

COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL



ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2017

~ ORDER OF BUSINESS ~

Business for the meeting will be as follows:

1. Apologies
 2. Declaration of Interests
 3. Condolences
 4. Public Access Forum – Nymagee Progress Association
 5. Confirmation of Minutes
 - Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 28 September 2017.
 6. Matters Arising from Minutes
 7. Notice of Motions
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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.

**NOTICE OF MOTION – REVIEW OF CARBON FARMING INITIATIVE
AND THE EMISSIONS REDUCTION FUND (ERF)**

FILE: D7-4

AOP REFERENCE: 5.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Councillor, Peter Yench*

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That in relation to the Review of the Carbon Farming Initiative and the Emissions Reduction Fund Cobar Shire Council provides a submission to the Climate Change Authority to remove the date end of June 2010 as a cut-off date to have Property Vegetation Management Plans in place.**
- 2. That Council writes to the Western Division Councils requesting their support by also providing a submission to the Climate Change Authority.**

Background

By doing this, this would open up the availability of multiple abatements in Western NSW and deliver Western NSW as a capital for Carbon Storage. This would also mean a reduction in the price ACCU's and a flow on effect to reduce the cost of power/ electricity and products. As well as:

1. Increase more landowner income capability.
2. Employment opportunities.
3. Opportunities to increase plantations to allow current storage to increase.
4. Increase carrying capacity of land through affordable management.

With the anticipation of closing down coal fired power stations and the significant possibility of increased power prices. We should be doing everything to support the coal fired power stations continuation which includes: providing cheaper abatement through the increase of each storage of more land which is currently available.

Let's protect the Landowners and encourage them through this opportunity to develop more carbon storage and at the same time potentially reducing the cost of power to households.

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 October 2017.

CLAUSE 2A – ELECTRICITY CONTRACT**FILE: E3-1 AOP REFERENCE: 5.1.1****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*****Background**

Council's current contract for the supply of electricity for street lighting will end on 30 June 2018. In order to obtain the best possible pricing, Council has as a member of OROC engaged Energy and Management Services (EMS), a provider of specialist advice in relation to the energy market in New South Wales, to undertake a procurement process for street lighting and contestable sites.

Issues

EMS has advised that the current market is at probably one of the most difficult periods to confidently predict future direction. There has been evidence of steady investment in renewable sources of generation however, the subdued economic situation may have stabilised with the possibility of a return to growth. If growth returns, that will put renewed upward pressure on the market.

The NSW wholesale electricity market was one of the best performing up to mid-2015. Unfortunately, prices since then have resumed an upward trend escalating towards the end of 2016 and culminating in extremely high prices in the first quarter of 2017. Wholesale electricity markets are currently in a "crisis" with unprecedented prices and high volatility. Some of the reasons for this include:

- Increased output from renewable energy projects;
- Decreased output from coal fired generation and closure of further coal generation e.g. the large Hazelwood Power Station in Victoria;
- Increasing gas prices;
- Extreme weather events e.g. very hot long days in February leading to near blackout conditions in NSW;
- Average energy demand across the NEM increasing after five years of decreases; and
- Changes in generator ownership and bidding behavior (market power being exercised by AGL and Origin Energy).

Due to the many variables, specifically in relation to short term pricing offers, price fluctuations and tenderers not being able to provide tenders with a fixed price for a sufficient period of time to enable the normal tendering process to be completed, it is considered best value to the OROC Councils to use EMS again (they were used for the current contract for street lighting).

Financial Implications

Unknown but Council need to be operating under a contract for certainty.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Public tenders not be invited for the supply of electricity for Council's street lighting and contestable sites in accordance with Section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as it is considered that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by Council due to the extenuating circumstances' as a result of the dynamic nature in electricity pricing exist in relation to this particular contract matter and for Council to act in an expedient manner to lock in short term attractive price.**
- 2. That Energy and Management Services be engaged to renegotiate Council's street lighting and contestable sites.**
- 3. That the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to enter into a contract for the supply of electricity for both street lighting and contestable sites prior to 30 June 2018.**
- 4. That any necessary documents be executed under the Common Seal of the Council.**

CLAUSE 3A – MEETING ARRANGEMENTS – CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR (INCLUDING NOTIFICATION OF STAFF CHRISTMAS PARTY) CLOSURES

FILE: C6-16

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

To inform Council of the procedures for the Christmas and New Year period 2017/2018 and delegate to the Mayor and General Manager.

Background

This report deals with the closure of Council over the Christmas and New Year period and with the setting of meeting dates over that same period.

Issues

The Council Offices (including the main Administration building, Children's Services, Youth and Fitness Centre and Library) will be closed from Monday 25 December 2016 and will re-open the morning of Tuesday 2 January 2018. The Depots will be closed from the afternoon of Thursday 14 December 2017 and re-open Tuesday 2 January 2018. There will be a skeleton crew of Depot employees working through the closure period. Normal rosters will apply to emergency call-outs and alterations to garbage collection days will be advertised in the Cobar Weekly.

Council's Staff Christmas Party will be held on Friday 8 December 2017 in the back room at the Empire Hotel with all Council staff and Councilors encouraged to attend.

By adopting the above meeting arrangements for December and January, allowance can be made for the adequate preparation of reports and meeting agendas.

It is common practice in many Councils to delegate joint authority to the Mayor and General Manager to deal with matters of an urgent nature during the period that there are no Council Meetings. In this case, that authority would be for the period commencing 15 December 2017 and terminating on 22 February 2017 which is the date for the first Council Meeting for 2018.

This delegated authority is conferred jointly which means that the Mayor or General Manager cannot act in isolation on any urgent matters. If there are any urgent matters to be dealt with, they are automatically reported to the first Meeting of 2018.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Mayor and General Manager be delegated authority, jointly, to deal with matters of an urgent nature for the period commencing 15 December 2017 to 22 February 2018 and that if any urgent matters are dealt with under this authority that they be reported to the February 2018 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

CLAUSE 4A – RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE POLICY

FILE: L5-22-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5

**ATTACHMENT: YES
(PAGE 68-118)**

AUTHOR: *Director of Finance and Community Services, Kym Miller*

Purpose

To adopt a policy to ensure compliance with the Accounting Standard AASB 124 which became applicable for the Local Government sector for the recently completed reporting year.

Background

Disclosure of related party relationships and transactions (material) has been in place in the private sector for a substantial period. It is now applicable to the public sector. Councillors have been briefed on their obligations and the obligation of Council to include details in its Annual Audited Statements. This became effective in the reporting year ended 30 June 2017.

Included in the attachments is a copy of the standard issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board for information purposes.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the Related Party Disclosure Policy.

