investigations being undertaken into changing tourism landscape with office for new tourism zone to be located in Dubbo, what funding is currently available etc. Will report to

				<p>That Council diversify the activities and expand the Festival of the Miners Ghost and form a 2020 Committee to develop an even larger and exciting festival program to celebrate the 150 year anniversary of Cobar.</p> <p>That Council allocate sufficient funding to update the Cobar Shire Council webpage to increase the tourism focus to 'sell' Cobar to the tourism industry.</p>	<p>Council when further information is available.</p> <p>Working with Arts Council to develop much larger arts program, with Heath Budd on Miners Games, Miners Memorial Committee for memorial service and associated events, Peak for surface tours and fossicking tours, Council for tours of Great Cobar and cemetery. Draft program will be available at July Meeting.</p> <p>Bayside Solutions engaged and skeleton of site agreed to. Content being written. Photo comp to run in August to provide photos. Expect to launch in September. Tourism Facebook page – Destination Cobar – now operating.</p>
997	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Defective Building Work – Cobar Brigade Station, Lot 10 Railway Pde South, Cobar	36.2.2017	DPES	<p>That Council authorises the General Manager to commence with a defects claim against Castlereagh Construction Group Pty Ltd.</p> <p>That Council authorises the General Manager to negotiate with the NSW Rural Fire Service funding opportunities for the demolition and rebuilding of the Cobar Brigade Station building from floor level up</p>	<p>Advice provided to Council Solicitor – Matter ongoing.</p> <p>Letter sent to NSW Rural Fire Service seeking assistance.</p> <p>Negotiations ongoing.</p> <p>Contact made to seek update –</p>

				and report back to Council.	awaiting reply.
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MARCH 2017

1007	Council – Clause 7B – Expenditure for Roads Network	59.3.2017	DES	That a Rest Area be built along the Wool Track and that it be named after Duncan Gay.	Matter to be raised with funding request for Wool Track.
1009	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 2C – Lease of 53 Linsley Street	67.3.2017	DPES	That Council authorise the Director of Planning and Environmental Services to enter into a new lease with Dr Indra Karalasingham in respect of 53 Linsley Street, Cobar being substantially consistent with the existing lease for a term of up to five (5) years.	Letter sent to Dr Indra confirming resolution. Matter referred to Council’s Solicitor to prepare and register lease.
1010	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 3C – Lease of Town Hall Cinema Building	67.3.2017	DPES	That Council authorise the Director of Planning and Environmental Services to enter into a new lease with Angela White, Western Studio of Performing Arts, in respect of the Town Hall Cinema Building being substantially consistent with the existing lease for a term of up to two (2) years with an option for a third year.	Draft lease prepared and forwarded to Lessee for signing.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 APRIL 2017

1014	Council – Clause 4A – Cobar Sewer Upgrade	74.4.2017	DES	That Council applies to Infrastructure NSW for an amendment of the project	Council report has been provided to NSW Public Works for assessment
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	Project			<p>scope for the Cobar Sewer Upgrade Project to include a refurbishment of Council's three other operating pump stations and to install a screen compactor at an estimated total cost of \$1,050,000.</p> <p>That Council notes that approximately \$600,000 of the available funding will be uncommitted and Council will consider options for those remaining funds once the pump stations and screen compactor projects have been completed.</p>	and preparation of a request for change of scope to Infrastructure NSW.
1021	Council – Clause 11A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce April Meeting	81.4.2017	DCED	<p>That Council resolves to set aside the May Taskforce Meeting to workshop the Newey Plan of Management, input into it and to identify solutions to the issue of free camping in Cobar.</p> <p>That Council resolves to further investigate the idea of a freight depot for Cobar and report back to the Taskforce.</p> <p>That a Call for Expressions of Interest from businesses who would like to engage the services of a security company to monitor their premises and answer alarms to establish demand</p>	<p>The draft was not available for the May Meeting, however the topic was discussed at the July Meeting – No further action required.</p> <p>Initial positive discussions held with Livestock and Bulk Carriers Association who will provide further information. Trying to identify a Truckwash bay site where a depot could be collocated.</p> <p>One on one visits to potential businesses have commenced to determine interest in such a venture. Strong interest so far.</p>

				for such a service. That Council resolves to approach Mr Hausler in regards to the future of his rail track and loco for use in a public space in Cobar.	No action to date.
1025	Council – Clause 7B – Expenditure for Roads Network	92.4.2017	DES	That RMS be contacted in relation to a turning lane being installed at the Meadow Glen Rest Area as a matter of urgency.	Letter has been sent to RMS to request improvements to entrance to Meadow Glen Rest Area. Letter has been acknowledged by RMS and they are programming work subject to available funding.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MAY 2017

