# COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL



### **ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

THURSDAY 10 DECEMBER 2015

### ~ ORDER OF BUSINESS ~

Business for the meeting will be as follows:

1. Apologies

2.	Declaration of Interests
3.	Condolences
4.	Confirmation of Minutes
	<ul> <li>Traffic Committee Meeting – Tuesday 24 November 2015;</li> <li>Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday 26 November 2015</li> </ul>
5.	Matters Arising from Minutes
6.	Mayoral Report
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

### ~ COUNCIL'S VALUES ~

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

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

### ~ COUNCIL'S CHARTER ~

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

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

### ~ COUNCIL DIARY ~

DATE	ACTIVITY	Involves
Tuesday, 8 December 2015 (1:00pm)	Cobar Liquor Accord Meeting	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Committee Members
Wednesday, 9 December 2015 (5:30pm)  Lilliane Brady Village/ MPHS Western NSW Local Health District Workshop with Councillors and Senior Staff		Councillors/Senior Staff
Wednesday 9 December 2015 (7:00pm)	Lilliane Brady Village/ MPHS Western NSW Local Health District Public Meeting	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community
Thursday 10 December 2015 (10:00am)	Cobar Water Board Meeting	Board Members /Senior Staff
Thursday 10 December 2015 (3:30pm)	Far West Initiative Department of Premier and Cabinet and Office of Local Government Consultation Workshop	Councillors/Senior Staff
Thursday 10 December 2015 (2:00pm)	Economic Taskforce Meeting	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community Representatives
Thursday 10 December 2015 (approx. 7:00pm)	Mayoral Christmas Party	Councillors/Senior Staff
Friday 11 December 2015 (approx. 11:30am)	Senior Citizen Christmas Party Meeting	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community
Thursday 17 December 2015 (3:00pm)	Councillors/ Staff Christmas Party	Councillors/ Staff

Thursday 24 December 2015 (1:00pm) – Monday 4 January 2016 (8:00am)	Christmas – New Year Break	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community
Thursday 11 February 2016 (5:00pm)	Committee Meetings	Councillors/Senior Staff/ Community
Thursday 11 February 2016 (6:30pm)	Councillor Workshop – Donations and Paperless Committee/ Council Meetings	Councillors/ Senior Staff

## NOTICE OF MOTION – ESTABLISHMENT OF A COBAR COMMUNITY TRUST

FILE: C13-7, G4-17 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1, 4.4.2 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Deputy Mayor, Councillor, Peter Abbott

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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.

### **Explanation**

Council had the privilege of a visit from the City of Canterbury Council from the 4-6 November. During this visit, Janelle McIntosh, City of Canterbury Council's, Strategic Adviser gave a talk on sourcing additional funds for Councils. Those present learned that there are quite large amounts of available cash lying around in more than 5,000 different philanthropic trusts throughout Australia. These funds were left by wealthy individuals and are available for use by not for profit organisations for the benefit of communities.

The big advantage of these sources of funds compared with government grants is that there is no requirement to match funds sought dollar for dollar. However the problem is that council in its present form cannot apply. A structure called a Community Trust needs to be formed. This trust, in our case could possibly be called the "Cobar Community Trust" and ideally should have trustees consisting of two or three Councillors along with members of the community (especially the mines and business community). All of these trustees need to have a passion or strong interest in the advancement of Cobar.

Janelle explained that the formation of such a trust needs to be handled properly by a Lawyer well versed in such a structure, and that the specific goals of said trust be firmly established at the outset. This will involve considerable discourse between potential trustees prior to meeting with the lawyer. The setting up phase is complex but the handling of the ongoing affairs of the trust from then on is relatively straight forward.

### NOTICE OF MOTION – BYPASS FOR HEAVY VEHICLES

FILE: R5-33 AOP REFERENCE: 2.1.6.2, 4.3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Councillor, Peter Yench

### RECOMMENDATION

That discussions be held in relation to an alternate Heavy Vehicle Bypass through Cobar.

### **Explanation**

To provide an adequate or safe bypass through Cobar for Heavy Vehicles.

Currently heavy vehicles are travelling through Murray and Green Street and we need to push for a bypass through Cobar to ensure the safety of our Residents.

A potential location for the new bypass could be in Old Bourke Road which would follow the existing road through to the Old Airport and then through to Wilcannia Road.

It is suggested that this route be utilized as the land is currently owned by Crown Land so is currently vacant, you could possibly use the existing track or create a new one.

### **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 December 2015.

## <u>CLAUSE 2A – TENDERS FOR CONTRACT NO. C15/16-03 – PROVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES</u>

FILE: T3-15-8 & LDR 979 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4 ATTACHMENT: NO AUTHOR: General Manager, Gary Woodman

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this Report is to consider tenders received for the Provision of Legal Services (Contract No. 15/16-03).

### **Background**

Council has sought tenders from suitably qualified and experienced Firms for the Provision of Legal Services. The current contract with Marsdens Legal Group expires on 31 December 2015.

Tenders closed at 2:30pm on Thursday 29 October 2015. A total of eighteen (18) Firms requested provision of tender specification documents and of closure tenders were received from the following Firms:

- 1. Pegasus Legal Pty Ltd (Sydney);
- 2. Sparke Helmore Lawyers (Newcastle);
- 3. Pikes & Verekers Lawyers (Sydney);
- 4. Bradley Allen Love Lawyers (Canberra);
- 5. Local Government Legal (Thornton);
- 6. Marsdens Law Group (Campbelltown);
- 7. Kell Moore Pty Ltd (Albury);
- 8. Kenny Springs Solicitors Pty Ltd (Bathurst);
- 9. Hones Lawyers (North Sydney).

Evaluation of the tenders received was carried out by a panel consisting of the Director of Corporate and Community Services Kym Miller, Director of Engineering Services Stephen Taylor, Acting Director of Planning and Environmental Services Stephen Poulter and General Manager Gary Woodman.

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

### <u>Issues</u>

Nil.

### **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.

### **Policy Implications**

It is appropriate that in accordance with Council's Annual Operational Plan that contracts such as this nature are set for an appropriate period of time and that good contract management and procurement practices are employed.

### **Financial Implications**

Any successful tenderer or panel of tenderers would only be engaged using funds available from Council's Budget therefore there are nil financial implications of appointing a successful tenderer or panel of tenderers.

### Risk Implication

Nil if an appropriate qualified and experienced tenderer or panel of tenderers are appointed to undertake provision of Council's legal services.

### **Options**

Council does not necessarily have to accept any tenderer(s) for the Contract.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the tenders received for Contract No. C15/16-03 – Provision of Legal Services 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 information in relation to this matter in Open Council would prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

# <u>CLAUSE 3A – 2016 WESTERN DIVISION COUNCILS OF NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE</u>

FILE: L5-4-4 AOP REFERENCE: 3.2.2.2 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: General Manager, Gary Woodman

### **Purpose**

To finalise attendance arrangements for the 2016 Western Division Councils of NSW Annual Conference.

### **Background**

The 2016 Annual Conference of the Western Division Councils of NSW is going to be held in Lighting Ridge on Sunday 6 March to Tuesday 8 March 2015 including travelling.

Details of the Conference agenda and guest speakers will be provided to attendees at a later date. However with the demise of the Shires Association, the forming of Local Government NSW and the Fit for the Future Program and Far West Initiative by the NSW Government there will be a need to have a strong and well supported organisation such as the Western Division Councils of NSW.

Normal practice has been that the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and one other Councillor together with the General Manager attend. Appropriate funding of the attendee expenses are contained within the 2015/2016 budget.

Registration fees are expected to be \$350.00 per attendee, accommodation for the Sunday and Monday nights would be approximately \$120.00 twin share or \$90.00 single room subject to genders attending.

Council will need to determine the Councillor who wishes to attend.

Councillors should also provide advice on any matters that should be provided as resolutions to the Conference.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That Council note the attendance at the 2016 Western Division Councils of NSW Annual Conference and determine which Councillor will attend with the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and General Manager or his delegate.
- 2. That Councillors provide advice to the General Manager by Friday 29 January 2016 on matters that should be considered as resolutions to the 2016 Western Division Councils of NSW Annual Conference.

### <u>CLAUSE 4A – INCORPORATION OF LILLIANE BRADY VILLAGE INTO</u> THE NEW COBAR MULTI-PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE

FILE: H1-1, A10-14, C8-4, C8-3 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1, 1.5.1, 1.5.4.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: General Manager, Gary Woodman

### Purpose

To consider the Draft Memorandum of Understanding and Terms Sheet between the Health Administration Corporation, Western New South Wales Local Health District and Cobar Shire Council concerning the incorporation of the Lilliane Brady Village into the proposed new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service.

### **Background**

Council at its Meeting on 26 November 2015 resolved as follows in relation to the incorporation of the Lilliane Brady Village into the proposed new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service:

- 1. That the preliminary analysis of the Draft Memorandum of Understanding and Terms Sheet between the Health Administration Corporation, Western New South Wales Local Health District and Cobar Shire Council concerning the incorporation of the Lilliane Brady Village into the proposed new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service be provided detailing the following concerns of Council:
  - a) The need to change the Background Part E to detail that Cobar Shire Council is prepared to consider the transfer of ownership of Lilliane Brady Village to the Health Services Corporation and the operating licences of the Lilliane Brady Village to an approved private provider if the Lilliane Brady Village is to be incorporated in a new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service.
  - b) That Cobar Shire Council be involved in the process of the final selection of the private operator to take over the operating licence of Lilliane Brady Village as part of the new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service.
  - c) That at any time in the future where the private operation of the Lilliane Brady Village as part of the Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service does not wish to continue operating the facility and a suitable replacement operator cannot be found that Cobar Shire Council have the first right to have ownership of Lilliane Brady Village revert back at the same cost of the initial transfer with the facility to be transferred at the same or better condition and standard as at the initial time of transfer all at the cost of the Health Administration Corporation and Western New South Wales Local Health District.
- 2. That the Western NSW Local Health District be requested to move the commencement of community consultation concerning the incorporation of the Lilliane Brady Village into the proposed new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health

Service to early 2016 to ensure better timing of the community consultation and full participation of the community in the consultation process.

3. That the information and discussions held concerning the proposed new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service incorporating the Lilliane Brady Village remain confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council.

Council's resolutions were conveyed to the Chief Executive Officer and relevant Staff of the Western NSW Local Health District on Friday, 27 November 2015.

To date there has been no advice on whether Council's requested changes to the draft documentation is acceptable to the Western NSW Local Health District or whether the proposed consultation will still be going ahead as planned with Councillors and Senior Staff on Wednesday, 9 December 2015 at 5:30pm and the Lilliane Brady Village Staff, Cobar District Hospital Staff, LBV Pink Ladies and the community also on 9 December 2015 with relevant meetings during the day and a public meeting in the evening.

New documentation may be provided before Council's Meeting on 10 December 2015 so accordingly the matter needs to be reconsidered in Committee of the Whole Closed Council due to the sensitive nature of the information, documentation and discussion.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That a further report concerning incorporation of the Lilliane Brady Village into the proposed new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service be considered in Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded in accordance with Sections 10 (2)(a) and 10 (2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as the matter and information concerns personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors) and is commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

### CLAUSE 5A – ADOPTION OF LOAN BORROWING POLICY

FILE: P5-103 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 91-95)

AUTHOR: Director of Corporate and Community Services, Kym Miller

#### **Purpose**

For Council to approve a Loan Borrowing Policy.

### Background

Council has progressively adopted a suite of Treasury Risk Management Policies such as Fraud Control and Investment. A further best practice requirement is a 'Loan Borrowing Policy', which will ensure that only borrowings are undertaken which will not jeopardise Council's financial integrity.

Properly managed, borrowings can be used to acquire assets sooner than otherwise would have been the case.

There are many acceptable borrowing regimes. The level of complexity and risk appetite will vary from Council to Council. Some Councils borrow heavily for operating expenses on the condition that the Financial Position ratios are still maintained. Others only borrow for capital items.

The focus of financial management in NSW since the TCorp ratio analysis and sustainability review has increased noticeably. Ill-considered borrowings can have a markedly negative impact on financial ratios.

The recommended policy has used the Debt Service Cover (DSCR) ratio as the T Corp benchmark to consider. TCorp applied a benchmark of 'greater than 2 times' and used a weighting of 7.5% in its rating exercise. The danger exists that if Council uses extra funds to repay debt more quickly than planned the DSCR will reduce. It is therefore important to base service levels on long-run affordability.

Council Officers, after consideration at Manex, have recommended a very 'tight' borrowing Policy for Cobar Shire Council which will only permit it to borrow for capital projects that are included in the Community Strategic Plan. This consideration was knowingly made in an environment of very low interest rates. The draft Policy has a buffer and targets a DSCR of 4 times.

Should emergency borrowings be required (as was the case in 2012) a policy change or over-ride by resolution would be required. This provides a 'circuit breaker' which should ensure that appropriate consideration is applied to such borrowings.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Loan Borrowing Policy as attached be adopted and be reviewed annually as part of the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework Process.

# <u>CLAUSE 6A – ANALYSIS OF PLANT AND EQUIPMENT HIRE AND TRADES AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES REGISTERS</u>

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 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 over \$80,000 inclusive of GST.