CLAUSE 5A – DEED OF VARIATION – AFFIXATION OF COMMON SEAL

FILE: G4-13

AOP REFERENCE: 1.2.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director of Finance and Community Services, Kym Miller*

Purpose

To advise Council that the Council Common Seal has been used on the Deed of Variation between Cobar Shire Council and the Department of Family and Community Services.

Background

The Deed of Variation is in relation to a small grant received by the Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre.

Due to the time sensitivity of the Deed of Variation needing to be returned the document has been signed and sealed on Friday, 13 October 2017.

Council still needs a formal resolution to support this.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the affixation of Council's seal on the Use Agreement between Cobar Shire Council and the Department of Family and Community Services.

CLAUSE 6A - TENDER FOR DRY AND WET HIRE PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

FILE: T3-17-9

AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to consider tenders for the Dry and Wet Hire Plant and Equipment.

Background

Local Government Procurement on behalf of Cobarr Shire Council issued a request for Tender for Dry and Wet Hire Plant and Equipment.

Thirty companies submitted tenders as listed below:

- Broughton Contracting;
- Bruce's Contracting Ltd;
- Central West Water Carts Pty Ltd;
- Clarke Concreting & Excavation Pty Ltd;
- Coates Hire Operations Pty Ltd (Corporate);
- Conplant Pty Ltd;
- Deppeler Earthmoving;
- Earth Plant Hire;
- Eastern Mechanical Services Pty Ltd;
- Ezyquip Hire Pty Ltd;
- Hiway Stabilizers Pty Ltd;
- J & B Consolidated Pty Ltd;
- J Prisk Contractors;
- J R May Earthmoving Pty Ltd;
- Kennards Hire Pty Ltd;
- Killeen Plant Hire Pty Ltd;
- McRowe Pty Ltd;
- Neill Earthmoving Pty Ltd;
- Premiair Hire;
- Ridings Plant Hire Pty Ltd;
- Rollers Australia Pty Ltd;
- Sharpe Bros (Aust) Pty Ltd;
- Stabilco Pty Ltd;
- Stabilcorp Pty Ltd;
- Stabilised Pavements of Australia (SPA);
- T A Booth Transport;
- The Mining Pty Ltd;
- Universal Mobile Tower Hire;
- Urquhart Haulage Contractors Pty Ltd;
- Ross Bross Excavation.

Given the sensitive nature of the information provided by the tenderers it is recommended that Council considers a further report in Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded.

Legal Situation

Council has complied with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993, Section 55 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 Part 7.

RECOMMENDATION

That the tenders received for the Tender for Dry and Wet Hire and Equipment be considered in Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reason as stated in *Section 10A (2)(d)(i)* of the Local Government Act 1993, as discussions of the information in Open Council would if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

CLAUSE 7A – FIRST QUARTERLY REVIEW OF THE ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN 2017/2018

FILE: L5-22 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 119-191)

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

Purpose

To provide Council with a detailed review of all actions outlined in the Annual Operational Plan 2017/2018 for the first quarter (ie July to September 2017).

Background

At the June 2017 Council Meeting, Council adopted the 2017/2018 Annual Operational Plan (AOP) and Budget. Council is obligated to review the AOP and budget each quarter, under the NSW Integrated Planning and Reporting Legislation and guidelines. It should be remembered that this review is only for the period July to September 2017 and does not cover actions or activities that have occurred since then. However, this paper aims to highlight major issues that may arise in Q2 of 2017/2018.

Issues

Each responsible officer has provided the attached review of their operations. All actions outlined in the AOP have been addressed and statistics are provided where appropriate.

A summary of the major projects undertaken in Q1 in 2017/2018 and the emerging concerns for Q2 in 2017/2018 are as follows:

Governance and Economic Development

- The biennial staff survey is currently underway. This year it is an entirely electronic survey and at the time of writing a reasonable number of responses had been received. Similar questions to previous years have been used to allow comparison of information.
- Staff continue to implement new electronic systems for the management of training needs and WHS reporting and management.
- Council continues to roll out the new Civic View system. The company supplying this product has been sold and with the minimum number of users it is likely that changes will take place in the future.
- Significant effort has been put into grant applications in the first quarter in a bid to access the NSW infrastructure funds that are currently available. Council has also been working with community groups to put in applications. Council will continue to develop up identified priority projects for future funding rounds.
- An updated quote for the Miners Memorial was sought to increase efforts to have this community project funded as a grant project. This \$400,000 project has received a great deal of community support with over 120 individual contributors and around \$90,000 of funds received, which Council holds on behalf of the voluntary group leading the project.

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- The new Destination Country and Outback tourism group has now been formed by the NSW Government that covers this area. A Board has been appointed, along with the project officer (based in Dubbo) and a General Manager is currently being recruited. Consultations are being undertaken in early November to determine the priorities for this group. Some marketing funding has been allocated and at this stage it is not expected that matching funds from Councils will be sought when developing up projects.
 - Significant effort has gone into developing the Festival of the Miners Ghost program over the quarter, with little input from the community. It continues to be frustrating that the community does not own this festival. However, a good program of events has been brought together and marketing it continues.
 - A number of marketing of Cobar projects have been undertaken over the last quarter. The Capture the Feeling Project had good buy-in from Cobar Public School and some community groups and helped to capture the messages of what makes Cobar a great place to live. Staff are currently running a project to collect images that can be used for promotional purposes and a 2018 calendar. At the end of October a film crew will be in Cobar working on our marketing and promotion project to attract new residents to Cobar. This project received grant funding and is being supported by the mines.
 - The tourism website continues to be developed. A skeleton has been agreed on and content is being written. Images from the above projects will be used.
 - Staff supported the 2017 Great Cobar Business Awards with work on the awards and presentation evening, as members of the Cobar Business Association. The Association is now working on the community Christmas parade and markets.
 - The burden of compliance with records management legislation continues impact staffing resources. Council must look towards an electronic management system in the future, however this will require more financial resources to establish and maintain.

Community Services

- The Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool opened in early October on schedule and there have been high utilisation numbers since. New local managers have been engaged by the contractor. Consultation is currently underway regarding the proposed BBQ and shade areas to be funded under Stronger Country Communities Fund.
- There is currently one vacancy at the LBV. An EOI for a new provider has been placed and these are expected to be assessed during Q2. A new provider may be appointed as early as Q3.
- There has been no clarification of government subsidies for our in-home care service after 30 June 2018. This information is required to determine strategies to ensure the ongoing viability of Council's children's services function.
- There continues to be strong utilisation rates for the Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre. The new spin bike classes have been fully utilised with the options for additional classes being explored. The longer, warmer days has also resulted in increased numbers of children visiting the skate park after school. There were strong utilisation rates of school holiday activities with a sport and rec qualified staff member engaged to run the activities.
- Work on the extension project at the library continues and with the cupboards expected to arrive this month it is expected that this will be completed shortly,

with the new spaces open to the public by Christmas. Community services groups in particular are very interested in using the spaces.