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1033	Council Meeting – Committee of the Whole Closed Council - Clause 1C – Scrap Metal Collection and Recycling Tender	119.5.2017	MPES	To accept the tender submitted by Sims Metal Management for the initial two (2) year term. That Council confirms its involvement in the contract to the NetWaste Projects Coordinator and execute the contract documents as appropriate.	NetWaste currently preparing contract documents for execution by each participating Council.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 JUNE 2017

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
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1044	Clause 10A – Cobar Hospital Planning Proposal	138.6.2017	DPES	<p>That Council authorises the Director of Planning and Environmental Services on behalf of the Council to request a gateway determination from the NSW Department of Planning and Environment in respect of the Gateway Planning Proposal Report prepared by Anthony Williams, Senior Town Planner, APP Corporation Pty Ltd and dated 6 June 2017.</p> <p>That voting on this matter be recorded on the basis of an automatic division as required by legislation.</p>	Exhibition complete, report to this meeting to progress matter – No further action required.
1048	Clause 3B – Unsealed Road Stabilisation Trials Report	146.6.2017	DES	That an investigation be reported to Council in relation to bore costs on rural roads.	Report is being prepared and will be reported to September Ordinary Council Meeting.
1050	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Legal Documents to Incorporate the Lilliane Brady Village into a Multi-Purpose (Health) Service	158.6.2017	DFCS	<p>That the suite of documents as attached be approved in principle.</p> <p>That the Mayor and General Manager be delegated to make minor amendments to the suite of documents as attached provided that these variations do not materially alter the intent of the documents.</p>	<p>NSW Health have been advised and are now preparing the EOI Document.</p> <p>Council Officers are collating the documents which will be attached to the EOI document and preparing other information which will be required for due diligence investigations.</p>

				<p>That the commercial terms negotiated with the Provider be presented to Council for consideration and endorsement.</p> <p>That the Mayor and General Manager be delegated to sign the documents as attached when finalised under seal.</p> <p>That a 'tracked changes' copy of the final documents when signed be presented to Closed Council for noting.</p>	
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 JULY 2017

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1051	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Recently Introduced Disclosure Requirements	162.7.2017	GM	That the Local Government Association of NSW be immediately approached to begin negotiations with the NSW Government bureaucracy to have Councillor's disclosure requirements made practical.	Letter sent – No further action required.
1052	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Asbestos Within Cobar Shire	163.7.2017	GM	That Cobar Shire Councils Director of Engineering Services conducts an inspection of the Water Storage areas around Cobar for asbestos materials.	Inspection of water storage areas has commenced. Asbestos material has been removed from the area around the old 'Silver Tank'.
1053	Council Meeting –	164.7.2017	GM	That the General Manager be	Staff seeking proposal for

	Notice of Motion – Request for Councillor Training			requested to hold a training session for all Councillors on Meeting procedures as soon as practical.	appropriate training.
1054	Council Meeting – Clause 2A – Western Division Group of Councils	166.7.2017	GM	Council write to the Premier, Deputy Premier and the Minister for Local Government seeking clarification of the state of the future of the Far West Initiative and the Joint Organisation (JO) and defer making the decisions on the membership of the proposed Western Division of Council of NSW until this information is received.	Letter sent – No further action required.
1055	Council Meeting – Clause 3A – Policy Removal	167.7.2017	GM	That Council agree to remove the policies as listed.	Policies removed – No further action required.
1056	Council Meeting – Clause 4A – Carried Forward Capital Expenditure	168.7.2017	DFCS	That Council approve the list of items included in this report to be continued in year ending 30 June 2018 and that the amounts are formally included in the 2017/2018 budget as part of the Quarter 1 Budget Review.	Amounts are formally included in the 2017/2018 Budget as part of the Quarter 1 Budget Review – No further action required.
1057	Council Meeting – Clause 5A – Rate Abandonments 2016/2017	169.7.2017	OC	That Council write-off rates and charges totalling \$120,177.47 for 2016/2017 as follows subject to Auditors approval: Pension Rebates 113,140.45 Hidden Leaks Allowance 2,821.10 Category/Service Changes 4,215.92	Rates written off – No further action required.

