

Bland Shire Council

Business Paper

Ordinary Council Meeting

19 July 2016



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OUR VISION, MISSION AND VALUES



ETHICAL DECISION MAKING AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST A guiding checklist for Councillors, Officers and Advisory Committees

Ethical Decision Making

- Is the decision or conduct legal?
- Is it consistent with Government policy, Council's objectives and Code of Conduct?
- What will the outcome be for you, your colleagues, the Council, anyone else?
- Does it raise a conflict of interest?
- Could your possible conflict of interest lead to private gain or loss at public expense?
- Can the decision be justified in terms of public interest?
- Would it withstand public scrutiny?

Conflict of Interest

 A conflict of interest is a clash between private interest and public duty. There are two types of conflict: Pecuniary – regulated by the Local Government Act and Office of Local Government and, Nonpecuniary – regulated by Codes of Conduct and policy. ICAC, Ombudsman, Office of Local Government (advice only).

The test for conflict of interest

- Is it likely I could be influenced by personal interest in carrying out my public duty?
- Would a fair and reasonable person believe I could be so influenced?
- Conflict of interest is closed tied to the layperson's definition of "corruption" using public office for private gain.
- Important to consider public perceptions of whether you have a conflict of interest

Identifying Problems

1st - Do I have private interest affected by a matter I am officially involved in?

- 2nd Is my official role one of influence or perceived influence over the matter?
- 3rd Do my private interests conflict with my official role?

Whilst seeking advice is generally useful, the ultimate decision rests with the person concerned.

Agency Advice

Officers of the following agencies are available during office hours to discuss the obligations placed on Councillors, Officers and Advisory Committee members by various pieces of legislation, regulation and Codes.

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Government			
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	Toll Free:		
	1800 451 524		
	1000 431 324		

Common Acronyms Used in Bland Shire Council Reports and Documents

	o o minior r
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACAT	Aged Care Assessment Team
AFZ	Alcohol Free Zone
AGM	Annual General Meeting
ALIA	Australian Library and Information Association
AMP	Asset Management Plan
AMRC	NSW Association of Mining Related Councils
BCA	Building Code of Australia
BEC	Business Enterprise Centre
BFMC	Bush Fire Management Committee
BFMP	Bush Fire Management Plan
BSC	Bland Shire Council
BWW	Business West Wyalong
CASA	Civil Aviation Safety Authority
CBD	Central Business District
CDAT	Community Drug Action Team
CDO	Community Development Officer
CENTROC	Central West Regional Group of Councils
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CLRS	Councillors
CPD	Continuing Professional Development
CPI	Consumer Price Index
CPP	Cowal Partnering Program
Cr	Councillor
CRO	Community Relations Officer
CSP	Community Strategic Plan
CSU	Childrens Services Unit
CT	Community Technology
CWA	Country Women's Association
DA	Development Application
DAES	Director Asset & Engineering Services
DCCDS	Director Corporate, Community & Development Services
DCP	Development Control Plan
DEMO	District Emergency Management Officer
DEOCON	District Emergency Controller
DisPlan	Disaster Plan (Local DisPlan, District DisPlan, State DisPlan)
DP	Delivery Program
DPI	Department of Primary Industries
EA	Executive Assistant
EAP	Employee Assistance Program
ED	Economic Development
EDVETAC	Economic Development, Visitor Economy & Tourism Advisory

W	Committee of the Whole
EEO	Equal Employment Opportunity
EFO	Electoral Funding Authority
EOI	Expression of Interest
EPAA	Environmental Planning & Assessment Act
ERA	Eastern Riverina Arts
EWSA	Educator Workplace Safety Audit
EWW	Events West Wyalong
EYLF	Early Years Learning Framework
FAG	Financial Assistance Grant
FDC	Family Day Care
FFTF	Fit for the Future
FRRR	Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal
FYI	For your information
GIPA	Government Information (Public Access) Act
GM	General Manager
GTAN	Government Training & Assistance Network
GWCC	Goldenfields Water County Council
HACC	Home and Community Care
HR	Human Resources
ICAC	Independent Commission Against Corruption
IPART	Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal
IPR or	Integrated Planning and Reporting
IP&R	
ITAV	It Takes A Village Program
JO	Joint Organisation
K&G	Kerb and gutter
KPI	Key Performance Indicator
LALC	Local Aboriginal Lands Council
LBDC	Little Bangs Discovery Club
LCGMCAC	Lake Cowal Gold Mine Closure Advisory Committee
LEMC	Local Emergency Management Committee
LEMO	Local Emergency Management Officer
LEOC	Local Emergency Operations Centre
LEOCON	Local Emergency Operations Controller
LEP	Local Environmental Plan
LG	Local Government
LGA	Local Government Act or Local Government Area
LGNSW	Local Government New South Wales
LIAC	Legal Information Access Centre
LTFP	Long Term Financial Plan
М	Million

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Manex	Management Executive
MHDA	Mental Health Drug & Alcohol
MLC	Member of the Legislative Council
MML	Murrumbidgee Medicare Local
MOW	Meals on Wheels
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
MP	Member of Parliament
MPHN	Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network
MPR	Multi Purpose Room
MR	Main Road
MRU	Mobile Resource Unit
NAIDOC	National Aboriginal & Islander Observance Committee
NFAR	No further action required
NGO	Non-Government Organisation
NQF	National Quality Framework
NSRF	National Stronger Regions Fund
NSWEC	New South Wales Electoral Commission
NSWPLA	New South Wales Public Libraries Association
NSWRFS	NSW Rural Fire Service
OGM	Office of the General Manager
OLG	Office of Local Government
OP	Operational Plan
P&G	Parks & Gardens
PA	Per Annum
PC	Personal Computer
PCBU	Person Conducting a Business or Undertaking
PHaMs	Personal Helpers and Mentors
PLA	Public Library Association
POEO	Protection of the Environment Operations Act & Regulations
PSITAB	NSW Public Sector Industry Advisory Board
PSSA	NSW Primary Schools Sports Association
R2R	Roads to Recovery
Rd	Road
RDA	Regional Development Australia

RDO	Rostered Day Off
Rec	Recreation
REROC	Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils
RFS	Rural Fire Service
RMAP	Risk Management Action Plan
RMS	Roads & Maritime Services
RRL	Riverina Regional Library
RTO	Registered Training Organisation
RV	Recreational Vehicle
SEDTA	Senior Economic Development & Tourism Advisor
SEPP	State Environmental Planning Policy
SES	State Emergency Service
SH	State Highway
SLA	Service-level agreement
SLNSW	State Library New South Wales
SRC	Summer Reading Club
SRV	Special Rate Variation
St	Street
STW	Sewerage Treatment Works
TASAC	Tourist Attraction Signposting Assessment Committee
TCORP	Treasury Corporation
TVET	TAFE Delivered Vocational Education & Training
USU	United Services Union
VC	Victoria Cross
VIC	Visitor Information Centre
VPA	Voluntary Planning Agreement
WAPS	Workforce Assessment Plan & Strategy
WHS	Work Health & Safety
WWBC	West Wyalong Bowling Club
WWFHG	West Wyalong Family History Group
WWRL	West Wyalong Rugby League

Council Meeting Agenda



19 July 2016

commencing at 6:30PM

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Let us acknowledge the Wiradjuri people, their elders past and present, traditional custodians of the land we now share. Let us be inspired by the resilience, innovation and perseverance of past generations. Let us honour those who protect this great land, may you draw strength from your God or Faith so that we may, here today, on behalf of our community, - build a vibrant future together. ("Pause for Reflection").

2.0 **ATTENDANCE**

2.1 Councillors

- Cr L Hampton
- Cr K Keatley
- Cr T Lord
- Cr L McGlynn
- Cr B Monaghan
- Cr L Pike
- Cr N Pokoney
- Cr P Templeton

2.2 Staff

General Manager – Ray Smith Director Asset & Engineering Services – Will Marsh Director Corporate, Community & Development Services – Adele Casey Executive Assistant – Julie Sharpe

2.3 Apologies

Cr P Grellman

3.0 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

3.1 Ordinary Meeting held on 21 June 2016

Confirmation

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 21 June 2016 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

- Corrections
- Business Arising

4.0 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

A pecuniary interest is an interest that a person has in a matter because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss the person or another person with whom the person is associated.

A person does not have a pecuniary interest in a matter if the interest is so remote or insignificant that it could not reasonably be regarded as likely to influence any decision a person might make in relation to a matter.

Councillor/Officer	Item	Nature of Interest

5.0 **PUBLIC FORUM**

6.0 **MAYORAL MINUTE**

7.0 **NOTICES OF MOTION**

7.1 Donations Policy (Cr McGlynn)

The following Notice of Motion has been submitted by Clr. McGlynn

"That Council's current Donations Policy be amended to delete the descending contributions, year by year arrangements, on the basis that some local events will never be self sustaining"

Comment from General Manager

The whole purpose of having a declining contributions policy was to encourage local groups and organisations to become more sustainable. If a local organisation knows that it can obtain from council the same amount every year for a particular event or activity there will be no incentive for that organisation to even consider alternative funding sources or to review the way they organise the event or activity. At the risk of sounding like a 'broken record' if council is to be deemed 'Fit for the Future' it is these type of policies that the NSW Office of Local Government will be looking for councils to implement.

8.0 **DELEGATES & ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Section 1 – Delegates & Advisory Committee Reports & Minutes (for information)

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That the Council receive the staff reports.

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10.0 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

11.0 QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

- Matters to be dealt with arising out of the proceedings of former meetings of the Council
- Other Matters

12.0 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING TO DISCUSS CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 10A(2) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

12.1 Proposed Lease of Council Property

Local Government Act 1993 (section 10A (2) (d) (i) The matters and information are commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

13.0 RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CLOSED SECTION OF THE MEETING

14.0 CLOSE OF THE MEETING

SECTION 1 – DELEGATES & ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Our leadership

Setting a benchmark for community standards

Vision: A well run council acting as the voice of the community

DP15.2 Working in partnership with community groups, advisory committees, Government Departments, businesses and Council staff

Officer's Recommendation:

That the Council receive and note the delegate and advisory committee reports from Councillors and Advisory Committee meeting minutes as presented.

Section 1 – Delegates & Advisory Committee Reports & Minutes (for information)

Committee	Date/s	Minutes attached
Access Advisory Committee	5 th August 2016	
(Cr Grellman)		
Australia Day Awards Committee of the Whole		
(Whole of Council)		
Australian Rural Roads Group Inc	21 st June 2016	
(Cr Grellman)		
Bland Rural Fire District Zone Liaison	23 rd March 2016	
Committee		
(Cr Keatley, Cr Grellman - alternate)	23 rd March 2016	
Bland – Temora RFS Zone Bushfire	23 March 2010	
Management Committee		
(Cr Keatley, Cr Grellman - alternate)	19 th June 2016	
Country Mayors Association of NSW	19° June 2016	v
(Mayor & General Manager)	est i accia	
Cowal Gold Project Community Environmental	1 st June 2016	~
Monitoring & Consultative Committee (CEMCC)	31 st August 2016	
(Mayor Pokoney, Deputy Mayor Cr McGlynn -		
alternate, Cr Hampton - observer)	a and a second	
Cultural Advisory Committee	22 nd August 2016	
(Cr McGlynn, Cr Keatley)		
Goldenfields Water County Council Board	23 rd June 2016	~
(Cr Templeton)	25 th August 2016	
Heritage Advisory Committee	3 rd August 2016	
(Cr McGlynn, Cr Grellman)		

Lake Cowal Gold Mine Closure Advisory Committee		
(Mayor Pokoney, Deputy Mayor Cr McGlynn, GM)		
Internal Audit Committee		
(Cr Templeton, Cr Monaghan)		
Local Traffic Advisory Committee		
(Mayor Pokoney, Cr Grellman - alternate)		
Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network (Cr Monaghan)		
Museums Advisory Committee	22 nd September 2016	
(Cr Lord, Cr Keatley)		
Newell Highway Taskforce		
(Cr Lord)		
NSW Association of Mining Related Councils	4 th August 2016	
(Cr McGlynn, Cr Hampton)		
Plant Committee		
(Cr Grellman, Cr Templeton, Cr Lord)		
Public Libraries NSW South-West Zone		
Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils (REROC)		
(Mayor Pokoney)		
Riverina Regional Library Advisory Committee		
(Cr Lord, Cr Monaghan - alternate)		
Riverina Regional Tourism		
(Cr Lord)		



Country Mayors Association of NEW SOUTH WALES

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MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING

FRIDAY, 19 JUNE 2016, LORD MAYOR'S RECEPTION ROOM, SYDNEY

The meeting opened at 9.30 a.m.

1. ATTENDANCE:

Albury City Council, Cr Hank Van de Ven, Mayor Albury City Council, Mr Frank Zaknich, General Manager Bathurst Regional Council, Cr Gary Rush, Mayor Bathurst Regional Council, Mr David Sherley, General Manager Bellingen Shire Council, Cr Mark Troy, Mayor Berrigan Shire Council, Cr Bernard Curtin, Mayor Bland Shire Council, Mr Ray Smith, General Manager Carrathool Shire Council, Cr Peter Laird, Mayor Coolamon Shire Council, Cr John Seymour, Mayor Coolamon Shire Council, Mr Tony Donoghue, General Manager Cowra Council, Cr Bill West, Mayor Eurobodalla Shire Council, Cr Lindsay Brown, Mayor Griffith City Council, Cr Doug Curran, Deputy Mayor Griffith City Council, Mr Brett Stonestreet, General Manager Gunnedah Shire Council, Cr Owen Hasler, Mayor Kempsey Shire Council, Cr Liz Campbell, Mayor Leeton Shire Council, Cr Paul Maytom, Mayor Leeton Shire Council, Ms Jackie Kruger, General Manager Murrumbidgee Council, Mr Craig Moffitt, Interim General Manager Narrabri Shire Council, Cr Cathy Redding, Deputy Mayor Shoalhaven City Council, Cr John Wells, Deputy Mayor Shoalhaven City Council, Cr Allan Baptist, Assistant Deputy Mayor Tamworth Regional Council, Cr Col Murray, Mayor Tamworth Regional Council, Mr Paul Bennett, General Manager Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Cr John Shaw, Mayor

Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Mr John Bell, General Manager Wagga Wagga City Council, Cr Rod Kendall, Mayor Wagga Wagga City Council, Mr Alan Eldridge, General Manager Walcha Council, Cr Janelle Archdale, Mayor Warrumbungle Shire Council, Cr Peter Shinton, Mayor Warrumbungle Shire Council, Mr Steve Loane, General Manager Western Plains Regional Council, Mr Michael Kniepp, Administrator Western Plains Regional Council, Mr Mark Riley, Interim General Manager Local Government NSW, President, Cr Keith Rhoades

APOLOGIES:

As submitted

WELCOME

Cr Linda Scott, Sydney City Council, welcomed delegates to the meeting

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Dr Bligh Grant, Senior Lecturer, Australian Centre for Excellence in Local Government, University of Technology, Sydney

Mr Tim Hansen, Stakeholder Specialist, Engagement and Partnerships, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

Mr Michael Wills, Senior Manager, Network Management, Roads and Maritime Services

Hon Gladys Berejklian MP, Treasurer and Minister for Industrial Relations

2. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

RESOLVED that the minutes of the General Meeting held on 11 March 2016 be accepted as a true and accurate record (Albury City Council / Warrumbungle Shire Council).

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

NIL

4. Membership

RESOLVED That Coolamon Shire Council and Kempsey Shire Council be admitted as members of the Association (Bellingen Shire Council/ Leeton Shire Council)

RESOLVED That the amalgamated Councils who now incorporate former members of the Association inherit the Country Mayors membership of those former Councils (Albury City Council/ Carrathool Shire Council)

5. Presentation

Dr Bligh Grant, Senior Lecturer, Australian Centre for Excellence in Local Government, University of Technology, Sydney

Amalgamations are the golden thread of Local Government History. There is always a conspiracy theory as to why amalgamations occur, not only in NSW but in the other States as well. The supposed positive of amalgamations is capacity/effectiveness in per capita terms. Ernst & Young in their appendix to the IPART Report says this is not strong. The State Government stresses that amalgamations are going to save money while Local Government says it is all about community. There is a "Principle of Double Effects" that is an action that has an unintended consequence. There is a need to focus on "Intent" and "Proportionality" – what is the intention of the Government and is the process really worth it.

6. Cr Keith Rhoades, President, Local Government NSW

Cr Rhoades advised that nothing has been received regarding the second tier of the amalgamations and the Government seems to be waiting for the Woollahra Council decision. An update was given on the LGNSW elections and issues involved and he raised awareness on the Emergency Services Levy which will come in to force on 1 July 2017

7. Presentation

Mr Tim Hansen, Stakeholder Specialist, Engagement and Partnerships, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator and Mr Michael Wills, Senior Manager, Network Management, Roads and Maritime Services

The National Heavy Vehicle Regulator was established in 2013 and looks after vehicles of 4.5ton or more. Prior to its establishment, NSW Roads and Management (RMS) administered access for all PBS vehicles in NSW by issuing permits for all roads including roads within council areas. Since 2013 the National Heavy Vehicle regulator has become the responsible entity for issuing permits, and is required to obtain the consent from the Road Manager to issue a permit. The RMS are now no longer providing consents for all roads and specific local council consent would need to be obtained for PBS vehicle applications where access to local roads is required. The new arrangements mean council consent is now required as part of the permit process for PBS vehicles. Overviews were given on the National PBS Truck and Dog Notice, National PBS Notice, National SPV Notice and National Load Carrying Vehicle Notices.

8. Presentation

Hon Gladys Berejklian MP, Treasurer and Minister for Industrial Relations

The Minister gave an overview on the state of the NSW economy. Macro job creation is the best in Australia with monthly figures showing that half of the job growth in Australia is in NSW and half of the NSW growth is in Regional NSW. Consumer confidence is more optimistic that pessimistic. The Government Departments are sharing information with each other resulting in better upfront service. One third of the States infrastructure spend must go to Regional NSW.

9. CORRESPONDENCE Outward

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- (a) Corowa Shire Council advising that Council had been accepted as a member of the Association
- (b) The Hon Mark Speakman MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage and Assistant Minister for Planning thanking him for his presentation on 11 March 2016
- (c) The Hon John Barilaro MP, Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business thanking him for his presentation on 11 March 2016
- (d) The Hon Mike Baird MP, Premier and Hon Paul Toole MP, Minister for Local Government Re the treatment of Local Government in NSW
- (e) To the Administrators of the amalgamated Councils that included a former member or members of the Country Mayors Association advising that each amalgamated Council inherited Country Mayors membership and inviting them to attend 10 June meeting
- (f) To the former Mayors who were delegates to the Country Mayors Association prior to the amalgamations thanking them for their past support and contributions

NOTED

10. FINANCIAL REPORT

RESOLVED That the financial reports for the last quarter were tabled and accepted (Albury City Council / Upper Lachlan Shire Council)

11. General Business

(a) Grey Headed Flying Fox

RÉSOLVED 1. Write to the NSW Government requesting that NSW Health investigate the health impacts to communities residing in proximity to Grey Headed Flying-fox camps and the results of the investigation be published and used to educate the community.

2. Write to the Australian and NSW Governments requesting that they undertake research into the reasons why Grey Headed Flying-foxes select roost sites where they do, the reasons for the trend for Grey Headed Flying-foxes to select roost sites in urban areas, and prepare an integrated program and strategy aimed at providing a sustainable long term solution to the management of Grey Headed Flying-fox camps. (Eurobodalla Shire Council/Gunnedah Shire Council)

(b) Definition of Government under the Copyright Act

RESOLVED That the Country Mayors Association request LGNSW urgently petition the Federal Ministers for the Department of Communications and the Arts to amend the definition of Government under the Copyright Act to include Local Government (Carrathool Shire Council/Eurobodalla Shire Council)

(c) Water Resources

RESOLVED That the Country Mayors Association write to the Minister for Water for an explanation on how translucent flow releases tie in with the Murray Darling Basin Plan (Leeton Shire Council/Cowra Council)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.35pm.

Cr Rod Kendall Chair – Country Mayor's Association of NSW

Country Mayors' Association of New South Wales 10 June 2016

National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

Tim Hansen

Our aim is to safely optimise road access to efficiently carry out the freight task while respecting infrastructure



About the NHVR...

The NHVR regulates all vehicles over 4.5 tonnes gross vehicle mass in a way that:

Promotes public safety

Encourages and promotes productive, efficient, innovative and safe business practices Manages the impacts of heavy vehicles on the environment, road infrastructure and public amenity

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Promotes industry productivity and efficiency in the road transport of goods and passengers by heavy vehicles



Our responsibilities...

Across Australia, the NHVR is responsible for:

Road freight of over 200 Billion tonnekilometres 33% of the national freight task

The safe and efficient movement of over 500,000 heavy vehicles Liaison with over 400 road managers, utility providers and rail authorities to coordinate heavy vehicle access Heavy vehicle access on all of Australia's 870,000 kms of roads except those in WA and NT



Our approach

- Work with councils and industry to identify opportunities to allow appropriate access to local government road networks and grow local economies
- Share information and knowledge to support local council road managers
- Dedicated Engagement and Liaison team with Stakeholder Specialists for Local Government



Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL) has both <u>obligations</u> and <u>opportunities</u> for local government

They have always been your roads

... the HVNL highlights your role as road managers to provide consent to your local road networks

- We recognise your resource limitations
- Industry is keen to work with you
- We want to help you to make good decisions



Opportunities

- First and last mile access mainly council roads
- Build heavy vehicle consideration into planning arrangements
- Support newer, safer technology
- Help local businesses grow by encouraging use of higher productivity vehicles
- NHVR can support infrastructure funding bids to Commonwealth and NSW Governments e.g. *Fixing Country Roads*
- Utilise all access options: Permits Pre approvals Notices



What are pre-approvals?

A way to allow permit access on popular transport routes on local roads with less administrative burden on councils

How do they work?

- × No It doesn't mean open slather
- Yes Permits are still required but the assessment process is simplified
- Yes You control the access
- ✓ Yes You can set the conditions
- Yes You still have visibility of permits issued



What are the benefits of this approach?

- Minimise time spent on routine access requests
- Maximise access for industry while minimising impacts
- Efficiently allocate resources to ad-hoc or more complex access requests
- ✓ Interim step towards gazettal
- Provides more business certainty for your local industries

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✓ 1000+ pre-approvals in place on council roads



Examples of improved access

- Tumby Bay SA pre-approval of 17 Higher Mass Limits routes to benefit grain industry
- Dandenong VIC pre-approval of crane access
- Inner city Adelaide SA tight link between development approval and heavy vehicle access area of council



Examples of improved access

- Blacktown NSW pre-approval of certain high productivity vehicles has reduced council workload for consent requests by 40%. Model now being promoted to other councils.
- Ipswich City Council QLD package of measures being developed to improve internal systems and open up access
- Western Downs QLD pre-approval of key routes into key feedlots to reduce red tape for council and improve productivity for livestock transport industry
- Bundaberg QLD introduction of a notice to allow greater flexibility for movement of agricultural equipment. Investigating similar approach for cotton and grain industries on Darling Downs west of Toowoomba)



What can councils do to keep local economies strong?

- Work with your local businesses to identify their road transport priorities NHVR can assist here
- Before you say no to an access request, think of the alternative as less trips with more productive vehicles = less overall impact on infrastructure
- Pre-approve routes to reduce admin burden to council and industry
- Review internal systems to turn around heavy vehicle access consent requests quickly
- Consider potential for high productivity vehicles less truck trips by safer vehicles with improved amenity for residents
- Consider which routes could be gazetted as-of-right for certain heavy vehicles e.g. for PBS vehicles similar to current vehicles



Conventional truck and dog trailer

General Access (Notice)

Truck and trailer Length: 19.0 m Gross mass: 50.5 tonnes

13.75t 13.75t

16.5t

6.5t



High productivity truck and dog trailer Same axle configuration –more capacity





High productivity truck and dog trailer Same axle configuration - more capacity and mass





Same length as semi-trailer 48% more payload

B- double routes (Notice)

Length: 19.0 m Gross mass: 56.0 tonnes





Conventional semi-trailer





High productivity semi-trailer one metre longer – 30% more capacity





8 tips for good systems within councils

- Create a dedicated email address for heavy vehicle access applications e.g. nhvraccess@council.nsw.gov.au
- Have multiple access by all team members dealing with applications
- Check in-box regularly for any new applications
- Work with local businesses and transport operators to identify transport needs
- Have clear roles for team dealing with applications
- Set internal targets for turnaround of access requests
- Code local roads and capture on spreadsheet to allow easy comparison of applications with previous decisions
- Minimise type of access applications needing higher level approval





Increasing data from NHVR to help councils

- Number of pre-approvals/gazette requests
- Yes/no rate
- Turnaround times
- Volume
- Heat maps





Ongoing improvements

Nationally harmonised operational policies, ensuring similar outcomes are applied to similar events

A suite of standard conditions for permits to assist road managers and offer quicker, more consistent response for industry

Published road manager data allowing a more targeted approach to improve performance

Vehicle graphics to make it easier for industry to apply for access and for councils to assess

Fast tracked (risk-based) processes and simplified forms to assist industry and road managers

Customer and local government portals to manage and monitor progress with applications


AccessCONNECT Program

NHVR's Online Access Permit Solution

The new permit portal aims to enable a more streamlined and effective national business process for the heavy vehicle industry accessing the transport network. Progressing total system development & deployment – one national gateway.

BETA RELEASE	CURRENT FOCUS	FUTURE FOCUS NHVR Portal
The Customer Portal will be an online system where customers can log in to their account, create a permit application and lodge it online	The Road Manager Portal will be an online system where each responsible authority can respond to access consent requests and manage access demand	The NHVR Portal will be an online system where access permit processes are managed, and support provided to customers and road managers
 Faster application preparation and lodgement using smart forms Resubmit previous application details Fully integrated route planning service Online payment for NHVR permit services A unique fleet management ability User registration and account management Application tracker and accessing permits online Ability to process payments Controlled release to 40 users with positive feedback received Full release of Customer Portal mid 2016 	 Consent request workflow Reporting features to assist with demand management, workforce planning and operations management GIS services to assist with barriers, pre-approvals and request for Notices Permit conditions library Direct communication with customers and the NHVR Integration option into existing RM systems Consultation open Opt in to future pilots 	 Managing the NHVR's role in permit issuance Oversight of access management services Quality control features to ensure consistency Reporting features to assist with demand management, workforce planning and operations management Automated permit generation Business intelligence to assist with national harmonisation and demand management Single environment to undertake operations

Summary

- Councils are embracing ownership of access decisions
- Councils have key role to play in delivering gains in national productivity and safety
- Consider how NHVR, Councils and local industry can work together to improve your local freight task
- Critical success factors
 - Informed partnerships between NHVR, councils and industry
 - Awareness of options available under Heavy Vehicle National Law to manage your freight task
 - Shared ownership of improving productivity and safety
 - Regulatory consistency



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Questions??