- Visitor numbers have been strong at the Visitor Information Centre with the number of caravans in town remaining high, despite the days warming up.
- Steve Pearce, Architect, continues to develop the concept plans and costing for a grand museum extension project and staff have been discussing the project with politicians.
- Work on the airport masterplan has commenced and community consultation is set down for October.
- The internal audit committee has had their first planning meeting with the charter to be agreed at the next meeting. A report to Council will be provided in Q2.

Engineering

- Grading Works – maintenance grading has been undertaken on various shire and regional roads including Bloomfield Road, Bedooba Road, Burthong Road, Grain Road, Tallebung Road, Wilgaroon Road, Mulya Road, The 78 Mile Road, Yathong Road, Yimkin Road, Booroomugga Road, Rosevale Road, Buckanbe Road, Budda Road, Nelyambo Bridge Road, Shuttleton Road, Bruce Cullenward Drive, Curranyalpa Road and The 52 Mile Road.
- Slashing Works – vegetation control has been undertaken on various shire and regional roads including Lerida Road, Whitbarrow Way, Lachlan Valley Way, Priory Tank Road and Booberoi Road.
- Guidepost Installation – guidepost replacement works have been undertaken on various shire and regional roads including Mulya Road, Tipping Way, Priory Tank Road, The Wool Track, Kiacatoo Road, Wilgaroon Road and the 52 Mile Road.
- Drainage restoration works have been undertaken on Wilga Downs Road.
- Further resealing works have been completed on Priory Tank Road (approximately 10km).
- The contract to design and construct the new Water Treatment Plant has been let and construction will commence this month. Clearing works have been undertaken and Laurie Curran Water will be on site from 19 October 2017.
- Public Works continue to progress their report on the reticulation system and staff are investigating options to pig the network prior to summer.
- The tree replanting program has continued with trees and garden beds installed in Marshall Street, trees in planter boxes in Barton Street and works just commenced on the new footpath and garden beds along Linsley Street.
- Council has been successful in obtaining grant funding for Dalton Park playground. Design and public consultation will continue and it is anticipated that a funding agreement will be signed shortly. There has also been significant effort into the planning of works at the pool, in anticipation of a successful grant application.

Planning and Environmental Services

- Plans have been finalised and preparation works undertaken for the medical centre extension project. Procurement will commence shortly, with construction to commence prior to Christmas.

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- The building team spent significant time at the pool prior to opening, doing concrete sealing and joint works and painting the change rooms. They have also been in Nymagee constructing new concrete paths around the hall, new fire safety doors are on order, quotes for works at the old school building have been provided to the Progress Association and air conditioning has been installed in the school. Maintenance works continue on the housing stock, in line with asset inspections undertaken previously.
 - Council has continued to review the operations of waste management across the whole Cobar LGA. The current status of this review is the development of a summary list of waste management changes and includes operational improvements, infrastructure needs, plant needs and opportunities for development, including waste recovery revenue opportunities. These changes are subject of a discussion paper currently being considered by Councils Executive Management team.
 - Staff have been in contact with Crown Lands to progress the development of the Newey reserve Plan of Management. Staff are organising cost estimates to fund this project and an update will be provided to the November Council meeting.
 - Land transfer for the Sound Chapel is still to be finalised by Public Works. The proponent, sponsors and architect are working on the design and the creation of a legal entity to manage the project.

Legal Situation

Council must review the AOP six monthly and the budget quarterly as per the NSW Integrated Planning and Reporting guidelines. Council chooses to review the AOP in line with the budget.

Policy Implications

The report outlines what has been achieved to date, what has not been achieved and why, and highlights any concerns regarding the actions in the AOP. Councillors are encouraged to read through the report to get an understanding of where each of the actions has progressed to and to understand any possible issues that may need addressing in future quarters.

Financial Implications

Any financial implications are outlined in the budget review.

Risk Implication

Any risks to achieving outcomes are listed in the report.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and endorses the first quarterly review of the 2017/2018 Annual Operational Plan, covering the period July to September 2017.

CLAUSE 8A – SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY 2017

FILE: S5-27

AOP REFERENCE: 1.3.4.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

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

Purpose

To set the date for the Senior Citizens Christmas Party for 2017.

Background

Council has, for a number of years, held a Christmas party for its Senior Citizens in the Council Chambers with the cost being met by Council. It has again been included in the adopted 2017/2018 budget with a \$2,870 allowance.

The event will be organised by the Project Officer, with heavy support from the Administration Centre Staff and Councillors.

It is desirable that the event be held before the Christmas school holidays commence as local school children are often involved in the entertainment.

Council staff and Councillors assist with the serving of food, entertainment and the role of Santa Claus which is usually keenly contested for by a Councillor.

To assist Councillors to be involved, the party is generally held the day after the last Council meeting for the year.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council Senior Citizens Christmas Party be held in the Cobar Shire Council Chambers on Friday 15 December 2017.

CLAUSE 9A – PROJECT TO EXTEND THE GREAT COBAR HERITAGE CENTRE

FILE: A10-5

AOP REFERENCE: 2.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director Corporate and Community Services, Angela Shepherd*

Purpose

To seek Council endorsement to continue developing the proposal to extend the Great Cobar Heritage Centre.

Background

In June 2017, Council engaged the services of Steve Pearse, an architect in Sydney, to investigate the options to extend the Great Cobar Heritage Centre. Steve came to Cobar and talked to a range of stakeholders about their ideas and needs for a new space. Essentially, Cobar is in need of an exhibition space (this was reinforced at an engagement workshop undertaken by Create NSW on 18 October 2017 in Cobar), Council has a store of objects that could be displayed if display space was enhanced, and there is the opportunity to create a facility of state or national significance.

Issues

Steve Pearse Architect has progressed the project and provided draft concept designs. These were discussed with Council at the October Workshop when the consultant went through the proposal. These plans have been costed by a quantity surveyor who is familiar with the Cobar area and who worked with the consultant. The cost he has provided is between \$27-\$31m and includes all costs associated with the project, including upgrading the existing building, fit out of both buildings, required road works etc.

For this project to progress, Council will need to work with state or Federal organisations to make this a significant project and for them to take on the ongoing running and maintenance of the facility as it will be beyond Council's capacity.

Policy Implications

This project is consistent with Council's IP&R objectives.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to continue to develop the design and refine the cost of the project and use this work to seek government support and funding for the project to undertake a major extension at the Great Cobar Heritage Centre.

CLAUSE 1B – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 21 SEPTEMBER 2017 – 17 OCTOBER 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 21 September 2017 – 17 October 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 21 September 2017 – 17 October 2017.