				\$120,177.47	
1058	Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Western Slopes Pipeline Community Consultative Committee	171.7.2017	DPES	That Council nominate Clr Martin to become a member of the Western Slopes Pipelines Community Consultative Committee with Clr Lea-Barrett to the alternate.	Nominations accepted – No further action required.
1059	Council Meeting – Clause 8A – Draft Land Use Master Plan for the Newey	172.7.2017	DPES	That Cobar Shire Council and the community support free camping and appreciate the business that this activity brings to Cobar. That Cobar Shire Council develop a Plan of Management for the Newey Reserve. This Plan of Management should include a section to facilitate the use by campers <i>and for this process to commence immediately.</i>	Email sent on 29/07/2017 to NSW Lands advising of Council’s Resolution and seeking appointment to establish Lands position as owner of the land.
1060	Council Meeting – Clause 10A – Use of Effluent by Cobar Bowling and Golf Club	173.7.2017	DES	That the current fee to the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club for the use of effluent be fixed at the annual charge of \$15,750.00 and be reviewed annually.	Cobar Bowling and Golf Club effluent fee fixed – No further action required.
1061	Council Meeting – Clause 11A – Dalton Park Horse Complex Licence Agreements	147.7.2017	ES	That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to offer a 12 month temporary licence agreement to following organisations and individuals as detailed below for the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018:	Letters of offer sent to each organisation and/ or individual.

				<p>- As Listed in Report.</p> <p>That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to affix the Trust seal to the 12 month temporary licence agreements for the following organisations and individuals to cover the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018, if the offers are accepted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cobar Pony Club; • Cobar Miners Race Club; • Mr S Griffiths and Mrs C Griffiths; • Ms Sharon Whitehurst; • Ms Christie Wheeler, Mr Geoff Turton, Mr Kevin and Mrs Maree Wheeler; • QS Outback; • Mr Wayne Prisk. 	
1062	Council Meeting – Clause 12A – Bathurst Street Reserve Licence Agreement	175.7.2017	ES	That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Bathurst Street Reserve Trust, resolve to offer a 12 month temporary licence agreement to the Cobar Tennis Club for the purpose of the operation of the Cobar Tennis Club and associated activities to cover the period 1 July	Letter of offer sent to Cobar Tennis Club.

				<p>2017 to 30 June 2018.</p> <p>That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Bathurst Street Reserve Trust, resolve to affix the trusts seal to the 12 month temporary licence agreement for the Cobar Tennis Club to cover the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 if the offer is accepted.</p>	
1063	Council Meeting – Clause 13A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce	176.7.2017	DCED	<p>That Council resolves to accept the recommendations of the Economic Taskforce that:</p> <p>Council endorse the Taskforce to write to CBD business owners urging them and their employees to not park in the main street, outlining why and what the alternative options are.</p> <p>A report be presented to the next Taskforce meeting outlining the cost of sealing the Grand Hotel carpark and the carpark adjacent to the cinema.</p> <p>That Council notes the resolution of the Economic Taskforce that the majority of Taskforce Members resolved that legal free camping should be available in the Shire.</p>	<p>Letter sent – No further action required.</p> <p>Costing being prepared.</p> <p>Noted – No further action required.</p>

1064	Council Meeting – Clause 13A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce	177.7.2017	DCED	That the Economic Taskforce meetings be open to the public to attend in the gallery.	No further action required.
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RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted, with the following items to be removed: 1021 Part 1, 1044, 1051, 1054, 1055, 1056, 1057, 1058, 1060, 1063 Part 2 and 4 and 1064.

CLAUSE 3B – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2017**FILE: B2-7****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: Finance Manager, Neil Mitchell****Purpose**

Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993 and Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the Council's Investment Policy require Council's investments to be reported Council on a monthly basis.

Background

The table below shows the balances of Council's Investments as at the report date. Term deposits have differing terms in order to spread the maturity dates throughout the year. The amount restricted in the unaudited Financial Accounts for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$619,174, which includes 100% LBV entitlements.