MINUTES OF MEETING

COWAL GOLD OPERATION COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (CEMCC)

Wednesday 1 June 2016 9.00 am – Jemalong Recreation Centre, Forbes Minutes taken by: Elliot Willemsen-Bell

Attendees:

Independent Chair: Evolution:

Community Members: Bland Shire Council: Forbes Shire Council: Lachlan Shire Council: Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH) Garry Pearson (GP), Elliot Willemsen-Bell (EWB) Angus Stitt (AS), Lucy Buttenshaw (LB), Liz McGlynn (LM) Paul Bennett (PB) Graham Scott (GS)

Apologies: Graeme Miller, Dave Carter, Neil Pokoney, Leanne Hampton, Brian Mattiske, Ally Coe, Bruce Dent, Jason Greive, Jamie Coad

ITEM	ACTION	
1.0 Welcome		
Independent Chair, Margaret MacDonald-Hill opened the meeting at 9:15 am.		
2.0 Declaration of Interest		
Margaret MacDonald-Hill declared her interest as Independent Chair of the CEMCC, appointed by the Director General of the Department of Planning and Environment. For record purposes, Margaret advised the committee she is a member of the Mine Subsidence Board. Margaret also declared that she receives payment via a Trust established by the Bland Shire Council for her work as Chair of the CEMCC.		
For a full Declaration of Interest for all members, see Attachment A		
3.0 Confirmation of Previous Minutes		
Moved by Lucy Buttenshaw, seconded by Angus Stitt		
4.0 Business Arising from previous Minutes		
Evolution representatives to provide printed handouts of presentations.		
Replacement members for CEMCC – MMH has received two nominations from the local community. The Department of Planning and Environment confirmed that it is preferable to have a representative from the West Wyalong Community as a		



replacement for Jenene McGrath. ACTION: MMH to contact one of the nominees to request further information	Cowal
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Lake Cowal Foundation – The search for an Independent Scientist is	
ongoing. A candidate has been identified and this will be discussed at a	
meeting on 27 July.	
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Andrew Buttenshaw resigned his position as Chairman, shortly before his	
passing. The LCF will conduct interviews and nominate a replacement in the	
coming months.	
5.0 Correspondence	
Out	
16/3/16 - forward Trevor Brown email on 2016 IEA to CEMCC	
17/3/16 - GP email CEMCC Evolution media release - Cowal restructure	
20/3/16 - forward Evolution media release to CEMCC	
31/3/16 - email CEMCC DP&E extension and link on guidelines review	
8/4/16 - email reminder to CEMCC on IEA	
In the second seco	
16/3/16 - email from Trevor Brown on 2016 IEA	
24/3/16 - email from GP Evolution NF&O incident report	
11/4/16 - email response to Trevor Brown	
13/5/16 - email from GP Evolution NF&O incident report	
6.0 Reports	
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Complaints/Grievances		
There have been zero complaints since the last CEMCC Meeting		
There was some discussion around plans to engage more widely and openly, particularly in West Wyalong and through the media. The ESR Team is currently drafting the FY17 Social Responsibility Plan, and recommendations include the establishment of an Information Centre in West Wyalong and changes to the Community Open Day.		
7.0 General Business		
LM said that Evolution had a good story to tell about the drilling program and that it should be made known to the local media to make people aware. ACTION: EWB to identify positive media opportunities and roll out as soon as possible.		
8.0 Meeting Closed – 10:30 am		
9.0 Next Meeting		
Wednesday 31 August at the Cowal Gold Mine. LB advised she would be an apology.		
2016 Meeting Dates: • 31 August • 7 December		



ATTACHMENT A – CEMCC MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST



Community Environmental Monitoring and Consultative Committee (CEMCC)

Declarations of interest:

Margaret MacDonald-Hill - Independent Chair

- Appointed by DG of DP&E, paid via Trust administered by Bland Shire Council
- Member of the Mine Subsidence Board

Angus Stitt - Community Representative, West Wyalong

• Receives reimbursement of travel costs for attending CEMCC meetings, from time to time

Lucy Buttenshaw – Community Representative, West Wyalong

• Nil

David Carter - Community Representative, Condobolin

• Nil

Bruce Dent – Lake Cowal Landholders Association

- Noise Mitigation Agreement in accordance with Development Consent Conditions
- Receives reimbursement of travel costs for attending CEMCC meetings, from time to time

Neil Pokoney – Bland Shire Council Representative

- Evolution Mining is a ratepayer within the Bland Shire
- Evolution Mining has entered into a Roads Maintenance MOU with Bland Shire Council
- Evolution Mining has provided financial support for certain community events, initiatives, and infrastructure operated by the Bland Shire Council

Graham Scott – Lachlan Shire Council Representative

- Evolution Mining has been a ratepayer within the Lachlan Shire
- Evolution Mining is a customer (subscriptions and advertising) of The Lachlander newspaper, of which, Cr Scott is the Editor
- Evolution Mining has entered into a Roads Maintenance MOU with Lachlan Shire Council
- Evolution Mining has provided financial support for certain community events, initiatives, and infrastructure operated by the Lachlan Shire Council

Brian Mattiske – Forbes Shire Council Representative

- Evolution Mining is a ratepayer within the Forbes Shire
- Evolution Mining pays annual easement payments to the Forbes Shire Council for properties owned by Council
- Evolution Mining pays annual easement payments to entities which Mr Mattiske maintains a financial interest in for properties owned by those entities
- Evolution Mining pays an annual fee for Temporary Water Transfer Agreements to entities which Mr Mattiske maintains a financial interest



• Evolution Mining has provided financial support for certain community events, initiatives, and infrastructure operated by the Forbes Shire Council

Graeme Miller – Forbes Shire Council Representative

- Evolution Mining is a ratepayer within the Forbes Shire
- Evolution Mining pays annual easement payments to the Forbes Shire Council for properties owned by Council
- Evolution Mining has provided financial support for certain community events, initiatives, and infrastructure operated by the Forbes Shire Council

Ally Coe – Wiradjuri Condobolin Corporation

- Wiradjuri Condobolin Corporation receives compensation payments in accordance with Native Title requirements
- Wiradjuri Condobolin Corporation is a contractor to Evolution Mining at the Cowal Gold
 Project

Cowal Gold Operations Environmental Management

CEMCC

1 June 2016 www.evolutionmining.com.au/Cowal/



Environmental Management Overview



- Environment and Sustainability Policy
- Environmental Incidents
- Environmental Summary
- Government Interactions
- Cyanide Management
- 2016 Look Ahead

Environment and Sustainability Policy



Evolution Mining Limited ("Evolution Mining" or the "Company") is committed to attaining an outstanding level of environmental performance in all of our workplaces.

Evolution Mining shall incorporate environmental considerations into all areas of our business to effectively manage environmental impacts and risks.

Our environmental care and culture will be formed on the basis of;

- Commitment to this Policy, with supportive funding and a belief that the majority of environmental incidents are
 preventable and controllable with foresight, relevant training, purposeful attitude and appropriate equipment
- Accountability of Management with the support of all personnel to ensure that the workplace and the practices comply with statutory and license conditions
- Implementing leading industry practices and environmental management systems at all levels; including
 exploration, development, operations, decommissioning, closure and rehabilitation
- Regular assessment of the environmental performance of the Company's activities to ensure compliance with the Company's commitments and conditions; and to report findings to stakeholders, the community and regulatory authorities
- Continually striving to identify opportunities to effectively manage energy and water whilst minimising waste and reducing our environmental footprint
- Increasing awareness of personnel on the potential environment impacts of activities in which we are involved, and how those impacts can be minimised or controlled
- Maintaining appropriate emergency and critical incident response programs, and to notify the relevant authority
 in the event of any reportable environmental incident; and
- · Contribute to conservation of biodiversity and integrated approaches to land use.

Periodical review shall ensure that Company targets and objectives are being achieved in regards to environmental performance.

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Jake Klein Executive Chairman

Issue Date: February 2015

EVN_COR_POL_0004_Environment_Sustainability_V1_February 2015

Reportable Incidents

All incidents related to death of native fauna on the mining lease.

March 2016

- 1 Blue-bellied Black Snake gravel Western Haul Road by NTSF.
- 1 Myall Snake gravel access road by Exploration Geology.
- 1 Brown Snake gravel access road south end E42 Pit.
- 1 Crested Pigeon bitumen access road.

Three (3) native animal rescued – Microbat; juv Brown Snake; Crested Pigeon. WIRES Calls.

Pest Control:

- Addressing feral cats numbers.
- Mouse baiting continuing. Minimal mice since 2012 mini-plague.
- 1080 Fox baiting ceased May 2015. Resumed mid-February 2016.
- Pindone baits for Rabbits (ceased May 2015, resumed mid-2016).

Mutual Aid: One (1) – x1 Grey Roo adult male – BSC Ranger assistance (euth). WIRES.

All incidents were reported to Government agencies in accordance with regulatory approvals. Deceased fauna were forwarded to Veterinary Clinic to confirm cause of death. No death was associated with chemical toxicity & no further action necessary.

BEEP FOR BIRDS Use car horn to Scare



Reportable Incidents

All incidents related to death of native fauna on the mining lease.

April 2016

- 1 Myall Snake Exploration geology gravel access road.
- 1 Pied Butcherbird E42 exploration drill rig recirculating mud tank.
- 1 Galah in cable reeler of 200 tonne boom crane.
- 1 Legless Lizard Wiradjuri cultural heritage topsoil/ veg clearing area.

Two (2) native animal/s rescued - x1 Brown Snake; x1 Welcome Swallow. WIRES.

Nil (0) feral animals euthanased – – WIRES.

Fifty (50) large Grey Kangaroos at 'Hillgrove' NPWS-OEH Permit to Harm. 21 April 2016.

Pest Control:

- Mouse baiting continuing. No mice since 2012 mini-plague.
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- Pindone baits for Rabbits (ceased May 2015, resumed mid-2016).

Mutual Aid: Nil (0) request – - WIRES.

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Reportable Incidents

All incidents related to death of native fauna on the mining lease.

May 2016

- 1 Stubble Quail floating in Leach Feed Thickener (no cyanide present).
- 1 Welcome Swallow Fixed Plant Workshop concrete floor.

Nil (0) native animals rescued - . WIRES.

One (1) feral animal euthanased – Blue-grey feral kitten – WIRES.

Pest Control:

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Reportable Incidents

All incidents related to death of native fauna on the mining lease.

June 2016

- **0**.

Nil (0) native animals rescued - . WIRES.

Nil (0) feral animal euthanased - - WIRES.

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Mostly dry – May 2016







CGO Legal Compliance



NSW **DP&E** Development Consent – granted 26 February 1999

- MOD12 granted 13 May 2016

NSW DSIRD-DRE Mining Lease 1535 – granted 13 June 2003

- MOP (August 2014 - August 2016) approved October 2014

NSW EPA EPL11912 (last varied 3 Sept 2015)

NSW Office of Water (**NOW**) Water Access Certificates

- WAL 31864 (BCPC 3,650 ML)
- WAL 36569 (ESB zero allocation)
- WAL 36615 E42 Pit (366 ML, includes lake floor bores)
- WAL 36617 E42 Pit lower MDB (3,294 ML/annum)

Regulatory Interactions



DP&E (December 2010 – 11 May 2016):

- Voluntary Planning Agreement Offset Areas + Bond.
- DP&E extended process until 30 June 2016.

2016 Independent Env Audit (27-28 Aug 2016):

26-29 April 2016. Draft report being Finalised.

2016 triennial Hazard Audit (16-19 May 2016):

- Draft report being finalised
- 2016 annual independent bunding integrity audit planned for mid-June 2016.



Regulatory Interactions



DSIRD-DRE, Orange Inspectorate (2 Oct 2015):

- MOP (2014 2016) and appended RMP (April 2015).
- Preparing EVN CGO MOP (2016 2018) by June 2016.

Lake Cowal IMP (27-28 August):

EVN CGO response to IMP report is on www.



LCF Board (19 February 2016):

- Review of Constitution at NPA-NCC, Sydney (14 Oct '15);
- AGM was 27 November 2015; and
- 25 November 2016 for Vote on revised Constitution.

MOD11 work list – strategies/ EMPs



Environmental management strategy	Decommissioning strategy for water
Rehabilitation Strategy – appended to EVN CGO MOP (1 Aug 2014 – 31 Aug 2016)	management structures & long-term management of Final Void and LPB
Noise Management Plan	Blast Management Plan
Soil Stripping Management Plan	Erosion and Sediment Control MP
Rehabilitation Management Plan	Indigenous Archaeology CH MP
Air Quality Management Plan	Land Management Plan
Biodiversity Offset Management Plan	Lake Protection Bund Management Plan
Flora and Fauna Management Plan	SGWM&BMP (Programme)
Water Management Plan	

Cyanide Management Plan	Emergency Response Plan
Safety Management Plan	Transport of Haz Substances Study
Mining Operations Plan	Heritage Management Plan
Hazardous Waste and Chemical MP	Compensatory Wetland MP

Regulatory Interactions

NOW – Water Certificates:

- NSW Water Sharing Plans (2014 2015).
- CGO 2015 Revised Water Management Plan.
- Certificates have replaced all prior GWLs.



EPA – variation request EPL11912:

- DP&E have approved Programme, BLMP and AQMP.
- Given the CGO Revised 2015 EMPs are now approved CGO has commenced the process to reflect the government approved (DRE, EPA, NOW), changes.
- Lodging a variation application in June 2016.



2015-2017 Exploration Drilling Program EVN CGO REF:



- Stage 1 (Dec 2015 Dec 2016) priority exploration focus areas
 - E46 North
 - Central Cowal
- Stage 2 (Dec 2016 Dec 2017) target exploration focus areas
 - Eastern Corridor
 - South Cowal
 - North Cowal

2015-2017 Exploration Drilling Program





North Cowal Exploration Focus Area Stage 1 Indicative Drill Hole Location Stage 2 Indicative Drill Hole Location Stage 2 Target Drill Location

Exploration Focus Area

Source: Department of Industry (2015); Orthophoto - Evolution Mining (Cowal) Pty Limited (Flown February 2015)

Evolution EL 7750 EXPLORATION REF 2015 **Exploration Focus Areas**, Indicative Drill Hole Locations and Target Drill Locations





Shallow angle drill rigs





400 m



ML & Groundwater Sources

ESB BCPC Pit/ Rain Reg River



Water summary







Ongoing depositional dust monitoring



Compliance with DC criteria for depositional dust (4g/m²/month) was achieved during 2014



Ongoing blast overpressure monitoring





Ongoing <u>quarterly</u> ambient noise monitoring





Ongoing surface & groundwater monitoring



CGO Final Closure Works



 Ongoing rehabilitation and monitoring as per CGO MOP (2014 – 2016). SRCE Model.

NAB and ANZ @ AUD 63.5 million.



NWE north (23 Feb 2016)



Cyanide Monitoring Results

January 2016 – TSF - Decant



Switched over from 4th Lift NTSF to new 5th Lift STSF at end-September 2015.



Cyanide Monitoring Results

February 2016 – TSF - Decant





Cyanide Monitoring Results

March 2016 – TSF - Decant




Cyanide Monitoring Results

April 2016 – TSF - Decant



Cyanide Monitoring Results



May 2016 – TSF - Decant

As per usual. Umpire data from SGS Laboratories in West Wyalong and Sydney will be available soon. Showing at CEMCC (31 August 2016).







- **Dual HP Nat Gas lines to Sydney**
- 132 kV ETL Temora CGO



'Hillgrove' **Trees & shrubs** (about 100 ha)



Grey Kangaroo – control action



EVN CGO non-commercial control action before plant trees and shrubs.Independent advice that 'Hillgrove' is suffering from grazing over pressure.

N Company Name: EVOLUTION MINING (COWAL) PTY LIMITED Licence expires: 30/06/2016

arm or to permit a person holding a general licence dlife Act 1974 to harm the fauna specified below on ince with the conditions attached to this licence.

entific Name	Maximum Number
CROPUS GIGANTEUS	50

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AKE COWAL ROAD LAKE COWAL NSW 2671 o: Shoot (firearms), 50 tag(s), Tag Range: 584651

JAMES COLLINS





Large physical size and resident numbers of Grey Kangaroos





MOD actions status



MOD11 - 12

- All EMPs lodged 26 May 2015. Awaiting DP&E
- Offset Areas VPA and Bond by 30 June 2016
- Compulsory acquisition of noise affected farms

MOD13

- Nothing yet...Exploring inside and outside ML
- MOD11 H-cutback is now in CGO Reserves.







Continued Excellence





Cyanide Code (Audit 19-21 Nov 2013)	
Re-cert audit on 9-12 November 2015	

Certified to ISO 14001 (June 2013)

Re-cert audit on 16-20 November 2015





MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Environmental Management RESPONSIBLE MINING **Cowal Gold Mine 2015**

Continual improvement



Questions of CGO







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CEMCC

Community Relations Update 1 June 2016



Community Relations Update



- Activities since the last CEMCC meeting
- Complaints and Grievances
- Cowal Partnering Program recipients
- Upcoming activities

Activities since the last CEMCC



- Award of the Cowal Partnering Program Funding
- Endeavour Scholarship presentations
- Meeting between Jake Klein, Jason Greive and Bland Shire Council Mayor and General Manager at Bland Shire Council
- Discussions with West Wyalong High School around potential SVP opportunities and school-based apprenticeships and traineeships



Complaints and Grievances



Zero complaints since last CEMCC meeting

Cowal Partnering Program

- West Wyalong Community Radio \$5,000
- Australian Yard Dog Championships \$2,000
- Weethalle Rodeo \$1,000
- In the West Festival \$20,000
- Forbes Food Revolution Day \$1,000
- Forbes Running Festival \$1,800
- Wheelchair Basketball \$12,500
- Condobolin and District Historical Inc \$3,400
- Central West Farming Systems \$5,000

Next funding round will close on Friday 26 August

Upcoming activities



- Finalise FY17 Site Community Relations Plan
- Development of a Land Management Plan relating to the farmlands owned by Evolution
- Ongoing discussions with key stakeholders regarding Shared Value Project opportunities in the area
- Employment, Training and Business Development Committee Meeting with the Wiradjuri Condobolin Corporation
- Distribution of the Cowal Update (July)
- Planning for the Community Open Day (September)
- Planning for Evolution involvement with the "In the West" Festival

Questions?



PRESENT

Cr P Speirs (Chair), Cr A Clinton, Cr D McCann, Administrator C Ferguson (Gundagai Council), Cr K Morris, Cr P Templeton, Administrator W Tuckerman (Hilltops Council).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr P Rudd (General Manager), Mr G Carr (Acting Manager Finance & Administration), Mr C Lasdauskas (Manager Technology), Mr T Goodyer (Acting Manager Distribution & Construction), Mrs A Coleman (Executive Assistant)

1. APOLOGIES

Nil

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Administrator Ferguson declared a non direct pecuniary interest in item 11.3 New Water Service Connection. Administrator Ferguson will not vote on this matter.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 28 April 2016.

16/050 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and Templeton that the minutes of the meetings held on 28 April 2016 having been circulated and read by members be confirmed.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

5. PUBLIC ACCESS

Nil

6. NOTICES OF MOTION / RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

7. ADMISSION OF LATE REPORTS

Nil

8. CHAIRPERSON'S MINUTE

Nil

9. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORTS

9.1 FINANCIAL & PRODUCTION REPORTS

9.1.1 COUNCIL INVESTMENTS (G35507005)

16/051 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and Morris that the report detailing Council Investments at 31 May 2016 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Acting Manager Finance & Administration

BACKGROUND

This report is presented for information on Council Investments in accordance with clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

REPORT

The following details Council Investments as at 31 May 2016:

	Market Value (\$)	Term (days)	Rate	Maturity Date	% of Portfolio
Long Term Deposits	33,000,000.00	$\langle \rangle$			82.5%
National Australia Bank	3,000,000.00	1,096	3.73%	05/11/17	7.5%
Bank of Queensland	3,000,000.00	1,098	3.60%	05/12/17	7.5%
National Australia Bank	3,000,000.00	1,097	3.70%	04/12/17	7.5%
AMP	3,000,000.00	1,097	3.40%	19/12/17	7.5%
National Australia Bank	3,000,000.00	1,097	3.57%	08/01/18	7.5%
National Australia Bank	3,000,000.00	1,096	3.36%	12/02/18	7.5%
Commonwealth Bank	3,000,000.00	1,097	3.11%	17/03/18	7.5%
Commonwealth Bank	3,000,000.00	1,096	3.06%	20/04/18	7.5%
Westpac Banking Corporation	3,000,000.00	1,096	3.04%	25/06/18	7.5%
Bank of Queensland	3,000,000.00	1,098	3.00%	29/10/18	7.5%
ING Direct	3,000,000.00	1,098	3.18%	18/03/19	7.5%
Short Term Deposits	3,000,000.00				7.5%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank	1,000,000.00	365	2.97%	31/05/17	2.5%
Bank of Queensland	1,000,000.00	365	2.85%	31/05/17	2.5%
Beyond Bank	1,000,000.00	181	3.00%	28/11/16	2.5%
At Call Deposits	4,000,000.00				10.0%
Commonwealth Bank At Call A/c	2,000,000.00	At Call	1.70%	N/A	5.0%
AMP Bank At Call A/c	2,000,000.00	At Call	2.55%	N/A	5.0%
Total Value of Investment Funds	40,000,000.00				100.0%

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PORTFOLIO BY INSTITUTION (incl S&P Rating)



Movements within Bank account for the reporting period (\$)

Cash Book balan Plus Deposits	ce as at 31 March 2016	\$231,704.80
	April	\$2,069,817.18
Less Payments	Мау	\$6,697,313.70
	April	-\$1,858,556.03
	May	-\$6,442,535.42
Cash Book balan	ce as at 31 March 2016	\$697,744.23
Less Outstanding	Deposits	-\$183,605.67
Plus Unpresented	d Cheques	\$10,270.25
Bank balance as	at 31 May 2016	\$524,408.81

It is hereby certified that the above investments have been secured in accordance with:

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- Local Government Act, 1993;
- Local Government (General) Regulation, 2005;
- Investment Order dated 12 January 2011; and
- Council's Investment Policy (adopted 25/6/2015).

Councillors will note the reintroduction of short-term investments. There has been gradual decline in rates offered in the 2-3 year term deposit market.

In early June 'At Call' investments were reduced to \$2,000,000 with a \$1,000,000 conversion to a 12 month term deposit at AMP and \$1,000,000 18 month investment at Bendigo and Adelaide Bank both at 3.0%.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

9.1.2 OUTSTANDING WATER DEBTORS (G35307005)

16/052 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Administrator Ferguson that the reports detailing Council's water production status be received and noted.

Report prepared by Acting Manager Finance & Administration

BACKGROUND

Presented to provide an overview of Council's outstanding water debtors.

REPORT

This report is presented for information on Council's outstanding water debtors as at 31 May 2016:

\$'s	Arrears	Interest	Current	Total
Access Charges	\$233,668.76	\$25,244.96	\$303,042.50	\$561,956.22
Consumption Charges	\$425,633.94	\$54,166.00	\$1,303,231.67	\$1,783,031.61
Deferred Developer Charges	\$15,842.00	\$0.00	\$327,581.00	\$343,423.00
Sub-Totals	\$675,144.70	\$79,410.96	\$1,933,855.17	\$2,688,410.83
Less Overpayments Received				-\$150,977.79
Total Outstanding		$\langle \rangle$	-	\$2,537,433.04
	Less Bulk Council	Accounts Outstar	nding	-\$565,877.71
	Less Developer Ch	ng Accounts Outs	standing	-\$343,423.00
Total Outstanding from Retail C	Customers		-	\$1,628,132.33

As at the 9 June the Total Outstanding from Retail Customers was \$1,402,798.42. 2,100 Reminder Notice were issued on the 10 June.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

9.1.3 WATER PRODUCTION UPDATE (G95809505)

16/053 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Templeton that the reports detailing Council's water production status be received and noted.

Report prepared by Acting Manager Finance and Administration

BACKGROUND

Current and historical water production information from Councils water sources.

REPORT

The attached graphs shows water production comparatives between 2014/15, the 18 year average (1997-2015), maximum allocations for Council's water sources, and year to date productions to the 26 May 2016.

Overall production is up 1.3 % or 114 megalitres compared to the same period in 2014/15. Individually Jugiong is up 2.7 % and Oura up 1.6%. The remaining three sources Mr Arthur, Mr Daylight and Hylands Bridge together are down 5.2%.

Overall production with only June remaining shows a similar result to the 2014/15 year.

Attachments: Water Production Graphs for Jugiong, Oura, Mount Arthur, Daylight and Hylands Bridge respectively.

Tabled Items: Nil

RECOMMENDATION



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9.1.4 MAKING CHARGES FOR 2016/17 (G05601005)

16/054 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and Templeton that Council make the Interest Rate on overdue charges 8.0% for the year 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017.

Report prepared by Acting Manager Finance & Administration

BACKGROUND

Making of rates and charges is required by August 1 under Local Government Act 1993 s533.

REPORT

It is necessary for Council to pass a formal resolution adopting the charges for Goldenfields Water County Council for the 2016/17 financial year, as proposed in Council's Draft 2016/17 Operational Plan Part 2 Financials.

The Office of Local Government determined that the Section 603 Certificate approved fee will be unchanged at \$75.00, but set the maximum rate of interest payable on overdue charges for 2016/17 at 8.0%.

(Office of Local Government Circular No 16-11)

Attachments: Appendix C Fees & Charges from DRAFT Operational Plan 2016

Tabled Items: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

Water Charges

That Council make the Charges shown in Council's Draft 2016/17 Operational Plan Part 2 Financials Appendix C-Fees and Charges and also listed on Attachment 1, for the year 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017.

Interest on Overdue Charges

That Council make the Interest Rate on overdue charges 8.0% for the year 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017.

9.1.5 INTERNALLY RESTRICTED ASSETS (G35401005)

16/055 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and McCann that;

- 1. The report on internally restricted assets be received and noted;
- 2. Council maintains the existing four reserves in their current format; and
- 3. Council re-introduce a sales fluctuation reserve.

Report prepared by Acting Manager Finance & Administration

BACKGROUND

Council currently has four internal restrictions (reserves) for specific purposes. Transfers to and from the restrictions are described below:

Plant Reserve

Transfer to Restriction - Plant depreciation (equivalent value) plus the written down value of plant sold, plus an interest calculation to negate inflationary pressures.

Transfer from Restriction - plant purchases are funded from this reserve.

Infrastructure Reserve

Transfer to Restriction - Infrastructure asset depreciation (equivalent value) as per Note 9 and the value of capital contributions received from Developer Infrastructure Charges. If there are insufficient funds to finance this transfer, in situations of deficit operating results, then these transfers should be caught-up when operating results allow.