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)
2017/LD-00041	63 Monaghan St, Cobar	Patio	\$14,500
2017/LD-00042	24 & 26 Harcourt St, Cobar	Additions and Alterations to Existing Medical Service	\$364,370
2017/LD-00040	Lots 13-22 Maidens Ave, Cobar	Circus	\$0

The value of Local Development approvals for 2017/2018 to date is \$1,607,147.00.

The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2016/2017 was \$725,363.00.

Construction Certificates

There were the following Construction Certificates approved under delegated authority for the period 21 September 2017 – 17 October 2017.

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION
2017/CB-00035	63 Monaghan St, Cobar	Patio
2017/CB-00037	24 & 26 Harcourt St, Cobar	Additions & Alterations to Existing Medical Service
2017/CB-00036	31-33 Bourke St, Cobar	Removal of carpark and Relocation of fence

RECOMMENDATION

That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 21 September 2017 – 17 October 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 plan for the Great Cobar Heritage Centre, tourism and events. Expect draft plan to Council in November.

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.	December 2017 target will be met. Timeframe to be reviewed.

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	210.10.2015	DES/SM	That an investigation be undertaken into a water subsidy for the	No action to date.

	Motion – Services to O’Neill Road and Sutherland Drive			residents of O’Neill Road for the summer months similar to what we do for the Villages.	Matter to be included in Network Analysis.
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 NOVEMBER 2015					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
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	<p>That Council apply for a 12 month short term licence over crown land parcel Lot 24 in DP837494.</p> <p>That the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute the licence documents under the Common Seal of Council.</p> <p>That the costs associated with the licence be paid from operating expenses for the Cobar Sewerage Treatment Works.</p> <p>That Council acquire by 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</p>	Matter being reviewed given no action to date.

			<p>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 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</p>	
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				<p>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 Motion – Establishment of a Cobar Community Trust	251.12.2015	GM	That Council investigates the 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.	No action to date. Deputy Mayor to provide additional information to assist the progression of the matter.

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. Included in discussions with consultant doing Masterplan.

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 Committee	228.11.2016	DFCS	That Council receive a further Report on the (re) formation of the Internal Audit Committee by 31 March 2017.	Further Report to be provided to the November Ordinary Council Meeting. This is due to the unavailability of Paul Manns. Initial Meeting was held in June 2017. Currently researching options to carry out internal audit function. Paul Manns and Michael Zannes have accepted positions on the Internal Audit Committee – No further action required.
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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.	Application under current grants fund has been submitted.
996	Council – Clause 12A	20.2.2017	DCED	That Council increase lobbying efforts	Investigations being undertaken into

	– Minutes of the Economic Taskforce February Meeting and Terms of Reference			<p>seeking government investment in promotion of outback NSW in a similar manner to that undertaken in Queensland.</p> <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>changing tourism landscape. A workshop planned for November for Councillors.</p> <p>Draft 2017 Festival program now available. Work commenced on forming a 150 year anniversary planning committee and budget.</p> <p>Bayside Solutions engaged and skeleton of site agreed to. Content being written. Photo competition currently being run to provide photos. Expect to launch in late 2017.</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 and report back to Council.</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 – awaiting reply.</p>

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MARCH 2017

1007	Council – Clause 7B –	59.3.2017	DES	That a Rest Area be built along the	Matter to be raised with funding
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	Expenditure for Roads Network			Wool Track and that it be named after Duncan Gay.	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.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 APRIL 2017

1014	Council – Clause 4A – Cobar Sewer Upgrade Project	74.4.2017	DES	<p>That Council applies to Infrastructure NSW for an amendment of the project 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>	Council report has been provided to NSW Public Works for assessment 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	That Council resolves to further investigate the idea of a freight depot for Cobar and report back to the Taskforce.	Initial positive discussions held with Livestock and Bulk Carriers Association who will provide further information. Trying to identify a

				<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 for such a service.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>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> <p>No action to date.</p>
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.	<p>Letter has been sent to RMS to request improvements to entrance to Meadow Glen Rest Area.</p> <p>Letter has been acknowledged by RMS and they are programming work subject to available funding.</p>

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 JUNE 2017

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
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 October Ordinary Council Meeting.
1050	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Legal	158.6.2017	DFCS	That the suite of documents as attached be approved in principle.	NSW Health has been advised and are now preparing the EOI Document. The expected conclusion

	Documents to Incorporate the Lilliane Brady Village into a Multi-Purpose (Health) Service			<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>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>	<p>of this task is 31 October 2017.</p> <p>Council Officers have collated the documents which will be attached to the EOI document and preparing other information which will be required for due diligence investigations.</p>
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 JULY 2017					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
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 water storage.

1053	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Request for Councillor Training	164.7.2017	GM	That the General Manager be requested to hold a training session for all Councillors on Meeting procedures as soon as practical.	Staff seeking proposal for appropriate training. Neighboring Councils contacted to seek interest and reduce costs. Training organised for 29 November 2017 – 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>	Advice received from NSW Crown Lands that there is no objection to Council proceeding with preparation of a Plan of Management and a Planning Proposal. Further report to Council as part of Q1 Budget review. Report to be provided to November Ordinary Council Meeting.
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: - As Listed in Report. That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park	Four (4) Licence Agreements completed. Three (3) acceptances are being processed.

				<p>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	<p>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 2017 to 30 June 2018.</p> <p>That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Bathurst Street Reserve Trust, resolve to affix the</p>	Licence Agreement completed – No further action required.

				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.	
1063	Council Meeting – Clause 13A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce	176.7.2017	DCED	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.	Costing being prepared.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 AUGUST 2017					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1065	Council Meeting – Confirmation of the Minutes	197.8.2017	GM	That Council provides a submission to APA Group as an alternative gas pipeline route through Cobar to Bourke to Narrabri and that Council contacts the appropriate Councils to support our submission.	Appropriate Councils have been written to for support and awaiting response. Bourke Shire Council have advised of their support for the alternate route.
1066	Council Meeting – Clause 2A – Review of Current Water Restrictions	200.8.2017	GM	That Council staff prepare a report in relation to water catchment damming in the Cobar area to increase water security for Cobar residents.	Currently seeking contractors to undertake the investigation through Department of Water.
1071	Council Meeting – Clause 6A – Sale of Land at Duffy Drive	205.8.2017	DFCS	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	These blocks will be offered early in 2018 with other unpaid rate properties.