Investment	Opening Balance	Transfers to Investments	Transfers from Investment	Interest Earned	Closing Balance
NAB Sweep Acct	\$1,282,575	\$10,098,515	\$7,889,033	\$5,086	\$3,497,143
NAB Term Deposits					
2.47% (Sep) 4036	\$2,003,113			\$4,202	\$2,007,315
1.75% (Jul) 4037	\$2,020,358		\$2,021,603	\$1,245	\$0
1.75% (Jul) 4038	\$1,002,390		\$1,003,677	\$1,287	\$0
2.47% (Sep) 4039	\$2,002,301			\$4,200	\$2,006,501
AMP Bank					
2.50% (Dec) 4040	\$2,000,274			\$4,247	\$2,004,521
2.80% (Jan) 4044	\$1,012,724	\$1,000,000	\$1,013,962	\$2,235	\$1,000,997
2.80% (Jan) 4047		\$1,000,000		\$1,074	\$1,001,074
2.60% (Nov) 4048	\$1,002,644			\$2,213	\$1,004,857
Bank of Qld					
2.65% (Jan) 4046		\$2,000,000		\$2,033	\$2,002,033
Bank West					
2.50% (Jul) 4046	\$2,007,129		\$2,008,493	\$1,364	\$0
TOTALS	\$14,333,508	\$14,098,515	\$13,936,768	\$29,186	\$14,524,441

Annualised Average return on Investment for the Month: 2.43%

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 Council's Investment Policy.

**Finance Manager****RECOMMENDATION****That Council receive and note the Investment Report as at 31 July 2017.**

**CLAUSE 4B – BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY
SUMMARIES AS AT 31 JULY 2017**

FILE: B2-7

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.5

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Finance Manager, Neil Mitchell*

Purpose

Council has requested that the following financial information be presented to each meeting of Council: reconciled bank balance, cash flow statement, and loan facility.

Issues

Bank Reconciliation

Balance as per Bank Statement	10,000
Add Outstanding Deposits	6,173
Less Unpresented Cheques	(6,784)

Balance as per Cash Book	9,389
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In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act, 1993, I hereby certify that the Cash Book has been reconciled with the appropriate Bank Statements on a daily basis during the month and that the reconciliations have been recorded.



Finance Manager

Summary of Total Funds Available at Month End for the Last 12 Months

Month	Investment Balances	Operating Account	Total Available Funds
Aug-16	12,473,670	23,471	12,497,141
Sep-16	12,021,822	9,621	12,031,443
Oct-16	11,613,771	22,420	11,636,191
Nov-16	11,940,671	18,370	11,959,041
Dec-16	12,536,805	8,633	12,545,438
Jan-17	11,948,235	6,467	11,954,702
Feb-17	12,204,249	23,486	12,227,735
Mar 17	10,025,496	4,540	10,030,036
Apr-17	12,080,221	5,820	12,086,041
May-17	13,195,388	16,200	13,211,588
Jun 17	14,333,508	9,315	14,342,823
Jul-17	14,523,444	9,389	14,532,833

The amount restricted in the unaudited Financial Accounts for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$619,174, which includes 100% LBV entitlements

Cash Flow

July		Description	Forecast
Forecast	Actual		August
9,315	9,315	Bank Balance Forward	9,389
		FAG <i>(estimated)</i>	678,000
527,300	418,500	Regional Roads Block Grant <i>(estimated)</i>	
1,864,961	2,086,551	RMS Ordered/Routine Works	
14,300	13,943	RMS Agency	14,300
910,000	991,982	Rates /Water/User Charges	895,000
150,000	227,968	Private Works/Debtors	150,000
177,000	176,774	LBV – Residents Fees & Grant	177,000
170,000	161,680	Child Care/In Home Care	170,000
(612,876)	(2,209,482)	Net Movement of Investments	1,136,311
60,000	85,210	Sundry Income & Grants	60,000
		<i>Less</i>	
(2,500,000)	(1,169,301)	Creditors	(2,500,000)
(760,000)	(783,751)	Wages / Salaries	(780,000)
10,000	9,389	Closing Reconciled Bank Balance Cr/(Dr)	10,000

Borrowing Instruments as at 31 July 2017

Swimming Pool and Street Upgrade Loan (6.22%)	(1,395,669)
2 x Tyre Rollers Lease <i>(Implicit rate of 6.87%, Quarterly)</i>	(84,334)
Bomag Tyre Roller Lease <i>(Implicit rate of 5.63%)</i>	(48,458)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as at 31 July 2017.

CLAUSE 5B – MEETING MINUTES

FILE: R5-36 & C8-17

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1

ATTACHMENT: YES

(PAGE 103-111)

AUTHOR: *Executive Assistant General Manager/ Mayor, Janette Booth*

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 and the Status Reports of those meetings which have been held recently for the information of Councillors. They include:

- Rural Roads Advisory Committee – Wednesday, 2 August 2017 (Status Report);
- Cobar Liquor Accord Committee – Tuesday, 8 August 2017 (no Status Report).