Transfer from Restriction - all infrastructure projects, whether new or renewal / replacement, are funded from this reserve.

Employee Leave Entitlement (ELE) Reserve

Transfer to / from Restriction - is determined by the balance of Council's ELE liability provision at yearend (excluding related on-cost expenses). Council reserves 100% of its provision.

Deposits, Retentions & Bonds Reserve

This reserve restrict monies that Council is temporarily holding under some sort of contractual or policy arrangement.

Transfer to / from Restriction - is determined by the balance of Council's liability provision at yearend.

REPORT

In preparation for completing Council's Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2016, now is a good time to reconfirm Council's funding of internally restricted assets.

The current balances of Internally Restricted Assets are as follows:

Fund	Amount
Employee Leave Entitlements	\$1,286.841.00
Plant	\$1,275,121.00
Infrastructure	\$25,244,744.00
Deposits, Retentions & Bonds	\$15,000.00
Total	\$27,821,706.00

It is prudent for a water business such as GWCC to consider future years where there may be a shortfall in anticipated revenues due to seasonal conditions.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

9.2 WORKS REPORTS

9.2.1 APRIL 2016 / MAY 2016 (G95507005)

16/056 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Templeton and Clinton that the works reports for April 2016 and May 2016 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Acting Manager Distribution & Construction

BACKGROUND

Overview of Councils mains breaks, dirty water issues and major works for April and May 2016.

REPORT

Water Losses & Mains Repairs

NUMBER	DATE	DATE		LOCATION	PIPE DIAMETER	REASON
		Off	On			
183.	4/4	8:00	11:00	Cootamundra, Pinchgut Lane	50	Hole
184.	4/4	11:00	13:00	Naradhan, Monia Gap Road	80	Longitudinal Break
185.	4/4	15:00	18:00	Cootamundra, Dirnaseer Road	100	Hole
186.	6/4	13:00	16:30	Wyalong, Gun Club Road	150	Joint Failure
187.	7/4	12:30	16:30	Ariah Park, Common Road	50	Circumferential Break
188.	8/4	8:30	12:30	Naradhan, Naradhan Road	100	Longitudinal Break
189.	8/4	12:30	16:30	Weethalle, Youngs Lane	80	Longitudinal Break
190.	11/4	7:30	12:30	Barmedman, Loftus Street	150	Circumferential Break
191.	11/4	9:30	10:00	Junee, Kemp Street	100	Longitudinal Break
192.	11/4	13:00	14:00	Junee, Olympic Hwy	80	Longitudinal Break
193.	11/4	16:30	17:30	Junee, Old Junee Road	80	Joint Failure
194.	12/4	13:00	14:00	Cootamundra, Dirnaseer Road	100	Longitudinal Break
195.	13/4	8:00		Cootamundra, Lismore Road	50	Hole
196.	13/4	10:30	12:30	Temora, Golf Club Road	100	Circumferential Break
197.	13/4	15:00	17:00	Coolamon, Mary Gilmore Way	100	Circumferential Break
198.	14/4	7:00	9:00	Ganmain, Grant Street	100	Circumferential Break
199.	18/4	14:00	15:30	Cootamundra, Dirnaseer Road	100	Longitudinal Break
200.	18/4	15:30	17:30	Cootamundra, Blackgate Road	100	Longitudinal Break
201.	19/4	8:30	10:00	Barellan, Yapunyah Street	100	Circumferential Break

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NUMBER	DATE	DATE TIME		LOCATION	PIPE DIAMETER	REASON
		Off	On			
202.	22/4	11:30	14:30	Ungarie, Wollongough Street	100	Hole
203.	26/4	13:00	14:00	Junee, Roedigers Lane	200	Longitudinal Break
204.	27/4	4:30	13:50	Coolamon, Mirrool Street	100	Longitudinal Break
205.	3/5	9:30	10:30	Cootamundra, Dirnaseer Road	100	Longitudinal Break
206.	3/5	10:30	12:30	Cootamundra, Dirnaseer Road	100	Longitudinal Break
207.	3/5	13:00	15:00	Cootamundra, Temora Road	300	Joint Failure
208.	5/5	7:30	12:30	Naradhan, Lake Road	80	Hole
209.	5/5	10:30	12:30	Cootamundra, Old Cootamundra Road	100	Hole
210.	7/5	3:30	1:30	Weethalle, Woolners Lane	80	Longitudinal Break
211.	9/5	5:00	9:00	Ardlethan, Bygoo Road	80	Circumferential Break
212.	17/5	9:30	13:00	Springdale	375	Hole
213.	18/5	13:00	4:00	Junee, Kemp Street	100	Longitudinal Break
214.	19/5	7:30	9:30	West Wyalong, Airport Road	80	Circumferential Break
215.	20/5	7:30	11:30	Weethalle, Fishers Lane	100	Hole
216.	23/5	9:30	11:30	Cootamundra, Suttons Lane	100	Longitudinal Break
217.	24/5	7:30	10:00	Cootamundra, Dirnaseer Road	100	Longitudinal Break
218.	24/5	10:30	15:30	Stockinbingal, Dudauman Street	150	Rupture / Blow Out
219.	24/5	20:00	3:00	Tallimba, Bygoo Road	150	Longitudinal Break
220.	25/5	9:00	10:30	Cootamundra, Blackgate Road	100	Longitudinal Break
221.	27/5	15:30	20:00	Bethungra, Eulomo Settlement Road	100	Longitudinal Break
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LONGITUDINAL

BREAK

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CIRCUMFERENTIAL BREAK



SPIRAL BREAK

RUPTURE/BLOW-

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HOLE

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JOINT FAILURE

BELL SHEAR

Construction and Major Maintenance

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- Pump checks for prevention monitoring and abnormalities
- Servicing of ACV and PRV within the scheme
- Bird proofing and repairs to reservoir roofs
- Replacing fatigued flex-joints
- New vehicle fit out. Including light mounting brackets, rear bars and tool boxes
- Heavy Plant Trailer fabricate trailer to suit required needs for plant maintenance
- Demondrille/Cootamundra Pump No2 major servicing. Clearances brought back to factory, new bearings, mechanical seals refurbished, cleaned and painted
- Junee Beach Street Reservoir overflowing. Investigated and repaired
- Olympic Way PRV. Equalised. Investigated and repaired
- Removing old vacuum pumps for display at Temora Workshop
- Oura No.3 Bore servicing. Clearances measured, new bearings, mechanical seals refurbished, cleaned, sand blasted and painted
- Temora Workshop Insulate and line internal walls for welding section. Remove fence. Install electrical board and flash
- Trencher tensioning chain and scheduled maintenance
- Jugiong No.1 Pump Station Pump No2 major servicing. Clearances brought back to factory, new bearings, mechanical seals refurbished, cleaned and painted
- Jugiong Water Treatment Plant Soda ash pump. Investigated and repaired
- Jugiong Water Treatment Plant Flocculator. Oil seal leaking into motor. Repaired
- Barellan High Level Reservoir. Set up and service ACV for operation as Low level reservoir out of service
- Demondrille Pump No. 2. Repair pipe blow out on equalising line
- Junee Reservoirs Repairs to roofs
- Fabricate and modifying 100mm fire service to silos in Junee.
- Replace stop valve Turners Lane Junee
- Replace Hydrant Wallendbeen
- Junee Silos raise Fire Service
- Mains replacement Loch Street Ganmain
- Rural meter re-reads
- Preventative flushing Coolamon
- Cleaned valve pits in Stockinbingal, Wallendbeen, Bethungra (preventative maintenance)
- Locations Rosehill pipe replacement from offtake to pump station
- Mains replacement Wade & Lewis Street Coolamon

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- Coolamon mains extension Hornby Subdivision 50% complete
- Replace Air valve Marrar rural.
- Repair pipework Matong pump station
- Replace hydrant Loughan Street Junee
- Temora Airport cut main out that runs under the hanger
- Monia Gap Naradhan completion of stage 2 and commission
- Main Extension Evans Street West Wyalong
- Commence mains replacement Fishers Lane 6.3km pipe laid.
- Railway underbore Wyalong bypass and cut in stage 2 and commission
- New air valve Tallimba.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

9.2.2 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRESS REPORT (G35201005)

16/057 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Templeton and Administrator Tuckerman that the report detailing Council's Capital Works Program as at 31 May 2016 be received and noted and that \$20,000 be approved for Emergent works at Wyalong Pump Station.

Report prepared by Acting Manager Finance & Administration

BACKGROUND

Councils Capital Works Program progress is provided for Councils information.

REPORT

This report is presented for information on the progress of Council's Capital Works Program as at 31 May 2016:

Description	2015/16 Estimate	Costing to 31/05/2016
Total New -Water Mains-Developers	\$ -	\$ 26,512
Total New -Water Mains	\$ 370,000	\$ 360,837
Total New System Assets-Reservoirs	\$ -	\$ -
Total New System Assets-Pumping Stations	\$ -	\$-
Total New System Assets-Treatment	\$ 20,000	\$ 5,170
Total New System Assets-Bores	\$ -	\$-
Total New System Assets-Services-Meters	\$ 100,000	\$ 113,694
Total New Plant & Equipment	\$ 50,000	\$-
Total New Assets-Buildings	\$ -	\$-
Capital New Asset Buildings-Temora Workshop	\$1,353,506	\$1,134,330
Total New Capital	\$ 1,893,506	\$1,640,543
Total New System Assets-Manadamah Stage 1	\$2,000,000	\$-
Total New Capital (incl Mandamah)	\$ 3,893,506	\$1,640,543
Total Renewals Mains	\$1,241,300	\$ 655,737
Total Renewals Reservoirs	\$ 85,000	\$ 67,845
Total Renewals Pump Stations	\$ 261,000	\$ 113,371
Total Renewals Treatment	\$ -	\$ -
Total Renewals Bores	\$ 130,000	\$ 181,530
Total Renewals Services Meters-Taggles	\$-	\$ 8,164
Total Renewals Plant and Equipment	\$ 156,800	\$ 51,338
Total Renewals-Buildings	\$ 50,000	\$ 18,196
Total Capital Renewals	\$1,924,100	\$1,096,181
Total Plant Purchases	\$1,325,000	\$ 310,348
Total Plant Sales	-\$ 570,000	-\$ 162,678
Grand Total	6,572,606	2,884,394

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Water Main Renewals have had additional job numbers introduced to identify variable travelling and associated costs depending on where in the GWCC supply area the works are being carried out. This will provide more data to better determine replacement rates per metre for future projects. New Capital Works required by developers have be separated and Wyalong Showground Road renewals have also been funded by contributions.

Emergent works were required at Wyalong Pump Station for Electrical Cable Replacement of \$20,000.

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Description	2015/16 Estimate	Costing to 31/05/2016
New System Assets-Mains Developer Paid		
Water Mains-Developers	\$-	\$ 26,512
New System Assets-Mains		
Total Ardlethan Uley Lane	\$ 349,315	\$ 349,315
Total New -Water Mains	\$ 370,000	\$ 360,837
Capital Renewals-Mains		
Mains Renewal- Cartwrights Hill Ware Warral Ln	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,817
Mains Renewal-Coolamon Maravale Ln	\$ 184,834	\$ 185,818
Mains Renewal -Marrar- Webb/Hare Ln	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,488
Restitution-Jugiong Main East of #2	\$ 30,000	\$ 6,588
Mains Renewal Jugiong Rosehill #5	\$ 100,000	\$ 61,431
Total Naradhan Monia Gap	\$ 100,000	\$ 66,652
Total Cootamundra-Temora Road	\$ 60,466	\$ -
Total Weethalle Fishers Lane	\$ 720,000	\$ 196,655
Total Coolamon Wade & Lewis	\$ 20,000	\$ 35,225
Total Ganmain-Loch St	\$ 10,000	\$ 7,887
Total Wyalong-Showground Road RMS	\$-	\$ 74,448
Total Renewals Mains	\$1,241,300	\$ 655,737

The following table shows Water Mains to 31 May 2016.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

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9.2.3 NEW WATER SERVICE CONNECTIONS (G5151005)

16/058 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Morris and Administrator Ferguson that the report detailing new water service connections be received and noted.

Report prepared by Acting Senior Revenue Officer

BACKGROUND

Current and historical water connection information is provided for Councils information.

REPORT

The following graph shows the number of new connections to 31 May 2016.



There are a further 6 new connection work orders pending, 9 letters of offer are still valid with 2 under investigation.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

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9.3 OTHER REPORTS

9.3.1 ADOPTION OF OPERATIONAL PLAN 2016-2017 (G05601005)

16/059 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and McCann that Council adopts the draft 2016-2017 Operational Plan (Part 1 and 2)

Report prepared by the General Manager

BACKGROUND

Legislative requirements for Integrated Planning and Reporting require the Operational Plan to be updated annually and placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

REPORT

In accordance with legislative requirements the Draft 2016-2017 Operational Plan – Part 1 and Part 2 incorporating the 2016/2017 budget have been on public exhibition for 28 days. No submission have been received.

The Draft 2016-2017 Operational Plan – Part 1 and Part 2 are now re-presented to Council for adoption.

Tabled Items: Draft 2016-2017 Operational Plan (Parts 1 and 2)

Financial Impact Statement

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

9.3.2 COUNCILLORS FEES FOR 2016/17 (G40202005)

16/060 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and McCann on the motion of Crs Clinton and Morris that Councillors fees be increased by 2.5% as per Local Government Remuneration Tribunal advice and that Councillors fees remain at the maximum amount allowable.

Report prepared by Acting Manager Finance & Administration

BACKGROUND

The Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Determinations provide the minimum and maximum amounts of fees for Councillors and Chairpersons for the coming year. The determination is pursuant to s 239 and s241 of the Local Government Act 1993.

REPORT

The Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Annual Report and Determination has advised, that the Tribunal considers that an increase of 2.5 per cent in the maximum and minimum fee for each category of councillor and mayoral, including county councils is appropriate and so determines.

This will be effective form 1 July 2016.

The Annual Fees for County Councils - Water are as follows:

	Minimum	Maximum
Councillor	\$1,700	\$9,410
Chairperson-additional	\$3,640	\$15,460

Council resolved at its June 2013 meeting (Minute 13/048) "that Councillors fees be increased to the maximum amount allowable as determined by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal".

Based on this resolution, the table below sets out the changes as of 1 July 2016 if this policy was maintained:

	2015/16	2016/17
Councillor	\$9,180	\$9,410
Chairperson	\$15,080	\$15,460

Attachments:NilTabled Items:Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Annual Report and
Determination 2016- Determination No2 Determination

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Based on Council Resolution 13/048, the increase in expenditure will be \$2,220.00 The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

For Councillors' consideration.

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Attachment 9.3.2

Local Government Remuneration Tribunal

Determination No. 2- Determination Pursuant to Section 241 of Fees for Councillors and Mayors

Pursuant to s.241 of the Local Government Act 1993, the annual fees to be paid in each of the categories to Councillors, Mayors, Members and Chairpersons of County Councils effective on and from 1 July 2016 are determined as follows:

Table 3: Fees for General Purpose and County Councils

Table 3: Fees for General Purpose and County Councils					
Category	Councillor/Member Annual Fee		Mayor/Chairperson Additional Fee		
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	
General Purpose Councils	1				
Principal City	25,670	37,640	157,030	206,620	
Major City	17,110	28,240	36,360	82,270	
Metropolitan Major	17,110	28,240	36,360	82,270	
Metropolitan Centre	12,830	23,950	27,260	63,640	
Metropolitan	8,540	18,840	18,180	41,090	
Regional Rural	8,540	18,840	18,180	41,090	
Rural	8,540	11,290	9,080	24,630	
County Councils					
Water	1,700	9,410	3,640	15,460	
Other	1,700	5,630	3,640	10,270	

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

The Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Signed Dr Robert Lang Dated: 29 March 2016

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9.3.3 PAYMENT OF EXPENSES & PROVISION OF FACILITIES TO COUNCILLORS POLICY (PP003) (G40350505)

16/061 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Templeton and Clinton that Council endorses the draft Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to Councillors Policy (PP:003) to be placed on public display for a period of 28 days.

Report prepared by Acting Manager Finance & Administration

BACKGROUND

It is necessary to annually review Council's Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to Councillors Policy. It is also required to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

REPORT

The Policy has been reformatted, additions of Scope and Definitions, and

- References to Council amended to GWCC,
- Chairperson instead of Chairman,
- Deputy Chairperson instead of Deputy Chairman.
- Definitions within the policy have been relocated To Definitions section (pages 4 & 5),
- Relocated Legislative Provisions to Related Legislation Table (page 2)
- Relocated Other Government policy provisions relate to this Policy to Related Procedures/ Protocols, Statements, Documents Table (page 2)
- Payment of Expenses removed Deputy Chairman from heading.
- Removed "Spouse" from Section 7 included "Spouse" in Accompanying Persons definition,
- Amended 7.2 (c) the repayment period from seven (7) days to thirty (30) days being GWCC standard invoice payment period ,
- 8.1 now includes "Substitute", added 8.1 substitute nomination, removed separate sub-heading for Substitute attendee
- 8.3.3 (c) replaced reference to clause with "Award" now included in Definitions.
- 8.3.3 (d) & 8.3.4 (d) replaced with "Local Travel Costs, now included in Definitions
- 8.4 auto payment option added, and included in Definitions
- 10 Previous omission from the 2014/2015 and 2013/14 Policies regarding Care and Other Related Expenses has been included using the Office of Local Government guidelines.
- 13 Removed Chairman from Heading, Addition of "or Deputy Chairperson when delegated by the Chairperson"
- Addition of 14.6 GWCC Personal Device into Provision of Facilities generally, 14 Councillors
- Inclusion of "Deputy Chairperson" section 15
- Addition of "with GWCC" at the end of section 16.

Attachments: Draft Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to Councillors Policy (PP003) Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

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9.3.4 INVESTMENT POLICY (G40350505)

16/062 RESOLVED on the motion of Administrators Ferguson and Tuckerman that Council adopt the Investment Policy

Report prepared by Acting Manager Finance & Administration

BACKGROUND

Under GWCC's Investment Policy it is necessary to annually review its Investment Policy at least once a year.

REPORT

While there are no material changes to the Investment Policy attached for consideration Council's attention is drawn to the following:

- The policy has been reformatted,
- Purpose, Scope and Definitions have been added for clarity.
- Generally references to 'council' have been amended to 'GWCC'.
- Preservation of capital is the principal objective of the investment portfolio in part 7 Objectives has been highlighted for emphasis (page 5)
- Market, Liquidity and Maturity Risk definitions (now duplicated) were removed from part 14 Risk Management Guidelines. (page 6)
- Policy Review now separate from Reporting and Reviewing of Investments. (page 7)

Attachments Draft Investment Policy (PP004)

Tabled Items: Nil

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.3.5 TENDER REPORT – SUPPLY OF VEHICLES (G75105005)

16/063 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Templeton and Clinton that Council set aside the Tender Report until the Closed Session Report 11.1.

Report prepared by the General Manager

BACKGROUND

Tenders for the supply of three (3) extra cab and two (2) dual cab 4x4 Utility Vehicles have been called to replace existing plant.

EVALUATION REPORT

Tenders for the supply of three (3) extra cab and two (2) dual cab 4x4 utilities were called in accordance with the Local Government General Regulation 2005 – Section 7 Tendering.

- Tenders Advertised: 13th May 2016
- Tenders Closed: 2:00pm 10th June 2016
- No of Tenders Received: Four (4)
- Non-conforming tenders: Two (2)

Tenders were evaluated in accordance with the predetermined criteria and weighting in the Tender Evaluation Plan.

Summary of Tenders Received

TENDERER	LOCATION
Armstrong Toyota	West Wyalong
Cootamundra Holden	Cootamundra
Cootamundra Toyota	Cootamundra
Palmer Ford	Cootamundra

* The business requirements have changed since the tender being released with the requirements of three (3) extra cab and (3) dual cab utility vehicles being required.

The tender from Palmer Ford is considered to provide the best value for Council. Their submission scored well across all non-priced and priced criteria.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

LOCAL PREFERENCE

The local preference policy was considered in the assessment and did not affect the outcome of the tender.

RECOMMENDATION

Tender for the supply of extra and dual cab utility vehicles from Palmer Fords be accepted.

9.3.6 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on Thursday 25 August 2016 at 1.00PM.

10. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

Cr McCann welcomed Administrators Ferguson and Tuckerman, but expressed his disappointment in the amalgamations that had taken place causing Mr Manchester and Mr Palmer to lose their roles as Councillors. Cr McCann thanked Mr Manchester and Mr Palmer for their guidance and support.

Cr McCann enquired as to whether Deputy Chair elections would be held to replace Mr Manchester. Chairperson Speirs replied that it would be premature to elect a Deputy and committed to raising the issue with the Minister.

Administrator Tuckerman acknowledged Mr Manchester and Mr Palmer and their knowledge, stating that is why they were in attendance.

Cr Morris stated that he would like Mr Manchester and Mr Palmer to continue to attend GWCC meetings.

Cr Templeton agreed with Cr Morris.

Cr Clinton stated it was great Mr Manchester and Mr Palmer were here and thanked the administrators for allowing it.

Chairperson Speirs added his support.

Mr Manchester thanked the Board for their confidence.

Mr Palmer thanked the Board and expressed his enjoyment of being on the Board over the years.

11. CLOSED SESSION – 2.25pm

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, in the opinion of the General Manager the following business is of a kind as referred to in section 10A(2) of the Act and should be dealt with in part of the meeting closed to the media and public.

11.1 TENDER REPORT CONFIDENTIAL – SUPPLY OF VEHICLES (G75105005)

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied
- **16/064 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Clinton and Morris that the Tender for the supply of extra and dual cab utility vehicles from Palmer Ford be accepted for the tender price of \$280,071.90.

11.2 GWCC ENTERPRISE AWARD 1 YEAR EXENSION (G70204505)

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

(a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)

16/065 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Templeton and McCann that the General Manager to be authorised to progress the Award extension negotiations.

11.3 NEW WATER SERVICE CONNECTION

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

(c) Information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

Administrator Ferguson declared a non direct pecuniary interest in this matter and will refrain from voting.

16/066 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Templeton that Council request further clarification.

11.4 PUBLIC LIABILITY CLAIM (G85107515)

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(g) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

(g) Advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

Cr Clinton declared a non pecuniary interest in this matter. Cr Clinton chose to leave the meeting during this report.

11.5 2016-17 ELECTRICITY PRICING (G25500505)

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

(d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed:
 (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it

16/067 **RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Templeton and McCann that the report be noted.

OPEN SESSION –

There being no further business requiring the attention of Council, the Meeting was closed at 3.40pm.

SECTION 2 – OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

9.1 **Progress Report on the Delivery Program 2013-2016**

Our leadership

Setting a benchmark for community standards

Vision: A well run council acting as the voice of the community

DP14.3 Ensure the General Manager takes on a high level role in implementing the Community Strategic Plan and associated documents

Author: Executive Assistant

Officer's Recommendation:

That the Council receive and note the report on progress for implementation, up to 30th June 2016, of the Delivery Program 2013 – 2016.

Introduction

The attached schedule is the eighth progress report for implementation of the Delivery Program 2013 - 2016. It covers the period commencing 1^{st} January 2016 and ending 30^{th} June 2016.

The Integrated Planning and Reporting framework for NSW local government was implemented at Bland Shire Council from 1st July 2012.

The Delivery Program is a statement of commitment to the community from each newly elected council. In preparing the program, Council is accounting for its stewardship of the community's long-term goals, outlining what it intends to do towards achieving these goals during its term of office and what its priorities will be. It is designed as the single point of reference for all principal activities undertaken by Council during its term of office. All plans, projects, activities and funding allocations must be directly linked to this Program.

Supporting the Delivery Program is an annual Operational Plan. It spells out the details of the Program – the individual projects and activities that will be undertaken each year to achieve the commitments made in the Delivery Program.

The General Manager must ensure that progress reports are provided to the council, with respect to the principal activities detailed in the Delivery Program, at least every 6 months.

Conclusion

The Delivery Program 2013 – 2016 came into effect from 1st July 2013 and the attached report details the actions, projects, improvements and initiatives that have been undertaken for the six month period to 30th June 2016.

Overall it has been a most successful period but there are still many challenges facing council in its endeavours to provide adequate and cost effective services and facilities.

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 19 JULY 2016

Council's performance against the Actions in the Delivery Program and Operational Plan and the key achievements, programs and projects are internally monitored on a quarterly basis.

Overall performance against the 2015/16 Operational Plan Actions are presented in the table below. These Action Icons are further presented in the five Community Strategic Plan themes within the Delivery Program Progress Report.

These achievements reflect a strong teamwork approach, between the elected representatives, council staff and the community. Whilst some performance measures can be clearly quantified, it does not necessarily mean the community is aware of, or fully appreciates, or is fully satisfied with, the extent of progress made.

2015/16 Operational Plan Actions as at 30 th June 2016			
Total num	Total number of Actions:		
-	Completed	322	
-	In progress	25	
-	Not progressed	7	



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Delivery Program 2013-2016

Progress Report to 30 June 2016

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Responsible Officer Key

Title	Abbreviation
Councillors	CLRS
General Manager	GM
Director Corporate, Community &	DCCDS
Development Services	DCCDS
Director Asset & Engineering	DAES
Services	DALS

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Measuring Progress Towards Achieving Our Goals

The following information details the actions, projects, improvements and initiatives that have been undertaken during the period 1st January 2016 to 30th June 2016 in Council's Delivery Program 2013 – 2016 and Operational Plan 2015/16. Overall it has been a most successful period but there are still many challenges facing council in its endeavours to provide adequate and cost effective services and facilities. These achievements reflect a strong teamwork approach, between the elected representatives, council staff and the community.

2015/16 Operational Plan Actions			
Total nun	354		
-	Completed	322	
-	In progress	25	
-	Not progressed	7	



Our people

Vision: A strong, healthy, connected and cohesive community

Bland Shire will continue to be a community where people feel safe and care for each other, have a sense of belonging and can contribute meaningfully to our local community and neighbourhood through participation in community life.