				auction date.	
1075	Council Meeting – Clause 9A – Public Exhibition – Cobar Hospital Planning Proposal	209.8.2017	GM	<p>That Cobar Shire Council form a working group to identify areas where locally provided health services can be improved to meet the current and future needs of the Community of Cobar and the Region.</p> <p>The working group to comprise of three Councillors Chris Lehmann and Janine Lea-Barrett and Peter Yench, General Manager or his representative and the Cobar Primary Health Care Centre, Dr Indra Karalasingham and a representative from the Cobar Community Service Forum.</p>	<p>First Meeting to be held in mid to late October 2017.</p> <p>Meeting held on Tuesday, 17 October 2017 – No further action required.</p>
1076	Council Meeting – Clause 5B – Meeting Minutes	215.8.2017	DES	That Council, in conjunction with landholders, seal the approaches of grids on regional roads on a program basis.	Investigation to be undertaken.
1077	Council Meeting – Clause 5B – Meeting Minutes	216.8.2017	DES	That Council write to our Minister and the Minister for Roads seeking their assistance on rectifying the anomaly in funding for regional roads.	Letter to be written.
1078	Council Meeting – Clause 5B – Meeting Minutes	217.8.2017	DES	That Council immediately investigate the sealing of the causeway at Brick Kiln Creek.	Investigation to be undertaken. Survey completed and draining work, headwall works and wingwalls only required. This work will be undertaken by December 2017.

1081	Council Meeting – Clause 5B – Meeting Minutes	220.8.2017	DES	That Council look into acquiring Public Stock Watering Points as a method of guaranteeing access to water for Council use.	Investigation to be undertaken.
1082	Council Meeting – Clause 13B – Grant Funding	229.8.2017	GM	That Council approves the updating of the previous report “Far West Regional Rehabilitation and Health Centre” in order to consider appropriate funding models in establishing a Mining and Sporting Injury Rehabilitation Centre in Cobar for the Region and provide a report back to the October Ordinary Council Meeting.	Further report was to be provided to the October Ordinary Council Meeting, however matter is still being investigated.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 SEPTEMBER 2017

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1083	Council Meeting – Clause 2A – Gifts and Benefits Policy	237.9.2017	GM	That Council adopts the draft Gifts and Benefits Policy.	Policy adopted and placed on public exhibition – No further action required.
1084	Council Meeting – Clause 3A – Meeting Dates and Times	238.9.2017	GM	That the Ordinary Meetings of Council be held in the Council Chambers commencing at 5pm on the fourth Thursday of each month except for the December meeting which is to be held on the second Thursday of the month to stay clear of the Christmas period and January where no meetings are held and that where practical the	Meeting dates set – No further action required.

				<p>September Council Meeting to be designated as the Rural Council Meeting that will commence at 1:00pm.</p> <p>The Rural Council Meeting be held on a rotating basis through the Council Election cycle as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nymagee (October 2017); - Mt Hope (September 2018); - Tilpa (September 2019); - Euabalong (September 2020). 	Rural Council Meeting dates set – No further action required.
1085	Council Meeting – Clause 3A – Meeting Dates and Times	239.9.2017	DPES	That the further report in relation to the Newey Plan of Management be moved to the November Ordinary Council Meeting.	Report on the Newey Plan of Management moved to the November Ordinary Council Meeting – No further action required.
1086	Council Meeting – Clause 4A – Council Committees and Delegates	240.9.2017	GM	<p>That Council determine its delegates for each of the listed Committees/ Organisations as follows:</p> <p>As listed in Minutes.</p> <p>That Council continue to hold Workshops in place of the Standing Committees (Finance and Policy Committee and Works Committee).</p>	<p>Committees/ Organisations Delegates appointed – No further action required.</p> <p>Workshops to continue – No further action required.</p>
1087	Council Meeting – Clause 5A – 2017 Local Government NSW Annual Conference	241.9.2017	GM	That the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and General Manager be authorised to attend the 2017 Annual Conference of the Local Government NSW to be held in Sydney from Monday, 4	Attendance arranged – No further action required.

				December to Wednesday, 6 December 2017 and that all costs associated with attendance be met from within the relevant budget allocation.	
1088	Council Meeting – Clause 6A – Unaudited Financial Statements	242.9.2017	DFCS	<p>In accordance with Section 413 (1) of the Local Government Act 1993 Council refer the draft Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2017 for audit.</p> <p>In accordance with Section 413 (2) (c) Mayor Brady OAM, a Councillor, General Manager Mr. Vlatko and the Responsible Accounting Officer sign the required statement as to Council's opinion of the accounts.</p>	<p>Financial Statements referred for Audit – No further action required.</p> <p>Mayor Brady OAM, a Councillor, General Manager Mr. Vlatko and the Responsible Accounting Officer have signed the documents – No further action required.</p>
1089	Council Meeting – Clause 8A – Promotion of Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool and Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre	244.9.2017	DFCS	That the Director Finance and Community Services be authorised to introduce promotional packages for the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool and Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre with a report to be presented to Council at the conclusion of the 2017/2018 swimming season	No action required until April 2018.
1090	Council Meeting – Clause 9A – Application for Payment of Pensioner Concession Subsidy	245.9.2017	OC	<p>That Council writes off rates in respect of eligible pensioners in the sum of \$108,390.45 as detailed in the summary listed below, subject to Council's Auditor's approval:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$</p>	Rates written off – No further action required.

				<p>General Rates 66,981.05</p> <p>Cobar Water Supply Access Rate 20,518.78</p> <p>Euabalong Water Supply Access Rate 1,137.50</p> <p>Euabalong West Water Supply Access Rate 481.25</p> <p>Nymagee Water Supply Access Rate 437.50</p> <p>Mount Hope Water Supply Access Rate 0.00</p> <p>Cobar Sewerage Access Rate 18,834.37</p> <p>TOTAL \$108,390.45</p> <p>That Council apply for a subsidy of \$59,614.75 summarised below and that Council undertake that in the event of a subsidy not being paid to Council in respect of the rates written off, then Council will not subsequently take proceedings for recovery thereof:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$</p> <p>General Rates 36,839.58</p> <p>Cobar Water Supply Local Rate 11,285.33</p> <p>Euabalong Water Supply Local Rate 625.63</p> <p>Euabalong West Water Supply Local Rate 264.69</p> <p>Nymagee Water Supply</p>
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				<p style="text-align: right;">240.63</p> <p>Mount Hope Water Supply</p> <p style="text-align: right;">0.00</p> <p>Cobar Sewerage Local Rate</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10,358.90</p> <p>TOTAL <u>\$59,614.75</u></p>	
1091	Council Meeting – Clause 10A – Liquid Trade Waste Policy	246.9.2017	DES	That Council place the draft Liquid Trade Waste Policy (local policy) on public exhibition in accordance with section 77 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005.	Liquid Trade Waste Policy placed on public exhibition – No further action required.
1092	Council Meeting – Clause 12A – Minutes of Economic Taskforce Meeting	248.9.2017	DCED	<p>That Council resolves to accept the recommendations of the Economic Taskforce:</p> <p>That Council identify the Pulpulla Road as a high priority for its ability to contribute to tourism and economic development and that Council work with National Parks and Wildlife Service to establish a plan of action and budgets to maintain it to a standard suitable for all vehicle access.</p> <p>That Council investigate options of providing street signage to locate key facilities, such as the pool, sports facilities and water recreation areas.</p> <p>That the celebrations to mark</p>	<p>Recommendations accepted.</p> <p>Initial discussions held with NPWS regarding upgrade of road (which is currently being graded).</p>