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Rural Roads Advisory (plus Status Report) and Cobar Liquor Accord Committees be received and noted.

CLAUSE 6B – DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND DESIGNATED PERSONS

FILE: C12-3

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Background

The Annual Disclosure of Interest Returns in accordance with Section 449 of the Local Government Act 1993 for Councillors and Designated Persons have been completed for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017.

These documents are tabled and will be held in Council's Records.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the Annual Disclosure of Interest Returns for Councillors and Designated Persons for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017.

CLAUSE 7B – UPDATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT FINANCES**FILE: G4-29 AOP REFERENCE: 4.1.3.3 & 4.4.4.2 ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor****Purpose**

To provide Council with an update on the infrastructure projects budgets and expenditure as at 31 July 2017.

Background

Cobar Shire Council was successful in obtaining funding for three projects through the Resources for Regions Restart NSW provided by the NSW State Government. One project has been completed with two ongoing projects.

Financial Implications

	Restart NSW Funding	Cobar Shire Council Funding	Expended as at 31 July 2017	Project Status
Water Treatment Plant	\$15,550,000	\$200,000	\$981,496	- Initial Design meeting has been held with Laurie Curran Water Pty Ltd and a HAZOP meeting is to be held 29/30 August.
Sewerage Scheme Refurbishments Expansion and upgrade	\$2,100,000	\$100,000	\$448,973	- The Ward Oval Pump station refurbishment and Lagoon upgrade have been completed. - Public Works preparing report for Infrastructure NSW on grit and rag removal and pump station upgrades. Site inspection is programmed for 17 August.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the updated financial information for the two Restart NSW Resources for Regions infrastructure projects.

CLAUSE 8B – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK

FILE: R5-31

AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2

ATTACHMENT: YES

(PAGE 112-119)

AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor*

Purpose

To provide Council with financial information on the expenditure on Council's Local and Regional Roads.

Background

A report detailing the Expenditure on Council's Shire Local Roads (blue) and Regional Roads Network (green) is provided as an attachment to this agenda for Council's information.

Noting: That there is no Expenditure on Capital/R2R (orange) for this month.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information detailing the Expenditure for Council's Roads Network be received and noted.

CLAUSE 9B – ENGINEERING WORKS REPORT

FILE: C6-20-2

AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor*

Purpose

To inform Council of completed and ongoing Engineering Works for the period of July 2017.

Background

Annual RMS heavy vehicle inspections result in much over the heavy plant being off the road for two weeks in July. As a result the main activities undertaken were maintenance grading with a mixture of Council plant and hired plant.

State Highways

Maintenance Work

- Sign replacement works as required – **ongoing**;
- Pothole repairs – **ongoing**;
- Pricing for Heavy Patching and resealing will be undertaken over the next few weeks in readiness for this years works program

Urban Roads/Shire Roads/Regional Roads

Maintenance Work

- Inspections on various Shire and Regional Roads;
- SR 11 – Maintenance grading;
- SR 12 – Maintenance grading;
- SR 13 – Maintenance grading and vegetation control;
- SR 19 – Maintenance grading;
- SR 20 – Maintenance grading;
- SR 21 – Maintenance grading;
- SR 25 – Maintenance grading;
- MR 228 – Vegetation control;
- MR407 – Guide posts and maintenance grading;
- MR 411 – Guide posts;
- MR 423 – Vegetation control;
- MR 461 – Vegetation control and guide posts.

Construction Work

- Part C of the Nymagee Project on the Kidman Way is complete. The second seal coat will be applied during this year's sealing program.

Water and Sewer

Maintenance Work

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- Pest control within sewer reticulation network being carried out where necessary - **ongoing**;
 - Clearing and control of vegetation along the Nyngan to Cobar raw water pipeline easement (CWB) – **ongoing**;
 - NSW Public Works surveyor completed a survey of the network to locate valves and hydrants as part of the network analysis. The initial network analysis report is due to be supplied mid-August. – **ongoing**;
 - Hydrant location and inspection and testing on the town reticulation network for future main replacement and works program – **ongoing**.

Urban Works

Parks

- General maintenance carried out within parks and reserves within the Shire as required – **ongoing**;
- A general clean-up and lifting of tree vegetation has commenced at the Newey – **completed**;
- Commencement of Stage 2 of Drummond Park playground upgrade – **ongoing**.
- Commencement of tree planting Barton Street – **ongoing**
- Preparation of ovals and parks for growing season - **ongoing**

Street Cleaning and Tree Removal

- New street trees have been planted in the garden beds on Marshall Street. – **ongoing**;
- Street cleaning and maintenance – **ongoing**.