2015/16 Operational Plan Actions			
Total Actions for theme: 105			
-	Completed		
-	In progress	1	
-	Not progressed	0	



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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer

CSP Objective: 1. Ensure health and support services and facilities address the physical, mental and general health needs of the community

1.1 Lobby to preserve and expand health, medical and hospital services	Annual representation	 Ongoing membership with Murrumbidgee Medicare Local Board. Community meeting held November 2015. Director Corporate, Community & Development Services have been appointed to the Murrumbidgee Medicare Local board. Contact maintained with Local Health Districts and regular community meetings are held throughout the year and information distributed to interested groups when required. 	DCCDS
1.2 Liaise and communicate with area health services and relevant health and allied health providers, both locally and regionally on behalf of the community	Quarterly contact	 Meetings with health services conducted regularly. Information shared amongst all health service areas. Referral meetings conducted regularly. Seniors Expo and BSC partnered with various groups to provide service information to aged within the community. 'The other talk' program presented in partnership with MPHN. Partnered with Temora MHDA and staff from MML and the local Ambulance service to deliver a community drug form to the community in July with the purpose of educating the community on the services available locally and the effects of 'ice' use. Partnerships developed with various groups to present information and skills to the community. Future partnerships to provide events were planned and completed. Partnership with RPHN were formed to roll out new after hour's health care service information to the community Partnership formed with Headspace Riverina, Temora MHDA and West Wyalong High School in the delivery of the Batyr one day workshop at the West Wyalong High School. 	DCCDS

Delivery Program Strategies	Performance	2015/16 Target Year	
	Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer
1.3 Liaise with aged care providers on behalf of the frail, aged, disabled and their carers	Quarterly contact	 Continue to provide fortnightly meetings for service providers in the community and aged care sector to meet and liaising with outside services coming to West Wyalong and encouraging support they provide to the community such as, Family links, Alzhiemers Australia and Care West. Continued networking with available aged care providers and attend ongoing regional meetings. HACC services continued to be reviewed to ensure guidelines are being met through day to day operations. Respite services are available both in home or centre as required to meet client needs. 	DCCDS
1.4 Facilitate relevant advisory health and community support committees	Quarterly meetings	 Bland Shire Interagency meeting held on 28 July 2015. Meeting scheduled for November 2015 was cancelled due to lack of RSVP's. Bland Shire Interagency meeting were held on Tuesday 23 February 2016. Bland Shire Interagency meeting scheduled for Tuesday 26 July. 	DCCDS

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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer

CSP Objective: 2. Partner with relevant bodies to strengthen community health and safety in the Bland Shire

2.1 Foster and maintain partnerships with relevant community groups and Government agencies to promote safety in the community	Bi-annual program	 One safety education program delivered. Trying to get funding from RMS for others. Work health & safety and risk management information provided for volunteers and contractors. Applying for funding from RMS for a learner driver workshop. NRMA Safer driver's workshop held on 2 and 3 July 2015. Workshop booked to capacity with all young participants reducing their log book requirements by 20 hours. Information and contact details for Aussie Drivers provided to community members to ensure lessons can be accessed locally. Partnership with NSW Public Heath is continuing. Health information distributed to CSU families and cook book include section on healthy eating. Education programs depended on RMS funding have been completed for this year. Current member of Local Liquor Accord and no meetings were held during this reporting period. NRMA Safer Driver lessons scheduled for September/October. The partnership with the NSW Food Authority is continuing. Food shop inspections have been completed for this reporting period. Council continues to participate in the Scores on Doors program. Providing of health information to families through playgroups and newsletter are ongoing. 	DCCDS DAES

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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	2015/16 Target Year	
		Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer
2.2 Provide access to relevant community health and safety information to increase community awareness of personal and property security	Bi-annual program	 Council's Facebook page utilised regularly to provide information to the community including information regarding use of the drug ice and the associated dangers for users, families and communities. Council's youth Facebook page utilised to provide information about body image and eating disorder awareness week to local youth. Information regarding the changes to laws around the use of mobile phones in vehicles and NSW RFS information regarding fire conditions published on Facebook page. Financial support provided for the 2015 Dramatic Minds Festival. 'The Other Talk' program was held at West Wyalong High School in November 2015. Establishing of community drug action team investigated. Minimal community interest noted. Investigations are continuing. Plans are in place to hold discussions with local High School in relation to forming a local Community Drug Action Team. Information regarding safe driving practices and new penalties for using mobile phones while driving were published on Facebook page. Local flood warnings and information posted on Facebook pages. Local flood warnings and information posted on Facebook page. The 'I'm Alert' – Interactive Food Safety Program was available on Council's website during 2015/2016. The I'm Alert Responsible Dog Ownership training was available on Council's website during 2015/2106. Financial support provided for the 2015 Dramatic Minds Festival. Plans in place to host the touring production 'Carpe Diem' October 2016. Carpe Diem is an Arts and Health initiative about every day Australian males dealing with issues of health, grief, loss and depression. Swimming pool inspections were reviewed and undertaken in accordance with Council's Swimming Pool Inspection Program Policy. Food Safety Certificate were available to registered FDC educator. Current educators completed the Food Safety Certificate individually. 	DCCDS

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CSP Objective: 3. Nurture a strong sense of community and enrich the cultural life for the residents of the Bland Shire

3.1 Encourage and foster a strong spirit of volunteering and community pride	Annual program/event	 Volunteer program proposal developed with plans to work directly with local schools and organisations to seek out appropriate youth volunteering opportunities. Partnership with TAFE West Wyalong established with plans to engage local organisations using volunteers to deliver a free course around volunteer management to assist organisations in the recruitment and management of volunteers. Morning tea held to celebrate National Volunteer week 2015. Information regarding local youth volunteering opportunities noted on Council's Facebook pages. Discussions held with local youth group regarding volunteering opportunities and the idea of linking local youth directly with community organisations requiring volunteers. Construction commenced for Reg Rattey memorial. Arrangements underway for opening in April 2016. Update provided at December 2015 Council meeting. Bland Shire Ambassador program is ongoing. In kind support provided constantly to local community groups. Council grants programs strongly promoted through various channels. Multiple applications received and reports presented to the July, August and September 2015 Council meetings. Partnership forged with TAFE to offer a fee free Volunteer Management TAFE course to members of local volunteer organisations. Plans in place to develop and deliver a social media skills workshop to local organisations to assist them in the promotion of services/events/volunteer opportunities. Investigations into new and effective technologies to promote and engage volunteers continuing. 	DCCDS

Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	2015/16 Target Year	sible er
		Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer
		 Partnership solidified with Rotary, the West Wyalong Swimming Club and Wyalong Public School P&C in the delivery of the West Wyalong Gold Triathlon. Partnerships strengthened with West Wyalong Public School, West Wyalong Amateur Swimming Club and the Wyalong Public School P&C in the delivery of the West Wyalong Gold Triathlon. Local youth directly engaged regarding volunteer opportunities at the Triathlon. Local youth took part in volunteering at the event in a number of different event management roles. Ten local youth volunteered at the West Wyalong Gold Triathlon after engagement with the local High School. The Reg Rattey VC unveiling were schedule and completed on 9 April 2016. Bland Shire Ambassador Program were reviewed and discussed at a Council workshop. In kind support provided constantly to local community groups. Council grants programs strongly promoted through various channels. Strengthening Communities funding fully expended. Ongoing in-kind support provided to organisations. Investigation taking place into hosting a workshop by the 'Sports Community' organisation around volunteer management for sporting groups that utilise volunteers. Partnership formed with Regional Development Australia to bring a free 'Digital skills for community groups' course to the local community. 	

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3.2 Promote, facilitate and support a thriving cultural/regional arts community	Bi-annual event	 Successful 2015 Youth Week program delivered. Successful Stop Motion Animation Workshop held over two days in July as part of Council's youth holiday program. Plans in place to hold the Wedding Reception Interactive Theatre production in West Wyalong in early 2016. Highly successful holiday programs held July, September/October school holidays. Level of youth engagement greatly increased. Workshops for young people as part of the July 2015, April 2016 holiday program. Business paper report presented to July meeting calling for investigation of a theatre space. Verbal report presented to August Cultural Advisory Committee meeting. Membership with eastern Riverina Arts Inc is maintained and is ongoing. An intergenerational film project is planned to take place in April 2016 with a soccer clinic booked to capacity, the NRMA Driving lessons being successful and the Rock Climbing Wall engaging upwards of 150 community members and receiving extensive positive feedback from the community. Ongoing support provided to Cultural Advisory Committee with meetings scheduled on a quarterly basis. The highly successful Batyr one day youth mental health workshop was held on 27 April 2016 and 'The Wedding Reception' interactive theatre production took place on 22 May, also receiving great feedback from the community. Highly successful Trip to Altina Wildlife Park held in January school holidays. Plans in place to host a Goosebumps Movie Night and a Bowling/Pitch and Putt excursion to Wagga in July. 	DCCDS

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	Performance	2015/16 Target Year	sible er
Delivery Program Strategies	Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsibl Officer

3.3 Support and strengthen our indigenous culture and history Quar	 Organisation of NAIDOC event referred to Indigenous Cultural Officer. Visit from Indigenous Storyteller, Larry Brandy and restocked Aboriginal resources at CSU. Reports on cultural aspects survey from the community cultural and visito services were completed and presented. GM attended a meeting of the NSW LALC at West Wyalong on 8 March 2016 and the WWLALC Board meeting on 11 April 2016. All requests from the WWLALC have been dealt with expeditiously. GM has continued to liaise with the WWLALC on issues such as the proposed purchase of industrial land and the interpretative panels planne for Cooinda Park. Aboriginal flag flown on identified days of Aboriginal significance. NAIDOC grant secured. Organisation of NAIDOC event referred to Indigenous Cultural Officer. Cultural awareness developed and implemented at the Childrens Service 	n J
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Performance	2015/16 Target Year	sible
Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible
Bi-annual review	A regular library program continues to be well supported by staff, patrons and	DCCD
brainaarreview	the community in general.	
	is a critical part of collection maintenance to ensure that the RRL regional	
	 Australian children's author/illustrator, Roland Harvey visited 26-30 October 2015. 10 schools participated and feedback was overwhelmingly positive. 	
	• SLA currently investigating availability of authors for a planned visit in October 2016.	
	staff training purposes and additional library-related uses.	
	Attended online demonstration of a MEKEL MACH 2 Microform Scanner and ZELITSCHEL ZETA Back Scanner	
	 Status of ipad purchases ongoing. 	
	• All library staff attended the RRL staff training day/s held in Wagga. Training	
	Performance Target	Target Progress to 30 June 2016 Bi-annual review

 All library staff attended the RRL staff training day/s held in Wagga. Training included Libero updates, new e-Resources, LIAC and DI@YL.

• From all accounts, Bland Shire Library patrons are extremely happy with the current turnover of new material.

• Library staff currently reviewing audio-book collection in lieu of e-audio and budget allocation.

• The library is currently waiting on a delivery of donated playaways.

• Library collection allocation reviewed and updated and a second review was also necessary and was undertaken collection was undertaken during a visit by Riverina Regional Library staff (22 – 23 June 2016) to ensure that the collection remain fresh, relevant and up-to-date.

• RRL Adult and Junior Standing Order Author Lists reviewed and updated.

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	Performance	2015/16 Target Year	
Delivery Program Strategies	Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer
		 Large print selection criteria reviewed and amended. The library's HSC Resource collection has been relocated within the library and is currently being updated. The library's Junior non-fiction collection which previously had been integrated into the Adult non-fiction collection has been relocated so it is now a stand-alone collection. Weeding of library's STACK were undertaken and completed as part of RRL's collection maintenance Children's author Oliver Phommavanh has been booked for the week 31 October 2016 – 4 November 2016. Local children's author Caroline Tuohey to visit 19 – 20 May 2016. Sue Lui, author of the book 'Accidental Aid Worker', has been engaged to give a talk in early May (date to be confirmed). Talk is part of an RRL speaking tour. Planning for children's author Oliver Phommavanh's visit 31 October – 4 November is well under way. Accommodation and travel arrangements have been organised for Oliver. Information re Oliver's visit has been sent out to all schools and home school families within the Bland Shire. The deadline for the return of forms indicating participation in this event is Friday 1 July 2016 (end of term 2). The library has received an ipad from within Council. The portable device will be used to assist library staff with training and clients requiring technical assistance. It will also be utilised for library events. Riverina Regional Library continues to provide a weekly delivery of new material – including popular fiction, non-fiction, large print, sound recordings and DVDs – for both adults and children. Library is no longer purchasing music CDs due to lack of demand. The library is no longer purchasing music CDs due to lack of demand. The library continues to receive a delivery of new material on a weekly basis. As of 30th June, Book / AV budget spent with last of sundries used for HSC Resource material, Children's Book Week shortlisted books, replac	

Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	2015/16 Target Year	sible er
		Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer
3.5 Implement and review recommendations contained in the Community Plan	Annual review	 Ongoing monitoring of Community Plan conducted by Committees. Partnership established with Rotary to deliver movie nights to the village communities of Barmedman, Tallimba and Weethalle. Partnerships forged with Temora MHDA, Local Police and Ambulance Services and MML to deliver Community 'Ice' Forum. Partnerships established with Walking Wounded organisation to deliver the Tribute to the Anzacs event. Partnerships established with village schools to implement successful Nation Tree Day activities. Partnership established with Eastern Riverina Arts with plans to bring the 'Dust of Uruzgan' tour to the community in April 2016. Partnership established with Riverina TAFE to bring fee free Volunteer management course to local community. Partnership established with Business West Wyalong to re-establish the Christmas Carnival in West Wyalong. Highly successful 'Girls Night In' event held as part of September holiday program. 'The Other Talk' program held in November in an attempt to raise of awareness of the safety issues concerning young people and drug use and promote conversations between parents and young people. Support provided to West Wyalong Women's Bowling Club to assist with grant application. Social media support provided to Barmedman Modified Tractor Pull Association and Barmedman Show Society to assist both organisations to improve promotion of their upcoming events and activities. Support provided to Ungarie Advancement Group around promotion of the Ungarie Art and Craft markets. Support provided to Barmedman Development Association with the plans to purchase to premises that houses the Barmedman Coffee Shop. Support provided to Business West Wyalong with the reestablishment of the West Wyalong Christmas Carnival. 	DCCDS



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		 Support provided to Naradhan Reserve Trust to assist with applying for grant funding. Ongoing promotion of grant funding opportunities provided to the community and organisations through email distribution, face to face communication and through Councils Facebook page. Currently working with the Ungarie Advancement Group around the development of a Internet/computer skills workshop for Ungarie community members. Support provided to Barmedman Development Association who provided volunteer opportunities and build skills in hospitality and customer service. Successful National Tree Day activities held in Barmedman, Tallimba, and Weethalle. Partnership forged with Jessica Smith (positive body image advocate) and local hair and beauty/skin care providers to deliver 'Girls Night In' event to local youth. Partnership with youth focus group maintained to ensure youth of the community have an active voice and are able to contribute directly to upcoming programs and events. Partnership with Temora MHDA solidified to bring 'The Other Talk' program to West Wyalong in November 2015. Partnership with High School continued with a discussion/consultation session held with year 9 Geography around the topic of communities. Nominations launched in October for community awards program. Increased numbers received from previous year. Australia Day Awards Committee meeting held in December. Partnership with Interactive Theatre International strengthened to deliver 'The Wedding Reception' interactive theatre production to the community. Partnership established with West Wyalong High School. Partnership continued with NRMA to deliver Safer Driving Lessons to local youth. 	

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Delivery Program 2013 – 2016

Delivery Program Strategies	Performance	2015/16 Target Year	sible er
	Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer
		 Partnership established with Charles Sturt University in the development of an of a Bland Shire Intergenerational Film project. Bland Shire Council implementing the West Wyalong Gold Triathlon in April 2016 and promoting opportunities for training in the lead up to the event. Grant funding secured to deliver the Batyr workshop at West Wyalong high School in order to promote and improve youth mental health and well being. Batyr one day youth workshop provided at West Wyalong High School. NRMA Safer Driving lessons provided locally for youth Support provided to the West Wyalong Harness Racing Association for delivery of their Carnival of Cups event. Support provided to the Weethalle Rodeo Committee to assist in the successful delivery of the Weethalle Rodeo. Support provided to the Naradhan Reserve Trust to secure \$3000 grant from the Southern Phone Company. Working with TAFE NSW to investigate the possibility of offering subsidised short courses to local youth. Highly successful National Tree Day activities held in Barmedman, Tallimba, and Weethalle Tree Day activities planned for July 2016 with a number of schools around the Shire to be involved. Batyr workshop to be held in April 2016. Partnering with TAFE to investigate the delivery of subsidised short courses to local youth. Working held at West Wyalong High School around resumes and job applications Partnered with the Batyr Foundation, Headspace Riverina and Temora MHDA in the facilitation if the Batyr full day youth mental health workshop. Successful Australia Day celebration and awards held at McCann Park with record attendance. 	



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CSP Objective: 4. Ensure services are accessible for all residents including the aged, people with a disability, young people and families

4.1 Work with the community to determine future needs and network with relevant Government Departments and Non-Government Organisations	Annual service surveys	 Preschool Service survey issued, 9 returned. Survey results were added to the Bland Preschool Quality Improvement Plan. Survey for Aged Care Services in progress. Verbal discussions held with local youth and parents at youth events to gather feedback about the success of specific events. Consultation session held with year 9 Geography class around issues affecting the community and the strengths and weaknesses of the community. Survey for Family Day Care completed in October 2015 compiled Family Day Care parent handbook updated and completed. The survey is currently being reviewed to be distributed with June accounts. Consultation held with youth focus group with plans to consult attendees at upcoming community events. Verbal discussions held with local youth and parents at youth events to gather feedback about the success of specific events. 	DCCDS
		 gather feedback about the success of specific events. Additionally, positive written feedback received from a number of attendees at youth and community events. 	

Delivery Program 2013 – 2016

Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	2015/16 Target Year	sible er
		Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer
4.2 Offer youth convises and events to all towns and	Quarterly	Successful tree day activities and BBO's held in Barmedman. Tallimba and	DCCDS
4.2 Offer youth services and events to all towns and villages in the Shire	Quarterly program/event	 Successful tree day activities and BBQ's held in Barmedman, Tallimba and Weethalle. Plans in place to deliver computer skills program to Ungarie community. Highly successful movies night events held in Barmedman, Tallimba and Weethalle in September/October School holidays. Regional Youth Network meetings attended to ensure partnerships are maintained with neighbouring Councils. Discussions held with TAFE around delivering employment skills activities to local youth. Ongoing collaboration occurring with TAFE and High School in the investigation of youth opportunities. A number of youth scholarship opportunities identified and posted on Councils Youth Facebook page. Bland Shire Youth engagement strategy developed. Current engagement with local youth occurring in accordance with tactics outlined in Youth Engagement Strategy. Focus group with students from West Wyalong High School established and ongoing meetings maintained. Discussions held around areas of need and improvement with ideas actioned and youth engagement levels greatly improved in July school holiday activity program. Focus group disbanded to allow for Christmas Holiday break. Call to be put out to students in early 2016 to establish new group to ensure collaboration between Council and Youth is maintained. Investigations undertaken into the most effective ways to engage youth and will continue to occur to ensure Council youth engagement methods remain current. Council youth Facebook and Instagram pages developed with youth engagement on each of these social media platforms continuing to increase. 	

Delivery Program 2013 – 2016

Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	2015/16 Target Year	sible er
		Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer
		 Partnerships strengthened with local school to ensure engagement can occur through identified school channels. Currently 160 + followers of Councils Youth Facebook page and 126 followers on their Instagram with that number continuing to rise steadily. Ongoing partnership with High School maintained to ensure all school communication channels are utilised. Ongoing face to face interaction with youth focus group functioning as a highly effective youth communication method. Plans in place to host youth focused community events in village communities later in the year. Plans in place to host Intergenerational Film tour in a number of village communities within the Shire. Attendance at regional youth focused meetings continuing. Investigations occurring in partnership with TAFE NSW around offering subsidised short courses to local youth. Working with REROC and West Wyalong High School to allow bland Shire Youth to attend the Get Ready Forum. A forum focussing on preparing young people to respond to natural disasters. Partnership with High School strengthened in the delivery of the Batyr workshop and the development of the Intergenerational Film production. Bland Shire Youth engagement strategy developed. Current engagement with local youth occurring in accordance with tactics outlined in Youth Engagement Strategy. Plans in place to commence youth focus group during second half of 2016. Investigation into new communication methods ongoing. 	

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4.3 Provide quality toy library facilities and promote	Bi-annual review	Toy library stocktake scheduled for January 2016.	DCCDS
to residents		Changeover of toys at Bland Shire Library occurs each term.	
		Mobile toy library for Family Day care to be re-instated in Feb 2016.	
		Promotion of toy library done through play sessions and ITAV sessions.	
		Regular access to the Toy Library at Mobile Resource Unit Playgroups,	
		Family Day Care, Playgroups and Families First Sessions has been	
		successful.	
		Promotion of the toy library service and facilities to the community through	
		Council communication channels have been completed for this reporting	
		period.	

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4.4 Provide and monitor quality library services to the aged, people with a disability, young people and families	Bi-annual review	 The library's housebound delivery service extends to Barmedman and Ungarie with the cooperation of Community Transport. Regular toy library changeover at the Bland Shire library occurs each term. Christmas sessions were held for both FDC and regular Storytime patrons with over 60 people attending the latter. Storytime hiatus over Christmas break. Will resume in February 2016. Baby Bounce continues to be held fortnightly during school term. Currently attended by a small but regular group of mothers with their babies. The library continues to promote Baby Bounce via handouts, website, social media, etc. Small group of regulars attended a Christmas session to end the year. Baby Bounce continues to be held fortnightly during school term. Currently attended by a small but regular group of mothers with their babies. The library continues to promote Baby Bounce via handouts, website, social media, etc. A launch of the library's summer reading club was held at the end of November. Over 100 children aged 5-16 have registered. The reading and literacy program has several sponsors to assist with the provision of prizes. A variety of activities has been organised for SRC registered members during the school holidays. The library continues to provide a Library Book Deposit Station to the villages of Barmedman, Ungarie and Weethalle. Library staff is continually liaising with each respective book deposit station to ensure a high standard of service is being provided. The Library continues to provide support for its Day Book Club held monthly in the library. 	DCCDS



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		 Currently seeking interest form patrons re: establishing an embroidery group. Pop-up library at Holland Park Pool. Currently liaising with Leeton Library who have a number of Book Club kits available for free. Will utilise RRL's book club kits in the future. The library's housebound service continues to operate on a fortnightly basis, delivering a variety of material to residents primarily within the township of West Wyalong, including the Masonic Village. At present, the library's housebound service delivers to 16 clients (8 home residents and 8 Masonic Village residents). The library continues to promote the service via handouts, website, social media, noticeboards, oral presentations and exhibitions. Storytime resumed in February 2016 and is held every Thursday @ 10am during school term. The library continues to provide a monthly storytime session for Family Day Care. Multiple storytime sessions were held for Bland Preschool classes. Little Wattle Day Care Centre were invited to visit the library for a storytime session in May. The library continues to utilise Storytime kits provided by Riverina Regional Library. These have proved invaluable in terms of resources and planning. Plans are underway for a special National Simultaneous Storytime to be held in May Baby Bounce resumed in February 2016 and continues to be held fortnightly during school term. Currently attended by a small but regular group of mothers with their babies. A review of the format and resources has been undertaken with input / feedback sought from parents. A variety of activities including craft, cooking and a special night-time event were held for Summer Reading Club Finale Party and Presentation was held in February 2016. 	

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		 The library's April 2016 School Holiday program included learning to cross stitch (with the library's resident needlework group Needles & Thread), cooking, and felt making (provided by Riverina Regional Library). The library's July 2016 School Holiday program includes CD mosaics, cooking (always in demand) and clay making / modelling (provided by Riverina Regional Library). The Men's Shed has kindly agreed to cut the CDs for the library's mosaic activity. Paralympian Jessica Smith will do a reading of her children's picture book 'Little Miss Jessica Goes to School' at the library during the school holidays. The library continues to provide a Library Book Deposit Station to the villages of Barmedman and Weethalle. Due to the Majestic Cafe declining to keep the book deposit station on their premises, Ungarie currently has no Book Deposit Station. With statistics showing that only two (2) residents were using the Ungarie Book Deposit station on a regular basis, the library is currently reviewing its options. The library will host a history talk by Gerard Leahy, author of two books, on Thursday 14th July to coincide with the Emirates Melbourne Cup Tour. A HSC Lock-in for West Wyalong High School students will be held on Friday 5th August 5 pm – 8 pm in the library. The library will host a travelling exhibition Gillanggalang (Sharing Stories) – a collection of small artworks by local indigenous artists – from 5th August – 19th August 2016. The library has a number of bookings for its Tech Savvy Seniors Program starting in August. The program will take place over a 6 week period. A Book Week competition based on this year's theme 'Australia: Story Country' has been sent out to all schools within the Bland Shire and home school families who have also been invited to attend organised activities in the library Week 3 – 11 September. Bland Shire Library has registered for Summer Reading Club 2016-2017. 	

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		 The library held two very successful author visits (Caroline Tuohey and Sue Liu) during May. The library continues to support its Writers' Group Pals of the Pen. The group held a 'Living Libraries' event in May as part of Library and Information Week. Biggest Morning Tea held in May 2016 to raise money for Cancer Council. The library currently supports two community interest groups, Knit and Knatter and Needles & Thread. The groups meet on alternative Tuesdays and are both well attended. West Wyalong High School now brings two regular classes to the library for the purpose of promoting reading and literacy. The library continues to promote its physical and online collection, programs and services to the school community and the wider community via group visits. The library also lends support to various book clubs not affiliated with the library. 	

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4.5 Provide quality and affordable Family Day Care, Mobile Resource Unit, Vacation Care and Preschool services	Accreditation and licensing requirements met	 Ongoing through well stocked resources, an active parent Committee, Qualified staff, providing further courses and workshops for educators to further their knowledge and understanding. All quality care and educational requirements met and all resources up to date and in good working order. Mabile Resources Unit playaroup convises maintained 	DCCDS
		 Mobile Resource Unit playgroup services maintained. Vacation care schedules for July, December and January programs distributed to Community. Supporting family day care educators ongoing. Parent Committee meetings held each term. Movie night, school photos, mini Olympics, enrolment/open day, Teddy Bears Picnic and Ladies Night. Local show participation; Teddy bears picnics, excursions. Visits are to schedule. Training opportunities provided. Child Protection training held in September 2015. Parent surveys have been returned. Quality improvement plan updated Linking all documentation to NQF and EYLF (programs, observations, 	
		 learning stories etc). Coordination Unit provides ongoing training and awareness to all scheme educators. All services are currently meeting the regulatory requirements of rating and assessment. Children's expo not taking place this year, due in 2017. Child Protection Training to be conducted in September, Autism spectrum workshop and Environments workshop to be held in November. Investigate and implement sustainable practices within CSU ongoing. Providing a range of educational programs and information that include sustainability for children and families ongoing. Requirements for quality care and education service was provided for children at Bland Shire Preschool in the year prior to attending school has been completed. 	