Given the sensitive nature of the information provided it is recommended that Council considers a further Report in the Committee of the Whole Closed Council.

### RECOMMENDATION

That the further Report on the Analysis of Plant and Equipment Hire and Trades and Miscellaneous Services be considered in a Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reason as stated in Section 10 A (2) (d) (i) of the Local Government Act 1993, as discussions of this matter in Open Council may prejudice the commercial position of the person involved in providing services to Council.

### CLAUSE 7A - 2015/2016 PLANT REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

FILE: P3-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.2.9 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this Report is to consider changes to the 2015/2016 Plant Replacement Program.

### **Background**

The 2014/2015 Plant Replacement Program was underspent by \$781,768 with some items ordered but not delivered by 30 June 2015. The details are shown in Table 1 below:

Plant Number	Description	Budget
P1061	Paveliner	\$340,253
P4520	Backhoe	\$149,000
New item	Lead Semi Trailer Water tanker	\$100,000
New item	Road Train Dolly	\$ 32,000
Various	Light fleet and misc.	\$160,515
TOTAL		\$781,768

Table 1: Replacement Program 2014/2015 carryover

The 2015/2016 Plant Replacement Program adopted by Council is shown in Table 2 below:

2015/2016 Adopted Plant Replacement Program				
Plant Number	Description	Sale Value	Budget (Gross cost)	
Major Plant				
P4520	Backhoe	\$25,000	\$120,000	
P1072	Mack Superliner	\$50,000	\$260,000	
Caravans	Minor Refurbishment		\$ 20,000	
Pumps	Replacement		\$ 13,000	
Generators	Replacement		\$ 18,000	
Heavy Trailers	Various Refurbishments		\$ 80,000	
Heavy Trailer	14' Plant Trailer replacement		\$ 30,000	
Mowers - small	Replacement		\$ 6,000	
Misc. Plant	Refurbishment		\$ 7,000	
Waste				
P1131	Iveco Acco Refuse vehicle		\$239,000	
P1140	Isuzu FVZ Trade waste		\$140,000	
Light vehicles				
P0027	Holden Col. Space cab 4x4	\$13,000	\$ 38,000	
P0077	Ford Ranger Twin cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000	
P0502	Ford Ranger Single cab 4x2	\$12,000	\$ 32,000	

	\$1,4	80,640	
	TOTAL	\$566,860	\$2,047,500
P0194	Ford FG sedan	\$14,000	\$ 34,000
P0186	Isuzu D-Max Twin cab 4x4	\$28,000	\$ 40,000
P0163	Holden Commodore wagon	\$13,000	\$ 35,000
P0177	Holden Commodore sedan	\$17,500	\$ 37,500
P0147	Isuzu D-Max Crew cab 4x2	\$18,360	\$ 38,000
P0130	Ford Ranger Single Cab 4x4	\$23,000	\$ 45,000
P0113	Isuzu MU-X	\$20,000	\$ 43,000
P0088	Holden Commodore sedan	\$18,000	\$ 38,000
P0056	Toyota Hilux Twin Cab 4x4	\$23,000	\$ 45,000
P0045	Isuzu MU-X	\$20,000	\$ 43,000
P0031	Holden Commodore sedan	\$15,000	\$ 40,000
Office vehicles			
P0914	Isuzu D-Max Twin cab 4x4	\$17,000	\$ 38,000
P0908	Isuzu D-Max Space cab 4x4	\$18,000	\$ 40,000
P0835	Isuzu D-Max Single cab 4x4	\$ 9,000	\$ 32,000
P0806	Isuzu D-Max Twin cab 4x4	\$18,000	\$ 38,000
P0796	Isuzu D-Max Twin cab 4x4	\$18,000	\$ 38,000
P0785	Toyota Hilux Twin cab 4x4	\$17,000	\$ 45,000
P0766	Toyota Hilux Twin cab 4x4	\$17,000	\$ 45,000
P0589	Isuzu D-Max Twin cab 4x4	\$17,000	\$ 40,000
P0574	Toyota Landcruiser	\$35,000	\$ 50,000
P0568	Isuzu D-Max Twin cab 4x4	\$17,000	\$ 40,000
P0542	Isuzu NNR 200 Crew 4x4	\$20,000	\$ 55,000
P0538	Isuzu D-Max Space cab 4x4	\$15,000	\$ 38,000
P0526	Ford Ranger Single cab 4x2	\$12,000	\$ 32,000
P0514	Isuzu D-Max Single cab 4x4	\$15,000	\$ 37,000

Table 2: 2015/2016 Adopted Plant Replacement Program

**Note:** The Backhoe and some light vehicles in table 2 part of the carryover items in Table 1.

The adopted budget for plant purchases (G/L 55003) was \$1,668,500 for gross plant purchases. This does not include the waste plant items which are funded from the waste budgets. With the addition of the carryover budget the total budget available for plant purchases is \$2,450,268.

### <u>Issues</u>

### **Plant Purchases to Date:**

The following plant purchases have been completed to date this financial year;

•	P4521 (exP4520) – Backhoe	\$149,069
•	P0210 Isuzu MU-X – Director of Engineering Services	\$40,139
•	P1062 (ex P1061) – Paveliner	\$340,253

In addition P3021 – Cat 140H Grader has had a transmission rebuild which should be capitalized as a refurbishment as the work has extended the useful life of the grader. The cost of this work is approximately \$50,000.

### Other Carry over items:

#### • Semi Water Tanker

This item has been on the list for a number of years and attempts have been made to source a second hand tanker. As a suitable second hand tanker has not been able to be purchased it is recommended that a new tanker be purchased. Updated prices for a new tanker are currently being sought with the estimated cost being \$120,000.

### • Road Train Dolly

The purchase of this item is not needed until the semi water tanker is procured, however the item should remain in the 2015/2016 Plant Replacement Program.

### • Light vehicles and miscellaneous

These are detailed below in the Light Vehicles section below:

### **2015/2016 Major Plant**

The list in the adopted Plant Replacement Program, with the exception of the 14' Plant Trailer is still considered relevant. The 14' Plant Trailer is not considered a priority purchase at this stage and it is recommended that the replacement of this item be delayed for further consideration in the 2016/2017 Plant Replacement Program.

#### Waste

As a review of the Waste Management Strategy is being undertaken it is considered appropriate to delay the replacement of Waste Plant items until the Strategy is adopted. Therefore it is recommended that the replacement of these two items be delayed for further consideration in the 2016/2017 Plant Replacement Program.

### **Stolen Plant Items**

Three items of plant have been stolen in recent months;

- Ride on Mower P7150
- Caterpillar Skid Steer Loader P4601
- Ford FG XR6 Sedan P0194

The Ride on Mower (small) and the Ford Sedan are on the current replacement list. Further consideration of the replacement for the Skid Steer Loader needs to be undertaken. Prior to this plant item being stolen Council's supervisors had raised the issue of possible purchase of a 3.5T mini excavator. Rather than just replacing the Skid Steer loader consideration needs to be undertaken to determine which item would be more beneficial for Council.

A skid steer loader has the advantages of being able load mulch for Parks and Gardens and load gravel/aggregate for the heavy patching program on the State Highways. Both of these activities are seasonal type activities which could be undertaken by

hired plant as required. It should be noted that as the new Paveliner was purchased with a trailer to transport a Backhoe the use of a Skid Steer Loader for the heavy patching activity will reduce.

A 3.5 tonne mini excavator has the advantage that is able to access confined spaces better than a Backhoe. As a result work such a grave digging, which currently is often done by hand, would be able to be undertaken. If an excavator was purchased with a trailer it could easily be used at townships to undertake grave digging. A similar situation with confined spaces can often occur in relation to water main break repairs.

A 3.5 tonne mini excavator could provide more flexibility than a skid steer loader with more year round work. If a skid steer loader is required they are more readily available for hire than a 3.5 tonne mini excavator. The gross cost is higher (approximately \$75,000 compared to \$60,000) but the use is also likely to be higher. Last year the skid steer loader has made a loss of approximately \$4,500 not including depreciation.

### **Light Vehicles**

The following light plant was carried over from the 2014/2015 Plant Replacement Program and should be included in the 2015/2016 program as shown in Table 3:

Plant Number	Description	Sale Value	Budget (Gross cost)
P0400	Ford Ranger Twin Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000
P0603	Holden Col. Single Cab 4x2	\$10,000	\$ 32,000
P0623	Ford Ranger Single Cab 4x2	\$12,000	\$ 32,000
P0632	Ford Ranger Single Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 35,000
P0815	Ford Ranger Twin Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000
P0922	Isuzu D-Max Twin Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000

Table 3: 2014/2015 Carryover Light Plant

In addition the following light plant should be added to the replacement program:

Plant	Description	Sale	Budget	Reason
Number		Value	(Gross cost)	
P0301	Isuzu D-Max Twin Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000	Mileage
				120,000km
P0551	Ford Ranger Super Cab 4x4	\$15,000	\$ 45,000	Mileage
				103,000km
P0594	Isuzu D-Max Single Cab	\$10,000	\$ 35,000	Mileage
	4x4			99,000km
P0614	Ford Ranger Twin Cab 4x2	\$12,000	\$ 32,000	Mileage
				72,000km
P0774	Isuzu D-Max Twin Cab 4x4	\$15,000	\$ 38,000	Mileage
				77,000km

Table 4: Additional Light Plant for 2015/2016

To ensure the current program value is within the budget the following replacements in the 2015/2016 Adopted Plant Replacement Program should be removed from the current program and be considered in the 2016/2017 replacement program.

Plant Number	Mileage	Use	Budget
			(Gross cost)
Light Vehicle			
P0077	29,000 km	high	\$ 38,000
P0514	30,000 km	moderate	\$ 37,000
P0568	34,000 km	moderate	\$ 40,000
P0796	55,000 km	moderate	\$ 38,000
P0806	40,000 km	moderate	\$ 38,000
P0914	52,000 km	moderate	\$ 38,000
Office vehicles			
P0045	44,000 km	moderate	\$ 43,000
P0088	42,000 km	moderate	\$ 38,000
P0177	60,000 km	low	\$ 37,500

Table 5: Light Plant to be removed from 2015/2016 program

### **SUMMARY**

The recommended Plant Replacement Program for 2015/2016 is shown in table 6 below. The total estimated purchase price is approximately \$106,000 less than the current budget allocation. This contingency will enable an urgent replacement to be undertaken if circumstances change.

Plant Number	Description	Estimated Sale Value	Estimated Purchase Price
Major Plant			
P4520	Backhoe	\$25,000	\$149,000
P1061	Paveliner	\$80,000	\$340,253
P1072	Mack Superliner	\$50,000	\$260,000
P3021	Cat 140H Grader transmission		\$ 50,000
Caravans	Minor Refurbishment		\$ 20,000
Pumps	Replacement		\$ 13,000
Generators	Replacement		\$ 18,000
Heavy Trailers	Various Refurbishments		\$ 80,000
Mowers – small	Replacement		\$ 6,000
Misc. Plant	Refurbishment		\$ 7,000
Water Tanker	Lead semi-trailer		\$120,000
New	Road Train Dolly		\$ 32,000
Light vehicles			
P0027	Holden Col. Space cab 4x4	\$13,000	\$ 38,000
P0077	Isuzu D-Max Twin cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 40,000
P0301	Isuzu D-Max Twin Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000
P0400	Ford Ranger Twin Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000

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Table 6: Recommended Plant Replacement Program 2015/2016

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the 2015/2016 Recommended Plant Replacement Program as detailed below be adopted:

2015/2016 Recommended Plant Replacement Program				
Plant Number	Description	Estimated Sale Value	Estimated Purchase Price	
Major Plant				
P4520	Backhoe	\$25,000	\$149,000	
P1061	Paveliner	\$80,000	\$340,253	
P1072	Mack Superliner	\$50,000	\$260,000	
P3021	Cat 140H Grader transmission	·	\$ 50,000	
Caravans	Minor Refurbishment		\$ 20,000	
Pumps	Replacement		\$ 13,000	