Resources for Regions

Construction of New Water Treatment Plant

- The first design meeting for the WTP was held on 3-4 August. The Hazard Operational Analysis (HAZOP) meeting is planned to be held in Sydney on 29 – 30 August. The contractor, Public Works Advisory, Water Solutions and Council staff will attend this meeting. Mr Bill Ho, NSW Office of Water will also be invited to attend.

Construction of New Water Pipeline – Nyngan to Cobar

- The Cobar Water Board's Twin Pipeline Replacement Project is continuing, with the installation of valves and crossovers following the completion of pipe installation.
- A telemetry design meeting has been held with National Australia Pipelines and their subcontractors Hunter Pumps. Public Works Advisory and Council staff also attended. The installation of the telemetry will enable pumps at Nyngan and Hermidale to be controlled remotely, which result in reduction of travelling time and therefore costs for the operation of the pipeline.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the Engineering Works Report detailing maintenance on Shire and Regional Roads, State Highways and Water Sewer Mains, Resources for Regions Projects and other Major Grant Works be received and noted.

CLAUSE 10B – ANALYSIS OF PLANT AND EQUIPMENT HIRE AND TRADES AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES REGISTERS

FILE: T3-15-6, P3-19-4 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide information on the analysis and result of the engagement of Contractors under the Plant and Equipment Hire Rates 2015/2018 and Trade and Miscellaneous Services 2015/2018 Quotation Contracts for works let over \$80,000 inclusive of GST.

Background

Throughout the year Council uses various contractors for the supply of plant and equipment and trades 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.

Council has requested that a report be provided for works let over \$80,000 inclusive of GST.

The table below indicates the contractors that were engaged for services over \$80,000 inclusive of GST for the period 1 July 2017 – 31 July 2017:

Contractor	Description of Works	July 2017	2017/2018
Nil.			

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained within this report be received and noted.

CLAUSE 11B – TRAFFIC COUNTS ON SHIRE ROADS AND CLASSIFIED ROADS

FILE: R5-34 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 120-121)

AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor*

Background

Updating of traffic counts on Regional and Shire Roads is continuing with counts being undertaken over the last month on Frederick Street and Bathurst Street.

Current Traffic Count Summary

Rd No.	Road Name	Location of Counter	Date	AADT	% Commercial Vehicles
	Frederick Street	Frederick Street – between Bradley Street and Green Street	26.05.2017 – 15.06.2017	721	19.2%
	Bathurst Street	Bathurst Street – near Tom Knight Oval	26.05.2017 – 15.06.2017	886	3.3%

RECOMMENDATION

That the information in relation to traffic counts on Shire Roads and Classified Roads be received and noted.

CLAUSE 12B – STAFF CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE REPORT**FILE: Personnel AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.2 ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Human Resources Manager, Summer Patterson*****Purpose**

The purpose of this Report is to advise Council of the conferences attended by Council employees in the month(s) prior.

Background

The following conferences were attended by Council Staff:

Conference Name:	Australian Institute of Building Surveyors – NSW/ACT Chapter Conference 2017
Attendee:	Director Planning and Environmental Services, Garry Ryman
Date Attended:	24 & 25 July 2017
Total cost to Council:	Conference (incl accommodation and travel) – \$1,752
Summary of conference content:	<p>Attendance contributes to continuing professional development program to maintain NSW Building Professionals Board Accreditation and AIBS National Accreditation as a Building Surveyor.</p> <p><i>Content:</i> Presentation including senate enquiry – non conforming and non-compliant building products, regularising unauthorised work, building regulations reform, building biology, individual liabilities of a Certifier, future of the construction industry, update from the Building Professionals Board, complying development and new codes. In addition the conference included interactive workshop sessions (co-hosted by the Australian Building Codes Board) relating to the performance solutions under the National Construction Code.</p>

RECOMMENDATION

That the information provided above in relation to the conferences attended by Council staff be received and noted.