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		 Maintenance of the Mobile Resources Unit playgroup services is maintained and completed. April session programs distributed to community. All sessions for the year conducted as per schedule Recruitment session held in Temora Information session for families Term 1 2016 Information night. Term 1 2016 parent committee meeting. Fruit Duty Roster Providing a range of opportunities for families to participate and provide input into Bland/Temora Family Day Care, Mobile Resource Unit including Vacation Care, Toy Library and Playgroups has been completed. Ensuring quality standards of Family Day Care are met and assisting registered educators by conducting, monitoring visits, and offering education and training has been completed. Provide staff with more educator workshops containing information on NQF & EYLF Ensuring that the Family Day Care, Mobile Resource Unit and Vacation Care services implemented the National Quality Framework (NQF), including National Quality Standards (NQS), Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF) and My Time Our Place (MTOP) in its programs completed. Assessment and rating dates not due until later in 2016 Completed and Event set for March 18 2017 Ongoing professional development offered throughout the year. Provide a range of educational programs and information that include sustainability for children and families completed for this reporting period 	

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4.6 Provide and monitor quality HACC services and promote healthy aging to the residents of the community	Annual event/activities	 Aged Care Expo held in November 2015. Very successful with good feedback from stall holders and public. Seniors Week activities, including local ACAT presentation, held during seniors week celebrations in March 2016 	DCCDS
4.7 Encourage cooperation and cross promotion of children and youth services	Quarterly calendar	Quarterly calendar to be provided for the community issued quarterly and attached to service newsletters	DCCDS
4.8 Monitor and promote the diverse range of services available to the community within the Bland Shire	Annual review and promotion	 Website visual upgrade completed and content updated regularly. Local Government Week events held in local villages. Council displays at West Wyalong Show ongoing. Weekly Council notices page in West Wyalong Advocate continuing. Social media presence strengthened with introduction of Instagram and Youth Facebook pages. Noticeboard updated at least weekly. Ongoing promotion in newspaper and community newsletters. New community newsletter to be launched in January. Large number of media releases, posters and flyers issued promoting Council events and programs. Updated Community Services Directory finalised, printed and circulated among local businesses to a welcome reception. Scholarships advertised November 2015, close early February 2016. Highly successful International Day of people with Disability Day celebrations and access awards held on 3 December 2015. Internal audit conducted. Broken and outdated links removed. Community Events calendar revamped to more user friendly format. Tourism section redesigned. Security upgrades and updates completed. Ongoing and Council services showcased at various community events as well as Council publications and communications. 	GM DCCDS
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		 New community newsletter launched and distributed. Weekly Council page continuing. Council notices published every Friday. Regular media releases issued and published in the West Wyalong Advocate. Extensive events promotion continuing across all mediums. All Council events promoted widely across various mediums. Minor updates added and directory made available online and at Bland Shire library. Numerous copies distributed and downloaded. Scholarships distributed in March 2016. Highly successful International Day of people with Disability Day celebrations and access awards held on 3 December 	

Our places

Vision: Providing great community facilities for everyone to enjoy

Bland Shire Council will continue to provide excellent and accessible community facilities in a responsible manner and foster the contribution of community groups and organisations for the betterment of the Bland Shire.





Where our sense of community shines

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CSP Objective: 5. Provide equal access to Council's services and facilities for residents and visitors to the Shire

5.1 Connect with the community utilising forums, committees and elected members	Annual village forums	Community Forums completed for 2015-2016.	DAES
5.2 Access external grant and funding opportunities to improve Council's community facilities	At least 1 application submitted per quarter	 Application to Evolution for funding from Cowal Partnering program successful to assist with the establishment of an annual local Triathlon event. Application lodged through the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal for funding to assist with the cost of bringing Batyr to the West Wyalong High School. External grant applications completed on a regular basis as and when appropriate. Obtained grant for Ungarie flood study. Submission made for fixing Country Roads- one joint with Narrandera Council for Kolkilbertoo Road and one for MR 57 (north). Bridges – one for Ungarie bridge over Humbug Creek. Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal application successful. Plans in place to apply for a Country Arts Support (CASP) Program grant in July 2016 to assist with associated costs of proposed public artwork. This task is undertaken on a regular ongoing basis and when and where appropriate. Available funding has been obtained and completed for this reporting period Kolkilbertoo Road has reached the second round, the other two did not make it. Also working with SEDA on other submissions and always on the lookout for other opportunities. Completed for 2015 – 2016. Still looking out for other opportunities. 	GM DAES DCCDS

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5.3 Utilise social media to connect with and inform residents, retailers, business, industry and visitors	Monthly monitoring	 New Youth Facebook and Instagram accounts created. Number of social media followers continues to increase. Regular posts placed on all pages promoting Council, local services, local business and the community. Facebook page updated and maintained regularly. Usage and engagement continue to increase. During a five day period between November 30 and December 4, 2015 Council posted 11 times and attracted a total reach of 10,486 people. Number of Facebook followers has risen to 1368 as of 31 March 2016. Reach of 9555 people from 3 March-30 March. Facebook followers continued to grow to 1533 followers. Page achieved a total reach of 12532 people within one week from June 20-26. New techniques utilised to achieve increased engagement. The library continues to ensure that its Facebook page is constantly updated and maintained. Riverina Regional Library staff continues to post regular book reviews and library related links on the Bland Shire Library Facebook page. Use of Facebook proved to be available information sharing tool during the wet weather, roads closures and flooding in Ungarie in June 2016. Council was able to provide the community with up to the minute information. Online bookings system implemented for triathlon with success. Creation of a Council youtube channel investigated. Permissions slips and enrolment forms were posted on the council websites. Online forms utilised whenever appropriate. Events page updated to a new and improved format. Some development in areas of online based forms were completed Website updated regularly to include, feature and promote Children's Services and events completed as required. Schedules adapted as necessary 	DCCDS
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		 Funding agreements signed for further term. Family Day Care Funding obtained. Opportunities investigated if arise. Ongoing support provided to Council Access and Cultural Advisory Committees. Strengthening Communities Grants awarded to The West Wyalong Harness Racing Club for their Carnival of Cups event. Strengthening Communities Grants awarded to the Weethalle Rodeo Committee (under the Auspice of the Weethalle Show Society) to assist with delivery of the 2016 Weethalle Rodeo. Council grants provided to the West Wyalong Riding for the Disabled Association and the Ungarie Croquet Club a number of additional applications received. Successful Movie Night events held in Barmedman, Tallimba and Weethalle in September/October school holidays. All current targeted areas visits have being met Facebook continually updated with relevant information. Continued support of CSU's toy library with a collection housed in the library. Family Day Care Storytime held monthly Storytime sessions for Preschool and Little Wattle Day Care groups held in library Regular school class visits to the library Support reading and literacy programs eg. Premier Reading Challenge Include home school children in all programs and activities Events are promoted on the Bland Shire Council's, Business West Wyalong and external websites, Facts Friday, Monthly reports as this allows for events that are not scheduled to be promoted which cannot be achieved with a quarterly paper based calendar. The regular events are published in the Newell Highway brochure and the West Wyalong visitor's guide. A Eastern Riverina Destination Management Organisation list of events is being collated and will be distributed. 	

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5.4 Provide an informative and accessible user friendly Council website utilised to promote community services and events and keep exploring new communication methods	Monthly website updates	 Investigating use of software to allow for ticket bookings online for community triathlon in April. Online nomination forms made available for Australia Day award nominations, Christmas lights map and Christmas lights bus tour. Community calendar updated regularly on Council website. Online forms and permissions slips updated regularly. Preschool events promoted on Councils website. FDC and MRU content reviewed. Online bookings system implemented for triathlon with success. Creation of a Council youtube channel investigated. Permisions slips and enrolment forms for Council events, programs and services were posted to the Bland Shire websites as needed. Online survey conducted for West Wyalong Show holiday consultation. Online forms utilised whenever appropriate. Events page updated to a new and improved format. Some development in areas of CSU permission slips Websites updated as required. 	DCCDS
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CSP Objective: 6. Facilitate equal access for residents to community and government services

6.1 Council services and programs create opportunities to connect and are relevant and responsive to the needs of our community including innovative service provision to isolated residents	Minimum of 2 events/programs in villages each year	 New Barmedman play group session running successfully. Family and Community services funding agreements signed for further term. Family Day Care Funding obtained. Ongoing support provided to Council Access and Cultural Advisory Committees. Council Access grant provided to West Wyalong Medical Centre to assist with the costs of fitting an automatic door. Council grants provided to the Barmedman Show Society to assist with entertainment costs for the show and the West Wyalong Bowling Club to assist with costs associated with their upcoming tournament. Council funding also provided to the West Wyalong Town Band to assist with the purchase of new uniforms and maintenance of instruments. Grants also awarded to the West Wyalong Family District History Group and Business West Wyalong. Successful Movie Night events held in Barmedman, Tallimba and Weethalle in September/October school holidays. Tree Day events held in three village communities in July 2015. Regular visits from Mobile Recourse Unit to targeted area within the Bland Shire. HACC services provided to villages as required. Ungarie Day Care continues on a fortnightly basis. The library continues to maintain a positive working relationship with all schools within Bland Shire, CSU, Little Wattle Day Care Centre and other Children's Services. CSU continue to pick up and drop off RRL tubs. 	GM DCCDS

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		 Resource sharing with CSU e.g. toy library. Provision of children's programs (all ages) e.g. Book Week, Author Visit, regular school visits. Support of reading and literacy programs (all ages) . Regular FDC storytime. Regular storytime sessions for Preschool and Little Wattle Day Care classes. include home school children in all programs and activities. RRL delivery/pick-up reduced to one day per week – to be revised in 2016. Events are promoted on the Bland Shire Council's, Business West Wyalong and external websites, Facts Friday and monthly reports as this allows for events that are not scheduled to be promoted which cannot be achieved with a quarterly paper based calendar. The regular events are published in the Newell Highway brochure and the West Wyalong visitor's guide. Continuation of ITAV program and mobile services into 2016. Schedules adapted as necessary Funding agreements signed for further term. Family Day Care Funding obtained. Opportunities Grants awarded to The West Wyalong Harness Racing Club for their Carnival of Cups event. Strengthening Communities Grants awarded to the Weethalle Rodeo Committee (under the Auspice of the Weethalle Show Society) to assist with delivery of the 2016 Weethalle Rodeo. Council grants provided to the West Wyalong Riding for the Disabled Association and the Ungarie Croquet Club a number of additional applications received. Successful Movie Night events held in Barmedman, Tallimba and Weethalle in September/October school holidays. All current targeted areas visits have been met Facebook continually updated with relevant information. Continued support of CSU's toy library with a collection housed in the library. 	

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		 Family Day Care Storytime held monthly Storytime sessions for Preschool and Little Wattle Day Care groups held in library Regular school class visits to the library Support reading and literacy programs eg.:Premier Reading Challenge Include home school children in all programs and activities Ongoing, and the events are promoted on the Bland Shire Council's, Business West Wyalong and external websites, Facts Friday, Monthly reports as this allows for events that are not scheduled to be promoted which cannot be achieved with a quarterly paper based calendar. The regular events are published in the Newell Highway brochure and the West Wyalong visitor's guide. A Eastern Riverina Destination Management Organisation list of events is being collated and will be distributed. ITAV funding renewed. Service provision continuing. 	

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6.2 Assist with access to visiting services information	Quarterly review	 MML health directory regularly featured on home page of Council website. Utilise the BSC Community Services booklet for visiting services information. Partnership forged with ERA to deliver the Stop Motion Animation Workshop delivered to local youth. Partnership forged with NRMA to deliver the Safer Drivers program to local youth. The Other Talk' program held at West Wyalong High School in November 2015. Plans to deliver 'Dust of Uruzgan' tour to the community in April 2016. Links to visiting Government services placed on Council's website and promoted on social media and/or community noticeboard where appropriate. Australian Mobile Service Centre visits to West Wyalong and Ungarie promoted on website. Through a funding partnership established with FRRR, the Batyr Foundation was able to attend the West Wyalong High School to deliver their full day mental health workshop to local youth in April 2016. Australian Mobile Service Centre visits to West Wyalong and Ungarie promoted on website. 	DCCDS
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CSP Objective: 7. Plan, provide and support a range of community and cultural activities to meet the needs of residents and visitors

7.1 Relevant Advisory Committees to support Council to meet objectives within the Community Strategic Plan	Committees meet at least quarterly	 Review and update of Community Plan ongoing. Council's grant funding guidelines recently reviewed in conjunction with Access Committee with numerous changes made to guidelines to streamline the process for applicants. Council's Advisory Committees consulted regarding the distribution of Access Incentive Scheme funding and Cultural Development grant funding. Review of grant guidelines has taken place. Adoption of new guidelines to occur in conjunction with the new financial year. Adoption of grant guidelines to take place pending Manex review. 	DCCDS

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7.2 Assist community groups to access external funding opportunities	At least 2 groups supported annually	 Community groups (including the West Wyalong Women's Bowling Club and the Barmedman Modified Tractor Pull Association) assisted in applying for grant funding, both internally and externally. Community groups including the Naradhan Reserve Trust, Business West Wyalong, Meals on Wheels, and the West Wyalong Primary School P and C Association assisted to apply for funding under the Southern Phone Grants program. Grant funding opportunities identified and distributed to relevant individuals and organisations through email, social media and verbal communication. West Wyalong Harness Racing Club assisted to apply for funding under Evolution Mining's CCP. Assistance provided to the West Wyalong Women's Bowling Club, the Ungarie Croquet Club, the West Wyalong Clay Target Association and The West Wyalong Riding for the Disabled Association. Grant funding opportunities identified and distributed to relevant individuals and organisations through email, social media and verbal communication. 	DCCDS
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7.3 Advocate relevant Government bodies and Non- Government Organisations (NGOs) for services and facilities	1 submission per year	 Submissions to government and non government organisations for MLHD – community consultation, SLNSW – service provision and NWSPLA – Library issues across state, Fit for the Future, joint organisations proposal, pool regulations. Appointed to reference group of MPHN, feedback regarding financial reporting requirements, REROC planning reference group and children's services funding. Planning regulations and childcare centres Rates Model review Rate exemptions. 	DCCDS
7.4 Assist community groups to provide activities to the wider community	1 group assisted per year	 Assisted a large number of community groups with the promotion of events through community noticeboard, social media and assistance with event promotion resources such as flyers and posters. Worked closely with Events West Wyalong, Barmedman Show Society and Barmedman Modified Tractor Pull to help promote events. Also assisted various other groups including Bellarwi CWA, Caragabal sheep races, Ungarie Show, the Rural Fire Service and many more. Continue to work closely with a large number of community groups and organisations. 	DCCDS

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Our infrastructure

Vision: Maintaining & improving the Shire's assets & infrastructure in a changing climate

Bland Shire Council will strive to face and meet the challenges faced by a large road network and aging infrastructure to best meet community needs in a financially responsible manner while also investigating opportunities for improvements to infrastructure and efficiencies

2015/16 Operational Plan Actions			
Total Actions for theme: 62			
Completed 48			
-	In progress	13	
	Not progressed	1	



Reviewing, renewing and improving our core community assets

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CSP Objective: 8. Work in partnership with key stakeholders to improve road infrastructure for vehicle and pedestrian access

8.1 Lobby Government for additional funding to ensure roads are maintained at an acceptable standard throughout the Shire	Annual representation	 Ongoing as opportunities arise. Lobbying Government completed for this reporting period. 	DAES
8.2 Continued membership of Newell Highway Task Force	Annual membership	 Cr Lord continues as Council's delegate to the Newell Highway Taskforce. Information and meeting minutes are provided to Council for information. Senior Economic Development & Tourism Advisor also provides support to this Taskforce. 	GM
8.3 Lobby Government to improve conditions on the By-Pass	Quarterly contact	 Liaison with RMS on Stage 3 Showground Road (east) upgrade, and on future plans for the other stages. Process is ongoing 	DAES
8.4 Maintain and improve general vehicle and pedestrian access within the Shire	Annual maintenance program developed	Pedestrian Access Mobility plan completed in 2015.	DAES

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CSP Objective: 9. Manage waste and recycling to improve the utilisation of existing resources, including exploring new technologies

9.1 Continued monitoring of viable recycling options	Annual review	 Always on the lookout for cost effective options for recycling. Supporting proposal for can/bottle deposit in the NSW Government's discussion paper and REROC ewaste initiative No alternative or viable recycling options available for 2015/2016. 	DAES
9.2 Consult with the community and relevant stakeholders regarding waste management options throughout the Shire	Annual consultation	 Working with REROC and Senior Economic Development & Tourism Advisor on other Government submissions. Process is ongoing. 	DAES
9.3 Research alternate technologies relating to waste management	Annual review	 Investigating participation in the National TV and Computer product stewardship scheme in association with REROC. Investigations into innovative waste management are continuous. In consultation with community for rural and regional waste strategy options. Monitoring and recommendations to Council's waste Strategy completed for this reporting period. 	DAES
9.4 In consultation with relevant communities, implement and monitor Council's waste management strategy to increase the life of existing resources	Quarterly monitoring	 Talking to community for rural and regional options in relation to waste management strategies. Monitoring of waste strategy ongoing. Working with REROC and SEDATA on other Government submissions is an ongoing process 	DAES

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CSP Objective: 10. Manage stormwater and sewerage resources

10.1 Investigate and manage local flooding issues	Annual review	 Working with consultant on Ungarie Flood Study grant – successful application. Works continue on the flood study. Cleaning out of the West Wyalong stockyard retention dam. 	DAES
10.2 Ensure adequate water storage and management for future use within Council's community facilities	Annual review	 Stormwater recycling plan reviewed and no changes were necessary Ongoing monitoring of irrigation systems with performance satisfactory on the understanding that irrigation systems are reasonably high maintenance. 	DAES
10.3 Identify funding opportunities to maximise future water storage options	At least 1 submission per year	 No external funding opportunities available at this stage. Investigations completed for 2015/2015. To increase the capacity of the airport dam Council is seeking to purchase water rights. Purchasing of water rights is an ongoing process 	DAES
10.4 Effectively manage and maintain stormwater infrastructure	Annual maintenance program and budget	Reviewing of Stormwater Asset Plan is still under review.	DAES
10.5 Effectively manage and maintain sewerage infrastructure	Annual maintenance program and budget	Reviewing of the Sewerage Asset Plan is still in progress.	DAES

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CSP Objective: 11. Ensure that public places and facilities are well maintained and easily accessible to foster community pride in their infrastructure

11.1 Ensure users of Council's facilities enter into agreements	Annual review of agreements	 As at 31 March 2016 around 85% of MoU's signed. Draft MoU sent to the Cricket and AFL for McAlister Oval and follow up phone calls made. No reply as of yet. At the end of June 2016 95% of the Memorandum of Understanding Agreements has been signed Liaising with user Groups to enter into Memorandum of Understanding is an ongoing process. Developing and fostering relationships with user groups is an ongoing process. 	DAES
11.2 In collaboration with users and budgetary constraints provide facilities that are maintained to acceptance standards	Annual works program and budget	 Shade structure at IGA car park completed. Report to the December 2015 Council meeting to finalise lease negotiations. Lease Agreement finalised in January 2016. Open Space Asset Management plan is under review. Still in progress. Local Heritage Assistance Grants are promoted within the community. Council continues to provide the Heritage Advisory Service to the community. Main street illumination scheme in progress. The matter has again being discussed with lighting consultants. A number of different aspects are being considered. The structural integrity of the poles for the main street illumination has been discussed with the manufacturer. 	DAES DCCDS

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11.3 Facilitate access for the community and visitors to all public places and facilities	Annual review of Access Plan	 Sports and parks booking process promoted. Access Incentive Scheme Grant awarded to House of Fashion in August 2015. Access Incentive Scheme Grant awarded to the West Wyalong Medical Centre to assist with costs of installing an automatic door. International Day of People with Disability celebrations and local Access Awards. Planned promotion of access Incentive Grant scheme Access Incentive Scheme Grant awarded to the West Wyalong Branch of the Riding for the Disabled. Access Incentive Scheme being included in the Council notices section of the West Wyalong Advocate. Assessment of public facilities and building against compliance with Premises standards has been completed. Refurbishment of the Toppy Hall bathroom has been completed. Ceiling complete, painting interior/exterior complete. 	GM DAES DCCDS
11.4 Maintain parks, ovals and recreational facilities to approved standards and budget	Annual works program and budget	 Weekly inspections of parks, ovals and recreational facilities completed for this reporting period. Fortnightly playground inspections conducted for all playgrounds within the Shire completed for this year Routine maintenance and works programs has been implemented and monitored New fees and charges were created in draft budget for 2016 – 2017. Process completed. 	DAES
11.5 Effectively manage and maintain cemeteries within the Shire	Annual works program and budget	 Weekly maintenance carried out at Wyalong Cemetery completed for this reporting period Village cemeteries regularly inspected and maintained Carrying out of repair work to grave sites and the Wyalong Memorial Cemetery were not required during 2016. 	DAES



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CSP Objective: 12. Review Council's building assets to meet the needs of the community

12.1 Complete a building review to determine if community needs are being met	Asset register updated annually	Councils building assets were reviewed and completed.	DAES
12.2 Develop a maintenance program to ensure the integrity of Council's buildings	Annual maintenance program and budget	 Maintenance of Councils buildings according to Council 2015/2016 budget have been completed. Council's maintenance program budget will be reviewed in 2016-17. 	DAES
12.3 Use planning and heritage policies and controls to protect and improve the unique built environment	Annual policy review	 A review of current heritage policies has been undertaken utilising the templates provided by NSW Environment and Heritage. Local Heritage Assistance Grants are promoted within the community. Council continues to participate in the Heritage Advisory Service. Heritage Assistance Funding Guidelines have been renewed and updated. Controls in the Local Environmental Plan and Development Control Plan continued to be enforced. Development Control Plan review will be undertaken in conjunction with the Local Environmental Plan review. 	DCCDS
12.4 Manage Council's facilities to meet health and safety expectations	Annual inspections	 Occupational health & safety audits have been undertaken and completed Breakdown maintenance only completed due to budget constraints. Maintenance program considered in 2016 – 2017 draft budget preparation, but again due to budget constraints only breakdown maintenance applied. Reviewing of implements signs as remote supervision continuing in some aspects. Process completed for 2015/2016 Screen for West Wyalong landfill completed in 2015 	DAES DCCDS

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12.5 Responsibly manage asset renewal and maintenance	Annual maintenance program and budget	•	Asset Management Plan reviewed and completed as part of 2016 – 2017 budget Asset Management strategy and Action plan has not been reviewed for this financial year. Asset Disposal Policy completed and adopted by Council at Sept 2015 meeting.	GM DAES DCCDS	
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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer

12.6 Determine community need and develop design for indoor multi-purpose facility	 Stronger Regions Fund grants application unsuccessful for Perseverance street sporting complex including three court facility. Ongoing investigations into options to resolve fire fighting requirements. Development application lodged for approved facility design. Report to the December 2015 Council meeting to amend scope of works due to unsuccessful grant application and to invite tenders in January 2016 for construction. Further report to March 2016 Council meeting EOIs for construction services completed. Sports Stadium Refurbishment Steering Committee disbanded at Council's September 2015 meeting. Council will continue to liaise with the existing Stadium management Committee. Meeting held with Stadium Management Committee representatives on 2nd December 2015 to provide an update on the project. Management options being investigated. Scope of works agreed to by Council Request for tenders issued Further report to April 2016 Council meeting to select a tenderer and awarded to Burton Constructions Pty Itd with site handover and works commencing on 16 May 2016. Ongoing monitoring and reporting will continue. Schedule of works finalised with expected completion in early November 2016 Future management options discussion paper presented to June Council workshop Meeting with existing management committee to be scheduled in July 2016 	
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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer

CSP Objective: 13. Develop, implement and monitor appropriate programs, schedules, plans and budgets for the effective and efficient management of Council's assets and infrastructure

13.1 Implement and monitor a street cleaning program	Annual review	Street cleaning program monitored and completed.	DAES
13.2 Works programs are developed, reviewed and implemented in accordance with road hierarchy and budget allocations	Annual program and budget	Monitoring and implementing the Transportation Infrastructure Operating Program completed.	DAES
13.3 Maintain street trees to approved standards and budget	Annual program and budget	 Implementation of the Preferred Street Tree Species List as opportunities arise is completed for this reporting period but ongoing Proactively monitoring of street trees and action requests to maintain trees within the approved budget completed 	DAES
13.4 Kerb and Guttering programs are developed and implemented in accordance with budget	Annual program and budget	Monitoring and implementation of the 2012-2022 Transportation Infrastructure Operating Program completed.	DAES
13.5 Effectively manage and maintain town and village upkeep throughout the Shire	Annual program and budget	 Budget consideration reviewed as part of the 2016 – 2017 draft budgets to reflect a slight downturn in service levels Completed for 2015/2016 	DAES

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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer

13.6 Airport facilities are maintained to approved standards and budget	Annual program and budget	 Maintenance program implemented and monitored for the airport and facilities completed 	DAES
13.7 Effectively management and maintain Council's Works Depots	Annual review	 Day to day working of Council depot completed for this reporting period. 	DAES

Our leadership

Vision: A well run council acting as the voice of the community

Bland Shire Council will aim to set a benchmark in the community for leadership, governance and customer service. Council will seek to build and strengthen community partnerships and foster participation from all Bland Shire communities in the decision making process.