				<p>Cobar's 150th Anniversary be an item on Council's agenda and that projects be scoped and indicative budgets developed.</p> <p>That Council convene a meeting of major contractors to identify a list of ideas that could be undertaken to improve the efficiency of working across mine sites and reduce the costs of doing business in Cobar. Discuss options for implementing the ideas with the mines in Cobar Shire.</p>	
1093	Council Meeting – Clause 13A – NSW Ambulance Long Range Digital Network – HF Tower at Lot 7007, DP 1119178	249.9.2017	DPES	That Council considers the request from the NSW Ambulance Service to grant consent as the Reserve Trust Manager of Lot 7007 in DP 1119178 for the proposal to erect a new HF tower on the subject land.	Response provided – No further action required.
1094	Council Meeting – Clause 14A – Use of Ward Oval for a Circus	250.9.2017	MPES	<p>That Council resolve to determine Development Application 2017/LD-040 under Section 80(1) of the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i> by granting consent subject to the following conditions and approve Section 68 Application No.2017/s68-003:</p> <p>The development must be carried out in accordance with the documents listed below, except where amended by other conditions</p>	Notice of Determination issued – No further action required.

			<p>of this consent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approved site titled “Typical Site Layout” ii. Document titled Risk Management for Janlin Circuses P/L, Trading as Lennon Bros Circus dated 2017. <p>In the event of any inconsistency between conditions of this consent and documents referred to above, the conditions of this consent prevail.</p> <p>The applicant must implement all practicable measures to prevent or minimise harm to the environment during the construction and operation of the development.</p> <p>No nuisance or interference with the amenity of the area is to be created by reason of any process or operation on the premises causing the emission of noise, dust, smoke or any polluted discharge whatsoever. In the event that a noise nuisance, Council reserves the right to issue a noise abatement direction requiring all noise generating activities to cease.</p>	
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				<p>This consent does not approve any signage or banners, other than what is provided on the site subject of this consent. Any other proposed signage, that is not exempt development, will require separate development consent before installation.</p> <p>If the operation of the approved development causes serious environmental concern public nuisance or unreasonable disturbance to the quiet enjoyment of the neighbourhood then Council may require the owner or occupier to cease activities causing such conditions until abatement measures are implemented.</p> <p>All waste generated by this development shall be disposed either in an approved waste receptacle provided at the event site or shall be taken directly to the Waste Cobar Waste Facility, 900 Mulya Road, Cobar.</p> <p>The site shall be restored, as far as is practicable, to the condition in which it was before the commencement of use.</p>	
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				<p>This consent is only valid for the period from 9 November to 12 November 2017.</p> <p>The applicant shall monitor and advise patrons of the Circus of their obligations to the surrounding neighbourhood to leave the premises in a quiet and orderly manner, and not to obstruct traffic in the surrounding area.</p> <p>Exits must be provided and arranged as to afford a ready means of egress from all parts of the Circus tent.</p> <p>Every part of an entrance or exit must provide a minimum unobstructed height of 2000mm and, where the entrance or exit is beneath a stepped seating platform, infilled risers or other approved overhead protection must be provided above the exit or entrance.</p> <p>A flap or curtain used to cover an exit must be so designed that, when it is secured, it will not obstruct or impede egress.</p> <p>Suitable sanitary accommodation</p>	
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				<p>must be provided at a location convenient to the Circus tent.</p> <p>Where food is to be prepared and/or sold the temporary food stalls shall be constructed and operated in accordance with the NSW Food Authority's "Guidelines for Food Businesses at Temporary Events" dated June 2016.</p> <p>The installation and operation of the amusement device(s) shall be installed erected and operated in a safe manner and comply with the following standards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The ground on which the device is to be erected shall be sufficiently firm to sustain the device while it is in operation and shall not be dangerous because of its slope or irregularity or for any other reasons. b. The device shall be separated from all public areas by an appropriate safety barrier. c. The operation and maintenance of all 	
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				<p>amusement rides and devices shall be conducted in accordance with Australian Standard AS3533.2-2009.</p> <p>d. There is in force a contract of insurance or indemnity which indemnifies to an unlimited extent (or up to an account of not less than \$10,000,000.00 in respect of each accident) each person who would be liable for damages for death or personal injury arising out of the operation or use of the device and any total of partial failure or collapse of the device against that liability.</p> <p>e. The operator/owner of the rides/devices shall provide copies of current inspection certificates issued by Safe Work NSW.</p>	
1095	Council Meeting – Clause 13B – Grant Funding	264.9.2017	DCED	That an additional column be added to the Grant Report to show the budget implication for Council contribution to grants.	Additional column added – No further action required.
1096	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Increase in Provision for Doubtful Debts	267.9.2017	DFCS	That the report Increase of Provision of Doubtful Debts Follow Up be received and noted.	Report Increase of Provision of Doubtful Debts Follow Up received and noted – No further action required.

				That the previously approved provision for Manuka Resources Pty Ltd unpaid debt recovery of \$110,000 not be proceeded with.	Debt recovery not proceeded with – No further action required.
1097	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 2C – Council’s Seal on Use Agreement in Relation to Construction of a new medical centre	267.9.2017	DCED	That Council resolve to affix Council’s seal on the use agreement between Cobar Shire Council and the Commonwealth of Australia (through the Department of Health) in relation to the construction of a new medical centre.	Seal affixed – No further action required.
1098	Council Meeting – Matter of Urgency	269.9.2017	Mayor	That Council amends the water restrictions that are enforced from 1 September 2017 to 1 December 2017 to allow for hand held hoses being permitted at any time in Cobar.	Water restrictions amended – No further action required.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted, with the following items to be removed: 971 Part 2, 1053, 1062, 1075, 1083, 1084, 1085, 1086, 1087, 1088, 1090, 1093, 1094, 1095, 1096, 1097 and 1098.

CLAUSE 3B – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 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 to the Council on a monthly basis.