CLAUSE 13B – GRANT FUNDING

FILE: G4-17

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.4

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director Corporate and Economic Development, Angela Shepherd***Grant Update**

Grant and Department	Activity	Amount Applied For	Successful?	Council Funding Required	Deadline for Project
Grants Applied for					
RMS Walking and Cycling Programs	Funding for a consultancy to develop an Active Transport Plan for the Shire.	\$45,000	Pending	\$15,000. It's a grant that allows us to apply for 75% of funding. Our contribution could come from the footpaths budget or the grants matching budget.	The RMS has suggested we should apply for this grant to allow us to source more construction funding in the future.
RMS Walking and Cycling Programs	Funding to construct a series of 15 pram ramps (2.5m wide) linking the Brennan Centre to the supermarkets, pharmacy, taxi rank, Council, and medical centres. They would replace the current non-compliant ramps making it easier for older people and people with prams to walk the route.	\$37,125	Pending	\$37,125 – it is a 50:50 grant with Council's contribution to come from either the footpaths budget or matching grants contribution.	Hoping to hear by August.
Club Grants – Cultural Infrastructure	Construction of the Miners Memorial.	\$200,000	EOI pending	\$80,000 of community funding will be used as the Council contribution	
NSW Fisheries Recreational	Native fingerlings for the	\$500	Pending	\$500	

Fishing Grants	Newey.				
Social Housing Community Improvement Fund	Upgrade works at Dalton Park, including new playground equipment, a toilet, bbq and tables and chairs.	\$50,000	Pending	\$50,000 from Other Playgrounds budget and up to \$24,200 from Grants Contributions.	Outcome notified by 31 August, works to be completed by Feb 2019.
Grand Parents Day	Host an interactive family day at the Youthie as part of the FOMG sharing information between the generations.	\$1,000	Pending	Nil	
Stronger Country Communities Fund	Drummond Park Adventure Playground.	\$345,820	Pending	Nil	Should know outcome by 30 October.
Stronger Country Communities Fund	Family BBQ and picnic area at the pool.	\$124,520	Pending	Nil	Should know outcome by 30 October.
CASP Grant	Yarn Bombing project – community arts project to create a ‘garden’ design celebrating 2020.	\$4,500	Pending	Nil	Awarded around November 2017.
Community Building Partnership program	To retile the library arcade and associated works.	\$11,880	Pending	\$11,880	
Public Reserves Management Fund	Fencing and gate repair on the common.	\$7,064	Pending	Nil	
Public Reserves Management Fund	Boxthorn removal at the Old Res.	\$12,500	Pending	Nil	

Grant and Department	Activity	Amount Applied For	Successful?	Council Funding Required	Comment
Grants Announced					
Building Better Regions Fund	Construction of the Miners Memorial	\$200,000	Unsuccessful	\$80,000 of community funding will be used as the	

				Council contribution.	
Innovation Fund	Capacity build staff and undertake service level reviews to identify efficiency gains, analyse service provision and inform future budgets.	\$84,000	Successful	\$36,000	Have engaged UTS to do project. Looking to finish by March 2018.
Stronger Communities Program	Removal of fence, opening up of arcade and installation of noticeboard in front of optometrist near library.	\$14,050	Successful – no developing full application	\$14,050	Full application due 28 September 2017.

Grants Assisted With

Council has also assisted a number of community groups to submit grants over the last month. This has included the Cobar Netball Association to resurface the netball courts, supported the Cobar Business Association's project proposal to install heritage signage in the CBD and the Cobar Mobile Children's Service to extend and relocate Ngalii Preschool.

Current Grant Opportunities

- Fixing Country Roads – closes 1 September. Three streams of funding: Roads and bridges construction, Bridge and route load assessments and Truck washes. Council is submitting, on behalf of the three Councils, to have the Wool Track sealed.
- Resources for Regions – EOI closes 18 August for economic and social projects. Co-contribution required. Council is looking at submitting a project for the replacement of the water reticulation system, in line with the Public Works reports and studies. In addition, the Cobar Water Board is submitting a project to continue with the pipeline replacement project.
- Regional Cultural Fund – EOI closes 4 September, four categories - Large scale regional cultural infrastructure projects over \$1 million, Medium scale regional cultural infrastructure projects between \$60,000 and \$1 million, Small scale regional cultural infrastructure projects under \$60,000 and Operational projects. Council is looking to put together a project to preserve the museum building (damp course, roofing and guttering works) and is also investigating also a virtual reality project. May also apply for the Miners Memorial project again.
- Liquor and Gaming NSW – a range of project categories and funding limits. Closes 21 August. Quarterly rounds now available.
- CPTIGS – closes 31 October. Investigating new bus stop options.
- Events Flagship funding – EOI closes 1 September, for up to \$20,000 for one year's funding. Festival of the Miners Ghost application to be submitted.