Setting a benchmark for community standards

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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer

CSP Objective: 14. To provide quality leadership, governance and management

		Progress	
14.1 Ensure councillors are provided with appropriate support and resources to carry out their civic duty	Annual review of policy	 Review of Code of Meeting practice continuing. Review of councillor handbook to be progressed in mid 2016 following determination of Council's Fit for the Future submission. Developing of Councillor's induction program to be progressed in mid 2016 following determination of Council's Fit for the Future submission. Mayor and Deputy Mayor elections held in September 2015 and results provided to Office of Local Government, NSW Councils and local media. Review of Provisions of Facilities and Expenses for Councillors policy completed and adopted by Council at Sept 2015 meeting. Councillors advised of opportunities as they become available Review of Councillor Portfolio Program continuing to be presented to the July 2016 Council meeting. Councillor Induction Program discussions held at Manex meeting. Program will be developed Induction program scheduled for 16 September 2016 following which the mayoral and deputy mayoral elections will be conducted. Councillor support and requests continue to be managed by the Office of the General Manager 	GM

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14.2 Ensure Councillors take ownership and a strong leadership role in implementing the Community Strategic Plan	6 monthly progress report on implementing the Delivery Program	 2014/15 Annual Report completed within required timeframes. Planning continues for the End of Term Report to be presented in August 2016 and the review phase of the IPR documentation. Timeline to be released in early 2016. Business Paper reports continue to be linked to IPR framework Operational Plan and Capital Works Projects monitored quarterly by Manex Delivery Program Progress Reports provided every 6 month Initial draft of the End of Term Report to be presented to July Council Workshop Quarterly reports for Delivery Program Progress to be presented to the June/July 2016 Council meeting. Progress Report being finalised for presentation to July Council meeting and inclusion in the End of Term Report and Annual Report Progress Report presented to March 2016 Council meeting Manex continue to quarterly monitor the Operational Plan and Capital Projects for inclusion in the Delivery Program Progress Report Initial draft of the End of Term Report to be presented to July Council workshop 	GM
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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer

14.3 Ensure the General Manager takes on a high level role in implementing the Community Strategic Plan and associated documents Quarterly Operationa Plan progress reports Manex	
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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer

14.4 Ensure the long term financial sustainability of Council through effective and prudent financial management	Monthly reports to Council	 Quarterly Budget Review StatementS for 2015-16 produced and sent to the GM & Directors within 2 weeks of the end of the quarter. Overdue debtor accounts and rate assessments have been sent for debt collection with Council's contracted collection agency. The 2014-15 Financial Statements have been completed and audited. They were submitted to the OLG within the designated time frame. Investments have been managed effectively; investing in secure term deposits, the term of the deposit has been selected based on future cash requirements and best rate of interest at that time. The Long Term Financial Plan was completed with the available information at the time and has been incorporated in the Strategic Plan. Revisions are continuing as variations are proposed by the State Government, Councillors and Council directors. Preparations are underway to have Operational and Balance sheet accounts, support documentation and other data ready for 2015-16 end of year financial reporting. The 2015-16 Financial Statement templates have been ordered to commence the preparation of the 2015-16 financial Plan has been received from LG Solutions. Data is currently being updated to provide financial results up to 2026/27. There were no overdue matters or issues raised during the reporting period. 	DCCDS
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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer

14.5 Take advantage of new and emerging technology to improve services	Annual review	 New wireless equipment installed to improve connectivity to Depot. Business continuity management and interruption response analysis conducted November 2015. Technology regularly reviewed as per organisation's needs. Network infrastructures are continuously reviewing and updating when required. IT disaster recovery plan continually updated and completed for this reporting period. 	DCCDS DAES
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			Target Year 2015/16	sible er	
Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target		Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer	
CSP Objective: 15. Develop strong comm 15.1 Regular consultation with key industry, business and stakeholders	Bi-monthly contact	 Initia exter Oper requi Tech GM a meet Arrar Minir Ongo 2016 	bing attendance and participation in meetings and events as required. I introductions with Evolution Mining representatives held and invitation aded through their Community Relations Advisor to address Council. In communication between Council and key local industries ongoing as red. nology regularly reviewed as per organisation's needs. Attends REROC meetings on a regular basis as well as quarterly ings of the Riverina-Murray Regional Leaders Network. Agements are in hand for councillors to meet with the CEO of Evolution ag, Mr. Jake Klein, in April 2016. Ding liaison with relevant groups as required schedule of meetings updated and circulated to staff and Councillors in ary 2016	GM DCCDS DAES	

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15.2 Working in partnership with community groups,	At least 4	 Village Community Forums held on 1st October 2015. Fit for the Future Public Forum held on 10th November 2015. Council reviewed its committee schedule and representation at its September 2015 meeting. General Manager maintains ongoing participation and representation at the Riverina Pilot Joint Organisation. Road network forums held during March 2016 Second round of road Network Forums to be held in July 2016 Councillor representatives on Advisory Committee and section 355 committee of Council is ongoing General Manager maintains ongoing participation and representation. GM attended an OLG workshop on 30 June 2016 to discuss the roll out of JO's in September 2017. 	GM
advisory committees, Government Departments,	programs/projects		DCCDS
businesses and Council staff	annually		DAES
15.3 Assist and/or foster community events and initiatives through Council sponsored grants/sponsorship opportunities	Quarterly promotions	 Council grant program promoted regularly through community radio, word of mouth, local media and email distribution. Council grants distributed to West Wyalong Town Band, House of Fashion, West Wyalong Women's Bowling Club and the Barmedman Show Society. Council grants awarded to the West Wyalong Medical Centre, Business West Wyalong, the Mirrool Silo Kick Committee, the West Wyalong Clay Target Club and the West Wyalong Family History Group. Grants awarded to Weethalle Rodeo Committee and The West Wyalong Harness Racing Club in this quarter. Assistance provided to the West Wyalong Women's Bowling Club, the Ungarie Croquet Club, the West Wyalong Clay Target Association and The West Wyalong Riding for the Disabled Association 	CLORS DCCDS

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CSP Objective: 16. Provide opportunities in a variety of forums for all stakeholders to contribute to Council's decision making

16.1 Encourage village residents to participate in community forums	Annually	 Village Community Forum held on 1 October 2015. Community input into forum agenda completed for this year. Forum outcomes were reported back to the community 	DAES
16.2 Monitor and provide innovative and accessible communication strategies to all Shire residents to encourage active participation	Bi-annual review	 Active and increased presence utilising community mailing list and social media. Advertising of events is ongoing through West Wyalong Advocate and community newsletters. Extensive advertising carried out across various mediums. Connect with Council page launched allowing residents to register to receive specific information from Council through email. Target audience identified for each program/project and advertised accordingly using various mediums (e.g. press, social media, newsletters, mail drops etc) Public Forum included in monthly meeting notice and opportunities provided for those interested. 	GM DCCDS
16.3 Ensure all Council communications are targeted and clearly branded	Bi-annual review	 Provision of Council branded signs and banners ongoing for funding recipients. Banners provided at various events. Logo displayed in accordance with Corporate Style Guide 	DCCDS

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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer	

CSP Objective: 17. Lead the community by example with sustainable, effective, efficient and customer focused practices

17.1 Review Council's customer service charter and regularly monitor Council services to ensure they are provided in a professional, timely and friendly manner and are responsive to community need	Annual review	 Customer service staff has been trained in Tech One and ongoing training and support is in place. Delivering of purchasing services ongoing. Practices and performance are monitored to ensure customer service levels meet the standards set in Council's Customer Service Charter. The results of the recent Customer Service Survey are in the process of being analysed and current practices reviewed to address any identified service gaps. Incoming correspondence is processed on the day it is received and distributed to designated action officers. A report of outstanding actions is submitted to Manex fortnightly for follow up. Store services delivery completed for this reporting period. Development Assessment staff aim to process applications within statutory timeframes. 	GM DCCDS DAES
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Bland Shire Council	and Shire Council Delivery Program 2013 – 2010			
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17.2 Provide a sustainable, productive, highly skilled and committed workforce which supports current and future service delivery needs	Annual review	 deperprog Schol Individiation Schol Individiation Constrain Tech Rese Proc Ongoing educion Data 'On t Staff Audiation PD's at ristice Loca Policion Arran Retire Period Staff Appr Impression Impression follow Assistice 	aning opportunities for employees ongoing. Al training completed. earch into E-learning program opportunities ongoing. ess for tracking training needs developed. bing exploration of external funding opportunities for training and cation. base of staff licences and qualifications developed and maintained. he Job' induction program ongoing. competencies ongoing. ometric screening conducted on 17 Sept for all outdoor staff. have been reviewed and updated to include anyone/areas that may be	GM



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Bland Shire Council			Delivery Program 2013 – 2016	
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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Tar	get	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer
17.3 Develop, implement and monitor HR programs to solidify Council's reputation as an employer of choice	Quarterly reporting to Consultative Committee and EEO Committee meetings	 the E Ongo supe Perio Staff GM i throu emple enco proa repo Revi comi Loca Natio Imple Deve The EEO Identi Repo Cour shari 	loyee health and wellbeing programs are up to date. Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is up to date oing provision of monthly staff service details to Manex and relevant ervisors, staff recognised at monthly staff meetings od reminders for staff achievement awards included in Facts Friday ing issues/trends has been reported to Manex and up to date. is providing a monthly update on matters affecting council to all staff ugh a notice attached to payslips loyee representation on workplace committees promoted and suraged ctive management of Return to Work Program completed for this rting period ews of HR policies and procedures ensuring that updates are municated to staff is ongoing and up to date.	GM DCCDS

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17.4 Review and implement Council policies and comply with WH&S and Risk Management requirements	Quarterly reporting	 Council Risk Management Action Plan developed and maintained. Hazard inspections in progress. May not complete all Council operations this year due to other work pressures but will endeavour to increase rate of inspections. Maintained WHS Management Systems. WHS met according to approve schedule. A slight hiatus while position is being filled in this area, should be on track by last quarter A few inspections completed due to other work pressures. May not complete WHS audits conducted and completed for this reporting period Safety checks completed for this reporting period safe work, WHS and risk management processes ongoing and encouraged 	DAES
17.5 Ensure Council's workforce is provided with appropriate equipment and resources to meet the needs of Council and the community	Annual review and budget	 Upgrade of computer, phones and other IT equipment ongoing as per organisational needs Knowledge transfer and capture initiatives not progressed. Plant Replacement developed and Program completed. Replacement in progress. Draft program for 2016 -2017 as part of the draft budget process 	GM DAES DCCDS

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CSP Objective: 18. Develop and maintain a framework of plans and policies that ensures open and transparent Council communication

18.1 Develop, implement and promote best practice	Quarterly review of	Annual GIPA report for 2014-2015 has been completed and forwarded to the	DCCDS
governance policies and procedures	Policy Register	Information and Privacy Commissioner and the Minister for Local	DAES
	,	Government. All formal and informal GIPA applications have been completed	
		within the statutory timeframe. Government information (Public Access) Act	
		publication guide completed	
		 The Policy Register and Council's website are updated as policies and 	
		procedures are adopted by Council/Manex.	
		Manex quarterly monitor progress with the recommendations from the Office	
		of Local Government Promoting Better Practice Review.	
		 Meeting schedule for Internal Audit Committee to be determined. 	
		Independent Chair of the Internal Audit Committee resigned from Committee	
		Senior Records Officer and Records Officer have completed an Advanced	
		Diploma in Records Keeping.	
		Records staff attends regional training by State Records when it becomes	
		available and also complete on-line training. Records staff attend quarterly	
		meetings of a Local Record Management Networking Grou	
		The Policy Register and Council's website are updated as policies and	
		procedures are adopted by Council/Manex.	
		Regular retention and disposal of Council's paper based records is	
		undertaken in accordance with the State Records Disposal Authority.	
		Implementing a disposal program for electronic documents has commenced.	
		Review of corporate insurance completed	
		All outstanding matters identified in this Review have been addressed and	
		completed	
		Now waiting on advice from the NSW OLG that IAC's will become mandatory	
		at which time further arrangements will be made to implement the legislation.	
		 It is expected that proposed changes to the LG Act, to be introduced in 	
		September 2016 will include requirements for councils to have an IAC.	

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18.2 Council's plans, policies and documents continue to be put on effective public display for comment and feedback from the community	Continual use of the West Wyalong Advocate and the Bland Shire website	• Cou	uncil plans and policies advertised when required.	DCCDS

Our prosperity Vision: Growing our population and jobs

Bland Shire Council will strive to attract new tourists, new industry and business, support existing businesses and promote leading edge practices to help stimulate investment and employment to ensure a vibrant future.





Ensuring a vibrant and sustainable future

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CSP Objective:

19. Visitors and tourists are welcomed and make a positive contribution to the community and economy

19.1 Work with business and property owners to rejuvenate their businesses and shop fronts and encourage the maintenance of buildings with character	Bi-annual promotions	 Council continued to promote the painting of facades as part of the Local heritage Funding Program. Project has been completed. Façade painting is funded from the Local Heritage Fund. Heritage Assistance Program continues to be promoted Verandah Upgrade Program is promoted where budget constraints allow. 	DCCDS
19.2 Work with the tourism industry to identify and develop products and services that appeal to visitors of the Shire	Quarterly review of products and services	 The Economic Development, Visitor Economy & Tourism Advisory Committee of the Whole was facilitated and regular meetings are held as scheduled. The Bland Shire Council made the decision to disband the Economic Development, Visitor Economy & Tourism Advisory Committee of the Whole at the September 2015 Council meeting. The SEDTA maintain a relationship with and meets with Business West Wyalong and Events West Wyalong on a regular and ongoing basis. The SEDTA involved Business and Events West Wyalong with the Business Enterprise Centre workshops, Small Biz Bus visits to West Wyalong. The SEDTA has an active participation and representation in the relevant regional tourism and business meetings and events including Riverina Regional Tourism, Eastern Riverina Regional Tourism, Regional Development Australia Riverina and Central West, Events West Wyalong, Business West Wyalong, The Gold Trails, The Newell Highway Promotions and Task Force Committees, Destination NSW, AusIndustry and Trade & Investment. Ongoing promotion of the League of Extraordinary Communities to both the Australian Federal & State Governments and is working on developing some marketing collateral. The SEDTA has met with marketing companies and the Charles Sturt University. Reports provided to Council on potential strategic property acquisition opportunities as they arise. 	GM



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19.3 Visitor information is kept relevant and up to date	Monthly review	 The VIC information is reviewed and updated on a regular basis and when and where appropriate. The local tourism publications and website information is reviewed and updated on a regular basis and when and where appropriate. The soft and hard tourism infrastructure is reviewed and updated on a regular basis and when and where appropriate with a new Newell Highway Brochure released in February 2015 and an updated West Wyalong brochure released in March 2015. A wetlands brochure was developed and released in March Discussions have progressed on the publication of a Bland Shire map. Visitor information shelters are being developed for Barmedman, Weethalle and Ungarie and will be installed in September 2016. An interpretive sign is being developed for the wetlands The SEDTA has provided comments and projects to the Riverina Regional Tourism Board for the updating of the Riverina Regional Tourism Destination Management Plan. The Destination Management Plan will be reduced from three Destination Management Organisations to two and the Fit for the Future review may necessitate further changes. The Regional Tourism Organisation Review in July 2016. Costs to establish a Visitor Information Centre at the old Elders Building has been prepared and presented to Council. The review of other possible Visitor Information sites has been undertaken and has been presented to Council. The council have requested different options for McCann Park be reported to July 2016 Council meeting. This is ongoing and adoption of best practices and technology to improve the overnight visitor spend in the Bland Shire is reviewed regular basis and when and where appropriate acted on. This includes TripAdvisor and Destination NSW Get Connected. 	GM
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CSP Objective: 20. Plan for a range of industries that build on the strengths of the Bland Shire to stimulate investment and employment

20.1 Encourage and actively seek out business and industry to relocate within the shire	Monthly contact with at least 1 potential new business/industry	The Business Development Assistance program is actively promoted.	GM
20.2 Have ongoing engagement and communication with the shire's existing and prospective industry and business including diversification into alternate industries/businesses	Monthly contact with business community	 This is ongoing and the SEDTA maintain a relationship with and meets with Business West Wyalong on a regular and ongoing basis. The SEDTA involved Business West Wyalong with the Business Enterprise Centre workshops, Small Biz Bus visits to West Wyalong Ongoing and the SEDTA maintains a strong working relationship and engagement with and meets with Regional Development Australia, AusIndustry, Department of Planning & Environment, NSW Trade & Investment, NSW Environment Protection Authority, NSW Environment Protection Authority, Roads and Maritime Services NSW Trade and Investment, Crown Lands, Department of Primary Industries, State Training Services Riverina, Industry Capability Network, Office of Environment and Heritage and Australia Bureau of Statistics on a regular basis. Country Change and the Country Expo are under review and may not continue in 2016. The Enterprise Connect program was wound up in 2016. The SEDTA developed a Draft Economic Strategic Plan. The General Manager has asked the Council for constructive comments. 	GM
20.3 Actively promote the Business Development Assistance to new and existing businesses	Monthly promotions	 The Business Development Assistance program is actively promoted. The SEDTA proactively markets, promotes and encourages new and existing retail business and industry. 	GM

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Delivery Program Strategies	Performance Target	Progress to 30 June 2016	Responsible Officer

CSP Objective:

21. Promote leading edge communication technology to link everyone within and outside Bland Shire

21.1 Lobby for and work with industry, Government and education providers to ensure Bland Shire residents and businesses have access to competitive telecommunication services	Bi-annual representations	 Changes implemented to maximise community engagement on social media. SEDTA submitted a response to the Federal Governments Mobile Phone Black Spot Program and Telecommunication Review and included these comments in the Newell Highway and Agricultural submissions. This task is undertaken on a regular ongoing basis, with regular emails being sent to businesses in the Bland Shire making them aware of new technologies. This is ongoing and the SEDTA undertakes this task on a regular ongoing basis, with regular emails being sent to businesses in the Bland Shire making them aware of the roll out of the NBN Fixed Wireless Broadband Network in the Bland Shire with information sessions being held in West Wyalong and Ungarie. The NBN is planning to commence construction on the fixed wired network in 2016. 	GM
21.2 Analyse, interpret and promote emerging social trends and Government initiatives in technology to benefit the community	Bi-annual promotions	 Community Development Officer attended social media training specific to Local Government in Sydney in August. Tools already being introduced to Council's social media accounts. Partnered with TAFE to provide workshop/learning opportunities for volunteer groups. Opportunities to link new Government initiative to Bland Shire explored on an ongoing basis. Community Development Officer attended social media training specific to Local Government in Sydney in August. Tools already being introduced to Council's social media accounts. Response submitted to the Federal Governments Mobile Phone Black Spot Program and Telecommunication Review and included these comments in the Newell Highway and Agricultural submissions. Discussions held with TAFE about provision of work/life skills program in school holidays 	DCCDS

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CSP Objective: 22. Work with our communities and businesses to use our resources in a sustainable way for the future of the Bland Shire

22.1 Through partnership with stakeholders foster our education, learning and training industry and increase employment opportunities within the Shire	Quarterly representations	 Educating the community on benefits of protecting our environment continue. Staff attendance at show day. SEDTA regularly liaises with retail and industry to assist in creating employment opportunities in the Bland Shire. SEDTA works with businesses to be aware of and adopt new technologies on a regular basis. Council's traineeship and apprenticeship program opportunities completed for this reporting period. Fostering partnerships with education sectors is ongoing. Protecting our environment education programs completed for this reporting period. Business Enterprise Centre to conduct business workshops in West Wyalong and visits by the Small Biz Bus. The SEDTA promotes other educational and information activities to the local businesses. Ongoing regular liaison with retail and industry to assist in creating employment opportunities in the Bland Shire. Application for Energise Enterprise Funding to run a series of workshops and consultation for the businesses of the Bland Shire. Funding was secured and four workshops will be delivered by the Australian Retail Association Retail Institute in July 2016. Graduate programs not progressed Cadetship opportunities completed for this year. 	GM DAES DCCDS
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22.2 Ensure a sustainable environment for current and future generations through effective management and planning for the long term future by ensuring appropriate land is zoned and available to support business and industrial growth	Annual land review	 The proposal for the rezoning of Airport land to industrial land has not progressed due to uncertainty of the future of Bland Shire Council. It will now be considered during the LEP Review which is currently underway. A parcel of land has been identified and Council has agreed to purchase the land and has delegated the General Manager to finalise the purchase. Application for National Stronger Regions Fund application to assist in the development of the identified industrial land. In June 2016 Bland Shire Council were advised that their application was unsuccessful. Local Environmental Plan and Development Control Plan controls continue to be implemented and enforced 	GM DCCDS
22.3 Promote agricultural practices which are leading edge and efficient	Annual promotion	 A workshop/program in the agricultural industry has been completed with staff attendance at Show days. Workshop targeting agricultural community completed for this reporting period 	DAES
22.4 Liaise with utility providers to ensure a quality sustainable service to the community	Quarterly contact	 Cr Templeton continues as Council's delegate to Goldenfields Water County Council and information and meeting minutes are provided for to Council for reference. Communicating local issues with utility providers are raised as need arise. 	GM



9.2 Proposed Amendments to the Local Government Act

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DP14.3 Ensure the General Manager takes on a high level role in implementing the Community Strategic Plan and associated documents

Author: General Manager

Officer's Recommendation:

That the information concerning proposed legislative changes to the Local Government Act 1993 is received and noted and that a further report is submitted to council when more information becomes available.

Introduction

Amendments to the *Local Government Act* have been introduced into NSW Parliament but debate is not likely to be concluded until at least August and Parliament has now risen for its winter break.

The amendments deal with the principles underpinning local government and governance, and follow the consultation undertaken earlier this year for Phase 1 of the review of the Act.

Integrity Reforms Legislation

The Local Government and Elections Legislation Amendment (Integrity) Bill 2016 is also being debated and proposes a number of amendments to the Election Funding, Expenditure and Disclosure Act 1981 and the Local Government Act 1993 that are intended to improve the transparency and rigor around local government elections and decision making practices. These changes include:

Introducing caps to political donations for local government elections of \$5,000 to registered parties and \$2,000 to individual councillors and candidates, from the 'same donor'. This is in alignment with the recommendations of the Independent Panel of Experts Report into Election Funding (December 2014);

- Disqualifying a person from holding civic office if the person has been convicted of an offence against the *Election Funding, Expenditure and Disclosure Act 1981 relating to unlawful political donations or the failure to disclose donations or electoral expenditure*;
- Clarifying the rules governing the disclosure of pecuniary interests in relation to planning matters by repealing section 448 (g) of the *Local Government Act 1993* which exempts councillors and Senior Officers from the requirement to disclose pecuniary interests in relation to certain planning matters; and
- Enabling the Chief Executive of the of the Office of Local Government to recover the amount of monetary benefit obtained by a councillor who has been found to have contravened the disclosure obligations of the Local *Government Act 1993*.

Conclusion

A further report will be submitted to council when more information becomes available.

Financial Implications Nil to this report.

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 19 JULY 2016

9.3 Development Application DA2015/0171 – Rural Dwelling Conditions of Consent

Our prosperity	Ensuring a vibrant and sustainable future
	Vision: Growing our population and jobs

DP22.2 Ensure a sustainable environment for current and future generations through effective management and planning for the long term future by ensuring appropriate land is zoned and available to support business and industrial growth.

Author: General Manager

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council endorses the conditions of consent attached to this report in respect to the approval to construct a dwelling on Lot 281 DP750615.

Introduction

In accordance with council's resolution of 21 June 2016 to approve of DA2015/0171 it is now necessary for council to endorse the 'conditions of consent' in order to comply with existing council policy.

The full set of conditions is included as an attachment to this report.

Conclusion

The conditions of consent were issued to Mr. Maitland on Monday 4th July 2016.

Financial Implications

Nil to this report



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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

APPLICANT DETAILS Applicant: Address:

Mr A and Mrs L Maitland PO Box 48 Wyalong NSW 2671

APPLICATION DETAILS

Development Application Number: Description of Development:

DA 2015/1071 Proposed Rural Dwelling

LAND TO BE DEVELOPED

Address: Property Description:

BCA Classification:

Quandialla Road Lot 281, DP 750615

DETERMINATION DETAILS
Decision:
Determination Date:
Approval to operate from:
Approval to lapse on:

Approved subject to conditions 5 July 2016 5 July 2016 5 July 2021 1a

OTHER COUNCIL APPROVALS	
Sec 68 Local Government Act	(refer Part H of this consent)
Roads Act	(refer Part H of this consent)

CONDITIONS OF CONSENT

PART A - ADMINISTRATIVE CONDITIONS

General

1. This consent relates to **rural dwelling** as illustrated on the plans, specifications and supporting documentation stamped with reference to this consent, as modified by the following conditions. The development shall be carried out in accordance with this consent.

Notes:

- Any alteration to the plans and/or documentation shall be submitted for the approval of Council. Such alterations may require the lodgement of an application to amend the consent under s96 of the Act, or a fresh development application. No works, other than those approved under this consent, shall be carried out without the prior approval of Council.
- Where there is an inconsistency between the documents lodged with this application and the following conditions, the conditions shall prevail to the extent of that inconsistency.
- 2. The **rural dwelling** shall not be occupied or the use shall not commence until all relevant conditions of development consent have been met or unless other satisfactory arrangements have been made with council (i.e. a security).

Building Code of Australia

 All building work must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Building Code of Australia.
 Note: This condition is prescribed under the Environmental Planning and Assessment

Erection of signs

Regulation 2000.

- 4. A sign must be erected in a prominent position on any site on which building work, is being carried out:
 - (a) showing the name, address and telephone number of the principal certifying authority for the work, and
 - (b) showing the name of the principal contractor (if any) for any building work and a telephone number on which that person may be contacted outside working hours, and
 - (c) stating that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited.

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

PART B - REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO ISSUE OF CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

Construction Certificate Application

 A Construction Certificate application is required to be submitted to, and issued by Council/Accredited Certifier prior to any excavation or building works being carried out on site.

Engineering Plans

6. Engineering plans, showing details of all proposed work and adhering to any conditions of development consent, are to be submitted to, and approved by, Bland Shire Council or an Accredited Certifier prior to issuing of the Construction Certificate.

Long Service Levy

7. For work costing \$25,000 or more, a Long Service Leave Levy shall be paid. For further information please contact the Long Service Payments Corporation on their Helpline 13 1441.

Driveway Access Application

8. The Applicant shall lodge a Driveway Access Application with Council prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate. The design and construction of the driveway access shall comply with Council's specification in the Bland Development Control Plan 2012 (BDCP).

Design Modifications

- 9. In order to comply with BDCP the design of the building shall be amended as follows:
 - a) (i) The site plan is to be modified; depicting the dwelling relocated a minimum of 200m from all boundaries to ensure compliance with the minimum separation distances between agricultural uses and rural dwellings as outlined in Table 3.1 of BDCP.

(ii) The plans are to be modified to depict the inclusion of a potable water supply in accordance with PPP5 and APP5 of BDCP.

(iii) Full details of proposed access to electricity supply in accordance with PPP6 and APP6 of BDCP.

(iv) Full details of proposed access to telecommunications in accordance with PPP7 and APP7 of BDCP.

b. Details shall be submitted to and approved by Council prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate.

BASIX Certification

10. The development must be provided with a current BASIX Certificate and an updated certificate issued if amendments are made. The BASIX certificate must be submitted to the Certifying Authority with all commitments clearly shown on the Construction Certificate plans.

Appropriate building work plans and specifications

- 11. The Applicant shall provide the Certifying Authority with specifications for the development:
 - a) That describe the construction and materials of which the building is to be built and the method of drainage, sewerage and water supply, and
 - b) Design drawings for all structural elements of the building including connection details and member specifications, and
 - c) Design drawings for the roof and wall frames, including a bracing and tie down schedule showing all calculations, kN ratings and wind classification., and
 - d) Copies of any compliance certificate to be relied on.

Footing System Requirements - General

12. The Applicant shall provide the Certifying Authority with detailed design drawings for the footing system certified by a practising structural engineer as compliant with the relevant sections of Part 3.2 'Footings and Slabs' of the BCA prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate.

Filling works

13. Filling works shall be carried out in accordance with Clause 3.1.1.4 of the Building Code of Australia – Volume 2. Retaining walls or other types of soil retaining methods must be installed where the gradient is more than that described, or the soil type is not described in Table 3.1.1.1 of the Building Code of Australia – Volume 2. Details are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate.

Note: Embankments that are to be left exposed at the end of the construction works must be stabilised by vegetation or similar works to prevent soil erosion.

Approval to install an on-site sewage management system

14. Prior to the issue of a construction certificate, the applicant shall obtain approval from Council under the Local Government Act 1993 to install an on-site sewage management system.