Issues

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	\$4,001,860	\$2,366,155	\$3,896,450	\$3,956	\$2,475,521
NAB Term Deposits					
2.40% (Dec) 4036	\$2,011,526	\$2,012,452	\$2,012,452	\$3,969	\$2,015,495
2.40% (Dec) 4039	\$2,010,711	\$2,000,000	\$2,012,181	\$3,969	\$2,002,499
AMP Bank					
2.50% (Dec) 4040	\$2,008,777			\$4,128	\$2,012,905
2.80% (Jan) 4044	\$1,003,207	\$2,000,000	\$1,003,781	\$1,985	\$2,001,411
2.80% (Jan) 4047	\$1,003,455			\$2,309	\$1,005,764
2.60% (Nov) 4048	\$1,004,932			\$2,151	\$1,007,083
Bank of Qld					
2.65% (Jan) 4046	\$2,006,539			\$4,370	\$2,010,909
TOTALS	\$15,051,007	\$8,378,607	\$8,924,864	\$26,837	\$14,531,587

Annualised Average return on Investment for the Month: 2.18%

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.



Finance Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Investment Report as at 30 September 2017.

**CLAUSE 4B – BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY
SUMMARIES AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 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	18,253
Less Unreceipted Deposits	

Reconciled Balance	(5,470)
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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
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
Aug 17	15,001,007	(144,836)	14,856,171
Sep 17	14,531,587	(5,470)	14,526,117

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

Cash Flow

September		Description	Forecast
Forecast	Actual		October
(144,836)	(144,836)	Bank Balance Forward	(5,470)
		FAG <i>(estimated)</i>	664,500
14,300	14,124	RMS Agency	14,300
341,000	1,393,494	Rates /Water/User Charges	550,000
150,000	97,742	Private Works/Debtors	150,000
177,000	359,943	LBV – Residents Fees & Grant	177,000
170,000	182,399	Child Care/In Home Care	170,000
1,722,536	1,366,580	Net Movement of Investments	1,009,670
60,000	71,378	Sundry Income & Grants	60,000
		<i>Less</i>	
(1,700,000)	(2,226,623)	Creditors	(2,000,000)
(780,000)	(760,088)	Wages / Salaries	(780,000)
10,000	(5,470)	Closing Reconciled Bank Balance Cr/(Dr)	10,000

Borrowing Instruments as at 30 September 2017

Swimming Pool and Street Upgrade Loan (6.22%)	(1,365,329)
2 x Tyre Rollers Lease <i>(Implicit rate of 6.87%, Quarterly)</i>	(78,697)
Bomag Tyre Roller Lease <i>(Implicit rate of 5.63%)</i>	(41,997)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as at 30 September 2017.

CLAUSE 5B – 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 30 September 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 30 September 2017	Project Status
Water Treatment Plant	\$15,550,000	\$200,000	\$1,187,303	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- HAZOP meeting was held 29/30 August.- Contractor undertaking site visit 20/21 September.- Commenced mid-October - Clearing of the site has commenced with the initial work on the concrete Tank.- The final design to be provided for Council information in November.
Sewerage Scheme Refurbishments Expansion and upgrade	\$2,100,000	\$100,000	\$475,336	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- The Ward Oval Pump Station refurbishment and Lagoon upgrade have been completed.- Public Works are preparing a report for Infrastructure NSW on the grit and rag removal and pump station upgrades.

RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 6B – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK

FILE: R5-31

AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2

ATTACHMENT: YES

(PAGE 192-202)

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 Capital/R2R (orange), Council's Shire Local Roads (blue) and Regional Roads Network (green) is provided as an attachment to this agenda for Council's information.

RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 7B – 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 September 2017.

Background

Lack of rain is continuing to restrict maintenance activities on roads due to lack of water in many areas. Therefore maintenance grading is being undertaken where there is river, bore or Cobar Water Board raw water pipeline available. If this shortage continues some of the carry over items in the capital program will continue to be delayed.

State Highways

Maintenance Work

- Sign replacement works as required – **ongoing**;
- Pothole repairs – **ongoing**;

Ordered Works

- Pricing for Heavy Patching work should be finished by end November;
- Currently pricing resealing.

Urban Roads/Shire Roads/Regional Roads

Maintenance Work

- Inspections on various roads;
- Maintenance grading – SR1, SR2, SR3, SR13B, SR15, SR18, SR19, SR20, SR28, SR29, SR33, RR7518, MR461, MR68;
- Slashing/Mowing – SR23, MR423;
- Guideposts – SR25, RR7518, RR7521;
- Potholes – SR26, MR419;
- Gravel Crushing – MR407.

Construction Work

- SR26 – Drainage works.

Water and Sewer

Maintenance Work

- Pest control within sewer reticulation network being carried out where necessary - **ongoing**;

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- Clearing and control of vegetation along the Nyngan to Cobar raw water pipeline easement (CWB) – **ongoing**;
 - Preparation of tender documents for cleaning of the Cobar reticulation network – **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**;
- Commencement of Stage 2 of Drummond Park Playground upgrade – **ongoing**.
- Tree planting Barton Street – **ongoing**;
- Preparation of ovals and parks for growing season – **ongoing**.

Street Cleaning and Tree Removal

- Street cleaning and maintenance – **ongoing**.

Resources for Regions

Construction of New Water Treatment Plant

The Contract was Let to Laurie Curran Water 23 June 2017.

Works Completed To Date:

- Draft Design Review Meeting Completed;
- HAZOP and Safety in Design Meeting Completed;
- Initial site clearing partially undertaken;
- Initial site inspections at Cobar Storages and Forte Bourke Hill undertaken;
- Detailed design 75% complete.

Works to be completed:

- Design works (expected to be completed in November);
- Procurement;
- Site clearing and establishment;
- Construction;
- Commissioning and Documentation.

Areas of Concern:

Cobar Storages Transformer Sizing: LCW has raised concerns with the current sizing of the transformers at the storages site, currently it is believed that we will not be able to run the new pump station to its full potential until the transformer is upgraded, NSW Water Solutions is liaising with LCW to work out the extent of any issues.

REF Approval: LCW currently cannot commence site works due to issues with environmental approvals. LCW were originally intending to be on site on the 19 October 2017 but have indicated that with the uncertainty around this approval they have had to hold back on this. Currently LCW is indicating that they will want an Extension of Time for this issue but are not currently indicating that they intend to claim delay costs. It is suspected that if the site cannot be cleared prior to the first week in November that the LCW would start incurring costs from the delay and thus they may seek delay costs under the contract if this issue is not resolved prior to November.

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.

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 8B – 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 – 30 September 2017.

Contractor	Description of Works	September 2017	2017/2018
Clarke Concreting and Excavation	Construction Works	\$66,532	155,205

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the information contained within this report.