Generators	Replacement		\$ 18,000
Heavy Trailers	Various Refurbishments		\$ 80,000
Mowers – small			\$ 6,000
	Replacement		/
Misc. Plant	Refurbishment		, , , , , ,
Water Tanker	Lead semi-trailer		\$120,000
New	Road Train Dolly		\$ 32,000
Light vehicles	WILL GLG	412.000	φ 20 000
P0027	Holden Col. Space cab 4x4	\$13,000	\$ 38,000
P0077	Isuzu D-Max Twin cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 40,000
P0301	Isuzu D-Max Twin Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000
P0400	Ford Ranger Twin Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000
P0502	Ford Ranger Single cab 4x2	\$12,000	\$ 32,000
P0526	Ford Ranger Single cab 4x2	\$12,000	\$ 32,000
P0538	Isuzu D-Max Space cab 4x4	\$15,000	\$ 38,000
P0542	Isuzu NNR 200 Crew 4x4	\$20,000	\$ 55,000
P0551	Ford Ranger Super Cab 4x4	\$15,000	\$ 45,000
P0589	Isuzu D-Max Twin cab 4x4	\$17,000	\$ 40,000
P0574	Toyota Landcruiser	\$35,000	\$ 50,000
P0594	Isuzu D-Max Single Cab 4x4	\$10,000	\$ 35,000
P0603	Holden Col. Single Cab 4x2	\$10,000	\$ 32,000
P0614	Ford Ranger Twin Cab 4x2	\$12,000	\$ 32,000
P0623	Ford Ranger Single Cab 4x2	\$12,000	\$ 32,000
P0632	Ford Ranger Single Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 35,000
P0766	Toyota Hilux Twin cab 4x4	\$17,000	\$ 45,000
P0774	Isuzu D-Max Twin Cab 4x4	\$15,000	\$ 38,000
P0785	Toyota Hilux Twin cab 4x4	\$17,000	\$ 45,000
P0815	Ford Ranger Twin Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000
P0835	Isuzu D-Max Single cab 4x4	\$ 9,000	\$ 32,000
P0908	Isuzu D-Max Space cab 4x4	\$18,000	\$ 40,000
P0922	Isuzu D-Max Twin Cab 4x4	\$12,000	\$ 38,000
Office vehicles		<del>+</del>	+
New	Isuzu MU-X		\$ 40,139
P0031	Holden Commodore sedan	\$15,000	\$ 40,000
P0056	Toyota Hilux Twin Cab 4x4	\$23,000	\$ 45,000
P0113	Isuzu MU-X	\$20,000	\$ 43,000
P0130	Ford Ranger Single Cab 4x4	\$23,000	\$ 45,000
P0147	Isuzu D-Max Crew cab 4x2	\$18,360	\$ 38,000
P0163	Holden Commodore wagon	\$13,000	\$ 35,000
P0186	Isuzu D-Max Twin cab 4x4	\$28,000	\$ 40,000
P0194	Ford FG sedan	\$14,000	\$ 34,000
1 01/7	TOTAL	\$780,860	\$2,343,392
			62,532
NET COST		φ1,5	U4,334

# <u>CLAUSE 8A - RAW WATER SUPPLY TO DALTON PARK HORSE</u> <u>COMPLEX</u>

FILE: A2.7.7 AOP REFERENCE: 4.1.4 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 96-97) AUTHOR: Services Manager, Wayne D. Mills

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the following Report is in reference to a request from Mr Jarrod Marsden, President of the Cobar Miners Race Club on the possibility and costs associated with reinstatement of a raw water supply to the Dalton Park Horse Complex (the complex) to assist the lessee's in reducing their ongoing costs associated with the purchase of potable water currently being supplied to the complex.

### **Background**

On 23 November 2015, the attached request was received from Mr Jarrod Marsden with regards to the reconnection of the raw water supply back to the complex, to assist in the reduction of the current high water costs currently being experienced by the lessee's within the grounds, and to ensure that the existing turf areas can be maintained especially during the period leading up to and during the Cobar Annual Race Meeting.

Historically, based on verbal advice, raw water was originally connected to the complex through a water line from the vicinity of the silver tank laid along the unsealed road on the north side of Cobar. Following numerous failures of the raw water line the complex was connected to the town potable supply at the rear of the 7ML Green Tank adjacent to the Bureau of Meteorology in Louth Road.

### <u>Issues</u>

The connection of the proposed raw water supply to the complex will be subject to the number of lessee connections and their anticipated requirements to provide an adequate and continuous supply.

The proposed point of connection would be following the extension of raw water to Dalton Park located between Monaghan, Goold and Morrison Street's scheduled within the 2015/2016 Financial Year.

- 1. The installation would require the installation of a supply pipe to the Dalton Park Horse Complex, along the nature strip in Goold Street, Louth Road plus all necessary repairs carried out to three (3) road crossings and reinstatement of all damaged private driveways and footpaths.
- 2. Two Under Bores with the installation of suitable enveloper pipes would be required under Louth Road and the Western Rail corridor.
- 3. The size of the water pipe would be subject to the total number of required connections and their anticipated usage of raw water.
- 4. Following the installation of a suitable raw water supply to the property boundary of the Dalton Park Horse Complex, each lessee would be required to

- make an application for a raw water connection and carry out the installation of their raw water supply to their area of lease.
- 5. The necessity of having both potable and raw water connections as a requirement would have to be assessed for each lessee and the activities carried out within their lease.

### **Legal Situation**

The installation of a service pipe under the existing railway line adjacent to the Dalton Park Horse Complex will require an application to be made with John Holland Rail Pty Ltd as agents for Transport for NSW, to carry out construction and installation of the required service within the rail corridor and these works will require the service line to be under bored and installed within a suitable enveloper pipe in accordance with Western Division Country Rail Construction Specification, with the application taking 6 to 12 weeks for approval prior to any works being carried out within the Western Rail Corridor.

### Financial Implications

The installation of infrastructure within the Western Division Country Rail corridor will be subject to an ongoing annual infrastructure fee on the existing infrastructure within the rail corridor of \$5.50/metre (GST inclusive) plus associated annual fees and the advice given by John Holland Rail Pty. Ltd. as agents for Transport for NSW, Western Division Country Rail the average annual fee for infrastructure traversing the rail corridor is approximately \$650.00 per annum.

### **Options**

- 1. A detailed assessment to be made following the Dalton Park User Group meeting that will be held on Tuesday 8 December 2015 on required pipe size, usage volume and number of the connection of raw water and their possible usage.
- 2. A report be presented to the February Council Meeting on the estimated costing of providing the necessary raw water supply, application costs and requirements associated with making an application to carry out construction works within the Western Division Country Rail corridor.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That Council receives and notes the information contained within the Report on the Raw Water Supply to Dalton Park Horse Complex.
- 2. Application details and requirements necessary be obtained for a infrastructure installation into Transport for NSW, Western Division Country Rail corridor;
- 3. A Report be presented to the February 2016 Council Meeting detailing:
  - a. Number of Lessee's requiring a raw water connection and their anticipated usage;

- b. Size and length of required service to provide raw water to the boundary of the Dalton Park Horse Complex boundary;
- c. Costing of proposed raw water service from Dalton Park, Goold Street, including footpath, driveway and road restoration;
- d. Final funding arrangements and offers by the lessees.

### **CLAUSE 9A – TREE PRESERVATION POLICY**

FILE: P1-1 AOP REFERENCE: 1.5.3.3 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 98-102)

**AUTHOR: Services Manager, Wayne Mills** 

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this Report is to provide information in relation to the recent amendment of the Tree Preservation Policy and to seek the adoption of this new draft Policy.

### **Background**

All Policies adopted by Council are subject to an on-going review process to establish whether Policies need to be updated, replaced or revoked.

Council currently has a "Tree Preservation Code", which only relates to trees located in public spaces, road and recreation reserves and the cemetery. This code provides basic rules and authorities to Council staff when removing, trimming or lopping trees in the above locations.

The Tree Preservation Code was last adopted by Council on the 25 January 2001. The information contained within this Code required updating and enhancing.

The review and modification of this Code was undertaken by Council's Acting Director of Planning and Environmental Services.

### <u>Issues</u>

The review of the Code recommended the following changes:

- Change 'Code' to 'Policy' to afford consistency with other Council adopted Policies;
- Update references in Policy to be consistent with current references;
- Include Dalton Park Horse Complex as a location where this Policy has effect;
- Provide clearer definitions of trees and shrubs that are controlled by this Policy;
- To add the Director of Engineering Services position as an authorised person that can approve the removal of any dead or dangerous tree;
- To present a clearer 'Aim' of the Policy.

#### **Legal Situation**

This Policy provides guidance and direction to Council staff when managing trees and shrubs located in specific locations of the Local Government Area.

### **Policy Implications**

This Policy will be added to Councils Policy Register, website and will be made available at the front counter of Council's Administration Building once adopted.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council resolve to adopt the new draft Tree Preservation Policy.

### CLAUSE 10A – DELEGATIONS FOR NOXIOUS WEED OFFICER

FILE: N1-1, A2-5 AOP REFERENCE: 5.2.4 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Acting Director Planning and Environmental Services, Stephen

Poulter

#### Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to provide information in relation to delegated authority under the *Noxious Weeds Act 1993* and to seek Council to delegate by resolution powers, functions and responsibilities listed in this Act.

### **Background**

On the 8 May 2012, the NSW State Government amended Section 68 of the *Noxious Weeds Act 1993* to rectify an inconsistent approach by local Councils with respect to delegated authority under this Act.

Delegated authority, for the many varied roles undertaken by Council staff, are usually granted via the legislated pathway detailed in Sections 377 to 381 of the *Local Government Act*. However, the noxious weed related roles undertaken by Council staff are omitted from this pathway and can only be delegated by Council under the Noxious Weeds Act.

In fact, a notation provided under Section 68 of the *Noxious Weeds Act* prohibits Council from delegating any of its functions under the Noxious Weeds Act under council's power of delegation under the *Local Government Act 1993*.

This Report seeks Council to delegate authority to the Noxious Weed Officer pursuant to the correct pathway given in Section 68 of the *Noxious Weeds Act*.

#### Legal Situation

Section 68 of the *Noxious Weeds Act 1993* provides Council as the local control authority the legislated right to delegate to a person (or position) any of the local control authority's functions under the *Noxious Weeds Act*.

It is important that Council's obligations for the control of noxious weeds are carried out by properly trained, experienced and qualified officers bearing the appropriate delegated authority. A high level of risk would result from unauthorised person undertaking such functions without delegated authority.

### RECOMMENDATION

That Cobar Shire Council as the local control authority under the *Noxious Weeds Act 1993*, delegate by resolution the powers, functions and responsibilities under the Act to the Cobar Shire Council Noxious Weed Officer.

# <u>CLAUSE 11A – PROPOSAL TO FUND GARAGE CONVERSION AT COBAR PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTRE</u>

FILE: A10-10 & A10-35 AOP REFERENCE: 1.5.2.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd

### **Purpose**

To discuss a proposal to fund the garage conversion at the Cobar Primary Health Care Centre to provide additional space for the provision of allied health services.

### **Background**

On 28 May 2015 Council resolved to:

"Undertake an investigation into the options to expand the Cobar Primary Health Care Centre to generate appropriate new space for a wider range of allied health services and to set out space for a video conferencing room to be used by the health care professionals to provide care to patients and training for staff and the investigations to include funding from other sources and possible interim arrangements to help the Cobar Primary Health Care Centre cater for its expanded services using other available Council facilities and where possible appropriate grant applications be made".

Following this, an EOI was placed for the Community Development Grants Programme seeking \$20,000 for the garage conversion project, however it was unsuccessful.

At the 26 November 2015 Council Meeting, Council was provided with further information on the cost of converting the garage into a video conferencing facility and providing additional rooms for allied health consultations. The report outlined the works required to change the use of the building and suggested that should the \$45,000 required be found, that the project could commence quickly and would take around a month to complete.

### <u>Issues</u>

Peak Gold Mines are supportive of the need to further develop the medical infrastructure in Cobar and the benefits it can provide. As such, they have donated \$12,500 to the project. These funds have been received by the Outback Division of General Practice.

A recent meeting of the NSW Outback Division of General Practice Board of Directors considered this project and resolved that the project be endorsed and supported. As such, the additional \$10,000 required to find 50% of the cost of the project has been secured.

In a similar fashion to Council committing 50:50 funding for grant projects, it is now possible for Council to provide \$22,500, or 50% of the project costs, with the other 50% being met by other funding sources. Should Council wish to provide the funds, they would come from the budget line of 'matching grant funds'.

This investment would allow works to commence early in the New Year with the new rooms operational soon after. Whatever the future of the medical centre, in regards to the proposed multipurpose health service, it is likely to be at least three years before the new service is operational. Staff at the Cobar Primary Health Care Centre have told Council additional room is required now to accommodate the new services they wish to bring to Cobar. This funding mix could allow access to additional medical services in the short term whilst the future of medical service provision is being developed.

### **Legal Situation**

As the owner of the building, Council can allow the new works to take place. A Development Application will be required prior to the project commencing.

### **Policy Implications**

This initiative is consistent with Council's policy to investigate the options for progressing expansion at the Cobar Primary Health Care Centre. It is also consistent with the AOP in terms of improving the level of allied health care services provided locally.

### **Financial Implications**

\$22,500 of Council funding would be required, from the matching grants budget line.

### **Options**

Council can either agree to funding this project to the level of \$22,500 in a 50:50 funding partnership or continue to seek additional funding through other means, such as grants. It is unlikely that any grant submissions will be made before March 2016 (should a suitable grant become available), with a minimum of a 6 month wait for the outcome of the grant.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council commits \$22,500 from the matching grants budget to fund the conversion of the garage at 24 Harcourt Street into additional consultation rooms.

# <u>CLAUSE 12A – USE OF SKATE PARK HEART FOUNDATION AWARD FUNDING</u>

FILE: L5-21 AOP REFERENCE: 1.2.2 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd

### **Purpose**

To raise awareness of Council's recent Heart Foundation Awards and to outline to Council what the award funding could be used for.

### **Background**

The Heart Foundation Local Government awards recognise and showcase Councils working to improve heart health through building a sense of community, encouraging people to be physically active, be smoke-free and make healthy food choices.