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- Transport Heritage Grants – closes 31 August. Considering two projects – heritage signage at the railway station and restoration of the turntable at the railway station.
 - Seniors Week Grants – close 8 September. Will submit a series of events for Seniors Week 2018.

Grant Funded Projects - Implementation

The following is a summary of works in progress for grant funded projects:

- Nymagee Tennis Courts – The synthetic surface has been installed. Last part of project is to erect a new fence. A local contractor is undertaking this part of the project which should be completed shortly. Materials ordered, fence to be completed. Project to be acquitted.
- Public Library Infrastructure Grant – Works have commenced, extension provided to end September.
- CASP grant for arts workshops. Workshops commenced in June across a range of art and craft areas, held at the Youthie or library on weekends. Aimed at encouraging more people to be involved in creative pursuits. Very high participation rates with all workshops held to date fully prescribed.
- Reconciliation Week grant commenced to produce a series of story boards.
- The ODGP was successful in obtaining \$200,000 of funding under the Rural General Practice Grants Program for the extension of the medical centre. Council's contribution will be \$123,000. Design work continuing.
- Service Level Reviews – agreement signed with UTS, project schedule being developed. Aiming for March completion.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the grant funding report detailing grants applied for, grants announced and grants available be received and noted.

CLAUSE 14B – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2017**FILE: R2-1****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6****ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 122-123)****AUTHOR: Office Coordinator, Jo-Louise Brown****Purpose**

To provide Council details of the Rate Reconciliation as at 31 July 2017.

FUND	LEVY 2016-2017	Pensioner Rebates	Abandone d Levy	Additional Levies	Sub Total 2016-2017	Arrears 30th Jun 16	Payments	Total Outstanding	Total Outstanding Previous Year	% Outstanding of Sub Total Plus Arrears
Business	393,126.87		-	-	393,126.87	64,660.45	115,503.13	342,284.19	345,969.48	74.77%
Farmland	674,556.34		-	-	674,556.34	31,831.53	102,971.03	603,416.84	570,813.09	85.42%
Mining	1,618,398.06		-	-	1,618,398.06	172,984.33	1,845.00	1,789,537.39	1,603,567.05	99.90%
Residential	1,140,887.13	46,878.11	-	-	1,094,009.02	233,262.00	135,537.51	1,191,733.51	1,158,880.05	89.79%
Overpayments					-	-155,286.75	2,284.72	-157,571.47	-24,607.40	101.47%
Legal Costs			-	90.24	90.24	33,884.81	1,619.72	32,355.33	28,167.19	95.23%
Interest			-	480.38	480.38	118,774.48	1,643.85	117,611.01	89,928.76	98.62%
General Rates	3,826,968.40	46,878.11	-	570.62	3,780,660.91	500,110.85	361,404.96	3,919,366.80	3,772,718.22	91.56%
Domestic Waste	596,875.00	17,621.89	450.00	-	578,803.11	47,650.81	116,322.93	510,130.99	494,191.68	81.43%
Sewerage	597,350.00	18,112.50	-	-	579,237.50	100,078.77	114,832.04	564,484.23	561,125.22	83.10%
Cobar Water	653,140.00	19,775.00	-	-	633,365.00	40,449.25	126,544.77	547,269.48	511,399.38	81.22%
Nymagee Water	26,700.00	437.50	-	-	26,262.50	10,375.33	5,051.63	31,586.20	26,890.19	86.21%
Euabalong Water	42,600.00	1,050.00	-	-	41,550.00	12,052.41	4,536.16	49,066.25	40,694.42	91.54%
Euab West Water	26,400.00	437.50	-	-	25,962.50	6,087.01	3,859.11	28,190.40	24,411.56	87.96%
Mt Hope Water	6,300.00	-	-	-	6,300.00	982.02	2,276.06	5,005.96	2,954.58	68.74%
Water Access	755,140.00	21,700.00	-	-	733,440.00	69,946.02	142,267.73	661,118.29	606,350.13	82.29%
Water Usage			96.75	-	96.75	472,439.20	257,084.71	215,257.74	204,271.37	45.57%
TOTAL	5,776,333.40	104,312.50	546.75	570.62	5,672,044.77	1,190,225.65	991,912.37	5,870,358.05	5,638,656.62	85.55%

RECOMMENDATION

That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 31 July 2017 be received and noted.

ATTACHMENTS



ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY 24 AUGUST 2017

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