Note: Applications to install an on-site sewage management system must be accompanied with a Wastewater Management Plan including Site and Soil Assessment by a suitably qualified person.

PART C - REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF WORK

Notice of Commencement

15. Notice of commencement (at least 48 hours pror) is to be given to Council in writing.

Erosion and Sediment Control

16. Erosion and sediment control measures shall be installed and maintained until all disturbed areas have revegetated in accordance with the Bland Development Control Plan 1999.

Note: On the spot fines may be imposed for non-compliance with this condition.

Residential Building Work

17. Any licensed contractor(s) *performing* **residential building work valued at \$20,000 or more** must obtain indemnity insurance as required by the Home Building Act 1989. Evidence of such insurance must be provided to the Principal Certifying Authority (PCA) before building works commence.

Notes:

- This condition is prescribed under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.
- If appointment as PCA, Bland Shire Council WILL NOT INSPECT any building work unless evidence of indemnity insurance has been provided. A copy of the Certificate of Insurance will suffice.

Temporary Onsite Toilet

18. A temporary on-site toilet is to be provided and must remain throughout the project or until an alternative facility meeting Council's requirements is available on-site.

Damage to Public Assets

19. The developer or his agent must undertake a site inspection of the adjacent kerbs, gutters, footpaths, walkways, carriageway, reserves and the like, prior to commencement of work and document evidence of any damage to existing assets. Failure to identify existing damage will result in all damage detected after completion of the building work being repaired at the applicant's expense.

PART D - REQUIREMENTS DURING WORKS

Approved hours of Construction

20. Construction work may only be undertaken in accordance with the provisions of the Environmental Protection Authority – Neighbourhood Noise Guidelines for Construction Noise as identified below:

DAY	HOURS	
Monday to Friday	7:00am to 8:00pm	
Saturday	8:00am to 1:00pm	
Sunday & Public Holidays	Nil	

Building Waste

21. The provision of a metal waste skip with self-closing lid or secure covering on-site for the duration of the construction to ensure that all wastes are contained on the site. The receptacle is to be emptied periodically to reduce the potential for rubbish to leave the site.

Note: On the spot fines may be imposed by Council for Pollution incidents.

Building Materials, Plant and Equipment

Note: On the spot fines may be imposed for non-compliance with this condition.

Stormwater Disposal

- 22. All building materials, plant and equipment are to be placed on the site of the development so as to ensure that pedestrian and vehicular access in public places is not restricted and also so that the road reserve is not damaged.
- 23. The guttering, downpipes and stormwater system is to be installed and connected to the approved disposal point in consultation with Council, as soon as the roof tiles or roof sheeting is positioned to prevent erosion of the site from roof water.

Soil and Water Management

24. All practical measures must be taken to ensure erosion and subsequent sediment movement off-site does not occur.

In particular, a silt fence or equivalent must be provided downhill from the cut and fill area (or any other disturbed area). The fence must be regularly inspected and cleaned out and/or repaired as necessary and all collected silt must be disposed of to the satisfaction of the Principal Certifying Authority (PCA).

Unnecessary disturbance of the site (eg excessive vehicular access) must not occur.

All cuts and fills must be stabilised or revegetated as soon as possible after the completion of site earthworks.

PART E - REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

Public Infrastructure

25. The applicant shall rectify any damage to public infrastructure (including roads, gutters, footpaths, street trees, etc) prior to the issue of the Occupation Certificate at no cost to Council.

Occupation Requirements

26. No person is to use or occupy the building or alteration that is the subject of this approval without the prior issuing of an Occupation Certificate.

Ground Levels

27. Finished ground levels are to be graded away from the buildings and adjoining properties must achieve natural drainage. The concentrated flows are to be dispersed down slope or collected and discharged to the stormwater drainage system.

Approval to operate the on-site sewage management system

28. Prior to the issue of a final occupation certificate, the applicant shall obtain approval from Council under the Local Government Act 1993 to operate the approved on-site sewage management system.

Note: Applications to operate an on-site sewage management system must be renewed every 1, 3 and 5 years (as applicable).

Street Numbering

29. The applicant shall apply to Council for written confirmation of the allocated street/road address(s) or house number(s) for the development. These allocated street/road address(s) or house number(s) shall be displayed at the property in accordance with the requirements of AS/NZS 4819 – Geographic information – Rural and urban addressing.

Garbage disposal and recycling facilities

30. The Applicant shall make suitable arrangements with Council for garbage disposal and recycling facilities for each dwelling, prior to the occupation of the building(s) or commencement of the use.

Vehicle Access

31. The construction of the vehicular access is to be completed in accordance with requirements of BDCP.

Completion Requirements

32. All of the foregoing conditions are to be at the full cost of the developer and to be completed prior to the issuing of an Occupation Certificate, unless stated otherwise.

Conditions of consent have been imposed to:

- 1. Ensure the proposed development:
 - a) achieves the objects of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979;
 - b) complies with the provisions of all relevant environmental planning instruments;
 - c) is consistent with the aims and objectives of Council's Development Control Plans, Codes and Policies.
- 2. Ensure that the relevant public authorities and the water supply authority have been consulted and their requirements met or arrangements made for the provision of services to the satisfaction of those authorities.
- 3. Minimise any potential adverse environmental, social or economic impacts of the proposed development.
- 4. Ensure that all traffic, carparking and access requirements arising from the development are addressed.
- 5. Ensure the development does not conflict with the public interest.

LAPSING OF DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

Development consent does not lapse if the approved use has actually commenced or the proposed work is physically commenced before the consent lapse date, except where a condition specifies a limit to the duration of the consent.

RIGHT OF APPEAL

If you are the applicant:

You can appeal against this decision in the Land and Environment Court within twelve (12) months of the date of this notice (section 97 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979).* You cannot appeal, however, if a Commission of Inquiry was held and the development is designated development or state significant development.

REVIEW OF DETERMINATION

An applicant may request the Council to review this determination within one (1) year after the date the applicant received this notice. The prescribed fee must be paid with the request for a review. Once the review is completed the Council may confirm or change the determination.

If there is an appeal, the period of time within which Council may undertake a review is extended up to the time the Court hands down its decision.

A Review cannot be requested for:

- a determination to issue or refuse to issue a complying development certificate, or
- a determination in respect of development, or
- a determination in respect of integrated development, or a determination made by Council under Section 116E in respect of an application by the Crown.
- designated development, or
- a determination in respect of integrated

Ray Smith General Manager

Date of Notice: 5 July 2016

9.4 Investigation into Locations for a Visitor Information Centre McCann Park Options (Revised – July 2016)



DP 16.0 Community satisfaction with the quantity and quality of tourist information and resources provided by Council

Author: General Manager

Officer's Recommendation:

- 1. That given the fact there are no funds allocated in the current budget for the construction of a standalone Visitor Information Centre, at any location within West Wyalong, that this matter be deferred for consideration by the new council following the September 2016 local government elections.
- 2. That the current trial of having the Visitor Information Centre operate seven days per week from the Bland Shire Library continue to at least 31st December 2016, pending a decision by the new council.

Introduction

I refer to many previous reports on this particular issue and provide the most recent timeline for the information of councillors

- Council previously determined to narrow the possible locations for a VIC down to three: 184 Main Street / McCann Park / The Library;
- Council then resolved to call for EOI's for the management and operation of a VIC from local business people;
- Council then determined that 184 Main Street was no a longer under consideration;
- On the initial call for EOI's three (3) were received being from Lorraine Williams Photography / Splatter Gallery & Art Studio / Gary & Caroline Shaw
- On the second call for EOI's a total of three (3) were received being from Splatter Gallery & Art Studio / Gary & Caroline Shaw / The West Wyalong Services & Citizens Club.
- Lorraine Williams Photography was withdrawn as her proposal involved relocating her business to 184 Main Street.
- Council then at its meeting held on 15 March 2016 resolved that "the proposed location of a Visitor Information Centre be McCann Park and the costings be referred to the budget workshop (on 5.4.16)".
- Council then at an Extraordinary Meeting held on 5 April 2016 considered a Rescission Motion – that the decision made on 15 March be rescinded. The outcome was that the rescission motion was carried on the casting vote of the mayor. It was then resolved at the same meeting that – Council defer a decision on the site for delivering VIC services to the public until the July 2016 meeting and in the interim the general manager identify and cost other options for VIC services to be provided from McCann Park.

I have obtained costings on placing a train carriage or a demountable adjacent to the existing Cafe Peckish facility as I do not believe that destroying the aesthetics of the Shire's premier park, by placing a structure within the park grounds, is in the best interests of our community. (See attached diagram).In the absence of any other suggestions I have not wasted my time on investigating other possible options, particularly given the history of this ongoing issue.

Apart from the mayor the only councillor to discuss this issue with me was Councillor Lord.

The costings I have provided make allowance for the estimated cost to connect water and power as well as site improvements. I have also included the estimated ongoing costs related to staffing, cleaning and maintenance and utilities. A separate costing, with a range from \$50,000.00 to \$130,000.00 has also been included in respect to fitting out a VIC, dependant on the level of service and technology to be provided.

If any councillor wishes to challenge these figures I would suggest that they have their alternate costings available prior to the meeting.

Conclusion

It is my personal opinion that this whole debate should be deferred and made a priority for the newly appointed council after the 10th September 2016 elections. My concern is that a decision may now be rushed to achieve an outcome prior to the end of this council's term and that that outcome may not be the most beneficial or cost effective for council or the community.

In addition, the fact that there is no current budget allocation for such works makes it an unlikely project within the current financial year.

Financial Implications

The only funds in the current budget are \$150,000.00 that was carried forward from 2015/16 and which was earmarked for the fit out of 184 Main Street, which is no longer an option.

The following costings relate to the specific council resolution to consider locating a VIC in McCann Park and do not include the Cafe Peckish scenario. The cost of staffing the Centre is based on paid employees of council and no allowance has been made for volunteers.

Locating a Train Carriage in McCann Park

Purchase Price - \$69,000.00 Transport to McCann Park - \$3,500.00 Modifications - \$30,000.00 Site Improvements - \$40,000.00 Staffing p.a. - \$150,000.00 Maintenance & Cleaning p.a. - \$10,000.00 Fit Out and technology - \$50,000.00 to \$130,000.00 **Total - \$352,000.00 to \$432,500.00**

Locating a Demountable Building in McCann Park

Purchase Price - \$145,900.00 Modifications - \$30,000 Site Improvements - \$40,000.00 Staffing p.a. - \$150,000.00 Maintenance & Cleaning p.a. - \$10,000.00 Fit Out and technology - \$50,000.00 to \$130,000.00 **Total - \$425,900.00 to \$505,900.00**



9.5 LGNSW Annual Conference 2016

Our leadership Setting a benchmark for community standards

Vision: A well run council acting as the voice of the community

DP14.1 Ensure councillors are provided with appropriate support and resources to carry out their civic duties.

Author: General Manager

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council determine its preferred level of representation at the LGNSW Annual Conference being held in Wollongong from 16-18 October 2016.

Introduction

This year's annual LGNSW Conference is being held in Wollongong from Sunday 16 to Tuesday 18 October 2016 at the WIN Entertainment Centre.

There are no further details available at this stage regarding registration costs or draft program.

Council is allocated one voting delegate at this conference but may nominate as many observers as they wish. It has been the usual practice of this council to nominate the mayor of the day as the voting delegate and it has been left up to the other councillors to determine if they wish to attend.

Conclusion

The Conference is the annual policy-making event for all councils of NSW as well as Associate members and the NSW Aboriginal Land Councils. It is the pre-eminent event of the local government year where local councillors come together to share ideas and debate issues that shape the future of local government in NSW.

I appreciate that there will be a new council come September, however, to ensure registration and accommodation are in place an early indication of at least the number of attendees would be appreciated. Staff can then put in place the necessary arrangements with the finer details(actual councillor names) at a later stage.

Financial Implications

Funds for this purpose have been allocated in the current budget for up to four (4) delegates.

9.6 Draft Riverina – Murray Regional Plan

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DP22.2. Ensure a sustainable environment for current and future generations through effective management and planning for the long term future by ensuring that appropriate land is zoned and available to support business and industrial growth.

Author: General Manager

Officer's Recommendation:

That council receives and notes the information regarding the Draft Riverina – Murray Regional Plan and further that council endorses a submission prepared by council staff based on the issues detailed in this report.

Introduction

Councillors will be aware of the release of the Draft Riverina – Murray Regional Plan, (a copy of which has been provided previously to all councillors), which is basically a "Land Use Planning Document'.

A workshop was held on 8th June at the council chambers and council's Deputy Mayor was in attendance and Councillor McGlynn has her own impression of the draft plan.

Council staff are now in the process of developing a response which will be based on the following issues:

- Agriculture and the agribusiness sector
- Social and community infrastructure
- Transport infrastructure and networks
- Mining and exploration
- Telecommunications
- Energy
- Water
- Industrial Lands

Any councillor should also feel free to raise any issue of concern that could be included in council's submission.

I am also aware that organisations such as GrainCorp, Plainswater and Evolution Mining are making separate submissions to the draft plan. All submissions will need to be lodged by the closing of **21st July 2016.**

Conclusion

The draft plan has already been through all State Government departments as well as Cabinet and the contents have been agreed to at that level. However, we are being told that any issues arising from the consultation period will be taken into consideration.

Information from the Department of Planning and Environment is that the plan is a basis for policy direction and is not meant to include fine detail or background information.

Financial Implications

Nil to this report.

SECTION 3 – CORPORATE, COMMUNITY & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

9.7 Financial Statements – June 2016

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DP14.4 Ensure the long term financial sustainability of Council through effective and prudent financial management.

	Author	Director Corporate,	Community &	Development Services
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Officer's Recommendation:

- 1. That Council receive and note the statement of Bank Balances, Rates Collections and Investments for the month of June, 2016
- 2. That Council confirms the payment of accounts, for the period 01 June to 30 June 2016, summarised in the accounts summary totalling \$628,833.43

STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES, RATES COLLECTIONS AND INVESTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 2016.

BANK BALANCES AS AT 30TH JUNE, 2016

ACCOUNT	BALANCE
General Fund BCard	\$ 628,833.43 \$ 15,990.00 \$ 644,823.43
Invested Funds	
Fixed Deposits Deposits at Call	\$16,200,000.00 \$ 1,495,001.86 \$17,695,001.86
Net Balance	\$18,339,825.29
Percentage of investment to Net Balance	96.48%

STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES AS AT 30.06.16

SUBMITTED TO THE ORDINARY MEETING JULY 19TH, 2016

Balance as at 01.06.16		\$ 3,936,391.15
Add Receipts		
For month of June 2016		\$ 677,383.60
Includes		
Receipt Date.	Receipt Name	Received Total
Receipt Date. 16/6/16	Receipt Name Transfer from Cash at Call	Received Total \$500,000.00
Date.	-	
Date. 16/6/16	Transfer from Cash at Call	\$500,000.00

For month of June 2016 \$3,984,941.32-Includes

Payment Date.	Payee Name	Payment Total
2/6/16	Transfer to Cash at Call	\$2,500,000.00
7/6/16	Bank Cheque – Purchase of property	\$315,228.91
15/6/16	Downer EDI Services	\$650,170.53
30/6/16	Manso Holdings – Gravel	\$353,416.58
30/6/16	Rod's Earthmoving & Excavation	\$251,900.00
Cash Balance		\$628,833.43
Limit of Overdraft Arrang	ed with Bank	\$ 350,000.00

ACCOUNTS SUMMARY

The following is a summary of accounts paid for the period June 01, 2016 to June 30, 2016.

I CERTIFY,

That the accounts included in the accounts summary and totalling as detailed under:-

Fund		Voucher No.s	
Cheques		024900 - 024927	Total \$ 378,501.83
Auto-pay	Creditors	E007968 – E008338	\$ 2,692,039.01
Auto-pay	Payroll	5/6 – 26/6	\$ 401,985.70
June Bank Cha	rges & Commission et	с	\$ 1,712.05
Direct Debits		Repayments, Vehicle Lease, Cash at Call Transfer	\$510,702.73
			\$ 628,833.43

- 1. Are fully supported by vouchers and invoices and have been fully registered.
- 2. The responsible officer concerned has certified that the goods for which respective accounts are submitted have been rendered to order and/or that the services for which respective accounts are submitted have been rendered according to order.
- Official orders have been issued for the supply of such goods and services. The goods for which respective accounts are submitted have been checked with the entries in the goods order book.
- 4. The prices and computations of every account are correct.
- 5. The prices for the goods supplied or services rendered under the contract or quotation in accordance therewith and in all cases the prices charged are according to order and as far as I am able to ascertain fair and reasonable.
- 6. The provisions of the Local Government Act, 1993 and Regulations in connection therewith have been complied with.

Further I also certify that the Ledger has been reconciled with the bank statements for the last preceding monthly period.

Director of Corporate, Community & Development Services

CERTIFICATE OF GENERAL MANAGER

This accounts summary, a copy of which was submitted to each member of Council on the 19th July 2016, has been checked and is fully supported by vouchers and invoices. These vouchers have been duly certified as to receipt of goods, the rendition of services, to prices and computations, and to costings.

General Manager

CERTIFICATE OF CHAIRMAN OF ORDINARY MEETING

I certify that this accounts summary, covering amounts totalling \$3,984,941.32 was submitted to the Ordinary Meeting on the 19th July 2016 and that the amounts are presented to Council for confirmation of payment.

Chairman of Ordinary Meeting

RATES REPORT

Below is a summary of the outstanding rates.

	Period To Date Total	Year To Date Total
Council Total		
Outstanding Total	\$22,662.70	\$9,204,794.14
Received Funds	-	-
Total	\$300,479.40	\$8,638,577.04
<u>Overall Total</u>	-	\$566,217.10
	\$277,816.70	

As at the 30 June 2016, there was \$566,217.10 in outstanding rates and levy's. This equates to 6.15% outstanding, a reduction from the previous 5 years.

Previous Years Outstanding Rates

2014/15	7.31%
2013/14	7.58%
2012/13	6.48%
2011/12	7.08%
2010/11	6.95%

Accounts, Sewerage Fund and Combined General Account.					
DATE	INVESTED WITH WHOM	INVESTED AMOUNT	TERM	YIELD	DATE DUE
05-August-2014	Bank of QLD (Floating Rate Note)	1,000,000.00	731 days	0.95% + BBSW	05-August-2016
19-January-2016	Bank of QLD (Term Deposit)	1,000,000.00	182 days	3.05%	19-July-2016
03-March-2016	NAB (Term Deposit)	1,000,000.00	152 days	3.09%	02-August-2016
02-May-2016	NAB (Term Deposit)	1,000,000.00	182 days	3.12%	31-October-2016
23-May-2016	NAB (Term Deposit)	1,000,000.00	182 days	3.01%	21-November-2016
16-May-2016	NAB (Term Deposit)	1,500,000.00	182 days	3.01%	14-November-2016
01-April-2016	Rural Bank (Term Deposit)	1,000,000.00	186 days	3.15%	04-October-2016
22-June-2016	Bankwest (Term Deposit)	2,000,000.00	180 days	2.85%	19-December-2016
08-September-2015	Bendigo Bank (Term Deposit)	400,000.00	366 days	2.95%	08-September-2016
08-September-2015	Bendigo Bank (Term Deposit)	400,000.00	366 days	2.95%	08-September-2016
08-September-2015	Bendigo Bank (Term Deposit)	400,000.00	366 days	2.95%	08-September-2016
15-March-2016	NAB (Term Deposit)	2,000,000.00	184 days	3.12%	15-September-2016
23-March-2016	People's Choice (Term Deposit)	500,000.00	181 days	3.05%	20-September-2016
16-March-2016	Heritage (Term Deposit)	1,000,000.00	153 days	3.20%	16-August-2016
16-March-2016	Heritage (Term Deposit)	1,000,000.00	211 days	3.20%	13-October-2016
16-March-2016	Bank of QLD	1,000,000.00	182 days	3.05%	14-September-2016
	ANZ Deposit at Call	50,775.26	Cash at Call		
	CBA Deposit at Call	1,444,226.60	Cash at Call		
	TOTAL:	17,695,001.86			

INVESTMENTS The following table gives details of Council's Funds invested at 30th June 2016. The funds consist of monies from the Bank Accounts of the Trust Funds, Reserve Accounts, Sewerage Fund and Combined General Account.

I certify that the above investments have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, the Regulation and Council's Investment Policies.

I certify that the above investment has been reconciled with Council's General Ledger Accounts.

Director Corporate Community & Development Services

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9.8 Local Government Remuneration Tribunal

Our leadership	Setting a benchmark for community standards
Vision: A well ru	in council acting as the voice of the community

DP14.3 Ensure Councillors are provided with appropriate support and resources to carry out their civic duty

Author: Director Corporate, Community and Development Services

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council adopt the 2.5% increase in Mayor and Councillor fees for the 2016/17 financial period.

Introduction

The most recent determination of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal, in respect to fees and charges to be made to Mayors and Councillors has been released.

Pursuant to section 241 of the LG Act the Tribunal determines in each category of council, the maximum and minimum amount of fees to be paid to mayors and councillors of councils, as well as chairpersons and members of county councils.

In determining the maximum and minimum fees payable to each of the categories, the Tribunal is required, pursuant to section 242A of the LG Act, to give effect to the same policies on increases in remuneration as those that the Industrial Relations Commission is required to give effect to under section 146C of the Industrial Relations Act 1996 (IR Act), when making or varying awards or orders relating to the conditions of employment of public sector employees.

The current policy on wages pursuant to section 146(1)(a) of the IR Act is articulated in the Industrial Relations (Public Sector Conditions of Employment) Regulation 2014 (Regulation). The effect of the Regulation is that public sector wages cannot increase by more than 2.5 percent, and this includes the maximum and minimum fees payable to councillors and mayors.

The Tribunal has reviewed the key economic indicators, including the Consumer Price Index and Wage Price Index, and finds that the full increase of 2.5 percent available to it is warranted. Tribunal considers that an increase of 2.5 percent in the maximum and minimum fee for each category of councillor and mayoral office, including county councils, is appropriate and so determines.

Conclusion

Bland Shire Mayor and Councillor Fees are currently set at the maximum allowable rates.

The tribunal has set an allowable increase of 2.5 percent in line with Public Sector Employees and Council should give consideration to again adopting the maximum allowable Rate recommended by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal.

Local Government Remuneration Tribunal

Table 3: Fees for General Purpose and County Councils				
Councillor/MemberMayor/ChairpersonCategoryAnnual FeeAdditional Fee				
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
General Purpose Councils				
Rural	8,540	11,290	9,080	24,630

Financial Implications

COUNCILLOR FEES – PER ANNUM

Current	2.5% Increase	2016/17
Remuneration		Remuneration
\$11,010	\$280	\$11,290

ADDITIONAL MAYORAL FEE – PER ANNUM

Current	2.5% Increase	2016/17
Remuneration		Remuneration
\$24,030	\$600	\$24,630

The overall increase in fees equates to \$3,120.
9.9 Strengthening Communities – West Wyalong Clay Target Club



Vision: Providing great community facilities for everyone to enjoy

*DP*7.4 Assist community groups to provide activities to the wider community

Author: Community Relations Officer

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council approve a Strengthening Communities grant of \$1188 to the West Wyalong Clay Target Club towards the purchase of targets for its 2016 open shoot.

Introduction

The West Wyalong Clay Target Club has applied to Council for a Strengthening Communities grant to support its annual open shoot on Sunday 25 September.

The West Wyalong Clay Target Club Open Shoot is a clay target competition which is advertised Australia wide and expected to attract 80-100 competitors from the local area, across New South Wales and interstate.

The competition is held over four rounds where competitors fire at 30 clay targets each round. The event is co-ordinated by members of the West Wyalong Clay Target Club who have made a considerable effort to attract visitors to the competition. Visiting competitors are expected to begin arriving on Friday 23 September to prepare.

In March 2016, Council adopted a revised Community Grants and Donations Policy which states, in part –

"To encourage and promote sustainability, grants and donations for all recurrent community events and programs will reduce on a sliding scale of at least 25 per cent per annum or funding application, to a maximum of 10 per cent of the initial funding level for the life of the project/event".

The applicant is aware of the revised Grants and Donations Policy and has adjusted its application accordingly.

Council provided grant funding of \$1584 to the Clay Target Club in 2015 to fund the purchase of targets and the club is seeking financial support of \$1188 (75 per cent, in accordance with the policy) to assist with the cost of purchasing clay targets for use at the 2016 open shoot. The club will meet other expenses including catering, prizes, trapper and administration costs from its own funds as well as making a significant in-kind contribution through the voluntary contribution of members.

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Conclusion

The West Wyalong Clay Target Club open shoot will attract a high number of visitors to the Bland Shire and contribute significantly to the local visitor economy.

Financial Implications

Council currently has a balance of \$50,000 in its Strengthening Communities budget.

9.10 Strengthening Communities Grant – West Wyalong Bowling Club



7.4 Assist community groups to provide activities to the wider community

Author: Community Relations Officer

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council approve a Strengthening Communities Grant of \$390 for the West Wyalong Bowling Club to assist with the cost of hosting the West Wyalong Women's Spring Carnival.

Introduction

The West Wyalong Bowling Club (WWBC) has applied for a Strengthening Communities grant to assist with the cost of hosting the West Wyalong Women's Spring Carnival on 17 and 18 September 2016.

Organisers are expecting up to 32 teams of triples from the local area, Riverina and Central West regions and as far away as Canberra.

Council has been a strong supporter of the tournament in the past in recognition of its value to the local economy in providing financial benefits to motels, restaurants and other local businesses. The event also provides affordable recreational activities for local players, who struggle to travel to major tournaments outside the area, promote social interaction opportunities and support the health and well-being of the participants.

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Council provided grant funding of \$525 in support of the tournament in 2015 and, in accordance with the adopted policy, the Bowling Club is eligible to apply for up to \$393.75 in assistance to support the 2016 tournament.

The applicant has been made aware of the revised Grants and Donations Policy and is pleased to work with Council towards creating a fully self sustainable event which can continue to deliver widespread community benefits without the reliance on Council funding.

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The Bowling Club is requesting funding of \$390 to assist with the cost of tournament promotion and umpires and scorers.

Conclusion

The tournament will promote tourism within the community and provide a source of social interaction and recreational activity for local and travellers alike. Local businesses will benefit from the influx of visitors, including local fuel stations, food outlets, hospitality outlets and motels. This request meets the objectives set out in Councils Community Strategic Plan. Council has provided similar financial support for this tournament in recent years.

Financial Implications

Council has \$50,000 available in its Strengthening Communities grant fund.

9.11 Strengthening Communities Grant – West Wyalong Rodeo



DP 3.2 Promote, facilitate and support a thriving cultural/regional arts community

Author: Community Relations Officer

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council approve a Strengthening Communities Grant application from the West Wyalong Horse Sports and Rodeo Association for \$5300 in funding and \$500 in-kind support to assist with the provision of infrastructure, insurance, livestock, advertising and signage for the West Wyalong Rodeo on Sunday 2 October.