In May 2015 Council submitted an application to the NSW Heart Foundation Awards outlining:

- The development of the skate park that is challenging, easily accessible and adjacent to Council's Youth and Fitness Centre and Drummond Park, creating an exciting recreational precinct.
- Focusing on increasing the programs available through the Youth and Fitness Centre, particularly aiming at underrepresented groups such as the elderly and disabled.
- Promoting active transport through provision of bike paths and improving the accessibility of the footpath network.
- Providing leadership by providing a health and wellbeing policy for staff to promote active lifestyles, reduce smoking rates of staff and improve their mental health.

### <u>Issues</u>

In July, Council won the Population Under 5000 category for NSW. As such, we were awarded \$2,000 and a trophy that is on display in the foyer of the Administration Building.

In October, Council won the National award for Population under 5,000 people. Along with the trophy, we were awarded an additional \$5,000.

It is proposed to use the prize money from these Awards to run youth activities at the Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre. Investigations are being undertaken to run an event in March or April 2016. It is proposed that the Cobar Youth Council will run the event (and as such most of the organisation will have to take place once school resumes in 2016). At present, the Cobar Youth Council are looking at holding scooter workshops, music in the park, stalls and more. It is likely that this event will take place instead of the Little Big Day Out.

### **Legal Situation**

The event will be undertaken under Council's insurance policy and a risk plan will be completed prior to the event taking place.

### **Policy Implications**

Such an event is consistent with the Youth Development Plan and the Annual Operational Plan.

### **Financial Implications**

The \$7,000 has already been received by Council and forms the majority of funding for the proposed event. Additional funding, if required, will be sought through sponsorship.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council notes the two Heart Foundation awards won by Cobar Shire Council and that the funding will be allocated towards hosting a youth activity run by the Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre with support from the Cobar Youth Council.

### <u>CLAUSE 13A – NEW WAR MEMORIAL PROPOSAL FOR DRUMMOND</u> PARK

FILE: G4-15 AOP REFERENCE: 1.4.2 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd

### **Purpose**

To gain in principle agreement to the proposed war memorial development for Drummond Park.

### Background

On 26 November 2015, Mr Ben Hewlett, President of the Cobar RSL Sub-Branch addressed Council outlining the fundraising activities undertaken to-date, the proposed design of the new war memorial and an anticipated time frame for the project. In addition, the location of the new memorial was discussed. The RSL Sub-Branch are hoping to construct the first stage of the memorial over the next 12 months. It may also be possible to construct the second stage should funding be adequate and the list of names available.

### <u>Issues</u>

Drummond Park is a Council owned facility. There needs to be some planning around what structures are placed in the park. The Sub-branch have spent considerable time and effort in coming up with their design. It is now time for Council to give inprinciple agreement to the type of memorial proposed and the location.

### **Financial Implications**

This project will not cost Council anything. It is a community project, funded through fundraising undertaken by the RSL Sub-Branch and through in-kind donations.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve in-principle, the war memorial design and location in Drummond Park, as presented to the 26 November 2015 Ordinary Council Meeting by the RSL Sub-Branch.

### <u>CLAUSE 14A – REVISION OF COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM</u> FILE: P5-78 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 103-123)

AUTHOR: Angela Shepherd, Special Projects Officer

### **Background**

Council values the contribution that mining makes to the community across the Shire. In an attempt to ensure that Cobar Shire continues to prosper post mining, and to offset any negative impacts of current mining operations, Cobar Shire Council developed a Community Enhancement Program in April 2011 and this is updated annually to reflect the community's priorities. The Program outlines priority projects that provide and augment community infrastructure.

Through its Community Enhancement Program, Council aims to:

- Address issues directed at improving the quality of life for the people of the Shire, and
- Be prepared to advocate for reasonable contributions towards the provision of community facilities and services from new developments impacting on the community.

This Program can be used during VPA negotiations and was used in the development of Council's new Section 94A Plan.

### **Issues**

The Program is now due for revision. Council sought submissions for the review during November 2015 and held a public meeting on 18 November where 17 people attended. In addition, close consultation was undertaken with the Nymagee Progress Association during the month. A number of changes were also made in line with community discussions held in the last 12 months and to be consistent with project ideas developed over the past year. Projects that were completed over the last 12 months, or that have been funded to commence, have been removed.

### **Financial Implications**

Council will be the custodian of any corporate funds that become available for the projects in the Program and will be responsible for the allocation of these funds in accordance with Local Government accounting regulations to particular projects in consultation with the contributing developers. Council will also work with village progress associations, in particular the Nymagee Progress Association to use the VPA funds collected from Hera Mine, to undertake these projects. In some cases it may be the progress associations that apply for grant funds to undertake projects.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopts the draft Community Enhancement Program.

CLAUSE 1B - 2016-2017 BUDGET AND PLANNING TIMETABLE

FILE: L5-22-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: General Manager, Gary Woodman

#### **Purpose**

To advise Council of the proposed timetable to prepare and adopt the 2016/2017 budget and associated Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework documents.

### **Background**

A schedule of meetings and workshops appear in the table below:

DATE	TASK
Monday 30 November 2015	Draft Budget Sheets and Draft Fees and Charges circulated to all Directors and Managers for consideration and for input (for operational and capital income and expenditure and proposed changes in fees and charges).
Thursday 10 December 2015	Council Meeting – consideration of first Draft of reports on proposed Major Capital Items for 2016/2017.
Friday 15 January 2016	Draft Budget Information, Fees and Charges Schedule and Revenue Statement to be returned to the Director of Corporate and Community Services.
Wednesday 28 January 2016	Manex Session No. 1 for consideration of the following:  • Fees and Charges;  • Budget.
Week Commencing – Monday 8 – Friday 12 February 2016	Draft Annual Operational Plan Workshops undertaken with all Managers and Directors.
Tuesday 9 February 2016	Manex Session No. 2 for consideration of the following:  Revenue Statement.
Thursday 11 February 2016	Committee Meeting – consideration of second Draft of reports on proposed Major Capital Items for 2016/2017.
Tuesday 23 February 2016	Manex Session No. 3 for consideration of the following:  Annual Operational Plan; Fees and Charges; Budget.
Thursday 25 February 2016	Workshop No.1 with Councillors and Manex to be undertaken for discussion of the proposed Draft 2016/2017 Revenue Statement and Fees and Charges.
Thursday 25 February 2016	Council Meeting – consideration of third Draft of reports on proposed Major Capital Items for 2016/2017.

Thursday 25 Eahmany 2016	Council Meeting to consider redeveloped Asset Management Plans and Rolling Works Programs for: Buildings;
Thursday 25 February 2016	<ul><li>Transport;</li><li>Stormwater;</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Plant and Equipment (15 Year Rolling Plant</li> </ul>
	Replacement Program).
	Manex Session No. 4 for final consideration of the following:
Tuesday 9 March 2016	<ul> <li>Annual Operational Plan;</li> </ul>
Tuesday 8 March 2016	<ul> <li>Fees and Charges;</li> </ul>
	Budget;
	• LTFP.
	Workshop No.2 with Councillors and Manex for
The and the 10 Manual 2016	initial consideration of the following:
Thursday 10 March 2016	<ul><li>Annual Operational Plan;</li><li>Budget;</li></ul>
	• LTFP.
	Completion of Draft 2016/2017 Annual Operational
Monday 21 March 2016	Plan including Revenue Statement, Fees and
	Charges, Budget and LTFP.
	Workshop No.3 with Councillors and Manex to be
	undertaken to enable fine tuning of the Draft
Thursday 24 March 2016	2016/2017 Annual Operational Plan including
	Revenue Statement, Fees and Charges, Budget and LTFP.
	Workshop No.4 with Councillors and Manex to be
	undertaken to enable finalisation of the Draft
Thursday 14 April 2016	2016/2017 Annual Operational Plan including
	Revenue Statement, Fees and Charges, Budget and
	LTFP (if required).
	Council Meeting – Council resolves to place the
Thursd 20 A . 11 201 6	Draft 2016/2017 Annual Operational Plan including
Thursday 28 April 2016	Revenue Statement, Fees and Charges, Budget and
	LTFP on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days.
	Draft 2016/2017 Annual Operating Plan including
	Revenue Statement, Fees and Charges, Budget and
Wednesday 4 May 2016	LTFP being put on public exhibition (Cobar
	Newspaper and Council's Website).
	Manex attendance and presentation at Cobar Public
Wednesday 18 May 2016	Meeting for Draft 2016/2017 Annual Operational
Wednesday 10 May 2010	Plan including Revenue Statement, Fees and
	Charges, Budget and LTFP.
	Last date of Draft 2016/2017 Annual Operational
Friday 3 June 2016	Plan including Revenue Statement, Fees and
	Charges, Budget and LTFP being on public exhibition.
	Council Meeting – for adoption of the Draft
Thursday 23 June 2016	2016/2017 Annual Operational Plan including
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Revenue Statement, Fees and Charges, Budget and
LTFP.

That the 2016/2017 Budget and Planning Timetable Report be received and noted.

# **CLAUSE 2B – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT**

FILE: C13-10 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: General Manager, Gary Woodman

	COUNC	CIL RESOLUTI	ONS 24 SEPTEM	IBER 2009	
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
1	Council – Clause 2B – The Wool Track Project	153.9.2009	GM/SPO/DES/ RM/ESM	Council be kept informed of progress.	Letter and copy of report sent to K Humphries, J Cobb, S Ley, J Williams, M Coulton and F Nash. Letters sent to trucking companies seeking support for sealing. Information provided to all OROC councils. Initial contact undertaken with Central Darling Shire Council and Balranald Shire Council in regard to arrangements for a delegation to the Minister for Regional Services. Wool Track is the only priority for the 2015/2016 Repair Program in accordance with Councils Resolution. Wool Track Development Advisory Committee has met and formulated an Action Plan for 2015/2016. Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight has been provided a copy of the Nairn Report to commence the information process before further representations are undertaken. Discussions held with the Office of the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight mid October 2015.
	COUN	CIL RESOLUT	IONS 28 APRIL	2011	
Number	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме

14	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Cobar Caravan Park Business Development Strategy	.4.2011 <b>DPI</b>	D su fu	errange acquisition of Lot 317 of 755649 from the Crown abject to the availability of ands from the 2011/2012 adget.	with Land and Pr Application provide Government in re-	gements commenced operty Management Authority. Ided to the Office of Local gard to acquisition.  ded for in 2015/2016 Budget. To go back to Council.
			ac cl O	ollowing successful equisition of the above land, lassify this land as operational under the Local dovernment Act 1993.	Will be undertake	en at time of acquisition.
	CO	JNCIL RESOLU	TIONS 27 OC	CTOBER 2011		
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED		Оитсоме
87	Council – Clause 4A – Land Acquisition – Cobar Caravan Park Lot 317 in DP755649	193.10.2011	DPES/LMC	Undertake all processes required for the acquisition of the Cobar Caravan Park Lot 317 in DP755649.		
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		C	OUNCIL RES	SOLUTIONS 22 MARCH 201	12	
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION 1			Оитсоме

				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.	
		COUNCIL RES	OLUTIONS 26 Al	PRIL ADJOURNED TO 3 MAY 2012	
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
194	Committee of the Whole Closed Council - Clause 4C – Sale of Land	94.4.2012	GM/LMO	That Council provides authority for the General Manager to negotiate the sale of land at either 100 or 105 Marshall Street, Cobar for at least the minimum amount per square metre detailed in the report.  That Council provides authority for the General Manager to undertake	Further Councillor workshop strategies planning for land in concern held on 9 August, 2012.  Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
				investigations into any party in regards to the standard financial and company checks, the company's previous experience with similar projects and their previous experience in completing projects with timeframes.	
				The Council may in its absolute discretion elect to terminate negotiations with any party prior to exchange of a contract for the sale of land.	Currently no interested party.

	That Council approve the sale of land conditional on:- Surveying undertaken and new plans submitted and approved; Subdivision plans submitted and approved; Rezoning of the land to allow for motel accommodation; All legal cost for both parties paid; Submission of a detailed development application that includes but is not limited to: Detailed architectural and design plans including elevations, footpaths, ramps, disabled access etc; Detailed site plan; Detailed car parking and access plans, including disabled parking; A detailed risk assessment for Council water and sewerage systems; Detailed landscaping plan including footpaths; That Council authorise the Mayor and the General Manager to sign all relevant documentation under the Common Seal of Council. That investigations and reporting be undertaken for appropriate master	Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolutions.

				planning of Council land at 100 and 105 Marshall Street, Cobar;  That any sale of the land be subject to the negotiated development proceeding within a reasonable time;	
		CO	OUNCIL RESO	LUTIONS 26 JULY 2012	
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
219	Council – Clause 8A – Road Closure – Corner of Murray and Blakey Street, Cobar	168.7.2012	DPES/LMO	That Council resolves to close part of the road reserve on the corner of Murray and Blakey Street, Cobar identified as being Lot 2 in Deposited Plan 46869.  That Council provides authority for the General Manager to make application to the Department of Primary Industries, Crown Land Division to close the road.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.  Road closure has been approved. Survey Plan complete. Transferring granting easement documentation needs to be completed and lodged.
				That Council authorise the Mayor and the General Manager to sign all relevant documentation under the Common Seal of Council.  That the land be acquired as operational land pursuant to the provisions of Section 31 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> .	Will be undertaken at the time as required.  Classification to be arranged at acquisition.

	COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 13 DECEMBER 2012						
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме		
307	Council – Clause 12A – Plant Replacement Program, Proposed Purchase of 34,000 Litre Water Tank Trailer in lieu of Side Tipper Trailer	320.12.2012	GM/DES/ RM/ESM	That the Plant Replacement Program be altered to provide for the purchase of one only 34,000 litre trailer road tanker in lieu of the side tipper trailer.	Rescission Motion reported again to the April 2013 Ordinary Council Meeting which was lost. Action plan instigated and implemented of original resolutions.		
				That quotations be called for the supply and purchase of one only 34,000 litre trailer water tanker suitable for use as the lead trailer in a road train configuration at an estimated cost of \$100,000.	Watching for suitable second hand lead water trailers for purchase and set up.		
		COUN	CIL RESOLU	ΓΙΟΝS 28 FEBRUARY 2013			
Number	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме		
343	Council – Clause 22A – Proposed Hangar Construction and Lease of Plant of Land at Cobar Regional Airport by	28.2.2013	DES/ESM	That Council approve the construction of a hangar (subject to the building regulations) to be known as Hanger No. 2, on the current site of the "Aero Club".	Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution.		
	Sullivan's Mining and Hardware			That the applicant, Sullivan's Mining and Hardware be responsible for the cost of relocation of the Aero Club to a site determined by the Engineering Support Manager.	Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution.		

				That Council enter into a lease with the applicant for a 5 x 5 x 5 year lease with the annual fees being in line with the Fees and Charges as determined by Council.	implementation of
		CO	UNCIL RESOI	LUTIONS 24 APRIL 2013	
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
380	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Notice of Rescission Motion – Consideration of Tourism Cost Centre	95.4.2013	DCCS/MTPR	That in the year 2013/2014 that Counci develops a tourism management plan that details appropriate commitments and plans that aid the tourist industry in Cobar.	implementation of
		COU	NCIL RESOLU	UTIONS 22 AUGUST 2013	
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
435	Council – Clause 9A – Determination of Status of Mt Gap Road	187.8.2013	ESM	That Mt. Gap Road within Mt. Gap Station shall be dedicated a public road and remain on the Roads Register as a Shire Road.	Waiting on gazettal by Western Lands.
		COU	NCIL RESOLU	TIONS 20 JANUARY 2014	
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
510	Extraordinary Meeting of Council – Clause 3A	05.1.2014	DES/SM	That Council apply for urgent financial assistance from the NSW Government for	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution,

	Restrictions to Nymagee			a <sub>l</sub>	Water Security for Regions Programs.					
	COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 FEBRUARY 2014									
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY		ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме				
530	Council – Clause 17A – Cobar Truck Wash Options	28.2.2014	COUNCIL	seal if required of any documents for the lease or purchase of the land required for the truck wash facility and if required the land be classified as operational.		Action Plan instigated for implementation of resolution, however if Council is successful with Grant Funds for a new Truck Wash the land to be used for the new Water Treatment Plant will be used for a new Truck Wash Facility instead of the current Peak Gold Mine Truck Wash Location.				
Number	Ітем	RESOLUT NUMBE	TION ACTI	ION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME				
551	Council - Clause 84 Grading of Shire Re 20 (Grain Road) by Local Contractors	A – 75.4.20 oad		S/RM	That Council trial the Grain Rocontractor in the 2014/2015 finance year and allocate \$46,000 for the section of road from Tallebung Road the bitumen section at the southern equipment (approx.40 km long), and compare with Council's standard. All work to approved by the Roads Manager protocommencement on each occasion.  That Council to investigate a long terms strategy of using contractors and	implementation of resolutions. Initial grades have been completed on Shire Road 20 in 2014/2015.				

				Council graders to accomplish its maintenance grading routine.  That Council lobby State and Federal Governments for increases in funding to maintain Council's Regional and Shire Roads at a better level.	Mayor and GM have met with the Minister for Roads and Freight and his Deputy Chief of Staff on 7 August 2014 to further detail Council's case in relation to a low level of Regional Road funding in comparison with neighbouring Councils, level of funds required to improve Kidman Way South and funding of Wool Track improvements. \$4.25 Million of funding announced for improvements on the Kidman Way. A further meeting held with the Office of the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight mid-October 2015.
		CO	OUNCIL RESOLU	TIONS 22 MAY 2014	
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
560	Council – Clause 4A – Cobar Shire Council Policy Direction Concerning Coal Seam Gas Exploration and Production	92.5.2014	GM/SPO	That Cobar Shire Council supports in principle the Association of Mining Related Council's Draft Policy on Coal Seam Gas including the relevant Position Statement and additional information and that Council's	Finalised Policy Document being formulated.

direction is as follows in relation to
Coal Seam Gas Exploration and
Production:
<ul><li>That impacts on Local</li></ul>
Government Council
Infrastructure are adequately
compensated for in the immediate
and future life of those assets;
<ul><li>In regard to the communities</li></ul>
environmental assets, that the
appropriate oversight body,
whether government or private, is
engaging effectively and is
communicating with Council and
the processes are put in place to
independently obtain baseline
data on air and water quality;
<ul><li>Council's position as far as</li></ul>
practicable is a "nil" effect
position in regard to the quality of
surface water, domestic, stock
and irrigation aquifers used by
our community and a "nil" net
effect on above ground
environmental assets in relation to
coal seam gas activities;
<ul> <li>That health and environmental</li> </ul>
impact assessments are conducted
for all significant mining and
extractive industries during the

				<ul> <li>approval process;</li> <li>That individual property rights in regard to unwelcome drilling, exploration and/or extraction activities are supported;</li> <li>That the ten (10) International Council of Mining and Metals (ICMM) principles are supported by Council;</li> <li>That Cobar Shire Council recommends to the State Government that the pre-gateway determination process be modified to enable a refusal where appropriate, and;</li> <li>That Council promotes the dissemination of information to landholders that is independent and informs them of their rights and obligations prior to entering into any agreements relating to coal seam gas exploration or production.</li> </ul>	
563	Council – Clause 7A – Comparison of Water Restrictions between 2013 and 2014	95.5.2014	SM	That Council collect additional data to allow further analysis to be carried out on the effected changes in water restrictions are having on consumption within the towns and within the whole of the Shire.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
		CC	OUNCIL RESOLU	TIONS 24 JULY 2014	

Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
583	Works Committee Meeting – Report 3A – Road Capital Works Program 2014/2015	128.7.2014	DES/ESM/ RM	That Council trials the use of chemical and cementitious stabilisation of the unsealed road network in conjunction with gravelling.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
		COU	JNCIL RESOL	UTIONS 28 AUGUST 2014	
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
599	Council - Clause 4A – To Approve the Tenure of Occupancy for the Cobar Mobile Children's Services Inc	155.8.2014	DCCS  LMO/DPES	<ul> <li>a) That Cobar Mobile Children's Services Inc. is offered tenure by way of Memorandum of Understanding for a period of one (1) year with a mutually agreeable option of a further year, commencing on 1 July 2014 and subject to Council's Grant Applications and continuing to operate the building with its current use.</li> <li>b) That the annual payment be \$2,600 indexed at CPI.</li> <li>That other occupants of Council premises</li> </ul>	Agreed Memorandum of Understanding sent, now awaiting signature and return.  Seven (7) occupants of Council
			LMO/DPES	that have no occupancy agreement be recognised and an appropriate agreement entered into.	premises identified. Two (2) agreements currently in draft.
606	Council – Clause 12A – New Cobar Water Treatment Plant – Selection of Site and Financial Aspect	163.8.2014	PM/DES	That the subject land be acquired as operational land pursuant to the provisions of Section 31 of the Local Government Act 1993.	Sale of Land Contracts for purchase of Lot 73 DP755649 signed by Council and returned to Solicitor for Peak Gold Mines to execute documents.

Peak Gold Mines Pty Ltd in regard to the Cobar Wrightville Common.
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	COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 25 SEPTEMBER 2014							
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме			
623	Council – Clause 6A – SR23 Booberoi Road Euabalong Traffic Options	184.9.2014	RM/ESM/ DES	That Cobar Shire Council erect large advisory route signs, one on Lachlan Street on the intersection with Robison Street and the Booberoi Road indicating the bitumen road alternative.	RMS Guidance and			
627	Council – Clause 10A – Adoption of Management Plan for Lot 18 DP213415	188.9.2014	LMO	That Council authorise the General Manager to negotiate a lease or licence for an appropriate term and conditions with the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club Ltd.  That Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to sign any lease or licence under the Common Seal of Council.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolutions.			

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 OCTOBER 2014**

Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
640	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 2C – Tender for the Supply of Road Patching Machine	28COW.10.2014	ESM	That the existing Paveline truck and machine be disposed of at the best commercial option to Council.	1

	COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 NOVEMBER 2014								
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме				
660	Council – Clause 7A – Office of Local Government Promoting Better Practice Review of Cobar Shire Council – Report Action plan Status	245.11.2014	GM	That Staff continue to work towards the completion of any work required by the recommendations contained within the Promoting Better Practice Review of Cobar Shire Council Report and detailed within the reviewed Action Plan.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.				

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 FEBRUARY 2015							
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме		
665	Finance and Policy Committee Meeting – Notice of Motion – Economic Development Matters	3.02.2015	SPO	That the Cobar Shire Economic Taskforce investigate the possibility and practicality of developing independent living aged accommodation in Cobar.	undertaken by the Economic		

	COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 MARCH 2015						
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме		
686	Council – Clause 9A – Use of Effluent by Cobar Bowling and Golf Club	35.03.2015	SM/DES	That negotiations be held with the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club prior to setting Fees and Charges for the 2016/2017 Financial Year. Negotiations will include consideration of costs identified for the operation of the chlorination of the effluent supplied by Council.	for implementation of		

	COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 APRIL 2015							
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме			
696	Council – Clause 2A – Fit for the Future and Joint Organisation of Councils Consideration Report	54.04.2015	GM/DCCS/ SPO/MAYOR /DEPUTY MAYOR	That Cobar Shire Council continue to be involved in the discussions and processes in the development of the Far West Initiative to ensure that a model is found that benefits Cobar Shire with improved government and non-government services and to increase the sustainability of Cobar Shire Council.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution. Mayor now Council's Delegate to the recently formed Far West Initiative Advisory Committee with the first Meeting held on 14 October 2015 and next Meeting arranged for 7 December 2015.			
701	Council – Clause 7A – EOI – Lease, Management and Maintenance of Cobar Regional Airport	59.04.2015	ESM/DES	That on completion of all requirements for certification of Cobar Regional Airport master planning be commenced, in conjunction with preparation of a business plan exploring potential commercial	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.			

				development of the Airport.	
702	Council – Clause 8A –	60.04.2015	ESM/DES	That Council recompile a comprehensive	Action plan instigated for
	Maintenance of Stock			Grid Register which is expected to take	implementation of
	Control Structures			approximately 6 to 12 months to complete	resolutions.
				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.	
			RM/DES	That Council's Approval, Installation and	
				Maintenance of Stock Control Structures in	
				Public Road (Public Gates, Grids, RAMPS	
				and Stock Races) remain unchanged at this	
				time pending the recompilation of a Grid	
				Register at which time the matter will be	
				revisited.	

	COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 MAY 2015						
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме		
705	Finance and Policy Committee Meeting – Confirmation of the Minutes	71.05.2015	DPES/ SPO	That Council resolves to undertake an investigation into the options to expand the Cobar Primary Health Care Centre to generate appropriate new space for a wider range of Allied Health Services and to set out space for a video conferencing room to be used by the health care professionals to provide care to patients and training for staff and the investigations to include funding from other sources and possible interim arrangements to help the Cobar Primary	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution. Initial Grant application made for the setup of the existing house (Stronger Communities Program – Commonwealth Government) has been		

				Health Care Centre cater for its expanded services using other available Council facilities and where	unsuccessful.
				possible appropriate grant applications be made.	
713	Council – Clause 4A –	76.05.2015	GM	That the Mayor and General Manager be delegated	Action plan instigated for
	Meeting			authority, jointly, to deal with matters of an urgent	implementation of
	Arrangements –			nature for the period commencing 11 December	resolution if required.
	Christmas and New			2015 to 11 February 2016, and further that if any	
	Year			urgent matters are dealt with under this authority	
				that they be reported to the February 2016 Ordinary	
				Meeting of Council.	

	COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 JUNE 2015						
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме		
725	Traffic Committee – Report 3 – Rest Area (Smoke Area) – Endeavor Mine	96.06.2015	RM	That the Committee note for information - Endeavor mine are constructing a rest area, they have asked Council to provide signs for the rest area at Endeavors cost. A speed zone review will be undertaken with the view to reduce the speed from 100km/hr to 60km/hr at approx. 600m from the mines entrance.	Signs have been erected. Advice is still being sought from RMS Traffic Safety Officer in relation to the speed zone changes.		
726	Finance and Policy Committee – Report 1A – Bathurst Street Reserve Licence Agreement	98.06.2015	LMO	That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Bathurst Street Reserve Trust, resolve to issue a 12 month temporary licence agreement for the Cobar Tennis Club to cover the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.  That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Bathurst Street Reserve Trust, resolve to affix the Trusts seal to the 12 month temporary licence	Documentation completed and sent, waiting on action by Licencee.		

				agreement for the Cobar Tennis Club to cover the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.	
727	Finance and Policy – Report 2A – Dalton Park Horse Complex Licence Agreements	99.06.2015	LMO	That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to issue 12 month temporary licence agreements for the following organisations and individuals to cover the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016:  Mr & Mrs S & C Griffiths;  Ms Sharon Whitehurst;  Cobar Pony Club;  Cobar Miners Race Club.  That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to affix the Trusts seal to the 12 month temporary licence agreements for the following organisations and individuals to cover the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016:  Mr S & C Griffiths;  Ms Sharon Whitehurst;  Cobar Pony Club;  Cobar Miners Race Club.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolutions. Ms Sharon Whitehurst, Cobar Pony Club and Cobar Miners Race Club temporary licence agreements have been signed and returned.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 JULY 2015					
Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
743	Council – Clause 2A –	123.07.2015	ADPES/	That Council acting as Trust Manager for the	Documents and invoices

Dalton Park Horse	LMO	Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust,	prepared and sent,
Complex – Expression		resolve to:	waiting for action by
of Interest			Licencees. Unsuccessful
		Issue a 12 month temporary licence agreement for	EOI providers provided
		the stabling buildings comprising 8 and 6 stables	advice.
		and the surrounding area to Mr Wayne Prisk and	
		Mr Kym and Sue Miller to allow for the stabling	
		and training of racehorses and associated activities	
		to cover the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.	
		Require Mr Prisk and the Millers to reinstate the	
		stallion exclusion area at a distance of 10m or other	
		such appropriate distance as negotiated between	
		Council, Ms Whitehurst and Mr Prisk/Millers. The	
		fence to be reinstated at both parties cost and to a	
		standard equal to or better than the new perimeter	
		fence.	
		Advise Mr Prisk and the Millers that as part of his	
		license they can utilise the racetrack, however	
		decisions about the management of the racetrack,	
		including maintenance are the responsibility of the	
		Cobar Miners Race Club. This is to be listed as a	
		condition on the license agreement.	
		Advise Mr Prisk that he has three (3) months to	
		discontinue the use of the Council pound yards. No	
		further extension of time will be granted.	
		Advise Mr & Mrs Wheeler, Ms Wheeler and Mr	
		Turton that they have three (3) months to remove	

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	their belongings and horses from the area. If after	
	three (3) months their belongings and horses have	
	not been removed from the area but sufficient effort	
	has been made to complete this, a further three (3)	
	months may be granted. No further extension of	
	time will be granted.	
	Affix the Trusts seal to the 12 month temporary	
	licence agreement for Mr Wayne Prisk and Mr Kym	
	and Mrs Sue Miller to cover the period 1 August	
	2015 to 31 July 2016.	
	2013 to 31 July 2010.	
	Seek grant funding for additional horse	
	stable/keeping facilities at the Dalton Park Horse	
	Complex.	
	Compiex.	
	Conduct a comprehensive review of the Delton	
	Conduct a comprehensive review of the Dalton	
	Park Horse Complex and develop a long term	
	sustainability and growth strategy including	
	infrastructure, management and financial revenue	
	improvements.	

	COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 AUGUST 2015						
Number	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме		
755	Finance and Policy Committee – Notice of Motion – Economic Development Opportunities for	146.08.2015	SPO/ ESM	That Cobar Shire Council investigate the opportunities available to become a flight training centre that has the capacity to attract students to take advantage of the current demand from the region.	undertaken – Further Report to be presented to		

Number	Ітем	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	Оитсоме
		COU	JNCIL RESOLU	UTIONS 24 SEPTEMBER 2015	
	Meeting Minutes		SPO	for the Tilpa Weir Camp Grounds.	implementation of resolution including a request for the Tilpa Community Association to provide further details.
771	<ul> <li>Dalton Park Horse</li> <li>Complex Request for</li> <li>New Users Licence</li> <li>Agreement</li> <li>Council – Clause 4B –</li> </ul>	165.08.2015	SM/ DES/	Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to investigate ways to assist the licensee to clean and clear the area to enable appropriate development works to be undertaken.  That Council investigate any funding opportunities	implementation of resolution.  Action plan instigated for
766 770	Council – Clause 6A – To Cease an Action Outstanding on Notice of Motion 25FP.03.2013 Council – Clause 10A	157.08.2015 161.08.2015	LMO	That the matter to cease action outstanding on Notice of Motion 25FP.03.2013 be held over for further investigation.  That Council acting as Trust Manager for the	Further investigation to be undertaken in regard to the Youth and Fitness Centre EOI's.  Action plan instigated for
760 765	Council – Clause 1A – Mayoral Report  Council – Clause 5A – Unaudited Financial Statements 2014/2015	148.08.2015 155.08.2015	DES/ SM  DCCS	That Council approve the installation of a Commemorative Plaque in honour of Ian and Margaret Settree at the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool.  The General Manager be delegated authority to finalise the date at which the Auditor's Report and Financial Statement for the year ended 30 June 2015 are to be presented to the public in accordance with Section 418 (1) of the Local Government Act 1993.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.  Advertising arranged and report and public presentation made to November 2015 Council Meeting – No further action required.
	Cobar – Flight School				

776	Traffic Committee – General Business – Oversized Route	184.09.2015	RM	Maurice Bell to investigate OSOM signage. Suggested to check Coonabarabran, Moree and Marty Castle from the RMS for examples. Also investigate lifting the phone cable.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
777	Traffic Committee – General Business – Restricted Sight Distance at Intersections around Town	184.09.2015	RM/SM/US	Trees at selected intersections that restrict sight distance are trimmed in consultation with residents.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
778	Traffic Committee – General Business – Louth Road Line Marking	184.09.2015	RM	Council will re-instate barrier lines on the Louth Road from the rubbish tip to the Endeavor mine turn off.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
781	Finance and Policy Committee – Report 3A – Dalton Park Horse Complex Request for New Users Licence Agreements	187.09.2015	LMO	That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to issue a 9 month temporary licence agreement for the period 1 October 2015 to 30 June 2016 to QS Outback.  That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to affix the Trusts seal to the 9 month temporary licence agreement for the period 1 October 2015 to 30 June 2016 to QS Outback.  That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to accept the licence fee for QS Outback at a pro rata amount of three quarters of the annual licence fees as set for 2015/2016 being \$390	All documents signed and returned – No further action required.

				including GST.  That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, put the following special conditions on the licence agreement for QS Outback:  a. Liaison with Mr Prisk to ensure that there is no disturbance to his track work; b. Liaison with all licensees of the shared area regarding event setting to ensure there are no clashes with use; c. Liaison with all licensees regarding shared maintenance.	
782	Finance and Policy Committee – Report 2B – That an investigation be undertaken and appropriate report provided in regard to proposed paperless Council/ Committee Meetings	187.09.2015	DCCS/ GM	That an investigation be undertaken and appropriate report provided in regard to proposed paperless Council/Committee Meetings.	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution with a proposed Councillor Workshop arranged in February 2016.
785	Works Committee – Report 3A – Cobar Water Treatment Plant Project Expenditure and Action Plan	188.09.2015	PM/ SM/ DES	That the land acquisition, power design and finalisation of the investigation and tender documents for the Cobar Water Treatment Plant continue to be progressed.  That a further report be provided on the outcomes of the relevant Grant Application/Expression of	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolutions.

				Interest and required further action plan.	
793	Council – Clause 9A –	197.09.2015	SM/ DES	That Council undertakes flow and pressure testing	Action plan instigated for
	O'Neill Road Water			on the existing main on Lerida Road during the	implementation of
	Supply			summer peak demand to determine the availability	resolutions.
				of water.	
				That a full report be provided to Council when	
				available.	
795	Council – Clause 11A	199.09.2015	ADPES/	That the blocks of residential land originally	Action plan instigated for
	– Pioneer Estate –		DCCS	mooted to be used for access to Stage 3 Pioneer	implementation of
	Stage 3			Estate and now no longer required for access	resolution.
				become available to be actively marketed and sold.	
798	Council – Clause 14A	202.09.2015	SPO	That the Council Senior Citizens Christmas Party	Action plan instigated for
	<ul> <li>Senior Citizens</li> </ul>			be held in the Cobar Shire Council Chambers on	implementation of
	Christmas Party 2015			Friday 11 December 2015.	resolution.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 OCTOBER 2015					
Number	Number         Item         Resolution Number         Action By         Action Required         Outcome		Оитсоме		
799	Finance and Policy Committee – Notice of Motion – Services to O'Neill Road and Sutherland Drive	210.10.2015	DES/SM/ DPES	That an investigation into the cost and accessibility of a garbage service to O'Neill and Sutherland Drive be undertaken.  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.	Action plan instigated for
805	Council – Clause 5A – Regional Road 7518 and Shire Road 2	216.10.2015	ESM	That Council adopt the road names "Fifty Two Mile Road" and "Seventy Eight Mile Road" for RR 7518 and SR2 respectively	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.

	Name Change			within the Cobar Shire subject to no adverse comments from the public and prepare a Gazette notice for publication within the Government Gazette, publish notice in the local newspaper, and inform the prescribed authorities listed in the Regulation of the	
				new names for RR 7518 and SR2.	
807	Council – Committee	223.10.2015	ESM	That all three EOI submissions be	Action plan instigated for
	of the Whole Closed			progressed to the next stage, by Council	implementation of resolutions.
	Council – Clause 1C –			requesting that they submit a final detailed	
	Expression of Interest			quotation/proposal.	
	for Airport Refuelling				
	Truck (Jet A1) and			That a further Report be provided to Council	
	Bowser (Avgas)			for consideration of all final detailed	
	Facility			quotations/ proposals.	

	COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 NOVEMBER 2015						
Number	UMBER ITEM RESOLUTION NUMBER ACTION BY ACTION REQUIRED OU		Оитсоме				
809	Works Committee – Notice of Motion – Report 2A - RMS Repair Program for 2016/2017	226.11.2015	DES	That Council nominate MR407 Mulya Road for funding for \$400,000 from the 2016/2017 REPAIR Program for seal extension.  That if funding is not obtained that Council continues to nominate MR407 Mulya Road in subsequent years until funding is obtained.	action required.  Action plan instigated for		
810	Council - Public Access Session – Mr	227.11.2015	GM	That Council resolves to thank Chief Executive Officer, Mr Deon Van der Mescht	, ,		

815	Council – Clause 4A – Trial Change of	233.11.2015	MLS	That the Cobar Shire and TAFE Library change its opening hours to Monday –	Action plan instigated for implementation of resolution.
814	Council – Clause 3A – Accommodation Bond/ Liquidity Strategy for Lilliane Brady Village	232.11.2015	DCCS	That Council receives and notes the Accommodation Bond/Liquidity Strategy for Lilliane Brady Village Report and approves the strategy.	Information received and noted, strategy approved - No further action required.
813	Council – Clause 2A – Quarter 1 2015/2016 Budget Review	231.11.2015	DCCS	That the operating and capital estimates contained in the attachments to the Quarter 1 2015/2016 Budget Review Report be adopted as the revised forecast for 2015/2016 financial year.	Revised Budget completed and distributed – No further action required.
812	Council - Public Access Session – Presentation of Council's Audited Financial Reports and Auditor's Reports for 2014/2015 – Luka Group	229.11.2015	GM	That Council thanks Mr. Jeff Shanks of Luka Group for his presentation.	Verbally thanked at Meeting – No further action required.
811	Deon Van der Mescht, Chief Executive Officer, CSA Mine – Future of CSA Presentation Council - Public Access Session – Mr Ben Hewlett, President of the RSL Sub- Branch, Cobar – War Memorial for Cobar Residents	228.11.2015	GM	of CSA Mine for his address and Council looks forward to continuing to work with the CSA Mine into the future.  That Council resolves to thank Mr Ben Hewlett, President of the RSL Sub-Branch Cobar for his address and Council looks forward to continuing to work with Mr Hewlett into the future in relation to the War Memorial for Cobar Residents.	Verbally thanked at Meeting – No further action required.