CLAUSE 9B – GRANTS REPORT

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					
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	
Fixing Country Roads – Roads and Bridges Construction	Widen and seal the Wool Track, in partnership with Central Darling and Balranald	\$55,422,570	EOI pending	\$200,000	Put in as an application between three Councils over several years.
Resources for Regions	Water Reticulation upgrade	\$5,212,207	EOI pending	\$400,000 from Water Fund	
Regional Flagship Fund	Assistance to market the 2018 Festival of the Miners Ghost.	\$20,000	EOI pending	Nil	
Regional Cultural Fund	Create a virtual reality mining experience at the GCHC	\$31,930	EOI pending	\$25,000	Successful projects notified 23 October. Final

					business case due 15 January 2018. Announcement 5 February 2018.
Regional Cultural Fund	Construction of the Miners Memorial	\$190,000	EOI pending	\$80,000 community donations received. \$10,000 Council contribution	As above
Regional Cultural Fund	Replace roof (battens, fascia etc), windows and damp proofing to make the building water tight - GCHC	\$244,003	EOI pending	\$100,000	As above
Transport Heritage Grants	Historical signage	\$3,550	Pending	Some in-kind	In-kind will be grant administration etc.
Seniors Week Grants	To organise activities for seniors week 2018	\$3,000	Pending	\$1,500	Announced by the end of 2017.
Stronger Communities Program	Removal of fence, opening up of arcade and installation of noticeboard in front of optometrist near Library.	\$14,050	Pending	\$14,050	EOI successful. To be determined in 2018.
Safe and Secure Water Program	Nymagee Water Security Project - Scoping Study	\$15,000	Pending	\$5,000 from Water Fund	EOI submitted. Proposed to commence November and be completed by January 2018.
Safe and Secure Water Program	Euabalong and Euabalong West Water Quality & Security Project – Business Case	\$37,500	Pending	\$12,500 from Water Fund	EOI submitted. Proposed to commence November and be completed by January 2018.

Safe and Secure Water Program	Cobar Storage and Reticulation West Water Quality & Security Project	\$6,900,000	Pending	\$1,100,000 from Water Fund.	EOI submitted. Commence October 2017. Complete March 2019.
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Grant and Department	Activity	Amount Applied For	Successful?	Council Funding Required	Comment
Grants Announced					
Grand Parents Day	Host an interactive family day at the Youthie as part of the FOMG sharing information between the generations.	\$1,000	Successful	Nil	Will be held on Sunday 29 October as part of FOMG Program.

Council has committed \$100,000 in the 2017/2018 Budget to put towards grant proposals as a co-contribution. This is used when there are no other sources to draw from within the budget. From this budget allocation, none has been used to date for the projects that have been awarded.

Current Grant Opportunities

- Growing Local Economies – projects over \$1m, open found, allocations to be made on a sub-regional level, projects to features in new regional plans. Major infrastructure projects. Currently working with DPC on our Regional Plan.
- CPTIGS – closes 31 October – Investigating new bus stop options.
- NSW Infrastructure grants – Closes 20 November 2017.
- Safer Communities Fund – 14 November 2017.
- Liveable Communities Grant – 20 November 2017.
- Community War Memorials Grant – 11 November 2017.
- Armistice Centenary Grants – 28 February 2018.

Grant Funded Projects - Implementation

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

- Nymagee Tennis Courts – Works are completed. Project reporting underway.
- 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. Plans finalised. Construction to commence November.
- Service Reviews – First round of interviews completed, first workshop took place 19 – 20 September. Next workshop scheduled for 31 October 2017. Aiming for March completion of initial work, have until October 2018 to acquit the grant.
- Marketing and Promotion Fund – Geagle Productions engaged to undertake film work. Will be in Cobar to film 27 October 2017.
- Library extension project – works nearing completion. Furniture ordered. Works expected to be completed by end of November.

RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 10B – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2017**FILE: R2-1****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6****ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 203-204)****AUTHOR: Office Coordinator, Jo-Louise Brown****Purpose**

To provide Council details of the Rate Reconciliation as at 30 September 2017.

FUND	LEVY 2016-2017	Pensioner Rebates	Abandoned Levy	Additional Levies	Sub Total 2016-2017	Arrears 30th Jun 17	Payments	Total Outstanding	Total Outstanding Previous Year	% Outstanding of Sub Total Plus Arrears
Business	393,126.87		195.66	-	392,931.21	64,660.45	221,564.09	236,027.57	224,376.13	51.58%
Farmland	674,556.34		-	-	674,556.34	31,831.53	321,076.55	385,311.32	361,204.66	54.55%
Mining	1,618,398.06		-	-	1,618,398.06	172,984.33	357,526.79	1,433,855.60	1,525,594.93	80.04%
Residential	1,140,887.13	47,476.10	555.43	753.38	1,093,608.98	233,262.00	450,363.92	876,507.06	884,608.48	66.06%
Overpayments					-	-155,286.75	- 112,580.98	-42,705.77	-34,204.18	27.50%
Legal Costs			-	1,454.64	1,454.64	33,884.81	5,136.51	30,202.94	28,852.97	85.47%
Interest			-	2,668.27	2,668.27	118,774.48	15,081.03	106,361.72	88,747.49	87.58%
General Rates	3,826,968.40	47,476.10	751.09	4,876.29	3,783,617.50	500,110.85	1,258,167.91	3,025,560.44	3,254,214.45	70.63%
Domestic Waste	596,875.00	17,836.39	749.94	-	578,288.67	47,650.81	274,516.57	351,422.91	354,150.42	56.14%
Sewerage	597,350.00	18,375.00	220.31	48,793.64	627,548.33	100,078.77	285,761.74	441,865.36	393,724.95	60.73%
Cobar Water	653,140.00	19,971.87	-	255.00	633,423.13	40,449.25	308,962.88	364,909.50	351,394.65	54.15%
Nymagee Water	26,700.00	437.50	2,640.00	-	23,622.50	10,375.33	10,352.11	23,645.72	22,109.69	69.55%
Euabalong Water	42,600.00	1,137.50	449.63	449.63	41,462.50	12,052.41	18,534.94	34,979.97	31,587.43	65.36%
Euab West Water	26,400.00	437.50	-	-	25,962.50	6,087.01	13,274.92	18,774.59	17,288.34	58.58%
Mt Hope Water	6,300.00	-	-	-	6,300.00	982.02	2,781.50	4,500.52	2,715.88	61.80%
Water Access	755,140.00	21,984.37	3,089.63	704.63	730,770.63	69,946.02	353,906.35	446,810.30	465,289.77	55.80%
Water Usage			3,087.55	333,379.98	330,292.43	472,439.20	404,991.36	397,740.27	464,619.01	49.55%
TOTAL	5,776,333.40	105,671.86	7,898.52	387,754.54	6,050,517.56	1,190,225.65	2,577,343.93	4,663,399.28	4,931,998.60	64.40%

RECOMMENDATION

That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 30 September 2017 be received and noted.

ATTACHMENTS



ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY 26 OCTOBER 2017

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