Introduction

The West Wyalong Horse Sports and Rodeo Association plans to hold a rodeo in West Wyalong during the October long weekend on Sunday 2 October.

Taking advantage of an opening on both the community and rodeo calendar, the West Wyalong event is fully affiliated with the Australian Bushmen's Campdraft and Rodeo Association (ABCRA) which will allow riders to compete for full points towards the national finals in January 2017 and should ensure a large field of travelling competitors and fans.

To be held at the West Wyalong Horse Sports and Rodeo grounds, the rodeo will be managed by the local committee under the ABCRA guidelines.

The committee is expecting a crowd of approximately 500 people to attend the event and any profits made will be used to improve the rodeo grounds as well as planning for the 2017 rodeo.

The influx of visitors to West Wyalong will provide a boost to the local economy while also providing entertainment for local residents.

The committee is seeking grant funding of \$5300 from Council towards the costs of infrastructure, insurance, stock and advertising as well as \$500 in in-kind support for the provision of event signage.

Conclusion

The West Wyalong Rodeo will also provide a significant tourism and economic boost to the local economy as well as providing a source of entertainment for the locals. Part of the profits made will be put back into the permanent facilities at the rodeo grounds for local residents to utilise all year around.

The Horse Sports and Rodeo Committee is committed to working with Council towards a sustainable event which will deliver multiple long term benefits to the community without relying on ongoing grant funding.

Financial Implications

There is currently \$50,000 available in Council's Strengthening Communities Grant Fund.

9.12 Strengthening Communities – Ungarie Bowling Club

Our	places	Where our sense of commun	rity shines

Vision: Providing great community facilities for everyone to enjoy

DP7.4 Assist community groups to provide activities to the wider community

Author: Community Relations Officer

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council approve a Strengthening Communities grant of \$650 to the Ungarie Bowling Club for the purchase of croquet equipment.

Introduction

A Croquet Club has been established at the Ungarie Bowling Club.

Despite limited resources, a group of up to 20 local residents and occasional visitors have began gathering weekly at the Bowling Club for a get together and game of croquet. The formation of a Croquet Club has already delivered tremendous physical, mental and social well being benefits and has seen interest in the sport take off.

In response to rising community demand, the Ungarie Bowling Club has applied to Council for a Strengthening Communities grant to help meet some of the costs of purchasing croquet equipment such as mallets, hoops and balls.

Members have already provided considerable in-kind support while the club has also raised \$250 in sponsorship and donations.

The Ungarie Bowling Club is seeking start up funding of \$650 from Council through its Strengthening Communities grants program.

Conclusion

The Ungarie Croquet Club will deliver a number of physical and mental benefits to the residents of Ungarie – particularly seniors.

Financial Implications

Council currently has a balance of \$50,000 in its Strengthening Communities budget.

SECTION 4 – REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Officer's Recommendation:

That the following reports, provided for information only, be received and noted:

- 9.13 Asset & Engineering Services Report
- 9.14 Community Services Report
- 9.15 Bland Shire Library Monthly Update
- 9.16 Children Services Monthly Update
- 9.17 Bland HACC Services Update
- 9.18 Development Services Activity Report
- 9.19 Economic Development & Tourism Report June

9.13 Asset & Engineering Services Report

Our infrastructure Reviewing, renewing & improving our core community assets

Vision: Maintaining and improving the Shire's assets and infrastructure in a changing climate

13. Ensure that public places and facilities are well maintained and easily accessible.

Author: Director – Engineering Services

Introduction

The following work was carried out:-

- 1. NATIONAL AND STATE ROAD MAINTENANCE Routine maintenance as per single invitation contract carried out on MR57 South and SH17.
- 2. REGIONAL ROADS MAINTENANCE Bitumen patching carried out on MR57 north, MR231 and MR371.

3. REGIONAL ROAD REPAIR PROGRAMME

Pipe extensions are in progress on Mary Gilmore Way west.

4. LOCAL ROADS CONSTRUCTION RTR

Heavy patching in progress on the Quandialla Road.

5. SHIRE ROADS MAINTENANCE

- Bitumen patching carried out on the following:
 - o Quandialla Road
 - o Bygoo Road
 - o Tallimba Road
- Gravel Resheeting
 - o Beckom Road
 - o Dicksons Lane
- Guide posting has been done on a number of rural sealed roads, minor gravel patching and drainage works has been done on a number of unsealed roads within the shire. Drainage culverts have been cleaned out in various lanes within the Shire.

9.14 Community Services Report



DP3. Nurture a strong sense of community and enrich the cultural life for the residents of the Bland Shire

Author: Community Development Officer

Basin

Bland Shire Council partnered with Eastern Riverina Arts to deliver 'Basin', a new Australian play, to the Bland Shire Community. Basin was written by a collaboration of seven Riverina writers and has been described as 'a wonderful play, with an interesting & haunting storyline, clever acting, amazing lighting, visual & sound effects'. Basin screened at the Wyalong Hall on Friday 8 July - providing a great opportunity for Bland Shire residents to experience quality, professional theatre without the need to travel.

Goosebumps Movie Night

Community Services staff hosted a movie night featuring the new animated film 'Goosebumps' on Thursday 7 July in the Bland Shire Council Chambers. Over 50 people attended the event and enjoyed not only the movie but also an array of spooky snack food including mummie dogs, ghost pops and snakes in slime. The event was very well received by all in attendance.

Pitch Putt and Bowl Excursion

Community Services staff are due to head to Wagga on Friday 15 July on a booked out bus load of 24 young people for a jam packed day of 10 Pin Bowling and Pitch and Putt Golf. The group are set to enjoy two games of bowling and a round of golf at the Wiradjuri Pitch and Putt Golf Course. The trip was fully booked out more than a week in advance with participants aged 8 to 14 years – filling an entertainment void for young people in the school holidays.

Access Award

Bland Shire Council has nominated the Bland Shire Access Advisory Subcommittee for a National Disability Award under the category of Excellence in Justice and Rights Protection. A committee of Council, the Access Advisory Committee has been instrumental in the delivery and initiation of a number of activities including the Bland Shire Mobility Access Map, the Bland Shire Access Incentive Scheme, International Day of People with Disability celebrations and the annual Access Awards. Bland Shire Council is considered a leader in all things access among our rural counterparts so it is hoped the committee can be recognised for all their hard work and achievements.

A R Bluett Memorial Award submission

Bland Shire Council is currently preparing a submission for the 2016 A.R Bluett Memorial Award highlighting Councils achievements in the 2015 – 2016 year. The A R Bluett Memorial recognises excellence in Local Government. Council was short listed as a finalist last year.

Community Calendar

The Community Calendar feature on the Bland Shire Council webpage has recently been revamped to make the calendar far more user friendly and visually appealing. The calendar is used by Council staff and the community to promote upcoming events. Visitor numbers have increased dramatically to the calendar webpage and it has quickly become a valued resource for community members and visitors to find out what is happening in the Shire.

Facebook engagement

Bland Shire Council commonly utilises the social media platform Facebook as a highly effective means of engaging the community - allowing Council to provide information to community members in an extremely timely, cost effective and accessible fashion. Below are some figures showing the level of community engagement Council was able to achieve during the recent flood situation around the Shire. Council was able to reach over 43000 people with updates and information during the week of the flood - demonstrating that Facebook is a highly effective tool for engaging with and informing our community.

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9.15 Bland Shire Library Monthly Update

Our people	Our greatest and most important asset
	Vision: A strong, healthy, connected and cohesive community

DP 3.4 Monitor and provide up to date and relevant resources and programs within the library DP 4.4 Provide and monitor quality library services to the aged, people with disability, young people and families

Author: Senior Library Assistant

School Holiday Program

The library's July school holiday program – which included CD mosaics, cooking and clay making / modelling – was totally booked out with a collective total of 55 children attending the three sessions.

Author Visit

Jessica Smith, para-olympian and author, will attend Bland Shire Library on Wednesday 13 July to read her children's picture book 'Little Miss Jessica Goes to School'. A large number of parents and children have booked to attend the event including a group of 20 children from the Little Wattle Day Care Centre.

History Talk

Gerard Leahy will deliver a free history talk at Bland Shire library on Thursday 14 July at 2pm prior to the arrival of the 2016 Emirates Melbourne Cup at 3.10pm. Mr Leahy is the author of a two part series "Shirtsleeves to Shirtsleeves in Two Generations" which tells the story of his family, their part in Australia's rural history and their close connection to West Wyalong and the Melbourne Cup.

HSC Lock-in

A HSC Lock-in will be held at Bland Shire Library on Friday 5 August 5pm – 8pm. This will allow students studying for the HSC to have uninterrupted access to resources both within the library's physical collection and online. It will also give students the opportunity to study in a safe, comfortable and calm environment in preparation for their exams. It is anticipated that another HSC Lock-in will be held later in the year.

Giilanggalang Exhibition

Giilanggalang, Wiradjuri for "many stories," will be on display in the library 5 – 19 August 2016. The exhibition, which is a joint project between Riverina Regional Library and Eastern Riverina Arts, is currently travelling throughout the Riverina and showcases the diversity of contemporary Aboriginal arts practiced in our region. The exhibition is a unique collection featuring over twenty artists working on a miniature scale.

Tech Savvy Seniors

A Tech Savvy Seniors Program has been organised for August / September. The program includes a three part introduction to the Internet, email, cyber safety and sharing photos and attachments online. The training which will take place over six weeks is being funded by Riverina Regional Library (via a grant). The library has already taken a number of bookings which has prompted staff to look at providing additional training sessions.

Children's Book Week

Planning for Children's Book Week 22 – 28 August – a major highlight on the Library's calendar – is well underway. A competition has been sent out to all school within the Bland Shire and home schooled families. A display and various activities, including the ever-popular Amazing Race, are currently being organised with a number of schools already indicating that they will visit the library during Book Week.

Collection Review

A review of the library's collection was recently undertaken by RRL staff. As a result, the library is looking slightly different due to several collections being relocated to maximise patron usage. One such collection is the junior non-fiction (or information books) which previously had been integrated with the adult non-fiction. The junior non-fiction has now been separated from the adult non-fiction and relocated to the children's area as a stand-alone collection. Another collection to be relocated is the HSC Resource collection which is now more visible.

9.16 Children Services Monthly Update



DP 4.5 - Provide quality and affordable Family Day Care, Mobile Resource Unit, Vacation Care and Preschool services

Author: Children's Services Coordinator

Children's Services Unit

Interviews have been held this month to fill gaps in the casual staff 'pool' for the Children's Services Unit.

Mobile Resource Unit Playgroup & Ungarie Preschool

Some of the scheduled sessions for this month were cancelled due to road conditions with the flooding preventing access to many of the venues. A review of the current venues is currently being undertaken.

Vacation Care

The next Vacation Care program will be held from Monday 4 July – Thursday 14 July 2016. Planned themes are celebrations, a visit from the Local Aboriginal Land Council, a visit to HACC and a trip to the movies. Promotional materials have been distributed and bookings are now being taken.

Bland/Temora Family Day Care

Three educator Workplace Safety Audits have been completed this month. All educators undergo a full safety audit annually as a condition of their continued registration as a Family Day Care educator.

Coordination Unit staff are currently developing a Music workshop for the educators which will be held at our playgroup sessions in both West Wyalong and Temora on Tuesday 23 August and Thursday 25 August. Holly Brooks will be joining us to share some of her music and dances with the educators and children. Educators will then share one of their favourite music and movement pieces with each other over the new few playgroup sessions.

It takes a village (ITAV)

Two scheduled visits had to be cancelled this month due to flooding in the area. All other sessions included a play session incorporating numbers, counting and story time. The adults attending enjoyed making incense sticks. The planned activities for the cancelled sessions will go ahead in July.



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9.17 Bland HACC Services Update



DP 1 – Ensure health and support services and facilities address the physical, mental and general health needs of the community

Author: Community Care Coordinator

Bland Home and Community Care Service provided an information session with the assistance of Andrew Corrigan from Murrumbidgee Local Health District to residents of Bland Shire on how to access services and what services are available through My Aged Care. The session saw 20 locals attend and get some vital information if looking for services. Service providers where given the opportunity to present information and their services. People had the opportunity to ask questions and visit the facility.

The need for service though out the Bland Shire continues with enquiries for Domestic Assistance being the greatest at this time. We are still finding the process with My Aged Care to be time consuming for clients.

Social outings continue to be planned for the local areas, this is sometimes the only outings our clients have and they talk about them for weeks.

Bland Shire Council is working with Alzheimer's Australia to bring the Memory Van to West Wyalong and will be holding an information session on Healthy Brain Ageing at the Community Care Centre on 29 July 2016. The memory van will also do a stop in the Main Street on the Friday morning to give locals an opportunity to get some information. Information from the van is free and the van will be in the Main Street from 9am – 10.30am on Friday 29 July 2016.

Bland Home and Community Care Service continues to provide Home Care Level 2 packages, Social Support groups, Activity Days, Domestic Assistance, Respite Care and Dementia specific services. We also provide Yard Maintenance service and this service is becoming popular with people finding managing the yards harder.

We are also trying to mix local youth from schools with our clients and find the clients love to have the students visit.

9.18 Development Services Activity Report

Our leadership	Setting a benchmark for community standards
Vision: A well ru	n council acting as the voice of the community

DP17 Lead the community by example with sustainable, effective, efficient and customer focused practices

Author: Manager Development Services

Planning and Building Activities Update

Development Applications

The Council has received the following Development Applications during June 2016:

Application No	Address	Development
DA2015/0179	78 Boltes Road, West Wyalong	Removal of one (1) tree

The following DA applications were approved during June 2016:

Application No	Address	Development	Approval Date
DA2015/0177	8 Wilga Street, West Wyalong	Storage shed	6/6/2016
DA2015/0178	234 – 238 Neeld Street, West Wyalong	Change of use	17/6/2016
DA2015/0179	78 Boltes Road, West Wyalong	Removal of one (1) tree	29/6/2016

Planning Certificates

Twenty (20) Section 149 planning certificates were issued during June 2016.

Heritage Conservation Activities

The Heritage Advisor met with a representative of Roads and Maritime Services in relation to traffic impacts of the verandah proposed for the corner of Main and Church Streets. During the heritage advisor's visit in June work continued on Council's heritage inventory.

Regulatory Activities Update

Dog Attacks

There was **one (1)** dog attack reported during June 2016. From this **two (2)** Notices of Intention were issued to declare two (2) dogs as menacing dogs. **One (1)** Penalty Infringement Notice was issued for failure to prevent dog escaping.

Companion Animal Seizure and Impound Activities June 2016

Seizure Activities:	Dogs	Cats
Seized	13	4
Returned to Owner	8	0

Impounding Activities:	Dogs	Cats
Animals in pound at start of month	6	5
Incoming Animals		
Transferred from Seizure Activities	5	4
Dumped at Pound	18	5
Surrendered	11	1
Total Animals in Pound	40	15

Outgoing Animals		
Released to Owner	2	2
Euthanased	1	2
Rehoused	34	7
Sold	2	0
Died at Pound	1	0
Stolen	0	0
Escaped	0	0
Total Animals Leaving Pound	40	11
Animals in Pound at end of Month	0	4

9.19 Economic Development & Tourism Report - June

Our prosperity	Ensuring a vibrant and sustainable future
Vision: G	rowing our population and jobs
DP 16.0 Community satisfaction with the quantity and quality 19.0 Visitors and tourists are welcomed and make a positive DP19.1 Work with business and property owners to reju character DP19.2 Work with the tourism industry to identify and develo DP19.3 Visitor information is kept relevant and up to date DP20.0 Plan for a range of industries that build on the streng DP20.1 Encourage and actively seek out business and indust	e contribution to the community economy venate their businesses and shop fronts and encourage the maintenance of buildings with op products and services that appeal to visitors of the Shire gths of the Bland Shire to stimulate investment and employment
DP20.3 Actively promote the Business Development Assista	ance to new and existing businesses

Author: Senior Economic Development & Tourism Advisor

Newell Highway Website Analytics

	January	February	March	April	Мау	June
	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016
Pageviews	10,767	8,001	8,434	9,150	9,164	11,328
Visits	4,104	3,026	3,284	3,527	3,463	4,576
Visitors	3,101	2,285	2,467	2,667	2,583	3,442
Desktop	37.7%	44.6%	44.9%	40.2%	41.4%	41.0%
Mobile	41.2%	34.1%	35.5%	36.8%	34.2%	36.0%
Tablet	21.1%	21.3%	19.6%	23.0%	24.4%	22.9%



The NSW Free Flight Society

The NSW Free Flight Society events that will be held in 2016 include:

- May 28 1 June the 69th National Free Flight Championships
- June 2 4 the NSW Free Flight State Championships
- October 1 3 the NSW Vintage Power State Championships
- October 29 3 Wings Over West Wyalong

2016 Emirates Melbourne Cup Tour

Bland Shire Council was notified by the Victorian Racing Club that we had been selected to host the 2016 Emirates Melbourne Cup Tour on Thursday 14 July.





GrainCorp





BLAND SHIRE / WEST WYALONG 2016 EMIRATES MELBOURNE CUP TOUR

THURSDAY 14 JULY 2016

- Evolution Mining Community Breakfast 8:00 9:15 am McCann Park Public Event - Free
- Main Street Parade 9:30 10:00 am The main street parade will start at the Tattersall's Hotel and travel towards McCann Park Public Event - Free
- Bland Shire Council Library 3:10 3:30 pm Public Event - Free
- Fashions on the Field 7:00 10:00 pm West Wyalong S&C Club Cnr Monash & Gladstone Street West Wyalong Public Event - \$20 Entry Fee includes Canapés, Phantom Race Call and there will be an opportunity to purchase sweep tickets separately

The tickets to the Fashions on the Field can be purchased from Pink Velvet or the Bland Shire Council Chambers. The Victoria Racing Club (VRC) has donated two tickets for the winners of the Best Dressed Couple to attend the Melbourne Cup or another VRC race meeting. There will also be a \$200 dollar lucky door prize and sashes and prizes (gift vouchers) for the following categories:

- * The Best Dressed Man (\$100)
- * The Best Dressed Lady (\$100)
- * The Best Dressed Couple
- * The Best Hat (\$100)
- * The Best Gold Outfit (\$100)
- * Lucky Door Prize (\$200)
- Photo Booth
- * Best Decorated Shop Window







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2016 Bland Shire Events

<u>JUNE</u>

West Wyalong Markets - West Wyalong

<u>JULY</u>

West Wyalong Markets - West Wyalong 2016 Emirates Melbourne Cup Tour

<u>AUGUST</u>

Local Government Week - West Wyalong West Wyalong Markets - West Wyalong Weethalle Show - Weethalle

SEPTEMBER

Barmedman Show - Barmedman West Wyalong Markets - West Wyalong West Wyalong Charity Campdraft - West Wyalong

OCTOBER

Mirrool Silo Kick - Mirrool Barmedman Tractor Pull - Barmedman Barmedman Show - Barmedman West Wyalong Show - West Wyalong West Wyalong Markets - West Wyalong In the West Festival - West Wyalong West Wyalong camp Draft - West Wyalong NSWFFS Victoria State Champs - West Wyalong Ungarie Show – Ungarie

NOVEMBER

West Wyalong Markets - West Wyalong Business West Wyalong Christmas Carnival - West Wyalong NSWFFS Wings over West Wyalong - West Wyalong

DECEMBER

West Wyalong Christmas Markets - West Wyalong Carols by Candlelight - West Wyalong

NSW Government Meetings in June

- NSW Department Office of Environment & Heritage 7 June
- NSW Department Planning & Environment 8 June

Resilient & Sustainable Retail Skills Capability Workshops & Consultation Project In The Bland Shire

Bland Shire Council received funding to provide the following four workshops that were identified through the business survey, health checks that were undertaken by the Central West Business Enterprise Centre (BEC) and the Bland Shire Council. Through consultation with the Office of the Small Business Commissioner, Business West Wyalong, the Central West BEC and the Australian Retailers Association – Retail Institute (ARA Retail Institute), the ARA Retail Institute will deliver the following four workshops and business consultation:

• Monday 4th July Workshop

Creating Competitive Visual Merchandising For The Retail Environment – Sports Club – 6:00 to 9:00 pm

The increased competition and diversity of offer coupled with innovative and affluent fitouts puts more pressure on store owners and managers to ensure they are maximising their opportunity to gain customer attraction through the use of their visual merchandising and product placement. The visual connect is a new metric that has increasing importance for consumers and requires a more calculated approach to ensure the desired return on investment.

To grow in competitive retail environments, retailers need a well considered connect with their target customer, this is often most successfully delivered through the visual impact that is generated at a store level. This workshop investigates the key methods that contemporary retailers are embracing to quick consumer engagement.

- Engaging the consumer with a visual connect
- Getting your brand noticed with Visual Theatre
- Engineering promotions to drive interest and commercial outcomes
- Linking the experience to the profit

• Tuesday 5th July Workshop

Social Media & Marketing & Digital Retail Operating Success – S&C Club – 6:00 to 9:00 pm

To understand how to capitalise on the trends in social media and marketing, this workshop first explores the foundations of effective marketing and customer relationship management in the digital space.

It is suited to retail marketers who are looking to update their social media tools and digital promotional ideas to optimise online customer relationships and profitable outcomes.

- Online environment trends, market research and the e-consumer
- Online Business Strategy and Marketing including Branding
- Communicating and Promoting Online (SEM, SEO, Blogs, Social Networking, Email, SMS)
- Online Customer Relationship Management
- Online Measurement Tools and Metrics

These guide lines are then linked to a step by step plan to create marketing and social activities that ensure the customer's needs are always the focus.

Retail operations are the backbone and support the smooth process from customer contact through to final logistical delivery of the product.

The aim of this part of the workshop is to focus on the challenges, essential backend elements and measurement of great eCommerce to drive a sustainable competitive advantage through the online channel.

- Attract, Engage and Convert to sales
- Online Merchandising Challenges: Inventory, pricing, VM, variety assortment
- Multi-Channel Opportunities with Innovative technology for increasing sales
 and profits online
- Website Development and measurement for various technological platforms (Computer/Tablet/Mobile)
- Supply Chain Logistics & Online Fulfilment delivery and Returns Processes

• Wednesday 6th July Workshop

Sales & Service Excellence – Sports Club – 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Increasing levels of competition in the retail environment coupled with challenging global economic conditions have been the source of reinvention of customer engagement strategies across the retail industry. Identifying that product diversification and specialisation alone are not the key drivers of satisfaction for consumers, has lead retailers to reinvestigate the way that they deliver the in store experience as a unique element of their brand that adds a significant competitive advantage and profit opportunity.

No longer are we faced with the challenge of just great retail teams that provide professional and courteous service. For contemporary consumers their demands are much greater than that; with expectations of superior experiences woven with personality, theatre, engagement and stories to walk away with, we are also in the business of entertaining. To build a unique experience as a competitive advantage in today's retail climate requires calculated planning and excellent execution of a wellrounded experience package.

Throughout these sessions we are going to investigate ways that you can grow the sales and service standards within your business by reflecting on the following:

- Defining your service as a product
- The customer makes the choice
- The growing expectations in the world of service
- Creating six critical customer moments

• Thursday 7th July Workshop

Omni Channel: The First Steps – Sports Club – 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Multichannel retail has been discussed in a way that suggests it is something of a new phenomenon. This is largely due to the advent of online stores and mobile technology. Certainly, E-commerce and M-commerce are the latest additions to the multichannel mix and are fresh and interesting avenues for retailers to explore. However, the concept of multichannel existed long before the first online shopping basket or mobile app were twinkles in an excited developer's eye. The simple way of defining a multichannel retailer is that they sell to the public via more than one distribution channel - through mail order catalogues, bricks and mortar stores, online, and via mobile technology; the latter two being the most recent, and currently fastest growing channels.

Another common misconception surrounding multichannel is that retail always starts with a bricks and mortar presence, but again that's not true. If you look back at the history of Sears in the United States, who have long been established as a retail giant, they opened their first store in 1925 to complement their catalogue channel, which they launched in 1886.

The key benefit for retailers of being multichannel is that it gives more opportunities to get their product in front of customers whom they wouldn't have been able to reach with a single channel. This allows them to increase revenues and profitability, which is fundamentally what being in business is all about. Customer loyalty is one of the biggest challenges in today's retail market regardless of whether you're a single or multichannel retailer, therefore the more opportunities you have to get customers engaged with your product, the bigger your advantage. Consumers are now bombarded with so many messages persuading them to buy that, if retailers don't take this seriously, they're effectively conceding defeat to the opposition.

In this session we will examine how to integrate the broad extent of multichannel into retail with a strong focus on the online channel and the social context of marketing.

- Understanding multichannel foundations
- Adopting multichannel best practice
- Engaging the connected consumer
- Integrating traditional and digital marketing in multichannel

About The ARA Retail Institute

The ARA Retail Institute is the leading national body providing for the education, consulting and professional development needs of the Australian retail industry. The ARA Retail Institute specializes in consulting and education on a broad range of topics, including: Retail Buying, Financials, Visual Merchandising, Marketing, Operations, and Sales and Service Strategy. The ARA Retail Institute houses a suite of both accredited and non accredited training solutions from the Diploma of Retail Management to customized in-house training programs. This suite provides a diverse and flexible range of education products to suit the industry needs.

The ARA Retail Institute is committed to providing retailers with the skills and knowledge to develop the performance of their business and the talent that resides within. ARA Retail Institute programs are designed and facilitated by industry leading specialists to ensure they are practical, current and relevant to the needs of the industry we represent.

The ARA Retail Institute aims to be recognised as the pre- eminent, nationwide service organisation, providing retail expertise and advice for the diverse skill requirements of all retailers. We strive to deliver consistent results through the provision of quality training and consulting solutions fostered in an environment conducive to building commercial strength and growing industry talent.

NSW Department Planning & Environment

Bland Shire Council staff and industry representatives met with the NSW Department of Planning & Environment on 8 June.



L to R: Jim Maher, Nigel Lotz, Matt Williams, Nita Scott, Evan Elstein, Eric Strong, Elliot Willemsen-Bell, Wayne Garnsey, Michael Jones, Ray Smith, Will Dean, Joel Kitto, Bernard Toohey, Adele Casey, Lesley Duncan and Ben Eveleigh.

VIC Statistics – Period: January to June 2016





MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 19 JULY 2016



What to see/do and Other include questions about:

Old Buildings	Shopping
Gold History	IGA
Family History	Green Corridor
Events	Dump Points
Markets	Free Camping
Caravan repairs	Auto Electricians

VIC information during weekdays:

	January	February	March	April	May	June
Visits	135	185	147	210	189	154
Calls	20	23	27	19	8	8