	Library Opening Hours			Friday 9:00am – 5:30pm, Saturday 9:00am – 1:00pm, beginning 1 February 2016 for a trial period of six months.  That a Report on the trial period be submitted to the August 2016 Ordinary Council Meeting.	Further Report to be provided to the August 2016 Ordinary Council Meeting.
816	Council – Clause 5A – 2015 NSW Revenue Professionals Conference	234.11.2015	RO	That one delegated Council employee attend the 2015 NSW Revenue Professionals Conference.	Attendance arranged – No further action required.
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	LMO	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 compulsory acquisition the whole of the land contained in Lot 24 DP837494 Sewerage Works Road, Cobar (hereafter called the acquisition land).  That the acquisition of land be acquired pursuant to Section 187 of the Local Government Act 1993 and the Land	

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	Acquisition (Just Compensation) Act 1991
	for commercial purposes for the continued
	operation and management of the Cobar
	Sewerage Treatment Works.
	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 Native Title (NSW) Act
	1994 and Section 54(2) of the Land
	Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act
	1991.
	That the survey plans and other acquisition
	documents for the acquisition of the acquisition land be signed under the
	Common Seal of Council.
	Common Sear of Council.
	That the Council authorise the Mayor and
	General Manager to sign all acquisition
	documents.
	documents.
	That the acquisition land be acquired as
	operational land pursuant to the provisions
	of Section 31 of the <i>Local Government Act</i>
	1993.
	That pursuant to the provisions of Section

				190 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> all minerals are excluded from the acquisition.  That Council makes the necessary application to the Minister or Governor so that the acquisition can be completed.  That the costs associated with compulsory acquiring the land be paid from the Sewer Reserve Fund.	
818	Council - Clause 8A – First Quarterly Review of the Annual Operational Plan 2015/2016	237.11.2015	SPO	That Council receives and endorses the first quarterly review of the 2015/2016 Annual Operational Plan, covering the period July to September 2015.	Noted and endorsed – No further action required.
819	Council – Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Tyre Recycling Tender	247.11.2015	ADPES	That Council accept the tender submitted by JLW Services Pty Ltd dated 6 October 2015 for the initial two (2) year term and sign the required contract documentation.  That Council confirm with NetWaste that Cobar Shire Council's preferred rate structure is Option 3 (per tonne collected).	Advice provided to the successful Tenderer through NetWaste – No further action required.  Advice provided to the successful Tenderer through NetWaste – No further action required
820	Council – Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Matter of Urgency – Incorporation of Lilliane Brady Village into the New Proposed	247.11.2015	GM	That the preliminary analysis of the Draft Memorandum of Understanding and Terms Sheet between the Health Administration Corporation, Western New South Wales Local Health District and Cobar Shire Council concerning the incorporation of the Lilliane Brady Village into the proposed	Advice provided to Western New South Wales Local Health District Staff and Consultants – No further action required.

Cobar Multi-Purpose	new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service be
Health Service	provided detailing the following concerns of
	Council:
	The need to change the Background Part E
	to detail that Cobar Shire Council is
	prepared to consider the transfer of
	ownership of Lilliane Brady Village to the
	Health Services Corporation and the
	operating licences of the Lilliane Brady
	Village to an approved private provider if
	the Lilliane Brady Village is to be
	incorporated in a new Cobar Multi-Purpose
	Health Service.
	That Cobar Shire Council be involved in the
	process of the final selection of the private
	operator to take over the operating licence of
	Lilliane Brady Village as part of the new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service.
	Coodi Wulti-Fulpose Health Service.
	That at any time in the future where the
	private operation of the Lilliane Brady
	Village as part of the Cobar Multi-Purpose
	Health Service does not wish to continue
	operating the facility and a suitable
	replacement operator cannot be found that
	Cobar Shire Council have the first right to
	have ownership of Lilliane Brady Village
	revert back at the same cost of the initial
	transfer with the facility to be transferred at

the same or better condition and standard as at the initial time of transfer all at the cost of the Health Administration Corporation and Western New South Wales Local Health District.  That the Western NSW Local Health District be requested to move the commencement of community consultation concerning the incorporation of the Lilliane Brady Village into the proposed new Cobar Multi-Purpose Health Service to early 2016 to ensure better timing of the community consultation and full participation of the	
community in the consultation process.	

# **RECOMMENDATION**

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

#### **CLAUSE 3B – MEETING MINUTES**

FILE: L5-4-3 & R5-36 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES

(PAGE 124-136)

AUTHOR: General Manager, Gary Woodman

#### **Background**

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

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

- OROC Board Meeting Friday, 30 October 2015;
- Rural Roads Advisory Committee Thursday, 26 November 2015.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the minutes of the meeting of the OROC Board Meeting and Rural Roads Advisory Committee be received and noted.

# <u>CLAUSE 4B – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 18 NOVEMBER 2015 – 30 NOVEMBER 2015</u>

FILE: T5-1 AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Acting Director of Planning & Environmental Services, Stephen

Poulter

#### **Complying Development Approvals**

There were no Complying Development Applications approved under delegated authority for the period 18 November 2015 – 30 November 2015.

# The value of Complying Development approvals for 2015/2016 to date is Nil.

The value of Complying Development approvals for the similar period in 2014/2015 was Nil.

#### **Local Development Approvals**

The following Local Development Applications have been approved under delegated authority for the period 18 November 2015 – 30 November 2015.

CERTIFICATE NO.	Address	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)
2015/LD-00049	12/20 (14) Marshall St, Cobar	Change of Use to Part Building - Beauty Salon (Class 6)	Nil
2015/LD-00050	11 Brickworks Rd, Cobar	Construction and Use of Industrial Premises	132,000
2015/LD-00051	Lerida Stn, Cobar	Carport & Patio Cover	82,310
2015/LD-00052	Merobee Stn, Cobar	Change of Use: Farm Stay Accommodation & Recreational Hunting	Nil
2015/LD-00054	9 Railway Prde, Cobar	Home Catering Business	Nil
2015/LD-00053	7 Goold St, Cobar	Carport	2,750

The value of Local Development approvals for 2015/2016 to date is \$952,423.00 The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2014/2015 was \$3,881,786.00

# **Construction Certificates**

The following Construction Certificates have been approved under delegated authority for the period 18 November 2015 - 30 November 2015.

CERTIFICATE NO.	Address	DESCRIPTION
2015/CB-00042	11 Brickworks Rd, Cobar	Construction and Use of Industrial Premises
2015/CB-00043	Lerida Stn, Cobar	Carport & Patio Cover
2015/CB-00044	7 Goold St, Cobar	Carport

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 18 November 2015 - 30 November 2015 be received and noted.

# <u>CLAUSE 5B – BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY</u> SUMMARIES AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2015

FILE: B2-7 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.5 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Manager Finance & Administration, 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 facilities.

# **Bank Reconciliation**

Balance as per Bank Statement

Add: Outstanding deposits 16,745

Deduct: Unpresented Cheques (458)

# BALANCE AS PER CASH BOOK 16,287

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 of November 2015 and that the reconciliations have been recorded.

Manager Finance & Administration

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

Month	Investment Balances	Operating Account	Total Available Funds
Dec-14	8,950,731	33,005	8,983,736
Jan-15	8,279,456	247,174	8,526,630
Feb-15	9,182,594	122,149	9,304,743
Mar-15	9,310,753	92,176	9,402,929
Apr-15	9,182,594	36,235	9,218,829
May-15	11,606,935	20,318	11,627,253
Jun-15	10,473,979	153	10,474,132
Jul-15	12,971,035	8,402	12,979,437
Aug-15	13,801,984	42,273	13,844,257
Sep-15	12,482,788	2,134	12,484,922
Oct-15	12,002,987	-13,000	11,989,987
Nov-15	12,524,282	16,287	12,540,569

12 month average of cash held: \$10,948,119 The amount restricted in the Audited Financial Accounts for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$309,220.

# **Cash Flow**

Forecast	Actual	Description	Forecast
Nov-15	Nov-15	Description	Nov-15
(13,000)	(13,000)	Bank Balance Forward	16,287
220,000	219,026	Major Project Revenue	33,052
660,000	659,606	Financial Assistance Grant	
	12,393	Roads to Recovery	
		RFS	212,000
-	150,000	RMS - Routine Works	-
13,800	27,500	RMS Agency	14,000
360,000	509,191	Rates /Water/User Charges	360,000
50,000	34,535	Private Works/Debtors	50,000
150,000	203,412	Non s67 Debtors (incl. CWB & Capital Grants)	150,000
265,000	218,222	LBV – Residents Fees & Grant	265,000
140,000	139,856	Child Care/In Home Care	140,000
471,000	492,983	Net Transfer from 'At Call' Account	1,891,961
25,500	90,906	Sundry (incl insurance rebate and recovery)	25,000
	43,141	Plant Sales	
190,000	115,292	GST (BAS lodged late)	75,000
		Less	
(1,800,000)	(2,151,065)	Creditors	(2,100,000)
(710,000)	(713,411)	Wages & Salaries	(1,110,000)
(22,300)	(22,300)	Loan Repayment	(22,300)
-	16,287	Closing Reconciled Bank Balance Cr/(Dr)	-

COUNCIL'S LOAN FACILITIES as at 30 NOVEMBER	R 2015
Working Capital Loan (4.100%)	(\$300,000)
Refinanced NECU Loan (6.22%) Closing Balance	(\$1,680,386) ( <b>\$1,980,386</b> )

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Cash Flow and Loan Facilities Report as at 30 November 2015.

#### CLAUSE 6B – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2015

FILE: B2-7 AOP REFERNCE: 3.1.1.7 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Manager Finance & Administration, Neil Mitchell

#### **Purpose**

Regulation 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 requires that a written report of investments be tabled at the monthly meeting. The table below shows the balances of Council's Investments as at the report date. The Cheque Account is now swept at the end of each day to maintain a zero balance. Funds swept out of the Cheque Account are transferred to a NAB Sweep Account because the interest rate remains competitive. The term deposits have differing terms in order to spread the maturity dates throughout the year. Included in the table below is the accrued interest attributable to November 2015. The amount restricted in the Audited Financial Accounts as at 30 June 2015 for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$309,220.

Investment	Opening Balance	Transfers to Investments	Transfers from Investment	Interest Earned	Closing Balance
NAB Sweep Acct	\$2,283,321	\$2,162,890	\$3,169,907	\$2,910	\$1,279,214
NAB Term Deposits					
(2) 3.60% (16 Dec)	\$2,101,893			\$6,219	\$2,108,112
(3) 2.85% (2 Mar)	\$2,076,971			\$4,660	\$2,081,631
(5) 2.98% (6 Apr)	\$1,513,948			\$3,681	\$1,517,629
(6) 2.95% (8 Jan)	\$2,018,561			\$4,987	\$2,023,548
AMP Bnk Term Deposits					
(7) 2.80% (7 Mar)	\$1,004,146			\$2,311	\$1,006,457
(8) 2.80% (7 Mar)	\$1,004,146			\$2,311	\$1,006,457
Bank West Term Deposit					
(9) 3.00% (18 Mar)		\$1,500,000		\$1,233	\$1,501,233
Totals	\$12,002,987	\$3,662,890	\$3,169,907	\$28,312	\$12,524,282

Annualised Average return on Investment for the Month: 2.72%

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. Council's investment policy is being followed to diversify term deposits as they mature and it is anticipated that by December, all funds over the Policy threshold will have been diversified.

Manager Finance & Administration

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the Investment Report as at 30 November 2015.

# CLAUSE 7B – RATES RECONCILIATION TO 30 NOVEMBER 2015

FILE: R2-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 137-138)

AUTHOR: Rates Officer, Jo-Louise Brown

#### **Purpose**

To provide Council details of the Rate Reconciliation as at 30 November 2015.

FUND	LEVY 2015-2016	Pensioner Rebates	Abandoned Levy	Additional Levies	Sub Total 2015-2016	Arrears 30th Jun 15	Payments	Total Outstanding	Total Outstanding Previous Year	% Outstanding of Sub Total Plus Arrears
Business	373,284.09		-	-	373,284.09	28,372.80	234,410.90	167,245.99	162,209.95	41.64%
Farmland	636,330.18		-	-	636,330.18	30,712.52	370,553.20	296,489.50	322,649.19	44.45%
Mining	1,562,018.90		=	-	1,562,018.90	100,980.00	996,131.78	666,867.12	955,181.93	40.10%
Residential	1,125,966.49	54,042.41	-	320.50	1,072,244.58	163,655.32	556,400.73	679,499.17	630,623.38	54.98%
Overpayments					-	-112,364.94	- 60,593.22	-51,771.72	-45,629.44	46.07%
Legal Costs			-	5,716.96	5,716.96	34,066.14	7,908.99	31,874.11	19,002.07	80.12%
Interest			=	4,660.58	4,660.58	74,347.87	9,972.71	69,035.74	56,821.18	87.38%
<b>General Rates</b>	3,697,599.66	54,042.41		10,698.04	3,654,255.29	319,769.71	2,114,785.09	1,859,239.91	2,100,858.26	46.78%
<b>Domestic Waste</b>	571,520.00	19,357.59	745.00	100.00	551,517.41	26,068.33	311,821.47	265,764.27	239,706.36	46.01%
Sewerage	642,420.00	20,584.38	330.00	-	621,505.62	42,857.67	357,788.44	306,574.85	291,937.51	46.15%
Cobar Water	617,750.00	21,896.88	240.00	-	595,613.12	23,343.92	359,762.72	259,194.32	249,933.76	41.88%
Nymagee Water	26,250.00	612.50	295.00	-	25,342.50	5,829.76	14,510.55	16,661.71	13,954.40	53.45%
Euabalong Water	41,495.00	1,203.12	-	585.00	40,876.88	8,321.50	22,954.32	26,244.06	23,027.80	53.34%
Euab West Water	25,720.00	525.00	-	-	25,195.00	4,905.32	15,412.28	14,688.04	12,734.23	48.80%
Mt Hope Water	6,800.00	21.87	680.00	-	6,098.13	249.72	4,901.40	1,446.45	1,978.08	22.79%
Water Access	718,015.00	24,259.37	1,215.00	585.00	693,125.63	42,650.22	417,541.27	318,234.58	301,628.27	43.25%
Water Usage	258,824.87		7,840.80	-	250,984.07	474,833.87	705,605.72	20,212.22	37,461.82	2.78%
TOTAL	5,888,379.53	118,243.75	10,130.80	11,383.04	5,771,388.02	906,179.80	3,907,541.99	2,770,025.83	2,971,592.22	41.48%

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 30 November 2015 be received and noted.

# **CLAUSE 8B – GRANT FUNDING**

FILE: G4-17 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.4 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd

# **Grant Update**

Grant and Department	Activity	Amount Applied For	Successful?	Council Funding Required	Deadline for Project
Grants Applied for				-	Ţ
National Stronger Regions Fund	Replacement of the Cobar Water Treatment Plant	\$7.5 million	Pending	Existing funds – Council and NSW Government – used as matching money.	To be awarded December 2015.
Building Resilience to Climate Change	Constructing three water bores along the Wool Track	\$79,900	Pending	Nil required.	
National Stronger Regions Fund	Expansion and Upgrade of the Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre	\$310,775	Pending	\$312,000 (matching grant funds and S94 grants used), CSA and Peak contributions pledged.	
Water Security for Regions Regional Water and Waste Water Backlog	l =	\$7.5 million	Expression of Interest - Pending	Existing funds – Council and NSW Government – used as matching money.	EOI's expected to be announced around October 2015.
Community Building Partnership Grant	Construction of a new steel shade structure in Drummond Park to replace existing shade sail	\$15,000	Pending	Total Cost around \$55,000. Additional funds to come from Drummond Park capital upgrades budget.	around December

Seniors Week Grant	To undertake activities during Seniors Week	\$1,000	Pending	Matching to come from budget allocation.	
Youth Opportunities Grant	Various youth activities	\$14,650	Pending	Nil.	
RMS funding for Aboriginal communities	To reconstruct and seal three roads within the community and to undertake potholing on the rest of the network.	Approximately \$450,000 over four different grants	Pending	Nil.	Council supplied the information to RMS for them to submit the application. Will be for the 2016/2017 year.
Liveable Communities Grant (FACS)	Establish a Wellness Centre in Cobar	\$86,000	EOI pending	Nil. This grant was put in under the NSWODGP and is a project operating under the Community Services Forum.	·

<b>Grant and Department</b>	Activity	Amount	Successful?	<b>Council Funding</b>	Comment
		Applied For		Required	
<b>Grants Announced</b>					
Local Domestic Violence	To hold a Reclaim the Night	\$1,000	Successful	Nil and grant to be run	Reclaim the
Committee Grants	celebration and awareness			through the domestic	Night
	night			violence group.	celebrations held
					30 November 15.
ClubGRANTS Category 3	Re-development of	\$515,000	Unsuccessful	\$75,000 of Council	Full applications
	Drummond Park playground			funds from budget	invited by 17
				already allocated for	November 15.
				the project.	

# **Current Grant Opportunities**

- Fixing Country Roads Council is currently putting together applications for three priority freight roads Wool Track, Wilga Downs Road and the Grain Road. Closes 11 December.
- LLS incentives program considering an application.
- Safer Communities Grant Council is considering options for this grant although Council is not eligible, a grant application would need to go in through a community group.
- Volunteers Grants Council has assisted community groups to apply for funding under this program.

# **RECOMMENDATION**

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

# CLAUSE 9B - EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK

FILE: R5-31 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 139-144)

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 10B – 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 November 2015.

#### **Background**

November 2015 Engineering Works have mainly consisted of:

- The Cobar Water Board Pipeline Replacement and Pumping System, New Water Treatment Plant and Waste Water Projects;
- Roads to Recovery and SRV road works on Shire roads;
- Maintenance of State and Regional Roads.

# State Highways

#### **Maintenance Work**

- Sign Replacement Works as required **ongoing**;
- Shoulder grading for reseals **ongoing.**

# **Urban Roads/Shire Roads/Regional Roads**

#### **Maintenance Work**

- Inspections on various shire/regional roads;
- SR3 Gravel winning;
- SR4 Maintenance grading;
- SR7 Maintenance grading;
- SR12 Maintenance grading;
- SR20 Maintenance grading;
- SR21 Maintenance grading;
- SR22 Maintenance grading;
- SR23 Maintenance grading;
- SR24 Maintenance grading;
- SR25 Maintenance grading;
- SR26 Maintenance grading;
- SR42 Maintenance grading;
- MR407 Maintenance grading;
- MR411 Maintenance grading;
- MR416 Potholes and Maintenance grading;
- MR423 Potholes;
- RR7518 Potholes and maintenance grading;
- RR7521 Potholes.

#### **Construction Work**

- SR36 Gravel resheeting;
- MR228 Clearing;
- MR416 Construction of pavement;
- SR22 Gravelling;
- SR4 Excavate floodway;
- SR20 Gravel crushing;
- SR23 Gravel crushing;
- SR24 Gravel Crushing;
- SR2 Gravel winning;
- SR3 Gravel winning.

#### **Private Works**

Nil.

#### Water and Sewer

#### **Maintenance Work**

- Pest control within sewer reticulation network being carried out where necessary - ongoing;
- Sluice valve and hydrant repairs on town water supply reticulation ongoing;
- Clearing and control of vegetation along the Nyngan to Cobar raw water pipeline easement (CWB) **–ongoing**;
- Reading of the water meters for the major users (CWB) **ongoing.**

#### **Construction Work**

• The valve replacement program for 2015-2016 is underway with the installation of new and replacement of faulty valves. Second stage of the valve replacement program has commenced and includes the area bounded by Louth Road, Bathurst, Brough and Marshall Street's. – **ongoing.** 

#### **Urban Works**

#### **Parks**

- General maintenance carries out within parks and reserves within the Shire as required **ongoing**;
- Ongoing review of intersection visibility and vegetation obstruction has continued throughout the Month of November and will be continued on a regular period through the year – ongoing.

#### Resources for Regions

#### **Construction of New Water Treatment Plant**

- The purchase of the property for the proposed Cobar Water Treatment Plant Council has received the required documentation and is waiting on the all parties to sign **ongoing**;
- The current state of the new Cobar Water Treatment Plant only the essential works to be undertaken for the project to move forward to a shovel ready status **ongoing**;
- NSW Public Works have completed the first stage of the DAF process tests and a positive result has been obtained. This round of testing has confirmed the DAF treatment process as a suitable and viable treatment technology option for the new Cobar WTP.

# **Construction of New Water Pipeline – Nyngan to Cobar**

• The Cobar Water Board's tender documents are with the Water Board consultant's and copies of the final Tender Documents are being completed.

# **Airport Pavement Works**

• The installation of the aircraft tie down points has started with six of the twelve possible parking bays completed; the ongoing required works to install the tie downs will be performed by Cobar Shire Council Staff - Ongoing.

#### **Upgrade of Sewerage Facilities**

- The rehabilitation of the Ward Oval Sewer Pump Station draft Tender documents are under review:
- Investigation is still underway for the reticulation layout at the Industrial Estate. Following this, community consultation will be undertaken to decide on project delivery;
- With the clearing of vegetation and regrowth around the embankments of the Sewerage Oxidisation Ponds nearing completion, works are continuing on the establishment of erosion control grass and irrigation system on the banks of lagoons with this work is being carried out by Council staff;
- A meeting with the Department of Primary Industries DPI Water on the section 60 application for the sewer reuse program was held on the 27 November 2015 and a report on the outcome of this meeting is forthcoming.

# Construction of RFS Shed

• The construction of the RFS Shed is continuing with the main structural sections of the frame erected and installed, the builder is awaiting the roofing and external wall materials to be delivered to site so the project can be taken to lock up stage - **Ongoing.** 

# 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.

# <u>CLAUSE 11B - 2015 NATIONAL LOCAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT</u> CONGRESS

FILE: S1-4-10 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.1 & 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor

#### **Purpose**

To provide Council with a review of the 2015 National Local Roads and Transport Congress held in Ballarat, Victoria from 17 to 19 November 2015.

#### **Issues**

The 2015 Annual National Local Roads and Transport Congress was attended by Councillor Greg Martin and the Director of Engineering Services Stephen Taylor. More than 300 delegates attended from Councils across Australia. There were a number of very interesting and informative addresses including;

- Professor John Woodrooffe, University of Michigan Transport Research Institute highlighted research he has undertaken in regards to heavy vehicle crash avoidance and fuel economy in medium and heavy trucks. He also compared heavy vehicle limits permitted in several countries, Australia, New Zealand, USA, Canada and others from which he concluded that Australia was a leader in regards to reduced transport costs by allowing larger vehicle limits on main highways. The heavy vehicle limits in USA are considerably lower which has a significant cost increase in transport.
- The Hon Warren Truss, MP, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development spoke on the additional funding the Federal Government has made available for local roads through the Roads to Recovery fund, Black Spot fund, and other programs.
- Mr Sal Petrocliffe, Chief Executive Officer, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) outlined the progress of developing the NHVR organisation since the issues with the commencement of the online processing of heavy vehicle permit applications from early 2014 which failed soon after it was launched. The NHVR is working towards reactivating an improved online system which will reduce administration at both state and local government level NHVR will collate and assess all applications.
- Mr Phillip Davies, Chief Executive Officer, Infrastructure Australia highlighted
  the need for Councils to be shovel ready with projects as funding was made
  available and there is a desire to deliver outcomes in an efficient and timely
  manner.
- The Hon. Paul Fletcher, MP, Minister for Territories, Local Government and Major Projects supported earlier comments made by The Hon Warren Truss and other speakers on the need to ensure the delivery of projects was important to support the economy and continue to provide employment.

- The Hon Anthony Albanese, MP, Shadow Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Shadow Minister for Tourism and Shadow Minister for Cities emphasized the part Labor had played in obtaining additional funding for the Roads to Recovery fund and the need for Councils to make full use of the additional funds.
- Panel sessions were held with several speakers involved in promoting and developing local regional projects which highlighted the need for councils to work together to ensure that worthwhile projects were able to secure funding for construction.
- Mr Jeff Roorda, Jeff Roorda and Associates outlined the Report 'National State of the Assets Pilot 2015' which for the first time included not only data on roads and bridges but also other Council assets such as buildings & facilities, parks and recreation, storm water, water and wastewater and airports & aerodromes. The key findings of the Report are that the gross replacement value of local government infrastructure for all Australian councils is estimated to be \$438 billion with 11% of assets in a poor or very poor condition. Improving asset management in local government has a high benefit and local government is well placed to implement a National Asset Management Plan.
- Adrian Beresford-Wylie, Chief Executive ALGA concluded the presentations by outlining the key issues the ALGA Board has identified to lobby for in next years election campaign. The issues are:
  - o Roads to Recovery double funding and make it permanent;
  - o Freight Strategy system gap, planning gap, knowledge gap and funding gap;
  - o Community Infrastructure creates jobs, keeps workers in communities, improves life of community;
  - o Restore FAGs Indexation \$925 million in cuts to local communities, was 1% of Commonwealth taxation revenue in 1996, now <0.7% and dropping;
  - o Indigenous Communities adequate municipal services must be a high priority.

I thank the Council for the opportunity to attend. Clr Martin may have further comments to make on the attendance.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Report on the 2015 National Local Roads and Transport Congress is received and the information noted.

# CLAUSE 12B - 2013/2014 ORANA REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (OROC) COST SHIFTING SURVEY RESULTS REPORT

FILE: F5-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 145-147)

AUTHOR: General Manager, Gary Woodman

#### **Purpose**

To provide to Council details of the results of the Orana Regional Organisation of Councils (OROC) Cost Shifting Survey for 2013/2014.

#### **Background**

For a number of years OROC has undertaken a survey of member Councils to determine the estimated number of cost shifting that individual OROC Councils must suffer as part of doing business on behalf of their communities.

Attached is a copy of the 2013/2014 Survey Results together with the previous years.

Not taking into account the unfunded depreciation of both the Regional Road Network and the non-red fleet Rural Fire Service Capital Items such as brigade sheds, etc it has been estimated that Cobar Shire Council suffers cost shifting to an amount of \$945,000 in 2013/2014. The previous year it was estimated to be \$868,000.

This is a pretty large burden on a Council that only has approximately \$3.7 million in general rates collected each year.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the 2013/2014 Orana Regional Organisation of Councils (OROC) Cost Shifting Survey Results Report be received and noted.

# CLAUSE 13B – UPDATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT FINANCES

FILE: G4-29 AOP REFERENCE: 4.1.4.3 & 4.3.2 & 4.4.4 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Project Manager, David Sechtig

Project Executive Officer, Heather Holder

#### **Purpose**

To provide Council with an update on the infrastructure projects budgets and expenditure as at 30 November 2015.

# **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.

#### **Financial Implications**

	Restart NSW Funding	Cobar Shire Council Funding	Expended as at 30 November 2015	Project Status
Water Treatment Plant	\$7,800,000	\$200,000	\$503,826	<ul><li>Power supply work continuing.</li><li>Algal testing completed.</li><li>Continued work on the tender documents and concept design.</li></ul>
Sewerage Scheme Refurbishments Expansion and upgrade	\$2,100,000	\$100,000	\$77,101	<ul> <li>Ward Oval pump station refurbishment about to go out for tender.</li> <li>Chlorination facility in design stage.</li> <li>Lagoon upgrade on ground works are continuing.</li> <li>Sewer Extension project in design stage.</li> </ul>

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

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

# **ATTACHMENTS**



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